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For two months Old Brooklyn welcomes | 1936 Jessie Owens Olympic tree to be focus of **Downtown Cleveland Alliance ambassador**

by Melvin B. McQueen

I've worked as an ambassador for the Downtown Cleveland Alliance for four and a half years. An ambassador is a person who works for the Alliance in various parts of the city. The job involves cleaning our communities, safety duties, power washing and a host of other duties. One might sum it up simply as serving our communities in many capacities.

The day begin s with a role call, and current activities and instructions. District One is assigned to. Mr. Michael Conwell. He always instructs his ambassadors to be servants to our communities and to dress and act professionally.

Recently I was appointed as the first "hybrid" in our department; approximately eight weeks ago I was asked to represent the Downtown Alliance in Old Brooklyn.

The territory I was to cover, my "beat", was Pearl Rd. from Wildlife Way to and Rd., State Broadview Rd. from

Pearl Rd. to Valley Rd. What a privilege and honor to serve, and getting to know business owners like Jack Amburgey of Name Brand Paint, 4199 Pearl Rd., and Don Workman of Ameriflag, Inc., 3307 Broadview Rd..!

The community has really welcomed and received our services eagerly. This past weekend Ms. Shawntae Berry and I painted

an old mailbox as well as several fire hydrants. Several people of the community thanked us for beautifying their community and keeping it safe. An elderly lady sitting at a bus stop said to me, "I'm proud of our fire department, for giving back to the communitv.

I just smiled. What a privilege to serve one's fellow man in whatever capacity we're blessed to do so.

Photo by Sandy Worona

Melvin McQueen with his cleaning cart

I'd like to share a few comments from business owners in Old Brooklyn:

Don Workman and Tiffany Hickok of Ameriflag, Inc., 3307 Broadview Rd., stated, "Our neighborhood has never looked better. The trash is no longer floating around the streets, the panhandlers are no longer harassing people, and the environment just seems safer. Not only is Mr. McQueen doing a wonderful job keeping neighborhood our clean and safe, but he is a genuine pleasure to have around. He is always in a good mood, no matter what

the weather is like. He treats each one of us like human beings. Our neighborhood has greatly improved in the few weeks Mr. McQueen has been present. This is going to improve our business and the future businesses of the community."

Ronni Vazquez, Office Manager of Master Printing, 3112 Broadview Rd., stated, See Downtown Alliance page 5



dedication ceremony at Rhodes High School

by Jamie Lucas-Bukszar jaymel@oldbrooklyn.com

U.S. and East Cleveland track star Jesse Owens made history at the 1936 Berlin Olympics 75 years ago by winning four gold medals. The German Olympic Committee gave athletes an oak sapling for each gold medal they won. The U.S. team received 24 such saplings; Owens came home with four

Rhodes High School tree and Jesse Owens' accomplishments. The ceremony will start at 10 am at the Jesse Owens Courtyard behind James Ford Rhodes High School, 5100 Biddulph Ave.

Everyone is encouraged to bike or walk to Rhodes High for the event. There will be a torch relay for cyclists, Cleveland Metropolitan School District students and four-time Olympic Gold Medalist Harrison



Jesse Owens won the 100 meter dash, one of four gold medals he earned at the 1936, which made him the most successful athlete in the 1936 Games.

of them. One of Owens' trees was planted at Rhodes High School, where he trained. Another tree was planted at his mother's house, but it fell when the house was torn down in the 1960s. A third tree was planted at the University of Southern California in honor of the 4 x 100 meter relay team.

Jesse Owens said that he planted the fourth tree at Ohio State University, where he went to college; however, the school has no record of Owens ever planting a tree there. As of 2011, they were in the process of trying to identify the historic tree.

On Saturday, October 20th, 2012 there will be a ceremony commemorating the

Dillard.

Harrison Dillard is also a Cleveland native who won Olympic titles in both sprinting and hurdling events in the 1948 and 1952 games in London and Helsinki.

At 10:50 a.m. there will be an unveiling and dedication of the plaque that will commemorate the tree; at 11 am the gates will open for the football game between the Rhodes Rams and the John Marshall Lawyers which starts at noon.

Sources: http://www.npr.org

Cleveland Metropolitan School District, Interscholastic Athletics Office http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Harrison Dillard

OBCDC to host 2012 annual meeting

by Robyn Sandys robyns@oldbrooklyn.com

Old Brooklyn CDC's annual meeting is fast approaching. It will be held on Tuesday, October 16th, at Grace Church, 2503 Broadview Rd., from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Light

The main topic for discussion at this meeting will be a revision of the organizations Code of Regulations. The current code See Annual Meeting page 2





Best Costume Contest! All ages welcome!

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Food & Beverages available for purchase \$1 menu items Pumpkins for decorating

refreshments will be served.

At each annual meeting the CDC updates members and visitors on the events and activities of the past fiscal year. The fiscal year being covered started in July 1,

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2011 and ended June 30, 2012. A printed Annual. BROOKLYN Report will be provided to those attending and to

any member by request that is unable to attend. It will also be available on the web site under organizational documents at www.oldbrooklynconnected.com. For a sneak peak of some of what will be included in the report, see the Executive Director's column on page two.

Usually these meetings include an election of board members. This year there is only one board member up for reelection, Jeff Kipp who is an institutional member representing LiveCleveland, a nonprofit organization. Jeff is also a resident of Old Brooklyn.

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Girl Scout Gold Award: Anastasia Iglai

by Jayme Lucas-Bukszar jaymel@oldbrooklyn.com

Anastasia Iglai, an eleventh grader at North Royalton High School, is active with Mary Queen of Peace's (MQP) Parish School of Religion and Girl Scout Program. She started as a very young child at Corpus Christi and Our Lady of Good Counsel, before the two churches merged in 2010.

On July 8, 2012, Anastasia was honored with the Girl Scout Gold Award at a formal ceremony at Mary Queen of Peace.

The Girl Scout Gold Award is the equivalent to the Boy Scout's Eagle Scout Award. Girl Scout web The site. http://www.girlscouts.org/program/highest_aw ards/gold_award.asp, states, "The Girl Scout Gold Award represents the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. Open only to girls in high school, this prestigious award challenges you to change the world-or at least your corner of it. By the time you put the final touches on your seven-step project, you'll have solved a community problem-not only in the short term, but for years into the future."

As her major project to earn the Gold Award, Anastasia transformed an unused classroom at Mary Queen of Peace to a Montessori style classroom for pre-school age children. She spent over 100 hours on the project and enlisted volunteers to help her with the transformation. She had to take the initial measurements, create a scope of work, develop drawings and designs, complete a budget and timeline, motivate 13 plus volunteers, get items donated from other churches and local businesses, and document the project from start to finish --a tall order for a high school student!

The finished product is beautiful. The journey from storage room to sparkling new class room included rebuilding walls, refurbishing chalk boards, building book shelves, purchasing cabinets, painting, refinishing the floor, and new (donated) tables, chairs and art supplies.

Last October, the class was first used by preschoolers for a class which introduced



Photo by Jayme Lucas-Bukszar

preschoolers to the Catholic faith. There will be another class of nine or so children this fall.

In order to qualify for the Gold Award, though, Anastasia had to first earn Girl Scouting's Bronze and Silver Awards. She made dog beds for the Parma Animal Shelter to receive the Bronze Award and transplanted flowers from the former Corpus Christi Church to Mary Queen of Peace Church's flower beds for the Silver Award.

When asked what motivated her to "Go for the Gold", Anastasia said, "I've always enjoyed the Girl Scouts and I wanted to do something that matters." Her advice to young women considering the Gold Award challenge is to "find something that actually matters to you; it's a lot harder to put in that much time and dedication if you don't care"

Anastasia was the first Girl Scout from the former Corpus Christi/current Mary Queen of Peace to receive the Gold Award. "Being the first Girl Scout at my church to receive this award and the first one in our service unit to receive the Gold Award in 15-20 years made it so special for me," she said of her accomplishment. Anastasia is still involved with the Girl Scouts as a "Girl Scout Ambassador", helping younger troops establish new leaders.

Anastasia is considering a career in interior design and she said the classroom project at MQP helped solidify this desire, but she added, "It's a lot harder than it looks on TV. The planning of the project was harder than I thought it was going to be, but it was so rewarding."

Outside of Girl Scouting, Anastasia loves math and literature and enjoys camping and working on stage sets for her high school drama department.

(Lynette Filips contributed to this article.)

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From the desk of the executive director

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Our splendid summer is over and for those that love fall; it is surely on its way. It's always exciting to see the first crimson leaf on the sidewalk or just blowing in the wind. With fall comes OBCDC's annual meeting. This organization was incorporated in 1975 so this year we are celebrating 37 years in business. That is a long time!

As I write this report I am also writing the copy for our Annual Report which will be provided at the Annual meeting. The meeting will be held on October 16th. For all of the details see the article on page 1.

I thought I would share with you some of our accomplishments that will be included in that report. This past year there were 3,060 surveyed for code violations. The CDC works closely with the City's Building and Housing Department to curb these violations in order to maintain our neighborhoods and housing values.

Another impressive accomplishment is that we reached about 7,100 people who participated in community events and activities this past year, from the new Cash Mobs to

Annual Meeting from front page requires that every three years the code be reviewed by a committee. If recommendations for change are proposed then those recommendations need to go to the entire membership before they can be adopted. This past year a committee led by John Jenkins met for nearly a year to review the current code and they do have some recommended changes.

In late September, all OBCDC members will be sent a packet with the annual promote local businesses to the new Wings & Things event held in July.



Another really impressive number is the Old Brooklyn Connected web site used as a stand alone resource or in connection with the Wi-Fi reaches 18,000 unique visitors a month! And this past year the CDC reached out to 5,666 people regarding the Wi-Fi in Ward 13.

There is a lot more to share about what the CDC did this past year. Stop on by on the 16th to learn more and get involved in your neighborhood.

