

“An error doesn’t become a mistake until you refuse to correct it.”- Orlando Aloysius Battista

PCSD Looks To Consolidate, Build New Schools With May Ballot Issue

by Charles Smialek

Happy 2021! We are hopeful that vaccinations and continued focus on health measures such as masking and social-distancing will allow us all to enjoy a much more normal year than 2020 presented!

Our Board of Education recently approved resolutions to place the funding of our Strategic Consolidation plan on the May ballot for community residents to consider. Interest rates are currently lower than last summer’s, allowing us to lower the millage of our bond issue to 6.3, costing taxpayers \$18.38 per month per \$100,000 of their home value.

Our need is real. Quite simply, we should no longer be a three high school district. Passage of this bond issue will allow us to cut the number of high school and middle school buildings we operate from six to two. The two new school buildings will house Grades 6-12 with a middle and high school sharing one roof but



featuring their own entrances, administration and classroom spaces. This reduction will save us over \$1,000,000 in operating costs per year. More importantly, new schools will have updated technology, a STEM learning center, and Career Technical Education classrooms that will allow our students to compete for high paying jobs when they graduate from high school. The state will pay \$69 million of the cost of construction.

If we cannot pass a bond issue, we will soon be forced to consolidate our students into old schools, the young-

est of which opened during the Lyndon Johnson administration. In 2017, the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission, or OFCC, conducted an assessment of the interior of our secondary schools. The OFCC used a 26-point checklist to look at nuts and bolts like the HVAC, electrical, and plumbing systems in each. This assessment determined that our secondary schools, even with the closure of one high school, would cost

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Frank Q. Jackson Arrested In Parma

by Daniel P. McCarthy

They say a picture is worth a thousand words. A bodycam video is even more so; go to our Parma Observer Facebook page and judge for yourself after viewing it. Frank Q. Jackson has been in so many scrapes with the law that he has truly made himself a household word all around the Cleveland area. His latest incident in Parma has people wondering when and where this crime spree will end. On January 24, shortly after midnight, Jackson was stopped by Parma Police for an equipment violation. After he consented to a search of the vehicle, he was asked to step out. Instead, with two officers present, one having hold of him, Jackson pulled away. The officer was able to run along side of the vehicle before freeing himself. A chase ensued, reaching speeds of over 100 mph. Jack-

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Rumpke Begins Its Garbage Service In Parma; Republic Removes Its Carts



As of Feb. 1, Rumpke began fulfilling its five-year service agreement with the City of Parma.

by Carolyn Kovach

This month, Rumpke began collecting trash and recycled items from Parma residents while Republic Services, which formerly provided the service, continued removing its carts from the city.

Republic has asked residents to leave their empty

Republic carts on their curbs every day until its workers remove them. Due to the large volume of carts and the size of the city, Republic reported it could take up to four weeks for its workers to remove all its carts, a project that began

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COVID-19 VACCINES



Pleasant Lake Villa Administrator Sharon Santoli receives the Pfizer vaccine, setting a good example for the staff there in order to illustrate the importance of safety for everyone.

by Daniel P. McCarthy

In January Pleasant Lake Villa, 7260 Ridge Rd., conducted their first COVID 19 vaccination clinic, without issue. All participants received the Pfizer vaccination, and Pleasant Lake Villa was pleased to report no side effects. Many staff and residents received the vaccine, including Admin-

istrator Sharon Santoli, Director of Social Services Jessica Adams, and Aimee Simon from Central Supply. The next clinic is scheduled for February 4, where many more participants are expected to avail themselves of the vaccinations so critical to keeping everyone there safe and returning to their normal lives more quickly.

Script Parma Picture Of The Month

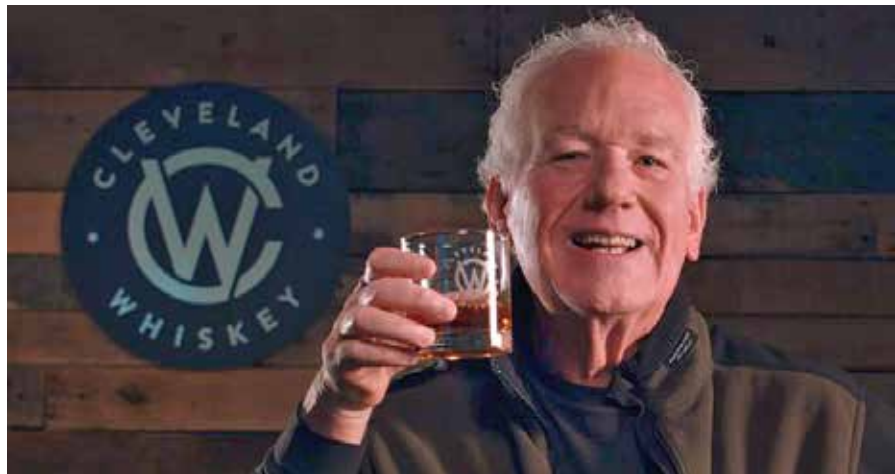


This month's script Parma picture of the month was submitted by Mary Jo Motyka. Mary Jo will receive a gift card courtesy of Rookies Sports Bar and Grill, as well as a free car wash courtesy of Sgt. Clean's Car Wash. Pictures can be emailed for the monthly contest to Parma City Council President Sean Brennan at councilmanbrennan@msn.com. Be sure to include your name and address.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The President's Corner

by Sean Brennan, Parma City Council President



Tom Lix, Founder and CEO of Cleveland Whiskey and proud Parma resident.

Recently, I met with Tom Lix at Panera at the Shoppes at Parma for coffee. I wanted to learn more about this fascinating man who has made Parma his home. You see, Tom knows what you and I know about Parma – it is a great place to live. I am happy to report that, like me, Tom is a huge cheerleader for Parma, specifically, and the Cleveland region, in general.

Tom's father was a World War II veteran who met his mother at Fenn College (now Cleveland State University). They moved around the country quite a bit, but eventually Tom's mother made her way back and settled in Parma. Tom came to Parma himself, after a long stint in Boston, to help his mom during the last years of her life and decided to stay here. "I love the Cleveland area because people help each other – there is a deep

sense of community," Tom explained. "Parma, in particular, has so much to offer, plus it is so close to excellent parks, Lake Erie, the airport, and downtown," he added.

When Tom moved here he taught entrepreneurship and marketing in both the undergraduate and MBA program at Lake Erie College. In fact, I would describe him as a serial entrepreneur himself, as he has started many businesses over the year. This brings me to one of the reasons I am so impressed and intrigued by Tom – he is the founder and CEO of Cleveland Whiskey.

