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Three hundred people attend last month's Riverside Cemetery tour

by Denise Donaldson
and Lynette Filips

Sunday, June 10th was sunny, breezy and warm — perfect for the Brooklyn Centre Community Association's (BCCA) third annual garden event, "Magic, Mystery and Millionaires". Over three hundred peo-

Anne Eastman; Bill Krejci was grocer-turned-banker Hannes Tiedemann; Marge Pauls was family matriarch Sophie Russell Rhodes; Rudy Hauret was farmer Titus Brainard, who owned the land where the cemetery is located; John Kirk was sail-maker William Astrup; and Denise

entertain or inform the attendees. A virtual scavenger hunt, cemetery rubbings and mask crafting engaged younger guests.

Visitors strolled leisurely through the grounds, enjoying the plantings and the variety in architectural details found on monuments and statues. A lecture by local expert Paul Kirk pointed out common

Victorian symbolism and style elements used in the early days of Riverside's history. Roving guitarist Darren Hamm stopped for impromptu performances along the cemetery's lanes.

The Plain Dealer ran an extensive article about the tour in the Metro section on Saturday, June 9, and as a result, some descendants of people buried in Riverside attended it. For instance, according to John Kirk (William Astrup), "A 103-year-old woman, named Hazel App, came to the event and introduced herself to me. She was Walter Astrup's secretary in the 1920s. (Walter was William J. O. Astrup's youngest son. He ran the business from 1916-1970. He was the president and later, the chairman of the board.)

Another "Astrup moment" happened when a young man named Scott Hutcherson, Vice President of the Cleveland Grays Armory Museum, introduced himself to John. Although they had never met before, it turned out that Scott's great-aunt Lucy —



Photo by Karen Kirk

William Astrup, portrayed by direct descendant John Kirk.

née Meinberg — Astrup was also John's great-aunt. (Lucy was Walter Astrup's wife.)

Rudy Hauret as Titus Brainard met two Meyer family members, each of whom told him that as far as they knew, they were the last of the family. One was a very elderly lady who has photos and other items from the family which she may donate to Riverside.

Another story that came out on the tour was that the Meyer and Brainard families had adjoining farms and were close friends in real life. So when Titus Brainard chose the location for his family's burial grounds in Riverside Cemetery in 1876, the Meyer family purchased the set of plots next to them so that the families could be close in the after-life as well. Titus chose a spot so that he could overlook his farm to the north, and Mr. Meyer chose a spot that overlooked his farm which was south of the Brainard's farm.

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Photo by Pat Schmidt

Titus Brainard, portrayed by Rudy Hauret.

ple attended the event, the second one BCCA has held in partnership with Riverside Cemetery. This year, though, rather than staging its usual tours of neighborhood gardens, BCCA chose to spotlight the cemetery itself.

Nine costumed volunteers portrayed some of the notable "residents" of Riverside: Tim Ferris was playwright Avery Hopwood; David Boyce was magician Karl Germain; Rick Nicholson was Mayor Frederick Pelton; Amanda Langley was librarian Linda

Donaldson was Maggie Taylor, the first burial at Riverside. These characterizations — conceived and directed by Brooklyn Centre resident Sharon Martyn — were the undisputed highlight of the event.

Booths for local organizations and refreshment tables under the majestic old trees near the cemetery gates were also part of the day. The Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, the Brooklyn Animal Shelter, the Cleveland Public Library, the Friends of Big Creek, and Art House all sent representatives to

Southwest Citizens Area Council hosts Mayor Jackson

by Dane Reich, President,
The Southwest Citizens Area Council

The Southwest Citizens Area Council (SWCAC) hosted Mayor Frank Jackson at its monthly meeting on June 7th. Over the years SWCAC has had many special guest speakers, but to have the Mayor speak at one of their meetings, field their questions and listen to their concerns was very special for them.

About sixty tough and knowledgeable residents greeted Mayor Jackson, who first spoke for about twenty-five minutes. The Mayor then answered question for well over an hour. To his credit, he did not shy away from any of the difficult questions with which he was confronted. Those in attendance may not have always heard the answers they wanted to hear, but they perceived the Mayor as being honest and open to their views.

Opening the session Mayor Jackson explained that he would live and die by what he has said in the past and during his campaign. He explained that he is not one for "quick fixes". He analyzes every situation, formulates a plan of attack, and then sets his plan in motion. His reasoning is that if a problem occurs, there is a reason for that problem. The Mayor wants to get to the root of the problem, and not waste time and money on quick fixes.

The Mayor admitted that he does not have all the answers, and that is why he has surrounded himself with a solid cabinet. He believes that with the help of Cleveland City Council, he has his finger on the pulse of everything that is happening in the city.

Mayor Jackson explained his reasoning behind tightening the curfew laws, backing the police department more, and readjusting City services. (As tight as the City's budget is, it's still about getting more bang for our buck!) He said that the reopening of the Police Academy will be "a major plus" for Cleveland residents. He assured the group that the thirty police officers who were recently installed were *additional* officers, not replacements for those who will be retiring or leaving the police force.

According to Mayor Jackson, the two main reasons for increases in crime are a lack of proper education and boarded up/abandoned houses (often the result of predatory lending).

Addressing the issue of predatory lending, Mayor Jackson said that our leaders know that they must hold lending institutions more accountable to resolve a major part of the problem. They are working on corrective measures to fix this situation. This is not going to be accomplished easily or quickly, because the problem has been festering for years.

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Photo by George Shuba

Ward 16 Councilman Kevin Kelley (fifth from left), his four daughters, and Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson (standing to the right of Kevin) were at the opening of Lowe Pool on Saturday, June 16th. Here five of the children in attendance have scissors and are part of ceremonially "cutting the ribbon" to officially mark the beginning of the pool's season.



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by Donald Heckelmoser
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Brown's Grill & Bowling Lanes, 3857 Pearl Rd., has been in the Brooklyn Centre neighborhood for a long time, so long, in fact, that some people claim it's the oldest bowling alley in the country. The new owner, Ralph Thompson, estimates that the building was constructed in the late 1860s or early 1870s and that bowling was added in 1912.

Mr. Thompson doesn't think, though, that it's the oldest lanes in the country, just the oldest in Ohio. But Mr. Thompson keeps the tradition alive by letting everyone know that Browns Lanes is the second oldest bowling house in the United States.

(An unconfirmed claim on a message board on Cleveland.com, however, does state that Brown's lanes officially became the oldest bowling house in the country after a fire at a Chicago bar/bowling house destroyed the number one place holder.)

Fresh Stop - Studio Stop nurtures body, soul and community in Brooklyn Centre

Nurturing Body, Soul & Community: Fresh Stop - Studio Stop is a unique partnership between Art House and City Fresh. Art House, along with volunteer assistance from Ward 15 Councilman Brian Cummins' office, will host a Fresh Stop farmers market and free Studio Stop hands-on art activities on the second and fourth Thursday of every month, June through October from 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Fresh Stop farmers markets offer locally grown produce and co-op purchasing opportunities to people in the community, bringing everyone a healthier choice in nourishing their families. While Fresh Stop nourishes the body, Art House nourishes the soul.

Studio Stop will provide families an opportunity to engage in free art activities. Studio Stop open studio is offered during the afternoon hours of Fresh Stop markets from 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Art House is located at 3119 Denison Ave., 1.5 blocks west of the Pearl Rd. intersection. For more information on purchasing produce or volunteering for the Fresh Stop farmers market, call Johanna Hamm, 216-

Ralph Thompson has owned Brown's for a little over a year and during that time he has begun many improvement and renovation projects. The first to be completed was a full-service kitchen. Patrons can enjoy daily food specials in a cozy and unique atmosphere.

There's a full service bar any night of the week, and on Friday and Saturday nights, patrons can enjoy a night of karaoke, while watching favorite sporting and television events on an eight-foot projection screen.

Brown's Grill and Lanes offers six lanes for bowling and also rents out some of the lanes for parties.

Mr. Thompson understands that his patrons want to feel safe, so he installed security cameras in the parking lots.

Brown's Grill and Lanes offers a family-friendly, fun environment for residents of all ages. So if you're looking for a good, affordable meal with a side of bowling shoes, then Brown's Grill and Lanes is the choice for you.

459-8400 or jhamm@clevelandcitycouncil.org. For information on the free Studio Stop, call Annie Schorgl at Art House, 216-398-8556 x 2 or aschorgl@arthouseinc.org

Cleveland Colectivo and Neighborhood Connections, A program of The Cleveland Foundation, generously support the free Studio Stop arts program.

PHONE BOOK RECYCLING June 1 - August 31

Cleveland Metroparks Zoo
Hippo parking lot
3900 Wildlife Way

For more locations call
216-443-3749 or visit
www.cuyahogaswd.org

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From the desk of the executive director

by Robyn Sandys



It takes a village to raise a village... This variation on a common phrase — It takes a village to raise a child — is one way to describe what a community needs to do in terms of pulling together and building positive momentum.

Before taking this job, I was familiar with the Old Brooklyn/Brooklyn Centre neighborhoods from taking my boys to the Zoo and from driving down Pearl Rd. everyday to WVIZ (where I worked when I first moved to the area over twelve years ago). I always felt that the intersection and surrounding area at Pearl and Broadview was pleasant because of the quaint older buildings and shops. It looked like it was on the verge of bigger and better things. Since that time the area looks a bit more run-down to me, but I still see great potential.

