

# Old Brooklyn News

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## Hook & Ladder Co. #42 returns home

by Jay Gardner  
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Amid bells, whistles and sirens, well over 50 Old Brooklyn residents celebrated the return of firefighters who are once again

perhaps, by continuing public pressure from Old Brooklyn residents, the mayor determined that safety concerns mandated the re-staffing of Ladder Co. # 42.

On October 5th, therefore, Ladder Co. #



Photo by George Shuba

Neighbors, friends, City of Cleveland firefighters, Councilmen Kevin Kelley and Brian Cummins celebrated at a welcome home on party Friday, October 6th, for Hook & Ladder #42.

manning Hook & Ladder # 42 at 4665 Pearl Road. Back in December of 2005, Old Brooklyn residents were shocked to hear that their ladder company was being considered for a brown-out of services.

Despite spirited demonstrations from local residents, Ladder #42 was browned out on April 18, 2006. The brown-out meant that the manpower needed to service the emergency ladder truck was reassigned to another station. The equipment remained, but no one was there to operate it.

The Jackson administration promised that the situation would be revisited when the imminent issue of the Fulton Road Bridge closing was examined. Prompted,

42 returned to fully manned status. Acknowledging the role neighborhood residents played, Ward 16 Council Kevin Kelley stated, "The restoration of Hook & Ladder Co. #42 is a tremendous victory for the citizens of Old Brooklyn. It's a result of a concerned and active citizenry and a City Hall that heard their concerns. Together, we have guaranteed to have Hook & Ladder Co. #42 staffed for at least three years."

The jubilation of the crowd was echoed by many of the firefighters themselves. Many of them live in the area and were concerned about the safety of their own families and their neighbors. The return of Hook & Ladder Co. #42 is a victory for the entire community.

## Old Brooklyn Arby's provides Thanksgiving meal for needy

by Maribeth Feke

You won't find roast turkey and all the trimmings on the menu board or drive-thru at an Arby's restaurant on a normal day, and no super-value menu can boast of such a meal cost-free. Yet on a day when most fast food chain doors are closed, the Arby's at 3330 Broadview Rd. will serve a free Arby's Manager Mary Christian (center) receives donations from Thanksgiving meal Joe Cannon (left) and Don Workman (right) to help offset the free Thanksgiving meals served to the needy. Arby's, 3330 Broadview Rd. will be offering the meals from 11am to 1pm on Thanksgiving. turkey, stuffing, potatoes and more.

The Arby's crew will serve the meal between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. This is the fourth year that they have sponsored this event. Attendance has been increasing steadily each year; last year they served 200 people.

The Thanksgiving meal is targeted to serve the needy and elderly in the neighborhood. Mary Christian, Arby's manager, came up with the idea and handles all of the organization, cooking and donations. "When I took over this store, I told my manager I wanted to take my kids to help at a holiday meal and she encouraged me to start my own." The rest is history.



Photo by Sandy Worona

Arby's accepts donations throughout the year to help with the expenses for this meal. Last year they held a raffle to offset some of the costs. Arby's donates the turkey and ham and Mary's suppliers donate some of the food for the meal — Nickels is providing the rolls, the salad supplier is providing a fruit salad, and the apple and cherry turnover supplier is providing the dessert.

"I used to be a Girl Scout leader, so I have Girl Scouts staff the counter. My crew and their families cook the food and keep the trays full. I just sit around and cry all day," Mary said. "It's a lot of hard work; I'm cooking all week before Thanksgiving...but it's worth it."

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## Fulton Rd. Bridge closed and waiting to be demolished; new bridge to be built on same site

by Jay Gardner & Judith Pindell

Over past decades, countless cars and pedestrians — as well as some lingering horse-drawn conveyances — have passed over the historic Fulton Rd. Bridge. For 74 years, its graceful arches have framed both the MetroParks Zoo and Brookside Park.

Just a few weeks ago, on Thursday, October 5th, the last car made that crossing. Despite its architectural beauty, the Fulton Road Bridge has been crumbling for many years. With many of its reinforcement beams visible through the weathered concrete, the bridge looked dangerous even to an untrained eye.

As far back as 1984, the Cuyahoga County Engineers Office set aside \$20,000 to study the need for a replacement bridge. Two years ago the number of lanes of traffic was reduced from four to two, to limit stresses on the bridge. Engineering studies determined that the bridge was beyond repair and a replacement was needed.

Demolition by explosives is tentatively scheduled to occur in late 2006 or early 2007. The planned demolition will be performed with two blasts. The project contractor, Kokosing Construction Company, will prepare the bridge for demolition and Sauls

ticularly along Denison Ave. and Pearl Rd. It's going to be a headache for a while, but ultimately when the project is completed, it will be a huge asset to the neighborhood."

Councilman Cummins also noted that every effort will be made to incorporate usable parts of the bridge in the final landscape plan and that \$1.5 million of the \$46 million budget had been set aside for an all-purpose trail alongside the bridge.

The design of the new bridge will mimic the arched structural supports of the old bridge that have been an iconic presence for so many years. In the interim, north-south traffic will be detoured to the W. 25th St. and W. 65th St. bridges over the Big Creek Valley and I-71. To accommodate the new traffic flow, detour signs and adjusted lane lines and traffic signals were posted at the time of the bridge's closing.

### Project Contacts:

City of Cleveland Division of Traffic Engineering, Commissioner Robert Mavec, 216- 664-3194, for detour, traffic pattern and traffic signal questions/concerns;

Kokosing Project Office, Ryan Cocco Project Engineer; Dan Sigado Superintendent, 216- 741-7867; and

ODOT Project Office, Greg Kronstain and Mike Dzurnak, 216-398-9584.

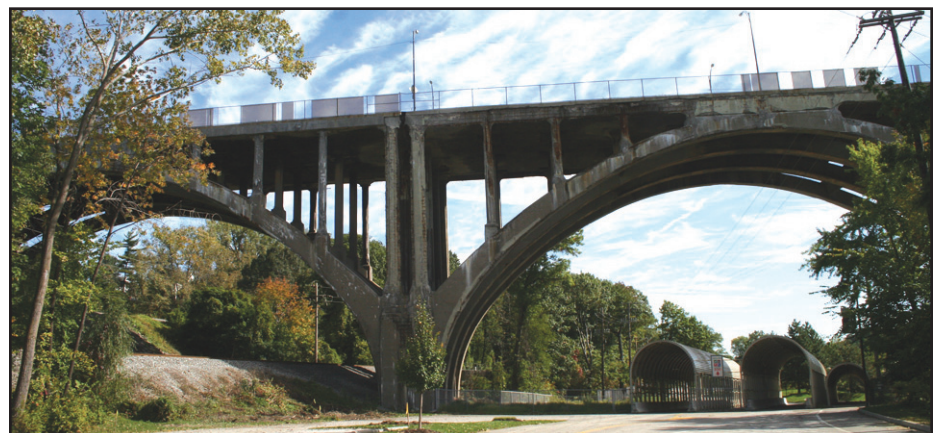


Photo by George Shuba

Built in 1932, the Fulton Road Bridge is a neighborhood landmark. The bridge was closed on October 5th, 2006 for reconstruction. A new bridge is expected to open in summer, 2009.

Seismic, Inc. will monitor the implosion and conduct pre- and post- surveys of nearby properties (e.g., residences and Cleveland MetroParks Zoo buildings) that may be affected by the blasts.

To avoid ground vibrations that result from additional explosives, the remaining portions of the bridge, particularly the approach spans, will be removed by mechanical methods. The new bridge is projected to be finished in the summer of 2009. The budget is estimated to \$46 million.

Re-routing traffic has already produced some bottlenecks along Pearl Road, particularly during rush hour. Concerned about these problems, Ward 15 Councilman Brian Cummins stated, "We will continue to work with the Division of Traffic Engineering during the project to minimize traffic jams, par-

Don't forget to



Tuesday, November 7th

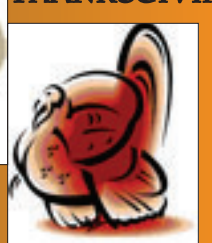
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## Susan Nieves leaves after 5 years with OBCDC

On October 17th, the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation (OBCDC) bid farewell to Operations Manager Susan Nieves. Susan left OBCDC to work for another non-profit agency closer to her home. She and her husband had moved to Youngstown about a year ago.

Susan played a key role in the reorganization of OBCDC that began shortly before she was hired. She computerized the agency's accounting system, worked on the financial reports required by the City, systematized human resource benefits and records, and coordinated membership drives.

