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Mustachioed children pose for a picture at the Baseball Around the Region ceremony, one of four Clifton activities to commemorate baseball's All-Star Game hosted by Cincinnati in July.

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Let the Games Begin! Clifton Selected as All-Star Neighborhood

City of Cincinnati Mayor John Cranley issued an official proclamation confirming what many of us already knew—Clifton is an All-Star Neighborhood!

In advance of the Major League Baseball All-Star Game, the Cincinnati Convention and Visitors Bureau

announced that Clifton was selected as one of the premiere neighborhoods in the Tri-State and had the honor of hosting baseball-themed events to celebrate our community during the designated All-Star Week, July 8 to 14.

The planning committee of Alexis Frasier Cain, Elizabeth McNearney, Mike Anagnostou and Nicholas Hollan embraced the task of creating fun, family-friendly activities.

The events kicked off with the Baseball Across the Region Ceremony during a Wednesday on the Green concert at Clifton Cultural Arts Center (CCAC). Families took turns touching a baseball that traveled from community to community, much like the Olympic torch, before finally finding a permanent home at the Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame Museum.

To continue the All-Star festivities, the Esquire Theater featured the baseball classic, *Field of Dreams*. Base-

ball fans were treated to an All-Star Vintage Baseball Game on Saturday as players from area vintage baseball teams competed at the University of Cincinnati. Burnet Woods hosted a wiffle ball homerun derby in addition to a water balloon toss in partnership with the Cincinnati Neighborhood Games.

Roughly 150 Cliftonites gathered at the plaza to partake in the Neighborhood Block Party. Before watching the game in the plaza, Clifton was treated to karaoke solos as children did their best rendition of "Take me out to the ballgame." When the singing concluded, kids practiced their baseball swings on the giant, baseball-shaped piñata.

While the American League defeated the National League in the game, the real winner of the All-Star Game was Clifton!

—Nicholas Hollan, *CTM Events Chair*



Neighborhood kids take turns keeping score during the All-Star Game broadcast.

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Letter From the CTM President

Our unique and historic neighborhood of Clifton has been an exciting place to be over this past spring and summer.

The 2015 Clifton House Tour was held on Mother's Day and was a tremendous success. We had beautiful weather and an estimated 900-1,000 people in attendance to view some of Clifton's most historic and beautiful homes. We showcased seven homes this year, ranging in style from 1800s Italianate to 1970s International Modernist. The event could not have been possible without the support of 90+ volunteers along with all of our CTM Trustees. It was amazing to see everyone come together and share in this wonderful event.

Clifton also had the honor of being one of four Cincinnati neighborhoods to host activities related to the 2015 Major League Baseball All-Star Game in July. Clifton was well represented thanks to the efforts of the "All-Star Clifton" Committee. Members included Mike Anagnostou, Alexis Cain, Nicholas Hollan and Elizabeth McNearney. This core team did an amazing job aligning (in a very short time) with Major League Baseball, The Cincinnati USA Convention & Visitors Bureau, and various other organizations to program these events. Activities in or near Clifton

included a Wiffle Ball Home Run Derby in Burnet Woods, an 1800s-rules Baseball game, and the All-Star Game Viewing party on the Clifton Plaza. I would like to thank Mike, Alexis, Nicholas and Elizabeth for the their time and efforts.

Many of us have also been enjoying more programming on the Clifton Plaza this summer. This is due to the efforts of the Ludlow 21 Working Group. This working group was formed as part of the Ludlow 21 Report developed by Kathleen Norris and Urban Fast Forward. This working group remains active, carrying out the recommendations outlined in the report, including enhanced programming on the Clifton Plaza. Live music, movie nights and the BIG Weekend event in late July are some examples of new programming events on the Clifton Plaza.

Looking ahead to the late summer and fall, there are more activities in Clifton to enjoy, including the third annual Clifton Golf Outing and CliftonFest.

It's been a great first half of 2015 for Clifton and the outlook for the rest of the year looks equally promising.

—Anthony Sizemore, President
Clifton Town Meeting

History Repeated—See Stephen Cosco's video of the Probasco Fountain's Rededication on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gPsjODvwzKo>.

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Clifton Transportation Update

Many of the street projects in and around Clifton continue to progress. Here is an update on current and future transportation projects affecting our community.

Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has reversed course and agreed to move the completion of the I-75 Hopple Street interchange back to the original timeline of summer 2016. Last year, at the request of Cincinnati State and Mayor Cranley, the ramp from Hopple Street to NB I-75 was moved to a later phase, which would have extended the construction of the interchange and associated traffic disruptions in Clifton out to at least 2020. CTM laid the groundwork for this effort and worked with Camp Washington and Uptown to bring about this important change.

The city does not anticipate any action on the Clifton Hills Avenue partial barrier until Hopple construction is complete.

Related to the I-75 project is the proposed Elmore to Central Parkway Connector. This bridge will span from South Cumminsville to Central Parkway near Cincinnati State. An information session was held in July where final plans for the bridge were presented. The bridge will include two lanes of traffic with a shared-use pedestrian-bicycle path. The impact to Clifton is unclear at this time. Total construction costs are estimated at \$42 million. If funding is obtained, construction could begin as soon as 2017 and complete in

2021. CTM will continue to monitor and engage in the process.

Thanks to Cincinnati Vice Mayor David Mann for working to accelerate the demolition of the vacant buildings along West Martin Luther King Jr. Drive in preparation for the improvements between Clifton Avenue and the Hopple Street interchange. The enhancements will improve safety and congestion along the route and add a shared-use pedestrian-bicycle path. Street construction is anticipated to begin in late summer 2015.

The water main work on Ludlow and Jefferson Avenues will wrap up late summer 2015 and the streets will be resurfaced shortly thereafter. Additional water main projects will affect Clifton Avenue from Wolper south through CUF (Clifton Heights, University Heights, Fairview Heights) in the next year.

The CTM Transportation Committee has requested a marked crosswalk across Ludlow/Jefferson at Brookline near the site of the new library. It is currently under study by the city.

Speed limit reductions requested by CTM for McAlpin, Ruther and Vine are under study by the city.

Please continue to bring your questions, comments and concerns to the board by attending one of the monthly meetings or sending an email to contactctm@cliftoncommunity.org

—Mike Schur, Chair
CTM Transportation Committee

Clifton Community Fund Annual Dinner Saturday September 26 at The Cincinnati Woman's Club

Look for your invitation in the mail to this year's Clifton Community Fund Annual dinner. This year's fun and festivities will once again be held at the beautiful Cincinnati Woman's Club.

- Entertainment & appetizers on the patio
- Elegant dinner
- Wine auction
- Clifton-themed art auction

All proceeds support projects that help make Clifton a more beautiful place to live. For instance:

- Utility box art
- Library stained glass window
- Holiday lighting on Ludlow
- Firehouse lighting
- Murals on Ludlow . . . to name just a few!

For more information visit the Clifton Community Fund on Facebook or call 513-659-8819.

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The Clifton Market Board thanks everyone who has purchased a share, made a loan, and/or volunteered. We now have more than 1,040 individual share owners!

We have secured commitment letters from banks totalling \$3 million, and raised \$1.4 million in owner shares and loans. Now, we are in the final fund-raising push to raise \$640,000. This includes having purchased the property, build out, equipment and opening inventory. Once we raise this money we can close on the bank loans and begin an estimated six months of construction.

We've carefully developed the new grocery's layout in conjunction with Keith Wicks, one of the most respected U.S. grocery market consultants, and Laurel Grocers' senior management staff.

Clifton Market (CM) will be an uptrend, full-service grocery with organic and local produce, seafood, butcher, extensive beer and wine, juice bar, health and household products and signature breads and desserts.

Wicks projects that CM will bring 15,000 people a week to the store and Ludlow Avenue—a high support to all the local shops and restaurants. Additionally, we project about 60 new jobs, enhancing the vibrance, economic development and safety of our business district.

Everybody who loves Clifton can buy a share! Tell all your friends and family that they can own a piece of a real neighborhood grocery store.

Charles Marxan is our field director. Robert Dameron, recently retired WesBanco executive, is our banking consultant and Randy Miller, with more than 30 years experience with Biggs, Rempkebiggs and Kroger, is our grocery development advisor.

Our design team includes architect Paul Muller; Char and Simon Lyon of Catt Lyon design; Brian Wilburn and Mike Reuter of Kings Retail Solutions; Phil Brookshire, an industrial designer; Rich Schramm of Ascendum, IT; Lara Roller, an interior designer; and Marilyn Hyland.

The Clifton Market Board includes Adam



Dave Bradbury and Sue Meyer partaking in produce at the Clifton Market vendor sneak peek event

Hyland, chair; Jo Taylor, secretary; Cat Skintik, treasurer; Dana Dubay; Brian Frank; Emma Hartkemeier; Marilyn Hyland; Rama Kasturi; Robert Krikorian; and Mary Rose Ventura.

