

Second annual *Wings & Things Cook-off* and music coming up on Friday, June 7th

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Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation's (OBCDC's) second annual *Wings & Things Cook-off* will be on Friday, June 7th, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The festivities will take place in the lot between Mr. E's Inn (4256 Pearl Rd.) and Drink. bar & grill (4250 Pearl Rd.), and will likely spill out on the sidewalk and curb lane on Pearl Rd. between Memphis Ave. and Stanford Ave. Last year, approximately 300 people enjoyed the event and it is expected to grow this year.

Like last year, everyone will vote for their favorite wings and the winning vendor will get a trophy and year-long bragging rights. The idea is based on the rib cook-offs that take place throughout Northeast Ohio, but with an Old Brooklyn spin; people in this neighborhood love their wings. Last year Dina's Pizza & Pub won "2012 People's Choice Best Wings" at the cook-off, as well as "King of Wings" in the *Plain Dealer's* "Wings Playoffs".

Competitors will sell three wings for \$1.50 to ensure that everyone can try all the different wings. Patrons will receive a raffle ticket with every wing purchase; the raffle tickets will be used to vote for their favorite

wings at OBCDC's booth. At the end of the event, the competitor with the most raffle tickets in his/her jar will win the title of "2013 People's Choice Best Wings".

This year's competitors include Wexler's Tavern & Eatery (4555 State Rd.); Dina's Pizza & Pub (5701 Memphis Ave.); Bella Pizza (4830 Memphis Ave.) and Pizza Joe's & Deli (4260 Fulton Rd.).

Most competitors will also sell other food items such as pizza and beverages. There will also be local food trucks selling tacos, desserts, kettle corn and more. The event will feature live music from Pat Daley's *Backtrax*, a local band which has performed at the 2012 *Wings & Things Cookoff*, *Pop UP Pearl* and *Fall-O-Ween*. Area crafters and small businesses, nonprofits, schools and churches will also have booths.

O B C D C encourages all local restaurants and pubs to participate. There is a \$10-\$25 vendor

fee plus licensing from the City of Cleveland's Health Department (\$40 fee). Anyone interested in selling wings, other delicious treats, handmade craft or new items, should call Lisa Nemeth of Northcoast Promotions at 216-570-8201 or OBCDC's Jayme Lucas-Bukszar at 216-459-1000.

gave him so much by providing not only the freshest fruits and vegetables, but also bulk food and meats from Amish Country." The Amish offerings include jams, pickles, pie fillings, candies, cheses, lunch meats and more.

Ken started out in the food business

when he was four years old, helping his father at the Northern Ohio Food Terminal. In 1977 when he was twenty-four years old, Ken opened a business hauling and buying produce. He started with two small trucks and over sixteen years grew the business to servicing eight states using 61 trucks. He retired from this successful business in 2003.

The Food Peddler is a family affair. Ken's five children and his wife Cathy are all involved. His son Michael designed the logo and sign, son Kenny has been working day and night since this past October to help get the store ready. His son Christopher is the

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OLD BROOKLYN

2nd Annual

Wings & Things Cookoff

Friday, June 7: 6-9 PM By Mr. E's Inn (4256 Pearl)



Featuring

- Live Music
- Great Food
- Local Vendors

Share great food, shop and have fun at a great neighborhood after work gathering!

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GardenWalk to return to our neighborhood

by Gloria Ferris
Brooklyn Centre Naturalists

GardenWalk Cleveland 2013 will take place from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 21st and Sunday June 22nd. Brooklyn Centre and Old Brooklyn are again two of the featured neighborhoods. In addition to our two communities, the Detroit Shoreway, Glenville, Hough, Larchmere, Slavic Village, St. Clair-Superior and Tremont neighborhoods of Cleveland will open private gardens, community gardens and urban farms for public viewing.

GardenWalk is a free, self-guided tour. Visitors came to GardenWalk 2012 from all over Ohio and from thirteen other states as well. GardenWalk welcomed them to our neighborhoods to share our pride in our gardens and our communities.

Too many people who've spent their entire lives in Cleveland have not visited many other neighborhoods in the city. Going on GardenWalk affords them the opportunity to become acquainted with their hometown. Visitors have been impressed by the friendliness and warm reception they've received from the gardeners. This year's event is a month earlier than last year's, and



John Young, Sr., refers to the land behind his Jennings Rd. property as the Emerald Valley.

so the gardens are likely to look very different.

Visit Gardenwalkcleveland.org, to get a peek at two of the gardens from each neighborhood. See the gardens which will be See

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This month's Hidden Treasure Street Fair to showcase area around Memphis and Fulton

First there was Pop UP Pearl which brought an enlivened streetscape to Downtown Old Brooklyn. Now, the energy of local residents, merchants, and institutions are joining together to highlight the Memphis and Fulton areas of northwestern Old Brooklyn.

A group of neighborhood residents and businesses in the Memphis and Fulton areas have organized a "Hidden Treasure Street Fair" to highlight some of the less well known community gems on Saturday, June 22nd, from 11 am until 8 pm.

The event will feature neighborhood tours, area folklore and celebrations of the many local gems in this area of Old Brooklyn. In celebration of their 75th anniversary, the nationally recognized The Sausage Shoppe will feature an outdoor grill. Also celebrating their 75th anniversary, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church will be having a treasure sale as well as girls scout cookies for sale. On the other side of the

coin, Rising Harvest Farms, in its first year of operations, will have tours running from noon to 4 pm at their Old Brooklyn site at the corner of 41st and Memphis.

For those interested in neighborhood history a Metroparks historical interpreter will entertain with music and folklore starting at 5 pm at Gloria Dei. Afterwards, at 6 pm, the Galaxie DeLuxe Rockability Band, featuring Pr. Jon Paulus on Double Bass will play in the Gloria Dei parking lot.

Be sure to check out other local businesses in the area which will be having discounts and specials during the event. Participating businesses include a large number of restaurants, banks, a new market, a hair salon, a security business, an appliance repair business, and more.

More information will be available at www.oldbrooklynconnected.com as it becomes available. Come out and celebrate another great part of the Old Brooklyn neighborhood.

Food Peddler Farm Market opens May 30th; grand opening celebration to be June 6th

by Robyn Sandys &
Jayme Lucas-Bukszar

Cleveland's Old Brooklyn neighborhood welcomes a new market, Food Peddler, offering shoppers a great variety of high quality and affordable fresh food from Northeast Ohio and beyond all under one roof.



Food Peddler is a 17,300 square foot store located on Fulton Rd. in the former Unique Thrift shop. They have done a quite a job of transforming that space into a one-of-a-kind market.

"Food Peddler Farm Market buys its products directly from farmers, produce packing sheds, terminal markets and meat packers around the United States, bypassing the middleman," said Ken Kafcsak, the store's owner. "We can sell our product to Clevelanders for less, saving them money on their grocery bills and ensuring they have a wide variety of items to choose from."

Ken went on to say that he looks "forward to giving back to the community that

3rd Annual

Pop UP Pearl

Downtown Old Brooklyn (Broadview & Pearl)
Saturday, July 13
Noon - 6 pm

Live Music, Good Eats, and Family Fun



Local Bands

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2013 Cleveland Senior Day

The information below has been adapted from the City of Cleveland's Department of Aging publication for Senior Day. It is titled *Unleash the Power of Age*.

Every year since 1963, the Federal Administration on Aging has designated the month of May as "Older Americans Month" to celebrate the vitality and aspirations of older adults and their contributions to the community. This year's theme was "Unleash the Power of Age".

On Senior Day, Tuesday, May 21st, the City of Cleveland and Mayor Jackson recognized 19 special seniors, one from each of the City's wards, who have made extraordinary contributions to the betterment of the community. These individuals represent the thousands of local seniors who continue to devote their time and efforts to make Cleveland a great place to live, work, raise a family and grow older.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hirko has lived at her Cleveland residence for 47 years. She is the widow of Joseph. She has one son named Joseph and two grandchildren, Ryan Michelle and Eric James.



Elizabeth Hirko Ward 13

Upon completion of high school, Mrs. Hirko worked for National City Bank and then joined the U.S. Marine Corp where she served our country for four years. After her military service she worked for 19 years in a local factory carrying out several different functions in the office. Her duties included cost accounting, reviewing applications, conducting new hire interviews, processing worker compensation claims and payroll.

Mrs. Hirko is now retired and helps out at various community events. For the past five years she has been tutoring weekly at Almira Elementary School through the AARP Experience Corp Program. Specifically, she tutors Kindergarten students in phonetics, colors and the alphabet. In addition to tutoring, Mrs. Hirko volunteers at St. Mary's House of Hospitality. She assists in the soup kitchen serving meals to families and individuals facing hardship.

Mrs. Hirko is concerned about safety in her neighborhood. She helps to patrol the neighborhood with her dog, Charlie, reporting

her findings to the Councilman's Office. She is part of the neighborhood Crime Watch for the Ward. Mrs. Hirko is an active member of Holy Spirit Byzantine Catholic Church. She helps volunteer at many of the church events and fundraisers. For fun she enjoys bowling and is truly an active individual.