This month we are working closely with the Old Brooklyn Collaborators to bring you a great event, Fall-O-Ween, to be held October 27th. The Collaborators are a group of volunteers from local small businesses and MetroHealth's Senior Health and Wellness Center who work hard each year to make this family fun event a great success. There is music, games, lots of candy and fun. It is from noon to 3, rain or shine, on Devonshire Rd. right next to the Senior Health and Wellness Center.

meeting materials. Included with that information is a summary of the suggested new code along with a copy of the new code. For those interested in seeing what was changed, those changes are available on the organizational web site.

The OBCDC staff looks forward to seeing members of the CDC and the community at this event.

Only CDC members in good standing for at least 45 days before October 16th can vote. To become a member, visit OBCDC's website, www.oldbrooklynconnected.com.

Athens Imported Foods & Deli pleases Mediterranean palate

by Lynette Filips lynettef@oldbrooklyn.com

One of the first ethnic lessons I learned as a child was about the connection between Greek people and good food. It happened because one of my mother's friends was Greek, and her father owned a restaurant. My own father explained to me that "all Greek people own restaurants." While that's not exactly true these days, it just might have been true in the 1950s!

Because the Greek style of cooking uses some Mediterranean foods which aren't readily available at regular grocery stores, people of Greek descent often need to purchase them at specialty food stores. Athens Imported Foods and Deli is one which has been operating in Cleveland since 1958. For the last couple of years, it has been located at 5120 Pearl Rd., in the Pearlbrook Shopping Center.

George and Becky Alex are the third family to own Athens Foods. They purchased the business in 1989, and moved it from Lorain Ave. and W. 26th St. in Ohio City to Old Brooklyn in May, 2010.

Becky and George knew the previous owners through their involvement with the local Greek community. George was born in Greece and Becky is "first generation", so their ties to the Mediterranean world are still strong. Their son Jerry works in the store, too.

Ready-to-eat foods, as well as cooking ingredients and equipment and gift items are all available at Athens Imported Foods. T hroughout each day the Alex family bakes their own tiropitas (buttered fillo leaves filled with a mixture of feta and ricotta cheeses and eggs) and spanikopitas (buttered fillo leaves filled with a mixture of feta cheese, spinach, onions and olive oil). The price is an affordable \$1.75 each, less expensive than some fast food.

Other ready-to-eat food items which are prepared on-site include spinach swirl and cheese swirl rolls, gyro sandwiches, sub and "regular" sandwiches, and Greek, turkey and/or veggie hummus wraps. Cheese and cured meats can be purchased at the deli counter. Prepared off-site food offerings include Greek pasta salad, stuffed grape leaves, mousaka and hummus.

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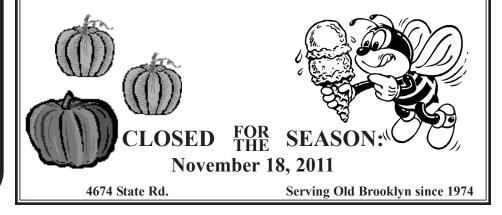
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<u>Now - February 14th, 2013</u> Tying the Knot:

Cleveland Wedding Fashions, 1830-1980 Western Reserve Historical Society History Center, 10825 East Blvd. Wedding gowns & trousseaus of those who wore them. Exhibit draws exclusively from extensive WRHS Costume & Textile Collection; highlights wedding attire worn by Cleveland brides over 150 years & other wardrobe items ("trousseau") of dresses & lingerie brides brought to marriages.

<u>Monday, October 1st</u> Cuyahoga Valley Genealogy Society

Independence Civic Center, Willow Room, 6363 Selig Blvd., 7:30 pm. CVGS member Georgia Maresh presenting "Treck to Trebenice - a genealogy example that persistence pays off". Georgia traveled to the Czech Republic this past summer to do family research. Contact Ron Kraine, 440-838-5743, or via www.cuyahogagenealogy.org for more info.

<u>Wednesday, October 3rd</u> Fall Salad Bingo

St. Mary Byzantine Gymnasium, 4600 State Rd.; doors open 5:30 pm. Admission - \$10 per player; includes 2 bingo cards, one trip to salad buffet, 20 games of merchandise bingo & door prizes. Bingo specials, raffles & split boards also available. Proceeds go to St. Mary School. Call 216-749-7980 for reservations or more info.

<u>Saturday, October 6th & 20th</u> Reiki I

MetroHealth Medical 2500 Center, MetroHealth Dr., 9 am - 1 pm. Adult or child older than 14 if accompanied by adult. Two four-hour sessions, 9 am - 1 pm. Must attend week 1 before attending week 2. Cost -- \$125 for both sessions; includes manual & Reiki Practitioner Certificate. Reiki Master instructors from Reiki Rays of Hope for Caregivers, Inc. Make check payable to The MetroHealth Foundation (memo line: Integrated Therapies Fund). Mail check & registration to: Rosanne Radziewicz, MetroHealth Medical Center, Dept of Psychiatry-H8, 2500 MetroHealth Dr, Cleve., OH 44109-1998. Call 216-778-4120

<u>Wednesday, October 10th</u> Westside Basket Guild

St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., downstairs Fellowship Hall off parking lot; 5 pm. Weave baskets from beginners to advanced. New basket each month. This month's -- Diamond Twill Basket; measures 12" x 6" x 4". Slightly more advanced techniques than usual. Cost - \$10, due night of class. Call Connie, 216-749-7912, to RSVP by Oct. 6th. Supplies to bring to every class -bucket, tape measure, long metal weight, scissors, clothes pins & old towel.

<u>Thursday, October 11th</u> Antique Collectors Club

Busch Funeral Community Meeting Room, 7501 Ridge Rd.; 7 pm. Program: Charlie Brown & The Peanuts Comic Strip. Call Robert L. Murdoch, Publicity Chairman, 440-845-7046 for more info.

<u>Saturday, October 13th</u> Adult Halloween Costume Party

St. Mary Byzantine Gymnasium, 4600 State Rd.; 8 pm - midnight. Sponsored by PTU. Tickets: \$20/individual, \$35/couple in advance (\$5 extra at door); includes heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer/wine & DJ services. Best costume contest. Call 216-749-7980 to make reservations or for more info.

Saturday evening, October 13th "C.P.A.'s" Anniversary Dance

St. John Byzantine Cathedral, 1900 Carlton Rd.; upper hall, accessible by elevator or stairs. Doors open 6 pm.; live polka music by Polka Family from Penn., 7 - 11 pm. Donation \$13; 18 & under free. Please, No byob; food & beverages available. Public welcome. Call 216-228-1134 for large table reservations or more info.

<u>Tuesday, October 16th</u> Arthritis Foundation Fall Expo

LaCentre, 25777 Detroit Rd, Westlake; 1-4:30 pm; free. Day includes Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program demo, exhibits, door prizes & light refreshments. Pre-registration required by Oct. 8th. Register online at http://FallCuyahogaExpo.kintera.org or call Arthritis Foundation at 216-831-7000, ext. 6432, or 800-245-2275, ext. 6432.

<u>Wednesday, October 17th</u>

Performance Preview: The Whipping Man Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage, 2929 Richmond Rd.; 7 pm. Join director Giovanna Sardelli, Artistic Associate for Engagement Corey Atkins, & members of the cast for scenes & discussion of this surprising & suspenseful drama. Set at the end of the Civil War, two former slaves & a Jewish Confederate soldier come together on Passover eve to wrestle with questions of friendship, faith & the meaning of freedom. Tickets: free, reservations required. For more info call 216-593-0575 or maltzmuseum.org

<u>Thursday, October 18th</u> Urban Explorations: Tremont

Stroll along with Old Brooklyn resident & Metroparks Cultural History Interpreter Doug Kusak & volunteer Molly Alstott to explore some of the historic Tremont area; 10 am noon. Fee: \$5, ages adults; 8 years & up with

Saturday, October 20th

Consulting Rosarian School Hosted by Forest City Rose Society at North Olmsted branch of Cuyahoga County Public Library. Call Bill & Anita Solarz, 440-779-5712, or email currer_bell@att.net for more info.

Friday, Oct. 26th & Sunday Oct. 27th Urban Explorations: Kingsbury Run ...the Torso Murders

Metroparks CanalWay Center, E. 49th St., 9:30 am - noon. Adults, fee; \$10 includes bus ride. Kingsbury Run was dumping site of severed torsos & upended political careers. Discover history & horrors that plagued Cleveland of yesteryear, & take bus ride to get an overview of those areas today. Call 216-206-1000 to register or for more info.

Monday, October 29th

Fundraiser for Senior Class Rhodes High Memphis Dairy Queen, 5501 Memphis Ave., 4 - 10 pm. Mention the fundraiser & Dairy Queen will donate 10% of the sales to the class.

<u>Monday, October 29th</u>

Western Reserve Rose Society North Royalton branch of Cuyahoga County Public Library, 14600 State Rd.; 7 pm. Speaker, Rick Hoddinot. Visit www.westernreserverosesociety.org for more info.

Cuyahoga County Public Library Parma-Snow Branch Temporary location 1700 Snow Rd. (in the Midtown Shopping Center, next to Marcs) 216-661-4240 or visit cuyahogalibrary.org for more programs

9 am - 9 pm, Mon - Thur.; 9 am - 5:30 pm, Fri. & Sat.; 1 - 5 pm, Sun.

Upcoming October Programs: Unless otherwise noted, registration required.

ESOL (English as a Second Language) Mon. & Fri., 9 - 11:30 am; adult.

Teen Programs, TAG Team (a helpful teen group, grades 6 - 12) - Sat., Oct. 6th, 1:30 - 2:15 pm. Game Day & Chess Play (board games, chess & WiiTM for ages 10 - 18); 2:30 - 4:30 pm.

Parma Snow Saves Coupon Club, Mon., Oct. 8th, 6:30 - 8:30 pm. 2nd Mon. each month; adult.

Tighten Up: Home Efficiency & Your Wallet. Tues. Oct.23rd, 7 - 8 pm; adult. Jeff Muhlbach will share common, cost-effective, attic-to-basement DIY home improvements.