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Renovate and They Will Come

As summer fades away into autumn, the excitement surrounding the new Clifton Branch on Brookline Avenue continues to grow. It's been three months since the grand opening May 28 and customers are still delighted about all the upgrades in the renovated Parkview Manor.

"We have had so many fun interactions with patrons," said Clifton Branch Manager Jill Beitz. "The patrons are so excited about the new place. Several locals have brought in their out-of-town guests to show it off. We've also had visits from people who are just visiting Cincinnati, heard about the branch and wanted to see it."

One special set of visitors are members of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. The fraternity occupied the former "Boss" Cox home from 1949 until 2007.

"They are all really excited to see the mansion all cleaned up and decked out and have told us many stories of secret passageways and ghost sightings," said Beitz.

Not so secret are the sightings of customers enjoying the dedicated areas in the branch.

"The solarium has been a hit with families to just sit in the sun and read books," said Beitz. "Our porch is busy from morning until evening with people reading, eating, working on their computers and playing chess. Our teen tech lab and gaming room are getting a lot of use as the teens are happy to have their own area now.



The Clifton community enters the new Library branch for the first time. Inset, The former Parkview Manor is now the new Clifton Branch Library.

"The reading room in the old porte-cochère also is really popular. We have a few patrons who come in and spend all day in there just reading and working on their computers."

One amenity unique to the Clifton Branch is the after-hours lockers. Customers can now pick up their items after closing. According to Beitz, the customers have been happy to have them available.

The process for using a locker is easy. Just call or email the Clifton Branch to request items. Be sure you have your Library card

number. A librarian will check them out for you and place them in a locker with the receipt containing the due date. Customers will be contacted with their locker number, which they can access using the last four digits of the barcode number on their Library card.

"All in all, I think that Clifton is pretty happy with the new library," Beitz said.

For more photos from the grand opening and a view inside the new branch, go to <http://cinlib.org/1G8gGNC>

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My Story

“Everyone has a story.” I have been the pastor at Immanuel Clifton for 10 months, but my story in Cincinnati is much longer.

Our stories, intertwined with others, create opportunities for personal and community growth. I look forward to sharing stories in this neighborhood for years to come. If you'd like to read more, go to <http://www.cliftoncommunity.org/clifton-chronicle/>.

Rev. Rich Jones

Pastor, Immanuel Presbyterian Church



Cincinnati State Report

Cincinnati State is probably better known for its nursing and health care and manufacturing and business-related programs than for its Hollywood chops. But maybe that's about to change. This year, after all, your community college brought home a regional Emmy Award.

That was just one of the highlights of a season that found the college welcoming a Red Bike station along Ludlow Avenue, preparing to announce an exciting expansion of our nursing partnership with the University of Cincinnati, and gearing up for another great fall series at the Midwest Culinary Institute. Read the online version at <http://cliftoncommunity.org/clifton-chronicle/> to learn more.



8th Annual ZeroLandfill Cincinnati

Join the eighth annual ZeroLandfill Cincinnati! To date more than 192,000 pounds of material have been diverted from landfills. Items were re-purposed by schools, libraries, theater groups, artists, and students for projects of all shapes and sizes. Let's make this year even better! We are always in need of extra hands, if you would like to volunteer please click the link below: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a084fa5ad2c7-zero landfill>

Visit the website for future drop-off dates. Take-away dates, Saturdays September 12 and 19 from 9 a.m. to noon. Zero Landfill is located at 4801 Montgomery Road, 45212.

Visit the online *Clifton Chronicle* for more photos and expanded articles, including Tim Werner's "The Opticians revenge, A Fantasy," and a wrap-up of summer Ludlow 21 Working Group events.



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\$900,000 Grant Awarded to CSO and CCM to Pilot Collaborative Professional Training Program

The Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra and University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music (CCM) have received a \$900,000 grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. This grant will be used to pilot a groundbreaking collaborative fellowship program aimed at developing young, graduate-level musicians from underrepresented populations and preparing them for the professional orchestra world.

The CSO/CCM Diversity Fellowship Pro-

gram responds to a need among American orchestras and professional music conservatories, which face issues of underrepresentation, and is driven by the mutual desire of the CSO and CCM to foster a more inclusive environment in the orchestral industry. Selected graduate string players from underrepresented populations will participate in a specialized fellowship that is already garnering attention among leaders throughout the music world. The first class of

Fellows will begin in fall of 2016. (Application procedures and deadlines will be announced at a later date.) This educational opportunity will consist of enrollment in a master's or artist degree program at CCM, study with CCM's illustrious faculty, focused mentorship by CSO musicians, and actual performances with the CSO.

This program is industry-leading and the first of its kind that involves a major American orchestra and a major conservatory.

See the complete story online at <http://cliftoncommunity.org/clifton-chronicle/>.

dirt: Connecting Local Food Consumers and Growers at Findlay Market

On August 4, The Corporation for Findlay Market launched dirt: a modern market with generous support from the Interact for Health Foundation. dirt is located at 131 West Elder, between Maverick Chocolate and Eli's BBQ at Findlay Market. There was fresh corn on the grill and sliced juicy tomatoes and melons to share.

dirt: a modern market will establish a year-round fulltime retail store to connect consumers and producers of locally produced fruits, vegetables, meat, cheese, dairy products and other agricultural products.

dirt will function like a consignment store where growers and producers will rent space by the week or month, set up their individual display, set their own prices, and be reimbursed 70-80 percent of their gross sales.

dirt's goals are to encourage healthy eating, expand the market for local growers

and producers, and promote community involvement and sustainable living. It will serve as the informal hub for local food initiatives at Findlay Market—the weekend farmers market, the Findlay Market neighborhood farmstands and pop-up markets, The Kitchen at Findlay Market and Produce Perks/SNAP Plus.

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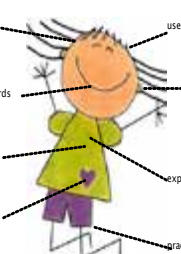
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CCAC Wednesdays on the Green

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Fall into Art at CCAC

From the annual Golden Ticket to Talking Blues, through the works of art, to the opening of new doors and discovering your inner artistic side, this fall promises to be an exciting one in CCAC's galleries! We invite you to join us as we recognize the great work being done by our region's talented artists. Admission to all exhibitions is open and free to the public.

The Golden Ticket Artists Exhibition Runs August 24 – September 26, 2015

More than 230 works of art were submitted for this year's annual Golden Ticket Artists Exhibition. The show, now in its sixth year, is limited to artists living or working within 25 miles of CCAC and showcases our region's diverse creative talent. This year's prestigious jurors are Steven Matijcio, curator of the Contemporary Arts Center; Matt Distel, adjunct curator, Cincinnati Art Museum Exhibitions Director; Sara M. Vance Waddell, collector; and Terence Hammonds, artist.

All awards will be announced at 7 p.m. at the opening reception. Winners of The Golden Ticket are invited to give Artist Talks on September 24, one of the many new features of the exhibition this year.

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Watch for details about Holidays on Ludlow, slated for December 11, 6 to 9 p.m.



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- Interfaith Walk: Visit Six Sacred Spaces Along Clifton Ave. Saturday 9/26 at 10 AM
- Cars, Jazz, Architecture Tours After Sunday Worship
- Sunday Pet Blessing (12:30) and Pet Parade (1:30)

Sunday, October 11 : Church Beyond the Walls

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CCAC Fall Activity Lineup

Cooler temperatures and changing leaves hail the beginning of fun new programming! Check out what's happening at CCAC this fall and make plans to join us for one or more fun activities.

- 8/28: Golden Ticket Artist's Exhibition opening reception, 6 – 9 p.m. (free)
- 9/7: Fall 2015 Classes Begin!
- 9/23: Sunset Salons – Dance, 6:30 – 9 p.m. (\$15/advance, \$20/door)
- 9/26: Golden Ticket Artist's Exhibition closing reception
- 10/2: Talking Blues: Paintings and Drawings by Cedric Michael Cox opening reception, 6 – 8pm (free)
- 10/11: Second Sunday Family Showtime – Little Red Riding Hood, 2 p.m. (free for kids; \$5/adult)
- 11/7: Autumn Air Art Fair, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. (free)
- 11/7: Tiger Lily Press Print Sale, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. (free)
- 11/9: Second Sunday Family Showtime – Zak Morgan, 2 p.m. (free for kids; \$5/adult)
- 11/18: Sunset Salons – Craft, 6:30 – 9pm (\$15/advance, \$20/door)
- 11/21: Madcap Puppets presents Madcap's Legend of Sleepy Hollow, 11 a.m. & 1 p.m. (\$8/ticket)
- 12/13: Second Sunday Family Showtime – The Elves and The Shoemaker, 2 p.m. (free for kids; \$5/adult)



NS Montessori Meets Shakespeare

New School Montessori 4th, 5th and 6th graders performed a 45-minute version of Macbeth throughout the city. They began by reciting words created by Shakespeare, crediting the great master for adding to the English lexicon. Visit <http://youtu.be/OaoTQpWeXw> to see their performance introduction. Read the full story online at <http://www.cliftoncommunity.org/clifton-chronicle>.