Tom started the company in 2009 with a laboratory and perfected a revolutionary method of making world class whiskies. Then, in 2012, his team put together their first facility and, in March of 2013, the company shipped its first bottles. From there, the com-

pany has flourished to profitability and they expect to produce over 100,000 bottles in 2021.

Because of their success, the company is now in need of a larger facility, so they are selling "whiskey bonds" to raise the capital. In short, for an investment of at least \$1,000, you can loan Cleveland Whiskey some of the monies that will be used to expand their operations. Each bond has a 6 year maturity and is payable at 5% compounded interest or you may opt to be paid in bottles of Cleveland Whiskey.

Cleveland Whiskey's mission statement is simple, "To make good whiskey and do the right thing." I can attest that the bourbon is great. Further, the company has done the right thing during the pandemic. In fact, over the past several months, they have converted some of their operations to producing hand sanitizer, all of which continues to be donated to organizations and individuals throughout the region.

I share Tom's story for many reasons, including the fact that I am so happy that he has made Parma his home. Although he is a relatively new resident, he is one of us – one who is dedicated to the community and its success and helping when neighbors are in need.

To learn more about Tom Lix, Cleveland Whiskey, and the Cleveland Whiskey bond effort visit cleveland-whiskey.com. In closing, I hope that you are staying well. Please continue to wear your mask, socially distance, and pray this pandemic comes to an abrupt end soon.



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Tax Connect Online Makes Filing City Taxes Easy And Safe For Parma Residents

by Carolyn Kovach

The City of Parma Tax Department is offering online filing through Tax Connect Online, which will make filing city taxes for Parma residents easy and safe. The online service allows residents to see what payments and credits they have for the current year or past years. Parma residents are able to prepare their taxes, e-file and, if needed, pay their taxes online when they visit www.cityofparma-oh.gov, go to the Tax Department page and then click on the Tax Connect Online link in the right blue column under "Quick Links."

For Parma residents who prefer to have their taxes done in person at Parma City Hall, they are required to wear masks and adhere to social distancing guidelines in the building. The Tax Department staff has placed X's on the floor to help visitors with social distancing when standing in line. Tax Department staff will prepare city taxes for free in person until Friday, Feb. 26. After that date, Parma residents must drop off or mail their tax information to the City of Parma, Tax Department, 6611 Ridge Road, Parma, Ohio 44129. "We created this deadline so residents will avoid standing in long lines. We want to keep everyone safe from the spread of coronavirus," said Treasurer Tom Mastroianni. "Free of charge, our staff will prepare residents' city taxes




This Parma resident is getting his city taxes prepared early to avoid long lines at City Hall.

that were dropped off or mailed to us and then mail the completed forms to the residents. We will let the residents know by mail if they owe anything."

Mastroianni encourages residents not to wait until the last minute. "Last year, the deadline was extended because of the sudden shutdown. That won't happen this year," Mastroianni warned. "To avoid stress, I recommend residents get their taxes turned in before the deadline, which is Thursday, April 15."

For more information, call the

Tax Department at 440-885-8045 or email taxoffice@cityofparma-oh.gov.



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HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Chick-fil-A Honors Local Heroes At UH Parma Medical Center

by CJ Sheppard

Chick-fil-A is awarding a year's worth of complimentary meals to 18 local heroes at University Hospitals Parma Medical Center, right across the street from its new Parma location. "It was such an amazing surprise!" said 25-year employee Maria Scheutzow, an RN in Infection Control who has worked non-stop behind the scenes of the pandemic to keep caregivers safe and implement protocols to protect our patients. "What fun it is to be given an unexpected and undeserved gift, especially in the midst of the pandemic fatigue we are all feeling right now." Chick-fil-A typically awards a year's worth of free meals to its first 100 customers at each new restaurant. To prevent crowds in advance of its Jan. 21 opening and honor local heroes during the pandemic, the Parma location at 6676 Ridge Road awarded one meal per week for an entire year to select employees of UH Parma.

UH Parma's recipients represent a wide cross-section of employees, who were selected through a random number generator and enthusiastically supported by their manager. They come from a variety of departments and job titles and include nurses, PCNAs, a medical assistant and a registrar/screener; respiratory and occupational therapists; radiology and sterile processing technicians; a phlebotomist; workers in maintenance, housekeeping and dietary; and a teacher from the Child Care Center. "I was actually born right across the street from my restaurant at UH Parma Medical Center, so I have a deep connection to this city and the people who live here," said owner Sheilla Lienerth, whose husband and children work in the franchise. "I look forward to taking good care of my Parma neighbors and team members, and I hope I can inspire them to also take good care of each other."

Erica Loucka, an inpatient occupational therapist who has worked at



Sheilla Lienerth, owner/operator of the new Chick-fil-A in Parma, awarded a year's worth of free meals to 18 caregivers at UH Parma Medical Center.

UH Parma for 19 years, couldn't believe her luck. "Are you kidding me?!" exclaimed Loucka, who has no Chick-fil-A close to her home but appreciates the new restaurant across the street from work. And her four children, ages 12 to 26, will be jealous. "It's so cool. It's a great thing to give back, and I'm really proud to represent the hospital. My kids are going to lose their minds, they love Chick-fil-A!"

Rescha Washington, a patient care nurse assistant in UH Parma's Behavioral Center for Older Adults, has been a longtime fan of Chick-fil-A and appreciates the convenience of

the new restaurant. She was honored to be chosen for this award from a restaurant that reflects the family feeling of the community hospital where she now works. "I am fairly new to UH, but I feel very welcome and at home here," said Washington. "And I plan on being here for a long time."

Chick-fil-A Parma is located next to The Shoppes at Parma. It is open 6:30 a.m. – 10 p.m., Monday through Saturday, for drive-thru service with multiple lanes.

PCSD Looks To Consolidate...

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\$167,973,892 to renovate to current codes. Ohio will provide us nothing for these renovations.

The choice we will ask voters to make in May make is clear: take advantage of a \$69 million state contribution to fund the construction of new campuses with better opportunities for our students or force us to consolidate into old buildings with a \$167,973,892 repair bill we will have to pay on our own. We believe our students are worth the investment in new construction; we are hopeful you do, too!

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GLIMPSES OF THE THE TRI-CITY AREA

Seven Hills Community Services Faces Challenges Head On

by Tony Terry

It has been one year since the first cases of COVID-19 in the United States. Since then, we all have had to make extreme changes in our lives. As vaccinations are beginning to be administered, we are very hopeful that we are turning the corner and moving closer to life as we once knew it to be.

