

Old Brooklyn Farmers Market to open

Farmers markets have exponentially grown in popularity over the last two decades, both locally and nationally. These markets provide a direct connection for farmers and producers to offer products directly to customers. As more consumers prefer locally produced food, the farm-to-table movement generates more traffic at these markets. Over two dozen markets exist throughout northeast Ohio, but a gap has existed in central Cuyahoga County with none immediately near Old Brooklyn.

The Old Brooklyn Farmers Market will start on Thursday, August 7th, and be held every Thursday until Sept. 18th from 4 pm – 7 pm at the MetroHealth Old Brooklyn Health Center, 4229 Pearl Rd. Sponsored by MetroHealth, the Old Brooklyn Farmers Market will serve the employees and residents of the community as well as surrounding communities in central Cuyahoga County.

“MetroHealth is proud to sponsor the Old Brooklyn Farmer’s Market. This initiative supports our mission to lead the way to a healthier you and a healthier community”

The Old Brooklyn Farmers Market is presented in partnership with the Tremont Farmers Market, which will offer for sale a variety of products including, but not limited,

ed, to fresh vegetables, cheeses, eggs, coffee, tea, meats, baked goods and more. In addition, local Old Brooklyn vendors such as the start-up Sirius Gardens will offer both fresh produce and prepared foods.

Market Manager Jim Votava said about the partnership, “I am excited to develop another market unique to Old Brooklyn with the same high standards as the Tremont Farmers’ Market, now in its 9th season with over 40 vendors. Shoppers will be able to access local healthy foods from our vendors two days a week, less than a few miles apart.”

Old Brooklyn Farmers Market and Tremont Farmers’ Market are proud to accept SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) through the Ohio Direction Card. Bring Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards to the farmers market and obtain tokens which may be used to purchase fresh, local vegetables, fruits, dairy products, meat products, honey, preserves, baked goods, plants used to produce food at home and much more (but no prepared foods).

Visit the “Market Customer Service Tent” table to swipe a card and receive tokens before purchasing items. All other tokens purchased with the Ohio Direction

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These days it's Sirius Gardens' veggies, not Witthuhn's flowers, in W. Schaaf greenhouse



The too long abandoned Witthuhn's greenhouse is now filled with vegetables.

A new garden has sprung up in Old Brooklyn this year. Sirius Gardens is utilizing the greenhouse and lot at 1300 W. Schaaf Rd., formerly the home of Witthuhn Florist. They are growing vegetables from non-GMO (genetically modified organisms) seeds using strict organic gardening standards.

The owners are long-time friends Kyle Bailey, David Borrowman, Lucas Dunn, Shaun Malone and Anthony Payne. Dave, Anthony and Lucas are from Berea, Kyle grew up in Mentor, and Shaun grew up in West Palm Beach, Florida. Currently all five of them live in Cleveland.

Lucas said, "It's our first year and we are learning as we go, but growing healthy and organic, non-GMO food in Cleveland is a calling."

Lucas had been dreaming of owning a farm for many years and when he saw the greenhouse and lot on craigslist in early 2014, Sirius Gardens was born. The team is renting the greenhouse and land from Lisa Cortese, whose house is also on the property. They started working there in February.

The enterprise grows a variety of fruits and vegetables - tomatoes, peppers, kale, arugula, cucumbers, squashes, watermelon,

cantaloupe, beans, broccoli, pumpkins, gourds, figs and herbs (basil, cilantro, parsley, dill, thyme, marjoram and catnip).

The tomatoes are largely heirloom tomatoes, which are often better tasting but harder to grow and ship; they also spoil faster than modern varieties of tomatoes do. Sirius Gardens also sells koi fish and would like to expand to raising tilapia fish.

Sirius Gardens uses rain water for the fishery and nitrogen from the fish waste to help fertilize their plants. They bought waste manure from Vintage Alpacas in Brooklyn Heights to amend their outside soil and for raised beds. They use Espoma, Dr. Earth and locally sourced chicken manure granules, which are all OMRI (Organic Materials Review Institute) certified fertilizers. They also brew compost tea.

Lucas has approximately eight years of experience with aquaponics, hydroponics and raising fish. That includes a Fish Management and Aquaculture Associates Degree from Hocking College in Hocking Hills, Ohio; internships at Hazorea Aquatics in Israel, Blackwater Creek Koi Farms in Florida (where Sirius' koi come from), a pilot algae farm for the Illuminating Company in Southern Ohio, and an aquaponics farm outside of Columbus; he has also raised Australian redclaw crayfish.

The new entrepreneurs would like to acquire more land and utilize aquaponics technology to grow green leaf plants such as lettuces and herbs.

See *Sirius Gardens* page 5



The Old Brooklyn bicentennial history article will resume next month; there was too much current news to report this month to be able to include it..

Old Brooklyn Survey

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Destiny Rice

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Eleven year old Destiny Rice will be entering the sixth grade at Old Brooklyn Community Middle School later this month. Language Arts is her favorite subject, and she loves to read and write poetry. She would like to work in politics, be a corrections officer like her mother, or be an artist when she grows up.

Destiny is also the youngest member of the Second District Community Relations Committee, having been voted in last fall. Her latest work for the Second District was organizing lemonade stands to benefit Officer Hank Adkins, who was forced to retire after being diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease.

So far, Destiny has raised over \$1880 for Officer Adkins. Her most recent lemonade stand was at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 5801 Memphis Ave., and included a sales competition between Cleveland Ward 13 Councilman Kevin Kelley and Second District Captain Keith Sulzer. A third sale is planned for August 2nd at the Ohio City-Detroit Shoreway yard sale. Maps for the yard sale will be available at 5005 Franklin Blvd. from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Destiny has been going to Second District Community Relations meetings with her mother, Shannon Rice, and grandmother, Cyndi Carter, for as long as she can remember. Cyndi is Kevin Kelley's Administrative Assistant at his downtown office when he is functioning as Cleveland City Council President. Going to meetings with them sparked Destiny's interest and she has been volunteering for a few years.

Destiny has volunteered at Second District spaghetti dinners, children's Christmas parties, "Nights out against Crime", community baby shower at Providence House, and Safety Fairs at Lincoln West High School.

When asked why she wanted to get so involved, Destiny said, "It gives me some-

thing to do and makes people happy." Her mother added, "Destiny has always been a giving child and these opportunities were a natural fit."



Destiny Rice

Destiny and her "big time buddy" Captain Sulzer presented the funds which she helped raise to Officer Adkins at the Adkins' home. She said the Adkins' family was very grateful for the support and that family members attended the lemonade sale throughout the day. Shannon Rice shared, "It has brought me so much joy and pride watching her at the lemonade stand. She has been so selfless and giving."

Captain Sulzer and Destiny will be launching a new program, *Second District Kids Care*, this fall. Through the program, Second District children will help with neighborhood cleanups and snow shoveling and lawn care for seniors. Reflecting about the program Destiny stated, "Keith inspired me to do this stuff. I saw him working at different events and I thought it would be fun to do them."

Destiny is hoping to inspire other children and parents through *Second District's Kids Care*. She also helped Ward 13 Councilman Kevin Kelley deliver items to a resident on Archmere Ave. whose garage had been broken into. Cleveland Browns donated Browns memorabilia and Councilman Kelley donated carving and woodworking tools.

Second District's Kids Care will be setting up a Facebook page or website soon to

From the desk of the executive director

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The dog days of summer are here. What a great summer it has been here in Old Brooklyn, and around town in Cleveland.

Summer shows off our neighborhood quite wonderfully. As I have had the fortunate experience to tour Old Brooklyn with various visiting groups, reminders of how Cleveland lives are everywhere.

One tour was with a group of students from *Summer on the Cuyahoga*, a collaborative internship program between nearly ten colleges and universities around the country. The program brings students to Cleveland for the summer where professional internships train these young leaders by day, and civic and social programming in the evening sells them on Cleveland.

These college students were particularly intrigued by some of the greatest bounties of the neighborhood — a walk through the Ben Franklin Community Garden led to questions about sustainable farming; ice cream at Honey Hut led to deep discussions on neighborhood redevelopment which supports small businesses; and in stark contrast to outdated headlines, this group was shocked that neighborhoods such as South Hills, where multi-generational communities live well, exist in the city.

Our historic buildings and accessibility of Old Brooklyn left another tour group intrigued for the future possibility of the neighborhood. Along our main streets are buildings which tell stories of days gone by — banks, churches, fire stations and corner stores. Although many have since moved to new locations, the stately structures remain poised for creative investments to breathe new life into our storefronts.

These future real estate and architecture professionals also fell in love with our access to both the region and regional assets. The Cleveland Metroparks buttressing our residen-

tial community reminded them of some of the most desirable locations throughout the region, and our interstate access proved to them the opportunities for business to succeed.



In my mind, these visitor experiences are microcosms of what the Republican National Convention saw when exploring Cleveland — a mixture of what is relevant, what is true and what is different paint a great picture.

Along our north coast, the Cleveland Metroparks are reinventing what is possible with *Edgewater Live* every Thursday evening, while here in our neighborhood, the families of Old Brooklyn are continuing the American tradition of summer league softball and baseball. It is this combination of new and old this summer which has inspired me and drives our organization to carry out our mission.

Before summer hangs up its hat, be sure to enjoy every moment in Old Brooklyn and throughout all of Cleveland. The **Old Brooklyn Farmers Market** will make its debut on Thursday, August 7th, and run for seven weeks at the MetroHealth Old Brooklyn Health Center. **Burger Fest** will add to the festivities on August 14th with a variety of vendors from the neighborhood and region. Every weekend, and most weekdays, are packed with community festivals, concerts, art shows and displays of civic pride which highlight what a great city we have.

Enjoy those highlights but also enjoy priceless summer family time — barbecues in your yard, bike rides in the park and an evening stroll through Old Brooklyn. No matter your preferred summertime pleasures, cherish each moment in the neighborhood where Cleveland lives... and lives well.

keep everyone updated. The Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation will help get the word out after it's launched. Destiny would like to thank the following organizations for their support during the lemonade sales — Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Old Brooklyn Lawn Care, Michael Liner of Liner Legal, Georgio's Pizza, Julie Holiday, the Cleveland Browns, Cleveland Ward 15 Councilman and City Council

President Kevin Kelley, and Second District Captain Keith Sulzer.