Ms. Marilyn Wieczorek was born in Cleveland and moved to her current address when she was five years old. She has four sisters, three of whom are deceased, ten nieces and nephews and ten great-nieces and great-nephews.



Marilyn Wieczorek Ward 14

Ms. Wieczorek is now retired. She worked three years for the Plain Dealer in the cafeteria. She also was employed in the food service industry for many years, working at a variety of restaurant establishments.

Currently, Ms. Wieczorek is very active in the community. She has coordinated the Daisy Avenue Street Sale for over 30 years. The Daisy Avenue Street Sale is held the first Saturday and Sunday in August. Ms. Wieczorek cares about the safety of residents in her community. She belongs to the community block club and the 2nd District Community Relations Committee. She passes out literature to residents on how to maintain their safety.

Ms. Wieczorek is committed to keeping the neighborhood nice and participates in the community clean up. She successfully reached out for support from various community organizations and started a Community Garden.

In addition to gardening, Ms. Wieczorek enjoys cooking; her specialties are stuffed peppers, spaghetti and breaded veal with mushrooms. She is a parishioner at Mary Queen of Peace Church and is certainly an active Ward 14 senior.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

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

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

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From the desk of the executive director

by Robyn Sandys
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June is here and boy do we have a busy month to share with you! There are many community events and activities benefiting different segments of our neighborhood. There is more information about most of what I am going to write about elsewhere in the paper.

The *Old Brooklyn Buzz* in concert with the CDC received a *Neighborhood Connections* grant last fall to assist seniors in our area with obtaining fresh vegetables for salads. The program is called *Salad for Seniors*. There are about 100 seniors who will receive free of charge container gardens full of lettuce and tomatoes. Ben Franklin Garden's Operating Committee is providing technical assistance and help with the planting. Over the past several months we have been announcing this program so those that responded on a first-come, first-served basis will receive the container gardens. They will be delivered in early June.

Another group of Old Brooklyn folks who are struggling to keep up their homes as well as seniors will be benefitting from North Coast Mission Church's youth program to provide needed repairs such as porch repairs and other fairly simple fixes. The group of youth volunteers works with adult supervisors who have

been doing this type of work around the country for years. Approximately 50 households will be receiving this assistance in Old Brooklyn and the Parma area in late June. This was also a first-come, first-served program based on need and income.

If you missed the first annual *Wings and Things* event last year, please make sure you get to this year's event on Friday, June 7th. It will be held in between Mr. E's and Drink. bar & grill from 6-9 p.m. Dina's was the winner last year and the winner of the *Plain Dealer's* Northeast Ohio Best Wings contest will be there along with at least five other area restaurants. There will be live jamming music playing mostly oldies along with a good number of business and nonprofits exhibiting information and items for sale. There were over 300 people there last year; let's double it this year!

Finally our first *Movie Night* for families will be held on June 28th at dusk at Lowe Park. The movie will be *Andre the Seal* which I understand to be an excellent heartwarming family story.

Save the date for the third annual *Pop UP Pearl* coming up on Saturday, July 13th. This year will be even bigger and better with over 100 vendors signed up so far, plus lots of food trucks and other great live entertainment.

Elderly, handicapped & lower income residents of Cleveland Old Brooklyn, Parma & Parma Hts. to get free home repairs

Press Release

Connection plans to bring up to 450 to 480 teenagers and adults to Cleveland and the Old Brooklyn neighborhood, Parma and Parma Heights, Ohio to improve the homes of local residents

Cleveland and the Old Brooklyn neighborhood, Parma and Parma Heights: As many as 70 to 80 local residents will benefit from the work of a projected 450 to 480 adults and teenage volunteers at the Workcamp, coming to Parma June 23 through June 29.

The Workcamp will provide free home repairs through the Group Cares (formerly Group Workcamps Foundation) program, sponsored locally by North Coast Mission Connection.

Group Cares is a non-profit, interdenominational Christian volunteer home-repair organization headquartered in Loveland, Colorado. This summer, an anticipated 25,000 young people and adults will participate in 48 Workcamps in communities across the United States and Canada.

At each Workcamp, teenagers and adults—all members of church youth groups—volunteer a week of their time to repair homes throughout the community. "This represents about 12,000 hours of vol-

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

Ward 13 Republican meeting, Thurs., June 13th (& every second Thurs.), 7 pm, Calvary Chapel Church, 6770 Brookpark Rd.

Ward 13 Democratic Club meeting, Tues., May 21st (& every third Tues.), 7 pm, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 5801 Memphis Ave.

unteer labor with a total economic impact to the community of over \$300,000," said Renita Nohejl team leader of NCMC.

"These really are remarkable young people," said Jeff Thompson, of Group Cares. "Each one is actually paying for the privilege of working in your community. Workcamp registration fees are used to cover our costs for food, insurance, and building materials."

The Workcamp will be housed at Parma Schools, with Workcampers sleeping on classroom floors, eating in the cafeteria, and enjoying evening programs in the gym. "This service to the community would be impossible without the wonderful cooperation of the Parma Schools," said Chuck Nohejl of NCMC. Group Cares will reimburse all costs to the lodging facility.

The idea behind the Workcamps started in Colorado in 1977 when residents suffered from the Big Thompson River flood in which hundreds of homes were damaged or destroyed and over 140 people lost their lives. Church youth groups of many different denominations came from across the country the next summer to help.

In 1978, the program went nationwide to include other disadvantaged areas throughout the country. This summer's 48 Workcamps will take place in many different states.

Now in its 34th year of service, Group Cares has hosted over a quarter of a million participants who have provided more than six million hours of volunteer service directly to people in need.

Repairs offered through the Workcamp include interior and exterior painting, weatherization, porch and wheelchair ramp construction, and other work. For further information, call Chuck and Renita Nohe at 216-296-1911 or 216-978-2866.

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NEWS & EVENTS

Now - September 12th
Historical Guided Walking Tours
Take A Hike! **6 pm Tuesdays:** Playhouse Square -- meet at the State Theatre Lobby, 1519 Euclid Ave.; **6 pm Thursdays:** Historic Gateway Neighborhood, meet at the Arcade, 401 Euclid Ave. **10 am Saturdays:** Historic Warehouse District -- meet at Constantino's Market, 1278 W. 9th St. **10 am Sundays:** Canal Basin park, meet at Settler's Landing RTA Station, 1025 W. Superior Ave. **6 pm Wednesdays:** Civic Center Tour -- meet at Old Stone Church, 91 Public Square. Call 216-771-1994 or visit www.historicgateway.org. for more info. Sponsored by Dollar Bank.

Tuesdays, Now - October 1st
Tremont Farmer's Market
Lincoln Park, 4 - 7 pm. Fruits, vegetables, eggs, cheese, honey, bread & more. Music, chef demos, nutrition information, local artisans, community groups, family fun. Call 216-575-0920 or visit www.tremontfarmersmarket.com for more info.

Saturday & Sunday, June 1st & 2nd
Archwood Street Sale
Sale 9 am - 5 pm both days. Sat., 11 am - 1 pm, Art House gives free art class at Archwood UCC.

Saturday & Sunday June 1st & 2nd
Rally to Rescue Pet Adoption & Festival
Parma Animal Shelter, 6260 State Rd., 10 am - 5 pm. More than 20 vendors, classic car show, cook out, adopted dogs reunion, pet blessing, special guest Magic Mike, disc jockey, live entertainment, walk for animals lead by Mayor DeGeeter, dunk tank, Parma Police K-9 Unit, complete obedience training demonstration, tours of Parma Animal Shelter & Bartels Veterinary Hospital & Spa, children's fair, coloring contest winner announced, rescues & shelters with animals for adoption, Bake Sale, Face Painting. Call 440-885-8014 or visit www.parmashelter.org for more info.

Saturday, June 1st - Sunday, January 5th, 14
Titanic: The Artifact Exhibition
Great Lakes Science Center, 601 Erieside Ave. 250 authentic artifacts recovered from ocean floor & room re-creations & personal stories, each highlighting different chapter in story of Titanic's maiden voyage. Two ticket options -- **Option 1:** Buy advance tickets online, www.greatscience.com/nasa. All tickets are timed; limited space. **Option 2:** Buy same-day tickets at box office. Includes admission to Titanic plus general admission to Great Lakes Science Center & NASA Glenn Visitor Center. Non-members: adults - \$24; youth - \$22 (2 - 12 years); Members: adults - \$10; youth - \$10 (2 - 12 years). Call 216-621-2400 for more info.

Tuesdays June 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th;
July 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th
U.S. Bank Summer Garden Music Series
A variety of instrumental music performed by talented Cleveland musicians; 12 - 1:30 pm.