The Seven Hills Community Services Department faced many challenges throughout this pandemic, without a clear understanding of the true effects of the virus. The safety of our volunteer drivers was always our first priority. This left us the judicious choice of asking our drivers to stay safe at home. Therefore, our department took on the sole responsibility to provide deliveries for our precious seniors. A service we all took great pride in pro-

viding.

Despite all of those challenges and the 50% increase of families in need, we are incredibly proud to have provided our community with things to give them both help and hope. We have been working with area resources to help provide our residents assistance for things such as housing, utilities and food. Our Yuletide Christmas drive produced over \$15,000 in food and gifts for families that would not have had a Christmas otherwise.

Early this month, The Cuyahoga County Board of Health announced that it would begin registering adults over the age of 80 for the COVID-19 vaccine on their website. The City proactively sent out messages on all of its various platform on how this process was going to work. The Community

Services Department felt that it was of the utmost importance in aiding our seniors with this process. To date, we have registered over 300 people.

Our Department was faced in the year of 2020, with pivoting away from our Community Events and transitioning to Virtual Events. Additionally, city wide car parades made its debut providing widespread enjoyment for everyone involved. We enjoyed the first ever Stay at Home Days and were able to bring Santa into the many homes this Christmas season via Zoom. It just so happens that Santa is genius at this new technology.

Now, as we begin to prepare for 2021, we are working toward bringing back our cherished city events in hopes of once again celebrating with our friends and neighbors. We continue

to work on the booking of bands and vendors for Seven Hills Home Days. This year our Home Days are tentatively scheduled for July 30th, 31st and August 1st. We are also excited that Elvis will be returning along with the very popular band 1988.

In conjunction with the Seven Hills Baseball Federation, the City intends on hosting opening day at Calvin Park. A wonderful tradition celebrating the young talented baseball players of our city.

In 2020 we secured a grant for a new gazebo to be located at the corner of Broadview and Hillside Rds., we are looking to enjoy summer concerts and many other gatherings. This has been trying times for us all and we are anxiously awaiting the days that we can all be together again.



On January 15 an eastbound motorist on Snow Rd. in Parma apparently had a medical emergency and veered left of center, narrowly missing other motorists in the westbound lanes, then striking the porch of a home.



End of an era- Out with the old, in with the new. Republic Services has been in Parma under different names for at least 40 years. Now being replaced by Rumpke. One has to wonder just what happened in order to lose a contract with a city after all those years.



Parma Councilman from Ward 7 Brian Brochetti on his last day of duty. Many years of faithful service to residents of his ward. Farewell and good luck Brian.



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Congratulations to our staff members who were surprised by Chick-fil-A Parma! Chick-fil-A awarded nominated staff members at our school buildings with free Chick-fil-A for a year as part of their Community Heroes program! **View all photos at www.parmacityschools.org!**

Discovery Centers
Provide Academics,
Enrichment for
PCSD Students

Discovery Centers throughout the district are still going strong virtually this school year, helping students with their academics as well as providing engaging enrichment activities for families.

Funded through 21st Century Learning Grants, Discovery Centers are located at Parma Senior High School, Valley Forge High School, Ridge-Brook Elementary School and Thoreau Park Elementary School and provide after school programming for students.

At the elementary level, students are working on skill sets in math and reading, while at the high school level, credit recovery and tutoring are available. Both levels have family and enrichment programs to expose students to a variety of arts and crafts, sports, entertainment, cooking and other skills.

One of the popular enrichment programs so far this year has been virtual cooking classes in partnership with Cuyahoga Community College.

“What we do is we partner with Tri-C and we have a chef from the culinary program teach a virtual cooking class each month,” shared Sandra DiFranco, 21st Century Learning Program Manager for the district. “We decided to create family cooking nights, that way it is more focused on families cooking together. They absolutely love it, and it has been a huge success.”

Cavatelli pasta with red sauce, macaroni and cheese, chicken fingers, garlic bread, cinnamon rolls and fudge were on the menu of the homemade dishes students learned to make the first semester.



“Virtual learning and virtual programs can be very challenging, but Tri-C makes it very educational,” she explained. “We work on math with measuring, we talk about nutrition and we talk about the different ingredients.”

The program has also been focusing on the mental health needs this year, and students are enjoying the time with each other talking about their day and what has been difficult for them, she expressed. Discovery Center coordinators and partners also get the kids up and moving.

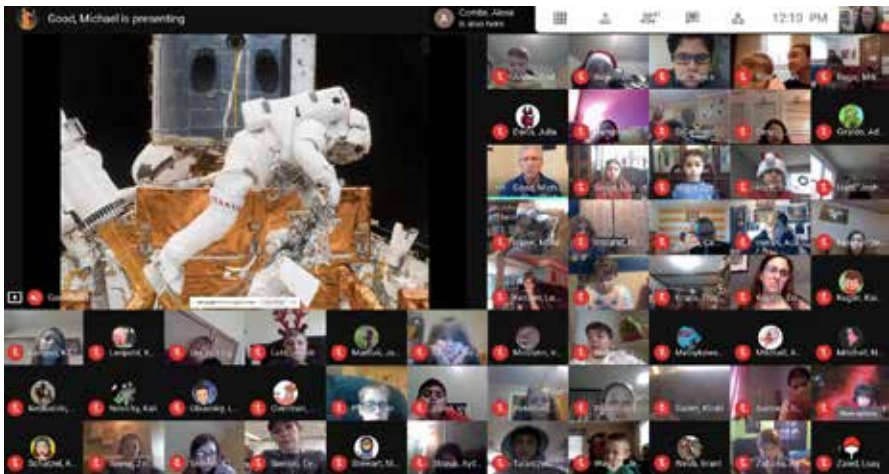
“It is a very big collaboration,” DiFranco shared. “We work with principals, teachers, home liaisons, outside partners and organizations. We are always looking for community support. When we go back to hybrid, we are hoping our Parma Schools Family can step up and share a talent or skill with our students.”

Please contact Sandra DiFranco if you would like to volunteer and share your passion with our Discovery Center students at difrancos@parmacityschools.org. **Learn more at parmacityschools.org!**

Save the Date: PACC Presents State of the Schools

The Parma Area Chamber of Commerce and the Parma City School District are proud to present the annual State of the Schools Address on February 25, 2021 at noon. The event will be held virtually on Zoom. We look forward to seeing you! Registration is required.