More information about the lemonade stands, Second District Kids Care, Second District fundraisers, etc. can be found online at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Second-District-Community-Relations-Committee/132773990129064>.

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Old Brooklyn News

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BCN -- Spread the word to plant more trees

by Gloria Ferris
Brooklyn Centre Naturalists

If you have a sycamore or oak tree in your landscape, you may have one of the best energy-saving techniques on your tree lawn and/or in your back yard, and are a step head of people who don't have one.

In this time of rising utility costs and flat budgets, saving money may be as close as planting the right tree in the right place. Where temperature extremes exist in terms of cold winters and hot summers, strategically-located trees could reduce annual heating and cooling costs by 20-25% for a typical residential home.

During summer, trees reduce the overall temperature of the air by directly cooling it. The cooling happens as water evaporates from leaf surfaces much as skin is cooled by perspiration. Trees can also increase energy efficiency in winter; consider the geographic placement of the tree so that the maximum amount of sunlight strikes the building to warm it.

Another way that trees save energy in summer is by shading houses, paved areas and air conditioners. Shade from a tree reduces the amount of direct sunlight reaching homes and thereby reduces air-conditioning needs; trees make non-air conditioned homes more comfortable, too. Deciduous trees which lose all their leaves in fall are the best choice.

Planting deciduous trees so they will shade east-facing walls from 7 to 11 a.m. and west-facing surfaces from 3 to 7 p.m. during June, July and August will maximize the ben-

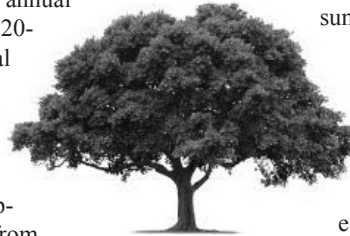
efits. Plant smaller deciduous or evergreen trees with lower limbs northwest and northeast of the building to provide late afternoon and early morning shade.

Trees planted to the southeast, south or southwest will only shade a building in the summer if they extend out over the roof. In the winter, when maximum sun is desired, such trees will provide too much shade. Even deciduous trees which have dropped their leaves cast quite a bit of shade in winter. Strategic placement of trees is critical here because of the extremes in winter and summer temperatures.

Air conditioners should also be shaded from mid-morning through evening. Prune branches to allow at least several feet clearance around the air conditioning equipment to encourage air flow. Shrubs should not be planted near the air conditioner or they will reduce air flow and cooling efficiency.

Trees should also be planted to shade paved areas. Light energy striking dark pavement like asphalt is absorbed, causing the air above to be heated. Light colored pavement absorbs less energy, but can reflect it toward a building. Tree leaves reduce heat and reflection as they absorb light energy and use it to evaporate water.

Trees not only provide wind protection, shade and cool air but also add beauty, privacy and wildlife habitat. Choosing the right tree and the right place is also environmentally friendly, making our neighborhoods inviting and sustainable for ourselves and others. (to be continued next month)



NEWS & EVENTS

Meeting Every Tuesday

Cleveland-Old Brooklyn Chapter of IRN
Dina's Pizza, 5701 Memphis Ave; 11:30 am - 1:15 pm. (IRN) International Referral Network, is a networking meeting open to all interested business owners. Get to know other local businesses & support each other in business & in other community-wide programs & events. Bring business cards. RSVP to Susan Lange, 440-669-4875.

Rising Harvest Farms

2014 Market Basket Share Sign-Ups
4103 Memphis Ave. Sign-up for 22 weeks of continuous local flavors. Visit "Market Basket" section of www.risingharvestfarms.org/market-place/market-basket-shares for details. **Brown free-range eggs for sale** from Farm's free-range hens. Fri., 3 - 6 pm & Sat., 10 am - 1 pm.

Now - September 16th

Historical Guided Walking Tours

Take a hike! **6 pm Tuesdays:** Playhouse Square -- meet at State Theatre Lobby, 1519 Euclid Ave.; **6 pm Thursdays:** Historic Gateway Neighborhood -- meet at Arcade, 401 Euclid Ave.; **10 am Saturdays:** Historic Warehouse District -- meet at Constantino's Market, 1278 W. 9th St.; **10 am Sundays:** Canal Basin Park -- meet at Settler's Landing RTA Station, 1025 W. Superior Ave.; **6 pm Wednesdays:** Civic Center Tour -- meet at Old Stone Church, 91 Public Square. Sponsored by Dollar Bank. Call 216-771-1994 or visit www.historicgateway.org for more info.

Tuesdays, Now - October 1st

Tremont Farmer's Market

Lincoln Park, 4 - 7 pm. Fruits, vegetables, eggs, cheese, honey, bread & more. Music, chef demos, nutrition information, local artisans, community groups, family fun. Call 216-575-0920 or visit www.tremontfarmersmarket.com for more info.

Now - Sunday, October 19th

Yael Bartana film: *Inferno*

Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage, 2929 Richmond Rd., Beachwood. Eighteen-minute film about hypothetical rebuilding of Solomon's Temple in Sao Paulo, Brazil; foreign film screened at only one other US location. Included with regular museum admission. Also special programs with reduced admission. Check website, www.maltzmuseum.org, for details.

Sundays, Now thru October

Kamm's Corners Farmers Market

Now thru Oct. In the Municipal Lot at W.168th St. & Albers. Every Sun., Now - Oct.; 10 am - 1 pm. Call Jenny Kelley, 216-252-6559, ext. 1400, or visit www.kamscornersfarmersmarket.org.

Now Thru November

Have A Heart Spay/Neuter Program

Valley Save-A-Pet, in cooperation with more than 25 veterinarians offering low-cost spay/neuter services. Call 440-232-2287-Mon., Wed., Thurs or Fri. between 11 am & 2 pm to obtain form or for more info. Feral cat caretaker call Mon. only.

Sunday, August 3rd

10th Annual Warehouse District Street Festival
12 - 8 pm. Delicious food from some of Cleveland finest restaurants/clubs, art show, art

demos, live music, children's activities, street performers, neighborhood booths, architectural walking tours, special "Take a Hike" tour, Cleveland's Cutest Dog Contest & much more.

Sunday, August 3rd

The FEST

28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe, noon - 10 pm. Annual free family festival for all ages. Entertainment, games, BMX shows, kids' areas, opportunities for prayer, tents with vendors from throughout area, giveaways & favorite festival foods. Grounds open noon with local Christian bands; 1:30 pm, *For King & Country*; 3 pm, *Colton Dixon*; 4:30 pm, *Mandisa*; 6 pm, *Third Day*; 8 pm, outdoor Mass; 10 pm, American Fireworks display.

Monday, August 4th

Cuyahoga County 6th Annual StreetFest

Sponsored by Cuyahoga Job & Family Services & Office of Child Support Services 10 am - 2 pm, E. 17th St. between Superior Ave. & Payne Ave.; free. Call 216-443-5100 or visit csea.cuyahogacounty.us for more info.

Monday - Sunday, August 4th - 10th

118th Cuyahoga County Fair

Cuyahoga County Fair Grounds, 164 Eastland Rd., Berea; 440-243-0090. Hours: Mon., 5 - 11 pm; Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., noon - 11 pm; Sat., 10 am - 11 pm; Sun, noon - 10 pm. Midway rides, 100 food stations, thousands of animals & exhibits. **Mon.** - \$2 admission with donation of non-perishable food item per person. **"Two for Tuesday's"** - Buy one fair gate admission & receive a 2nd fair gate admission free. **Wed. & Thurs.** -- free admission before 3 pm & all-day half-price ride bands for \$8 if purchased before 3 pm. Regular general admission (does not include rides): adults, \$7; seniors 60+ & children 4 -12 years, \$6; Junior Fair participants: 4H, Boy Scouts & Girl Scouts, FFA, etc. with valid membership card, \$2; children 3 & under & active military with ID card, free. Ride tickets: all-day ride bands - \$16; \$3 ride band daily after 9:30 pm. Also individual ride tickets. Free parking.

Tuesday, August 5th

National Night Out Against Crime

'Leave your porch light on'

Steelyard Commons, Home Depot parking lot; 5 - 9 pm. Sit inside an ambulance, fire truck, prisoner transport bus & police cruiser; free food & drinks all night. Live music & entertainment, free photos, face painting & glitter tattoos. Free child registration, courtesy of Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's office.

Thursday, August 7th

Free Self-Defense Training Class

Clark Recreation Center, 5706 Clark Ave; registration starts & light refreshments at 5 pm; program starts at 5:30 pm. Free & open to public. Learn basic Streetwise Self Defense & Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) techniques. To register call 216-363-2019 or email GON-ZALJ5@ccf.org

Saturday, August 9th

Beer at the Pier

Edgewater Park Lakefront Reservation, 6500 Cleveland Memorial Shoreway; 7 pm. General admission ticket, \$35. Must be 21 or older; valid ID required. Ticket-holders get 25 two-ounce samples of craft beers from all over Ohio, brewery

checklist, live music from Erin Rossi & Thor Platter. Food from local food trucks, recreation groups & organizations available for purchase.

Saturday, August 9th - 16th

2014 Gay Games

Participant pre-party/parade of participants gathering at Progressive Field; 4 - 6 pm. Opening ceremony; 7 - 10:30 pm. Tickets: participants no additional ticket required if marching into ceremony, spectators \$20 - \$75. Around 7 pm, entertainment will feature guest artists, dancers, cheerleaders, the 2014 Gay Games community chorus & team marching band. Formal welcome speeches, the raising of the Rainbow Flag & the administration of the pledge taken by all participants. For more info & event week schedule visit: <http://www.gg9cle.com>.

Wednesday, August 13th

Westside Basket Guild

St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., upstairs hall. Class starts at 5 pm; come any time up to 6:30 to start weaving. Meets on second Wed. every month. **Aug. 13th, Napkin Basket;** \$13. **Sept. 10th, Potato Masher Basket.** \$16 with masher, \$12 without. Supplies to bring when weaving -- old towel, bucket, clothes pins, ruler, pencil, scissors. Call Connie, 216-749-7912, to RSVP.