Thursdays, June 4th - Sept. 10th
The Sparx Summer Concert Series
Thursday nights, 5 - 9 pm.
Four locations. **East 4th St.** - live music & 'specials' on 'patios along street.
PlayhouseSquare - bars & restaurants offering happy hour specials, 5 - 7:30 pm on first Thurs. of every month -- June - Sept.
West 6th St. - starting Tues., Jun. 25th, 5 - 7 pm & running every other Thurs. after that, featuring Sparx performances, happy hour specials & live music.

Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation (OBCDC) is looking for up to six individuals to assist with cleanup after Pop UP Pearl, our annual neighborhood street festival, on July 13th.
Cleanup will begin at 6 pm and may run as late as 10 pm.
Applicants should be in good health and able to carry moderately heavy equipment.
The position will pay \$10/hour. Interested individuals should contact Jayme at OBCDC, 216-459-1000

West 9th St. - Tues., Jul. 23rd, & 30th & Aug. 6th & 13th, a block party, 5 - 9 pm. Street closed to car traffic to allow for \$4 mixed drinks, \$3 wine & \$2 beer at bars & restaurants on the street, a cornhole tournament, live music & free movie projected onto large, inflatable screen. Bring lawn chairs! Find complete list of dates & musical performers at Sparx Concert Series webpage.

Saturday, June 8th
Cleveland Polka Assn. Dollar Days Picnic
St. Sava's Picnic Grove, 2300 W. Ridgewood Dr. Gate opens 3 pm. Live polka music by Charlie Tansek & Chicago Tradition 4 pm. - 8 pm. Donation: \$1, members; \$9, non-members (non-member price inc, 1-year Cleveland Polka Assn. membership); 18 & under free. No b.y.o.b.; bar service & food available at reasonable prices, inc. \$1 specials! Call Sylvia or Paul, 216-228-1134, for large table reservations or more info. Public welcome.

Sunday, June 9th
55th Annual Spring Rose Show Combined Show -- Western Reserve Rose Society and Forest City Rose Society
Parmatown Mall, 7899 W. Ridgewood Dr., 1 - 4 pm. Call Patti Jacko, 330-220-2213, or email her at webmaster@westernreserverosesociety.org for info about exhibiting.

Sunday, June 9th
Kamm's Corners Farmers Market
Opening Day Festivities 10 am. - 2 pm & ever Sun. Jun. - Oct. Municipal lot behind Walgreens. Call Jenny Kelley 216-252-6559 x 1400 or www.kamscornersfarmersmarket.com.

Wednesday, June 12th
Laurel Garden Club Annual Plant Sale
City of Brooklyn Grande Pavilion, 7619 Memphis Ave. (behind Brooklyn City Hall) 4 - 7 pm., rain or shine. Perennials, herbs, houseplants & whatever unusual plants members bring from their gardens. Plants from anyone who wishes to share their overgrown perennials also welcome. Bring tote to carry home your treasures. Call Barb Paulitzky 216-671-6777 or Barb Stepic at 216-941-0160 for more info.

Wednesday, June 12th
Westside Basket Guild
St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., upstairs Gathering Room. Class starts at 5 pm; come any time up to 6:30 to start weaving. Meets on second Wed. every month. **June 12th, tea bag basket;** cost - \$14. The basket measurement is 4" x 4" total, it has two

small baskets and they are connected to make one with a little bit of color and a wire handle to finish it off. Supplies to bring when weaving -- old towel, bucket, clothes pins, ruler, pencil, scissors. **July class is a closed class,** due to the fact that we had to order supplies already. Watch for more info. about Aug. class coming up. Call Connie, 216-749-7912, or sign up on bulletin board.

Thursday, June 13th
Antique Collectors Club Meeting
Busch Community Meeting Room, 7501 Ridge Rd.; 7 pm. Presented by Neal Richter, The Clock Doctor, & his wife Joanne. Bring an antique item for appraisal. Call Robert L. Murdoch, Publicity Chairman, 440-845-7046 for more info.

Monday, June 24th
Monday Night at the Movies "Thrive"
River's Edge, 3430 Rocky River Dr. 7 pm. No specific charge, but free will offerings accepted. Optional discussion following. Register at www.riversedgecleveland.com.

Wednesday, June 26th
Western Reserve Rose Society Meeting
North Royalton branch of Cuyahoga County Public Library, 14600 State Rd., 7 pm. Speaker: Susan Ramey. Program: "3000+ Daylilies..It started as a hobby". Visit www.westernreserverosesociety.org for more info.

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Saturday, June 22nd
Old Brooklyn-West, The Hidden Treasure
Showcasing Memphis-Fulton area with participation & activities sponsored by merchants, local artisans, restaurants. Will also have information tables for the area, entertainment, hikes, etc. Contact Linda at lmsevcik@webtv.net or 216-749-7639. See article on page 1.

Thursday, June 27th
Hosta - The Friendship Plant
Master Gardeners in Garden classroom & perennial demo garden behind Ben Franklin School; 10 am. Learn about varieties of hosta, planting conditions, common pests, diseases & more.

50th Class Reunion Rhodes High
The classes of Jan. & June 1963 will be celebrating their reunion on the Nautica & at Crowne Plaza, in Sept. Contact Carol Lucak Wagner, 440-570-1740, cwagner7481@sbc-global.net or Erika Schaffranek Heitzman, 440-582-8110, or escheitzman@aol.com.

Sunday, October 27th
St. Mary Byzantine 75th Anniversary
St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, 4600 State Rd, Cleveland: liturgy & dinner. Looking for current & previous parishioners to join in celebration. Also looking for pictures & memories to be part of commemorative book. Call JoAnn Hardony, 440-845-4392, or email jhardony@gmail.com, for more info.


Cleveland Courage Funds
Set up by Cleveland City Council members Brian Cummins, Dona Brady & Matt Zone to benefit kidnap survivors Gina DeJesus, Michelle Knight & Amanda Berry & her daughter now totals more than \$750,000. Give online at clevelandfoundation.org/courage or via U.S. mail at Cleveland Courage Fund c/o the Cleveland Foundation, 1422 Euclid Ave., Suite 1300, Cleveland, OH 44115. Donors can also give to the Cleveland Courage Fund at any Key Bank branch in Northeast Ohio.



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Cleveland Housing Court

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Let us know how we can make your environment a safer place:

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Sometimes a grade school experience significantly impacts a student's future interests, even something as major as his/her choice of a career. Such is the case with Joshua Henry of Henritze Ave. who, during the 2002-2003 school year, attended the gardening class that is part of the curriculum for all 4th graders at Benjamin Franklin Elementary School.

Last month (on May 4th, to be exact), Josh graduated Summa Cum Laude from Ohio State University's (OSU) Agricultural Technical Institute with an Associate of Applied Science in Greenhouse and Nursery Management degree. He was the recipient of the Director's Award and delivered the "student address" at the commencement ceremony.

Josh will now be continuing his education at OSU's College of Food, Agriculture and Environmental Science in Columbus; he plans to graduate in 2015 with a Bachelor in Sustainable Plant Systems with a specialization in Horticulture degree. After that he hopes to pursue graduate studies. But getting back to what started the ball rolling...

The gardening class at Benjamin Franklin is taught by Master Gardeners from OSU Extension Cuyahoga County Urban Agriculture in the historic garden house and surrounding gardens which are directly behind the school. For most of the students it is a fun departure from their regular academics, but for Josh it became a determining factor in his choice of a major in college.

Every summer since 2003 Josh returned to work with the Master Gardeners tending the school garden. In 2006, when he was thirteen years old, he also began volunteering at the Cleveland Botanical Garden in University Circle. He worked in their Hershey Children's Garden in the summer months and their glasshouses during the winter months. Josh received the Teen Volunteer of the Year Award in 2006 and 2011.

In 2007 Josh got his own plot in the Ben Franklin Community Garden and the following year the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation hired him to be the garden attendant. He continued working there every summer throughout high school. Over the years, many vegetables which Josh

grew at Benjie won ribbons at the Cuyahoga County Fair.

After he graduated from James Ford Rhodes High School in 2011, Josh continued his education at OSU's Agricultural Technical Institute in Wooster. He became an officer in numerous clubs and the Phi Theta Kappa honor society. He was able to compete at the Professional Land Care Network Student Career Days at Kansas State University and at Auburn University in Alabama.

For the past two years Josh has worked with Dr. Robert Hanson as a research assistant at the Ohio Agricultural Research and

Development Center, which is also located in Wooster. They conducted experiments and collected data on hydroponically grown lettuce.