In addition, Susan took on some of a managing editor's responsibilities for the *Old Brooklyn News* and contributed to the continuing professional improvement of the paper. Thanks to a background in journalism from her high school years, she was adept at copy-reading, fine-tuning articles and noticing layout errors.

Another of the talents Susan brought to the agency was a fluency in Spanish that was valuable in assisting local Hispanic residents.

A native Cleveland, Susan displayed a passion for furthering the mission of OBCDC. This passion played itself out during fund raisers as she worked with the staff to make these events successful.

On her final day, Susan reminisced that



Former OBCDC Operations Manager  
Susan Nieves

working for OBCDC was one of the most rewarding episodes in her professional life. She stated, "Working for a good non-profit makes you always feel as if you're among family. When you get an opportunity to provide direct support through something like a fund raiser, you can't help but devote yourself entirely to making it a big success."

As OBCDC searches for someone to take on the responsibilities of Operations Manager, it wishes Susan well in her new position.

(Jay Gardner and Lynette Filips both contributed to this article.)

## Housing Court provides services to seniors

by Raymond L. Pianka  
Judge, Cleveland Housing Court

As our population ages, many property owners also face caring for an aging home. Certain maintenance must be done on a periodic basis to comply with the Cleveland Codified Ordinances. For example, houses with wooden siding or trim cannot have peeling or cracked paint. Heating systems must be in proper working order. Roofs must be secure.

Senior citizens are not exempt from these rules, and Cleveland has a number of resources available to provide assistance to ensure they do not get cited with violation notices from the City for failing to comply with the Codes.

Sometimes, however, a senior will find him/herself before the Court answering to charges of code violations. Because the ultimate goal of the Court is correction of the code violations, it offers a number of programs to provide assistance in meeting this objective:

**Selective Intervention Program:** The Housing Court established a Selective Intervention Program (SIP) to assist eligible and approved criminal defendants in correcting

City code violations. Typically, owner-occupant seniors are eligible for the SIP docket. Upon referral, the defendant is assigned a Housing Specialist who will help formulate a plan to complete any outstanding code violations, and to assist in applying for necessary programs, loans or grants. When the code violations are corrected, the case is dismissed, and the defendant will not have a criminal conviction.

**Housing Specialists:** Specially trained in housing issues, our team of Housing Specialists works closely with our elderly clientele, on a walk-in or call-in basis, to provide information about landlord-tenant issues, lending issues and the requirements of the Cleveland Codes. You can reach a Housing Specialist at 216-664-4295.

**Referrals:** In an effort to ensure that seniors are given available assistance, the Housing Court works closely with the City of Cleveland's Department of Aging at 216-664-2833, and routinely makes referrals to them. For this same reason, the Court also refers seniors to the Cuyahoga County Department of Senior and Adult Services at 216-420-6750.

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## Upcoming ballot to decide County and State issues

by Donn Heckelmoser  
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Last month the *Old Brooklyn News* ran the first half of a two-part series dealing with the November 7th election. It dealt with the offices up for reelection and the candidates vying for the positions. At the conclusion of the article, we promised that a summary of the issues would follow in our next edition; those issues are the subject of this article.

Municipal, State and County issues can be put on the ballot every election cycle as long as the Municipality, County or State Election Board's specifications are met. Here is a breakdown of the issues for which we will be voting on November 7th:

There are two countywide issues up for decision.

●The first is whether or not to levy an excise tax on the sale of cigarettes at the wholesale level at the rate of 15 mills per cigarette (.015 cents per cigarette) for ten years. The money would be used to support operating and capital expenses of arts/cultural organizations in Cuyahoga County.

●The second issue is whether or not to replace a portion of an existing levy (a reduction of 0.1 mills) for a tax to supplement the general fund appropriations for health and human or social services at a rate not exceeding 2.9 mills (.29 cents for each \$100 of valuation) for four years. It would commence in 2006 and be first due in 2007.

There are four proposed State issues on the ballot.

●Issue 2 is the proposed constitutional amendment that was proposed by initiative petition. It states that employers shall pay their employees a wage rate of not less than

six dollars and eighty five cents per hour beginning January 1, 2007. On the thirteenth day of each September, beginning in 2007, this state minimum wage rate shall be increased effective the first day of the following January by the rate of inflation for the twelve month period prior to that September.

●Issue 3 is a proposed amendment to the Ohio constitution that would permit up to 31,500 slot machines at seven horse racing tracks and two Cleveland non-track locations.

●Issue 4 is a proposed amendment that would prohibit smoking in enclosed areas except tobacco stores, private residences or non-public facilities; separate smoking areas in restaurants, most bars, bingo and bowling facilities; separate areas of hotels and nursing homes; and race tracks.

●Issue 5 is a proposed law to prohibit smoking in public places and places of employment; to provide certain exemptions as well as a "smoke free indoor air fund" in the State treasury; and to impose civil fines for the violation of stated proposed law.

There are many City issues on the ballot this coming November, but none of them will be voted on within our wards.

The Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation and or the *Old Brooklyn News* do not endorse any issue, proposed law or amendment. We have published this article simply to help you make an informed decision when you go to the polls.

Visit the Secretary of State's website (<http://www.sos.state.oh.us/>) or the Cuyahoga County Board of Election's website (<http://boe.cuyahogacounty.us/>) for a more detailed explanation of the issues on the ballot.

(Lynette Filips contributed to this article.)

### Thanksgiving dinner from front page.

When asked why she started this, Mary stated, "It's my way of giving back to the community. Times are hard and there are so many people in need. I was going to only do it one year, but now I'm in my fourth year."

Don Workman of Ameriflag, Inc., Mary's business neighbor across Broadview Rd., observed, "Mary is a good person, conscientious and doing a very good thing in the neighborhood. This is commendable. She and her crew spend Thanksgiving Day serving others who don't have as much."

Both Don and former Old Brooklyn Councilman Joe Cannon have assisted in covering the costs associated with the meal. "Mary does a great job using her resources to help the needy of the area. She is an asset to our neighborhood," Don continued.

According to Janet Thomas, Director of Brookside Center, the holiday meal at

Arby's is the only one being served in the Old Brooklyn neighborhood. Other nearby meals on Thanksgiving are at St. Augustine's in Tremont and St. Hermann's in Ohio City.

It's too far from the holidays to judge this year's actual demand for a Thanksgiving meal. But Brookside is currently serving approximately 670 families a month, and according to Janet, that is on the high side of their average. "When they you hear that Cleveland is one of the poorest big cities in the nation, it's true," she stated.

For those in need of assistance on other days, meals are served on the last two Sundays of the month between 4:30 and 6 p.m. at Brooklyn Memorial United Methodist Church, 2607 Archwood Ave., and every first Sunday of the month between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. at Bethany United Church of Christ, 3388 W. 41st St.

## Some Cleveland residents eligible for free flu shots

If you are at least 65 years old, or 18 -64 years old with a medical condition (you must bring documentation about your condition), you are eligible for a free flu shot.

Bring proof that you are a resident of Cleveland and if you are a senior, bring your Medicare card. For more information, call 664-4621.

Flu shot dates/locations convenient to Old Brooklyn and Brooklyn Centre include:

**Nov. 8th,** 10 am - 1 pm, Pilgrim Congregational Church, 2592 West 14th St., 216-861-7388.

**Nov. 9th,** 2 - 4 pm, Deaconess Krafft SCR, 3100 Devonshire, 216-351-0979.

**Nov. 20th,** 10 am -12 pm, Merrick House Fulton, 3167 Fulton Rd. 216-281-4212

**Every Friday,** 8-11am, McCafferty Health Center, 4242 Lorain Ave., 216-664-6603.

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Saturday, November 4th

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Saturday, November 11th

“Silent Lion” Celtic music performed by this talented couple using a variety of instruments.

Saturday, November 18th

“Noah Budin” Blend of traditional & con-temporary music.

Saturday, November 25th

Closed for Thanksgiving Weekend

Saturday, December 2nd

“abacusmusin.net” Modern folk rock.

Every Tuesday

Food Stamp Information & Sign Up

Brookside Center in the lobby area. Representative from Project B.R.E.A.D. will be available to provide info & help eligible people sign up. Call Maria Rodriguez, 216-432-4770, for more info.

Thurs., Fri., & Sat., November, 2nd, 3rd & 4th  
Hazardous Waste Round-Up

Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds in Berea. Thurs. & Fri., 1 - 4 pm; Sat., 9 am - 4 pm. Free to all Cuyahoga County residents. Oil-based paints, solvents, wood stains, sealers, turpentine, lawn & garden chemicals, mercury, acids, automotive fluids & more. Latex paint, propane tanks, ammunition, & medical waste not be accepted at this location. Latex paint is considered non-hazardous & should be dried out, solidified & disposed of with regular trash. For more info call Cuyahoga Solid Waste District, 216-443-3749.