Thursday, August 14th

Miracle Treat Day Carnival

Memphis Dairy Queen, 5501 Memphis Ave; noon - 10 pm. D.J., raffles, dunk tank, plinko, skeeball, etc. All proceeds from ticket sales will benefit Rainbow Babies and Childrens Hospital; for every blizzard sold, \$1 will also be donated.

Thursday - Sunday August 14th - 17th

Annual Feast of the Assumption

Mayfield Rd, between Euclid Ave. & border of Cleveland Hts. Park on side streets bordering festival. Fun-filled Italian street party with rides, food, arts & crafts booths, procession & live music stages playing everything from rock to *It's Amore*. Sponsored by Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Parish. Call 216 421-2995 for more info.

Thursday, August 21st

Ben Franklin Master Gardeners Talks

Ben Franklin Vegetable Demonstration Garden, 1905 Spring Rd. 10 am. Topic: *How & When to Use Row Covers, Sunshades & Low Tunnels.*

Monday, August 25th

Western Reserve Rose Society Meeting

North Royalton Public Library, 5071 Wallings Rd; 7 pm. Speaker: Dan Long from Brushwood Nurseries in Athens, Georgia. Refreshments. All welcome.

Sunday, August 31st

Slovak Festival

St. Anthony of Padua Hall, 6750 State Rd; noon - 8 pm. Music: Anthony Culkar Band & Frank Moravcik Band; cultural program, 3 pm. Homemade Slovak food. Admission: \$5 adults & teens; 12 & under free.

Cuyahoga County Public Library

Snow Branch - 2121 Snow Rd.

Zentangle® Inspirations Club - Thurs., Aug. 7th; 7 pm. New bimonthly club. Zentangle® is easy-to-learn & relaxing method of creating beautiful images from repetitive patterns.

Utilizing LinkedIn - Thurs., Aug. 21st; 6:30 pm., adult. A Career Counselors will help you set up your profile, find connections, join groups & more.

Saturday, September 13th

Pandemonium

Cleveland Public Theatre, 6415 Detroit Ave.; 7 pm. Complimentary beverages & top flight culinary delights all night long. Valet parking included. Tickets: \$150 (\$85 tax deductible) can be purchased online at CPTonline.org or by calling, 216-631-2727, ext. 205. RSVP by Sept. 1st. Can also call Caitie Hannon, 216-631-2727, or channon@cptonline.org for more info.

Saturday & Sunday, September 6th & 7th

Archwood Street Festival

Archwood Ave. between Pearl & Fulton Rds. Sat., 9 am - 6 pm & Sun., 10 am - 5 pm.

Saturday, September 20th

James Ford Rhodes Class of 79 Reunion

For information contact Joe at 440-829-8360 or jfirhodes_79@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Brooklyn Centre Naturalists -- no meeting this month instead a work day, Sun., Aug. 10th, 10 am to 1 pm, at garden at 3848 W. 36th St. Get closer to nature! Watch butterflies & listen to birds while sprucing up garden. Tools & gloves available.

Cleveland Republican Organization meeting, Tues., Aug. 12th (& every second Tues.); 7 pm. Brooklyn Hts., UCC, 2005 W. Schaaf Rd. Call 216-832-9195 for more info.

Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation board meeting, 6 pm, fourth Tues. of month; OBCDC meeting room, 2339 Broadview Rd. Meetings open to public for review & comments, but Board reserves right to close portions of meetings from public. Call 216-459-1000 to confirm.

Old Brooklyn Crime Watch meeting (picnic) - Brookside Park, Wed., Aug. 6th, 7 pm. Call Barb Spaan, 216-459-1000, for more info.

Second District Police Community Relations meeting, Tues., Aug. 12th (& every second Tues.), 7 pm, Applewood Center, 3518 W. 25th St.

Southwest Citizens Area Council meeting, every first Thurs., 7 pm, Gino's, 1314 Denison Ave.

Ward 13 Democratic Club meeting, Tues., Aug. 19th (& every third Tues.), 7 pm, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 5801 Memphis Ave.

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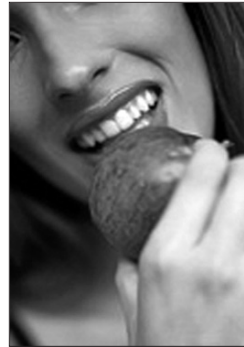
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Practice safe habits when enjoying harvest

by Phyllis Crespo
Ben Franklin Gardener

Many gardeners enjoy sharing the summer bounty with neighbors, friends, family and even local food pantries/hunger centers. When growing, harvesting and sharing produce, one should take the time to observe safety precautions and minimize the risk of food-borne illness.

Individuals who donate perishable food for distribution to the needy are immune from liability under Ohio Revised Code

2305.37. That means a person cannot be held liable if someone becomes ill from food donated to a food pantry or hunger center. Even though one needn't worry about getting sued after donating produce, one should still take steps to limit everyone's exposure to substances such as bacteria or pesticides.

Test the soil to rule out heavy metal contaminants and determine mineral content. If using commercial fertilizer, consider the chemical makeup of the fertilizer and how long the fertilizer will persist in the soil.

Raw manure is not generally recommended for use in the home garden, but composted manure and plant materials can be a good option. Keep the compost pile away from the garden, preferably downhill. Be sure that compost has been at a temperature of over 130°F for at least five days before using in the garden.

Whether using commercial fertilizer or organic compost, one must be sure not to over-apply soil amendments. Pesticide and fungicide should only be used according to label instructions to minimize residue on produce. Be careful not to over-apply them.

Non-potable water (water that is not safe for drinking) can introduce pathogens into the garden when used for irrigation. Use city water for your garden if possible. If you use well water, have it tested for safety.

Rain barrel water is non-potable; do not use it on edible plants. Water from a rain barrel can be used to water lawns and ornamental plants, however, it must be treated with 1/8 teaspoon of chlorine bleach per gallon (about one ounce for a 55 gallon barrel), to prevent the spread of pathogens, 24 hours



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prior to use.

Keep animals, including pets, out of the garden by using fences. Animal feces can spread many illness-causing organisms in the garden. Designate one shovel or tool to remove feces from the garden when necessary. Rinse garden tools after use. If you raise chickens or other animals, or have pets, be mindful not to track animal droppings into the garden to avoid contaminating the garden.

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that over fifty percent of food-borne illnesses are linked to poor hand washing. In the garden, hands are used for most tasks. Pathogens are easily spread through direct contact with hands, but it's easy to lower the risk.

The best practice is to wash hands prior to harvesting with soap and running water and to dry hands with single-use towels. If running water is not available, wear clean single-use gloves while harvesting.

Hand sanitizer gel can eliminate some contaminants but will not work on visibly dirty hands. If sanitizer is the only option, make sure to rub over all the surfaces of the hands until completely dry.

Remove excess dirt from produce and rinse produce as necessary. Use sturdy washable containers to hold harvested produce. Do not re-use plastic grocery bags or cardboard produce boxes, which may harbor dirt or bacteria.

A few precautions can help prevent food-borne illness. Remember: clean hands, clean water, clean soil, and clean surfaces. Enjoy the harvest!

(On May 20th, Phyllis attended a workshop called 'Sharing the Harvest' sponsored by the Ohio State University Extension, Cuyahoga County. She shared the information she gleaned there at a BFG Committee meeting and here, citing the following references from NC State University A&T State University Cooperative Extension -- www.ces.ncsu.edu/; growingsaferegardens.files.wordpress.com/2012/10/foodsafetywebcurriculum-10-24-12.pdf.)

Ben Franklin Garden coming back to life

by Kim Repinski
Chairman, BFG Committee

The Ben Franklin Garden is flourishing these days. The weather, thanks to an abundance of rain, has ensured that the plants are being very productive. The abundance of produce means that the Ben Franklin Garden has begun delivering extra vegetables to several food pantries, senior centers and churches.

Ben Franklin Garden is committed to delivering quality vegetables. To achieve that end they are adhering to food safety guidelines which have been outlined in the article above this one. They are good procedures to follow whether people are gardening in a community setting or in their own backyards.

To solve the problem related to pathogens in used grocery bags being passed on to donated produce, the Ben Franklin Garden has purchased plastic baskets to gather, weigh and deliver the produce. These baskets can be cleaned after they're returned to the Garden.

Ben Franklin gardeners gathered for the annual Ice Cream Social on Thursday, July 11th. In addition to the free ice cream, the crowd took advantage of the hot dogs offered for sale. Councilman Tony Brancatelli attended and brought a pair of Indians tickets to include in the on-site raffle.

Grace Brothers Nursery on W. 65th St. also provided two \$25 in-house gift certificates which were raffled off. The Garden and the individuals who won them appreciate the donations.

Next on the Garden's calendar is the Cuyahoga County Fair, August 4th through August 10th. The Garden will submit an entry in the Community Garden category and many gardeners will submit produce in individual categories. Historically, Ben Franklin gardeners have done very well at the Fair and there's no reason to believe this year will be any different. There are two categories for largest zucchini – by weight and by length – and the Garden definitely has some contenders.

As school bells ring, help keep students safe

by Barbara Spaan
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Whether your loved one is 5 years or 16 years old, have you prepared them for the start of another school year? Too many parents can hardly wait to get them out the door and out of their hair.

How prepared are they? Moreover, how well are you prepared? You're not with them all day to watch over what is happening or to give advice.

Parents spend lots of money for uniforms, phones, computers, books, materials, special activities, preparing lunches or doling out lunch money. They want their children to have the best experiences and education.

But there is no amount of money to replace talking with children before, during and even at the end of every day about their activities and concerns. They will tell you if you ask.

How does your child travel to school? What route do they travel? Who do they travel with? When they left, what were they wearing and what did they take with them?

How much do you know about the school and teachers? Can you trust them with your loved ones' lives? What is the school security routine for fire, tornado and intruder alerts? How will they contact you if something happens during the school day or after special

events? Have you taken time to talk to your children about "What to do IF...?"

If you can't answer all these questions, you have not done your home work. You will have no one but yourself to blame if and when something happens to your children. It will take a little time to get the information/answers but it won't cost a penny.