Come Decorate Ludlow Avenue

The CTM Beautification Committee will be putting up holiday decorations the weekend of 11/21/2015. We will be doing live evergreen roping and white LED lights. We're hoping to increase the amount of lights this year for a brighter and more festive appearance.

Have some fun and join us to dress the street in holiday cheer. This is a family friendly volunteer activity, so bring the kids. Contact Adam Balz, committee chair, at balzda@gmail.com to volunteer.

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Clifton Summer Day Camp 2015

A Poem by Tiffany Thomas

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 We got to know each other during week 1,
 Glow bowling during week 2 was so much fun!
 Zapped out of week 3 dressed like princesses and pirates,
 Backyard at Parky's Farm in week 4 spread fun like a virus!
 Week 5 was weird and wacky, socks, shirts and shoes,
 A rained out trip to Coney in week 6 gave us the blues.
 During week 7 we were All Stars at the Cincinnati Museum Center,
 Week 8 all around the world gave us two trips in nice weather,
 Watching the Reds hit homeruns, and Coney Island's water and rides,
 Fun in the sun in week 9 in water wars gave us cool vibes.
 Yes the counselors won, but the campers live to fight another day,
 Watch out for sneak attacks, keep the balloons at bay.
 Week 10 at Miami Whitewater will be wet 'n' wild,
 The splash park and paddle boats, fun for every child.
 We still have our camp luau and talent show in the last week,
 So let's limbo, sing and dance, because it's fun that we seek.
 The groups have had a chance to explore Clifton by going,
 to Mt. Storm, Burnett Woods, movies at the Esquire in the morning
 We ate Greater's Ice Cream which was good and creamy,
 And helped us stay cool when it was hot and steamy.
 The rainy season has put a damper on both swim lessons and pool time.
 But we find ways to enjoy ourselves daily, rain or shine.
 As everyone goes back to school, we might shed a tear,
 But we'll see everyone back at Summer Camp next year!



Week 8 field trip to a Red's game



A field trip to Cincinnati Museum Center

**School is back in session
 Please watch out for our
 kids—Thank you!**

Fall into Art at CCAC

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Talking Blues - Paintings and Drawings by Cedric Michael Cox

**Opening Reception: October 2, 6 - 8 p.m.
 Exhibit Runs October 2 - November 5, 2015**

The exhibition Talking Blues, featuring recent paintings and drawings by Cedric Michael Cox, holds a metaphoric and literal definition, with works that celebrate his cubist influence, fused with literal elements from the worlds of music, architecture, nature and the eternal creative spirit.

Red Door Project

**Opening Night: October 23, 6 - 9:30 p.m.
 Exhibit Runs For One Night Only!**

Each month Barbara Hauser and a few artist friends select a venue and a theme, to create a pop-up gallery for all artists to create and submit their work (mixed media) into this show. For one night only, celebrate the work of these talented artists, which will be displayed in CCAC's Lower Lobby Gallery. Join CCAC staff and friends at the opening reception on October 23rd from 6 - 9:30 p.m.

Visit the project's Facebook page for details about participating in the next Red Door Project theme.

Imagine It. Create It. Share It. The Door is open.

It's Paint

**Opening Reception: November 13, 6 - 8 p.m.
 Exhibit Runs November 13 - December 3, 2015**

A show of art by Clifton resident Pat Olding.



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Cincinnati Park Opportunities

Cincinnati Parks – Amazing Family Race

Location: Burnet Woods

Date/Time: Sat., September 26

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Fee: \$ 35 per team

It's Back! . . . And more Amazing than ever in a park with a variety of habitats, historic structures, art works and the infamous concrete slide. These are just a few of the things you will encounter during this fun filled race. Challenges include decoding puzzles, solving riddles and finding your way to the next destination! It will be . . . AMAZING!

Teams can consist of up to five members, adults and children ages 5 through 17 or just adults. The race starts and ends in Burnet Woods. Gather your team members, create team shirts and prepare for an AMAZING day! For more information, call 751-3679. Teams must return to the starting point by 2 p.m. to be eligible for prizes. Please visit CincinnatiParks.com to register.

Fall Preschool Camp at Avon Woods

Location: Cincinnati Parks Avon Woods Nature Preserve

4235 Paddock Road

Cincinnati, OH 45229

Mondays, September 14 – October 5

12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Unleash your preschooler's natural curiosity! We'll find out what the outdoors has to offer this wonderful autumn season. We'll play fun games from Growing Up Wild, create nature-based crafts, enjoy story time, hike and meet local animals up close. \$45 per child. Register online at CincinnatiParks.com. Call 861.3435 for more information.

Fall CRC Programs Start in September

Pottery, Karate, Fencing, Pickleball and more! Please call the Clifton Center or go on line for more information: http://cincyrec.org/search/facility.aspx?id=43_or (513) 961-5681

Save the date!

Save the date Saturday, December 5, for holiday shopping in the Clay Alliance annual Holiday Pottery Fair at the Clifton Cultural Arts Center. Hours are 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. free parking. For more information, visit www.clayalliance.org.



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Clifton Deer Project Moving Ahead

You could soon be seeing posters like one this around the business district announcing the Clifton deer sterilization program scheduled to begin this November.

This private/public partnership with the Cincinnati Parks to reduce overabundant deer in Mt. Storm, Rawson Woods and Edgewood Preserve was endorsed by CTM in February and won approval from the Wildlife Division of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources in April.

Clifton residents promoting this first-in-Ohio non-lethal alternative to bow-hunting have formed CliftonDeer.org, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, to raise the funds needed for implementation.

For more information see CliftonDeer.org, or go directly to <http://cliftondeer.org/donations/> to make a tax deductible contribution.

Clifton United Methodist Takes Part in CliftonFest

Clifton United Methodist Church will be taking part in activities during CliftonFest, September 25-27.

Saturday Morning: Walking in the Sacred Interfaith Open House 10 a.m. to noon

This walking tour includes visits to six sacred spaces along Clifton Avenue, beginning at Clifton United Methodist Church and finishing at Immanuel Presbyterian.

Other sites visited: Clifton Mosque, Calvary Episcopal Clifton, St. John's Unitarian Universalist Church and Annunciation Catholic Parish

Sunday Morning: Pet Blessing

Before the pet parade steps off at 1:30 p.m. from Clifton United Methodist Church, a blessing of pets will be offered on the church lawn from 12:30 p.m. until the start of the parade.



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CliftonFest Returns to Ludlow Avenue September 25-27

The fourth annual CliftonFest will again celebrate the neighborhood's residents and businesses with an arts and music street festival Friday, September 25 through Sunday, September 27.

This year's event features a smaller physical layout but promises to be just as engaging. Ludlow Avenue will be closed to traffic only one day, Saturday, with the footprint stretching from Clifton Avenue to Ormond instead of Middleton.



There's entertainment for all ages at CliftonFest.

Popular CliftonFest features are returning: live music on the main stage at Ludlow and Ormond as well as Clifton Plaza; kids activities and entertainment at Diggs Plaza; food, artist and retail vendors along Ludlow; the beer tent on Telford; and the TriHealth 5k race in Burnet Woods.

All CliftonFest events and activities are free thanks to generous sponsorship from Clifton Business & Professional Association, Clifton Town Meeting, Gaslight Property, TriHealth, Uptown Consortium and West Sixth Brewing.

CliftonFest details, an updated daily schedule and 5k registration are available at www.cliftonfest.com. We're looking for volunteers, so sign up for specific slots on the web site.

Here's the tentative schedule:

Friday, September 25

6-10 p.m. Jazz and Wine (Clifton Plaza): Wine tasting sponsored by Ludlow Wines, with live music by Wade Baker Trio

Saturday, September 26

11 a.m.-11 p.m. CliftonFest (Ludlow Avenue, Telford Avenue, Clifton Plaza): Vendor booths, beer tent, food trucks, storefront activity from businesses, games and street art along Ludlow Avenue between Clifton and Ormond

Music Main Stage (Ludlow & Ormond): French Axe 11 a.m., Jump & Jive Swing Band 1 p.m., Mack West 3 p.m., Jameze 5 p.m., Baoku & the Image Afro Beat 7 p.m.,

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Sunday, September 27

9 a.m. TriHealth 5k Run/Walk (start at Trailside Nature Center in Burnet Woods): Registration for the 5k run and walk is \$25 through Sept. 5, \$30 afterwards; family registration is \$80 for four members through Sept. 5, with no late registration accepted; T-shirts are available for purchase for an additional \$5

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1:30-2:30 p.m. Pet Parade (Clifton United Methodist Church): Parade on the sidewalk from the church to Clifton Plaza, where Vice Mayor David Mann will judge costumes and award prizes.