Saturday, November 4th

The Cleveland Saxon Dance Group Fundraiser Westside Sachsenheim Hall, 7001 Denison Ave. Dinner/dance Traubenfest, pork roast dinner followed by dancing to Bergvagabunden. Doors open 6 pm; dinner served 6:30 pm. Prepaid reservations, \$12 adults; \$6 children, should be sent to Amanda Seiler-Botsch, 21881 Overlook Dr., Fairview Park, Oh. 44126. For more info call Amanda, 216-235-5240.

Sunday, November 5th  
Card Party

Parma Memorial Hall, 6617 Ridge Rd., 1 - 4 pm. Sponsored by Catholic Daughters of America - Cabrini #1430. \$5 includes lunch. For more info call 216-749-5888.

Sunday, November 5th  
Holy Spirit Guild Card Party

Jennings Hall Auditorium, 10204 Granger Rd. Garfield Hts. 1:30 pm. 216-663-6445.

Monday, November 6th

Cuyahoga Valley Genealogy Society

Independence Civic Center, White Oak Room, 6363 Selig Blvd., 7:30 pm. Edith Prendergast speaking about “Booze and Other Strong Drink: Who Drank What, Where and Why?” Refreshments served. For more info call presi-dent Wally Huskonen, 440-526-1238.

Thursday, November 9th  
Antique Collectors Club

Busch Community Rm., 7501 Ridge Rd., 7:30 pm. Rebecca McFarland speaking about the Cleveland Cultural Gardens.

Saturday, November 11th

Tri-C Western Veteran's Day Celebration

Tri-C Western Campus, parking lot D, 11000 Pleasant Valley Rd., free. 1 pm, outdoor dis-plays; 2 pm in rec center, formal program.

Message from Senator Robert Dole; Black-Hawk helicopter landing; F-16 flyover; Army NASCAR vehicle; rock-climbing wall; foot-ball & basketball toss; & performances by Irish Heritage Pipe Band of Cleveland & 122nd Ohio Army National Guard Band. Reception at 3:30 pm in the Crile Archives. For more info. call 216-987-5309.

Saturday, November 18th

Art House Seeking Volunteers

10 am - 1:30 pm & 1:30 - 5 pm to run a bake sale during holiday art sale. Volunteers also needed to donate baked goods. Contact Sheryl Hoffman at shoffman@arthouseinc.org.

Wednesday, November 15th

An Old Fashioned Ice Cream Social

East Park Retirement Community, 6360 Elmdale Rd., Brookpark. Tours of continuing care campus available. Entertainment by Ted Litchney. Door prizes. RSVP by Nov. 13th. Call 216-267-7067 for more info.

Friday, November 17th  
Fibromyalgia 101

MetroHealth Medical Center, 2500 MetroHealth Dr. 1:30 - 3:30 pm. Free non-pro-fessional program presented by Cleveland area support group members, not affiliated with The MetroHealth System. For more info & to regis-ter call 216-398-4880.

Saturday, November 18th

13th Annual Autumn Harvest of Fine Arts & Crafts Show

Rocky River Memorial Hall, 21016 Hilliard Rd., Rocky River (one block north of Westgate Mall). 9 am - 4:30 pm. \$2 admission. Sponsored by Women’s Alliance for Recovery Services. More than 40 of Ohio’s finest artists & crafters. Hand painted glassware, dolls, jewelry, photography, knitted items, pottery & woodcraft & more. Refreshments & raffle of items donated by exhibitors. Entertainment 2007 coupon books for sale. Call Mary, 216-575-9120, for more info.

Saturday, November 18th

Art House Annual Holiday Art Sale

Art House, 3119 Denison Ave., 11 am - 5 pm. Proceeds benefit Art House programming for all ages. Free & open to the public. Also free family art activity. Art sale will feature jewelry including enam-eled, silver, & beaded pieces; prints; ceramics; small paintings; photography; handmade cards & book-markers; & other treasures from local artists. For more info call 216-398-8556 or visit www.arthouse-inc.org.

Saturday, November 25th

Jewelry and Collectibles Show

Ridge Manor Party Center - Brooklyn (corner of Ridge & Biddulph Rds.), 9 am - 4 pm. Gold, sil-ver, Waterford, Swarovski, watches, costume jewelry, figurines, collector plates, china, teapots & more. Some estate jewelry. Handmade Barbie & Ken doll clothes.

Thursday, November 30th

The Singing Angels In Concert

St. Leo Church, 4940 Broadview Rd., 7:30 pm. \$5 ticket donation for advanced sales (cash or checks payable to St. Leo) or \$7 at the door. Tickets on sale at the rectory, from band families, or at the school. Concert evening will include raffle of baskets; singers aged 8-15 are invited to an open

audition to join the Singing Angels following the performance. Send a holiday greeting or words of praise to your family memberst o be printed in all Christmas concert programs, \$3 per greeting. Purchase these with tickets or a note with your sentiment & payment by Nov. 18th to St. Leo School, 4900 Broadview Rd. Cleve., OH 44109. Attention: Ms Goode.

Friday & Saturday, December 8th & 9th  
Gospel Nonviolent Love: Our Great Failure, Our Only Hope

Rev. Emmanuel Charles McCarthy, Nobel Peace Prize nominee. Jesuit Retreat House, 5629 State Rd., Parma. Fri., Dec. 8. Registration, 6 - 7 pm; opening presentation, 7 - 9 pm. Sat., Dec. 9, conference/retreat, 9 am -5 pm. \$60--conference/retreat & overnight stay; \$35--conference/retreat. Mail registra-tion ASAP to Barbara Leggott, Jesuit Retreat House, 5629 State Rd. Parma, 44134. Make check payable to Jesuit Retreat House or regis-ter online at: www.jrh--cleveland.org. Co-spon-sored by PaxChristi, Cleveland.

Sunday, December 10th

2006 Candlelight Christmas House Tour

Brooklyn Centre residents open their doors to share the spirit of the holiday season, 1–6 pm. Discounted, pre-sale tickets - \$12, adults; \$8, seniors & students. Day of the event tickets - adults, \$15; seniors & students, \$10. For more info call Julie Miragliotta, 216-287-8195.

American Cell Phone Drive - Helping Old Brooklyn’s Crime Watch Program

Donate your inactive cell phones today. No accessories, chargers, etc. Drop off at 4898 Pearl Rd. For more info call 216-351-0315.

Cemetery Decoration Removal

Cemetery staff at Lutheran Cemetery will remove all summer/holiday flowers, decora-tions beginning Nov. 5. Winter decorations can be placed Nov. 15.

Free Evening Classes at Mooney

Schools as a Neighborhood Resource (SNR) Program at Charles Mooney School, 3213 Montclair Ave., Mon., Wed. & Thurs., 6 - 8 pm, now thru Mar., 2007. Activities for children & adults. **Computers** – M,W & Th; **Walkercise/Exercise** – M,W&Th; **Basketball** – M,W&Th; **Karate** – M & W; **Drawing** – 14 yrs. & up, Mon.; **Scrapbooking** – Mon.; **Crafts** – M & W; **Games** – Thurs.; **Cooking** – 16 yrs. & up, Wed.; **Woodburning** -- 13 yrs. & up, Thurs. All classes free. Sign up anytime during the year.

Live's Museums Guide

Fall/Winter 2006 comprehensive listings cal-endar of shows & events. Supplement to Northern Ohio Live Magazine. Pick up a free copy at OBCDC, 3344 Broadview Rd.

St. Leo Preschool Registration

St. Leo Preschool, 4940 Broadview Rd. The preschool offers programs for skill develop-ment & kindergarten readiness for three & four year old children. Children who are four years

old by Sept. 30 attend classes Mon., Wed. & Fri. Children who are three years old by Sept. 30 attend classes Tues. & Thur. Class times are 8:15-10:45 am or 11:55 am-2:25 pm. For more info call Jeanne Sabol, 216-661-5330.

Volunteer Drivers & Runners Needed to Deliver Meals On Wheels

Senior Citizen Resources, Inc. Only 1 hour of time between 10:45 am & noon, one day a week. Help bring a little sunshine into the lives of a homebound resident in the Old Brooklyn area. Call Rosemary, 216-749-5367.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Brooklyn Centre Community Association (for-merly Archwood Denison Concerned Citizens) meeting, Thurs., Dec., 7 pm, Archwood United Church of Christ, 2800 Archwood Ave. For more info call Julie, 216-287-8195.