In addition to this obvious center of our commercial district, there are several others (e.g., Pearl and Denison, Memphis and Fulton, Pearl and Brookpark and Broadview and Brookpark) that are geared to meeting the needs of area residents.

We also have a wide variety of housing styles, from splendid historic homes, to houses in neighborhoods with a traditional city feel, to those in areas that look more suburban.

In my short three months here, I have come to the conclusion that we all need to start working as a team on a marketing plan that better defines who we are. That will enable us to achieve a number of goals around revitalizing our commercial corridors, as well as stabilizing and increasing the livability of Wards 15 and 16.

Councilman Brian Cummins and Kevin Kelley and our staff are working on a new Master Plan for areas within these wards which will help us set a framework and direction for a marketing plan that promotes and builds upon our assets. That process will take about a year to complete.

We have hired Cuyahoga County's Planning Commission to work with us and an advisory team of community representatives. We will report on our progress at OBCDC's annual meeting this fall. In the meantime, we can start thinking about how we define ourselves in this community and how we want others to think about what our neighborhoods have to offer visitors as well as current and potential residents.

We would like your creative thoughts to help us come up with a marketing strategy to promote our area.

I mentioned in last month's article that we will be forming a committee to review our

options regarding how we communicate with one another through a publication like the *Old Brooklyn News*. Part and parcel to that is how we position and think of ourselves and how we communicate that to one another and the rest of the Cleveland area.

Therefore, it makes sense to form a "Communications Advisory Committee" that will work on what our publication/communications vehicles (print and/or web-based) will be, as well as our overall marketing/promotion plan for the CDC and the community.

This committee will be advisory in nature. We are looking for between five and ten people who are energetic, creative and hard working. I expect that the bulk of the committee's work will be from mid-July through October.

After we have a communications strategy we will not need to meet as much until the Master Plan is completed; at that time, I would anticipate our coming back together again to review a marketing strategy related to the results of that plan.

Please email me at robyns@oldbrooklyn.com if you would like to serve on the communications committee or if you have any marketing/promotion ideas. I would like to hear from you by July 10th.

Remember to contact me or any of our staff members if you have any questions or need additional information about our services. A list of the people on our staff and their titles is on page 2.

Have a great Fourth of July holiday!

Ohio State University Extension Cuyahoga County Master Gardeners

Schedule of Events for 2006
Growing Season at the Community
Garden behind Benjamin Franklin
School 1905 Spring Road

Thurs., July 19: Diagnostic walk-thru of all three gardens

Thurs., July 26: Herb garden

All demonstrations will be Thursdays at 10 am & will take place regardless of the weather. Bring your own chair; none will be provided.

The demonstration gardens are open to the public every Thursday through September, from 10 am to noon.

Southwest Citizens from front page

On the subject of education, Mayor Jackson pointed to the hiring of Dr. Eugene Sanders as the CEO of Cleveland's public school system. Mr. Sanders has already implemented a plan for the schools. Starting with the upcoming academic year, a dress code will be reinstated. The possibility of single gender schools and a school for troubled students are also being explored.

As the Mayor spoke it was quite obvious that he believes parents and community play a major role in our city's future. He feels that no matter what a person's background - rich or poor, blue- or white-collar, PARENTING

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As for community life, the Mayor believes that we have to work past color barriers and become allies. He stated that most people are striving for the same goal — a peaceful lifestyle. Becoming allies and keeping an eye on the children will help strengthen communities.

Mayor Jackson and his message seemed to be well-received by all in attendance. They were grateful that he took the time to speak to them, and hope that he and his colleagues can make his plans a reality.

(Lynette Filips contributed to this article.)

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Saturday evenings, 6:30 - 10 pm
Saturday, July 7th
“Jim Lasher” Music from the past to the present.
Saturday, July 14th
“Harmonica Star Revue” Roger & Eileen return for an evening of fun & entertainment.
Saturday, July 21st
“Musique Vox” Duo performs a modern spin to classics of rock & pop & unique originals.
Saturday, July 28th
“Me & Willy” Duo performs a variety of music & a lot of entertainment.

Every Tuesday
Food Stamp Information & Sign Up
Brookside Center in the lobby area, 3784 Pearl Rd., 10 am – 2 pm. Representative from The Empowerment Center of Greater Cleveland’s Project B.R.E.A.D. will be available to provide info & help eligible people sign up. Call Patricia Gillbery, Project B.R.E.A.D. Outreach Specialist, 216-432-4770, for more info.

Friday, Saturday & Sunday, July 6th, 7th & 8th
Grand Pacific Junction, Mill St & Columbia Rd. Olmsted Falls.
What’s the Buzz Arts & Craft Show Contact Carolyn, 440-427-0094, or email the beadedspirit@sbcglobal.net for more info. Also coming up -- **Heritage Days** - Juried Arts & Craft show Aug 18th - 19th. contact Lora, 440-427-0094 or email thebeadedspirit@sbcglobal.net. Info. on both events also available at www.grand-pacificjunction.com, by leaving a message on the Caboose phone, 440-235-9277, & by emailing gpjmerchants@yahoo.com.

Monday - Friday, July 9th - 13th
Summer Used Book Sale
Friends of the Cleveland Public Library. E. 6th St. & Superior Ave. Louis Stokes Wing - lower lobby. Mon., Jul. 9, members preview, 3 - 6 pm; Tues. - Thurs., July 10 & 12, public sale, 9 am - 6 pm. Fri., July 13, bag of books, \$4, 9 am - 3 pm.

Monday, July 11th
“Dances from Around the World”
East Park Retirement Community, 6360 Elmdale Rd., Brookpark, 2 - 3 pm. Gold Coast Follies will perform ethnic dances from many countries. Refreshments & door prizes. RSVP by Mon., July 9, 216-267-7067.

Saturday, July 14
Fibromyalgia Support Group
MetroHealth cafeteria (use the Towers entrance),

2500 MetroHealth Dr., 10 - 11:30 am. Open to the public. Parking & meetings both free. Call 216-398-4880 for directions or more info.

Saturday, July 14th - 28th & August 21st
Cuyahoga Valley Geneology Society
Computer Classes
Independence Civic Center, Willow Rm., 6363 Selig Blvd., 1 - 3 pm. Cut, copy, paste. Investigating geneology sites -- how to access, how to post queries, how to use each site correctly, how to merge information on the net into your geneology program, help with brick walls. Software programs (some free) to enhance what you already know.

Friday, July 20th
Brookside Lawnchair Concert Series
Brookside Valley event site, located off John Nagy Blvd. (off the Ridge Rd. entrance to the Brookside Reservation), 8 pm. **The Picknicks**, surf rock. Free. Bring a blanket or lawnchair. For more info. call 216-206-1000 or visit www.clevelandmetroparks.com.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday July 20th, 21st, 22nd
25th Annual Cleveland Irish Cultural Festival
Berea Fairgrounds, Eastland Rd. Free parking. Fri., 4 pm - 12 am. Sat., 1 pm - 12 am. Sun., 1 pm - 11:30 pm. For advance tickets & brochure info. call 216-252-1711 or 1-800-485-8013.

Friday & Saturday, July 21- 22 & July 28-29
Career Days “Big Machines”
The First Tee of Cleveland, 3841 Washington Park Blvd., Newburgh Hts. A joint collaboration between First Tee of Greater Cleveland, Ohio Contractors Association, Operating Engineers & the Cleveland MetroParks. Children of all ages. Sat., 9 am - 5 pm & Sun., 10 am - 5pm. Free & open to the public. Opportunity for children to get on the machines & complete interactive tasks.

Sunday, July 22nd
Fifth annual Taste of Tremont
Professor Ave. between Fairfield Ave. & Jefferson Ave. 1 - 8 pm. Event is free; pay for food samples from Tremont’s finest restaurants. Also street performers & musicians, Tremont artists, craftspeople & retailers. For more info call 216-575-0920 or visit tremontwestdevelopment.com

Tuesday, July 24th
Western Reserve Rose Society
New location, Middleburgh Hts. branch, Cuyahoga County Public Library, Bagley Rd. at Big Creek Pkwy., 7 pm. Speaker, refreshments, business meeting.

Wednesday, July 25
Cuyahoga County Fair
Deadline for entries in most classes. \$10 entrance fee includes two admission tickets to Fair Aug. 6 - 12. Call Fair office at 440-243-0090 for where to get booklet with form.

Cuyahoga Meds-For-Less
All Cuyahoga County residents are eligible to receive discounts on the purchase of prescription medication through the *Cuyahoga Meds-For-Less*. (1) Free prescription discount card. (2) U.S. mail-order program. (3) \$7 prescription assistance program (with certain income guidelines). (4) RxforOhio www.reforohio.org. (5) Medicare Part D assistance. Call 1-866-310-9657 or visit www.cuyahogacounty.us

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Brooklyn Heights Church, 2005 W. Schaaf Rd. Ages 3 - 5. Learning & social skills for kindergarten readiness. Certified teachers. Registration fee, \$25. Class times 9:20 - 11:20. Call 216-741-2280 for more info.