—John Fox, PR Chair,
CliftonFest Committee

Celebrating 50 years of tiny miracles.

TriHealth's Good Samaritan Hospital is celebrating the 50th anniversary of its Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). We're continuing to help newborns who need extra attention get a healthy start on life, and we're renovating our Mother-Baby recovery rooms, creating a more comfortable atmosphere for all of our moms and babies.

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Batter Up! Clifton Plays Like an All-Star Neighborhood

Clifton was one of our Cincinnati neighborhoods selected to host baseball-themed events during the designated All-Star Week, July 8 to 14. Events included the Baseball Across the Region at Clifton Cultural Arts Center, a viewing of *Field of Dreams* at the Esquire Theatre, an All-Star Vintage Baseball Game at the University of Cincinnati, a wiffle ball homerun derby and water balloon toss, and finally the Neighborhood Block Party on Clifton Plaza complete with a big screen viewing of the All-Star Game and a piñata clobbering.



Mayhem ensued after the baseball piñata was finally broken at the Neighborhood Block Party on Clifton Plaza.



A batter practiced his homerun swing before competing in the wiffle ball homerun derby at Burnet Woods.



Alexis Frasier Cain, Nicholas Hollan and Preston Hollan at the All-Star Neighborhood ceremony with Mayor John Cranley at Fountain Square.

More photos on next page

All-Star events photos continued



The Plaza was crowded during the All-Star Clifton Neighborhood Block Party.



Second round of the water balloon toss.



UC hosted an All-Star Vintage Baseball Game.



A contestant in mid-swing during the wiffle ball home run derby

baseball

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Historic Pre-war Auto Show Returns on September 13

Celebrating the first 50 years of automotive history, 1899 – 1949, the fourth annual Pre-War Auto Show will take place on Sunday, September 13 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Centennial Barn, 110 Compton Road, Cincinnati 45215.

Corporate Sponsors include Process Construction, Inc., Busy Bee Electric Co., and Mean Green Mowers.

An extraordinary feature of this show will be the display of the last automobile owned by Al Capone, notorious mobster of the 30's and 40's. This 1947 Packard Custom Super 8 Sedan and its twin were the last cars Capone ever purchased shortly before he died in January, 1947. One was sent to his home in Florida and one stayed in Chicago, making it difficult for law enforcement to know exactly where he was.

The car had a purchase price of \$3,900 and today is valued at \$275,000. It belongs to a Columbus owner, George Holinga, who will bring it to Cincinnati for the show.

Also featured will be a 1936 Pierce Arrow 1601 Sedan owned by Clara and Stuart Blair of Loveland. They are the third owners of the four-door sedan that has the original wool, pin stripe upholstery, replated chrome bumpers and refreshed paint on the fenders. Stuart is a past-president of the Pierce Arrow Society; their luxury Pierce Arrow won the 2012 Preservation Award from the Pierce Arrow Society.

Among other notable cars in the show will be a 1927 Rolls-Royce, Phantom 1 Warwick Limo owned by Stuart Clipson of Glendale. Warwick refers to the body style custom designed by Brewster of NY. The Rolls-Royce Company located in Springfield, MA, only made the chassis. This model replaced the well-known Silver Ghost model of 1926. Meant to be a chauffeur-driven car, it has a roll-up glass divider between the chauffeur's seat and the passenger section and a trunk attached to the rear of the car held on by leather straps. Upon arrival to a destination, the trunk was simply removed and delivered to the passenger's accommodations.

A returning star of the show is the 1935 Auburn 851 Phaeton automobile. It is a 4-door convertible with door hinges at the back of the driver's door and the front of the passenger door. Sometimes called the "Suicide Door," its stylish look could block viewing a driver getting into the car and closing on the person. Nonetheless, the



George Holinga, owner of Al Capone's last car.



The 1935 Auburn Phaeton 351 owned by Mike Mereness of Montgomery, Ohio.

Auburn was a sought-after luxury automobile. It is being brought to the show by Mike Mereness of Montgomery. He is a past president of the Antique Automobile Club of America in Ohio and Florida.

On behalf of the military veterans of WWII, there will be a display of toy, pre-war military vehicles including a tank battalion, artillery battalion, army air force squadron and Headquarters, and hospital staff miniatures. The army set was created by the Louis Marx Co. and dates from the 1930's up to WW II. Additionally, there will be a second collection of replica antique cars collected and displayed by Keith Clipson bringing his collections from Vermillion, Ohio.

The Pre-War Auto Show is presented by the Franciscan Sisters of the Poor Asso-

ciates. This group of women and men commit to living the qualities of life modeled by St. Francis of Assisi—inclusivity, humility, and respect for all forms of life, especially the poor and neglected. It is a benefit for Franciscan Ministries, Inc and Clare's Cupboard, two Franciscan beneficiaries.

In addition to the Pre-War Automobiles, there will be Pre-War trucks, a Basket Raffle, Art Show, Music and food for purchase. Centennial Barn will also be open for tours of this grand site, built in 1898 as a working barn for the Franciscan Sisters of the Poor whose convent and chapel remain on the campus.

The Pre-War Auto Show is free. For more information, call (513) 761-9040 ext. 112 or email: sfpassociates@fuse.net.

Clifton School alumni, CCAC is looking for you!

Do you remember recess in the Pit or classes in the Bungalows? Did you have lessons with Mr. Brown, Mrs. Ahrens or Miss Meyer? Do you have memories of the statues of the Discus Thrower and the Winged Victory guarding the front hall, or of climbing the great iron staircase to see principal Pearl Wright?

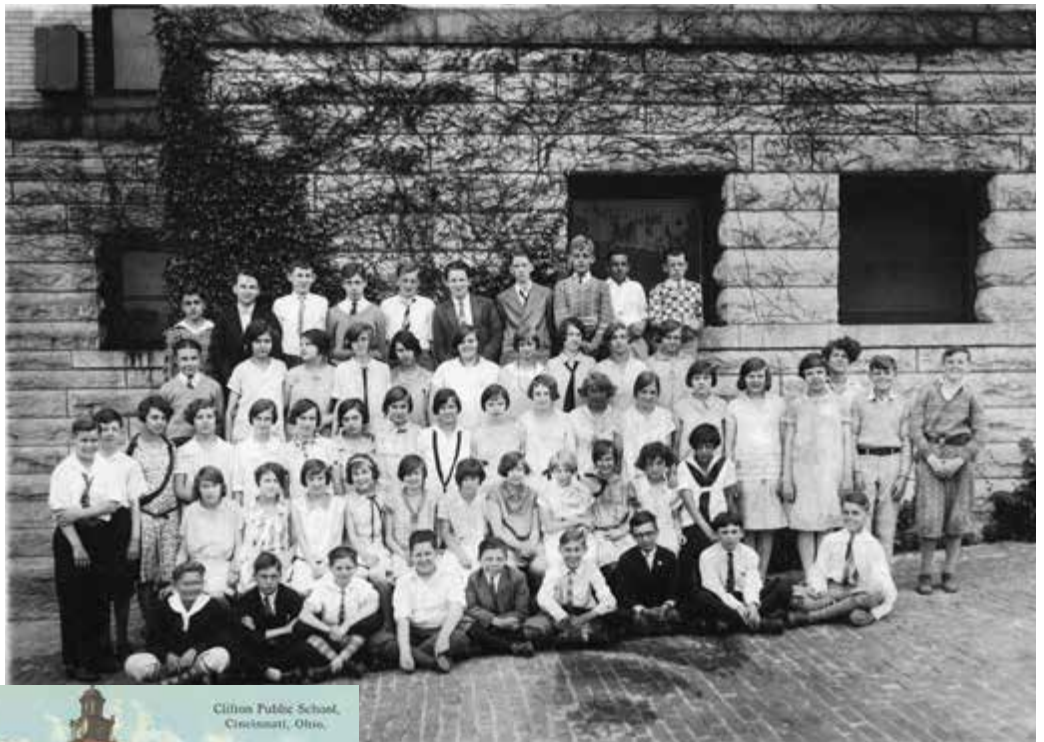
Clifton Cultural Arts Center (CCAC) is searching for alumni to share memories of their days at Clifton School. Its Alumni Memory Wall and Memory Book offer an opportunity for classmates to reconnect with each other, share old photos and stories of their time as students, and be part of future alumni-focused events.

CCAC hopes to connect with as many alumni as possible and invites them to stop by the old school on Clifton Avenue to sign the memory book, send a note, or take a tour. Alumni can also visit CCAC's website at www.cliftonculturalarts.org to share schoolday memories and sign up for Clifton School alumni email updates. They can also sign up to receive information about all that CCAC is doing to preserve the former Clifton School and fill its halls with vibrant art and community activities.