Brooklyn Genealogy Club meeting, 2 pm, Sun., Nov. 19, Brooklyn branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, 4480 Ridge Rd. Hans Kopp will speak about “German Nation Emigration”. Refreshments; prospec-tive members welcome.

Friends of Big Creek public meeting, Wed., Nov. 29, 7 - 8:45 pm, Windows on the World meeting room, Reinberger Education Center (next to the Zoo’s Main Entrance), 3900 Wildlife Way. Presentation by Elaine Marsh, Director of Ohio Greenways, outlining the benefits & options of green infrastructure & related trail development. Call 216-661-4998 or visit www.friendsofbigcreek.org for more info.

The Historical Society of Old Brooklyn annual potluck supper, 6 pm, Fri., Nov. 10, Pearl Road United Methodist Church, 4200 Pearl Rd. (Use rear entrance off parking lot.) Members are encouraged to bring an item of historical, genealogical or antique interest for the show-and-tell segment of the evening . Call president Louise Evans, 661-4103, with any questions.

Second District Community Relations meeting, every second Tues. of the month, Tues., Nov. 14, 8 pm, Applewood Center, 3518 W. 25th St.

Southwest Citizens Area Council meeting, Thurs., Nov. 2, 7 pm (every first Thurs.), Gino’s Tavern, 1314 Denison Ave. (basement hall).

Ward 16 Democratic Club Meeting, Tuesday, November 21st, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 5801 Memphis Ave., 7 pm, every 3rd Tues. of the month. Community issues & upcoming elections to be discussed.

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# Two neighborhood caring institutions celebrate significant anniversaries

by Lynette Filips and Jay Gardner

## Brookside Center

On Sunday, October 15, 2006, Brookside Center, 3784 Pearl Rd., celebrated its 25th anniversary of service to the needy of our community. A special reception, worship service and open house were all part of the day. Approximately 80 people attended the event.

The celebration began at 12:30 p.m. at Trinity United Church of Christ, 3525 W. 25th St., with a light lunch. It was followed by a worship service at 1:30 p.m. Clergy from the neighborhood churches which have been most involved with Brookside – Rev. David Durkit from Trinity United Church of Christ; Rev. David Bahr from Archwood United Church of Christ; Rev. Robin Schreiber from Bethany United Church of Christ; Rev. Neal Wilds, retired from Brooklyn Memorial United Methodist Church; and Rev. Bob Andrew, retired from St. Phillip the Apostle Episcopal Church and currently at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Bay Village, participated in the service.

Judy Peters, the president and CEO of West Side Ecumenical Ministry (WSEM); Janet Thomas, Brookside's Director and Brian Cummins, Ward 15 Cleveland City Councilman also addressed those in attendance. The Honorable Dale Miller, State Senator from the 23rd District, was the keynote speaker.

During the program, Brookside acknowledged the 50 volunteers who give over 15,000 service hours each year doing such tasks as unloading the Food Bank truck, bagging groceries, doing intake, staffing the reception desk, helping in the resale shop, tutoring in the GED program, serving hot meals on three Sundays a month, and helping with maintenance and clean-up.

After the formal part of the day, attendees retreated to Brookside Center (now being referred to as the WSEM Food Center at Brookside) for an open house at which punch and cake was served.

Brookside's mission to low-income families and individuals began 25 years ago in a house on W. 33<sup>rd</sup> St. thanks to the concern of eight neighborhood Protestant and Catholic clergymen (aka The Brookside Cluster of Churches). Because of the continuing interest of area churches and individuals, its services have not only endured, but also expanded. (The Center moved to its current storefront location in 1994.) Brookside's ministry is a beautiful witness to faith coupled with good works and ecumenism in action.



Janet Thomas, Brookside Center's Executive Director, addresses those in attendance at the Center's 25th anniversary celebration on Sunday, October 15th.

## Senior Citizen Resources

For almost 35 years, Senior Citizens Resources, Inc. (SCR) has improved the quality of life for thousands of local seniors. The organization will celebrate that milestone on Thursday, November 2, 2006 from 5 to 8 pm at Estabrook Recreation Center, 4125 Fulton Road. Tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased at any SCR site or from SCR Advisory Council members.

Novotny's Catering will be serving a tasty family meal consisting of breaded pork chops, scalloped potatoes, green beans, cottage cheese with peaches, and pie. Ray Kasi and the Skylarks will be providing live entertainment throughout the evening.

The anniversary dinner will kick-off SCR's annual funding raising effort. This year's goal is \$20,000. The bulk of these funds will go to support SRC's transportation program. The SRC transportation program is vital

to many local seniors. Reflecting on SCR's vans, Executive Director Bernadette Bulanda stated,

"Most people in Old Brooklyn see our vans in the neighborhood all the time, but not many understand how important this service is to housebound seniors. This service is available to any senior over 60. We take people to their doctors' appointments, the grocery store, local hunger centers and medical clinics. Last year we made 16,000 round trips and logged 38,000 miles on our vans.

Without this service many seniors would be almost totally isolated and unable to secure even their basic needs. Just as importantly, the vans get people out of the houses and give them an opportunity to socialize.

We are a lifeline and they are incredibly grateful. Time and time again seniors tell me that they would be totally housebound without our vans."

SCR is a non-profit tax-exempt organization. Anyone who cannot attend the anniversary event but would still like to support the agency can send a check to Senior Citizens Resource, Inc., 5202 Memphis Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44144. Buy a piece of the van!

The Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation and the Old Brooklyn News recognizes the important contributions these organizations have made to the quality of life for many in our neighborhood and congratulates them on reaching these milestone anniversaries.

## In Memoriam

### Judy Stefanini, former owner of Don & Judy's Fantastic Steakburgers

by Lynette Filips

For over five decades there's been a restaurant with unique ambience and tasty fare at 4326 Pearl Rd. (across from the bus barns between Brooklyn Ave. and Spokane Ave.). One day during the years that it was known as Bob and Jean's, Judy Stefanini, a waitress at Broglio's Restaurant, stopped in for a bite to eat. She was so taken with the restaurant's charm that she gave the owners her phone number and told them to call her if they ever wanted to sell it.

Judy Stefanini received that phone call circa 1982, and Bob and Jean's name changed to Don and Judy's Fantastic Steakburgers. The Stefaninis lived on W. Schaaf Rd. in Old Brooklyn, so they, as well as the establishment they purchased, were well-known in the neigh-

borhood. Its unique character (e.g., their practice of customers keeping their own mugs there) was featured in local papers like The Plain Dealer.

Energetic business owners, the Stefaninis doubled the size of their Old Brooklyn restaurant. Circa 1994, wanting to further expand their operation, they purchased a larger, second restaurant at 63 Pearl Rd. in Brunswick which they named Don & Judy's II. Within a year and a half, they had enlarged it, too.

For a while the Stefaninis owned both restaurants, but after they sold their Schaaf Rd. home and moved to Brunswick, they decided to sell their Old Brooklyn restaurant, too. Dee Walsh, who was one of Judy's long-time waitresses and the restaurant's manager, bought it from the Stefaninis in 1996. (It's now called Dee's Old Brooklyn Diner.)

Sometime before Judy learned that she had was diagnosed with bone cancer, Don and Judy sold their Brunswick restaurant, too, and Judy began doing daycare in her home. She was able to continue that service even after her diagnosis three years ago, thanks to the friends working with her in that undertaking.

Judy was only expected to live two years, but she successfully battled her disease for three years. It finally took her life on August 23, 2006.

In addition to her husband, Judy is survived by a daughter, a son, five grandchildren, a great-grandchild, two sisters and a brother.

As it remembers Judy's legacy in our neighborhood, the Old Brooklyn News, on behalf of the wider community, extends its sympathy to all of them.



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8 oz semisweet chocolate chips  
1/2 C heavy whipping cream

#### Baking Instructions:

-Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Grease and flour a Bundt Garland Pan.  
-In a large bowl, mix together the brown sugar, margarine and peanut butter until mixed well. Beat in the eggs one at a time, then stir in the vanilla. Combine the flour, baking powder and baking soda; stir into the batter alternately with the milk. Spoon into the prepared pan.  
-Bake for 20-30 minutes in the preheated oven, until a toothpick inserted into cake comes out clean. Cool in pan for at least 10 minutes before removing to a wire rack to cool completely.

#### To make the chocolate ganache:

Put the heavy whipping cream in a medium saucepan over medium heat. Bring to a boil, stirring occasionally. Meanwhile, place the chocolate chips in a large stainless steel mixing bowl. Remove the cream from the heat and pour it over the chocolate chips. Stir until the chocolate has melted. Let sit about 30 minutes until it thickens. Pour over the mini Bundt cakes to cover them. Garnish with store bought or homemade buckeye candies, if desired.