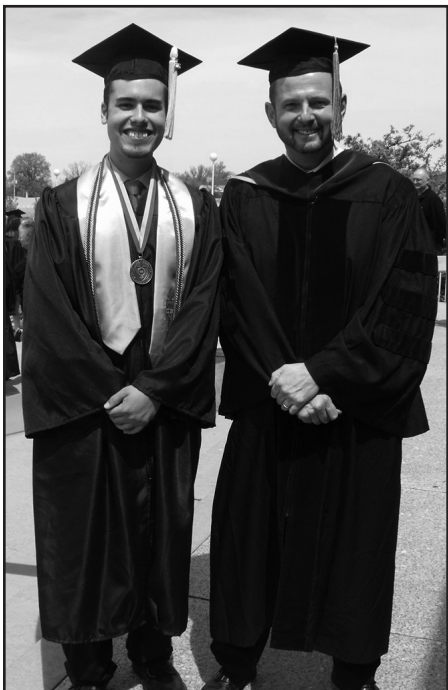
Josh has been awarded numerous scholarships, including one from The Perennial Plant Association which includes a week-long trip to their symposium in Vancouver, British Columbia July 20th to 27th. Before that, he'll participate in the Ohio Floriculture Association's (OFA) short course in Columbus July 10th to 16th. He's one of six students they've chosen to be an OFA Scholar, and as such he'll attend education sessions, network, and

work with a mentor in the industry.

(But Josh isn't an "all work and no play" kind of guy. In 2012 he was chosen as OSU's Homecoming King and represented his class at the parade in Columbus and at the Homecoming game between OSU's Buckeyes and the University of Nebraska's Cornhuskers.)

Understandably, Joshua is grateful to OSU's Master Gardeners, particularly Maria Hoffman and Vivian Soltes, for their years of dedication to the school program which started him on his path. He hopes that other students will become interested in horticulture, and he encourages parents of Benjie students to bring their children to the school gardens on Thursday mornings when the Master Gardeners are there during the summer, so that the youngsters can continue to learn about growing plants.

Of course, adults are welcome to stop by on Thursday mornings, too, especially on the dates when the Master Gardeners have programs planned. See the details about the June program in this month's *News & Events* section of the *Old Brooklyn News*.



Joshua Henry (left) and his advisor, Dr. Robert McMahon, (right) pose for a photo at his commencement exercises on Saturday, May 4th.

Be aware of community ordinances this summer

by Barbara Spaan
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With the warmer weather come the thoughtlessness acts by some residents in Old Brooklyn. Even the smallest things call attention to this neighborhood and the caliber of people who live here. This month's article is a reminder about the most common complaints, all of which are 'ticketable' offences.

*Car radios which are thumping or blasting; no audio system in a motor vehicle can be at such volume as to disturb the peace and quiet;

*Parking vehicles on any soft surface (tree lawn, front lawn, other part of the yard and/or vacant lots);

*Unlicensed or dismantled cars, junk or garbage in a yard or on a lot;

*Having high grass and/or weeds (in excess of 8 inches);

*Placing trash cans by the curb before noon on the day before collection, or leaving them by the curb past noon on the day after collection;

*Upholstered, indoor furniture — sofas, recliners, etc. — on a porch (they are health and safety hazards);

*Using an outdoor grill within 15 feet of a home or second-story porch;

*Using a fire pit within 15 feet of a home, burning garbage/trash in it, allowing the flames to burn higher than the width of the pit; and/or not attending to the fire pit at all times;

*Using toy vehicles and basketball hoops on the street rather than in the yard;



*Dogs outside of owners' yards which are not leashed or whose fecal matter has not been cleaned up;

*Shooting off fireworks; they are dangerous, so please go to professional fireworks displays; and

*Minors not observing curfew -
age 12 and under, dark to dawn;
age 13 & 14, 9:30 p.m. to 6 a.m.;
age 15 & 16, 11 a.m. to 6 a.m.;
age 17, midnight to 6 a.m.- unless the child is accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

In addition, remember that because summer is upon us, the kids will be on the streets. Slow down and watch out for the smaller ones who might run out from between parked cars.

To report problems, call the Cleveland Police & Fire at 216-621-1234; the Cleveland Department of Health at 216-664-2300; the Cleveland Department of Building and Housing at 216-664-2007; the Cleveland dog warden at 216-664-3069 ; or Old Brooklyn Safety Coordinator Barb Spaan at 216-459-1000.

Remember that you live in the city, where houses are generally closer together than in the suburbs. Respect each other in every way so that we will all be able to enjoy a great summer.

Wexler's Tavern & Eatery under new ownership

by Jayme Lucas Bukszar
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Doug Graziano, a former Marine and military contractor who served in Iraq, Afghanistan and many other parts of the world, took the helm of Wexler's Tavern & Eatery, 4555 State Rd., in January. Doug was born in Brooklyn, New York, and his many years of travel have helped him find a home here in Old Brooklyn. As well as owning a neighborhood establishment, he also lives in the community.

Wexler's Tavern & Eatery has been in the news lately with headlines such as "*Crews dismantle tavern wall in search for Jimmy Hoffa*" (wkyc.com) and "*Police: Unidentified bones found in tavern as search for Jimmy Hoffa heats up*" (19 Action News).

When asked about this, Doug said "The former owner said he found bones in 1988 and this bar has a long history. It was a speakeasy in the 1930s and a known gangster hang out in the 1960s. When we found more bones and the matchbook, we contacted the FBI and police; they analyzed the bones and they were not human."

Bartender Rachael Chizmar claims that she and others have experienced unexplained occurrences, which Ms. Chizmar concludes, must be contact with spirits from the building's long colorful history.

In addition, the Akron group *Paranormal Seekers* said they found evidence of some spiritual presence at Wexler's. The group returned on May 25th for a more thorough search. (The findings were not known when this article was written.)

Doug is looking forward to continuing the storied history of Wexler's Tavern & Eatery. He has hired back longtime chef Michael Southall, and they are working together to, "take it up a level and introduce even more quality food to the menu."

"I want to be part of a community after years of travel. I searched Ohio for two and a half months for a great neighborhood bar/restaurant to take over. This place is special," Doug said. He added, "Wexler's has such a great history and reputation here. We want to offer great food and a great experience."

Doug hired a renowned "Michelin Three-Star" mixologist Brian Van Flandern to educate, train and create original signature cocktails in addition to the classic craft cocktails for Wexler's. For example, *The Pig* uses bacon-infused bourbon and *Crown Maple* and the *Rum & Smoke* includes rum, scotch and ginger beer.

The cocktail of the month for June is *Caliente Amante* (Spicy Lover); it has strawberries, jalapeño pepper, Ciroc Vodka, etc. The



price is normally \$7.50 but is \$6 in June.

Wexler's has happy hour specials from 4 – 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. – 1 a.m. and there is a new late night menu. Happy hour specials also feature 50%-off appetizers, drink specials and experimental menu items.

Wexler's also caters parties and events with 24 hour notice. Call Doug or Mike for more information.

They will compete in Old Brooklyn's second annual *Wings & Things Cook-off* on Friday, June 7th, and will also sell pizza at the event.

Wexler's Tavern & Eatery can be reached at 216-398-5000. They are online at www.wexlertavern.com and on facebook. Their hours of operation are Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 a.m.; Friday-Saturday from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.; Sunday from noon to 10 p.m. On Thursdays their Sporcle Live Trivia starts at 7:30 p.m.

Chef Michael Southall's Fettuccine Alfredo

- 1 pound pasta noodles
- 2 quarts heavy cream
- 1 cup Parmesan cheese
- 1 cup Romano cheese
- 2 ounces white wine
- Garlic (*optional* 1 tablespoon / to taste)
- Ground white pepper (a pinch / to taste)
- Egg yolk
- Fresh parsley (*optional* as a garnish)

Directions

Bring large pot of lightly salted water to a boil. Add fettuccini (or favorite pasta noodles) and cook according to package directions, or until al dente; drain. (Shock cooked pasta with cold water.)

In a heavy large skillet, heat heavy cream, and stir in the cheeses to blend; add egg yolk, white pepper and garlic. Simmer 15 minutes over medium heat, stirring occasionally. Add pasta to sauce. Use enough of the pasta so that all of the pasta is thoroughly coated. Garnish with fresh parsley. Serve immediately.

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Thinking back over last month's activities, and looking forward to all that's coming up this month (both in the community and in my personal life), a line from a children's song from years ago popped into my head — *It's a beautiful day in this neighborhood...*

Perhaps you remember that sentence, too. It's the first line in Mr. Rogers' song, "Won't You Be My Neighbor?", copyright, 1967.

I thought that Fred Rogers was a nerd when my kids used to watch his show, but the wisdom which comes with age, as well as learning that he was an educated man, have caused me to reassess my initial judgment of him.

Spring is here, summer will soon be here, and most days in our neighborhood are indeed beautiful. We just need to notice both the simple and the complex beauty around us.

In my opinion, Saturday, May 18th, was one of the most beautiful of days in our neighborhood. In addition to another successful *Pedal for Prizes* event (see the article about it to the right of this one), May 18th was also **River Day**. Select communities/organizations all along the Cuyahoga River had organized events to celebrate the 'crooked' waterway, and our Friends of Big Creek (FOBC) was one of them.

Looking at some of the terrain beneath the **Brooklyn-Brighton Bridge/the Big Creek valley** was the angle FOBC took for the day, since the confluence of Big Creek and the Cuyahoga River is not far from that area.