Visit <https://www.parmaareachamber.org/> for more information and to register.



No Dream is Impossible for STEM 5

Right before winter break, students in Grade 5 STEM at Greenbriar Middle School interviewed and learned from retired astronaut and Air Force Colonel Michael T. Good. Not only did he share the wonders of space and space flight, but he challenged students to believe in themselves, envision their dream and set goals to make their dreams a reality!

Attention ALL Parma City School District
students and staff, past and present

Do you have memorabilia like yearbooks, t-shirts, pictures, pins, trophies, sweaters, etc. from your school days and don't know what to do with them? Alumni volunteers are collecting historical memorabilia at the former Arlington Elementary by the maintenance door on Fridays from 9-11 a.m. Please wear a mask when dropping items off! Questions? Call Jann at 440-522-2133.

You can also mail your items to:
PCSD Historical Memorabilia
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Attn: Historical Museum



Join Us for 2021 Town Hall Meetings

In the first months of 2021, we will hold virtual Town Hall meetings in which we share information about a specific topic of interest within our district and then take questions and comments from all participants. All meetings will occur on Zoom at 6:00 PM on the following dates:

- February 9:** Our unparalleled Career Technical Education programs
- February 23:** Enriching STEM opportunities
- March 9:** Innovative programs: Parma Virtual Learning Academy, Kindergarten Launch and ACES Center

Please register to attend these sessions on our website www.parmacityschools.org. We look forward to engaging with many of you!

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Inspiration

World Woes Won't Change Until We Strike At The Roots

by Lucy McKernan

It's the 21st year of the 21st century. Time to reconcile that there can be no social justice or human rights without animal rights. When we choose to treat other beings with less than the right to exist for their own sake, we forfeit our own rights. This is not merely a call to veganism, though that would constitute a demonstrably huge step in the right direction. It is an awakening. A consciousness that informs, that is the bedrock of, ALL social justice. Until we can look into the eyes of other beings, great and small, from elephants and whales to ants and spiders, and honestly, humbly see ourselves looking back at us, we cannot call ourselves religious, empathetic or godly. It is impossible to love God while cherry-picking for whom we have mercy. When we witness tax funded police absolved of murdering and terrorizing people of color and feel outrage, we should also feel pain and grief for all the imprisoned, shackled, lynched, slain, impaled, hunted, chased-down, commodified and profited-off-of other beings.

I recently read the true story of "Blossom The Wild Ambassador of Tewksbury." Blossom, a dying fawn rescued by a suburban New Jersey woman, whose story was featured in the Hidden Life of Deer Nat Geo documentary a few years ago, showed the world that deer are every bit as loyal, protective, affectionate and emotional as any human, or dog. You wouldn't think it's ok to shoot a dog with an arrow, right? Blossom protected her human Mom from hateful hunters when the two were caught unawares in Blossom's bedding down area. Blossom chewed a huge piece of wood off an archer's arrow sticking out of her suffering buck friend, Boomer. And she cried out in grief when Boomer, who wore the unmistakable collar and adornments of a tame deer, was slaughtered by a dominion-crazed sociopath who thought it'd be funny to place his blood-soaked collar in the mailbox of the compassionate human who twice rescued Boomer.

Perhaps if we heard their screams, we would think and feel differently

about these excruciatingly sensitive creatures whose lives -- through hunting and wildlife "management" propaganda we buy into them as "nuisances" -- and not DARE have blithely voted in 2016 to allow bow hunting in our communities, or tolerate mass slaughter in OUR taxpayer-funded parks. We would do well to watch and learn from deer. And not just because their matriarchal social order works for the whole herd. For so long, I tried showing, via statistics, public records, metadata, science, and exposing the grotesque underbelly of the unholy alliance of game agencies, park systems, politicians and so-called

conservation groups, that lethal measures aren't just cruel but don't actually reduce deer populations the way haters demand and hunters claim. But I did not get through. What will?

Currently, the Metroparks is being pressured to use a humane, protein-based chemical birth control vaccine on deer instead of sharpshooting hundreds annually. Will they? Let us not expect social justice for humans without consciously advocating for the rights of all beings first. Let's begin with deer. They are SO misunderstood and persecuted. Make 2021 the year when we really turn everything around for all of us.

Rumpke Begins Its Garbage Service In Parma; Republic Removes Its Carts

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Jan. 25.

As of Feb. 1, Rumpke began collecting rubbish in Parma. Under the new five-year service agreement, Rumpke will provide weekly trash, recycling and bulk-waste collection for residents, including the use of Rumpke trash and recycling carts. Residents will not be required to separate yard waste and will have weekly bulk pickup — a convenience

residents are pleased to now have. Rumpke will collect bulk waste items such as appliances, sofas, chairs, mattresses, box springs and other large items. For sanitary reasons, residents are required to wrap upholstered furniture and mattresses in sealable plastic.

If Parma residents have questions about their new service, they can call Rumpke at 1-800-828-8171 or visit www.rumpke.com.

I Believe

by Daniel Taddeo

Accountability is applicable to everyone because we reap what we sow. Anything worth doing is worth doing well. Attitude dictates our behavior. Character is what we are and do when nobody is looking.

Christian Gospel is what only Jesus proclaimed. All other proclamations are false. Contentment is living the virtues.

Eating a high amount of natural, whole grains and low amounts of processed foods puts one on a path of optimal health. Everybody is ignorant, only on different subjects. Exaggeration tends to weaken whatever we exaggerate.

Obedience in children is one of the most important responsibilities of parenting. Optimism doesn't wait on facts. It relies on prospects. People do the best they can under the circumstances they find themselves. Pleasure-craze behavior, such as drug abuse, gambling, overspending, promiscuous sex, and sports, are cause for grave concern. Quarrels, more often than not, start over petty, unimportant matters. Race, color and gender should not be factors in how we view people. Saying only those things about people that you

would say if they were present would contribute greatly to responsible conduct. The single most important word in any language is LOVE.

Things turn out best for the people who make the most of the way things turn out. To manage money and enjoy the process, give ten percent, save ten percent, and live on the remaining eighty percent.

Unique characteristics of gender do not make one superior over the other. Virtue is loving right; all sin is loving wrong.

Waste can be minimized by using it up, making it do, wearing it out, and doing without. We are not punished for our sins, but by them. We have all failed to practice ourselves the kind of behavior we expect from others. We must learn to unlearn and then relearn. We tend not to see things as they are, but as we are. When you need to choose the right course of action, just ask yourself what most people would do, and then do the opposite. Winners accept defeat and get up and go on.