**Serving Size:** 12 mini Bundt cakes -  
1 cake per serving





To allow ample distribution time for the *Old Brooklyn News* before the upcoming election, we decided to publish our November edition at the end of October. Maybe it will be tossed on your steps the weekend that we set our clocks back and you'll have an extra hour to read it. Or maybe you'll get it closer to Halloween, and you can page through it in between trick-or-treaters.

Just in time for holiday meals, **Brooklyn Heights United Church of Christ (BHUCC)** has asked us to tell you about a good-sounding food opportunity. **Greater Cleveland Community UCC** is a group of **Filipino Americans in Northeast Ohio** who've been using the BHUCC church facility. Some while back they became aware of a nationwide food distribution program called Angel Food Ministries and now they want to open it up to the wider community.

While we can't list all the details in a Town Crier column, some of the main points are that income is not a criteria; food is ordered — and then picked up — at BHUCC on a monthly basis; a box of food costs \$25, but the buyers claim that it has a retail value of \$50 to \$75; and you can call Rev. Alan Ramos, 216-581-0361, or Elie Medie, 216-320-2942, for more information.

And while we're on the topic of food, Nordic Ware, the sponsor of a bundt cake baking contest, has informed us that Brooklyn resident **Cheryl Cua** was first a State finalist and has now moved on to being one of ten national finalists in their first ever "Bundts Across America" recipe contest. The company sponsored the competition as part of its sixtieth anniversary celebration.

Entrants in the contest were required to submit a recipe in some way reflective of their states. Cheryl's creation, Buckeye Bundt Cake, used chocolate and peanut butter as the dominant flavors, and is baked in the compa-

ny's special Garland Bundt Pan. We've printed the recipe for it on page 4.

Nordic Ware will announce the grand prize winner of its contest at 10 a.m. on November 15 on the Martha Stewart Show; and if that person happens to be Cheryl, she'll be sitting in the audience watching. For now, though, she knows for sure that she's the recipient of a \$500 gift certificate for Nordic Ware products.

In closer-to-home competitions, on September 8, **Enrique Minique**, owner of **La Borincana Food Market** at 2127 Fulton Rd. was named the 2006 male entrepreneur of the year at the Hispanic Business Association's annual meeting. (Diana Mashini, owner of Corporate Choice Staffing in Lyndhurst was the female winner.) Chamber members and more than 70 other representatives from other business and community organizations selected the winners.

The Hispanic Business Association also has a separate competition for newer businesses, and two Old Brooklyn business owners — **Vincent Sanchez**, owner of the **83 Degrees** restaurant at 6212 Memphis Ave. and **Janet Garcia**, owner of **Janet Garcia Insurance Agency** at 15705 Lorain Ave.) — tied for the 2006 Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award. Vincent lives at 4332 Fulton Rd., right around the corner from his business; the reason we're mentioning Janet's business is that she lives in our neighborhood, at 4123 Muriel Ave.

*Scene Magazine* recently sponsored a competition, too, one which they do annually, actually. It's called "**The Best of Cleveland**", and is divided into six categories. They printed the results in their Sept. 27 - Oct. 3 edition, and we're proud to report that a number of businesses in our neighborhood are included among them —

Not surprisingly, in the *People & Places* category, **Memphis Kiddie Park** at 10340 Memphis Ave. was judged to be the "Best Place to Take the Kids". And right across the street at 10543 Memphis Ave., the **Memphis Drive-In** was voted the "Best Place to Watch a Summer Hit" (though actually that was in the *Arts & Entertainment* category).

A photo of Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation (OBCDC) board member (and former president of the Board of Old Brooklyn Neighborhood Services) **Anthony Petti** was also featured in the *Arts & Entertainment* category as the "Best Band Stage Show". Anthony's name wasn't actually mentioned, and those who know him only in

professional circles wouldn't necessarily recognize him in his performing gear. But OBCDC's Community Organizer knew that he's half of the duo called Uncle Scratch's Gospel Revival, and she alerted us to Anthony's moment of fame.

In the *Shops & Wares* category, **Art House, Inc.** at 3119 Denison Ave. was deemed to be the "Best Family Outing". What they were specifically referring to is the family program Art House offers on the first and third Saturdays of the month.

The final *Scene* category in which a neighborhood business placed is *Food & Drink*. **Dee's Old Brooklyn Diner** at 4326 Pearl Rd. was recognized as serving the "Best Steakburger".

We are so behind with student news that our first entry this month goes all the way back to last December. That's when **Meredith Daney** of Dornur Dr. received a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education degree from Cleveland State University. She's been working at **St. Mary Byzantine School** on State Rd. since summer, first part-time in the preschool, and now full-time as the physical education and health teacher for students in kindergarten through third grade.

Considering that she's such a recent grad, Meredith actually has had considerable teach-

ing experience in Old Brooklyn and Brooklyn. While still in college, she did her practicum at St. Mary's and her student teaching at St. Leo's, plus for many years she's taught the "Learn to Skate" course at the ice rink at the City of Brooklyn's Recreation Center.

Two of the scholarships which Saint Joseph Academy awarded to incoming freshman this year went to Old Brooklyn girls, one of whom happens to be a graduate of **St. Mary Byzantine School**. As a result of a paragraph she wrote explaining her community service, **Keelin McAndrew** of Cook Ave. was awarded a one-year, partial-tuition scholarship given in memory of Sister Edith Franz.

**Theresa Slivka** of Hillcrest Ave., a graduate of **Old Brooklyn Montessori School**, is the other recipient of a partial-tuition scholarship from the Academy, but hers has the potential to be renewed over the next three years. It's called the Margaret and Joseph Bender Academic Scholarship, and if Terri can maintain at least a 3.8 grade point average, she'll be able to keep the scholarship for all her high school years.

If you have news you'd like to share with the community, please send it to: Lynette Filips, The Town Crier, c/o The Old Brooklyn News, 3344 Broadview Rd., Cleve., Ohio 44109.

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By Tom Collins  
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This summer I had the opportunity to get away for a few days. The high price of gasoline and limited time set the parameters for the extended weekend vacations. When I take such a driving vacation, I enjoy getting off the Interstate system to take state and county roads through the many small towns of the Midwest. Part of my interest is seeing how small cities have preserved or lost their architectural charm, retained or lost their importance as the center of commerce, and maintained their public spaces.

My wife and I wandered about Michigan on one trip and Kentucky on another trip. Climate and geography are different; some regional foods are different; history and culture are different.

Along with the differences there are also many similarities, and not all the similarities are attractive. Almost every mid-size city (e.g., Millersburg, Wellington, Wooster) has had a large retail strip shopping center constructed on

the outside of town. Generally it is on the main road to town where it siphons traffic and customers from downtown destinations. It is always built several hundred yards back from the road, behind a large parking lot.

The buildings in these strip malls are nondescript or of some hideous color that cannot escape your notice. Many have chain or franchise stores that are so identical in appearance that you think you are still at home. Nearby there is some national big-box store that works to siphon off more traffic from both the downtown area and the nearby strip mall.

No doubt these stores all serve a market need and their customers are reasonably satisfied, but I have to ask myself why it all has to be so ugly. Have we traded the visibly welcome architecture of small town centers for painted cinder blocks alongside highways because our automobiles must never be out of sight? Have we agreed to abandon green space and farms for acres of asphalt and concrete? We are consuming rural land the same way in which we consume energy, without caring that it cannot be replaced.

Now the good side... It appears that many small towns reach a tipping point at which the property and business owners either give up or aggressively combat the lost traffic and deterioration. They organize, promote and rebuild the town center to become a destination point. They start by identifying local assets, that is, the people, buildings and opportunity to produce income. Specifically these assets could be architecturally appealing buildings of historical significance; government, institutional or financial employment generators; and proximate residential living.

I've observed that cities which "give up" lose their downtown centers to social service providers, storefront churches, second-hand furniture stores and dive bars.

Those that successfully "grow back" have many things in common. Buildings are restored and maintained. Even if lease space is temporarily empty, the windows are decorated with items of interest. Shrubs and trees are trimmed and tree boxes are flowered and clean. Sidewalks are in excellent repair and kept clean. Benches are in front of stores where the owners can clearly see who occupies them. Parking is curbside and free of charge for thirty minutes. Signage is attractive, hung properly, proportional to the space, and fresh looking. Even freestanding sidewalk signs are tasteful and informative. Public refuse containers are attractive, clean and emptied often. Weather permitting, stores have their doors open and something interesting visible through the door.