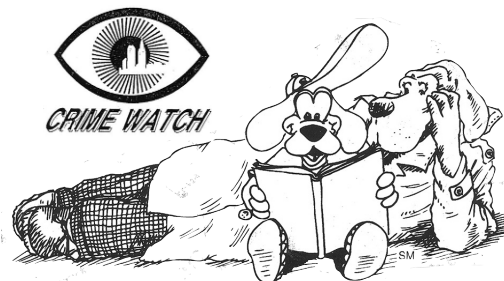
Take time now to sit down and talk to them about their travel and personal and school safety. Spend the time each day to know what's going on and with whom they are friends.

Encourage them to bring their friends home so you can meet them. Make sure your children can always reach you. Go to the school and ask questions.

You know your children. Do you see sudden personality or physical changes? Ask questions now. If they won't tell you, is there anyone else they will talk to? Don't give in; keep an eye on them until they return to the child/children you knew.

Don't let them lock you out of their rooms. Place the computer in a location of common living area for all to see. If you need professional help, don't be afraid to get it.

Your children are not replaceable. They need you always and forever... They may not agree with that now, but remember that you're the parent -- older and wiser. They didn't come with an owner's manual, but all you really have to do is guide, care for and love them.



It's vacation time in Old Brooklyn

by Barbara Spaan
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Summer Vacation is here. You have planned for it and the bags are packed. Are you really ready to go? Follow these few tips and enjoy your vacation.

First, lock things up and leave a light on inside and out. Put items of real value away and if you don't use it every day, put it in a safe deposit box.

Take only the credit card you will use or travelers checks; leave everything else locked up at home. Your computer games or Xbox and games should be put out of sight.

Something you may want to check into is a camera system; for the price of a new flat screen TV, you can have security cameras inside and out, watching your house 24 hours a day from your computer or most cell phones.

Never leave your house or car unlocked. Close your garage doors and the gate to your yard. The harder you make it to get in, the more likely the burglar will move on.

Before you leave and while you're gone for long periods of time, check out your yard and lights outside. Clean up unwanted flyers left on the porch and have a neighbor bring in your mail, or stop it all together. Cut shrubs back and down so windows and doors are clear.

Is your address seen from the street? If not, help police and EMS by displaying it. It could mean your life.

Can someone see in your garage windows? If yes, cover the windows or paint them from the inside so that no one can tell whether or not your car is there or if anything

inside the garage is of value.

Going to be gone for a long time? Let your neighbor use your driveway and have someone check your property while you're gone.

Check your storm and entrance doors; can a good boot let a burglar in? Then you need to replace or secure them, especially the back or side doors because they are out of sight.

Can an intruder open the windows from outside and cut the screens? If so, cut a piece of wood and place it in the ledge or drive a nail in to stop the window from being lifted. Only leave about six inches so that no one can slip in.

Has your street had a block meeting within the last year or at all? If not, call Barb at 459-1000. Meet your neighbors and let's talk safety.

We work hard every day to enjoy life and our families; don't give it away to anyone!

Then relax and enjoy your vacation. If you're the neighbor and something catches your eye or ear, pay attention and report it to the police right away. Tell other neighbors.

Our streets and homes are what we let them be. By working together, we can help keep Old Brooklyn one of the safest places to live, work and raise our families.

We hope to share the pictures and stories when you return home safe and sound.



Rhodes H. S. is proud of its NJROTC unit

James Ford Rhodes High School has a Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp unit. The Rhodes cadets hold themselves and their unit to high expectations. NJROTC helps to instill young people with discipline, pride and other values that they will use for the rest of their lives. The cadets help serve service men and women along with the community.

Cadets volunteer their time helping with events such as hospice, Pop UP Pearl, Cleveland Marathon, feeding the hungry and Toys for Tots.

The Rhodes unit also has a drill team, which has won 1st or 2nd place at all the drill

meets it's attended this past year. It travels to different states (e.g., Pennsylvania and Chicago) to compete with other JROTC units. There're a freshmen squad, an unarmed and an armed platoon, and an unarmed and an armed exhibition.

Rhodes also has a B drill team that exists for the cadet who needs to practice more. It practices and performs with the A team so that eventually it will become the A team. Thus the best team is on the drill deck and the future team is practicing to take over.

The James Ford Rhodes unit is helping to better the future leaders of America.

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Summer vacation seems to be getting shorter every year! I know that part of that perception comes with age -- "time is relative", and life in general is passing by more quickly. But another part of it is the schools' schedules.

No doubt many readers recall when the school year didn't start until after Labor Day. This year the first day of class for students in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) will be on Wednesday, August 13th. (So be sure to observe the *No right turn on red on school days* signs on traffic lights again!)

We have a 'generic' article on page 11 of this issue which speaks about the District's special emphasis schools which Cleveland students can choose to attend. To bring that closer to home, I can tell you about a girl from our neighborhood, **Adalyne Jane Cummins**, who not only graduated from the **Cleveland School of Science & Medicine (CSSM) at John Hay High School** in June, but was also the school's co-valedictorian.

In addition, Addy is the State of Ohio's recipient of the 2014 AXA Achievement Scholarship. She will use the \$10,000 she received to help pay expenses at Barnard College of Columbia University in New York City, where she'll be headed later this month.

Awarded in association with *U.S. News & World Reports*, AXA Achievement Scholarships are annually given to only one student from each of the fifty states, Washington D.C. and Puerto Rico. They take into consideration the students' scholastic achievements as well as their accomplishments outside of the classroom. Addy's include:

- founding a student book club at CSSM;
- earning the Girl Scout Silver Award;
- having internships and shadowing experiences at NASA Glenn Research Center, the Cleveland Clinic, the MetroHealth System and the Museum of Contemporary Art Cleveland;
- participating in the Cleveland Youth Rowing Association; and
- taking classes at Cleveland State University and NewBridge Cleveland Center for Arts & Technology.

The Cleveland Foundation's *College Now Greater Cleveland* (formerly *Cleveland Scholarship Programs*), which provides guidance and support to the CMSD's fifty top-performing high school students, helped Addy obtain a four-year scholarship to Barnard which is valued at more than \$150,000. (Barnard is the most selective private women's liberal arts college in the nation.)

Addy's academic goal is to earn a Bachelor of Arts in English degree from Barnard and a Bachelor in Biomedical Engineering degree from Columbia. This gifted Brooklyn Centre resident is the daughter of Gayle and (Ward 14 Councilman) Brian Cummins of Mapledale Ave.

While I'm on the subject of 'brain power', it's a good time to share some news about another of our students. On May 25th **Kenneth Kalynchuk** of Old Brooklyn graduated from Cornell University's College of Architecture, Art and Planning (AAP) with a Bachelor of Science in Urban and Regional Studies degree. In addition to his major, Ken also earned a minor in Business in Economic Development degree.

Some readers may recall the articles Ken wrote for the *Old Brooklyn News* a year or two ago about the student program which allowed him to live in New Orleans, Brazil, South Africa, Vietnam and Rome. But senior year Ken was back on campus in Ithaca, New York.

This past academic year Ken was president of the Organization of Urban and

Regional Studies, was the AAP College Coordinator for the Senior Class Campaign, and served as a Hospitality Minister for the Cornell Catholic Community.

In March Ken led a weekend-long urban planning trip to Boston and attended a 'mission trip' to San Lucas, Guatemala, where he helped build stoves and houses, paint coffee bean warehouses, and garden with the Mayan people who live there.

And now he's back in Cleveland.

Realizing that learning is for all ages, **St. Leo the Great Church** will be part of **ARISE Together in Christ** (created by Renew International and the Diocese of Cleveland). St. Rita's Church in Solon is the only other parish participating in this inaugural effort to bring *ARISE* to Cleveland.

Parishioners will be joining small groups

of eight to ten people to discuss the weekly Scripture readings, share and pray together. The process is structured to have six weekly meetings in autumn, beginning in October and ending before Thanksgiving, and will resume during Lent. This pattern will continue for five sessions - three in autumn and two during Lent.

The number of small groups will depend on the number of people who sign up, with the initial sign-up being the weekend of September 6th & 7th. Approximately ten people have been working to bring it together; Cora DeJelo is the leader of the team. Visit www.renewintl.org for more information about *ARISE*.

That's all the news we have room for this month. Lynettef@oldbrooklyn.com.

Sirius Gardens from front page

Aquaponics is a food production system that combines conventional aquaculture - raising aquatic animals such as snails, fish, crayfish or prawns in tanks - with hydroponics - cultivating plants in water - in a symbiotic environment. In normal aquaculture, excretions from the animals being raised can accumulate in the water, increasing toxicity. In an aquaponics system, water from an aquaculture system is fed to a hydroponic system where the by-products are broken down by nitrogen-fixing bacteria into nitrates and nitrites, which are utilized by the plants as nutrients. The water is then re-circulated back to the aquaculture system. (Source:

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aquaponics>)
Sirius Gardens is currently offering its produce to the public at the Lakewood Farmer's Market at Detroit Ave. at Cook Ave. on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and at Gordon Square Farmer's Market at the Gordon Square Public Theater parking lot on Detroit Ave. just east of W. 65th St. on Wednesdays from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. They will also be at Old Brooklyn's new Farmer's Market on Thursdays. Farmers markets typically run from June through September.

They are also donating some of the food they grow to The Hunger Network of Cleveland.

At the moment Sirius Gardens doesn't have any plans for winter in place; all of their energy is being directed to this year's crop and keeping everything healthy and well. They might experiment with growing spinach and other cold weather crops, but it is unlikely that they will attempt to heat the greenhouse during the cold winter months.

Next year in early March they intend to fill the greenhouse with seedlings and heat it until the weather warms up. They hope that by selling seedlings at plants sales, out of the greenhouse and elsewhere that they'll get an early season boost in revenue which will help them through the growing season.

Amateur astronomers who are reading this article will recognize *Sirius* as the name of a star in the constellation *Canis Major*, and the brightest star in the sky. Many cultures used it to predict the summer's weather, and it is this constellation from which the expression "the dog days of summer" comes.

Sirius Gardens can be reached by phone at 440-503-6733 and online at www.SiriusGardens.com. They host "Green House Sunday" from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. every week with a cookout, tours, and selling available veggies directly to the public.

(Lynette Filips and Jayme Lucas-Bukszar both conferred with Lucas Dunn to compose this article.)

THEATER NOTES



The Lantern Theatre
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Wingstock 6 - Picnic areas open 5 pm; concerts begin 7 pm. Bring food & drink & dine al fresco in Cuyahoga Valley. Admission: \$10.