Self-reflection is always a good exercise. What I believe is a work in progress, not limited to these fifty statements and subject to change. What do YOU believe?

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Neighborhoods

Echoes Of A Parma Tragedy

by Bob Shafer

This February sixteenth will mark the hundredth-year anniversary of the murders of Mabel Foote and Louise Wolf. The two teachers were beaten to death on Ridgewood Road, roughly a quarter mile east of its intersection with Ridge Road. Sadly, their murders were never solved. Where nearly forgotten today, the murders were the flash point of public umbrage. There were numerous citizen outrage meetings. Armed mobs of farmer “posses” roamed the streets, searching woods, farms, and homes while questioning all that they met.

By all evidence, the tragedy occurred at a near rapid-fire pace: at five o’clock Charles Uhink witnessed the teachers leaving the school from his family farm. When the teachers were found the next day, a pocket watch, having belonged to Mabel, was found near the bodies. It was broken and had stopped at five fifteen. It was then estimated that the attack either occurred at that time or before. Given the fact that their walk on Bean took them to State Road, some two miles away, they had to walk at a fairly rapid pace. Such would have them encounter their murderer within five minutes of leaving the school.

It may seem rather odd that Uhink or another resident did not hear the woman’s predictable screams as they

fought their attacker. However, there is a logical reason for this. This was that the temperature was roughly fifty degrees, with winds gusting up to fifty miles per hour. That Bean was a gloppy mess was evidenced by the women’s walking on the northern side’s bank of the road. It also recorded their attacker’s approaching them from a real estate shack on the south-side. It also recorded his jumping into the road and fleeing westward after the attack.

Immediately after the discovery of the bodies, the controversy began. To begin with, police lost control over the situation from the start. By the time that they arrived at the crime scene, a crowd had gathered nearby. Within hours, the “posses” had formed and were tramping through the area looking for “clews.” In the coming days, these “unofficial investigators” would be led by, of all people, a school board secretary by the name of Herman Geltman. Before long, the investigation devolved into a search for roughly dressed men who did not wear hats.

From the start, a legend formed around the murders. Some of this was based upon facts, such as the argument that at least one of the teachers knew their assailant. If not, why would they let him approach them on that lonely stretch of road? Others, however, were pure myth, such as the claim that Louise died on her stomach. A simple study

of the crime scene photos reveals that she died on her back. Another myth was that Mabel dragged herself toward Louise, pausing at her overnight bag to wipe her face on her nightgown. Again, one need only look at the crime scene photographs to see that Mabel died crawling towards the road. More, the pictures plainly show that the nightgown is completely out of the bag. It is then arguable that Mabel could not have removed the nightgown from her overnight bag, considering that she dragged herself. We could expect it to be halfway out, but not all the way out of the bag.

In the end, the investigation failed miserably. Of course, there were the given suspects, mainly men with scratched faces or who matched the accepted version of what the killer

son was able to escape while fleeing. He later turned himself in to the Parma Police Department at 2:55 AM.

He has since been held on \$50,000.00 bond. I’m not sure what the outcome will be, but it is quite obvious that with the countless incidents of lawlessness so brazenly displayed

should look like. As well, there were those who came forward to claim responsibility, such as Arthur Ihlenfeld, whom all sources hold to be mentally handicapped. The problem with Mr. Ihlenfeld is that his accounts of the assault do not match the evidence of the situation.

The ultimate tragedy of the murders was what their investigation revealed about the area’s residents. Throughout, “imbeciles,” “half-wits” and “morons” were held with suspicion and accused with unabashed regularity. These were, after all, the birthing days of Eugenics.

For those interested, a small park next to the Pearl Road entrance to the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo memorializes the two teachers.

by this young man, he doesn't seem to have even the slightest concern or respect for his Grandfather Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson. As cold as it sounds, in my opinon, the judge who presides over this particular case may very well be doing a world of good for both the mayor and his grandson if a long jail sentence results.

Frank Q. Jackson Arrested In Parma

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PERSPECTIVE

Learning Presidential History

by Lee Kamps

Last month we saw the inauguration of the 46th President of the United States and the changing of the nation's head of state. This month we celebrate President's Day. How many people realize that there are within an easy drive from Parma four presidential homes or museums that are open to the public?

The first is in Mentor and is the home of our nation's 20th President, James A Garfield. The home is called Lawnfield and is a National Historic Site. Garfield was President only six and a half months. Four months after he became President in March 1881, he was shot in a Washington DC railroad station. He lingered for two and a half

months before dying of his wound. His tomb is in Lakeview Cemetery in Cleveland and it is open to the public.

James Garfield was the last president born in a log cabin. He was born in what is now Moreland Hills in eastern Cuyahoga County. His father died when he was an infant and he was raised by his mother. As a young man he worked as a canal man on the canals in the area. Through his and his mother's savings, he was able to attend what is now Hiram College. By the time he was thirty years old, he had become the President of the college.

He left that position to enlist in the Union army during the Civil War. But he resigned his office when he was

elected to the House of Representatives. He was nominated for President in 1880 on the Republican party ticket. His election as President was close and he was the last person elected President that came directly from the House of Representatives. He was also ambidextrous and could write Greek in one hand and Latin in the other hand simultaneously.

If you drive about 80 miles west of Cleveland to Fremont Ohio, there is the home of Garfield's predecessor as President, Rutherford B Hayes, our 19th President. His home and library are on the property where he lived before and after his presidency. It is called Spiegel Grove. It is also open to the public. If you think that last year's election was contentious, the election of 1876 was perhaps the most contentious election in history.

Some interesting facts about our 19th President are that he also was an officer in the civil war and was wounded four times. After the civil war, he served as governor of Ohio and is called the "father of the Ohio State University" because of his insisting that Ohio establish a "land grant" college under the 1862 law signed by Lincoln allocating federal land for colleges to teach agriculture. In 1870, Hayes signed the bill establishing the Ohio Agricultural and Mechanical College that became the Ohio State University.

In addition, Hayes' wife Lucy Webb Hayes was the first presidential wife referred to as the "first lady". She was also the first presidential wife to hold a college degree. She had a teaching degree from Ohio Wesleyan College. The Hayes forbade the serving of alcoholic beverages at White House

functions, so she earned the nickname of "Lemonade Lucy". Rutherford Hayes said when he became President that he would only serve one term. He kept his word and left the presidency in 1881. He also established the first presidential library which is on the property Spiegel Grove and is open to the public.