Another visible amenity that makes these renewed cities so welcome is actually the absence of something, because the utility poles and overhead utility lines have been removed. The utilities are either underground or behind buildings. Even traffic lights are suspended from a single poll with a cross arm rather than dangling from lines tied to four corners. It is astonishing how nice a commercial corridor can appear after all the poles and wires are removed. The black spaghetti and creosoted

uprights are visible pollution; removing them is like removing the tarnish from darkened silver.

As Old Brooklyn and Brooklyn Centre undertake the new community plan next year, I hope that we push to bury the utility lines and remove the poles that dominate Pearl Road. Doing that in Ohio City several years ago helped attract new stores and restaurants to the area.

Many will say that is too expensive to consider here. However the expense of not doing it, measured in lost new business and in continued deterioration over future decades, will be the real price of not using small town success as our model.

### ReStore Cleveland Progress for the Commercial Districts of Old Brooklyn & Brooklyn Centre

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by Mark Wiseman, Director,  
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In case you are not aware, Cuyahoga County is one of the national leaders in foreclosures. This means that if you live here, you are more likely to end up in foreclosure than most other Americans. That is why The County Commissioner's and County Treasurer Jim Rokakis have created a program to fight the root-causes of the foreclosure epidemic.

If you are refinancing an existing home loan, you need to be very, very careful about what you are signing. In addition to calling 2-1-1 for counseling help before you sign the loan papers, here are several questions to ask:

- 1) "Is my new interest rate Fixed?" This will determine whether your payment will change over time. Typically a variable rate loan will have its payment double within 5 years! Can you afford to have your house payment double? Ask to see the rate CAP (or ceiling) and what that payment will look like. If there's even a

slight chance that your payment will go up, why risk it?

- 2) "Is there a Yield Spread Premium on my loan?" Often called a YSP, this is a bonus that banks give out to loan officers who charge you a higher rate that what you qualify for. If you want to pay the best interest rate that you can, tell them "No YSP's!"
- 3) Show me where my taxes and insurance are escrowed. If your taxes and insurance are not combined into the monthly payments, this can often lead to foreclosure. Make sure that this is taken care of before you sign anything. Ask to see it in writing.

### Here are two things to watch out for:

Don't stop paying your current mortgage, while your new loan is pending. If you stop paying your current mortgage, you will lose the ability to walk away from a bad loan. Continue to pay. You never know what can happen on the way to the closing. Don't be forced to sign for a bad loan, because you "had no choice."

If you are refinancing your house to pay for home improvements, make the Title Company hold the money until the work is finished. If the contractor is paid up front, you will have no way to force him to complete the work. You will be much more likely to get the work you asked for, if you can delay paying him until the end. Ask for this before you get to the closing. Your new lender doesn't care whether the work is finished. They just want their money.

If any of this sounds familiar or bothers you, call 2-1-1 and get help!

## Standard Foreclosure Process

by Donn Heckmoser  
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Cleveland residents see dozens — if not hundreds — of vacant, foreclosed and abandoned properties in their neighborhoods. They drive by these homes, their children play near these homes, and squatters and criminals break into these homes using them as their own and making them a haven for illegal activities.

Residents are sick and tired of these homes and want the problem taken care of. So what is the problem, why isn't anyone (seemingly) doing anything about it, and why does it take so long?

The problem is probably that the current homeowner could not pay the mortgage payments or the property taxes on the home. In the former instance, the mortgage company evicted them and reacquired the house. In the latter instance, the County put a lien on the home and evicted the residents.

These actions put a home into foreclosure. In many cases, the homeowner is long gone... and has been long gone since the original letter from the bank or creditor threatening foreclosure.

If the foreclosure process proceeds smoothly, after the original letter is sent, a foreclosure complaint is filed in the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas. Here all parties with a vested interest in the property are sorted through.

The court then issues a service of the summons and complaints to all the defendants, and then waits for all of them to respond. This process may take a very long time, especially is the parties involved do not want to have a vested interest in the property and refuse to show up.

After the filing of the complaint, the case is referred to a magistrate. Defendants have 28 days from the date of service to file an answer.

After 28 days have passed, the plaintiff may file a motion for default judgment against non-answering defendants. The motion is generally filed 60 to 90 days after the filing of the case.

Default judgment is then set for hearing before a magistrate. The hearing is usually held 30 to 60 days after the motion is filed. A final judicial report is issued prior to the default hearing.

The magistrate then holds a default hearing and issues a recommendation. The magistrate's decision is issued 14 to 30 days before the default hearing. Then the magistrate's decision is referred to the judge for approval. If objections are filed, the judge rules upon the objections.

The court issues the final order approving the magistrate's decision 14 to 30 days after he makes the decision. An order of sale (as long as 60 to 90 days have passed after the final order) is issued. The case is set on the sheriff's sale calendar.

A sheriff's sale takes place every Monday in the Justice Center auditorium. The order of sale is returned on the day of sale, indicating that the sale took place. The redemption period begins, usually eight days after the sale. (It can also be extended if a motion is filed and granted.)

The sale is confirmed, usually 25 days after the return of the order of sale. A writ of possession is issued and the homeowners are given two weeks to move out if they are still living there and involved with the process.

The standard foreclosure process, when a homeowner in Cuyahoga County goes into foreclosure for lack of mortgage or tax payment, can take up to three years.

There are many other ways into which a homeowner can fall into foreclosure and many other ways which the process can be derailed. A future article will discuss why the property can't just be demolished.

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# Ukrainian heritage passed on via immigrants' Catholic and Orthodox churches

by Lynette Filips  
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The latter decades of the nineteenth century were a time of political and economic unrest in Eastern Europe, and so it was that in addition to the Poles, Slovaks and Hungarians, yet another large Slavic group immigrated to America — the Ukrainians. After last month's lengthy article containing general background information about Ukrainian Catholic and Ukrainian Orthodox churches, we're finally ready to talk about the specific churches which Ukrainian immigrants established here.

Sources differ in terms of when the first Ukrainians arrived in America and in Cleveland, but it's probably safe to say that they began coming to America in the 1870s and to Cleveland in the mid-1880s. Many were unskilled laborers, single men with agrarian backgrounds, who came here, they originally thought, to earn money to buy farmland back in Ukraine. They planned to return to their homeland as soon as they met their financial goals.

The "South side", the area we today know as "Tremont" was where most of the west-side Ukrainian immigrants settled, though with the passing of time, they moved farther out to Parma (particularly along State Rd.) and beyond. That migration pattern is especially evident when one studies Ukrainian churches.

Most Ukrainians were Greek Catholic (now called Ukrainian Catholic), and the first church congregation they formed here was in 1902. It originally met in a trolley garage in

were established in later decades in the Greater Cleveland area include: St. Mary at 27275 Aurora Rd. in Solon (1952); (It originated as another St. Mary's at E. 93rd St. and Kinsman Ave.); St. Josaphat at 5720 State Rd. in Parma (1959); St. Andrew at 7700 Hoertz Rd. in Parma (1965); and Pokrova (Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary) at 6810 Broadview Rd. in Parma (1980). Three other Ukrainian Catholic churches are located in Akron, Lorain and Canton.

St. Josaphat Church became a cathedral



**St. Josaphat Cathedral**  
5720 State Rd.

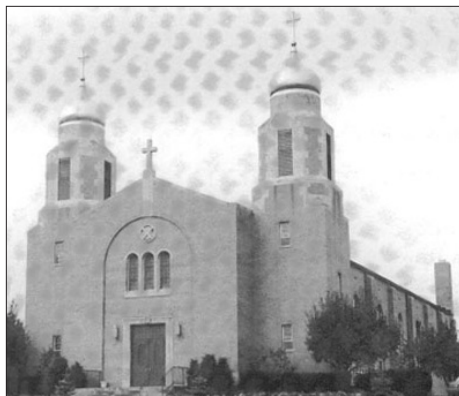
(the bishops' church) when, in February, 1984, it became the seat of the Ukrainian Byzantine Catholic Diocese. The Parma Eparchy covers much of the Midwestern United States and extends south to Florida.

St. Josaphat's has operated an elementary school on its grounds since 1947. At first classes were held in the convent; the actual school building opened in Nov., 1951. St. Josaphat also has a very large, modern party center/hall which it calls the Astrodome. In addition to the Astrodome being rented out for wedding receptions, etc., every week people travel there from near and far because of the bags of homemade pyrohy the parish sells.

Pokrova Church also has a large, modern party center/rental hall and sells tasty homemade pyrohy. The land for the picnic grove and cemetery on the grounds of St. Andrew Church were purchased in 1935.