Sat., Sept. 13th, Shadow of Doubt - Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers Tribute
Sat., Oct. 4th, Martin & Marshall - Blues

Liminis Theater
2438 Scranton Rd.
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Fri, Aug. 8th - Sat Aug. 30th; 8 pm. Tickets: \$15 general admission, \$12 seniors, \$10 students. For more info & reservations call 216-687-0074, or info@convergence-continuum.org or convergence-continuum.org

Cleveland Public Theater (CPT)
6415 Detroit Ave. 216-631-2727 ext 205
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STEP '14 - Free theatre in city parks
Fri., Aug. 1st, 7 pm; Lincoln Park, W. 14th St. & Starkweather Ave. Rain location: Pilgrim Church.
Mon., Aug. 4th, 7 pm; St. Stanislaus - Warszawa Music Festival, 3649 E. 65th St. Rain location: inside church.
Tues., Aug. 5th, noon; West Park - Fairview Family YMCA, 15501 Lorain Rd. Rain location: YMCA gymnasium.
Fri., Aug. 8th, 7 pm; Denison Elementary School, 3799 W. 33rd St. & Denison Ave. Rain location: school gymnasium.
Sat., Aug. 9th; 7 pm. Historic St. John's Church, 2600 Church Ave. & W. 26th St. Rain location: inside church.
Sun., Aug. 10th, 4 pm; Fairview Park in Ohio City, W. 38th St. & Franklin Blvd. Rain location: Westside United Church of Christ.

Playhouse Square Center
1501 Euclid Ave. 216-241-6000
www.playhousesquare.org

Kennedy's Theatre
"Dawg Pounded"
Fri., Aug 8th - Sat., Sept. 6th; Fri. & Sat., 8 pm. Tickets: \$22 in advance; \$25 day of show.

Free musical performances outside at the U.S. Bank Plaza, E. 14th St. & Euclid Ave.

Mid-Summer Night Salsa Series
Presented by PlayhouseSquare District Development Corp. Free Salsa dance lessons **Wed., Aug. 6th & 13th;** 5 - 6 pm by highly accredited & noted Latin dancer & instructor Rebecca Sweet followed by Salsa Dancing to the sounds of DJ Frankie Flores. Special appearance on **Wed., Aug. 20th** by Sammy DeLeon Latin Jazz Ensemble featuring sounds of salsa, merengue & Latin Jazz.

Cleveland Jazz Orchestra
Jazz Discovery Series
Mondays, Aug. 11th - Oct. 20th; 6 - 8 pm.
Aug. 11th - Classics of Latin Jazz, "Bring Your Dance Shoes," featuring music of Tito Puente, Dizzy Gillespie, Carlos Jobim & others & special guest.
Aug. 25th - Hip Hop & Jazz "2 Not So Distant Cousins", featuring musical sounds of Replife.

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Thursdays, beginning at 5 pm
Aug. 14th - *Barbara Barrett and Co.*
Aug. 28th - *Carlos Jones & the Plus Band*
Sept. 11th - *Almost Famous* (Classic 80s cover band)

BW Summer Garden Music Series
Now - Mon., Aug. 18th; 12 - 1:30 pm. Free live instrumental performances by Baldwin Wallace University Conservatory of Music. Presented by PlayhouseSquare District Development Corporation.

Tremont "Arts in August" Schedule -- free
***Inlet Cleveland Shakespeare Festival -- Romeo and Juliet** - Sat. & Sun., Aug. 2nd & 3rd; 7 pm.
Dance Theatre - Thurs., Aug. 7th; 8:30 pm.
Verb Ballets - Fri., Aug. 8th; 8:30 pm.
The Movement Project - Sat., Aug. 9th; 3 pm.
***GroundWorks DanceTheater** - Sat., Aug. 9th; 8:30 pm.
Harmonia - Fri., Aug. 15th; 7 pm.
Opera Per Tutti - Sat, Aug 16th; 7 pm.
Mo' Mojo - Fri, Aug 22nd; 7 pm.
Papo Ruiz Y La Dulzura de la Salsa - Sat., Aug. 23rd; 7 pm.
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Business Grants

Grants and business are not words often used in the same sentence. Almost all financial assistance available to businesses are loans.

In Cleveland and Shaker Heights there is a pilot program which can include a grant in the loan product. It is titled *Municipal-Small Business Initiative Program*. It is jointly sponsored by The Urban League of Greater Cleveland, fourteen area banks and lending programs, Small Business Administration, Cuyahoga County, the City of Cleveland and the City of Shaker Heights.

Businesses which are eligible for a grant are those which have been approved for a traditional lender loan guaranteed by the Small Business Administration (SBA). That requires that the business owner have a minimum 10% equity investment in the business.

The grant can be used to supplement that 10% equity, meaning that it can increase the equity investment and thereby improve the loan to value ratio. That translates to either a lesser amount to be borrowed and/or

a lesser interest rate.

The grant amount cannot exceed 15% of the project cost or a maximum of \$60,000. Special projects (special is not defined) can be capped at \$100,000 or 15% of the project, whichever is lesser.

The grant is a performance grant allocated over three years. It is awarded as a forgivable loan which has 'performance conditions' which must be satisfied. (Interpret performance conditions as goals or deliverables that must be met on time.)

If the conditions are met on time then 1/3 of the loan is forgiven each year for three years. No payments on the grant (loan) are required as long as the conditions are being satisfied. To insure that they are, along with the general business success, The Urban League of Greater Cleveland offers technical assistance through the Small Business Development Center; it does so while monitoring the overall performance of the business.

The intention is to prevent the business from being surprised by a negative factor which they did not recognize in its early stages. This is a bit like preventive medicine -- identify potential poor health factors before they actually become poor health factors.

Both start up and expanding businesses are eligible for the grant. It can be used for a variety of needs including capital equipment, real estate purchase, inventory, working capital and job creation. As with any other business financing, a business plan with existing or projected cash flow and the

calculations for return on investment are the base documents needed to assess the business need for a loan and grant.

As an example assume that a small business which manufactures chimney screens and fireplace inserts needs financing for \$50,000 to purchase a larger building and new equipment for its next stage of growth. The owner has the minimum 10% equity (\$5,000). The business secures an SBA guaranteed loan from ABC Bank for 75% of the needed amount (\$37,500), making the gap be \$15,000. The business can then apply for the Municipal-Small Business Initiative Grant for \$15,000, 15% of the project cost (the maximum allowable grant amount).

This is a pilot program financed by Cuyahoga County Economic Development Funds, The City of Cleveland Economic Development Department and the City of Shaker Heights. Applicants must have their

place of business in a sponsoring city.

Businesses in Cleveland can contact Anthony Thornton at 216-664-2832 or the new city economic development web site: www.city.cleveland.oh.us. Select the Economic Development Department from the drop down menu. At the Small Business Administration the contact person is Raymond Graves, 216-522-4180, ext. 228. Or ask your Small Business Manager at the bank with which you do business.

Immigrant Entrepreneurs

New talent arrives in Greater Cleveland almost every day -- people from all around the world who bring skills, enterprise, persistence and desire to achieve the American Dream. Many of those people seek to start their own businesses. Language barriers and cultural differences often make obtaining bank loans difficult.

That difficulty is one which Economic and Community Development Institute (ECDI) addresses through its new Immigrant Business Loans. ECDI is a not-for-profit micro lender brought to Cleveland by the Cleveland Foundation to spur economic development opportunities which traditional banks do not serve. Immigrants who are having challenges securing business loans from traditional banks may find ECDI a good source for financing.

Rebecca Mayhew is the specialist recently hired by ECDI to get this funding to immigrants seeking to start new businesses. The loans can range from as little as \$500 to as much as \$350,000. For additional information, call her at 216-912-5664 or email her at rmayhew@ecdi.org.

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As an internet shopper, this means that you now have the power to **opt out** of online data gathering.

How to Opt Out of Behavioral Advertising:

The DAA’s website, <http://www.aboutads.info/choices/>, scans your internet browser to identify which businesses are already tracking your activity. Just click the checkbox beside the name of any business you don’t want tracking your internet activity. This gives you the power to control how businesses monitor your online presence.

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How does the Consumer Opt Out Page work?

Companies that engage in online behavioral advertising and participate in the Cross-Industry Program are required to provide consumers with an easy to use mechanism for exercising choice about the collection and use of information for online behavioral advertising, or to the transfer of such information to non-affiliated companies for this purpose.

The Consumer Opt Out Page provides the opt out mechanisms provided by all the companies currently participating in the Cross-Industry Program, offering visitors a “one-stop” platform through which to opt out from receiving interest-based advertising from some or all of these companies.

In addition, the Consumer Opt Out Page provides useful information about visitors’ browser status with respect to cookies used for interest-based advertising, including information about which participating companies are already customizing ads for a user’s browser or whether a visitor’s browser is already opted out from some participating companies’ interest-based ads.

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Your browser must be set to accept third party cookies in order for the Consumer Opt Out Page (Beta) to properly display status results and to set opt out preferences for your browser. The following links show how to adjust the browser settings of commonly used browsers:

Recycling do’s and don’ts have changed, cont’d

by: **Cristie Cook Snyder, CCSWD Program and Communications Officer**

(Editor’s note: I attended a program about recycling at the Parma Snow branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library in June. Later I called the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District (CCSWD) media contact (who grew up in our neighborhood) to see if she could summarize the important points.

Due to limited space, we could only run the first part of her article in our July issue. I regret having to split it, but I think that it’s better to share this recycling information in two parts than not at all.

Among the topics discussed in last month’s segment was the material recovery facilities -- MRFs -- where recyclables go to be sorted. And it is with the MRFs that this month’s article will pick up.)

The material recycling facilities do not want clothing, syringes, yard waste, food, garden hoses, plastic utensils, straws, anything under 2” in diameter and film bags of any kind including black/brown/white garbage bags.

All of these facilities accept:

- metal food cans and bottles, including beverage and pet food cans;
- mixed paper (newspaper, cardboard, chip board, magazines, phone books and mail);
- paper cartons, including milk and juice boxes;
- empty plastic containers, #1- #7 with the lids on, but no #6 styrofoam; and
- all colors of glass jars and bottles from food and beverage (only).