St. Leo Preschool Registration
St. Leo Preschool, 4940 Broadview Rd.; located in the Parish Community Center. Registration began Feb. 1 at the preschool. \$50 nonrefundable fee & a copy of the child's birth certificate required at time of registration. The preschool offers programs for skills development & 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 by Sept., 30 attend classes Tues. & Thurs. Class times are

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Brooklyn Centre Community Association (formerly Archwood Denison Concerned Citizens) meeting, Thurs., Jul. 26th (& every fourth Thurs.), 7 pm, Archwood United Church of Christ, 2800 Archwood Ave.

Friends of Big Creek Visit www.friendsof-bigcreek.org for more info.

Second District Police Community Relations meeting, Tues., Jul. 10th (& every second Tues.), 7 pm, Applewood Center, 3518 W. 25th St.

Southwest Citizens Area Council meeting Thurs., Jul. 5th (& every first Thurs.), 7 pm, Gino’s, 1314 Denison Ave.

Ward 15 Democratic Club Meeting, Tues., Jul. 24th (& every fourth Tues.), 6:30 pm, Estabrook Recreation Center, 4125 Fulton Rd.

Ward 16 Democratic Club Meeting, Tues., Jul. 17th (& every second Tues.), 7 pm, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 5801 Memphis Ave.

8:15-10:45 am or 11:55 am - 2:25 pm. Call Jeanne Sabol, 216-661-5330, for more info.

St. Mark Lutheran School Registration
St. Mark Lutheran School, 4464 Pearl Rd. Applications accepted throughout the school year for kindergarten - 8th grade. Participates in the Cleveland Scholarship & tutoring program. On-site before & after school daycare, hot lunch program, sports, music, newly updated computer labs, accelerated reader program, interactive white boards, Girl Scouts & Cub Scouts. For registration info or to schedule a private tour, call the school office, 216-749-3545, or visit www.orgsites.com/oh/ stmarklutheran

Tops Weight Loss Group
Welcoming new members to meetings at 5801 Memphis Ave., Tues., 9 - 11 am. Call 216-661-4595 for more info.

THEATRE NOTES

Cassidy Theatre of Greenbrier Commons
6200 Pearl Rd. 440-842-4600

“Thoroughly Modern Millie”
Fri., Jul. 20 - Sun., Aug. 5. Fri. & Sat., 8 pm; Sun., 3 pm. Tickets - (adult) \$20; (student & senior) \$15.

Near West Theatre
St. Patrick's Club Building
3606 Bridge Ave. 216-961-9750

“Cats”
Fri., Jul. 20 - Sun., Aug. 5. Thurs., Fri. & Sat., 7:30 pm; Sun., 3 pm. Tickets, \$6. Ticket reservation voicemail up to one hour before curtain time -- 216-961-6391.

Arts in the Park
Tremont’s Lincoln Park
(No seating provided; bring lawn chairs or blankets. In the case of the Shakespeare Festival, “the show will go on”, rain or shine; a rain location within walking distance of the park will be announced, if it becomes necessary.)

“King Richard III”
Cleveland Shakespeare Festival, Sat., Jul. 7th, 7 pm. Free.

“The Taming of the Shrew”
Cleveland Shakespeare Festival, Sun., Jul. 8th, 7 pm. Free.

“Happy Feet!”
Movie in the Park night! Fri., Jul. 20th, 8:30 pm. Rain date: Sat., Jul. 21st. Hosted by Friends of (Amigos de) Clark Field.

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Archwood U.C.C., 2800 Archwood Ave
Best Cuts, 3750 Pearl Rd
BP Oil, Brookpark & 1-76
Broadview Baptist Church, 4505 Broadview Rd.
Broadview Garden Apt. Rental Office, Broadview Rd.
Brooklyn Hts. U.C.C., 2005 W. Schaaf Rd
Brooklyn MetroHealth Medical, 5208 Memphis Ave
Brooklyn Rec.Center, Memphis Ave
Brookside Center, 3784 Pearl Rd
Brookview Tavern, 2168 Brookpark Rd
C Town Reality, 4770 Broadview Rd
Carmino's Pizza, 4703 Pearl Rd
Characters, 4305 Brookpark Rd
China House, 7419 Memphis Ave
China Jade, 2190 Brookpark Rd
Cinema Lounge, Memphis Ave
Clark Gas Station, 3840 Pearl Rd
Cleats, 3995 Jennings Rd
Cleveland Library, Brooklyn Branch, 3706 Pearl Rd
Cleveland Library, Fulton Branch, 3545 Fulton Rd
Cleveland Library, South Brooklyn, 4303 Pearl Rd
Cleveland MetroParks Zoo
Cleveland Motorcycle Supply, 4478 Pearl Rd
Coconuts, 5100 Pearl Rd
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Convenient, 4416 Pearl Rd
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CVS, 3750 Pearl Rd
CVS, Pearl & Memphis Ave
CVS, Brookpark & Broadview Rd
Cypress Beverage & Deli, 4533 State Rd
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Dollar General, 6007 Brookpark Rd
Dollar Store, Fulton Rd
Dongis Pizza, 2159 Broadview Rd
Don's Brooklyn Chevrolet, 4941 Pearl Rd
Donut Connection, 5308 Memphis Ave
Donut Connection, Broadview Rd. & Cook Ave
D's Beverage, 2118 Broadview Rd
East of Chicago Pizza, 2350 Brookpark Rd
Easy Mart Beverage, 2221 Brookpark Rd
Estabrook Recreation, 4125 Fulton
Express Way Diner, 5200 Memphis Ave
Family Deals, 3718 Pearl Rd
Family Dollar, 4172 Pearl Rd
Family Dollar, 4247 Fulton Rd
Four Seasons Tanning, 2333 Broadview Rd
Fulton Bi-Rite, 4215 Fulton Rd
Gabe's Family Restaurant, 2044 Broadview Rd
Gas USA, Pearl Rd
Georgios Pizza, 3750 Pearl
Golden Harvest, 4806 State Rd
Grace Church, 2503 Broadview Rd
Hot Dog Diner, 4200 Brookpark Rd
Huntington Bank, 3750 Pearl Rd
Institute of Divine Metaphysical Research, 4150 Pearl Rd
It's About Games, 5130 Pearl Rd
J. F. Glaze, 4960 Pearl Rd
Jindra Flowers, 4530 Pearl Rd
KFC, 3006 Broadview Rd
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Ladies Super Fitness, 4257 Fulton Rd
Mandy's Lounge, 4603 Pearl Rd
Marathon, 4295 Memphis Ave
Marathon, Broadview Rd & W. Schaff Rd
Mc G's Bar, 6815 Memphis Ave
McDonalds, 2500 Denison Ave & Pearl Rd
Mega Nails, 4258 Fulton Rd
Memphis Bakery, 6100 Memphis Ave
Memphis Corner Food Mart, 6220 Memphis Ave
Memphis Laundromat, 4259 Fulton Rd
Memphis Therapy, 6106 Memphis Ave
Memphis Tavern, 4881 Memphis Ave
Meszars Lanes, 4231 Fulton Rd
Metro Health Family Practice, 2500 MetroHealth Dr
Metro Health South, 4229 Pearl Rd

Metro Surgery Pavilion, 2500 MetroHealth Dr
MetroHealth Medical Center, 2500 MetroHealth Dr
Michael's Bakery, 4478 Broadview Rd
Michelle's Beauty Salon, 2219 Broadview Rd
Mikes Bar & Grill, 2301 Broadview Rd
Mini Mart Express, 4852 Broadview Rd
Montalvo Home, 4143 Pearl Rd
Mr. Hero, 2114 Brookpark Rd
Mr. Peabody's Pub, Pearl Rd
N& D Food Mart, 4471 State Rd
Nunzios Pizza, 4475 Pearl Rd
Odell's Fish Store, 4370 Pearl Rd
Old Brooklyn Food Mart, 4824 Pearl Rd
Old Brooklyn Greenhouse, 4646 W. 11th St
Old Brooklyn News, 3344 Broadview Rd
Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 4423 Pearl Rd
Paradise Inn, 4488 State Rd
Pearl Road Car Wash, 5133 Pearl Rd
Pearl Road Tavern, 3870 Pearl Rd
Pearl Road United Methodist Church, 4200 Pearl Rd
Perfect Image, 4253 Fulton Rd
Pita Pocket Pizza, 4848 Broadview Rd
Pizza Joe's Deli, 4260 Fulton Rd
Pizza Pan, 4920 Pearl Rd
Rite- Aid Pharmacy, 2323 Broadview Rd
Riverside Cemetery, 3607 Pearl Rd
Ron's Automotive, 4512 Broadview Rd
Rooms Today Outlet, 5140 Pearl Rd
Sals Restaurant, 3850 Pearl Rd
Sarah's Thrift, 5134 Brookpark Rd
Sausage Shoppe, 4501 Memphis Ave
Schwebel's Bakery, 2330 Broadview Rd
Snack Box Food Mart, 4920 Memphis Ave
South Hills Hardware, Tuxedo & Schaff Rd
Speedway Gas, 2202 Broadview Rd
Spin Cycle Laundry, 3716 Pearl Rd
St Leo the Great Church, 4940 Broadview Rd
St. Barbara Church, 1505 Denison Ave
St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd
St. Lukes U.C.C, 4216 Pearl Rd
St. Mark Lutheran Church, 4464 Pearl Rd
St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church, 4600 State Rd
St. Marys Crystal Chalet, State & Biddulph
State Road Beverage, 4810 State Rd
Steelyard Tavern, 4497 Broadview Rd
Steve's Family Restaurant, 4457 Broadview Rd
Subway, 2144 Broadview Rd
Sunoco Gas, 2039 Broadview Rd
Sunoco Gas, 3500 Brookpark Rd
The Union House, 2713 Brookpark Rd
The Wedge Inn, 2011 Broadview Rd
Theo's Old Brooklyn Grille, 4250 Pearl Rd
Trinity U.C.C., 3525 West 25th
Tropical Rays Tanning, 7413 Memphis Ave
Trio's Lounge, 6103 Memphis Ave
US Bank, 4175 Pearl Rd
Valley Plaza Apts., 4197 W. 20th
Valley Road Villa, 4146 Valley Rd
Valu-Dollar, 2180 Brookpark Rd
Walgreens, 4265 Pearl Rd
Ward 15 City Council Office, 4483 Broadview Rd
Ward 16 City Council Office, 4501 State Rd.
Wexlers Bar & Grill, 4555 State Rd
Whiskey Business, 4407 Brookpark Rd
Wireless Toys, 5212 Memphis Ave
York Video, 4280 Fulton Rd
Zeletznik's Tavern, 4002 Jennings Rd
Ziggy's Produce, 4641 Broadview Rd