An hour's drive south in Canton is the museum of President William McKinley, our nation's 25th President. He lived in Canton, but his old house is not standing. But his museum and tomb are in Canton. McKinley was the last of the presidents who fought in the civil war. He was elected in 1896 as a Republican, defeating the charismatic William Jennings Bryan. McKinley conducted a "front porch campaign" where the reporters came to Canton to hear him speak, while Bryan campaigned all across the country.

McKinley is best known as the President during the Spanish – American War that established the United States as a major world power. As a result of that brief war, the United States obtained Puerto Rico, the Philippines and annexed Hawaii. McKinley was re-elected to a second term in 1900, but in September 1901, he was assassinated while attending an exposition in Buffalo New York.

There are other presidents who lived in Ohio. In Marion, just north of Columbus is the home of Warren Harding. In Cincinnati is the home of William Howard Taft and near Cincinnati is the birthplace of Ulysses Grant as well as the home of William Henry Harrison and the birthplace of Benjamin Harrison. So one doesn't need to travel far to learn some presidential history.

COVID-19 Testing On Feb. 25

At Tri-C Western Campus



by John Horton

Drive-thru COVID-19 testing will be offered Thursday, Feb. 25, at the Western Campus of Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) through a partnership with Care Alliance Health Center.

Testing begins at 11 a.m. each day. No testing will be done after 2 p.m. It is recommended that individuals arrive at least an hour before the site closes in order to get through the line. Testing is completed on a first-come, first-served basis. No appointment is necessary.

The testing service is available to area residents as well as Tri-C students, faculty and staff. The program offers testing to individuals regardless of their symptom status, insurance status or ability to pay. Individuals will not be charged for the test.


A government-issued ID with name and address is required for testing. Those with health coverage are asked to bring their insurance card.

Western Campus is located at 11000 Pleasant Valley Road in Parma. Testing will take place at the circular drive fronting the theater off Pleasant Valley Road.

Visit tri-c.edu/covidtest or call 216-317-1250 for more information and other testing dates at College sites. Individuals can also call to schedule testing appointments at the Care Alliance Central Clinic, located at 2916 Central Ave. in Cleveland.


Test results are communicated to individuals by phone within approximately one week. Reporting could take longer during periods of high-volume testing.

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PERSPECTIVE

America: Her Inevitable Reckoning

by Davidione Pearl

There is an age-old philosophy that has been shared across the world since the dawn of civilization, a philosophy that has intertwined its immovable truth within all spiritual belief systems - from the monotheistic Abrahamic religions of Judaism, Christianity and Islam, to those of polytheistic faiths in the practice of Hinduism and the wide array of indigenous tribal social structures upon the earth. A word that has been distilled from common generational phrases and baked into our bones; sayings like: "what goes around comes around," and, "you reap what you sow"...

A word that epitomizes balance, instilling renewal and justice to those in its blessing, while equally exacting destruction to others in the same breath. That word is, karma, a word we have collectively accepted and understood for time immemorial, but merely in the tragically diminished context of a condition that we believe seems to only occur between people. Karma is however far more encompassing than that.

The reckoning of injustice from this spiritual vantage point is referred to as, 'karmic debt', a cardinal truth that has brought entire empires to their knees while lifting new civilizations to prominence. We acknowledge and generally accept karma happening between people, yet never stop to think of the karmic debt our nation has accrued by never truly addressing our deadly past and reconciling with it. America and violent white nationalism has gone hand in hand since the origin of the country, it was how the nation came to carve out and dominate its way westward to the Pacific in a suppressive blood bath of indigenous carnage and misery, it was how the early American British colonies fought for and ensured the continuation of black chattel slavery [even] as England sought to outlaw the slave trade in the early 1800s, and it has been the behavior of violent white nationalist mobs since post Civil War 'Reconstruction' in particular with the advent of the Ku Klux Klan. The radical far-right has a well documented history of white nationalist insur-

rection and violent upheaval in our nation, and has been storming communities and capitols for centuries. No other demographic group in the country's history has ever had the capability to inflict so much harm on our fellow citizens. They've perpetrated well over 10,000 gruesome nationalist riots large and small in our country since 1743. Angry murderous far-right mobs with and without white sheets that have scourged American's homes, churches, courthouses, schools, and our nation's infamy, hell-bent on evil and values they see only for themselves. They do not believe a race war is imminent, they believe it is necessary, and will incessantly gaslight the powder keg until the first shot to bring it all to a head is finally heard once more around the world as it was in 1776.

The only difference this time, this year with the attack on our Capitol on January 6th, is that the mob upheaval didn't last long enough for it to end with humans burned alive or hanging from trees, but there's clearly yet still more to come.

A Capitol police officer died as a result of injuries sustained from the attack, but there were no MAGA blue lives matter rallies for him or any of the injured officers in the wake of the assault. The officers were spit on, pepper sprayed, beaten and crushed by those that claim to support blue lives. They attacked with pipes and an assortment of other weapons including gases, pipe bombs and guns. Over a horrendous election lie from a failed and destructive leader. A lie that former Trump appointed Attorney General William Barr, thousands of republican election officials, hundreds of republican statehouse officials, millions of republican election day overseers working alongside democrat and independent overseers who walked ballots to subsequent rooms together with the FBI, all unanimously debunked, concurred and re-concurred via election results through hand recounts. They each stated there was no fraud, and no real history of fraud in their states (which can be substantiated) - merely the periodic wear and tear of hardware and the rare incon-

sequential glitch that they immediately catch like with any other computer system in the world.

Yet the woefully ignorant stormed and desecrated our Capitol, left the corpse of a police officer in their wake, and continue to decry avalanches of fraud as directed by their leader, when above all, zero evidence has ever been brought forward to even republican federal judges appointed by the president, so in turn they too threw out the cases one by one due to presentation of said zero evidence. 62 cases in all... All thrown out of court by [His] appointed republican federal judges. The Supreme Court of which he appointed three judges to the bench giving it its current six republican to three democrat conservative majority, also threw out his case(s) for lack of evidence, and all of the states he demanded to recount did, and again, and again; they certified, litigated and adjudicated.

Repeatedly. Exhaustively. The Dept. of Homeland Security additionally confirmed the fair and secure fortitude of our voting systems and the strength of our states. Yet here we are.

Election fraud is something we all truly know hasn't even been a modicum of an issue the last sixty years until a minstreling grifting madman arrived and conjured it up, stoking and stirring his many divisive cauldrons of fear and hate. Mention to his loyalists however, the very clear and open election cheating the former president initiated right in front of all of our faces with the removal of 671 massive mail sorting machines and tens of thousands of mailboxes around the country mere weeks before early vot-

ing, and you'll get nothing but quick deflections and yet another pass to his depraved tantrums and monstrosities. This abject morally bankrupt delusional hypocrisy is absolutely staggering and shamefully low of frequency, intellect, and critical thinking to the point of collective mental illness.