Additional items are accepted for recycling at some facilities, including aluminum foil, empty aerosol cans and soft cover books. Whether or not you can include the addition-

al items is determined by the facility which processes your recyclables. Your community has a contract with one of these facilities; check with your community to learn more about your recycling options.

Putting the wrong recyclables into a bin or bag may cause the entire load to be thrown out as trash.

Since 2011, Cuyahoga County’s recycling percentage has increased from 18% to just over 34%. In 2012, all sectors of the County -- industrial, residential and commercial -- composted 6%, recycled 46% and landfilled 48% of the waste they generated.

Special waste items such as oil-base paints, pesticides, scrap tires and e-waste are managed through special collection or recycling programs. These events are held seasonally in the community where you live.

The CCSWD is a county government agency which works to support environmentally-sustainable and economical solid waste management practices within the communities, institutions and businesses of Cuyahoga County. The law requires it to prepare and implement plans to reduce the amount of waste deposited in Ohio’s landfills by increasing recycling and waste reduction.

To meet these goals, the District offers services which increase recycling opportunities, divert waste from landfills, promote environmental awareness, and support local recycling-based businesses.

For more information about recycling in Cuyahoga County and your community, call 216-443-3749 or visit www.cuyahogawd.org. Follow us! [facebook.com/solidwastedistrict](https://www.facebook.com/solidwastedistrict) Twitter: @RecycleCuyahoga 4750 E. 131 St. Garfield Hts. 44105-7130 p: 216-443-3707 www.cuyahogawd.org

Internet Explorer: windows.microsoft.com/en-US/windows-vista/Block-or-allow-cookies

Firefox: support.mozilla.com/en-US/kb/Enabling+and+disabling+cookies

Safari: docs.info.apple.com/article.html?path=Safari/5.0/en/9277.html

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Bella Pizza won “People’s Choice Best Wings” at third annual Wings & Things Cookoff

This year’s third annual *Wings & Things Cookoff* was a big hit again this year. The competition for “People’s Choice Best Wings” was fierce with Bella Pizza, Dina’s Pizza & Pub, Pizza Joe’s & Deli, Black Drum Barbecue, and Drink Bar & Grill all serving up delicious wings and other fare. It was a close race but Bella Pizza won by six votes this year; Dina’s Pizza & Pub was a close second. Dennis Bellasario, owner of Bella Pizza, said the *Wings & Things Cookoff* is a great event and I think it’s going to get bigger and bigger. I love meeting new people in our community and watching our neighbors come together and have a good time.” He added, “It was a close competition and I have a lot of respect for Dina. She is a great business person.” The event was held in the gated lot next to Mr. E’s Inn; OBCDC would like to thank the owners of Mr. E’s Inn for the use of the lot and electricity for the band. Dennis said that Bella Pizza would be introducing new flavors at next year’s event and encourages everyone to come out again. Bella Pizza is now open for lunch at 11 a.m. Monday through Friday. They also have a new events page online at bellamemphispizza.com.



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Leadership at Senior Citizen Resources, Inc. changes this past spring

by Lynette Filips
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Senior Citizen Resources, Inc. (SCR), located in the Deaconess-Krafft Center, 3100 Devonshire Rd., has been 'under new management' for the past few months. Effective May 27th, Kathleen Jackson, SCR's former executive director, became executive director of the Cleveland Mediation Center (CMC), 2012 W. 25th St. at Detroit, and Lori Peterson became SCR's new executive director. The change seems to be a perfect fit for both individuals involved –

Kathleen Jackson

The Cleveland Mediation Center's mission is "to promote just and peaceful community in Northeast Ohio by honoring all people, building their capacity to act, and facilitating opportunities for them to engage in conflict constructively".

Kathleen earned both a Bachelor's Degree in Conflict Management and a Master of Arts Degree in Liberal Studies (with concentrations in Conflict Management, Public Administration/Nonprofit Management) and Eco-Village Development (an environmentally-friendly way of community-building and living) from Kent State University, and studied both Eco-Village Development and Conflict Facilitation at the Findhorn Foundation in the highlands of Scotland.

Speaking about their selecting Kathleen,



Kathleen Jackson

Jennifer Peyton, LLC, president of the CMC's Board of Directors, said, "After a national search, we are confident that we have found the right person to lead CMC

into its next chapter. Kathleen Jackson brings training and expertise in non-profit management as well as a firm understanding of the field of conflict resolution..."

Kathleen became SCR's executive director in November, 2011. Before taking the helm, she had worked as the organization's office manager in 2010 and then as the interim manager from September to November, 2011. Kathleen lived on Roanoke as a child, she and her family (husband Todd and daughter Katelynn) live in Old Brooklyn, and she continues to serve as a member of the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation's (OBCDC's) Board.

Lori Peterson

SCR's mission is to enhance continued independent living and promote the quality of

life for seniors in the local community.

Lori, who spent almost six years (October, 2005 through June, 2011) working in Old Brooklyn as the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation's Residential Program Manager, has also previously worked with seniors in our community through MetroHealth's Center for Healthcare Research & Policy at their Senior Health and Wellness Center.

Lori has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications from Bowling Green State University and a Masters of Education degree from John Carroll University. For over fifteen years she has developed, implemented and evaluated various programs, events and fundraisers and has been in the nonprofit sector for ten years, including working closely with the City of Cleveland. Her involvement with the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation allowed her to know the neighborhood and the needs of the residents. While there she served on the board of Kiwanis Brooklyn-Cleveland and on the Old Brooklyn Community Engagement Committee.

Lori's commitment to bettering the lives of the geriatric population includes identifying their needs and assisting them with finding appropriate resources. As the Project Manager for the aforementioned Center for Healthcare Research & Policy, she led a McGregor Grant-funded project to provide senior citizens with affordable and accessible housing and services in conjunction with MetroHealth's Senior Health and Wellness Center. This role allowed her to collaborate with a variety of social agencies and build relationships.

In addition, Lori created a database for the grant-funded Elderly Seclusion study which identified senior citizens in the Old Brooklyn neighborhood in order to provide them with resources. As the Recreation Director at Hamlet Retirement Community Lori designed physically and mentally challenging programs for 300 senior citizens.

Susan Randall-Alexander, president of the SCR Board, stated, "We are excited and grateful that Lori Peterson wanted to join our

organization.

Her background, and the fact that she was employed by O B C D C, made her the perfect candidate. She provides us with a wonderful connection to the community."



Lori Peterson

Lori lives with her husband, Jose Estremara her daughter, Alexa, her husband's son, Jose, and her dog, Bella Bonita.

Senior Citizen Resources information

Senior Citizen Resources is open Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. They provide a variety of services including transportation to over 60 locations in Old Brooklyn, City of Brooklyn, City of Parma and Brooklyn Centre. They also provides onsite lunches five days a week and deliver food to home-bound seniors. The goal of their transportation and food programs is to help seniors live independently. They also have free exercise classes, craft groups, weekly documentary movies and group trips to destinations such as casinos, Play House Square and sports events.

For more information about home delivered meals call 216-749-4477. For information about the lunches call 216-749-4499. To schedule a trip — grocery store, doctor, etc.— call 216-749-5367. (Trips must be scheduled 48 hours in advance.)

Call 216-749-4477 for information about SCR's Social Services program, which links seniors to government assistance programs and home care agencies, provides referrals to Medicare and insurance assistance, and offers information about other available benefits/resources.

Farmers' Market from front page

Card are valid all season on eligible items at both the Old Brooklyn Farmers' Market and the Tremont Farmers' Market.

In addition, the Old Brooklyn Farmers Market participates in the *Produce Perks Incentive Program* of the Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Food Policy Coalition. The incentive is a dollar-for-dollar match to every dollar spent (up to \$10) using an Ohio Direction Card at the market. There is no minimum purchase amount to qualify for the incentive and as the name suggests, *Produce Perks* are only good for purchasing fruits, vegetables, vegetable plants and vegetable seeds and can be used at any market participating in the *Produce Perks* program.

The *Produce Perks* program is avail-

able every week at the markets and there is no limit on how many markets you can visit each week.

Visit <http://cccfoodpolicy.org/blog/double-value-produce-perks> for more information.

The Old Brooklyn Farmers Market is an initiative of the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation designed to drive additional investment into the historic downtown district of Old Brooklyn. Anchored by regional assets such as MetroHealth Old Brooklyn Health Center and the Cleveland Metroparks, the downtown district of Old Brooklyn is soon slated to be revitalized with a complete and green streetscape plan and a more than 20 acre greenspace connecting the neighborhood to the Big Creek Valley and the Towpath Trail.

For more information on both markets, visit www.tremontfarmersmarket.com and follow us on facebook at www.facebook.com/oldbrooklynfarmersmarket or on twitter at @tremfarmmarket.

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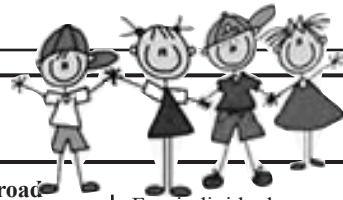
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 www.arthouseinc.org
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Children's Museum of Cleveland
 10730 Euclid Ave. 216-791-7114
 www.clevelandchildrensmuseum.org
 Hours: Mon. - Sun., 10 am - 5 pm. Exhibit areas close 15 min. prior to Museum closing. Cost - \$7, children age 1 - 12; \$6, adults & children 13 & over; free, under 11 months. **"Terrific Tuesdays"** - second Tues. eve. of the month, 5 - 7:30 pm, through 2014. Admission free during this time.

City of Cleveland Outdoor Pool & Spray Basin Division of Recreation 216-664-2561
Summer Outdoor Pools:
Loew Park - 4741 W. 32nd St.;
Meyer Pool - 3266 W. 30th St.;
Lincoln Park - 1200 Starkweather Ave.;
Halloran Park - 3550 W. 117th St.
 Open thru second weekend in Aug., Wed. thru Sun., noon - 7:30 pm. (Open Mon. & Tues. if temperature is 85 degrees or higher.)

Cleveland Botanical Garden
 11030 East Blvd.
 216-721-1600 www.cb garden.org
Nature Connects - A LEGO experience. *Discover the extraordinary building blocks of nature.* Now - Sun., Aug. 24th; Tues., Thurs. - Sat., 10 am - 5 pm; Wed.; 10 am - 9 pm; Sun. noon - 5 pm. Tickets: \$11/non-member adult; \$6/non-member child. Garden members free.