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Aces Bar, 4786 Biddulph Plaza
Biddulph Beverage, Biddulph Rd
Blockbusters, 4746 Ridge Rd
Brooklyn City Hall, Memphis Ave
Brooklyn Dry Cleaner 7467 Memphis
Brooklyn Library, Ridge Rd.
Brooklyn Pub, 6806 Biddulph Rd.
Brooklyn Rec.Center, 7600 Memphis Ave
China Town, 4126 Pearl Rd
Cici's Pizza, 4804 Ridge Rd
Cutting Edge, 4237 Ridge Rd
Dairymart, 7460 Memphis Ave
Dunkin Donuts, 4744 Ridge Rd
Euro Kitchen, 8467 Memphis Ave
Fiesta Taco, 4816 Ridge Rd
Gepettos, 4312 Ridge Rd.
Great Clips, 7325 Northcliff Ave
Laundromat, 4302 Ridge Rd.
Lutheran Urgent Care, 4666 Ridge Park Square
Marco's Pizza, 7415 Memphis Ave
Memphis Smoke House, 8463 Memphis Ave
Movie Mart, 6990 Biddulph Rd

See more drop-off locations on page 9

Riverside Cemetery Tour from front page



Photo by Pat Schmidt
Karl Germain, portrayed by David Boyce.

At a different point in the day, Adam Misztal, a friend of Rick Nicholson/Frederick Pelton who came around to take photos, told Rudy that he had attended Lincoln High School on Scranton Road with David Brainard, a direct descendant of the Brainard family. Rudy asked him to let David know about this event, and will have Rick contact him to try to get in touch with David.

Riverside Cemetery, the first large-scale, nondenominational burial ground west of the Cuyahoga River, opened in 1876 and is still in use. In addition to its extensive landscaping and intriguing monuments, Riverside also has two buildings which are on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Victorian Romanesque chapel was built around the time of the cemetery's opening, while the stone gatehouse was finished in 1896. Funeral services are still held in the chapel, and the gatehouse provides space for the cemetery's office staff and visitors. Both buildings were open to guests on Sunday, providing a fascinating historical context for the afternoon's activities.

At the tour's end, a rest stop was set up at the chapel, where Rick Donaldson played the keyboard throughout the afternoon.

Vicki Blum Vigil, author of *Cleveland Cemeteries: Stones, Symbols, & Stories*, was a guest at the garden party. Praising the event, she commented, "I have visited and walked through Riverside Cemetery many times in the last ten years, but nothing can compare to the atmosphere and activity created by the Brooklyn Centre Community Association for their fundraiser June 10th. I enjoyed viewing the old photographs, working on the virtual scavenger hunt, and most of all, listening to the personalized accounts of some of the well-

known permanent residents - portrayed by local volunteers. Of course, seeing monuments and headstones that go from the exquisite to the unusual is always a treat. With picture perfect weather, a sizable crowd and the many amenities available, this was an event enjoyed by people of all ages."

"We couldn't have asked for better weather. The turnout was fantastic, in fact, almost overwhelming," said Gloria Ferris, Garden Party chairwoman. "I have never been involved in an event where so many people took the time to tell us what a great time they had and how they hoped it was the first of many such events at the cemetery. They gave some wonderful suggestions and we're hoping to incorporate them in the future. It truly was a beautiful day in the neighborhood."

The garden party committee would like to thank all the volunteers and all the organizations which sent representatives who helped to make the event an outstanding one. Special thanks go to Riverside's general manager Bill Halley and his wife, Marijane, general foreman Shirley Bill and her assistant, Ken Langley, and Riverside's caretakers, for their assistance.

BCCA and the Garden Party committee also appreciate the support of Neighborhood Connections, which provided funding for the equipment and "Brooklyn Centre Green Crew" T-shirts used for the Pearl Road Clean-up, a volunteer effort to spruce up the area around the cemetery prior to the big day.

The Brooklyn Centre Community Association will continue its tradition of spring events next year, and plans several other projects in the community in coming months. For membership information, please contact Gloria Ferris at 216-351-0254, or send a0 message to BCCA07@yahoo.com.



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Avery Hopwood, portrayed by Tim Ferris.

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It's strange, when I stop to think about it, that the daylight hours start to get shorter on the first day of summer. But maybe that's a good thing, because being awakened at 4:30 a.m. by the birds singing isn't necessarily the best time to start the day.

(Neither is being kept up late by the noise of firecrackers the best way to end a day. Let's hope for a minimum of that.)

In last month's article we wrote about staff changes at a number of Catholic parishes in our neighborhood. **Unity Lutheran Church** at 4542 Pearl Rd. has since informed us of a change at their church, too. They will ordain and install a new pastor, **Peeter Pirn**, on Sunday, July 8, at 3 p.m.

The neighborhood is invited to the celebration. Those planning to also attend the light meal afterward are asked to call the church at 741-2085 so that they can plan accordingly.

Mr. Pirn is a graduate of Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and has been serving as vicar at Unity for the past year.

Cuyahoga County Treasurer **Jim Rokakis** (and former Ward 15 councilman) was recently awarded the NeighborWorks® Government Service Award for his leadership in strengthening neighborhoods and communities by expanding the affordable housing supply for low- and moderate-income families. He was nominated by Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland.

Jim initiated a series of reforms that included an overhaul of the county's property tax collection system, numerous operational reforms, and a streamlined foreclosure process for abandoned properties. He developed the Heritage Home Program with the Cleveland Restoration Society and the Home Enhancement Loan Program, which offer home improvement loans below market rates and, most recently, the Cuyahoga County Foreclosure Prevention Program.

The NeighborWorks® Government Service Awards honor significant contributions at the federal, state and local levels of individuals whose work improves the lives of those in communities of need.

The Sausage Shoppe, 4501 Memphis Ave., has informed us that they won two awards at the Ohio Association of Meat Processors Convention in Columbus in March. Their slow-roasted pork was judged the grand champion in the innovative products category and their Sheffler ham placed first in the boneless ham category.

It's the time of year especially devoted

to reporting student news, some of which is recent, and some of which goes back to March, too –

The Junior High Science Olympiad team from **St. Thomas More (STM) School** participated in a competition at St. Ignatius High School in late March. They competed against students from five other schools. There were fifteen individual events, and they earned medals in fourteen of them. That merited them “first place”.

The STM students who were seventh graders at the time are **Halle Puening, Sarah Giachetti, Maggie Winterich and Mallory Kuhr**. Those who were eighth graders are **Alex Miranda, Kayleigh Fischietto, Ryan Giachetti, Bret Mayer, Zora Patton, Emily Brincka, Mike McClain, Chad Bushley, Jordyn Mohnickey, Kristen Cuevas and Justin Hejny**.

Also last March, eleven **Cub Scouts** from **Brooklyn Pack #319** received the Arrow of Light, the highest award in Cub Scouting. They were **Adam Calogeras, Matthew Drotos, Chase Hiple, Calvin Hrezik, Scott Legeza, Angelo Mastri, Kevin Page, Joshua Reddy, Michael Schloemer, Matthew Swit and Ian Willson**.

Requirements for the award include earning at least eight Webelo pins. One of the recipients, **Scott Legeza**, actually earned all twenty Webelo pins, and all forty-two Cub Scout belt loops.

The Cubs who then moved up to **Boy Scouts** joined **St. Leo's Troop #374**.

And during the past academic year, five other Boy Scouts from that St. Leo troop earned religious awards associated with scouting. **Nick Masola and Steven McCarthy** received the Ad Altare Dei Award, **Christopher Theurer and William Mackey** received the Pope Pius XII Award, and **Jason Mersek** received both the Ad Altare Dei Award and the Pope Pius XII Award.