Ozanam Food Pantry

2145 Broadview Rd. (Broadview Rd. & Searsdale Ave.), Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 10 am - 1 pm. Bring photo ID & current piece of mail with correct address. Food & clothing available; no charge for either.

Mary Queen of Peace School Preschool - Grade 8. Register current or new student for 2012-13 school year before Mar. 15th & get 1/2 off registration & ticket (one for each child registered) for chance to win XBOX 360 Kinect Bundle. Cleveland Scholarship & Tutoring vouchers accepted; county vouchers OK for preschool. Stop by for a tour or call 216-741-3685, Mon. - Fri., 7:30 am - 3:30 pm. Visit mqpschool.com or Facebook page for more info.

Ready, Set, Grow Preschool

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

St. Leo the Great Preschool Registration 2012-2013

Preschool located at 4940 Broadview Rd. on second floor of St. Leo's Community Center. Licensed by the Ohio Department of Education & operated according to mandated rules & regulations. Part-time am & pm classes & full-day program with option for extended care for 3 & 4 year olds. To be eligible for enrollment, child must be 3 by September 30th. Bring child's birth certificate & \$50 registration fee; registration continues till all classes fill. Contact school's director Lisa Mersek, 216-661-5330, to schedule appointment or for more info.

St. Leo the Great School Registration 2012-2013

St. Leo the Great School, 4900 Broadview Rd, grades K - 8. Children must be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 30th to be eligible for all-day kindergarten. \$50 non-refundable registration fee required along with birth & baptismal certificate. Pick up registration forms from school or rectory office. For new students grades 1-8, copy of most recent report card also required. Applications for Cleveland Scholarship Voucher Program available. Call 216-661-2120 with questions or to schedule tour of school.

St. Mary Byzantine School Registration

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Elementary School, 4600 State Rd., accepting applications for preschool - grade 8. Before & after school services available. Local tuition assistance available to all families; Cleveland Scholarship & Tutoring vouchers accepted. Updated computer lab, interactive Smart Boards in all classroom, instrumental music & art instructor, athletics & more. Call 216-749-7980 or visit www.smbyz.org for more info.

West Side Ecumenical Ministry (WSEM)

Enrolling for Early Childhood Education. Early Head Start, Head Start & Universal Pre-Kindergarten for children ages birth - age 5. Offers home-based program to meet needs of area families. Free services to eligible families; also accepts county vouchers. Comprehensive services to meet educational, health, dental, nutritional, social, mental health & any special needs of children. Several program options & locations. Contact recruitment hotline, 216-961-2997, for more info.

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Tuesday, October 7th **Laurel Garden Club of Brooklyn Meeting** Brooklyn Fire Station, 8400 Memphis Ave.; use rear door; 7 pm. Speaker: Cookie Krizmanich, Senior Nursery Consultant at Brooklyn Home Depot, talking about container gardening for fall with leafy greens that can be harvested. Refreshments to follow; all welcome. Call Barb Paulitzky, 216-671-6777, for more info.



adult. Call 216-206-1000 to register or for more info. Meeting place & details will be sent.

TRICKORTREAT



Stay safe on Halloween night!

by Barbara Spaan barbaras@oldbrooklyn.com

"Un-haunting" your house and neighborhood for Halloween

Welcome trick-or-treaters by turning on exterior lights.

Remove objects in the yard which might present a hazard to visitors.

■ Sit out to hand out candy, so kids don't have to climb your stairs and you have extras on your street.

■ Involve older students as "witch's helpers" to help trick-or-treaters cross streets and watch out for ghoulish behavior.

Drive slowly all evening; you never know what creature may suddenly cross your path.

Report any suspicious or criminal activity to the police.

Trick-or-treating alternatives

Parents and kids can avoid trick-or-treating troubles entirely by organizing a Halloween costume party with treats, games, contests, music, scary stories, etc. Many schools, fire stations, libraries and malls also organize "haunted houses" and other family-friendly festivities.

Making safe costumes

• Check that costumes are flame-retardant to minimize the danger of candle-lit jack-olanterns and other fire hazards. Keep costumes short to prevent trips, falls and other bumps in the night.

Encourage kids to wear comfortable shoes

Try make-up instead of a mask. Masks can be hot and uncomfortable and obstruct vision. a dangerous thing when kids are crossing streets and going up and down steps.

Make sure kids wear light colors or put reflective tape on their costumes.

Dressed-up and dangerous?

Halloween blood and gore are usually harmless, but sometimes dressing up as a superhero, scary monster or slimy alien from outer space - coupled with the excitement of Halloween - brings out aggressive behavior.



fake swords, guns and other

Even

accessories can accidentally hurt people. If these objects are part of a costume, make sure they are made from cardboard or other flexible materials. Better yet, challenge kids to create costumes which don't need "weapons".

Preparing ghosts and goblins for trick or treating

 Make sure older kids go out with friends; set a time limit. Together, map out a safe route so you know where they'll be. Remind them not to take shortcuts through backyards, alleys or playing fields, and not to enter a strange house or car.

 Younger children should be accompanied by an adult.

 Get kids to trick-or-treat while it is still light outside. If it is dark, make sure a couple of them carry working flashlights.

Pranks which can be a little tricky Halloween is notoriously a night of pranks, so get a handle on your children's plans before they go out. Explain to them that while you want them to have a good time, some tricks could hurt other children or vandalize property. Emphasize that you disapprove of VAN-DALISM.

Eating the treats

• Kids need to know not to eat their treats until they get home. Feed them a meal or substantial snack beforehand.

• After they return, check out all treats in a well-lighted place. Eat only unopened candies and treats which are in their original wrappers. Inspect fruit and homemade goodies for anything suspicious.

• To keep them from feeling ill, remind kids not to eat too much at once.

I'LL see you on the streets; have a safe Halloween.

Ben Franklin gardeners enjoy harvest picnic

by Hallie Forcinio

Approximately sixty Ben Franklin gardeners enjoyed the annual Harvest Picnic on Saturday, September 8, 2012. With rain threatening, festivities were moved into the small classroom building behind Benjamin Franklin School, on the edge of the Garden grounds. Despite the gloomy forecast, the weather cleared, and the sun came out for the picnic.

A full array of vegetables grown in the Garden -- including zucchini, eggplant, cucumbers, collards and tomatoes -- was featured in the potluck dishes.



Lynn Oryshkewych (left) and Jim Gasiewski (center) helped with setup to provide a sheltered spot for Garden Coordinator TJ Oryshkewych (right) to grill brats, dogs and burgers for the Harvest Picnic.

In addition, Garden Coordinator TJ Oryshkewych grilled brats, dogs and hamburgers. The 50/50 raffle awarded Mike Theus with \$166.50. A number of other prizes also were given out, including gift cards and whirly-gigs hand made by longtime gardener Don Martin.

season, including funding the repair of van- with Joe Hadacek for many years. dalized water pipes and installation of

driveway gates to close off the Garden when the alleyway gates at the south end of the school parking lot and at Tampa Ave. are open.

John also reported on the progress of a tree labeling project, supported by a grant from Neighborhood Connections. Tree locations have been mapped, and identification signs have arrived. Once signage is mounted, gardeners, Ben Franklin students and members of the community will be able to stroll around the garden and learn about more than sixty trees.

Other Garden Committee accomplishments included planting several trees: three Norway Spruce donated by OBCDC and four fruit trees provided by Summer Sprout.

John also reminded gardeners to sign out before departing for the season and warned that failure to do so could jeopardize their application for a plot in future seasons.

Gardeners voted to approve changes to Garden Committee By-Laws and elected Kim Repinski, Dave Kuebler and Mary Ellen Stasek to three-year terms on the Garden Committee.

At the conclusion of the picnic, the Garden Committee met briefly to elect officers for the 2013 season. Kim Repinski will serve as chair-



(left to right) Sandy Worona, a member of the OBCDC staff, and Kim Repinski, incoming chairman of the John Jenkins, Garden Committee chair- Garden Committee, greet Frank and Calista Bajorek as man, reported on accomplishments for the they arrive at the Harvest Picnic. Calista has gardened

man, Founding Chairman John Jenkins will move to vice chairman. Jeff Kostura will assume treasurer duties, and Lisa Young will remain the secretary.

Brooklyn Centre Naturalists reflect on neighborhood beauty & push for NWF certification

by Gloria Ferris **Brooklyn Centre Naturalists**

During this beautiful time of year, when the sound of crickets, cooler nights and falling leaves are a constant reminder that it is autumn, Brooklyn Centre Naturalists (BCN) has begun a "What to be Thankful for" list for Brooklyn Centre and Old Brooklyn.

We are fortunate to live in park neighborhoods formed during the "City Beautiful" era of the early 1900s. Thanks to the efforts of William A. Stinchcomb, our neighborhoods took advantage of the natural terrain and forests which run through and around our area

The forests of maple, oak and beech trees which grow along Big Creek and the Cuyahoga River continue to be the resting place for many species of birds as they make their way north or south

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The migratory bird path in our midst is a great place to look for owls, warblers and shore birds as they make the long trek home in the spring or travel to their winter homes in the South.

In autumn, birds of different species flock together to eat seeds, nuts and berries that are becoming harder to find. We have a ringside seat for this gathering of birds looking for fuel.

The soil under the canopy of trees in our area is the home of another little known asset used by the trees, shrubs and plants of the forest. Digging a hole near a tree or shrub will reveal a webbing of white veins with larger nodes along its path.

For years, it was thought that trees were in competition with each other for light, water and nourishment. It has now been found that they live in cooperation with each other using

the white webbing, a fungus, to share nutrients and food.

Brooklyn Centre Naturalists is thankful for all these assets that made our quest to become a National Wildlife Community a fun and engaging journey. Big Creek flows into the Cuyahoga River; our forests provide shelter and cover to raise young; and many native plants grow along the roadsides and creeks to provide food for wildlife. BCN is thankful for all these attributes.

But most of all, BCN is thankful for local businesses, parks, and neighbors which continue to support their effort to become the first urban neighborhood east of the Mississippi to become a National Wildlife Community.