Cleveland Metroparks Brecksville Reservation - Meadows Picnic Area
 440-526-1012
Mini Raft Race - Sun., Aug 10th, 10:30 am - noon. Make miniature raft from natural materials, then race raft on Chippewa Creek. Be prepared to get wet! Plateau picnic area; free.

Annual Corn Roast - Sun., Aug. 17th, 1- 5 pm. Tour Squire Rich Museum, garden & grounds, then enjoy corn roasted in the husk & refreshments

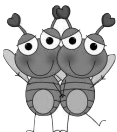
Cleveland Metroparks - Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation's CanalWay Center
 E. 49th St. bet. Grant Ave & Canal Rd.
 216-206-1000 or clevelandmetroparks.com

Sunday Funday - Sun., Aug. 24th, 2 - 4 pm. Catch summer insects & discuss what you've caught before freeing them. Nets, bug catchers & field guides provided.

Summer Campfire - Fri., Aug. 29th, 8 - 9:30 pm. Learn about local nocturnal critters & roast marshmallows around campfire.

Cleveland Metroparks Garfield Park Nature Center
 11350 Broadway Ave.
 216-341-3152

Bug City - Sat., Aug. 9th, 11 am - 4 pm; free. Discover how people & bugs live & work together & how important they are to communities' health through fun activities & displays. See amazing insects from around the world. Sing fun songs with live entertainer. Beekeepers & insect enthusiasts will give more info about insects. Cooking demonstrations using some of these tasty critters.



Movie Matinee - Mon. Aug. 18th, 1:30 - 3:30 pm. Animated movie *Epic* tells about youngster who doesn't discover mysteries of the woodland until she becomes as tiny as forest animals.

Cleveland Metroparks Hinckley Reservation Ledge Pool & Recreation Area
 1151 Ledge Rd. between State & Kellogg Rds.
 440-331-8111 www.clevelandmetroparks.com
Dive-In Movie II - ZOOKEEPER- Fri., Aug. 8th, 8 pm; free. Inner tube reservations - \$5, single tubes; \$7, double. No outside floating devices permitted in swimming area. Refreshment available. Call 330-239-2911 for inner tube reservations or more info.

Dog Paddle & Pet-a-Palooza - Sun, Aug. 24th, 1 - 5 pm. Bring non-aggressive dogs to swim at Ledge Pool; also mini dog fair with exhibitors & vendors with items to pamper pooches. Call 330-239-2911 for more info. Liability waiver must be completed for every person entering event -- http://www.cleveland-metroparks.com/Main/EventsProgramsCalendar/Dog-Paddle-and-PetaPalooza-507.aspx Print, complete & bring Aug. 24th.

Pool party packages - special reserved area with picnic tables for up to 3 hours; parties must have at least 10 people. Call 440-239-2911 to schedule party or request pricing on food packages.



Cleveland Metroparks Mill Stream Run Reservation - Wallace Lake
 www.clevelandmetroparks.com/
"Try-It" Activities: Disc Golf & Slacklining
 Aug. 10th, 1 - 4 pm; free. Increase balance & coordination with disc golf & slacklining (anchoring a 2" piece of webbing between two trees, protected with special felt about 18" off ground & walking across it). Get waiver off website & bring with you.

Cleveland Metroparks Mill Stream Run Reservation - Strongsville Park Operations
 9485 Eastland Rd, off Valley Parkway, west of Pearl Rd/Rte. 42

"Touch-A-Truck" - Sun, Aug. 17th, 11 am - 3 pm; free. Over 30 pieces of equipment on-site for kids to climb on & in & learn how each is used. Departments having equipment on display -- park operations, specialty crews, golf, natural resources, park rangers & outdoor education. Kids can also play in huge sandbox with over 2 tons of sand. Bring empty aluminum cans for steam roller demonstration. Hay wagons & shuttle buses available to & from parking areas.



Cleveland Metroparks Rocky River Nature Center/Frostville Museum, Rocky River Reservation 24000 Valley Pkwy., North Olmsted 440-734-6660

Bicycle to the Marina - Aug. 11th, 10 am - 1:30 pm. Ride to Marina from Nature Center parking lot with naturalist. Must bring your own water, bicycle & helmet. Bring lunch or buy something at Marina, then return to Nature Center; 18 miles. Register Aug. 1st - 10th.

Cedar Valley Square Dance - Aug. 15th, 7:30 - 9 pm. Dance, watch, or visit with friends as Caller Frank Koenig leads circle, line & square dances. Koenig teaches moves before each dance; come prepared for old fashioned fun & exercise. Refreshment stand will be open.

Cleveland Metroparks Zoo
 3900 Wildlife Way 216-661-6500
 clemet zoo.com

Admission, now - Oct. 31st. Adult - age 12 & older, \$13; Junior - age 2 - 11, \$9. Open daily 10 am - 5 pm.

Professor Wylde's Animal Show - Now - Mon., Sept. 1st; daily 11:30 am, 1:30 & 3:30 pm. at Savanna Theater. Free with regular Zoo admission.

Cleveland Museum of Natural History
 1 Wade Oval Dr.
 216-231-4600 www.cmnh.org

Hours: Mon. - Sat., 10 am - 5 pm; Wed., 10 am - 10 pm; Sun., noon - 5 pm. Adults 19 & up, \$12; \$6 after 5 pm on Wed.; Youth 3 - 18, \$10; College students with ID, \$10; Seniors 60 & up or with a Golden Buckeye card, \$10; toddlers 2 & under, free.

Animal Secrets Exhibition - Use imaginative role-play & hands-on activities to discover nature from an animal's point of view. Explore five naturalistic environments including a stream, meadow, woodland, cave & naturalists' tent.

Cuyahoga County Public Library Parma-Snow Branch
 216-661-4240; www.cuyahogalibrary.org
 9 am - 9 pm, Mon - Thur.; 9 am - 5:30 pm, Fri. & Sat.; 1 - 5 pm, Sun.
READY. SET. READ. - now - Sat., Aug. 16th. Customers of all ages welcome.

Teen Programs - Wed., Aug. 6th, **TAG Team**, 1:30 - 2:15 pm. Grades 6 - 12 & **Board Game Day & Wii Play**, 2:30 - 4:30 pm, ages 10 - 18.

Youth Performance - Thurs., Aug. 14th; 7:30 pm.

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad Peninsula Explorer Ride - Rockside Station
 800-468-4070 visit www.CVSR.com

CVSR - Ride the rails, hike Towpath Trail & lunch or shop in historic Village of Peninsula. For more details & to register call or visit www.CVSR.com.



Edgewater Beach - Lakefront Reservation off Route 2 West Shoreway; take Exit 192
Edgewater Live - now - Aug. 14th; 5:30 - 8:30 pm; free. Bring blanket or chair & enjoy sunset over Cleveland skyline. Local food trucks. Join Inner Bliss Yoga from 7 - 7:30 pm for free yoga session.
 Aug. 7th - *Charles Hill, Jr./ Country.*
 Aug. 14th - *Revolution Pie/Beatles Cover Band.*

Grand Pacific Junction Mill Street & Columbia Rd. (Rt. 252)
24th Heritage Days - Celebrating 200 yrs of the Olmsted Communities with special events.
Thurs., Aug. 14th - Sun., Aug. 17th. Thurs. - kick-off parade, 6:30 pm; **Thurs. & Fri.**, city wide garage sale, 9 am - 3 pm; **Fri.** - Family/Kids Day, 11 am - 5 pm. **Sat.** Historical encampment. **Fri, Sat & Sun.**, arts/craft booths & free live band performances.

Hale Farm & Village
 2686 Oak Hill Rd., Bath
 330-666-3711 halereservations@wrhs.org
Fun on the Farm, each one hour program consists of craft, story, rhyme or song, snack & visit to museum site. Reservations required. Programs start at 10:30 am. **Here Comes the Cavalry, Fri., Aug. 8th.** Members: \$8 per child, 1 adult free. Non-members: \$10 per child, 1 adult free. Additional adults: \$5 each.

Home Depot
 homeimproverclub.com/kdsworkshops
Build a Mini-Crate Pencil Holder - Sat., Aug. 2nd. Workshops offered 1st Sat. of every month, 9 am - noon. Free hands-on workshops designed for kids ages 5 - 12 at all Home Depot stores.

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center
 28728 Wolf Rd.
 440-871-2900 www.lensc.org
Family Picnic Night - Fri, Aug 8th; 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Center provides picnic dinner, you bring big blanket to fit your whole family. After the picnic meet some animals, play games & enjoy a campfire. In case of rain, all activities be inside Center. Fee: \$7/person; \$35/family of 5 or more.



The You-niverse - For children of all ages. Sat. & Sun., 1:30, 2 & 2:30 pm; in StarLab. Locate moon, find planets, identify constellations & find out how they got their names. Then go home & discover universe in own backyard. Fee: \$3/person.

Supermoon and Perseid Meteor Shower Night - Sun., Au. 10th; 8 pm. Learn about meteors & myth of "Supermoon" & have chance to hold actual meteorite. Bring a blanket to go to Huntington Beach to enjoy show in sky (weather permitting). Children ages 3+. Sky watching for all ages. Fee: \$4

Family Rocket Night - Sat., Aug. 16th, 6 - 9:30 pm. Fee: \$12/adult; \$6/child ages 5+; each rocket - \$25. Learn about aerodynamics, then build & launch your own rocket. Observe night sky through telescopes (weather permitting). Pizza included.

For individuals or groups of all ages. (One adult must be present for each child 8 years & younger.)

Mapleside Farms
 294 Pearl Rd. Brunswick
 330-225-5577
 www.mapleside.com

Concerts Over The Valley - Concerts every Fri. through Aug 29th Gates open 6 pm, concerts 7 pm. Beer, wine & BBQ available. All concerts \$2 per person, 16 & under free. **Aug. 1st; Spazmatics, Aug. 8th, Wanted, Aug. 15th, Stone Pony, Aug 22nd, Liverpool Lads, Aug 29th, Arrival.**

Peach Festival - Sun, Aug 10th; 10 am - 4 pm. Car show, peaches & craft exhibit. Homegrown peaches, pie, sundaes, cobbler & more. The Orchard House & apple wood smoked BBQ tent. Free admission.