Forty to fifty people, many of whom were not from our neighborhood, showed up for the tour and presentations. The group met outside of Sal's Restaurant, where **Ward 14 Councilman Brian Cummins** spoke about the settlement of Brooklyn Township. Then people either hiked or drove down the old Pearl St. hill to the next stop, **Brookside Auto Parts** where owner **Mike Blake** spoke about the valley from his experience as part of the family which owns Brookside.

A bit further down the road, representatives of FOBC (Co-founder and Project Manager **Bob Gardin**; Chair of the Board of Trustees **Mary Ellen Stasek**; and Trustee **Greg Czadel**) had set up a little camp with historic maps, maps of proposed plans, bottled water and lunch-type food. I spoke about some of the history both below and above the Bridge and Bob spoke about future plans like the Lower Big Creek Valley Greenway Redevelopment & Restoration Plan (<http://planning.city.cleveland.oh.us/bike/lowerCreek.html>).

The plan presents "a new vision for the Valley Greenway. The creation of this vision incorporates detailed future land use, public access, infrastructure, ecological restoration and environmental regeneration, open space and trail linkages and economic development concepts."

Master plan and economic revitalization strategy includes the Towpath Trail connection to the Metroparks Zoo along the Lower Big Creek; long-term land use which welcomes recreation and commerce; and creek and greenway restoration and conservation.

Participants who wanted to explore farther hiked on to look at the support structures of previous bridges over Big Creek, the railroad tracks, and the large red brick building which once housed the **Champion Steel Range Company** and, more recently, the **Bailey Wallpaper Company**.

If the weather co-operates, I'm looking for Saturday, June 22nd, to be this month's equivalent of the most beautiful date in the neighborhood. It's the first day of *GardenWalk2013* (see the article on page 1), the day of the first *The Hidden Treasure Street Fair* on the western end of Memphis Ave. (also on page 1), and the third annual *Party on the Piazza* at **Mary Queen of Peace Church (MQP)**.

The *Party on the Piazza* starts at 7 pm and goes to 11 pm at the MQP campus, 4423 Pearl Rd. It's an evening of wine tasting, small plates and live music under the stars. Other activities that night will include a wine pull, silent auction, 50/50 raffle and basket raffles.

General admission tickets are \$45/person or \$80/couple and can be obtained by mailing a check to the parish office.

Last year's event raised over \$4,500 which benefited the parish's Music Ministry. This year's event will benefit the parish's Preservation Fund which provides dollars for repairs and enhancing the liturgical environment of the church.

For more information or to donate an item for the silent auction, call Bridget Marok, 216-749-2323, or contact her via email at bam4mqp@hotmail.com.

Our final entry this month is some good news from **St. Leo the Great School**. The *Rooted in Faith; Forward in Hope* campaign has awarded the school a \$25,000 grant for technology and curriculum. The money comes from the \$170 million dollars which Catholics in the Cleveland Diocese pledged to the Campaign. Forty million dollars of that money had been designated for "expanding the educational landscape". St. Leo's is very excited to have received this grant and will keep the *OB*N updated as to how they're using the money.

Summer, of course, is also the time when *The Town Crier* reports individual student news in terms of the high school scholarships our eighth graders have received. If you have news of that variety to share, send it to Lynettef@oldbrooklyn.com or via OBCDC's address, 2339 Broadview Rd., 44109.

Nine bicycles raffled at *Pedal for Prizes* 2013

by **Jacqueline Sliva**
one of the organizers of *Pedal for Prizes*

Pedal for Prizes 2013, Saturday, May 18th, was the most successful and fun ride to date. The raffle prizes were better than ever and some minor, yet effective changes created a more streamlined event. *Pedal for Prizes* was even featured on the TV program "The List" in the week leading up to it.

Registration for *Pedal for Prizes* began at 11 am at Loew Field, an hour earlier than

in past years. Riders were given a punch card, a map of Old Brooklyn with the twenty destination points marked, free water bottles courtesy of Speed Exterminating (owned by organizer John Young), and instructions to return to Loew by 3 pm.

Cyclists then rode to as many destinations as they chose, receiving a hole punch on their cards at each stop. This year there were fewer destinations; that and the extra hour gave cyclists the opportunity to engage business owners and explore destinations more thoroughly, something participants at past *Pedal for Prizes* had requested.

Destinations this year included several new businesses: Drink. bar & grill, The Shack, Familyography, Autos Online Direct and Rising Harvest Farms. New to *Pedal for Prizes*, but established neighborhood businesses which participated this year included Top of the Line Barbershop, All Things for You and Gus's Family Restaurant.

When they returned to Loew, participant's hole punches were exchanged for raffle tickets, which they used in a Chinese-style raffle. While they waited for the raffle,

they were able to snack on fruit donated by the West Side Market, buy fresh squeezed lemonade from Gyro Guys, and/or buy lunch from Jibaro Gourmet Food Truck. Local musicians, led by Old Brooklyn native and resident Eric Soto, provided live music.

The raffle began promptly at 3:30 pm, after a few words from Councilman Kevin Kelley. Jeff Sugalski tweeted all the winning numbers along with the raffle, making it easier for participants to claim their win-

nings. This year's prizes included donations from all the merchants which participated as destinations.

The big draw, however, came from the record nine bicycles which were raffled off.

Village Bicycle Co-op and **Simpler Times** donated two bikes; **Vintage Bicycle Gallery** donated one bike; **Century Cycles** donated two children's bikes at cost; and sponsored by *Neighborhood*

Connections grants, **Eddy's Bike Shop** and **Joy Machines Bike Shop** each donated two adult bicycles at cost.

The highlight of the event came when the little girl who won the girl's child's bicycle cried and hugged it. Her joyful response made all the work in putting together this community event worthwhile.

Other prizes included a six-month membership to the YMCA, Indians tickets, E. 4th St. restaurant gift certificates, massage gift certificates, Bodywork Culture certificates from massage practitioner and organizer Jacqueline Sliva, Honey Hut gift baskets from owner and organizer Bruce Page, and Bike Cleveland memberships, to name a few.

See *Pedal for Prizes* page 8



The girls' bike winner, Melora, and her mom

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Summer Festivals

Throughout North East Ohio several hundred local festivals will anchor the work week now through the cooling autumn weather in mid-October. There are more outdoor opportunities to sample food, enjoy ice cream, satisfy thirst, listen to music, watch performances and purchase arts and crafts than anyone can attend.

Old Brooklyn will be home to several of those festivals. On June 1st, about the time you should be receiving the *Old Brooklyn News*, the **Safety Fair and Community Service Exposition** will be underway at Estabrook Recreation Center between 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. *Wings and Things* in the vacant lot between Mr. E's Inn and Drink. bar & grill (4254 Pearl Rd.) will be on Friday evening June 7th. Then **movie nights** begin at dusk on June 28th in Loew Park.

The largest Old Brooklyn event will likely be *Pop Up Pearl* on July 13th in downtown Old Brooklyn. Arts, crafts, food trucks and entertainment will fill the sidewalks on both sides of Pearl from Foote Memorial Park to Stanford Ave. The following weekend, on July 21st, music festival *Brookstock*, takes place in

Brookside Reservation.

Throughout Old Brooklyn there will be church festivals, school reunions, block club picnics and family reunions throughout the pleasure season. The unofficial end of the outdoor celebrations will be the multi-sponsored *Falloween* on Saturday, October 19.

Outside Old Brooklyn the festivals are too numerous to list. Arts and crafts shows can be found from Cain Park to Crocker Park. Ethnic festivals abound in older ethnic churches and neighborhoods with the Feast of the Assumption being that most recognized mid-August event in Little Italy.

One could dine every weekend on ribs by attending the many rib cook offs. If you do not touch the vehicles with your rib lubricated fingers you can find classic and collectible car shows throughout the week. Cruise-ins are everywhere as long as it is not raining. Antique fairs pop up among the choices for outdoor shopping throughout the summer.

Aside from the fun and enjoyment these many many festivals provide, they are also important economically. Think of the actual cash that exchanges hands hundreds of times at every festival.

Most events have free admissions but most purchases are made with cash at the food and beverage vendors and the charitable gaming tables. Where there is an admission fee it is often paid in cash. Arts and craft vendors generally accept credit card charges and many accept checks. The festivals are revenue generators for the vendors and sponsors.

These funds turn over within the area as

food vendors buy from local wholesale suppliers, artists and crafters purchase materials locally, and charity games become fundraisers for local non-profit organizations.

Permit fees insure that health and safety regulations are enforced. Larger festivals employ security personnel, parking lot attendants and maintenance crews. Even the leasing of port-o-lets is providing jobs.

Festivals provide low-cost, high-value entertainment. Just for the fun of it, keep track of how much you spend at a festival. Assume that most people spend a similar amount unless they make a single high cost purchase. Then multiply what you spend by the number of people you think are attending the event. That is an example of the amount of money a festival can generate.