So many of you have supported this effort by volunteering your time to create beautiful native gardens, by attending workshops, symposiums and bird walks, and by

taking part in native plant sales, research projects and much more that they have 230 points accumulated in the education, community, and administrative categories for National Wildlife Community certification.

BCN is down to the last 25 points of the 150 points needed in the backyard habitat certification category.

If you already have certified your backyard, thank you. Would you share this article with a neighbor you know who has talked about certification but just hasn't "got around to it"? If you haven't certified would you please visit www.nwf.org/create and add your garden to our list or email benaturalists@gmail.com or call 216-351-0254 for more information.

When we accumulate these 25 points we will be able to apply for certification of our area as a National Wildlife Community.

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Although summer temperatures started in March this year (I never heard the whir of air conditioning units so early in Cleveland before this past spring!) it still seems to me that summer passed by very quickly. The summer drought is over and after a warm Labor Day weekend, the feel of autumn is in the air.

Our school children have been back in class for almost a month and a half. Summer no doubt passed more quickly for them, too! This month I'll finish the awards which some of our students received last June.

Every year the **Parent Teacher Unit at Mary Queen of Peace (MQP) School** gives monetary awards to eighth graders who will be continuing their educations at Catholic high schools. The awards are based on the students' academic achievement, overall effort, and practice of Christian values while at MQP.

This year eight MQP students received stipends of varying amounts. Their names, the amount of their awards, and the schools they are currently attending are: Alyssa Jones, \$700, St. Joseph Academy; Samantha Montanez, \$700, St. Joseph Academy; Lauren Mercurio, \$500, Holy Name High School; Alicia Walsh-Clarett, \$500, St. Joseph Academy; Makayla Kirk, \$300, St. Joseph Academy; Anphernee Lindsay, \$200, Benedictine High School; Kayla Davis, \$200, St. Martin DePorres High School; and Marianna Hennings, \$200, St. Joseph Academy.

Another scholarship which MQP students who are moving on to a Catholic high school are eligible to receive is awarded in honor of **Brian Himes**, a MQP grad who died prematurely of a brain aneurysm when he was a freshman in high school. The two students who each received \$500 are **Alyssa Jones** and **Samantha Montanez**. As previously stated, both girls are attending St. Joseph Academy. They were chosen based on their example of how a Catholic school student should live, how they treat others, and their involvement in extra-curricular activities. A Darlene Brezovsky Memorial Scholarship is also awarded each year in memory of a deceased person who was affiliated with the former Our Lady of Good Counsel community. This past year, Alicia Walsh-Clarett, now a freshman at St. Joseph Academy, received the \$500. The award was based on the essay she'd written about the assigned question -- "When I grow up to be a person in any profession, who would it be and why?"

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Polish Legion of American Veterans also offered MQP students the opportunity to receive stipends based on their essay-writing skills. This past year the topic was, "Should I vote?" Alicia Walsh-Clarett, now at St. Joseph Academy, placed first locally, Lauren Mercurio, now at Holy Name High School, placed second locally, and Marianna Hennings, now at St. Joseph Academy, placed third locally. Each girl received a small cash award and a piece of patriotic jewelry.

Alicia Walsh-Clarett's essay, in addition to taking first place at the local level, also placed first at the state level and second in the nation. Because the state gathering was held at a Post in Tremont this year, she was able to receive her award at it. And because the national president lives in Euclid, he brought back her national award and gave that to her there, too.

The **Catholic Daughters of the Americas** offered MQP students a choice of two topics to consider -- "Planting Seeds of Faith" and "Inspiring Others to Grow". The medium of expression could be art, computer art or photography.

Spencer Koziol placed first at the local level in art. (His work was sent on to the national competition.) Spencer is now a freshman at Rhodes High School. Alicia Walsh-Clarett, now at St. Joseph Academy, placed second at the local level in photography. Alyssa Jones, also now at St. Joseph Academy, placed second at the local level in computer art. Each received a small stipend for their work.

In addition to student news, another topic which I've traditionally covered via this column each summer is the changes in clergy at our neighborhood churches. Thinking that it's better to be late than not at all, I plan on talking about that next month. Please contact me if that topic applies to someone at your church. lynettef@oldbrooklyn.com or Lynette Filips, 3344 Broadview Rd., Cleveland, 44109



| OBCDC participates in Park(ing) Day Cleveland

by Christopher Lohr christopherl@oldbrooklyn.com

Between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday, September 21st, seven parking spaces in Downtown Cleveland were temporarily transformed into public parks. The event, known as Park(ing) Day, is an annual worldwide event whereby artists, designers and citizens transform metered parking spots into temporary public parks. The idea originated with the San Francisco-based Rebar Group and has grown to include park spaces in over 900 sites in 35 countries.

The informal group of Cleveland architects, students and community members who implemented Park(ing) Day Cleveland met with the staff of LAND Studio early in 2012 to receive technical assistance and coordinate their serving as fiscal agent for the group. With the help of generous Cleveland residents who donated via a Groupon program, the group was able to raise nearly \$500 for the day. The group was facilitated by architect Ted Ferringer and designer PJ Doran, co-founder of A Piece of Cleveland.

The Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation was represented with a spot celebrating the simple pleasures of relaxation, reading and playing a game. Volunteers, including three staff members, set up two Adirondack chairs to take in the sights and sounds of the city, as well as a card table

Downtown Alliance from front page

"Since Melvin's presence, I have noticed a few positive things in our company's neighborhood. There have been no more panhandlers in front of the local stores, bank & post office. I walk almost everyday and the streets and sidewalks are looking neater than ever. There is more of a feeling of safety knowing he is in the neighborhood. Thanks and keep up the good work."

Mary Clark, Director of United Hearts Life Mission Center, 3339 Broadview Rd., added, "Thank you for sending your representative, Melvin, to cover our area. It has been cleaner since he came and also it is so nice he has run off the drunks and the panhandlers who hang around usually at the bus stops drunk and bothering people for money. We run a food pantry for the needy and so it's nice that



Christopher Lohr, OBCDC's Program Services & Wireless Coordinator, enjoys a game of Connect Four at Park(ing) Day.

with a "Connect Four" game. Other groups created "campfires", a bocce ball court, an art history area, a camping tent and a table where passersby could work on a free craft project. In all, six teams placed spots in the 700 block of Prospect Avenue, drawing in passerbys for a game, a hot dog, or a handmade craft.

For more information about the project check out the Facebook group "Park(ing) Day Cleveland" or check out the website for the worldwide project at www.parkingday.org.

we have not seen them around bothering us or our clients. Thanks again and keep up the good work."

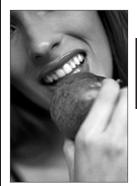
Neighborhood bartenders have thanked the Downtown ambassador directly for walking through their establishments.

People in the community as well as visitors have said that "Old Brooklyn hasn't been this clean for some time" and offer their thanks.

The eight weeks I have had the privilege of serving in Old Brooklyn has been a privilege and a great experience. The business owners, community and visitors have responded to us with welcome hearts and it is our hope that the future will continue to bring a lasting partnership.

(Lynette Filips contributed to this article.)





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Sometimes you just cannot see where something is going until you look back. That does not apply to driving a car but it does apply to the economy. Just where is it going?

The ceaseless political advertisements offer two directions; the economy is slipping downward or it is improving.

Then there are the multiple monthly reports on home sales, retail spending, unemployment, new jobs, imports, exports and sales on almost any product imaginable. It is all good information, but it still does not show where the economy is going, but only what it has done.

What I have noticed in looking back to the first of this year is that there are new and/or growing programs for start-up and expanding businesses.

Banks are less risk-tolerant than they were five years ago but they are marketing loans to small businesses. They are highly competitive in working with businesses that can qualify for Small Business Administration (SBA) loans. That is because the loan can be guaranteed up to 75% for qualifying businesses. That guarantee reduces the bank's risk.

Over the last several months I have attended briefings that combine loan options with business education. The education is tailored to the specific business. It is intended to make the business successful by improving the management skills of the business owner. Following is a brief description of some of the programs now available to small businesses throughout Northeast Ohio.

Economic and Community Development Institute

The Economic and Community Development Institute is a non-profit corporation based in Columbus (ECDI). This summer it has opened a division in Cleveland. It functions as both a small business lender and business school.

ECDI works with both start-up companies and young companies that are expanding. It specializes in businesses that do not qualify for conventional business loans through banks. ECDI works with businesses and individuals who have weak credit ratings and/or higher risk.

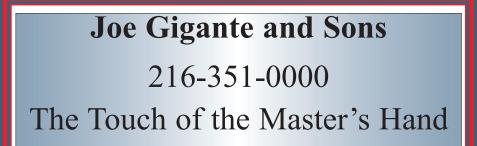
A requirement to secure a loan is to complete a series of business classes that teach financial management, personnel management, business operations and other related topics. After the course work is complete the participant continues to meet with ECDI staff on regular basis to monitor the business operations. The intention is to identify potential problems before they occur or correct problems that may have occurred so they do not damage the business. The premise is simple: the lender wants the business to succeed in order for the borrower to pay down the loan.

The Institute is funded by traditional banks and foundations. Although EDCI is a non-profit it must maintain a positive cash flow in order to continue to loan and pay its financing costs. For more information visit www.ecdi.org. on the Internet.

Goldman Sachs

Goldman Sachs is a national bank that developed a program called 10,000 Small Businesses. Earlier this year the bank made Cleveland its seventh city in which to offer education and capital loans. Working with Cuyahoga Community College the program is aimed at existing businesses poised for expansion. Often times a business owner just does not know how to evaluate the business for expansion.

Keep in mind that expansion is different from growth. Growth is increase in sales and revenue. Expansion means moving to larger quarters, or taking on a new line of products or services, or opening branch operations.



'Twas battered and scarred, and the auctioneer thought it hardly worth his while to waste his time on the old violin, but he held it up with a smile.