Because of its proximity to Old Brooklyn, Ukrainian Catholics who live in our neighborhood are most likely to belong to St. Josaphat's. Divine Liturgies in English at the cathedral are at 5 p.m. in spring and summer and 4 p.m. in autumn and winter on Saturday afternoon and at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday morning. Divine Liturgies in Ukrainian are at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Sunday morning. An a cappella choir sings in Ukrainian at the 11 a.m. liturgy.

Many Ukrainians feel strongly about the



**St. Andrew Church**  
7700 Hoertz Rd.

necessity of passing on their heritage to their children, and Ukrainian churches are the avenue through which they do this. In the old days, SS. Peter and Paul Church had a social center, including space for theater and dance, and Saturday classes in the Ukrainian culture.

In 1916, Ukrainian Catholics formed St. Nicholas Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church at 2101 Quail St. in Lakewood. In 1933, members of the congregation decided that they would rather be Ukrainian Orthodox; St. Nicholas Ukrainian Orthodox Church is what endures to this day.

Ukrainian Orthodox immigrants established St. Vladimir Church at 2280 W. 11th St. (between Fairfield and Kenilworth Avenues) in Tremont in 1926. The St. Vladimir congregation bought their current property at 5913 State Rd. in Parma in 1954. Three years later they bought the former Parma City Hall building, moved it there and converted it into a chapel. They dedicated the cathedral church they now use in 1967. (Like St. Josaphat's, St. Vladimir's is a cathedral parish, in this case of the Central Eparchy of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA.)

Holy Trinity Ukrainian Autocephalous (self-governing) Orthodox Church was established on Scranton Ave., but has relocated to 9672 State Rd. in North Royalton.

For a limited time in the 1980s, a St. Andrew Ukrainian Orthodox Church was



**St. Vladimir Cathedral**  
5913 State Rd.

Divine Liturgies on Sunday morning at St. Vladimir's are at 8:30 a.m. in English and at 10:15 a.m. in Ukrainian. The English liturgy lasts about one and a half hours and the Ukrainian one about two hours.

Because they follow the Julian calendar and the dates of their religious holidays therefore differ from those of congregations in Western Christianity, Christmas and Easter services at St. Vladimir's have often been pictured on the front page of The Plain Dealer.

Although St. Vladimir's does not have a day school, it does have a thriving Ukrainian heritage (not language) school for children on Saturday morning. On Wednesday evening they also have a Ukrainian dance (Kashtan) class and a music (bandura, a stringed instrument) class. They, too, have a beautiful, large party center called the "Grand Hall" which is available for rent, and where they sell top-notch, take-out pyrohy every week. Though not on a weekly basis, members of St. Vlad's also make and sell haloupce (stuffed cabbage).

Not all the Ukrainians in Cleveland have ancestors who immigrated here at the turn of the last century. A second wave of Ukrainian immigration occurred in the years between World War I and World War II, a third wave after World War II, and a fourth wave in relatively recent years. The later immigrants are not always allied with the Ukrainian Catholic or Ukrainian Orthodox churches, but may be part of Ukrainian Baptist or Ukrainian Pentecostal Communities, including a Baptist one on W. Pleasant Valley Rd. between State Rd. and Broadview Rd. in Parma and a Pentecostal one on Broadview Rd., between Snow Rd. and Ridgewood Dr.

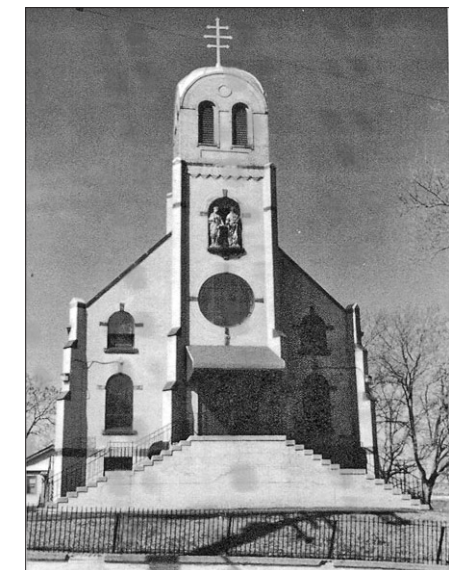
Numerous Ukrainian meat and/or grocery stores, two Ukrainian credit unions (Osnova and Cleveland Selfreliance) and two Ukrainian funeral homes are also located along State Rd near St. Josaphat's and St. Vladimir's.

In bygone decades, the former Ukrainian National Home at W. 14th St. in Tremont was also a center of Ukrainian life, but it has been closed for many years. However, just around the corner at 1202 Kenilworth Ave., the Ukrainian Museum-Archives, a nationally recognized repository for Ukrainian writings, is not only alive and well, but recently undertook a major expansion project. Organized in 1952, it also has an interesting collection of pysanky (decorated Ukrainian eggs) the style of symbols on which vary with the region.

There is also an order of Ukrainian Catholic Brothers in Brooklyn, but we are out of space to discuss them this month. And some people say that some early Ukrainians chose to attend St. Theodosius Russian Orthodox Cathedral on Starkweather Ave. in Tremont and perhaps even helped to establish that congregation.

Since St. Theodosius is a story in itself, we'll pick up this saga by talking about it (and the brothers) next month.

(Acknowledgments: Many thanks to Old Brooklyn residents Mollie Allstott and Irene Pavlyshyn and the personnel at their churches for assisting with the information in this article.)



**SS. Peter and Paul Church**  
2280 W. 7th St. at College Ave.

the Tremont area. Later (in 1910) they built SS. Peter and Paul Church at 2280 W. 7th St. at College Ave., and it is regarded as the mother church of all the Ukrainian Catholic churches which followed.

The Ukrainian Catholic churches which

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**Cleveland Metroparks Zoo Wildlife Way,**  
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**Thanksgiving at Cleveland Metroparks Zoo**  
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**Cleveland Museum of Art**  
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**Cleveland Public Library, Brooklyn**  
3706 Pearl Rd., 216-623-6920  
**Pre-school Story Time** - every Fri. thru Dec. 15, 11:00 am. Enjoy stories & related activities with your pre-school child.

**Disney Today** - Nov., 16, 4 pm - 5:30 pm. Children enjoy Disney games & learn about the movies they love.

**Winter Information Festival** - Nov. 28, 2:30 - 7:30 pm. Drop into the Brooklyn Branch for cider & information. Checkout books & activities to keep your family entertained during the winter months.

**Cleveland Public Library South Brooklyn Branch**  
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**Toddler Time** - Tues., Nov. 7, 14, 21 & 28, 10:30 - 10:50 am. Children ages 2-3 & their caregivers enjoy stories, songs & rhymes.

**Play & Learn** - Fri., Nov. 3, 10, 17 & 24, 11 am - 12 pm. Children & their parents/care givers learn together with educational toys at a quality playtime free from distractions.

### As I see it...

by  
**Pastor Jerry**



Job was a man beset with problems enough to challenge anyone's faith. We usually trust that our faith will be sufficient for all our needs. Then we meet someone who causes us to question the depth of our own faith. A friend has done just that.

This particular friend, age "forty-something", has experienced a series of life-threatening health problems during the last two years. Throughout the ordeal, her outlook remains incredibly positive as she praises God for blessings and extols the wonders of God's love.

In similar circumstances, would I react like her? Would my faith be strong enough to continue praising God? Would yours? Perhaps we should re-read the story of Job in the Old Testament, recalling his faith and reminding us to give thanks - not only in good times - but in difficult times as well.

Let's celebrate this Thanksgiving by Giving Thanks!

**Jerry Madasz is the pastor of St. Luke's United Church of Christ**  
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**A Christmas Story House**  
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Nov. 25 - Dec. 25, 10 am - 5 pm. \$5, general admission; \$3, children age 12 & under. The house used in the popular holiday classic "A Christmas Story" has been restored to its 1983 "movie-condition" & takes visitors on a nostalgic journey to the sights & scenes where Ralphie Parker dreams of receiving a genuine Red Ryder 200-shot Carbine Action Air Rifle for Christmas.

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**Gifts from The Gatehouse** - Dec., 3, 10 & 17. Visitor Center, Hale Farm & Village. Create a simple home made craft. Children's "make & take" craft area; visit in the Hale café. Past & Presents gift shop full of books, decorations, gifts & toys. Special displays & demonstrations about Civil War era crafts & goods. Music & treats. In the spirit of the season, no admission fee for this event.

**Lantern Tours** - Fri. & Sat., Dec. 8, 9, 15, 16, 21 & 22. Leisurely guided tour around the Village of Wheatfield, circa 1861. Visitors enter the "homes" around the village green & gain insight into holiday celebrations during the Civil War era from a wide variety of village residents. Groups welcome. Reservations required. Admission fee.