They listen only to their leader, not the FBI, not Homeland Security, not even former Republican presidents.

Then they prey on recruiting those we love, attempting to seduce them farther and farther away from sensibility and reality itself. They've opened the gates and have paved the way for legions of leaders to be birthed from the bowels of this madness, to emerge and grow this beast ever broader and even more ferocious. This is what happens when white nationalist evil is pampered along for centuries in a democracy that never truly existed.

But there still is hope, there are sensible conservatives that have seen this scourge for what it is and are working to regroup, even to nurture friends and loved ones away from the temptations of the radical right movement before they spiral out of control within it. It is time to come together and bury our partisan hatchets under one simple platform, the platform of endeavoring sensible noble truths that meet all of our universal human needs; a life that lends itself to earnestly seeking to understand living in the shoes of another, that we may finally begin to reduce our nation's karmic debt in the years to come, as we are only in the beginning of collective reckoning that is our karmic debt.





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From Cleveland Rape Crisis Center:
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regarding their robust outreach & education programs

From Parma Council of PTA's.....
Scholarship applications for the 2020 – 2021 school year are now being accepted. Go here for details and an application form: <https://www.parmacityschools.org/Page/1825>.

To learn about the organization, go here: <https://www.parmacityschools.org/Page/334> . To follow them on FB, click here: <https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=parma%20council%20of%20ptas>

Best of Parma 2021....Voting has begunfor the 4th Annual Best of Parma competition w/winners being announced on March 5th.

From the Parma Heights Police Department....

They will be hosting a Citizen's Police Academy beginning in March 2021. It's a 10 week course meeting every Wednesday evening from 6:00pm-9:00pm. The program, following all state-ordered COVID-19 guidelines, is done in conjunction with Cuyahoga County Community College utilizing their new state of the art Public Safety Training Village. If you're interested or know of anyone in your network that you think would enjoy the program please complete the application found here: <https://forms.gle/DF5tFi4pwgZA5nANA>

From the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council....

They're seeking public comment in regards to the Council's draft of the 2022 – 2026 Five-Year State Plan. Go here https://www.ddc.ohio.gov/state-plan-comments?utmsource=OCALI+Communications&utm_campaign=b1cb9f6eae-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_03_05_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_e20b46887d-b1cb9f6eae-408103017 to learn more & to complete those surveys that may be of interest to you. Deadline is February 28th!

From TIES (www.tiesteach.org)

High School Students: Have A Big Idea? Here's A Big Opportunity. Join the Founders Lab Spring 2021 Hackathon, Feb. 18 to Feb. 20. Learn to build an APP and gain inspiration from Cleveland David Boone, who will talk about how he turned coding and computer science into his career and now his own start-up business. It's free to join – compete for prizes & scholarships, make connections & get inspired. Register here: <https://www.yourvone.com/event/founders-lab-spring-2021-hackathon>

From Parma City Schools:

Visit the District's web site & scroll down to find information/links re: current programs, services & up-coming events, i.e.: Covid Dashboard, 2020 in Review, schedule of 2021 Town Hall mtgs (Feb. 9th & 23rd)), proposed calendar for 2021, Board actions and so on. It's all there & easy to find.
Go here to view/register for

upcoming courses available on the PCSD Parent University Training Course schedule.

From Parma Area MyCom, Southwest Community Based Svcs/Univ. Settlement:

They need employers willing to employ younger students, to participate in Y.O.U.'s Summer Employment program & help create check lists to expedite youth employment, i.e.: bank accounts, work permits, resumes, interviews, etc.? If you can help, please contact the Parma Area MyCom Coordinator, Qadriyyah Sultan at 216.749.9354 or email at qsultan@cuyahogalibrart.org.

For high school seniors struggling to get that college entrance or scholarship essay done, or juniors who want to get a jump on it for next year, consider participating in one of the Face the College Essay Workshops where they can learn to craft a compelling essay in a supportive environment. The virtual ZOOM sessions will be 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, February 10 & the 17th. Pre-registration is required at <https://lakeerieink.org/register/>. Courses are \$10/session & scholarships are available.

Find out what's new with MyCom at www.mycomcle.org, sign up for their e-newsletter, join in their Wisdom for Wednesday weekly Zoom get-togethers and/or visit their FAQ page to learn more about the organization.

Don't hesitate calling SWCBS at 440.887.4873 w/questions re: among other things, COVID-19 related housing and utility assistance. Check

ead the rest of the story online at www.parmaobserver.com

Parma Rec Flips Order Of The Soccer Season But Plans For High School Spring Season



by Carolyn Kovach

The pandemic forced sweeping changes last year to school sports and community recreation programs and continues to challenge coaches and recreation directors as they grapple with how to keep athletes active and safe.

To provide a full soccer season, the City of Parma Recreation Department decided to start the 2021-22 soccer season for Tikes -N- Spikes and Divisions

1 through 5 (preschool through eighth grade) in fall 2021 and complete the season in spring 2022. Registration for fall soccer will run May 24 to June 13, 2021.

Historically, Parma's recreational soccer season starts in the spring, but the 2021-22 season is flipping the order. "This is the best time to permanently transition to the new format. Most communities and soccer organizations

start their seasons in the fall and end in the spring," said Mickey Vittardi, director of recreation.

Only co-ed high school Divisions 6 and 7, which includes freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors, will play this spring. Registration runs Feb. 15 to Feb. 28. Games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

"We want to avoid the high school players losing two years of participation, which is why we are providing a spring season for this age group," explained Dave Ehlert, assistant director of recreation.



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PARMA ART SCENE

Parma Art Scene

by Kathryn Mabin

Riverside Cemetery Calendar - The year certainly started out right for Sean Mabin, owner/operator of Prama Artspace Gallery & Boutique, when he won first place in the photo contest for Riverside Cemetery. The contest ended 12/31/20 and he was notified on 1/2/21. Riverside Cemetery is located at 3607 Pearl Road in Cleveland. It was conceived in 1875 and opened in 1876. In 1876 the Riverside Cemetery Association purchased 102.5 acres of land from Titus N. Brainard. Riverside was the first garden style, large park, cemetery on the west side of Cleveland. The winning photo was of the Riverside Cemetery Gatehouse which was completed in 1897. The building is constructed of red brownstone. The Gatehouse was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1987. The cemetery is park-like and very beautiful. Notable families buried there are Brainard, Lamson, Sessions, and Rhodes. For more information on Riverside Cemetery, visit their web page, www.riversidecemeterycleveland.org, or follow them on Facebook. Both have many beautiful photos of the grounds, statues and monuments.