Old Brooklyn Community School students were well-represented in the cast of *Annie, Jr.*, which played at Near West Theatre June 15-17. **Taylor Slivka** played Miss Hannigan, the director of the orphanage; **Laura Kalynchuk** played Grace Farrell, Daddy Warbuck's secretary; and **Kelsey Burke, Maggie Halm, Joey James, Perris Lewis, Hayden Neidhardt, Roxy Reminick, Angeline Renner, Ben Schumann and Andy Schumann** played assorted roles ranging from orphans to New Yorkers to servants at the Warbucks mansion.

Michael Hess, a June graduate of St. Ignatius High School, will be heading to Hobart and William Smith Colleges in Geneva, New York when the next school year begins. The W. Schaaf Rd. resident was a member of Crew, the rowing team at Ignatius, and he will be on Statesmen, the rowing team at the liberal arts college, too.

It looks like the presses are going to continue rolling while this paper is being evaluated from a business perspective, so please continue to send your contributions for this column to: Lynette Filips, The Town Crier, c/o the *Old Brooklyn News*, 3344 Broadview Rd., Cleveland, Ohio 44109.

Old Brooklyn – “Alive with Civic Pride” ... and an assortment of wild animals

by Lynette Filips
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Neighborhood residents need not travel to a national park, a state park, or even one of the Cleveland Metroparks to catch a glimpse of native wildlife. A number of people are finding it right on the street where they live.

Squirrels, rabbits, raccoons and skunks have abounded here for years, and it hasn't been unusual to share one's yard with chipmunks, opossum and woodchucks from time-to-time, too. But deer, red fox and coyote within the city limits?

Reported sightings of deer in recent months include: South Hills Dr. on the block between Broadale Rd. and Tampa Ave., (which borders a very wooded area), on Traymore Ave. between Fulton Rd. and Ridge Rd., and along Brookpark Rd. near I-480. While deer can decimate one's flower or vegetable garden in no time at all, still, anyone who watched “Bambi” as a child can't help but be at least a little awestruck when he/she chances upon a deer.

The report of a red fox was an overheard passing comment, so there are no specific details to share about that sighting.

In May, Ward 15 Councilman Brian Cummins emailed the *Old Brooklyn News* about sightings of coyotes in the neighborhood. The animals were seen in two residential areas — on Skylane Dr., which borders the Bradley Rd. landfill, and on Plymouth Rd.

The Skylane sighting was in March, between 11 p.m. and dusk. The Plymouth Rd. sighting was in February, again late at night. In the latter instance, the coyote was with a dead deer.

According to the Cleveland Metroparks website, there are several active coyote dens (with a total of four dozen coyotes) in Cleveland Metroparks locations.

Given the geography of the Lower Big Creek Valley separating Brooklyn Centre and Old Brooklyn, Councilman Cummins wouldn't be surprised if there were a number of active coyote dens in that part of our neighborhood, too, from Calgary Park to Harmody Park. A

system of ravines in that area would make traveling easy for them, as their range is several square miles.

Originally prairie animals, coyotes have been in Ohio for over 60 years, but until recently, they were quite scarce. The first confirmed report of a coyote living in Cuyahoga County was in 1983; it was killed on I-77 near Harvard Rd.

Coyotes look a lot like small German shepherd dogs, standing two feet high and weighing 20-50 pounds. They run with their round and fluffy tails held down; they have long, pointed snouts; their ears are erect and pointed; and the long hairs on their back are tipped with black.

The coyotes's diet is about 90% mammals, mostly mice, voles, other rodents, rabbits and road- or otherwise killed animals (e.g., deer). People who live in areas with coyotes should not leave small dogs or cats outside at night, and, for that matter, their dishes of pet food.

Coyotes are normally shy and retiring, and except during April, when females are protecting their pups, rarely show themselves to humans. They are not pack animals, though they may hunt in pairs or small family groups.

While coyotes do not generally carry rabies, if they have been bit by a rabid raccoon, they can transmit the rabies virus to whatever they bite.

Where to Donate Unwanted Goods

Cuyahoga County businesses & residents can donate unwanted items using a helpful free booklet published by the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District called *Pass It On: A Resource-Full Guide to Donating Usable Stuff*. 134 community service & not-for-profit organizations use donated items to support their work. These organizations work on behalf of youth, seniors, homeless & others in Cuyahoga County. Toys, art supplies, clothing, books, school supplies, office equipment, sporting goods tools, furniture & more can be donated. For your free copy call Solid Waste District , 216-698-2265, or visit www.cuyahogawsd.org/residents/passiton.asp

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Many of the “Friends of Big Creek” gathered at Archmere Park during the Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District's 9th Annual Big Creek Clean-up on Saturday, June 9th. This year's clean-up included Stickney Creek, the branch of Big Creek which runs through Ward 16 in Old Brooklyn.



by Tom Collins
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Making It Better

The exodus of residents from Cleveland continues. Recent reports in the *Plain Dealer* state that Cuyahoga County is losing population. What is a community development corporation to do?

One of the things that can be done is to take inventory of the assets in the community and think about ways to make them better (that is, make them more attractive for use and investment).

The Lower Big Creek between Brookside Park and the Cuyahoga River is one of our hidden assets which needs to be made better. Flowing water and hillsides are physical assets that most cities promote and invite people to enjoy.

Big Creek, particularly its lower portion, needs to be rediscovered. It is highly visible, but not very accessible as it flows through Brookside Park. Then it all but disappears from view as it passes below the cliffs and hillsides of Brooklyn Centre and Old Brooklyn. Because of storm water management issues, Big Creek flows underground through part of the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, emerging again near the Zoo parking lot.

It is hard to think of Big Creek as being an asset, given that its history has been closely identified with "dirty industry". Dirty industry in this case means that the land and water are overworked by equip-

ment, factories and manufacturing processes that over a long period of time consume the natural features of the land.

The Big Creek valley has accommodated such industry for approximately 120 years. The industry was and is essential to city living, but it does hide an asset that needs to be made better.

Over the past five years there have been several general studies of the Lower Big Creek. Now a more specific study is beginning that will focus on a plan to make the valley between Brooklyn Centre and Old Brooklyn an area that will foster recreational use and residential/business investment. Officially titled the *Lower Big Creek Greenway Redevelopment and Restoration Study*, it has a specific focus.

Foremost it will chart a course to connect the Zoo with the Ohio and Erie Canal Towpath Trail that will become an all purpose trail. Just as the Towpath Trail is now driving north from Old Harvard Rd. to downtown, it will also drive west to the Zoo.

Along with that will be an analysis of how the valley and hillsides can become destination points for tourism and recreation. Hillsides, cliffs and flowing water attract people for all kinds of reasons, from passive viewing to strenuous climbing. Within this valley are recreational and tourism opportunities.

The economic reality is that this valley, even if unattractive, does contribute to the local economy. Businesses provide products and services that create jobs and generate tax revenue, and businesses purchase other local goods and services.

The study will look at existing land use, analyze if the business operates best from the current location or if relocation would improve the business, and what infrastructure the business needs to continue operating in the valley. This will allow long-term planning that is good for investment rather than short-term decisions that inhibit investment.

The development in this valley has never been planned. It has become what it is because, parcel by parcel, it became a hodgepodge of small industrial companies which were not interdependent.

A consultant, Floyd Browne Group, has been retained. They have extensive experience in projects that reclaim industrial areas

for residential and commercial investment. Residents, businesses and property owners will be engaged to participate in public discussions and focus groups that will guide the study.

Public participation and endorsement of the outcomes is essential to making it happen because the purpose is to retain and increase the population in the community. It is the residents of a community who create their own community identity, and it will be the residents who assist in making this abused creek and valley a renewed asset.

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The money that the Friends of South Hills Circle received from a Neighborhood Connections grant -- plus the "in-kind" volunteer service which matched part of it -- has beautified the oval at the convergence of South Hills Dr., Landchester Rd. and Cypress Ave. The group will host its second annual "South Hills Neighborhood Summer Celebration" (open only to people living in the original South Hills allotment) on Saturday, July 14 from 4 to 8 pm. As with any block party, the street will be closed to thru-traffic at that time.

OBALL - Old Brooklyn Area Little League

by Kim and Dan Roth

Little League is alive and well in Old Brooklyn. OBALL (Old Brooklyn Area Little League) began another successful season for little leaguers in Old Brooklyn on Thursday, May 31, at Jacob's Field. Players, coaches, parents, friends and families all got to walk the field before the Indians' game and were featured throughout the game on the Jumbotron. The exciting night and great start to their baseball season became even better when the Indians won.

OBALL has been around our neighborhood for years, providing kids from the ages of 5-19 in the Old Brooklyn area the opportunity to play ball in their community. Over 400 kids signed up to play this year.

OBALL divisions include T-ball, Pee Wee (coach pitch), F1 (kid pitch), F2 and Big F. OBALL accepts registrations for the Connie Mack and Mickey Mantle divisions. Over thirty sponsors help to support the league.

Registration for OBALL is in February and March of every year at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Broadview Rd. Registration information will be in the *Old Brooklyn News* prior to February and March, 2008. OBALL's website (www.oball.org) also contains up-to-date information about the league. Check it often to keep tabs on your favorite team or just to find out what is going on with the league.