## THEATRE NOTES

**Cassidy Theatre of Greenbrier Commons**  
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**"The Slipper and the Rose"**  
Fri., Nov. 24 - Sun., Dec. 17. Fri. & Sat., 8 pm; Sun. matinee, 3 pm. Tickets - \$20.

**"Babes In Toyland"**  
Youth Theatre, childrens production. Sat., Dec. 2 thru Sat., Dec. 9th, 11 am & 2 pm. \$10 general admission, includes visit with Santa.

**"Singing Angels"**  
Mon., Dec. 11th, 8 pm. Reserved seating. Tickets - \$10.

**Cleveland Public Theatre**  
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**"The Santaland Diaries"**

Thurs., Fri., Sat., Nov. 5 - Dec. 23, 7:30 pm in the James Levin Theater. Tickets - \$10-\$15. Sun., Nov. 5, Belden Village Mall, 7 pm; Sun, Nov. 12, Franklin Park Mall, 7 pm; Sat., Nov. 18, SouthPark Mall, 9:30 pm; Sun., Nov. 19, Great Northern Mall, 7 pm. Tickets at the malls - \$20.

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**"A Christmas Carol"**  
Fri., Nov. 24 - Sun., Dec. 17. Thurs., 7:30 pm; Sat., 1:30 & 7:30 pm; Sun., 3 pm; Tues. & Wed., Dec. 19 & 20, 7:30 pm; Fri., Dec. 22, 1:30 & 7:30; Sat. Dec. 23, 1:30 & 7:30. Tickets - \$10 - \$56 depending on day & time. Call 216-241-6000 for tickets.

**The Kiwanis Club of Brooklyn - Cleveland installed this year's officers and recognized some of its members at their September 27th gathering at the Cleveland Yachting Club in Rocky River. Holding their Legion of Honor Awards are (left to right) John Busch, 50 year attendance award; Rev. Herbert Reichert, 50 year attendance award; President George Jicha, Distinguished Lt. Governor's Award; Donald Hagen, 40 year attendance award; Donald Banks, 45 year attendance award; and Neil Richardson, 45 year attendance award.**

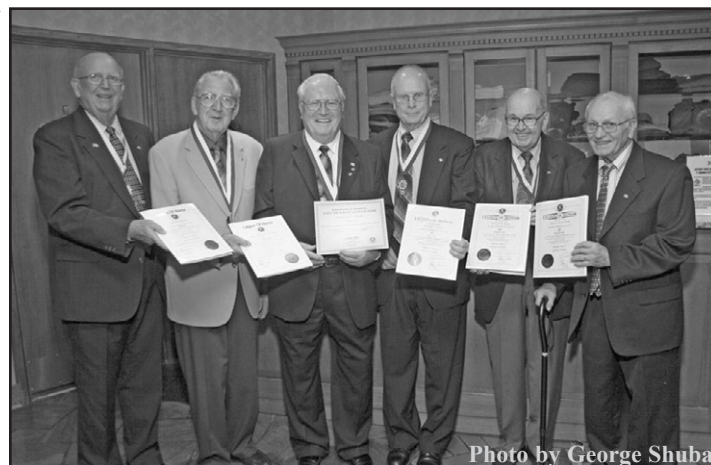


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### Correction-

Due to a writing error in last month's issue, the *Old Brooklyn News* wrongly reported that Barbara Sykes was running as a *Republican* and Mary Taylor was running as a *Democrat*. Barbara Sykes is actually the *Democratic* candidate for the State Auditor's seat and Mary Taylor is the *Republican* candidate.

Jim Craciun is running as a *non-party* candidate, not an *independent* candidate, for the Ohio Senate District 23.

Mary J. Boyle (D) and Ralph J. Perk (R), and Melody J. Stewart (D) and Robert B. Moriarty (R) are competing over two judgeships in the 8th District Court of Appeals not the 9th district court of appeals as previously reported.

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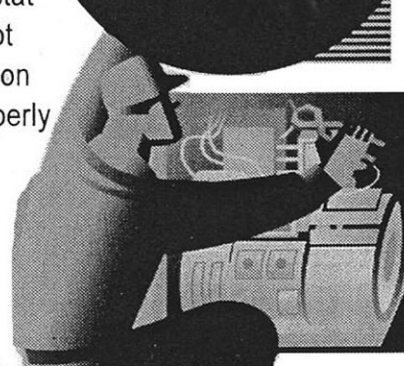
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**Crochet Klatch** - Tues., 9:30 - 11:30 am, Estabrook Recreation Center.

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**Racing Game** - Fri., 10:45 am, Deaconess Zane.  
**Pinochle Playing** - Tues. & Fri., 12:15 pm, Deaconess-Krafft.

**Tuesday, November 14th**  
**Hearing Loss Seminar**, 10 am, Estabrook Recreation Center, 4125 Fulton Rd.

**Wednesday & Thursday November 15th & 16th**  
**Holiday Bazaars**, Wed., 10:30 am & Thurs., 10 am.

**Friday, November 17th**  
**Cleveland Christmas Connection**, \$8, SCR.

**Thursday, November 30th**  
**Stuffed cabbage dinner**, 4 - 7 pm, The Schwab Center. \$6, adults; \$3, children 6 & under.

**Tuesday, December 5th**  
**Christmas Mystery Trip**, \$39, SCR.

**Thursday, December 7th**  
**A Christmas Story** on stage at the Cleveland Playhouse, \$27.50, SCR.

**Monday, December 11th**  
**Singing Angels** annual Christmas concert at Cassidy Theatre, \$14.50, SCR.

**Thursday, November 30th**  
**Casino Trip to Wheeling Island & Christmas Lights in Ogelbay WV.**  
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CHURCH NOTES

**Wednesday, November 1st**  
**Luncheon Card Party**  
Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 4423 Pearl Rd.; sponsored by St. Anne’s Women’s Guild, 12 - 3 pm. Door prizes & raffle, \$5. For more info call Julia, 216-351-9970. First Wed. of the month.

**Wednesdays, November 1st & 15th**  
**St. James Senior Meeting**  
St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., upstairs, noon. Interesting topics & good fellowship. Bring a bag lunch; beverages provided. All Old Brooklyn seniors invited.

**Tuesday, November 28**  
**Widows and Widowers Meeting**  
St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., Gathering Room, noon. Menu - chicken & rice, corn pudding, salads & desserts. Cost - \$3 per person. Call 216-351-6499 for reservations.

**Friday, November 3rd**  
**Fish Fry**  
St. Mary’s Polish National Catholic Church, corner of Broadview Rd. & Wexford Ave. Dinners served 4 - 7 pm. Walleye, pierogi, coleslaw, dessert & coffee. Carry-outs available.

**Saturday, November 4th**  
**Spaghetti Dinner**  
United Church of Christ Brooklyn, 8720 Memphis Ave. 5 - 7:30 pm. \$7 adults, \$3.50 children 6 - 12, under 6 free.

**Sunday, November 5**  
**French Toast / Pancake & Sausage Brunch**  
St. Mary’s Crystal Chalet, corner of State Rd. & Biddulph Ave. Sponsored by St. Mary’s Byzantine Catholic Church. 10 am - 12:30 pm. Adults, \$5; children, \$3. Includes French toast, pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, orange juice & beverage. Take-outs available. “Split-pot” raffle. Proceeds go toward parking lot paving fund. For more info. contact the school office, 216-749-7980.

**Sunday, November 5th**  
**Crafters Wanted**  
**Annual Craft Show & Holiday Boutique**  
St. Wendelin Church, 2281 Columbus Rd., 10 am - 4 pm. Holiday craft & handmade gift items; bakery & ethnic foods; Santa Claus.

**Sunday, November 12th**  
**Cookin' for Christ**  
St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., noon. Hungarian goulash, spaetzle noodles,

Paul’s special salad & more. \$7, adults; \$4, children 10 yrs. & under. Proceeds go for church & community projects. Everyone welcome.

**Friday, November 17th**  
**Thanksgiving Dinner**  
Trinity United Church of Christ, 3525 West 25th St., 6 pm, free. Call 216-351-7667 for more info. All welcome.

**Thursday, November 23**  
**Thanksgiving Service**  
St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., 10 am. Theme of service -- “Did You Remember to Thank God?” Everyone invited to attend & bring cans of any kind of food which will go to the Redeemer Crisis Center for the needy.

**Saturday, December 2nd**  
**Trinity UCC 95th Anniversary Celebration**  
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