Get out and enjoy the pleasure season in Greater Cleveland. Attend a festival which you've never attended before and visit a community new to you. Try a new food and purchase a work of art or craft to remember the summer of 2013. It is good for you and good for the economy.



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For a few hundred dollars, you can replace the kitchen faucet set, add new cabinet door handles and update old lighting fixtures with brighter, more energy-efficient ones. If you’ve got a slightly larger budget, you can give the cabinets themselves a makeover by adding new doors and drawers. If you’re handy, you can order your own replacement cabinet doors and door fronts from retailers like Lowe’s Home Improvement or The Home Depot and install them yourself.

If your kitchen appliances don’t match, order new doors or face panels for them. Better still, many dishwasher panels are white on one side and black on the other. Then all you have to do is unscrew two screws, slide out the panel and flip it around. Realtors say that a more cohesive-looking kitchen makes a big difference in the buyer’s mind — and in the home’s resale price.

Next to the kitchen, bathrooms are often the most important rooms to update. They, too, can be improved without a lot of cash. Even simple things like a new toilet seat and a pedestal sink are pretty easy for homeowners to install, and they make a big difference in the look of the bath.

Another simple fix is replacing an old, discolored bathroom floor with easy-to-apply vinyl tiles or a small piece of sheet vinyl. If the floor is level, you may not even need to take up the old floor. You can install the new floor right over the old one.

If your tub and shower are looking dingy, consider re-grouting the tile and replacing any chipped tiles. A more complete cover-up is a prefabricated tub and shower surround. These one-piece units may require professional installation but can still be cheaper than paying to re-tile walls and refinish a worn tub.

Source:

<http://www.bankrate.com/finance/money-guides/10-cheap-fixes-to-boost-the-value-of-your-home-1.aspx#ixzz2Ub4Xlr00>

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There are some ineligible uses that the County defines as “luxury items” such as swimming pools, hot tubs, satellite dishes, and stables. Appliances are also not permitted.

Other program criteria include:

- Borrower’s property taxes must be current.
- Minimum loan amount \$3,000. Maximum loan amount \$200,000.
- There is a five year term for loans less than \$12,500 and 10 years for loans of more than \$12,500.
- Bank fees are capped at \$175.
- There are no income restrictions. However, credit decisions are based on the bank’s normal lending criteria. Borrower’s property taxes must be current.

City Fresh returns to Old Brooklyn for another season

by David Waldman
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City Fresh, a program of the New Agrarian Center (NAC) which provides locally- grown food to urban areas not normally having access to such produce, will be returning to Old Brooklyn on Thursday, June 13th.

City Fresh is a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program in which individuals prepay to reserve a share of produce from area farmers.

City Fresh has two share sizes — “family” for three to four individuals and “single” for one to two individuals.

The costs are \$28 for a family and \$15 for a single. (Low- income prices are available for qualifying individuals.) *City Fresh* also accepts the Ohio Direction Card.

Participants don’t know what will be in a share each week, but a share will include such things as apples, corn, potatoes, kale and peppers.



People desiring to participate this year can reserve their first share at the *City Fresh Stop*. The *City Fresh Stop* in Old Brooklyn is at Grace Church, 2503 Broadview Rd., on Thursdays from 5 to 7 p.m.

After paying for a share one week, participants pick up their shares the following week. Unlike other

CSAs, *City Fresh* has no commitment for the entire season. With this week-to-week arrangement, participants simply pay for a share a week ahead of time, and then pick up the produce the next week.

City Fresh’s season will run into October. It will also feature two holiday shares — one in November and the other in December.

Anyone who has questions or is interested in volunteering for Old Brooklyn’s *Fresh Stop* should call David or Christopher at 216-459-1000 or contact David by email at davidw@oldbrooklyn.com.

•The minimum loan amount is \$3,000 and the maximum is \$200,000. Single and two family dwellings must have a tax value of less than \$250,000. There is no tax value limit on multi-family dwellings.

Participating banks at this time are First Federal of Lakewood, Key Bank, Huntington National Bank, US Bank, and PNC Bank. For more information about the Home Enhancement Loan Program or other low interest loan programs, please contact Jayme Lucas-Bukszar at 216-459-1000 or jaymel@oldbrooklyn.com.

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Old Brooklyn Junior at Cornell spends fall 2012 semester travelling the world – part III

by Ken Kalynchuk

(Editor's note: Last semester Old Brooklyn resident Ken Kalynchuk was participating in "Cities in the 21st Century", a comparative study abroad program which took him around the world. He has already written about his two-week experience in New Orleans in the February issue of the Old Brooklyn News and his five week experience in Sao Paulo and Curitiba, two cities in Brazil, in the April issue. If you missed them, or want to refresh your memory, both articles are accessible online at www.oldbrooklyn.com.)

The fourth city (third country) on last semester's academic adventure was Cape Town, South Africa. We were there in October, a "spring" month in the southern hemisphere) and after being surrounded by Portuguese in Brazil, I was very relieved to be in an English-speaking country again. After flying from Sao Paulo to Johannesburg, we went straight to the Backpacker, the hostel where we stayed our first few nights.

From the first morning, we knew we had just arrived at one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Cape Town's center is surrounded by a semi-circle of mountains along a bay, with Table Mountain looming over us all to the south. A table mountain is exactly what it sounds like — a flat mountain several miles wide on the city-side. During that weekend most of us hiked to the top of Table Mountain, which afforded us incredible views of the city, the ocean and the surrounding mountains.

Our experience in Cape Town was defined by the general context of the country and city, the neighborhoods we lived in, and our fall break. In our four weeks of courses, site visits and lectures, we learned all about the terrible history of Apartheid and how it is still felt everywhere in the country today.

Although native Africans in the country have gained certain rights and protections under the law to place them at par with whites' rights, the legacy of Apartheid is apparent everywhere. The city center, with pleasant homes surrounded by gates and barbed wire, are mostly occupied by whites. Only whites can afford the beachside homes and homes

along the slope of Devil's Peak and Table Mountain.

On the other side of the mountains, in the Cape Flats, millions of black and colored South Africans live in townships — in both planned communities with little access to the city center, as well as in informal settlements with hundreds of thousands of residents. During our whole time in the country, I dealt with issues of race, history, privilege and remnants from the incident in Curitiba. Our first two weeks in Cape Town we lived in Bo-Kaap, a Malay-Muslim community with views of Table Mountain, next to the Central Business District. My host family was incredible, serving me delicious Malaysian cuisine at every meal, discussing religion and life with me all the time, and treating me like a family member. They took care of me when I came down with a terrible virus for a week, and I'm incredibly thankful for their aid.

Academically, during these weeks we learned about housing, neighborhoods, inequality, race and the general framework of the country's situation. One day we took a train to Stellenbosch, Cape Town's nearest wine country, to visit a sustainable community and for respite at a vineyard.

After two weeks living in the city bowl, we packed up our bus and said goodbye to our families for now. We took off for Cape Town's first township, Langa, where we were welcomed by our new families and a community musical performance.

The residents of this neighborhood were very friendly, but also wary of us outsiders.



Both the view and the feeling were exhilarating when Ken Kalynchuk climbed to the top of this rock at the tip of South Africa.

Most residents have been in the township for decades and spoke the native tribal language, Xhosa, in their homes. It features frequent 'clicks' which I was unable to master.

My family showed great hospitality, and my experience here was highlighted by my young host brother, my eating chicken feet for the first time, the wonderful immigrant family who lived in a small shack in the back yard, and a family BBQ.

Whenever we needed to head to the city center, we rode Kombi-taxis which pick up strangers at a queue and speedily deliver them to the destination listed above the window. Despite the danger and several near-accidents, I found this to be a great way to get around. (It only cost \$1 [8 Rand] to get us ten miles to the city center!).

Academically, our experience while living here was highlighted by our case studies,

where we split up into urban topics of interest. Within the gentrification group, I spent a week researching the neighborhoods of Bo-Kaap and Woodstock, a mixed neighborhood undergoing white South African-led gentrification.

The catalyst of this gentrification was the establishment of the Old Biscuit Mill, a mixed-use development in, not surprisingly, an old biscuit mill. On Saturdays this complex opens as the best market in the city, featuring cuisines and foods from all over the world.

If the academic experiences in Cape Town weren't incredible enough, I enjoyed several other activities on the weekends — a TEDx talk, a trip to Cape Point and to see penguins and shark-cage diving.

After four weeks of living and work in Cape Town, we were ready for a change. On fall break I and ten friends went on a trip where we experienced, among other things, wine tasting, cave crawling, ostrich-farming, two safaris, swimming in the ocean, kayaking and gorge jumping in a national park, feeding elephants, and whale watching. My most adventurous exploits were tandem paragliding high above the coast of South Africa, and bungee jumping off the largest commercial bungee jump in the world — the Bloukrans Bridge.

After an amazing month in South Africa, it was time to continue into our last city of study: Hanoi, Vietnam. I'll talk about that in the next — and final — segment of my journey.