Most games are played at Loew Park and Harmony (Plymouth) Park. Stop by and watch a game. Play ball . . .



Here's how the Jumbotron at Jacobs Field welcomed the Old Brooklyn Area Little League during the Indians game on May 31st.



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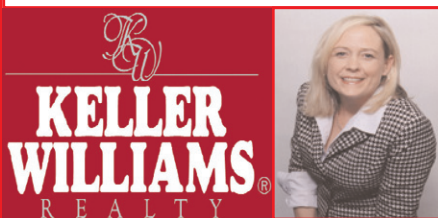
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Extreme makeovers for vacant homes a reality for Cleveland borrowers
Nonprofit program offers homebuyers low-interest rehabilitation loans

Behind plywood boards lie beautiful homes waiting to be restored and one local nonprofit is cutting a sweet deal for anyone wanting to invest in Cleveland neighborhoods.

The nonprofit group **Cleveland Action to Support Housing (CASH)** has introduced the Vacant House Purchase and Rehabilitation Program which offers borrowers interest rates on loans as low as 3.0 percent. Current market rates are in the range of 6.0 percent.

The program works by helping borrowers secure a first mortgage at market rate from local lenders to purchase a vacant home in designated neighborhoods, then CASH can secure a 3.0 percent, 12-year loan for repairs. Vacant homes may be acquired at auction, through an individual seller or through estate transfers.

The nonprofit wants to make home ownership attainable for low to moderate income earners and to make the renovation process less daunting for buyers. CASH Executive Director Marcia Nolan said the program is geared toward employed individuals who want to own a home in Cleveland.

"This program works well for young professionals, first-time buyers or working individuals and families who deserve the benefit of owning a home," Nolan said.

CASH works with the buyer to estimate costs for purchase and rehabilitation and to obtain pre-approval for loans that will cover the entire project cost from purchase to renovation. Once loans are secured, a construction specialist monitors the construction process.

Vacant homes in the Glenville, Fairfax, Buckeye, Slavic Village, Tremont and Detroit-Shoreway neighborhoods are eligible for purchase and repair financing. Buyers can work with Community Development Corporations and realtors to identify eligible

properties for renovations.

Vacant House Program - Add One

The City of Cleveland Department of Community Development applauds the CASH program. Director Daryl Rush said it is consistent with the city's housing strategies, particularly the focus on existing housing.

Rush said this type of effort will assist the city in addressing the more than 5,800 vacant structures in the city.

CASH ensures that contractors are licensed, bonded and insured. A construction specialist with the program will be assigned to each project to inspect and monitor the repairs to meet the project specifications and budget.

"We want to take the stress out of the process," Nolan said. "The amount of savings the program provides can make the difference between the decision to continue renting or to move toward ownership."

Lawrence Slenczka, vice president of community development at Dollar Bank and chairman of the board at CASH said his company is one of several banks who help finance the purchase and rehabilitation mortgages.

"These loans make a lot of sense for community development because they build equity for homeowners and increase property value in the community," Slenczka said.

The program is new, but buyers are already beginning to apply.

One couple is taking advantage of the program with plans to rehabilitate their Slavic Village home. "We like being able to have our own home and when it is finished it will be as good as new", they stated.

CASH is a non-profit service organization established in 1977 with a mission to encourage revitalization in Cleveland neighborhoods using strategies which include repair and rehabilitation lending. CASH also provides specifications, cost estimates, escrow services, and construction oversight. For more information visit www.cashcleveland.org.

Simply beautiful

by **Lori Peterson**
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Rockwood Red, Renwick Heather, Plymouth Green...

Brooklyn Centre and Old Brooklyn have a lot of unique historical homes that can be a canvas for your creativity. Choosing a paint color can make your head spin, but with some forethought on your part, color can transorm your humble home into a magnificent beauty and work of art. Here are some recommendations that architecture.com suggests when choosing colors for the exterior of your house:

1. Begin with colors suggested by your roof and masonry.
2. Consider the color schemes used inside your home. Exterior colors should harmonize with the interior.
3. Don't clash with your neighbors! Choose colors that coordinate with the buildings around you.
4. Large surfaces make paint look lighter. Consider selecting darker shades.
5. Remember that very bright or very deep colors will fade.
6. To emphasize architectural details, outline them with an accent color that contrasts with the background.
7. Use darker colors to emphasize shadows and lighter colors to show projections.
8. Avoid extreme contrasts. Choose colors that are related.
9. Study color samples outside, but never in direct sunlight. Bright sun will distort the color.
10. Photocopy a sketch or photograph of your house. Use watercolors or colored pencils to try color combinations.
11. Before buying large quantities of paint, buy quarts of your selected colors and paint one area of your house.
12. Take your time... be creative... and have fun! The photo below shows what a dramatic difference a little creativity can make.



A resident on Marvin Avenue had a dramatic makeover on her house last year. (left) Before; (right) After. What a difference! The transformation was accomplished with the help of a paint consultant and a few accent colors.

- Tips:**
1. The simpler your house, the fewer colors you'll need. For an elaborate Victorian, plan to use four to six colors.
 2. Light colors will make your house seem larger. Dark colors or bands of trim will make your house seem smaller, but will draw more attention to details.
 3. For some accents, consider using darker or lighter shades instead of changing color.
 4. Hire a paint consultant if you do not have an eye for color.

Now that you've chosen the perfect colors for your home, the City of Cleveland has made it affordable for most Cleveland residents to paint their homes with little or no cost to them. "The City of Cleveland invites its residents to improve the exterior of their homes with a fresh coat of paint this summer through the City's 2007 Paint Refund Program," said Mayor Jackson. "We have been able to help thousands of Cleveland homeowners through this program. It improves neighborhood image and pride, and increases quality of life throughout Cleveland."

The Cleveland Paint program provides vouchers of up to \$400 for paint and material to residents who are income-eligible. (See the income guidelines below.) Several paint suppliers are offering discounts to program participants.

Paint Refund Program Income guidelines:

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| 1 Person - \$34,350 | 5 Person - \$53,050 |
| 2 Person - \$39,300 | 6 Person - \$56,950 |
| 3 Person - \$44,200 | 7 Person - \$60,900 |
| 4 Person - \$49,100 | 8 Person - \$64,800 |

Although the paint program offers \$400.00 for paint and material, it does not pay for labor. Homeowners, as well as tenants, are eligible for the program. Applications must be received by July 31st and the house needs to be completed by September 15th. To obtain an application to make your home a work of art, call Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation at 216-459-1000 and ask for Donn or Lori.



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Ask the Old House Experts

This new monthly feature, which is made possible through the Cleveland Restoration Society, gives homeowners real answers about the care and maintenance of their older homes. If you have a question you would like to have answered, send it to Lori Peterson, Residential Program Manager, 3344 Broadview Rd., Cleveland, OH 44109.

Question:

We recently purchased a beautiful wood sided house built in the 1940s. It's in great condition and we'd like it to stay that way. Could you please give us some idea of what we should be doing to maintain our historic home? Thanks very much.

The Old House Experts

Answer:

Dear Robert and Ella,
Here are a few general do's and don'ts for the maintenance of your older home:

Do's:

Check your roof for leaks every six months. Look for bulge cracks, and separations in addition to leaks. This is important because

Don'ts:

Do not seal basement windows. This traps moisture inside and can create a damp basement.
Never sand blast a brick building. This process removes the protective layer from the brick leaving the softer layer exposed.
Do not leave unused gas pipes or the live ends uncapped. These are commonly found in buildings constructed prior to 1920 and are known fire hazards.
Please call the Cleveland Restoration Society at (216)426-1000 for specific questions about your older home.

a leaky roof can lead to many other problems later on.
Clean your gutters and downspouts regularly to remove leaves and debris. Make sure downspouts are directing water away from the building and foundation.
Check your house for loose or missing siding boards and areas where paint is chipping or peeling. Gaps between boards smaller than 1/4 inch will help to improve air circulation within the wall cavity; larger gaps may allow rainwater inside.

How Clevelanders celebrated Independence Day from 1876 to 1941

by Lynette Filips
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Day-to-day life in Cleveland from 1776 to 1946 is quite well-documented, thanks in part to a book which is a year-by-year compilation of facts, *Cleveland: the Making of a City* by William Ganson Rose. It's been the main source for the articles we ran in July, 2005, and July, 2006, in which we've been chronicling how previous generations of Clevelanders celebrated Independence Day.

In 2005 we talked about how people observed the holiday from 1776 to 1836 and last year we talked about Independence Day celebrations from 1837 to 1876. But since 1876 was the centennial of the country, and



that was the final entry in last year's article, we didn't have space to tell the whole story. So that's where we'll pick up this July.

Cleveland's observance of Independence Day in 1876 began on July 1 and ended on the actual holiday. The Perry Monument downtown was illuminated with gas jets, and downtown buildings were decorated with colored lights. Early in the evening of July 3, crowds began gathering on Public Square to usher in the holiday at midnight. When the clock finally struck 12, church bells chimed, cannons boomed, firearms were discharged, firecrackers exploded, lights blazed, whistles shrieked, and crowds of people across the city shouted.