CCAC also welcomes its Clifton neighbors and friends to take a tour of the renovated spaces of the old Clifton School auditorium, classrooms and gymnasium and hear about the exciting things that are happening now and in the future at CCAC.



Clifton School, Grade 8, 1950



*Above, Students on Picture Day
At left, Clifton School*



THANK YOU for another fabulous summer of Wednesdays on the Green!

We had a wonderful summer filled with performances, delicious food trucks, and art making on our front lawn at CCAC as part of the seventh season of Wednesdays on the Green! We're thrilled to have seen so many of you kicking back on the green enjoying picnics, meeting new friends and connecting with old neighbors, and dancing on the green as bands performed. You joined us for two and a half amazing months of performances by new and returning musicians, and the outpouring of enthusiasm we've seen and the kind words we've heard from you has been inspiring.

New this year, we partnered with two organizations throughout the summer: Churches Active in Northside (CAIN) and Every Child Succeeds. Our community, not one to shirk from a charitable challenge, showed an outpouring of support, filling box after box with donations of personal hygiene items and new baby supplies. We're truly grateful to be a part of such a wonderful, encouraging, and giving community!

Wednesdays on the Green is a community endeavor: we couldn't do it without you, and the generous support of our sponsors! Many extremely heartfelt thanks to our sponsors who make Wednesdays on the Green possible:

Presenting sponsor: Louis & Melba Schott Foundation, Fifth Third Bank, Trustee

Vacation Level Sponsors: Eric Mower + Associates; Esquire Theater

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Double Recess Level Sponsors: Dewey's Pizza; Frisch's; Turner Construction Company; Rich & Company; Belsaw Place

Recess Level Sponsors: Ace Hardware Clifton; Dan Druffel, Inc. Landscaping; Ernst & Young; Frisch's; Johnson Investment Council; Eco-Friendly Boilers by Midwest Mechanical; Gabbard & Sons



Greendale Avenue sponsored The Comet Bluegrass All-Stars in honor of Trish Manning.



A group of picnic-ers at Wednesdays on the Green performance with YOLO featuring Anita Blue.



Kids enjoying the Kids Art Project at Wednesdays on the Green.



Food from Remi J's Barbeque and Quite Frankly provide dining options at Wednesdays on the Green!



Maggie and Sean Mullaney enjoying Wednesdays on the Green!

Janitorial; Norwood Hardware; Pangea Trading Co. & Toko Baru; Uptown Consortium; Ruth's Parkside Café

Report from Cincinnati State

Cincinnati State is better known for its health care, manufacturing and business-related programs than for its Hollywood chops. But maybe that's about to change. In late July, after all, your Clifton-based community college brought home a regional Emmy Award.

The Cincinnati State Emmy was one of about 60 presented by the Ohio Valley Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences during a black-tie gala in Lexington, Kentucky. Ours involved the writing portion of a commercial promoting Cincinnati State's new cybersecurity program. The commercial was written and produced, start to finish, by Cincinnati State students, faculty and staff and features student actors in a fast-paced narrative in which a would-be cyber thief is thwarted during a hacking attempt.

Cincinnati State uses student co-ops, faculty and staff to write, direct, and produce all of its television commercials and promotional videos. Much of the work is done in a studio at the Clifton campus equipped with the latest High Definition equipment. In addition to easing the burden on the college's marketing budget, this practice gives students in the audio/video program co-op opportunities, hands-on learning experience and credit on their resumes.

The Emmy Award was just one of the highlights of a season that found Cincinnati State welcoming a Red Bike station along Ludlow Avenue, preparing to announce an exciting expansion of our nursing partnership with the University of Cincinnati (UC), and gearing up for another great fall series at the Midwest Culinary Institute.



The commercial was produced by Jean Russo Gould (left), vice president for marketing & communications, and Bobby Gayol (right), director of audio/video at Cincinnati State.

The Red Bikes have become so ubiquitous they need little explanation. The automated rental operation began downtown and has quickly spread throughout core neighborhoods and across the river into Northern Kentucky. For some users, the system is a nice alternative to the car for short trips. Out-of-town visitors and family groups are also making use of them for recreation. We hope they help serve the needs of our students.



The nursing partnership with UC might not make for a dominating headline, but it's a big deal because it gives students in our RN nursing program—one of the largest at Cincinnati State—an expanded pathway toward earning a bachelor's degree in nursing (BSN) through UC.

There was a time when a person could get a decent job as an LPN and earn a very good living as an RN. Both are still true, though the LPN designation has been changed. But increasingly, hospitals, nursing homes and other health care providers are pushing to have more of their nurses earn the BSN credential. Many nurses are going on to earn even more advanced degrees.

Our new nursing partnership with UC builds on the broad 2013 UC-Cincinnati State Pathways agreement that basically



The spot features Cincinnati State students, from left—Jeremiah Dickson, Kwame Acheampong and Anastasia Fryer. Acheampong also served as an associate producer and grip, and Dickson provided graphics and special effects.

guarantees admission for those who graduate from Cincinnati State in good standing and gives scholarships to those who achieve certain GPA and other academic milestones. Our nursing students will now have an assurance that if they leave Cincinnati State with a GPA of 2.5 or higher they can expect admission to UC's online RN-to-BSN program at the UC College of Nursing.

This column would never be complete without a mention of what's coming up at the Midwest Culinary Institute's Summit Restaurant. Here are just some of the special events on tap:

August 20, Wine Dinner

Love Cincinnati culture? Chip Emerich, founder of the Burnet Ridge Winery, presents his own handcrafted, award-winning wines. Experience grapes from all over the world in these stunning, Cincinnati made wines.

September 17, Wine Dinner

National favorite Beringer Wines will be featured by Chef Sean Kagy and his team of students.

October 1, Crab & Seafood Dinner

The 3rd Annual Crab & Seafood Festival is upon us! Join Chef Kagy and his seasoned team of culinary students to experience fresh steamed crab and other Eastern shore favorites.

October 22, Wine Dinner

The Summit Restaurant hosts Katie Bell with Terlato Wines. For half a century, Terlato Wines International has had the pleasure of bringing some of the world's finest wines to the American table. With a global portfolio of more than 40 brands to work with, Chef Kagy will give your palette a trip around the world.

November 19, Wine Dinner

Brian Scott from Vintner Select presents a wide array of Austrian Wines paired with a special menu prepared by Chef Kagy and his culinary team.

For reservations, call (513) 569-4980 or the link for online reservations is as follows: <http://www.opentable.com/the-summit>. Visit online at www.midwestculinary.com/summit.

—Robert White, Media Relations/Communications Coordinator, Cincinnati State



Hydrotech, Inc. Partners with Cincinnati State to Combat Manufacturing Skills Gap

Donation will help build modern manufacturing skills in Cincinnati

Hydrotech, Inc., a Cincinnati-based fluid power and motion automation solutions provider, has donated four brand-new hydraulic training stands to Cincinnati State Technical and Community College.

The training assemblies, valued at \$30,000 per unit, will be used by students in Cincinnati State's Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technologies program.

Announcement of the donation came during a groundbreaking ceremony on July 24 for an expansion of Hydrotech's headquarters and production facilities in West Chester Township.

This marks the second major donation of lab equipment by Hydrotech, Inc. to Cincinnati State in the past year. In 2014 the company donated pneumatic training stands to the same program at the College.

"These students may be working for us someday or for one of our local clients or partners," said Pete Jones, Hydrotech CEO. "It's a blessing to us that we can help them develop the crucial skills necessary to be successful. Cincinnati State has a wonderful program that's dedicated to advancing manufacturing in this area. Everyone can benefit from that."

More than 75 percent of manufacturers nationwide report a moderate to severe shortage of skilled resources, according to a 2014 Manufacturing Skills and Training Study conducted by Accenture in conjunction with The Manufacturing Institute. This has encouraged employers to work with colleges and universities to ensure these institutions have not only the necessary curriculum to create employable graduates but also the equipment to simulate today's modern manufacturing environments.

"It's like going from an original IBM to an iPhone"

The four hydraulic training stands donated by Hydrotech to Cincinnati State form a system where students can test and train different scenarios they may encounter in the fluid power industry.

Between 300 and 350 students will use these stands per year. Cincinnati State's Electro-Mechanical Engineering program trains two-year technicians who will eventually work in field or factory environments, designing components used to produce materials or products. These components are often designed on software and then tested in the factory. For these students, the hydraulic training stands provide the factory testing without leaving campus.

"I let them start on the old equipment, then put them on the new stuff," said Prof. David Simmermon, a Cincinnati State faculty member who uses the lab frequently in his classes. "They can create so many more circuits and have a better understanding of new versus old technology. It's like working on an original IBM personal computer and then switching to an iPhone."

Cincinnati State President O'dell M. Owens said the Hydrotech donation is most welcome. It comes at a time when revenue is scarce for capital equipment of this type. Fortunately, Dr. Owens said, Cincinnati State has been able to turn to industry partners such as Hydrotech to keep its labs and programs up to date.