"What am I bid, good people", he cried, "Who starts the bidding for me?" "One dollar, one dollar, Do I hear two? Two dollars, who makes it three?" "Three dollars once, three dollars twice, going for three,"

But, No, from the room far back a gray bearded man came forward and picked up the bow, then wiping the dust from the old violin and tightening up the strings, he played a melody, pure and sweet as sweet as the angel sings.

The Goldman Sachs program, in conjunction with Tri-C, helps a business owner analyze his/her own business, learn a range of management skills, dig deep into the financial practices and daily operations to determine what the expansion opportunities are and how to implement the expansion. If the expansion needs outside financing, Goldman Sachs can provide loans but borrowing with Goldman Sachs is not a requirement.

Like ECDI, the program assigns mentors to continue to work with the businesses to insure success. Applications for the next round of classes are now being accepted. For more information visit www.goldmansachs.com and select 10,0000 Small Businesses.

Hispanic Business Center

Don't let the name mislead you. You do not have to be Hispanic or speak Spanish to get the practical assistance offered at this business center. It is the go-to place when you are just developing your thoughts about starting a business. They will help you think through a business plan.

As the business idea gains strength, classes are offered to prepare the non-business person for the discipline of owning and operating a business. This is a starting place when you are asking yourself, "I wonder if making such and such could be profitable?" More

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By the way, if you are Hispanic or proficient in Spanish, the Center is associated with the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and offers good networking events.

Bad Girl Ventures

Don't let this name mislead you either. There are no bad girls here. But there are successful women entrepreneurs who want to prepare other women to become successful in business. Mentoring and classes are offered as well as a business plan competition for a \$25,000 loan. More information can be found at www.badgirlventures.com.

That's Not All

There are numerous other business resources. The traditional banks found throughout Greater Cleveland have small business programs. Banks want your checking account and payroll business just as much as they want to lend.

The Urban League has a business center that offers both education and access to capital. The Small Business Administration (www.sba.gov) offers the most comprehensive business information both on-line and in their three business centers.

The reader can best answer the question about the direction of the economy. In looking back to see the future this writer notices a renewed interest among micro lenders in investing within the City of Cleveland.





The music ceased and the auctioneer with a voice that was quiet and low, Said "What now am I bid for this old violin?" as he held it aloft with its' bow.

"One thousand, one thousand, Do I hear two? two thousand, who makes it three?"

"Three thousand once, three thousand twice, going and gone", said he.

The audience cheered, but some of them cried, "We just don't understand. What changed its' worth?" Swift came the reply. "The Touch of the Masters Hand."

And many a man with life out of tune all battered with bourbon and gin is auctioned cheap to a thoughtless crowd much like that old violin

A mess of pottage, a glass of wine, a game and he travels on. He is going once, he is going twice, He is going and almost gone.

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> > Myra Brooks Welch

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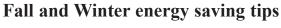


by Jayme Lucas-Bukszar jaymel@oldbrooklyn.com

The crisp air in the mornings and turning leaves signal that ready or not autumn is upon Old Brooklyn. There are many low cost, practical things that homeowners, and in many cases renters, can do to reduce heating costs in the fall and winter.

One of the simplest steps a homeowner or renter can take is to cover drafty windows by using a heavy-duty, clear plastic sheet on the frame or tape clear plastic film to the inside of window frames during cold winter months. If it still feels drafty, install tight-fitting, insulating drapes or shades on windows to further reduce air flow. According to the Consumer's Guide to Home Energy Savings about one third of a home's heat loss is through its windows and doors.

To further reduce air leakage, look for and seal gaps around chimneys, recessed lights, and utility cut-throughs for pipes. Also check unfinished spaces behind cupboards and closets. There are comprehensive energy audits available that will test for air leakage, energy loss, and air quality. These tests will identify exactly where the home is losing energy and steps to take to increase energy efficiency. Cleveland Energy Savers offers reimbursable



energy audits at the greatly reduced rate of \$50.00. For information on this program and others available, contact David Waldman at 216-459-1000 or davidw@oldbrooklyn.com.

Another affordable way to save about 10% a year on heating and bills is to install a programmable thermostat. The thermostat can be turned back 10 or 15 degrees at nighttime and when family members are not in the home during the day. Programmable thermostats start at less than \$20.00 at local retailers and can be easily installed using basic instructions and tools.

Sources:

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http://energy.gov/energysaver/articles/air-sealing-your-home

Cuyahoga County Utilities Resource Fair

Cuyahoga County Employment & Family Services and the Home Heat Task Force are hosting a Utilities Resource Fair, on Tuesday October 23rd from 1 - 5 pm. It will be held at Michael Zone Recreation Center, which is located at 6301 Lorain Ave, Cleveland Ohio 44102. This free event is open to the public. There will be resources and information about utilities assistance programs. There will also be application assistance to help people apply for programs and benefits.

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Cleveland Albanians dedicate new cultural garden and statue of Mother Teresa

by Lynette Filips lynettef@oldbrooklyn.com

Three months ago (July 2012), when the *Old Brooklyn News* published its first article about Cleveland's Cultural Gardens, twenty-eight sites existed. Since then, on Saturday, September 22nd, the twenty-ninth, the Albanian Garden, was dedicated. It's at the north end of Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., just down the hill from the Rockefeller Park Greenhouse.

At this point in time, the Albanian Garden has but one feature -- a landscaped area (designed by landscape architect Jim McKnight), the focal point of which is a high pedestal with a seven-foot bronze statue of Mother Teresa on top of it.

Although Mother Teresa is best known for her work in Calcutta, India, she (aka, Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu) was an Albanian by birth. The statue, based on a photo obtained from former Ohio First Lady Dagmar Celeste, was executed by Albanian sculptor Kreshnik Xhiku.

The weather was less than cooperative for the event, but excitement still pervaded the ceremony. Attendees who weren't dig-

nitaries or part of the program or couldn't fit inside one of the three tents which had been erected there stood under umbrellas in the cold rain to listen to the program, which lasted almost an hour and a half.

Cleveland City Councilwoman (Ward 17) Dona Brady, whose ancestry is partially from Albania, was the mistress of ceremonies. The most important person she had to introduce was Bujar Nishani, the President of Albania, who came to Cleveland with his wife specifically for the dedication.

Other Albanian political figures in attendance were Gilbert Galanxhi, the Albanian Ambassador to the United States; Dr. Lufter Xhuveli, the advisor to Albania's Prime Minister; and Baftjar Zeqaj, the mayor of Fier,



Cleveland's sister city in Albania. Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson and a number of members of Cleveland City

number of members of Cleveland City Council, including Councilman Jeffrey Johnson, in whose ward the Cultural Gardens are located, were at the ceremony. They presented a resolution from Cleveland City Council to the Albanian American Association of Cleveland, and United States Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur did the same with a resolution from the House

of Representatives.

Children had roles in the ceremony, too. A group of them sprinkled soil from Albania, which had been blessed at the ceremony, onto the ground of the new cultural garden; three "grown-up children" who had been adopted from one of Mother Teresa's orphanages in India played brass instruments while the statue was being unveiled.

At the same time as the unveiling, the owner of *Love Is in the Air* released twelve white doves; they took to the sky and headed south, trained to return to their "home" in Cuyahoga Falls.

One hundred of the approximately three hundred people in attendance were given red roses to place at the base of

Mother Teresa's statue. The number of roses was in honor of 2012 being Albania's 100th anniversary of independence,

Traditional Albanian folk music was also part of the dedication ceremony; the most poignant moment for me was when, in spite of the rain and mud, a group of Albanian-American women spontaneously joined hands and began to dance to the traditional folk music of "Shqiperi o nena ime" (translation: "Albania is my mother's land"). The fact that the high heels on their shoes were sinking into the mud did not deter them or lessen the joy of the moment.

The money to commission the sculpting of the statue of Mother Teresa and pay for the landscaping surrounding it came from numerous sources, including a fundraiser the Albanian American Association held last summer at the Rockefeller Park Greenhouse and donations from organizations such as Cleveland City Council and the Sisters of Charity Health Foundation. Immigration attorney and author Richard Herman, City Councilwoman Dona Brady, and Federation of India Community Associations of NE Ohio president Asim Datta were also involved in the fund-raising effort.

The Albanian Garden joins the British/Shakespeare Garden (1916); the Gardens Federation Garden (1925); the Hebrew Garden (1926); the German Garden (1929); the Italian Garden (1930); the Slovak Garden (1932); the Yugoslav/Slovenian Garden (1932); the Serbian Garden (1932/2008); the Hungarian Garden (1934); the Polish Garden (1934); the American Garden (1935); the Czech Garden (1935); the Lithuanian Garden (1936); the Rusin Garden (1939); the Irish Garden (1939); the Greek Garden (1940); the Ukrainian Garden (1940); the Finnish Garden (1958); the Estonian Garden (1966); the Romanian Garden (1967); the African American Garden (1977); the Chinese Garden (1985); the Indian Garden (2005); the Latvian Garden (2006); the Azerbaijan Garden (2008); the Armenian Garden (2010); the Croatian Garden (2011); and the Syrian Garden (2011).

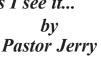
(In addition, The American Legion has a

Athens Imported Foods from page 2

In the way of desserts, baklava rolls (buttered fillo leaves layered with chopped walnuts, honey, sugar, cinnamon and cloves) are made on site. The less familiar galatobouriko, bougatsa and melopita are available for purchase, too, as is fresh, rather than frozen, fillo dough (for serious cooks/bakers who want to prepare the Greek favorites themselves!).

A walk through Athens Imported Foods reveals shelves full of Greek and European (many Romanians. Serbians, Egyptians and Eastern Europeans from Slavic countries shop there, too) specialty foods like nuts, seeds, dried fruits, dried spices, olives, cheeses and





We can learn much from the Alaskan Bull Moose. Each fall during the breeding season, the males battle for dominance. They literally collide head-to-



peace garden, one part dedicated to the nations and the other part to the States (1936).)