GardenWalk from front page included in the tour guide pamphlets. (And usually there are at least one or two bonus gardens added to the Walk after the programs were printed.)

There are eighteen garden sites in Brooklyn Centre and fifteen in Old Brooklyn. Although there are several clusters of gardens in each neighborhood, outlying gardens also have lots of not-to-be-missed features. Last year, many people mapped out a two-day excursion for themselves, because it takes time to explore the gardens.

After June 12th, tour guide pamphlets will be available at area Petitti's Garden Centers and Dave's Supermarkets. They will also be available the day of the event at the Ben Franklin Community Garden, 1905 Spring Rd., in Old Brooklyn and at Art

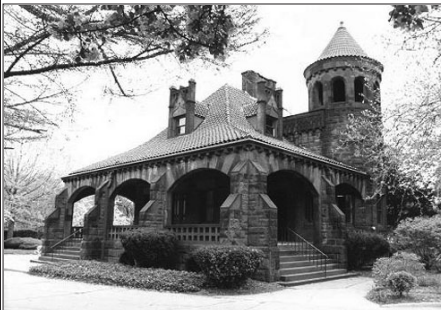
House, 3119 Denison Ave., in Brooklyn Centre.

Brooklyn Centre Naturalists will again take part in coordinating the two-day event. Anyone who would like to volunteer to staff the headquarters in either Brooklyn Centre or Old Brooklyn should call Gloria Ferris at 216-351-0254 or contact her via bcnaturalists@gmail.com.

Each headquarters will be selling framed GardenWalk posters, gardening caps and raffle tickets for two airline tickets anywhere in the United States. GardenWalk funds itself through these sales, donations and sponsorships.

June is definitely one of the prettiest months in Cleveland, and it's a perfect time to get friends together so, why not choose to experience GardenWalk friends? (Lynette Filips contributed to this article.)

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Pedal for Prizes from page 5

Organizers Becky Derwis, Bruce Paige, Jacqueline Sliva, Jeffery Sugalski and John Young couldn't have been more pleased about the way that everything turned out and the continued community support. They thank Old Brooklyn, the volunteers, donors, merchants and all who participated for making this year's Pedal for Prizes the best yet.

Check out pedalforprizes.org to see the full list of prizes, sponsors and merchants. Share your experiences on our Facebook page or email us with any questions or comments at pedalforprizes@gmail.com. Keep up to date on all our activities and plans through Facebook, Twitter @pedalforprizes, or by visiting our website, pedalforprizes.org.



Pedal for Prizes

ARE YOU A STROKE SURVIVOR?

Researchers at MetroHealth Medical Center are seeking volunteers for various stroke research studies. Studies are being conducted for lost movement and for shoulder pain. Transportation can be provided.

These studies are funded by the National Institutes of Health. For details about specific studies, please contact the MetroHealth researchers by calling 216-778-5347 or email: mmaloney@metrohealth.org.

MetroHealth was the first hospital in Northeast Ohio to earn Stroke Center Certification in September 2004.



The picture was taken by Joe Benz on Wednesday March 27, 2013 at John Hay High School Gymnasium. In the picture starting from (right bottom row) Lakia Patterson, Kelis Sinclair, Natasha Colon, Nia Dumas. (right top row) Aniesha Hawk, Carolyn Torres, Coach Greg McCullough, Coach Megan McCullough, Tatiana Rivera, and Jalecia Benz.

Charles A. Mooney Mustangs won Cleveland City Schools Girls Winter Basketball Championship on Wednesday March 27, 2013 over Wade Park with a score of 34-13 at John Hay High School as 7th grader Jalecia Benz led the team in scoring with 30 points for the Mustangs, also scoring for the mustangs was Carolyn Torres and Tatiana Rivera both with 2 points respectively. The Mustangs finished the year with an undefeated record of 12-0. Congratulations to the Mustangs for a great year; it goes to show hard work pays off.

FAMILY FUN!

Art House
3119 Denison Ave., 216-398-8556
www.arthouseinc.org
All Ages Family Open Studios - 3rd Sat. of every month. 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.*

Children's Museum of Cleveland
10730 Euclid Ave. 216-791-7114
www.clevelandchildrensmuseum.org
Hours: Mon. - Sun., 10 am - 5 pm. Exhibit areas close 15 min. prior to Museum closing. Cost - \$7, children age 1 - 12; \$6, adults & children 13 & over; free, under 11 months.

Veterinarian Camp - Jun. 10th - 14th, Campers learn about the profession & animals. From animal adaptation to biology, learn fascinating facts about animals big & small. Meet a real Veterinarian. Take a field trip to The Natural History Museum of Cleveland to visit their rehabilitated animals exhibit.

Pioneer Days - Jun. 24th - 28th - Travel back to days of covered wagons & log cabins. Experience life on the prairie; make candles & butter, learn about pioneer life & build a mini log cabin. Experience life on the Oregon Trail. Pre-registration for all camps required. Class limited to the first 20 children to register.

City of Cleveland, Division of Recreation
Estabrook Indoor Pool & Gym
4125 Fulton Rd. 664-4149
Pool closed for maintenance week of May 27th; pick up summer schedule for gym, pool and outdoor sports after that.

City of Cleveland Outdoor Pool & Spray Basin Division of Recreation 216-664-2561
Summer Outdoor Pools: Loew Park - 4741 W. 32nd St.; Meyer Pool - 3266 W. 30th St.; Lincoln Park - 1200 Starkweather Ave.; Halloran Park - 3550 W. 117th St. Open second weekend of June through second weekend in Aug., Wed. thru Sun., noon - 7:30 pm.

Cleveland Metroparks - Brecksville Reservation
Rt. 82 entrance Plateau Picnic Area
440-526-1012
Critters in the Creek - Sun., Jun. 24th, 1 - 2:30 pm. Search for critters in the creek. Use nets & a seine to catch & release fish, amphibians, crayfish & insects. Be prepared to get wet. Call to register.

Cleveland Metroparks - CanalWay Center
E. 49th St. bet. Grant Ave & Canal Rd.
216-206-1000 or clevelandmetroparks.com
CanalWay Campfire - Sun. Jun. 16th, 1 - 2:30 pm. Roast marshmallows over fire & try campfire treat called dumpcake. Bring lawn chair or blanket to sit around fire. Cost: \$3; under 3, free. Call to register.

Train Day - Sat., Jun. 15th, 10 am - 4 pm; free. Young & old hike hobo trail & enjoy model train exhibits, trestle hikes, live music, crafts, movies, kids' train rides for \$2 a ride (2/\$3) & refreshments. Call for more info.

Cleveland Metroparks Rocky River Nature Trailside Amphitheater 24000 Valley Pkwy., North Olmsted 440-734-6660
Campfire - 7 - 8:15 pm. Meet at Trailside Amphitheater for campfire with stories & songs. Bring story or song to share. Roast marshmallows.

Cleveland Metroparks Zoo
3900 Wildlife Way 216-661-6500
clemetzoo.com
Admission Rate Change - Zoo has introduced new conservation effort called "Quarters for Conservation." Twenty-five cents from each admission helps support important Zoo conservation programs. Effective Apr. 1st, adult admission - \$12.25; children ages, 2 - 11 - \$8.25; children younger than 2 & Zoo Society members - free.

Dinosaurs - runs daily through Sept. 15th. Admission to this special exhibit -- \$3.50 per person with regular Zoo admission; \$2 per person for Zoo Society members; free for children under 2.

Father's Day at the Zoo - Sun., Jun. 16th, 10 am - 7 pm. All dads receive half-off admission -- \$6.25. Bring aluminum cans for Cans for Conservation drive. Cans will be crushed with a steamroller during special demonstration. Presented by Outback Steakhouse.

Camp Ballarat Animal Show - Now thru Mon., Sept. 2nd; daily - 11 am, 1 & 3 pm. Free with Zoo admission.

Professor Wylde's Animal Show -Now thru Mon., Sept. 2nd; daily 11:30 am, 1:30 & 3:30 pm at Savanna Theater. Free with regular Zoo admission.

Cuyahoga County Public Library
Parma-Snow Branch
Temporary location 1700 Snow Rd. (in Midtown Shopping Center, next to Marc's)
216-661-4240; www.cuyahogalibrary.org
9 am - 9 pm, Mon - Thur.; 9 am - 5:30 pm, Fri. & Sat.; 1 - 5 pm, Sun.
Programs this month -- (Unless otherwise noted, registration required.)

Children's Summer Storytimes - will begin Jun. 4th; call for details.

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.

Grace Church 2503 Broadview Rd (corner of W. 28th & Broadview).
216-661-8210
Summer Lunch Program - Mon., Jun. 10th - Fri., Aug. 9th. Free lunches Mon - Fri 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. Both kids & adults, but served in different areas. No reservations required; first come, first served each day while supplies last.