For information about Cincinnati State's Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technologies program, please visit www.cincinnati-state.edu/real-world-academics/academics/center-for-innovative-technologies.

For more information about Hydrotech and its line of hydraulic training stands, please visit www.hydrotech.com.

Leaders say Cincinnati State, Butler Tech agreement will smooth transfer, improve job-readiness and help regional economy

Students—and, ultimately, the region's economy—will benefit from the academic agreement signed in July between Butler Technology and Career Development Schools and Cincinnati State, leaders of the two institutions said.

The agreement ensures that students who successfully complete specific adult education programs at Butler Tech will be able to transfer all their credits to matching programs at Cincinnati State Technical and Community College.

It also includes language designed to ensure that registration processes, deadlines, grading systems and the like are compatible.

Monica Posey, Provost at Cincinnati State and one of the architects of the agreement, said the agreement represents an effort to use resources more efficiently and help those who wish to pursue an associate degree reach their goals faster and with less expense.

"This should be a winner for everyone – certainly for students, taxpayers and each of our institutions," she said.

Initially, said Amy Waldbillig, vice president for Workforce Development at Cincinnati State and one of the officials who will be responsible for implementation of the agreement, the two schools will focus on a handful of key programs where each already has complementary programming. These include:

- **State Tested Nursing Assistants**

Butler Tech offers a comprehensive STNA program. Cincinnati State has a robust nursing and health care curriculum, and its RN nursing program requires incoming students to first earn STNA credentials.

- **Welding**

Butler Tech has a popular and highly regarded entry-level welding training program. Cincinnati State not only offers similar courses, it recently launched an associate degree program in welding and has landed federal workforce training grants to expand its welding labs and upgrade equipment to meet growing employer demand.

- **Commercial Driver's License**

With the emergence of southwestern Ohio as one of the nation's largest logistics hubs, commercial trucking has become an important part of the regional economy. Butler Tech's CDL program has proven to be a fertile source of recruits for the trucking industry, while Cincinnati State has recently launched an associate degree program in logistics that covers the whole span of the industry, from warehousing to transportation to IT systems for tracking the movements of materials and other carriers.

The agreement anticipates that students in the affected programs will co-enroll in both Butler Tech and Cincinnati State. Hence it provides for program reviews by each institution, revenue sharing, certification of faculty and other operating details.

Miller and Dr. Posey said they hope to start the co-enrollment program this fall.

Clifton Market Continues Planning and Fundraising Efforts



Jack Fraes, Fred Keeley, and Howard Konicov prepare for the Northside 4th of July Parade



Clifton Market volunteers are a vital part of the effort to open a full-service grocery on Ludlow Avenue. The Clifton Market Board thanks everyone who has purchased a share, made a loan, and/or volunteered. We now have more than 1,040 individual share owners! If you would like more information or to volunteer, go to <http://cliftonmarket.com/> or call (513) 284-4192. We would love to have your help!



Henry Hyland rests his eyes at the parade



NS Montessori Meets Shakespeare

Shakespeare is credited with adding thousands of words to the English language that we use daily like: champion, frugal, tranquil and hurried. Although understanding the language of Shakespeare has its challenges, New School Montessori 4th, 5th and 6th graders were not daunted by the language or the themes of Macbeth. Students read the play in its entirety with their after-school Shakespeare club leaders: TNSM director Jeff Groh and TNSM teacher Laura Slanker. They had many discussions about the dangers of blind ambition and Macbeth's and other characters' crises of conscience.

In previous years of Shakespeare Club, students have performed Romeo and Juliet, and A Midsummer Night's Dream to the TNSM community. Due to a generous donation from Lib Stone, the Shakespeare Club had additional funds that provided wonderful costumes, an impressive set, and made it possible for students and adults throughout the city to see TNSM Shakespeare Club's 45-minute version of Macbeth.

Students began each of their performances with a recitation of common words and phrases from Shakespeare's works and declared in unison over and again, "You are quoting Shakespeare!" If you'd like to see their 2-minute intro, click this link. <http://youtu.be/OaoTQpWe-Xw>

Story.

By Rev. Rich Jones
Pastor, Immanuel Presbyterian Church

You have probably heard the expression, “everyone has a story.” I believe that to be true. Every person in your life, that you meet, has a story to tell and to contribute to as well.

I believe stories are not only personal, but intertwined with other’s stories. Our story is uniquely ours, as well as being connected to the stories around us. We are simply not “islands,” but beautifully connected with one another. Our stories are shaped and formed by our relationships. Our stories, connected and unique, make us a community.

I have been the pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church here in Clifton, for about 10 months as of the writing of this article. Not even a year. Yet, my story has been shaped and formed, and reformed by Clifton and Immanuel. I have lived in Cincinnati for 15 years. Most of that time I have been on the staff of another Presbyterian Church in a neighboring community. My time there has helped me to see Cincinnati and its neighborhoods in beautiful ways. I have been able to experience my story, and the story of my neighbors and friends create within me a deep commitment to this city and to seeing it become all that it can become.

I remember well a story shared with my good friend, Andy Sexton, who lives in England, visiting me almost six years ago. We were driving down Clifton Avenue, past Immanuel on our way out for the evening. He saw this amazing stone building and remarked that it was a Presbyterian church. He asked me about the story of Immanuel. At that time, I did not know much about Immanuel. My answer, “Not sure, but if

they were looking for a pastor some time in the future, I’d be interested.”

So, here I am now, and my story continues to unfold, connect, and grow with others whom I meet. I look forward to many more years and relationships within this community that will build upon our shared story.

I also have the privilege of becoming friends with many of the faith leaders from different religious and denominational backgrounds up and down Clifton Avenue and throughout the greater Clifton community. Even in this age of decreasing interest in attending church, the story of the church here in Clifton is emerging in incredible ways. There is a deep desire for collaboration and of being “good neighbors” to ALL who live in our community. This is an ethos shared by many to work towards. I believe it reflects the biblical encouragement found in Jeremiah 29 to work towards the benefit of our city.

With the tragic event of the death of Sam Dubose this past month, we have seen our story as a community grow even in the midst of hard realities. Our stories have the potential to enable us to see each other beyond skin color, economic status, privilege, religious boundaries, various identities and even neighborhoods. Because of the work of so many, and the relationships that have been formed between communities of persons who have moved beyond “us and them” to “we,” our stories become personal, deep and full of meaning.

We are often posed the question: what story would we like to see emerge in our lives and in our community?

One of the gifts of faith communities is to be a place, a relational space, where we can ask questions, share our stories, and

hear how God’s story of creating, saving, and sustaining relationship with us draws us together in order to be better neighbors, friends, family members, humans. It is not simply about the songs we sing, sermons, style of worship, how we dress, or some technique or program. Those are all things that may be of value to a certain degree, but only as long as they help us to share our stories and to see what story God is creating within us in our communities, our neighborhood.

I look forward to meeting many of you in the Clifton neighborhood and beyond, and to share our stories! Maybe we’ll meet at a local coffee shop on Ludlow or McMillan or at one of the great restaurants or other establishments in and around our neighborhood, or maybe even at Immanuel or one of the other amazing faith communities or gatherings throughout our community!

Rev. Rich Jones Bio:

Rich is married to Debbie Gretz Jones, and is the father to two teenagers: McKenzie and Brennan. He is the pastor at Immanuel Presbyterian Church in the Clifton neighborhood of Cincinnati. He serves on the Presbytery of Cincinnati’s Council and Transformation Task Force. Rich is also on the organizing committee for Oasis Cincinnati and the Board for the Economics of Compassion Initiative. Rich, an avid runner, coaches the cross country team at Finneytown High School.



*“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord,
“plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.” —Jeremiah 29:11*

Excitement Over Library Grand Opening Still Growing

Months after the May 28 grand opening of Clifton Branch on Brookline Avenue the excitement continues to grow.

One amenity unique to the Clifton Branch is the after-hours lockers. Customers can now pick up their items after closing. According to Beitz, the customers have been happy to have them available.

The process for using a locker is easy. Just call or email the Clifton Branch to request items. Be sure you have your Library card number. A librarian will check them out for you and place them in a locker with the receipt containing the due date. Customers will be contacted with their locker number, which they can access using the last four digits of the barcode number on their Library card.

See page 5 for more new library features.



For more photos from the grand opening and a view inside the new branch, go to <http://cinlib.org/1G8gGNC>



The library's teen tech lab and gaming room are getting a lot of use as the teens are happy to have their own area now.



Ribbon-cutting at the grand opening of the new Clifton Branch. Pictured from left are Library Board Secretary Allen Zaring IV, the Eva Jane Romaine Coombe Director Kimber L. Fender, Mike Dever, Board President Paul Sittenfeld, Board Vice President Elizabeth LaMacchia, Board Member Robert Hendon, Board Member Ross Wright and Board Member William Moran.