Being at the dedication of the Albanian Garden and witnessing Cleveland history in the making was a mind-boggling experience. Reading about the Cultural Gardens in general and their dedication ceremonies in particular in the pages of local history books like *The Encyclopedia of Cleveland History* compiled and edited by David Van Tassel and John Grabowski; *Cleveland -The Making of a City* by William Ganson Rose, and *Their Paths Are Peace - The Story of the Cleveland Cultural Gardens* by Clara Lederer (published by The Cleveland Cultural Garden Federation in 1954) cannot compare to actually being there!

Perhaps the single most "not-to-be-forgotten experience" was standing just a few feet away as the Albanian dignitaries and their bodyguards walked by, especially as the President and First Lady of Albania were quickly escorted to and from their places.

Last spring a like-minded friend and I spent a Saturday afternoon closely looking at ten of the Gardens. (We still have the other two-thirds to visit!) Next month I'll share the details about that excursion, as well as what Metroparks Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak covers on his tours to the Cultural Gardens.

oils. In the way of beverages, there are teas and coffees and imported European beers and wines. For the sweet tooth, there are cookies and pastries.

Athens also sells non-food Greek items such as icons (a style of religious picture), candles, and kitchen equipment and utensils which are suitable for one's own home or to use as gifts.

Historically, the Athens Imported Foods and Deli in Old Brooklyn is related to the Athens Foods on Brookpark Rd. When the founder started the business in 1958, he was making the fillo dough in the basement at W. 26th St. and Lorain Ave. As the business became so successful that he couldn't manage both the manufacturing and the retail ends of it, he stuck with making and marketing fillo leaves and pastries and sold portion which dealt with retailing other Greek foods.

Athens Foods is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. It is closed on Sunday. The recipe which Becky Alex chose to share with *Old Brooklyn News* readers is for --

Tiropitas

(yield: 13" x 9" pan)

- 1# fillo leaves 1# melted butter
- 1# ricotta cheese 1# feta cheese
- 3 eggs
- **~**555

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lay half the sheets of fillo in the pan and brush them with some of the melted butter. Combine the two cheeses and eggs and spread the mixture on the fillo sheets. Top with the rest of the buttered fillo sheets. Make cuts through the fillo to whatever size serving piece is desired. Bake till golden brown, about 40 minutes.





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Usually the heftiest moose with the largest and strongest antlers wins. Therefore, the battle is generally predetermined the summer before. It is then that the moose eats around the clock. The one consuming the best diet for growing antlers and gaining weight will be the victor. The fight involves more brawn than brains, with more reliance on bulk than skill.

Our lesson? Spiritual battles are inevitable. Whether we are victorious or fall victim depends not on skill or brainpower, but on our spiritual strength. What we do in advance determines the outcome. Now is the time to develop enduring faith, strength, wisdom and a prayer life.

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

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FAMILY FUN!

Art House 3119 Denison Ave., 216-398-8556 www.arthouseinc.org

All Ages Family Open Studios - 3rd Sat. of every month; SPECIAL Halloween addition -- Sat., Oct. 20th; 1- 3 pm; free. Make individual pieces or family art works. Each month has different theme; Art House provides materials. Children must be accompanied by an adult. No pre- registration required. *Visit website for other programs or more info.*

Cleveland Metroparks - Brecksville Reservation Meadows Picnic Area 440-526-1012

FallFest: 18th Century Festival - Sun., Sept. 30th, 11 am - 5 pm; free.

Cleveland Metroparks - Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation's CanalWay Center E. 49th St. bet. Grant Ave & Canal Rd. 216-206-1000 or clevelandmetroparks.com Bicycle Rentals - now available 10 am - 4 pm, Sun. - Fri. & 10 am- 8 pm, Sat. Rentals include helmets (so riders can make their way up or down Towpath Trail safely) & locks (so riders can stop to explore natural/historical landscape or visit local restaurants).

Outdoor Odyssey - Sat., Oct. 13th; noon - 4 pm. Kids, explore nature & outdoor recreation on a free adventure. Golf, fishing & hiking. Learn how to fix a flat bicycle tire, cast a fishing rod, identify local game fish & find stars in the sky. Explore nature through birding, pond life discoveries & crafts. Meet live animals from Lake Erie Nature & Science Center. Collect stamps on your passport & redeem passport at end of odyssey for a prize.

Cleveland Metroparks - Chalet Valley Parkway, Mill Stream Run Strongsville 440-572-9990

Special Horse-Drawn Wagon Rides - Sun, Oct. 21st, 4 - 7 pm; \$12.50 per person; by reservation only. Limited space; includes 1/2hour ride, hot cider/hot chocolate, a s'more kit to be cooked on the fire.

Tractor-drawn Fall Hayrides & Square Dancing - Oct. Sat. evenings, 6 - 10 pm; Sun. afternoons, Oct. 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, 1 - 4 pm. Cost for general public hayrides: \$8, adults; \$6. children 3 - 11; free, children 2 & under (must sit on adult lap).

Cleveland Metroparks - Garfield Park Nature Center 11350 Broadway Ave.

216-341-3152 Costumed GPS Treasure Hunt (for families)- Sat. & Sun., Oct. 27th & 28th, noon - 2 pm or 3 - 5 pm; fee: \$5. Discover Halloween treasure in Garfield Reservation. Wear Halloween costumes, get A brief lesson on how to use a GPS, & head out to search for hidden Halloween treasure. Limited number of GPS units available; call early to register. Late fee applies after Oct. 12th.

Pumpkin Carving - Sat., Oct. 27th, 1 - 2:30 pm. Fun afternoon of pumpkin carving & celebrations. Carving materials provided; bring own pumpkin. Call to register.

Cleveland Metroparks Rocky River Nature Center/Frostville Museum, Rocky River Reservation 24000 Valley Pkwy., North Olmsted 440-734-6660 Spooky Scavenger Hunt - Sat., Oct. 27th, 1 - 3:30 pm. Bring camera or phone & head to trails to find clues to solve mystery. Come any time after 1 pm, but must be done by 3:30 to win a prize. Canceled if raining.

Halloween Hoopla - Sat., Oct. 27th, 1 - 4 pm. Dress up for Halloween; & fun party for young ones at nature center. Answer questions about creepy animals to navigate through giant maze, enjoy sweet treats & get up-close & personal with snakes, tarantulas & more.

Yappy Hour - Sat., Oct. 27th, 3:30 - 4:30 pm. Dress your pooch in a Halloween costume & let him strut his stuff around West Channel Pond Trail. Then light refreshments for both dogs & humans at nature center. Prize awarded to best dog costume. Two bark minimum. Adults & families.

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

Boo at the Zoo - advance tickets on sale now; visit Zoo's website or call box office for details & prices. Most nights of last year's event sold out, so buy tickets early. Boo at the Zoo dates -- Thurs. to Sun., Oct.18th - 21st & and Oct. 25th - 28th.

Cleveland Metroparks Kids Club - kids ages 12 & under can sign up for new kids club to enjoy activities, exploration & fun experiences year-round at Cleveland Metroparks & Zoo. Two levels of membership - one free & one \$20 annually. Kids Club registration forms available online at www.clevelandmetroparks.com & at all Park District outdoor education facilities. Call 216-635-3200 or visit clevelandmetroparks.com for more info.

Cleveland Public Library Brooklyn Branch - 3706 Pearl Rd. 216-623-6920 or www.cpl.org

Hands-on Science - National Chemistry -Thurs., Oct 25th; 4:30 pm; with Dan Scheiman of American Chemical Society for National Chemistry Week. Get up-close & personal with atoms & molecules.

All Hallows Eve - Wed., Oct 31st; 4:30 pm. Share spooky stories & a scary costume for a prize give-away before trick-or-treating in neighborhood.

Cuyahoga Valley National Park Happy Days Lodge 500 West Streetsboro Rd (SR 303) Peninsula 330-657-2909 ext. 119 Year round, daily, 10 am - 4 pm; free. Some park areas close at dusk; remaining areas open 24 hours.

Cuyahoga Valley National Park Visitor Information 216-524-1497 www.nps.gov/CUVA

Start your visit to the Cuyahoga Valley National Park at one of these facilities. Meet staff, get questions answered. Learn about scheduled events & places to visit. Pick up relevant brochures, maps & passport stamps. Happy Days Lodge, 500 West Streetsboro Rd (SR 303), Peninsula 330-657-2909, ext. 119; Boston Store Visit, or Center - 1548 Boston Mills Rd, east of Riverview Rd, Peninsula; Canal Visitor Center - 7104 Canal Rd, intersection of Canal & Hillside Rds, Valley View;

Frazee House - 7733 Canal Rd, 4 miles south of Rockside Rd, Valley View; Hunt Farm Visitor Information Center -2054 Bolanz Rd, between Riverview & Akron Peninsula Rds, Peninsula. ***

NPS Park Headquarters - 15610 Vaughn Rd, intersection of Vaughn & Riverview Rds, Brecksville. Year-round: Mon. through Fri., 8 am. - 4:30 pm.

Peninsula Depot Visitor Center - 1630 Mill Street, off Akron Peninsula Rd, north of SR 303, Peninsula. Mon. & Tues., 10 am. - 4 pm.; Wed. - Sun., 9 am. - 7 pm.

Great Lakes Science Center 601 Erieside Ave. 216-694-2000 www.GreatScience.com

Steamship William G. Mather Museum -Sat. - Sun; 11 am - 5 pm. \$8 adults; \$7 seniors (65+); \$6 youths (5 - 12); under 5 free; also free for Great Lakes Science Center members. Limited handicapped accessibility. Climb aboard historic Great Lakes freighter & explore cargo holds, pilot house, guest quarters & engine room. New in 2012 The Great Lakes Story: A dozen interactive exhibits tell story of how Great Lakes were formed, what environmental threats they face & how science & technology are used to help restore health of them.

Frogs - special exhibition about all aspects of frogs. Learn about their biology & natural history, role in human cultures, importance to ecosystems & perils they face in changing environment. Interactive components let you test your frog IQ, create a chorus with recorded frog calls, perform a virtual frog dissection & more. Admission included with general admission to Great Lakes Science Center; Science Center members free.