Greater Cleveland Aquarium
(located in the Powerhouse, west bank of the Flats)
2000 Sycamore St. 216 862-8803
greaterclevelandaquarium.com
Open daily 10 am - 5 pm. Admission: \$19.95, adults; \$17.95, seniors (60 & older) & mili-

tary; \$13.95, children ages 2-12; free, under 2. Parking - \$3, Mon. - Fri.; \$5, Sat. & Sun.

Hale Farm & Village
2686 Oak Hill Rd., Bath
330-666-3711 halereservations@wrhs.org
Fun on the Farm, each one hour program consists of craft, story, rhyme or song, snack & visit to museum site. Reservations required. Most programs at 10:30 am. **Gardens & Cooking: Jun. 7th, How does your garden grow? Jun. 14th, Planting a Rainbow. Jun. 21st, From Milk to Butter. Jun. 28th, Pioneer Cooking from the Garden.** Cost: Members: \$8 per child, 1 adult free. Non-members: \$10 per child, 1 adult free. Additional adults: \$5 each.

Home Depot
homeimproverclub.com/kidsworkshops
Build an herb planter - Sat., May 4th.
Lawn Mower Pencil Holder - Sat. Jun. 1st. Workshops offered 1st Sat. of every month, 9 am - noon. Free hands-on workshops designed for kids ages 5 - 12 at all Home Depot stores.

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center
28728 Wolf Road, Bay Village
440-871-2900 lensc.org
Animals a la Mode - Fri., Jun. 15th, 6:30 - 7 pm. Fee: \$5/person; 1 & under free. Live animals; some kids take center stage in interactive & educational presentation; furry, feathered & scaled creatures; a serving of ice cream.

Family Campout Night - Fri., Jun. 21st.; 6 pm - 9:30 am. Includes dinner, live animal visit, evening forest hike, fire-side snacks; planetarium in your PJ's & breakfast. Fee: \$60/family; members, \$50/family. Registration required.

Memphis Kiddie Park
10340 Memphis Ave. 216-941-5995
memphiskiddiepark.com
11 amusement rides for children, concession stand, arcade & miniature golf course. Ticket prices: book of 25 tickets - \$25.25; strip of 10 tickets - \$15.50; single tickets - \$1.95 All miniature golf - \$2.50 per player. Open daily,

10 am - 8 pm. Children must be under 50 inches for most rides. Email: Kiddiepark@aol.com for both general & party info.

Stearns Homestead Historical Farm - Parma
6975 Ridge Rd 440-845-9770
www.stearnshomestead.com
Friday Night at the Farm - Jun. 14th. Boy Scouts conducting flag retirement ceremony. Watch animals being fed & maybe participate in feeding. Pony rides available, \$5 each. Have dinner there, too.

Farmers Market Opens - Every Sat.; Jun. 22nd - Oct. 22nd.; 9 am - 1 pm. Visit old & new sellers in front pasture.

University Circle, Inc.
Parade the Circle & Circle Village Sat., Jun. 8th. Parade at noon; Circle Village activities, entertainment & food - 11 am - 4 pm. Free community arts parade presented annually by Cleveland Museum of Art & Circle Village. Parade includes drama & artistry of colorful floats, puppets, costumes, dancers & musicians. Circle Village at Wade Oval includes activities, live music & food. Presented by University Circle, Inc. Call Community Arts Department, 216-707-2483, or email neisenberg@clevelandart.org for more parade info.

University Circle, Inc.
Wade Oval Wednesdays University Circle, Jun. 12th - Aug. 28th
Free concerts, 6 - 9 pm. Wide variety of live music. Shop local artists, eat & relax in beer & wine garden. Also, **Jun. 26th - Movie Night: Last Days of Pompeii.** Visit www.universitycircle.org or call 216-707-5033 for more info.

Wallace Lake - Mill Stream Run Reservation, Berea
Cruise-In Movie - Field of Dreams - Fri., Jun. 21st, 8 - 11 pm; free. Bring classic cars & watch a movie on the beach. Food, beverages & or ice cream before movie starts. Reserved parking available for classic cars. Call 440-331-8111 for more info.

THEATER NOTES



Cassidy Theatre of Greenbriar Commons
6200 Pearl Rd 440-842-4600
cassidytheatre.com
"Anything Goes"
Fri., Jun. 14th - Sun., Jun. 30th. Fri. & Sat., 8 pm; Sun., 3 pm. Tickets: \$20 adult;

Cleveland Public Theatre
6415 Detroit Avenue
216-631-2727 cptonline.org
Gordon Square Theatre
"Rusted Heart Broadcast"
Now thru - Sat., Jun. 15th. Mon., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 7:30 pm. Tickets: \$10 - \$25.

The Parish Hall at Cleveland Public Theatre, 6415 Detroit Ave.
(Just east of the Gordon Square Theatre Box Office)
"The Dark Room"
Returns Tues., Jun. 11th. (An ongoing event held the second Tues. of each month)

Playhouse Square Center
1501 Euclid Ave.
216-241-6000
www.playhousesquare.org
Hanna Theatre
"Guys & Dolls"
(Part of the KeyBank Broadway Series.)
Now - Sun., Jun., 30th. Wed., Thurs., Fri., 7:30 pm; Sat., 1:30 & 7:30 pm; Sun., 1 & 6:30 pm. Tickets: \$10 - \$67.

Cleveland Play House
Palace Theatre
"Book of Mormon"
Tues., Jun. 18th - Sun., Jul. 7th; Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., 7:30 pm; Sat., 1:30 & 7:30 pm; Sun., 1 & 6:30 pm. Tickets start at \$25.

Ohio Theatre
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SENIOR NOTES

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(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.Monday, May 13th - Friday, May17th

Volunteer Drivers & Runners needed for Meals on Wheels
Senior Citizen Resources. Deliver Mon. - Fri. to Old Brooklyn residents. One hour of time between 10:45 & 11:45 am. All routes originate from 3100 Devonshire Ave. Call Rosemary, 216-749-5367, to help or for more info.

LITE and EZ exercise classes

Metro Health Senior Advantage sponsors LITE and EZ exercise classes for people 55 years of age and older. They are one-hour, strengthening and balance classes, 75% sitting and 25% standing. (The entire program can be done sitting.)
Class size averages 15 to 20 folks who meet at Estabrook Rec. Center on Mon., Wed. and Fri. mornings, 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. There is a \$2 fee per class or \$20 pass for 15 classes.
It is a very supportive and non-competitive group. Each participant is encouraged to work at his/her own pace
A doctors release form can be picked up at MetroHealth Wellness Center or by stopping by the class at Estabrook. Observe a class at the same time.

CHURCH NOTES

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Social Rooms for Rent for Business Meetings; rental fees negotiable depending on group size & facilities needed. Call Mon. - Thurs., 8:30 am - 2 pm.

Brooklyn Presbyterian Church
4308 Pearl Rd. 216-741-8331
Parking available at Busch Funeral & Crematory Services, 4334 Pearl Rd.

Resale Shop - open to the public on third Saturday of month, 10 am - 2 pm. Items include gently used clothing for all ages & sizes, household items & limited furniture. Volunteers also serve an affordable lunch. Also a small food pantry for emergency provisions. To donate items, contact Rev. Sheryl Swan.

Vacation Bible School - free for children of all ages; to be held Jul. 8th - July 12th, 9 am - noon. Crafts, singing, story time & snacks. To sign up, call number above.

Music Program for families & adults; guest musicians & choirs throughout the year. Get more info online at www.brooklynpc.org.

Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church
2928 Scranton Rd.
Rummage Sale - Fri., Jun. 28th, 9 am - 5 pm & Sat., Jun. 29th, 9 am - 3 pm.

Mary Queen of Peace Church
4423 Pearl Rd. 216-749-2323
Cleveland Minutemen for Life Prayer Vigil - Sat., Jun. 1st, 8:30 am; Cleveland Surgi-Center.

Men's Prayer Group - Sat., Jun. 1st & 29th, 8:30 am; Parish Center.

Corpus Christi Procession through Old Brooklyn - Sun., Jun. 2nd, after 11 am Mass; hot dog social afterwards; Marian Lounge.

First Friday Mass & Adoration of Blessed Sacrament - Fri., Jun. 7th, 8 pm; church.

Rock Around the Clock Summer Kick Off Cookout & Dance - Sat., Jun. 8th, 6:30 pm; playground. For tickets call 216-749-2323.

Seniors Meeting & Luncheon - Wed., Jun. 12th, 11 am; Marian Lounge.

Blessing of Cars - Sat., Jun. 15th, 8:30 am; upper parking lot.

Free Community Meal - Sun., Jun. 16th, 1 pm; Parish Center cafeteria.
Blue Army Holy Hour - Sun., Jun. 16th, 2 pm; lower chapel & Marian Lounge.

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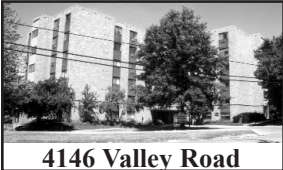
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