Memphis Kiddie Park
 10340 Memphis Ave.
 216-941-5995
 memphiskiddiepark.com



11 amusement rides for children, concession stand, arcade & miniature golf course. Ticket prices: book of 25 tickets - \$29; strip of 10 tickets - \$18 single tickets - \$2.30 All miniature golf - \$3.50 per player. Open 10 am - 7 or 8 pm, depending on weather & crowd size. Children must be under 50 inches for most rides. Email: Kiddiepark@aol.com for general & party info.

Sweeties Golfland
 6770 Brookpark Rd
 216-472-1340 www.sweetiesgolf land.com
 Sweeties Golfland has a concession stand serving hot dogs, nachos, beverages & more, plus ice cream with over 100 candy toppings available. Sun - Thurs: 1 - 10 pm. Fri. & Sat: 1-11 pm. \$7 - 18 holes (per person) \$12 - 36 holes (per person) 4 & under free. Last group of golfers taken 45 minutes before close. Open thru Labor Day.



The FEST
 28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe
 Sun., Aug 3rd; noon - 10 pm. Annual free family festival for all ages. Entertainment, games, MX shows, kids' areas, opportunities for prayer, tents with vendors from throughout area, giveaways & favorite festival foods. Grounds open noon with local Christian bands; 1:30 pm, *For King & Country*; 3 pm, *Colton Dixon*; 4:30 pm, *Mandisa*; 6 pm, *Third Day*; 8 pm, outdoor Mass; 10 pm, American Fireworks display

Wade Oval Wednesdays
 University Circle
 www.universitycircle.org

Free concerts, now - Aug. 27th; 6 - 9 pm. Wide variety of live music. Shop local artists, eat & relax in beer & wine garden. Visit www.universitycircle.org or call 216-707-5033 for more info.

Aug. 6th - Red Light Roxy - Swing/ Big Band
Aug. 13th - The Cleveland Bluegrass Orchestra - Classical Blue Grass & fun classical music performed by members of the Cleveland Orchestra. **Movie Night: The Lego Movie.**

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4423 Pearl Rd. 216-749-2323
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Wednesdays: Ez-Exercise - 9 am; Trivia - 10 am; Chair Volleyball - 10:15 am., Fruit Bingo - 10:30 am, Canasta - 12:30 pm.

Thursdays: Crafts - 9:30 am, Chair Volleyball - 10 am, Horse Racing - 10:30 am. **Fridays:** Ez-Exercise - 9 am; Current Events - 10 am, Corn Hole - 10:30 am, Wii - 11 am; Pinochle - 12:30 pm.

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 Preschool, 4940 Broadview Rd. 2nd flr of the St. Leo Parish Community Center. Open house & open enrollment, Aug. 10th; 11 am - 1 pm. Preschool is licensed by the Ohio Department of Education & is operated according to mandated rules & regulations. 3 & 4 yr old part-time am & pm classes as well as a full-day program with an option for extended care. To be eligible for enrollment, the child must be 3 yrs old by Sept. 30th. Bring the child's birth certificate & \$50 dollar registration fee. Registration continues until all classes are filled. Call 216 661-533 for more info or to schedule an appointment.

St. Leo the Great School Registration
 St. Leo the Great School, 4900 Broadview Rd, grades K - 8. Children must be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 30th to be eligible for all-day kindergarten. \$50 non-refundable registration fee required along with birth & baptismal certificate. Pick up registration forms from school or rectory office. For new students grades 1-8, copy of most recent report card also required.

St. Mary Byzantine School Registration
 St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Elementary School, 4600 State Rd., accepting applications for preschool - grade 8. Before/after school services available; also daycare when school's not in session, (inc. summer). FREE tuition possible for every family through Cleveland Scholarship & Tutoring Program. School program includes technology instruction in new computer lab, enhanced learning through use of interactive Smart Boards, instrumental music & art instruction, CYO athletic options, & much more. Call 216-749-7980 or visit www.smbyz.org for more info.

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It's not too late to choose the public school which works for your child/children

by: **Piet van Lier**
Transformation Alliance

After eight years at The Intergenerational School, Gina will be starting 9th grade at the John Hay School of Science and Medicine this August.

Jerald has finished 8th grade at Citizens Leadership Academy and he's headed to John Hay Early College to start his high school career.

Jerald and Gina have a lot in common. Their families have made choices about which schools are right for them. They know that where they go to school can mean a lot for their future. And they chose from among the many excellent public schools - district and charter - that are providing a quality education for Cleveland residents.

The Intergenerational School and Citizens Leadership are charter schools - tuition-free public schools operated independently of the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. The schools at John Hay are operated by CMSD, but like the two charters that built strong educational foundations for Jerald and Gina, the state has given them high marks for how well they educate Clevelanders.

There are more than 40 top-rated public schools in our city - the number is growing every year - and they are all part of a new plan to transform Cleveland education.

CMSD allows children to attend any public school in the city, regardless of where they live. And it has joined with quality charter schools like the ones Jerald and Gina went to. Together, these schools are remaking education in Cleveland. But many Clevelanders

aren't used to choosing schools, and don't know that any Cleveland resident can attend any school in the city.

That's where the Cleveland Transformation Alliance comes in. The Alliance works to make sure that every child in the city can attend a quality school, and that families in every neighborhood have great schools to choose from.

The Alliance is dedicated to supporting families to make informed school choices based on individual fit, to meeting families where they are, and to partnering with trusted community organizations. The Alliance also knows that many factors are important to families when choosing a school, including safety, communication, and the individualized attention a student needs.

Cleveland is home to more than 160 district and charter schools, all tuition-free. There are elementary schools, middle schools, K-8 schools, schools with pre-k, high schools, and more. With so many options and school types available, choosing a school can be a complicated process. The Alliance provides information to families to help guide them as they choose schools that reflect high academic standards.

In the coming weeks, Clevelanders will start to see billboards around town, posters in kiosks along many roads, posters and postcards in local businesses. It's part of the Alliance campaign to make sure Clevelanders know they can choose the best public school in any part of town for their children.

To help families think about which schools will meet the needs of their children, the Alliance's interactive website provides a pro-

file on every public school option in the city. Go to www.ClevelandTA.org for more information.

Each school profile features state ratings; school-reported information that includes mission, transportation policies and special programs; and ratings from families, educators and community residents.

Information on all of your public school options can be found at www.clevelandTA.org or by calling 211. Remember, actively choosing your child's school can change the future.



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On Thursday, July 15th, Coach Mark and Sandy DeSantis took the Old Brooklyn Area Little League pee-wee team, the Bombers, to a perfect season of 14-0. The kids, who range in age from 7-9, have been working since April to earn this accomplishment. (Front row, left to right): Owen Reed, Aidan French, Paige Stanicki, Ben Farson, Ethan Shue, Bryan Zimmerman. (Second row): Mark D'Amore, McKenna Earle, Aniyah Parish, Brandon McIntosh, Joshua Benko and Riley Zimmerman. Some of them have been together since T-ball, but it's the first year for others. The assistant coaches were Denise Shue, Bryan Zimmerman, Jeff Farson and Crystal Benko. OBALL sign-ups for next year will take place in spring.

In memoriam -- David Lincheck

West Creek Conservancy is mourning the loss of one of its founding members, former officer, and executive director from 2010 to 2013, David Lincheck, 49, who passed away on Tuesday, July 15, 2014.

"Dave's commitment to protecting our natural resources, particularly those in the West Creek and Parma area that he called home, made him extraordinary," Board Chair Jeff Lennartz said. "This is an enormous loss for the conservation community of Greater Cleveland."

Over the past seventeen years Dave worked closely with city leaders, agencies and citizens, organizing and volunteering to aid land stewardship and greenway efforts throughout Greater Cleveland. His early grass-roots leadership was critical in the creation of Parma's West Creek Preserve, which is now a Cleveland Metroparks reservation. From 1999 to 2004 he chaired the mayor-appointed Parma Park Advisory Committee.

Dave and his wife Pam became volunteers dedicated to the environment and the natural areas of West Creek when the Conservancy formed in 1997. They attended the first meetings before the group even had a name. Dave immediately embraced the goal of saving the community's remaining woodlands and open

space and, later, the vision to create the West Creek Greenway to enhance public access and spur other conservation initiatives.

He received his undergraduate degree in mechanical engineering from Cleveland State University in 1991. Although he worked in the private sector Information Technology field for most of his career, Dave extended into new arenas as the Conservancy grew, helping forge the partnerships which propelled the organization and its initiatives forward.

Most recently they helped organize the third Biennial Greater Cleveland Trails and Greenways Conference in Mayfield Village in June. Dave joined fellow conservationist Bob Gardin, with Friends of Big Creek, in co-chairing the first conference in 2010 and again in 2012.

"Dave was a very conscientious, patient, and well-respected individual," said Gardin.

Dave is survived by his wife Pamela, daughter Theresa, sister Janice, and brother John. He was waked at Kolodiy-Lazuta Funeral Home, his funeral was at St. Leo The Great Catholic Church, and he was buried at Interment Holy Cross Cemetery.



Greenspace Committee refreshes planters



On Saturday, June 28th, members of the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation's (OBCDC) Green Space Committee spent the morning beautifying the streetscape in downtown Old Brooklyn. Green Space committee members John Jenkins, Book Chrobak, Mary Ellen Stasek, Wilfredo Crespo and Phyllis Crespo planted Joe Pye Weed, a flower native to Ohio, and Superbells Calibrachoa flowers in the large planters at the bus stop at the corner of Pearl Rd. and Broadview Rd. Both the plants and the organic fertilizer were donated by Grace Brothers nursery. The committee members also weeded the tree planters and added soil and mulch to the trees in planters in the same vicinity. Because there were many hands, the project was completed quickly and the intersection looks brighter and cleaner for everyone to enjoy. The Green Space Committee thanks Grace Brothers for their generous contribution and also asks Old Brooklyn residents to help keep our streets clean by depositing their trash in the waste receptacles on the street. Anyone who would like to join the Green Space Committee should call OBCDC at 216-459-1000.

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