Downtown was definitely the preferred place to be, however. As we mentioned in last year's article, a 168-foot flagpole made of Bessemer steel was erected near the center of Public Square. (It was a gift of Henry Chisolm on behalf of the Cleveland Rolling Mill Co.) As had been the case at some previous July 4 festivities, the ascension of a hot air balloon was the crowning event of the day. Plenty of folks came in from outlying areas, and hotels, hacks ("taxis") and eateries had more business than usual.

Independence Day in 1881 was more somber, as former Cleveland President James Garfield, had been shot in Washington, D.C. two days earlier. Although he had not yet died, the president lay gravely ill, and ministers were already eulogizing him in their Fourth of July speeches.

Something special along nautical lines was often a part of Cleveland Independence Day celebrations, and in 1893, that "ship" was the *Viking*, a graceful, old-world, Norse-style vessel, which had stopped here on the way to the Chicago Exposition.

A balloon ascent was part of the July 4 celebration in 1899, but it ended up being more exciting than originally intended. The plan had been for a professor and his assistant to ascend in a balloon from Scenic Park (an early amusement park on the Rocky River in Lakewood opposite Sloan Ave.), and then cut loose for a parachute race.

Unfortunately, the balloon rose before it was supposed to, and the two men went with it, tangled in the ropes. They drifted over the Lake, but were ultimately rescued by a team of two men in a launch who towed the balloon to shore.

Cleveland set a precedent for the nation in 1909 when it pioneered the first "safe-and-sane" Fourth of July. Newspapers across the country praised us for making Independence Day one of patriotism instead of one marred by unnecessary accidents related to fireworks. The next year, other cities took Cleveland's lead, and within a few years, the sale of fireworks and pyrotechnic exhibitions became controlled by law. Countless eyes, fingers and lives were thus saved.

The big event of July 4, 1910, was a parade of 10,000 children and adults, with Minnie the elephant leading the procession with a flag in her trunk. (Minnie was the Cleveland Zoo's famous elephant which Cleveland school children had purchased with their pennies.)

On July 4, 1915, National Americanization Day was inaugurated to help immigrants become good citizens. Again, Cleveland pioneered the effort. Two years later, the Americanization meeting was the City's major July 4th event. Held at the Hippodrome Theater, three thousand newly naturalized citizens were in attendance.

For Independence Day in 1921, an elaborate pageant entitled *The Fantasy of the Flag* was staged at Edgewater Park. Four years later, our own Brookside Park was

the setting for *Romance of the Flag*, plus 2800 new Americans received citizenship diplomas.

Cleveland's first "Festival of Freedom", which was to become a tradition for Independence Day in our city, was conducted in 1939. It was held at the Stadium under the auspices of the Come-to-Cleveland Committee of the Advertising Club. Police, Fire Department, Boy Scouts and bands and drill teams were among the attractions.

The following year, Cleveland's Festival of Freedom was already being noticed nationally. Cleveland's greatest patriotic celebration, one of its special features was when all the spectators held lighted matches in front of their faces in the darkened stadium. Other aspects of the festivity included Boy and Girl Scouts carrying one of the largest American flags, the showing of a patriotic movie, recognizing a couple of thousand new citizens, and a massive fireworks display.

In 1941, The Pageant of Freedom at the Festival recounted the story of the preservation of our liberty via a series of historic floats. Eighty thousand people attended that year's presentation.

After the United States became involved in World War II in December, 1941, the Festival of Freedom really expanded in scope. That will be a good place to start next year's history article about Independence Day.



Photos by George Shuba

Members of the Brooklyn-Cleveland Kiwanis, in conjunction with the Independence Kiwanis, assembled 77 boxes of school supplies which students in Independence public and Catholic schools had donated for the children of Afghanistan. (left) John Kapusta from the Independence club packs 100 pens and pencils. (top right) George Jicha, Sr., from the Cleveland-Brooklyn club, spearheaded the project because his son, a medical officer in the US Army in Afghanistan, asked him to organize the effort. The Independence Kiwanis paid the postage to ship the boxes.

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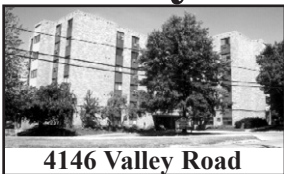


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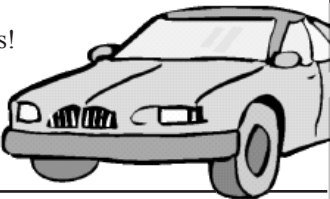
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FAMILY FUN!

by Lynette Filips & Sandy Worona

If you have information regarding upcoming events/activities that are appropriate for all ages, please submit your listing(s) to The Old Brooklyn News, 3344 Broadview Rd., Cleveland, OH 44109; Fax: 216-459-1741; e-mail sandyw@oldbrooklyn.com.

Art House, 3119 Denison Ave. Spring 2007 Class Schedule
Family Open Studio – 3rd Sat. of the month, 1 – 3 pm; \$5 per person; \$18 family of four; children 3 & under, free. Family members & above cost per visit: \$5 per adult, free for 2 children, \$3 for each additional child. No pre-registration required. Family Open Studio provides a safe & fun environment for families to create art together. Self-guided activities at drawing/painting station, clay hand-building station & craft station. Craft projects vary each month.

Saturday children’s classes, after school children’s programs, evening teen and adult classes - A complete schedule of classes, including dates, times & fees is available on the website www.arthouseinc.org To register for a class or workshop call **216-398-8556**. Art House is open to the public Mon. — Thurs., 10 am – 4 pm, Fri. by appointment only, & Sat., 9 am — 12 pm.

Cleveland Metroparks Hinkley Reservation Ledge Pool & Recreation Area
1151 Ledge Rd. between State & Kellogg Rds. 440-331-8111

www.clevelandmetroparks.com
Dive-In Movie: Fri., July 20. Bring something to sit on & enjoy the movie from a spot on the lawn, or view the movie while relaxing in an inner tube in Ledge Pool. Inner tubes available by reservation only; \$3 for single & \$5 for double. Doors open at 8 pm; cartoons start at 8:30 pm. Feature movie begins at 8:45 pm. Visitors must be 8 or older to use the pool & rent an inner tube. Refreshments available. For more info or to reserve a tube call 330-239-2911. (Also a movie on Aug. 10.)
Learn to swim program: \$30 per session with season pass; \$50 all others. For more info call 440-331-8635.

Birthday party packages - private, tented picnic area with tables for up to 3 hrs., plus 15 swim passes. 30 people max. \$30 for season pass holders, \$50 for non-season.

Food packages - \$4 (hot dog or cheeseburger link, chips & small ice cream) per person. \$5 (all plus 20 oz. Coke product). Minimum 10 people per party. For more info call 440-572-9990.

Pool Hours - 11 am - 7 pm, thru Aug. 19th. Fees -- adults, 12 & over, \$4.50; children 6-11, \$3.50; 5 & under free; seniors 60 & over, free.

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

“My Favorite Wild Animal” second annual juried art show. Illustrations in any media type except photography from student artists

in grades 1 thru 12 with the theme: “My Favorite Animal”. Winning entries exhibited Aug. 16 -- Sept. 11. Call 440-734-6660 for more info.

Cleveland Metroparks Zoo
ZOOBLOOMS, Sun., Jul. 8th, 10 am - 7 pm. This year’s theme, “Reclaim Nature: Cultivate a Habitat In Your Corner of the World”. Activities for all ages at the Family Activity Center in the Zoo’s picnic pavillion, 11 am - 4 pm. Make eco-friendly seed bracelets & leaf etchings. Learn how to re-pot plants. Annual ladybug release at noon. (Thousands of ladybugs will take flight into the Zoo’s gardens to act as organic pesticides.) For more info call 216-661-6500.

TOUCH! - Amazing Rays & Sharks - thru Sept. 16th, 10 am - 5 pm. Located at Savanna Ridge, TOUCH! offers an opportunity for visitors to reach in & feel the smooth skin of stingrays. Get closer than ever to small sharks. Learn about the marine life found around the world & how to conserve these animals’ habitats. \$1 additional admission per person.

DINOSAURS! - Exciting exhibit features 15 life-sized animatronic dinosaurs along the shores of Waterfowl Lake. From a colossal T.rex to tiny newborns, creatures of every size are waiting to be discovered. \$2 additional admission per person.

Cleveland Museum of Art
11150 East Blvd. 216-421-7340

Midsummer movies, July - Aug. July’s films range from return engagements for four international favorites to the first Cleveland showing of three new movies—one accompanied by its maker! Admission prices to museum films \$8, CMA members \$6, seniors 65 & over \$5, students - \$4, or one Panorama voucher. Panorama Film Series vouchers (in books of 10), \$55; CMA members, \$45.

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

Animal Secrets - now thru Sept. 9. Explore the secret lives of forest animals.
Museum - Mon. – Sat., 10 am – 5 pm; Wed. to 10 pm; Sun., noon – 5 pm. Age 2 & under, free; age 3-6, \$6.50; age 7-adult, \$9.50; seniors & students, \$7.50.