NASA Glenn Visitor Center relocated to Great Lakes Science Center. Free general admission to NASA Glenn & the Science Center on Tuesdays to youth 18 & under or any student up to the 12th grade accompanied by adult. Regular admission ranges from \$7.95 -\$9.95 a person. Free admission for members.

Hale Farm & Village 2686 Oak Hill Rd., Bath

330-666-3711 www.wrhs.org/halefarm Harvest Festival - Fri. & Sat., Oct. 13th & 14th, & Fri. & Sat., Oct. 20th & 21st. 10 am. -5 pm. Cost - \$10, adult; \$5, child. Experience sights, tastes & sounds of Cuyahoga Valley in autumn, jumping into hay piles, tasting apple butter & cider.

Halloween Hoopla - Sat., Oct. 30th. Wear costume & come for stories, live animals, crafts & scavenger hunts; 1 - 4 pm. Ages up to 12 with an adult.

Fun on the Farm - Each one-hour preschool consists of a craft, story, a snack & a visit to a museum Friday Fall Programs - Oct. 5th, Leaves on Trees; leaves & sticks scavenger



hunt & leaf rubbings. Oct. 12th, Too Many Apples; visit apple butter & apple cider making, printing with Oct., 19th, My Little apples. Pumpkin; visit the pumpkin patch, learn what we do with pumpkins, paint a mini-pumpkin. Oct. 26th, Tricks or Treats on the Farm, Trick or Treat around Hale Farm & Village (wear a costume), make Trick or Treat bags. Call 330-666-3711 x100 or halereservations@wrhs.org for reservations.

Halloween -- Hegg's House of Horror

Tues., Oct. 30th, & Wed., Oct. 31st; dusk till late evening; 1608 Merl Ave. Twentieth year of animated Halloween displays in Frank Smith's side & front yards; free. Check out new Heggs'website-www.heggshouseofhorror.com

Halloween -- "Frankenstein's Monster and His Bride's Wedding Reception", Wed., Oct. 31st, 7 - 9 pm, 1311 West Blvd. (NE corner of Baltic Ave); free. Decorated front vard & live actors portraying characters & interacting with trick-or-treaters. Trick or Treat & congratulate the ghoulish couple.

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center 28728 Wolf Road, Bay Village 440-871-2900 www.lensc.org

Fall Family Hayride Night - Fri., Oct. 5th, 6-9 pm; includes pizza & salad dinner; activities; planetarium programs, wildlife encounters plus hayrides. Cost: \$12, adults; \$8, children 2 and up; free, 1 year & under. Registration required.

Halloween Hayride Night - Fri., Oct. 26th, 6-9 pm; includes pizza & salad dinner; crafts; planetarium viewing, trick-or-treating; wear costume. Thru Wildlife Gardens, plus hayrides. Cost: \$12, adults; \$8, children 2 and up; free, 1 year & under. Registration required.

Stearns Homestead Historical Farm 6975 Ridge Rd 440-845-9770 www.stearnshomestead.com

Open to the public, Sat. & Sun., until Oct. 12th, noon - 4 pm; free. Farmer's Market - Every Sat. through October 6th; 9 am - 1 pm.

Fall Festival - Sat. & Sun., Oct. 13th & 14th, noon - 4 pm; free admission & parking. See the animals before winter sets in. Homemade apple & pumpkin pies, apple fritters, homemade bakery, heritage apples, fresh apple cider, animal feed & pumpkins for sale; get pumpkins painted while there. Warm apple cider also available by the cup, Hamburgers & hot dogs; basket raffles. Free crafts for kids; face painting for a fee. Museums open to tour. Country store also open. All proceeds go toward animals' feed, bedding & veterinary care.

Home Depot

homeimproverclub.com/kidsworkshops Fire Truck - Sat., Oct. 6th. Workshops offered 1st Sat. of every month, 9 am - noon. Free hands-on workshops designed for children ages 5 - 12 at all Home Depot stores. Kids learn tool safety, have fun, make friends & gain sense of achievement & work ethic.

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COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Brooklyn Centre Naturalists - Volunteer Work Day in Our Native Gardens - Sat., Oct. 6th; Two shitfts: 9:30 am - noon & 12:30 - 3 pm; Art House Dye & Butterfly Garden, 3119 Denison Ave. Putting Our Native Gardens To Bed. Baldwin Wallace students join Brooklyn Centre friends & neighbors to pull weeds, plant & prepare public gardens for winter.

Brooklyn Genealogy - Sun., Oct. 21st, 2 pm, Brooklyn Fire Station, 8400 Memphis Ave. at Roadoan Rd. Program not determined at presstime.

Brooklyn Historical Society meeting, Wed., Oct. 24th, 7 pm, 4442 Ridge Rd. Zak McCamey speaking about "Vintage Halloween Collectibles". Featuring vintage tin, hard plastic, ceramics & paper mache he's been collecting for last 10 years. Refreshments to follow; all welcome. Contact Barb Stepic, 216-941-0160, for more info.

Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation - No board meeting this month. Regular meetings are fourth Tues. of the month; 6 pm, OBCDC meeting room (2339 Broadview Rd.) Meetings open to public for review & comments, but Board reserves right to close portions of meetings from public. Call 216-459-1000 to confirm.

Second District Police Community Relations meeting, Tues., Sept. 11th (& every second Tues.), 7 pm, Applewood Center, 3518 W. 25th St.

Southwest Citizens Area Council meeting, Thurs., Oct. 11th (& every first Thurs.), 7 pm, Gino's, 1314 Denison Ave.

Ward 13 Democratic Club meeting, Tues., Oct. 16th (& every third Tues.), 7 pm, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 5801 Memphis Ave.

Ward 13 Republican Club meeting, Tues., Oct. 9th (& every second Tues.), 7 pm, Calvary Chapel, 6770 Brookpark Rd.

"Forbidden Broadway" Fri., Oct. 5th - Sun., Oct. 21st; Fri & Sat., 8 pm & Sun., 3 pm. Tickets: adults, \$20; students/senior citizens, \$15.

Cleveland Public Theatre 6415 Detroit Ave. 216-631-2727, x501 cptonline.org "The Kardiac Kid" Thurs., Oct. 4th - Sat., Oct. 14th in the Storefront Studio. Mon. & Thurs., \$10; Fri. & Sat., \$25. Free beer on Fri.

Great Lakes Theater at the Hanna 2067 E. 14th St. between Euclid& Prospect 216-241-6000 www.greatlakes theater.org

"The Winter's Tale" by William Shakespeare and "The Imaginary Invalid" by Moliere Presented in rotating repertory, now - Sun., Nov. 4th. Thurs., Fri., Sat.,7:30 pm; Sun., 3 pm; Sat. matinees at 1:30 pm; some Wed. & Thurs., 7:30 pm. Tickets: adults, \$15 - \$70; students, \$13.

www.playhousesquare.com

The Cleveland Play House at the Allen Theatre "Lombardi"

Now thru Sun., Oct. 7th; Tues., 7 pm; Fri. & Sat., 7:30 pm; Sat. & Sun. matinees, 2:30 pm. Tickets: \$49 - \$69.

KeyBank Broadway Series at the Palace Theatre "Anything Goes"

Tues., Oct. 2nd - Sun., Oct. 14th. Most evenings, 7:30 pm; Sundays, 1 pm & 6:30 pm; 1:30 extra performance on Saturdays. Tickets: \$10 - \$75.

American Music Masters at the State Theatre "Roll Over Beethoven: the Life and Music of Chuck Berry" Sat., Oct. 27th; 7:30 pm. Tickets: \$30 - \$80.

OLD BROOKLYN NEWS

SENIOR NOTES

Senior Citizen Resources (SCR) Deaconess-Krafft 3100 Devonshire Ave. (Must be 60 and over) 216-749-5367 Mondays:

Ez-Exercise - 9 am; **Chair Bowling-** 10 am;. **Wii -**11 am; **Canasta -** 12:30 am.

Tuesdays:

Crafts - 9:30 am, Crochet Group - 9:30 am, Table Bowling - 10:30 am, Pinochle - 12:15 pm, Bocce Ball - 12:30 pm; Line Dancing- 1 pm.

Wednesdays:

Ez-Exercise - 9 am; **Chair Bowling-** 9:30 am; **Chair Volleyball -** 10:15 am., **Fruit Bingo -** 10:30 am, **Canasta -** 12:30 pm.

Thursdays:

Crafts - 9:30 am, Chair Volleyball - 10 am, Trivia - 10 am; Horse Racing - 10:30 am; Bingo - 12:30 pm.

Fridays:

Ez-Exercise - 9:15 am; **Crochet Group** - 9:30 am, **Chair Exercise** - 9:30 am; **Current Events** - 10 am, **Corn Hole** - 10:30 am, **Wii** - 11 am; **Pinochle** - 12:30 pm.

Medicare Fair - Thurs., Oct. 25th, 10 am. noon, featuring representatives from many Medicare Supplement & Advantage plans. Attendees may walk around, gather information & ask questions. Open to all seniors & their caregivers. Lunch available for purchase.

CHURCH NOTES

Brooklyn Presbyterian Church 4308 Pearl Rd. 216-351-6583

Sat., Oct. 6th - Chinese raffle & rigatoni dinner - Doors open 6:30 pm; dinner 7 pm; raffle 8 pm. Tickets: \$7 in advance; \$8 at the door; ages 4 -10, \$4; under 3, free. Call for more info.

Dr. Martin Luther Church 4470 Ridge Rd. (between Biddulph & Memphis) *Sat., Oct. 13th* - October Arts & Crafts fair in the Fellowship Hall; 10 am - 4 pm. Unique arts, crafts, gifts, great food, bakery. Handicapped accessible; free admission & parking. Call 440-885-4004 to rent a table by Oct. 5th or for more info.