New Ludlow 21 Summer Series 2015 Energizes Clifton Plaza!

In October 2014, the Ludlow 21 Report suggested addition of monthly marketable events to the Gaslight abusiness district. Our new summer schedule has attracted thousands of fresh faces into our unique “world village.” We hope to continue this enrichment that showcases the intimate/creative/eclectic vibe so special to Clifton, all free of charge thanks to our generous sponsors! Here is what happened:

April: Mark Bowen played Henry Probasco for the Dedication of Probasco Fountain, thanks to Clifton Performance Theatre, Cathy Springfield, Jill Beitz and Brown Checco Fine Arts.

May: The Mothers’ Day Trunk Show in tandem with CTM Clifton House Tour, thanks to our business and artist partners that included Lentz + Co (Amy Swoboa), Graeter’s (Nancy Hopkins), Clifton Natural Foods (Clare Blankemeyer), Arrietty (Sarah Miller), La Poste (Diana Long), and Adrian Durban Florist (Karen Heyl)

May - August: Sunday Morning Fitness on Clifton Plaza, sponsored by Gaslight Property. A three-month workout sampler including yoga, Zumba, Tai Chi, Bollywood dancing and Bones for Life, led by a rotation of wonderful instructors from local businesses.

May - September Friday and Saturday Music on Clifton Plaza, organized by Om Eco Café’s Lydia Stec and sponsored by Gaslight Property and Clifton Business and Professional Association

May 22: BIG NIGHT Clifton #1: Cincinnati Contemporary Jazz Orchestra, a concert sponsored by Uptown Consortium

June 12: BIG NIGHT Clifton #2: Family Film *The Princess Bride* on Clifton Plaza

July 24-26: BIG WEEKEND Clifton with The Keshvar Project Concert sponsored by Uptown Consortium, featuring Cincinnati Henna Party, Around the World in a Cocktail Hour (at Om Eco Café, La Poste, Marrakech Moroccan Café, Habanero, Los Potrillos, and Ludlow Wines) tarot card readings, themed dinners at La Poste and Marrakech Moroccan Café, “Casablanca” on the big Esquire screen to



Cincy Henna Party’s Neha Agrawal decorated the audience at the July 24 BIG WEEKEND



Trunk Show—Amy Swoboa at Lentz+Co



Yoga on plaza 2015



Above: Inego Montoya in The Princess Bride

Right: Mark Bowen played Henry Probasco for the Dedication of Probasco Fountain

a full house, and a Bollywood Dancing workout on the Plaza.

August 21: BIG NIGHT Clifton #4: Family Film “BIG” on Clifton Plaza celebrated the beginning of a new school year, sponsored by Ludlow 21.

Other existing Gaslight programming on the Plaza includes Monday afternoon Farmers’



Markets and Flea for All (self-managed rummage sales by Cliftonites). If you’d like to volunteer your support to these essential business district offerings, please contact us by email at ludlow21wg@gmail.com. Connect with Ludlow 21 subcommittee work by attending our public meetings announced on our Facebook page “Ludlow 21,” on Nextdoor Clifton and through the Clifton Community Page.

—Report by Jan Brown Checco, Ludlow 21 Subcommittee for Programming and Promotions

CRC Summer Camp 2015



Field trips and water balloon battles were only a couple of the fun activities at Clifton Recreation Center's Summer Camp 2015.



Class of 2015 Made History at DePaul Cristo Rey's First Commencement

DePaul Cristo Rey High School's Class of 2015 made history on May 31 when these students became the first graduating class of DPCR, the newest Catholic high school in Greater Cincinnati and the first to open in 50 years when this class began in 2011. To recognize the historic first commencement, Cincinnati Mayor John Cranley declared May 31 "DePaul Cristo Rey High School Day" in Cincinnati.

The commencement took place at Mount St. Joseph University Theatre. There were 48 seniors in the class and all

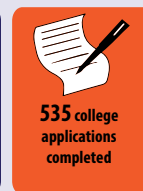
were accepted to college. Collectively they earned more than \$2.9 million in scholarship money.

For the school, its sponsors - the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati - and the greater community, the commencement will be the celebration of the fulfillment of a promise made to those who supported the opening of this new Catholic high school. DPCR opened in 2011 with a mission unique among local private high schools - to only serve students whose families can't afford other private, college-prep high schools.



The Class of 2015: Making History

DePaul Cristo Rey was the first new Catholic high school to open in Cincinnati in 50 years when these graduates entered as freshmen in the summer of 2011.



The Optician's Revenge, a fantasy.

My career as an optician has thus far spanned 42 years. In those years I have had the opportunity to make eyewear for a number of other professionals who have likewise dedicated long periods of their lives to one vocation. Unlike opticians, most of these professionals have organized themselves into associations or even a union to represent the profession's interests.

The organizations may provide legal protection, favorable insurance, even retirement benefits. I am happy that my fellow workers in these professions have reaped the benefits of the hard-won perks but, all the same, I do feel a distinct lack of respect that opticians receive for their dedication to their chosen career.

I had a dream the other night that there was a "day of reckoning" when the President of the United States declared a National Opticians Day. To celebrate this day all opticians may, on a whim, declare and create any new rules that they wish free of oversight of any certification board or licensing agency.

In this dream my ninth grade algebra teacher came into my shop with an RX for new glasses. I went through all the necessary measurements and frame selection process, a quick review of the features and benefits of the new eyewear, arriving at last at the point where an invoice is prepared. As always, features of the new eyewear is itemized and the total cost is presented to the good teacher. Inevitably, Douglas inquires if his insurance allows a discount. I am prepared with my answer:

"Yes, Doug there is a discount! Now I am going to pose a question to you. For a correct answer your total eyeglass cost will be discounted 40 percent. For a wrong answer we will add 20 percent. There is a time limit on this question.

"Ready? Good! Here we go!

"There is a man standing in the coat closet of his house wearing a hat in Fort Wayne, Indiana at 7 a.m. on a Monday morning. Got that? NOW at that exact time a train leaves Union Station in Chicago headed East toward Fort Wayne.

"Now, can you tell how many feathers there are in his hat? You have 15 seconds to answer, and NO TALKING!"

Doug pays the new gross amount and walks out to his '61 Ford Galaxy with his receipt.

Twenty minutes later another customer comes into my shop. It is my family doctor, also seeking new glasses.

We chat as he selects his new pair and I do my best to insure he will get the best vision that his eyes can provide.

At the presentation of the bill, the doctor

asks about a discount, and again I am ready . . .

"Yes! a substantial discount can be deducted but first you must meet some qualifications. I am going to show you a list of discounts and you may select one. They range from 20 percent off to 80 percent off. All you have to do is read that complete line and I will apply the discount."

I get up from my dispensing table and walk 20 feet away to a window shade on the wall. Lifting the shade reveals a poster board with lines of print arrayed in rows one above the other. The letters on each line are 2 millimeters in height printed in red ink on a dark blue background.

"Ok, James, please read the line that is your preferred discount."

"Are you crazy? I can't see that!"

I answer. "So, Jim, you came to me for help with a medical problem, and instead of fixing it, I only pointed out that you were getting old and I noted the severity of your problem. Yes, that's the way it works here too."

The sawbones pays up the full amount and leaves in defeat.

I walk over to my coffee mug snugly nestled in my saltpan and take a satisfying sip of java. What a nice day this is turning into. Not even noon and I have almost hit my goal for the day.

The bell at the door tinkles and another customer enters my store. It's my banker, and he is carrying a prescription for new glasses. We roll through the selection process to the invoice presentation and the banker asks if his insurance allows him a discount.

"Good news Mr. McGee!! You may well be eligible for a sizeable discount!"

I spin around on my stool, open a drawer in my credenza, and reach into a fat file marked "mortgage banker".

I hoist a stack of single-spaced forms on the desk approximately four inches high, topped off by a second invoice.

"Here is your written application for your 80 percent discount. There is a non-refundable application fee of \$198 payable in advance. We only accept gold coins for this fee."

The banker hesitates, but seeing the wisdom of the big discount he pays up in shiny krugerrands.

I stamp his receipt "paid", and he loads the stack of forms into his briefcase.

"I will have these back to you by the end of business today!" he says.

I smile sympathetically . . .

"Great!! Once your application is made the board will consider it at its next meeting."

"Meeting? When does the board meet?"

"They meet on every leap day. The next one,

HMMM lets see, is February 29 2017."

As the banker picks up his Rx and leaves I take out my sack lunch and spread the contents on the desktop behind the bench.

There is a small polished Fuji apple, also a tomato and cheese sandwich on whole wheat. A small slip of paper flutters out from the brown bag and lands on the sandwich.

I pick it up and read, in my wives' handwriting, "I meant to tell you that I needed your credit card, so I took it out of your wallet OK?"

Sigh. I open my wallet and, sure enough, no Mastercard.