Cleveland Public Library, Brooklyn
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Cleveland Public Library, South Brooklyn
4303 Pearl Rd. 216-623-7067

Preschool Storytime - Every Tues., 11:30 am -12:30 pm and Thurs., 10 - 11 am. Interactive stories, rhymes, songs & other activities for children 3-5 years. Call to register.

Toddler Time - Every Tues., 10:30 - 11:30 am. Interactive stories, rhymes, songs & other activities for children 1-2 years. Call to register.

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Estabrook Recreation Center
4125 Fulton Rd. 216-664-4149

Recreational Activities - Family Swim - Family Gym - Ceramics - Weight Room. Call for schedule; times vary. All above activities free. Call for more info.

Grand Pacific Junction, Mill St & Columbia Rd. Olmsted Falls.

What's The Buzz, July 6th, 7th & 8th. Learn about honey bees & the bee industry from guest speakers; view an observation hive. Educational material also available. Honey baked goods, flavored honey & other honey products for sale & sampling. Sat., 1 pm., Walt Jorgenson from Jorgenson's Apiary will grow a honey bee beard. Watch the bees completely cover his face & neck! In case of rain, Walt will perform Sun. at the same time. Also an arts & craft show all three days. Booth space still available. Contact Carolyn, 440-427-0094 or visit www.grandpacificjunction.com.

Hale Farm & Village
2686 Oak Hill Rd., Bath 330-666-3711

Outdoor living history museum featuring life & crafts from the mid-1800s. Includes farm animals, pastures & historic houses with historical interpreters dressed in period costume. Open thru Sept. 4. Hours: Wed. – Sat. 11 am - 5 pm; Sun., noon - 5 pm. Admission — \$14.50,

adults; \$12.50, seniors; \$7.50, children ages 3-12; under 3, free. For more info. & calendar of events go to www.wrhs.org/halefarm/template.asp?id=419.

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Western Reserve Historical Society
10825 East Blvd. 216-721-5722

History Museum, Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum, & Library. Regular hours, Mon. - Sat., 10 am - 5 pm; Sun., noon - 5 pm. Hay-McKinney Mansion tours daily, noon - 5 pm. Regular admission - adults, \$8.50; seniors, \$7.50; students, \$5. Parking, \$5.

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Chair Bowling - Fri., 10:30 am, The Schwab Center.

Craft Classes - Tues. & Thurs., 9:30 - 11:30 am, Deaconess Krafft.

Crochet Klatch - Tues., 9:30 - 11:30 am, The Schwab Center.

Post Office on Wheels - First Thurs. of every month, 9:30 - 10:00 am, Deaconess-Krafft. 11 - 11:30 am, The Schwab Center.

Line Dancing - Tues., 1 pm, \$15 for six-week session. The Schwab Center.

Book Club - Call 216-749-5367 to register.

Estabrook on Tuesdays
8:30 am **Bocce ball**
9:30 am **“SCR Strollers”** Walking group
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Fun & Games

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Fruit Bingo - Mon., 11:30 am, **The Schwab Center;** & Wed., 10:30 am, **Deaconess-Krafft Center.**

Racing Game - Fri., 10:45 am, **Deaconess-Krafft.**

Pinochle Playing - Tues.& Fri., 12:15 pm, **Deaconess-Krafft.**

Tuesday, July 10th

Free blood pressure, glucose & cholesterol screening, 10-11:30 am, Deaconess-Krafft Center. Call 216-749-4477 for more info.

Wednesday, July 11th

Family Caregiver Education/Training Classes, 9:30 am, Deaconess-Krafft Center. Call 216-749-4477 for appointment.

Tuesday, August 14th

Hearing loss & aids services. Deaconess-Krafft Center. Call 216-749-4477 for appointment.

Wednesday, July 25th

Foot & ankle service. 9:30 am, Deaconess-Krafft Center. Call 216-749-4477 for appointment.

Friday, June 1st

CVS Pharmacy Brown Bag Days Advice from the pharmacist. 10:30 am. Call 216-749-4477 for appointment.

Wednesday, July 11th

Summer Picnic Card Party. Deaconess-Krafft Center, 10 am - 2 pm. Cost - \$4.

Friday, July 20th

Huntington Beach Picnic. 9:30 am. Cost - \$3.50.

Monday, July 30th

Monday at the Zoo. 10 am. Cost - \$2. Call 216-749-5367.

Friday, August 20th

Goodtime II Trip. Cost - \$15.50.

Tuesday, August 21st

Trip to Historic Marietta. Cost - \$57.75.

Thursday September 6th

Home on the Range Tour. Cost - \$59.50.

Wednesday, July 25th

Greektown Casino Trip

Our Lady of Good Counsel, 44 Pearl Rd., 7 am. (Bus will be in the back parking lot on the left side of entrance.) 9 am, on-your-own breakfast stop; 11 am, arrive at casino. 4:30 pm leave casino for home; 6 pm, rest stop; 8 pm, arrive home. Be at church 20 minutes before departure, have a photo ID to enter casino. Trip cost -- \$26; bonus \$20 coins. Contact Julia at 216-351-9970.

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CHURCH NOTES

Monday thru Friday, July 9 - July 13

Vacation Bible School

St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd. Children age 4 through grade 6 "Take the Plunge" with various activities. (Adults can also attend a class.) Begins with dinner for children at 5:30 pm, followed by activities from 6:15 till 8:45 pm. Contact church office, 216-351-6499, to RSVP.

Saturday, July 21st & Sunday, July 22nd

Christmas in July Services

St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., Sat., 5 pm. Sun., 8 & 10:30 am. All your favorite carols, a Christmas message & even a Christmas tree! Refreshments served after all services. Celebrate Christmas without all the usual distractions!

Sunday, August 5th

“The Fest”

Center for Pastoral Leadership, 28700 Euclid Ave., Wickliffe. Located just north of I-90/Rt-2 on the corner of Euclid Ave. & Bishop Rd. Live music, 3 - 8 pm. (including Michael W. Smith, the biggest name in contemporary Christian music). Catholic Mass, 8 - 10 pm, followed by huge fireworks display. Sacrament of Reconciliation, 3 - 7 pm. Free & open to all. For more info re: the event, to be added to the mailing list, to volunteer to help or to learn about being a vendor/sponsor visit www.theFEST.us or call 440-943-7662.

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Collecting Paperback Books for Inmates

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Fri., Sat., Sun., August 3rd, 4th & 5th

St. LeoThe Great Festival

St. Leo the Great Church , 4940 Broadview Rd, 216- 661-1006. Fri., Aug. 3rd., 6 pm - midnight; Sat., Aug. 4th, 5 pm - midnight; Sun., Aug. 5th , 1 - 8 pm. \$5,000 grand prize drawing Sun. at 8 pm. Casino, all 3 nights -- Blackjack, Texas Hold'em, Let it Ride, poker tables. 50/50 raffle, instant bingo .

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As I see it...

by

Pastor Jerry



Miracle -- say the word, and our hearts quicken. We wonder. We hope. We yearn.

Living in the scientific age, we can't help but be skeptical. So when others tell us about a friend who has been healed, naturally we doubt. Yet when we're alone without problems, who hasn't prayed for their own miracle?

There are things we simply don't understand. Ask any doctor with wrinkles, and he'll tell you one or two stories that defy everything we know about medical science.

We may not be able to explain everything that is labeled miracle, but we can draw some conclusions about miracles and their relationship to religious faith.

My point is that what makes something a miracle is not a suspension of the laws of nature. What makes an event miraculous is the hand of God. Who among us hasn't felt awed by the miracle of birth?

Miracles are in the eyes of the beholder. And the greatest faith may well belong to the ones who cling to God when the miracles *don't* come.

The prerequisite for entering the kingdom of God isn't whether you believe in miracles, it's whether you feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and attend the "least of these."

Jerry Madasz is the pastor of St. Luke's United Church of Christ 4216 Pearl Rd. (at the corner of Pearl & Memphis)

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Rev. Freddie Ray, 216-355-2137
Sunday School: 9:30 am Service: 10:30 am
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Good gospel singing & preaching

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Summer Sunday service: 10 am

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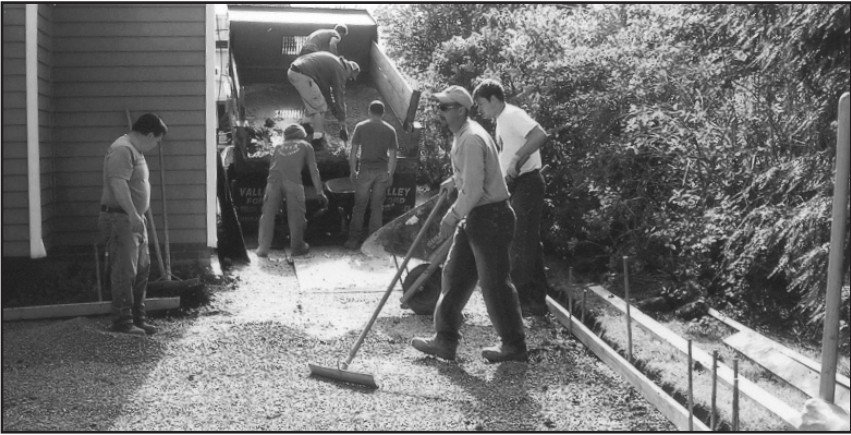
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