Mary Queen of Peace Church

4423 Pearl Rd. 216-749-2323 Tues., Oct. 2nd & Tues., Oct. 16th; 2 session fall symposium, "Finding Your Joy", 7 pm; lower chapel.

<u>Fri., Oct. 5th</u> First Friday Mass & Eucharistic Adoration,



Church Notes contn'd

8 pm; lower chapel. Family Fridays for Homeschooled Families; Potluck, 6 pm; Rosary, 7:30 pm; Mass, 8 pm; lower chapel & Marian Lounge.

Sat., Oct. 6th

Prayer Vigil, 8:30 am; Cleveland Surgi-Center.

Men's Prayer Group, 8:30 am; parish center. Blessing of Pets, 9 am; lower parking lot. Ladies' Autumn Tea, 11:30 am; lower church. Night at the Races, 6:30 pm; parish center.

Sun., Oct. 7th - Eucharistic Procession to Cleveland Surgi Center, noon.

Wed., *Oct. 10th* - MQP Seniors Luncheon & meeting, 11 am; lower church.

Sat., Oct. 13th - Mass for the Anointing of the Sick, 4:30 pm; upper church.

Sat., Sept., 15th - St. Anne's Ladies Guild meeting, 9 am; Marian Lounge.

Wed., Oct. 17th - 40 Days for Life Midpoint Mass & Prayer Vigil 5:30 pm; lower chapel.

Sat., Oct. 20th Men's Prayer Group, 8:30 am; parish center. Autumn Harvest Ball, 5:30 pm. Tickets: \$25; call 216-749-2323 to purchase.

Sun.., Oct. 21st Blue Army Holy Hour, 2 pm; lower chapel & Marian Lounge.

Free Community Meal, 1 pm; Parish Center cafeteria.

Mon., Oct. 22nd - Holy Rosary Holy Hour, 5:30 pm; upper church.

Tuesdays Oct. 23rd - Nov. 27th - "Catholics Returning Home", 7 - 8:30 pm. Sessions for non-practicing Catholics who might be interested in returning to the Church. Will provide updated information re: Catholicism in a support-group format. Contact Christina Buffington, 440-886-1937, or Kathy Toth, 216-906-6710, for more info.

Sun., Oct. 28th

"Trunk or Treat" 12:30 pm; lower parking lot. Ashley Close Vocal Recital, 3 pm; upper

church.

Wed., Oct. 31st & Thurs., Nov. 1st - Masses

for All Saints Day. Vigil, 5:30 pm; Holy Day itself - 8 am, noon & 7 pm. *Fri., Nov. 2nd* - Masses for All Souls Day, 8

OCTOBER 2012

am, noon & 7 pm. Pearl Road United Methodist Church 4200 Pearl Rd. (corner of Memphis & Pearl Rd.)

4200 Pearl Rd. (corner of Memphis & Pearl Rd.) Rummage & bake sale - *Fri., Oct. 5th*, 10 am - 8 pm; *Sat., Oct. 6th*, 9 am - 1 pm; \$3 per bag. Bake sale Fri. only.

St. James Lutheran Church 4771 Broadview Rd. 216-351-6499 Wed., Oct. 3rd & 17th - Fifty Plus group meeting, upstairs Gathering Room. Oct. 3rd - bring bag lunch & see a travelogue. Oct. 15th Free lunch served & a discussion about current events & voting. Anyone 50 years & older invited. TIMES?

Sundays in Oct. - Sunday School, 9 am, upstairs Gathering Room. Free breakfast for adults & children - 9 am. Classes - 9:30 - 10:15 am. Children 3 years through 8th grade invited to learn more about Jesus. Call to enroll children or for more info.

Tues., Oct. 23rd - Widows and Widowers meet in upstairs Gathering Room; noon. Menu: chopped steak, mashed potatoes, garlic carrots, salads & desserts. Cost - \$3. Everyone in Old Brooklyn neighborhood invited. Call church office to RSVP. Bring a friend.

Sun., Oct. 28th - Single Reformation Service; 10 am. Several choirs in attendance. Everyone invited to attend. Free brunch upstairs afterwards.

St. Luke's United Church of Christ 4216 Pearl Rd. (corner Pearl & Memphis) 216-351-4422

Introduction Wed. Oct. 10th - 12-Week Series about the New Testament; 2 pm. Each weekly session starts with 30-minute DVD presentation by Bart D. Ehrman, Ph.D., Professor of Religious Studies, University of North Carolina/Chapel Hill, followed by group discussion led by Pastor Jerry Madasz. Opportunity for insight into New Testament by a popular nationwide lecturer with strong background in religious studies; Has Master of Divinity & Ph.D. degrees from Princeton Theological Seminary. Come & learn; free.

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BAPTIST

Bethel Free Will Baptist Church 3354 Fulton Rd., 216-631-9199 Rev. Freddie Ray, 216-355-2137. Sun. Schl: 10 am. Ser: 10:30 am, Sun. eve. serv: 6 pm. Thurs. eve. Bible Study, 7 pm. Good gospel singing & preaching Free bread give-away, 2nd & 4th Sat. of the month, 10 - 11 am.

Galilean Baptist Church 4520 W. 11th St., Brooklyn, Between Schaaf & Spring Rds. Rev: Carson Hall, Pastor Phone: 216-749-7787 or 216-392-4653 Sun. School: 10 am; Worship:11am & 6 pm. Wed. 7 pm.

Harmony Baptist Church 4020 Ridge Rd., Brooklyn, Pastor: David Wojnarowski. Phone. 216-351-3740 Sunday Worship: 11am & 6 pm. Sunday School: 9:45 am; Wed. Prayer 7 pm

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC

Gospel Christians Church 4780 W. 11th St.; 216 459-2855 Pastor: Will Rothenbusch Sunday School: 10 am Worship Service Sundays 11 am.

LUTHERAN

Dr. Martin Luther Ev. Lutheran Church 4470 Ridge Rd. Phone: 216-749-5585 Pastor David W. Bennett. Sunday worship, Traditional service 9 am. Praise service 10:30 am. Sunday school, 10:30 am. www.LutheransOnline.com/DMLChurch.

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church E.L.C.A. 5801 Memphis Ave. Phone: 216-741-8230 Pastors Bela Bernhardt & Jon Paulus. Sunday Worship 10 am. gloriadeicleveland.org email: gloriadeicleveland@yahoo.com

Immanuel Lutheran Church Scranton & Seymour Ave. Phone: 216-781-9511

<u>Unity Lutheran Church</u>

4542 Pearl Rd. 216-741-2085. Rev. Peeter Pirn Worship Service: 9:30 am. & 7 pm. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study: 11am. www.unity-lutheran.org

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Institute Of Divine Metaphysical Research 4150 Pearl Rd. Free Public Lectures. Phone: 216-398-6990 www.idmr.net Sun.: 11 am - 1 pm, Mon. & Wed.: 7-9 pm. All invited & encouraged to attend!

POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC

St. Mary's Church 5375 Broadview Rd at Wexford, Parma Pastor: Rev. Stanley Bilinski Phone: 216-741-8154 Sunday Masses: 9 am English, 11 am Polish/English Holydays: 10 am Sunday School: 10 am www.stmaryspncc.com

PRESBYTERIAN Brooklyn Presbyterian Church (USA)

4308 Pearl Rd. at Spokane Ave. Phone: 216-741-8331 - Rev. Adrienne Lloyd Sun. Worship: 10:30 am. Sun. school 10:15 am Parking at Busch Funeral Home

SWEDENBORGIAN

Swedenborg Chapel

4815 Broadview Rd, Phone: 216-351-8093 Pastor: Rev. Nadine Cotton Sun. Worship: 11am, adult class Sun., 10 am Weddings & Baptisms - 216-351-8093 A place to find love and acceptance.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Archwood U.C.C. 2800 Archwood Ave. Phone: 216-351-1060 Rev. Sara Ross Pastor Sunday: 11 am (ASL Interpreted) Nursery provided ages 1-5. Children's Sunday School 10 am. Multicultural Open &

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church 4600 State Rd. Phone: 216-741-7979 Pastor: Very Rev. Steven Koplinka Father Deacon: Joseph Hnat, 216-233-4118. Divine Liturgies: Sat. Vigil, 4 pm.; Sunday, 10 am; Holy days, 9 am. Crystal Chalet Phone: 216-749-4504 School #: 216-749-7980 Pre-School #: 216-351-8121

CHARISMATIC

Good News Ministries Church

3705 West 36th. (W. 36th & Mapledale Ave.) Phone:216-398-4913 Pastor: Ernie Green. Sunday Worship, 11 am TV - Tues., 6:30 pm. Ch.21 & 9 pm Ch.197. Fri. 6:30 pm, Ch 21 Time Warner Channel.

EVANGELICAL

Grace Church

2503 Broadview Rd. & W. 28th St.; 216-661-8210 Pastor: Charlie Collier Sunday: Bible Study 9 am. Sun. Worship 10 am. Wednesday: Dinner 6:30 pm., Kid's Church & Adult classes 7 - 8 pm. Thursday: Youth Night 7 - 8:30 pm. Website:graceoldbrooklyn.org

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8235 Memphis Ave. 216-661-9818. James D. Eckert, Pastor. Sun., Worship Sun: 10:15 am; Sun. Schl. 9 am. www.goodshepherdelca.org

Parma Evangelical Lutheran Church

5280 Broadview Rd. (North & Tuxedo Ave.) Phone: 351-6376 Pastor: Donald E. Frantz II Sunday Worship 10:20 am Sat. 5:15 pm. Sunday School: 9 - 10 am. Coffee, 8:30

St. James Lutheran Church

4771 Broadview Rd. Phone: 216-351-6499 Pastor: Paul W. Hoffman Sun. Worship: 8 & 10:30 am / Sat. Serv: 5 pm. Sun School & Bible Class: 9:15 am. Website: stjamescleve.com

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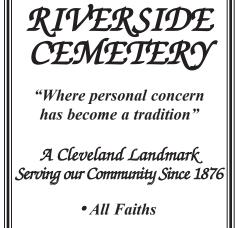
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