Prama Artspace Gallery & Boutique is pleased to present, "Places", a photographic exhibit, by two photographers, runs January 22, 2021 through February 22, 2021. This exhibit has a



iverside Cemetery Gatehouse by Sean Mabin

Parma connection. Anthony DeMarco is well known in Parma. He moved here in 1949, and attended Parma schools. He taught art classes at Parma High School for 31 years. Many Parma Alumni fondly remember his classes in enameling, jewelry, crafts, drawing, painting, humanities and photography. He retired in 1997, but has continued to actively pursue his artistic passions. Lena Simovic, of Lena Atomika Photography is a Parma resident who has over 25 years of photographic experience with bi-coastal exhibitions from LA to NYC, and all the way to Paris, France. Stop in at Prama to see their work. Prama is located at 5411 Pearl Road. Hours are Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Saturday. 2 to 7 PM. Please wear your mask, if you forget

yours, they are available to purchase on site. Social distance please while in the gallery. Private appointments are also available.

Lena Simovic, of Lena Atomika Photography is also on exhibit at the Season Pass Members' Exhibition at SPACES, located at 2900 Detroit Rd., from January 22nd through March 19th. Additionally she has pieces available for purchase at the BAYarts store in Bay Village.

Laura D'Alessandro, co-curator Prama Gallery, founder and Director of Cleveland Photo Fest, has been very busy. She has photos in the 31st edition of Hand Magazine. She is also on exhibit at the SPACES Seasons Pass Member Exhibit which opened January 22., 2021 and runs through March 19th. She's also in Memory and Resistance: 40th Anniversary of the InterReligious Task Force on Central America and Colombia, at ArtiCLE Gallery in the Waterloo Arts District.

Photo Submissions Wanted: Cleveland Photo Fest's Photothon 2021 has opened entries for three exhibits. Sponsored by the Bostwick Design Art Initiative. For Women Only, Dear Diary: Show us your secrets. An opportunity to delve into your imagination and express yourself. Furtography, Another Show for Dogs. Show us your noblest, most elegant, memorable, humorous and lasting images. Deja Nude, Not another nude show! An exhibition of upbeat, enlightened and just plain fun nudity. Go to www.clevelandphotofest.org to submit or for further information.

Cleveland Photo Fest and BAYarts presents the Cleveland - Kerala Photo Exchange opens May 26, 2021. It's a photo exchange between 45 Cleveland Area photographers and 48 images of Kerala India. Of the 45 area photographers, several have a Parma connection. Mary Ford, Parma resident, Laura D'Alessandro, co-curator Prama Artspace Gallery, Sean Mabin, owner/operator Prama Artspace Gallery, and Jim Szudy of 440 Photography, Director & Marketing Manager of Cleveland Photo Fest and founder of Gemini Developers. BAYarts is located at 28795 Lake Avenue in Bay Village.

It is with great sadness that I report, Christine Vodicka, M.Ed., has lost her seven year battle with cancer. She passed on December 30, 2020. Christine and her husband moved to Parma in 2015. I met Christine when she reconnected with her creative side and won Best In Show at the Parma



Achell Island by Anthony DeMarco

Area Fine Arts Council's show a couple of years ago, for her charcoal and chalk drawing. Chris danced a jig in the isle when it was announced she won. In 2013 Chris was diagnosed with breast cancer and underwent a mastectomy, chemotherapy and radiation. In 2015 she was again diagnosed with cancer which had now spread. Chris was truly an inspiration to me, through it all I was amazed by her motivation, her positive outlook on life, and her vibrancy. She had opened College Colleagues LLC., in Middleburg Heights, offering Academic Success Coaching, Life Coaching, Tutoring personal success workshops, and educational consulting for ages K through adult. A couple years ago she sad to me, "I have too much experience, passion, and knowledge of academic success to share, as well as much more to learn. My work here is not done." Chris was loved by many and will be greatly missed.

Cleveland Arts Events: Trying to find something to do that's different? Log into www.clevelandartsevents.com. Brought to you by Cuyahoga Arts & Culture. This site is easy to use for searching for entertainment events, online streaming, festivals, music, theater, dance, history and visual arts. You can narrow the search by city, family friendly or free. You can search for a specific organization, venue or artist. They even have a job posting site. Great tool for residents, or visitors alike. Thanks CAC for this great easy to use tool!

Shop Local For Special Gifts Filled With Love For Valentine's Day

by Emery Pinter

From gifts and cards to cocktails and dinner, consumers are expected to spend an average \$200 on Valentine's Day. If you are going to spend on the Day of Hearts, why not take the opportunity to shop locally? Parma Heights is home to creative and caring people who run thoughtful businesses. Many of them pouring money back into the community. So here's a few suggestions of purpose driven places to shop locally all across the city:

A bouquet and card from family owned and operated Sunshine Flow-



ers, (6230 Stumph, 440-884-4550) makes for a classic Valentine's Day gift. And they offer walk-in, pick up or delivery of flowers. Right next door is Lydia's Hungarian Strudel Shop (6230 Stumph, 440-885-2600). Ever try their double chocolate torte? Tiramisu? Or their sweet and savory strudel? Grab some chocolatey goodness and call the store to put an order ahead of Valentine's Day.

Village Cards & Gifts (6643 Pearl Rd. 440-884-2331) has some of the best Valentine gifts. Huggable plush animals, a collection of fashion jewelry and accessories for under \$30 that will have your fashionista blushing! and a vast assortment of serious and humorous cards to make a lasting impression.

Valentine's Day is right around the corner. Let's show some love for our small business owners by shopping for gifts locally.

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Amenities and services:

- 60 private short term rehab suites with private bathroom and shower
- Medications administered by 24-hour nursing staff
- Visiting physicians, including dentist, optometrist and podiatrist
- 24-hour personal response system
- Beautiful, secure and private courtyard for residents to enjoy fresh air
- Non-Denominational chapel with on-site chaplain
- Medical model assisted living
- Housekeeping, personal laundry and linen services
- Barber shop and beauty salon services
- Complimentary in-house cable television and in-suite internet and phone service
- Aromatherapy/gentle massage. The use of essential oils and lotions helps reduce stress for the resident
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