I can only hope that Target is closed today.

Refilling my coffee mug, I take a bite of the sandwich and gaze out at the parking lot.

A woman parks a big silver Mercedes, opens the door, and walks into the shop holding a plastic Ziplock bag that contains several small parts.

As she comes to the rear of my shop she walks slower and slower. She is wearing an expensive linen suit, Versace sunglasses and lots of David Yurman jewelry. She looks left and right quizzically as if she were lost. The only products displayed on every horizontal and vertical surface around her are eyeglass frames.

At last she arrives at my dispensing table holding the baggie out in front of her from a thumb and index finger as if she just picked up her dogs droppings.

"Is this an optical shop?" she says hopefully, one pencilled-in eyebrow lifted skyward.

"Yes! Welcome to Haltry Optical. How may I help you?" I asked.

"I didn't get these here, but I paid over \$900 for them, and they fell apart. You don't charge for repairs, do you?"

"No we do not typically charge for repairs for our eyewear customers. We do, however, accept outside eyeglasses repairs under a sliding fee scale. What is broken on these?"

"Well I stepped on them, both lenses came out and the hinges came apart. I just love them, though, so I want to see if you would fix them."

I open the baggie, and lay the two loose lenses and the various mangled metal pieces on a sheet of white paper.

"Well the bridge is titanium and it must be sent out to be laser welded. The rest of the frame I can straighten out to hold the lenses again.

I will need about six days and the repair cost will be \$79."

"That's ridiculous! I've had them adjusted at Sears and they didn't charge me anything."

"Adjustment? You are correct ma'am. Once the repairs are done, they will, indeed, need ad-

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justment. There is a sliding scale for that as well.

"We charge \$79 for adjusting frames in this condition for glasses we did not make, and for repairs sent off-premises we require payment in full, in cash, in advance. Did you wish to leave them with me today?"

My pen was poised above a blank invoice.

"No. I want to complain to the owner. How may I contact him or her?" The woman scooped the pieces back into her baggie and dropped it into her Coach purse.

"The owner sees clients on an appointment-basis only. Did you need a long appointment or a short appointment?"

"This won't take long. Give me a short appointment."

"Very well. Let's see his first appointment will be in two weeks on Friday morning at 10:45. May I book that time for you?"

"Yes. I guess I can get away from work."

"Excellent. Short appointments are \$79 payable in advance. Will that be cash, MasterCard or Visa?"

"Are you nuts?! I didn't pay \$79 for my last eye exam!!"

"Nevertheless, we have our set prices, ma'am."

"Oh, never mind! How do you guys stay in business?" she spat as she turned on her heel and stomped back through the shop and out the front door.

How indeed? I smiled to myself and took another bite of my sandwich. Man! This was the greatest day ever! I enjoyed my sandwich while washing it down with more stale-but-still-hot coffee.

Just then an old black Studebaker Lark rolled gently against the concrete curb in front of the store. I could faintly hear the distinctive "scritch" of the parking brake. It was a stick-shift.

As the blue-grey smoke from its tailpipe drifted off to the East, the front door opened and a Franciscan Nun in full habit climbed out.

Uh-Oh! I reached under the bench and removed an old ceramic coffee mug with a Latin inscription on it. I poured my coffee into the new mug, setting it carefully back into the hot salt pan with a satisfying "scrunch" of dry salt.

The Nun wore heavy black brogan lace-up shoes, and the shapeless, plain, black, cotton uniform of the order.

Voluminous black sleeves fluttered about her like a flock of crows. Around her waist was a thick, ropelike, white cord that functioned as a belt cinching yards of the dull, funereal black

around her middle.

A grotesque ebony wooden crucifix with its steel statue of the bleeding Son of Man swayed from a steel ring.

Beneath her chin the bands of crisp white starched fabric circled around her neck, over her head and all around her face like Marleys' ghost in the Charles Dickens classic.

Surmounting it all was the shiny white celluloid three-inch high wimple pressed down upon her forehead to a spot just below the hairline. Attached to the leading edge of the wimple was a wispy black veil that draped backwards and sideways over her shoulders and down back over her head draping almost to her waist.

She opened the door and practically marched through the shop, looking straight ahead at me. Sunlight reflecting off the windshield of the old Stoodie glinted off her semi rimless yellow gold drill-mounted glass lenses.

I could feel my face color as my blood pressure rose. There was a distinct tingling in my right earlobe, still sensitive from supporting the weight of my entire 5th grade body in that long-ago confrontation.

In my mind, the "Dive Klaxon" sounded from all those WW-II submarine movies, "Ahh OOOO-Gah AH-OOOO-Gah!"

"Battle stations!!" I muttered to myself. "Penguin on the deck!"

I swallowed my last gulp of coffee.

She stopped at the dispensing table, leaning slightly forward. She steeped both sets of fingertips on the tabletop.

"Are you the optician?"

"Yes I am. Charles Haltry at your service ma'am." I retrieved my hot mug from the salt pan and moved deliberately toward my round padded stool.

"I desperately need new glasses. My prescription hasn't changed since I had these made, can you just duplicate this power?"

"Yes! Why don't you look at the frame bar while I neutralize those lenses?" I extended my hand palm-up toward her right temple. She reached behind her right ear and peeled a thin, braided, gold wire from one ear and as she swept her arm across her face neatly removed the ancient spectacles. The left temple was held together by a fat bundle of white-fabric athletic tape that had turned brownish-yellow from sweat and soil.

Holding them delicately between my thumb and finger on one lens, I immediately noted that the len's thin point was less than the Federal 2.2mm minimum. That meant that either they predated 1970 or else were of foreign manufacture.

The nose pads were two grey lumps of grime and God-knows-what smushed flat against the

inside nasal corners of each lens. The old gold-fill nose pad arms were so thin as to be almost foil-like.

There was no way I could touch them with a pliers and not have them break off in its jaws.

I noted the power, base curve and pertinent measurements of her glasses on a new invoice, and kept an eye on her as she tried on frame after frame. Every time she removed a frame from the bar she turned it 90 degrees to read the price tag on the temple. Each model was greeted with a grunt of disapproval and dropped on the formica shelf. I went over to the dispensing table, placing the order form next to my coffee mug and her old spectacles next to it. Seeing this, she walked across the carpet with three frames in her hands and sat down.

"Well, it's come down to one of these," she said. "What do you think?"

"O.K. Try them on and then please turn your head to the side."

One by one she modelled the eyewear and I gave my impressions of each frame along with the various features.

"I give up. You pick." She picked up her old spectacles and wound them around her face until they were again secure.

"How about these?" I asked, following the opticians' axiom of selecting the first frame the client puts on.

"Fine. Let's go."

I go through all the usual motions, and then prepared the bill. She says nothing after I get to bottom line, makes no move to produce credit card cash or check. Instead she asks for my pen. Turning the invoice over she writes out an address and then turns the paper back toward me.

"All you need to do for payment is send your bill to the Mother House of The Little Sisters of the Poor. It is In Toledo, as you can see. Our treasurer will send you a check."

The address was directed to a "Sister Rose Carmel" and there was her signature in parentheses to one side in careful loopy cursive:

"For the account of Sister Mary Angelora."

"O.K., Sister Mary Angelora," I pronounced carefully. "I will get this out to them today!" I said brightly, and added firmly, "As soon as payment is received, I will get your new specs made and then give you a call."

"When will that be?" the old Nun asked.

"I don't know, ma'am," I knew that the title "Sister" was appropriate, but I wished to pretend ignorance.

"It all depends upon our Sister Rose Carmel." I misspronounced the last name "Car-Mell" on purpose, just for fun.

"It is all a mystery," I declared flatly. "If it

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is helpful, try to think of this situation as a Triangle.”

I took my right index finger and made an equilateral triangle shape in the air.

“I am here, you are at your job and Sister Rose Carmel is up at the Mother House. Your treasurer in Toledo is the only one who knows how long this will take. Rest assured though, that as soon as payment is received the order will go in.”

I reached out to shake her hand as I abruptly stood up signifying the end of the whole transaction.

The nun took my hand as she rose, giving it a manly squeeze, then dropped it back to her side. She looked about and her eyes settled on my coffee mug. I watched her lips move as she read the words.

“Sic Non illegitimus Carborundum.”*

Her forehead wrinkled deeply under the white wimple, and she spoke, “Where did you get that coffee mug?” she asked, reading the inscription a second time as I slurped another swig.

“Oh this? It cost fifty cents at a garage sale,” I lied.

“Do you know what it means?”

“Don’t know what it means. I think it’s Norwegian. Maybe ‘seize the day?’ I dunno. I just liked the colors.”

I guess she will always wonder about that mug.

Heh Heh.

*Translation: “Don’t let the bastards wear you down.”

Happy Optician’s Day

—Tim Werner

Memorial Day 2015



After the annual Memorial Day Parade in Clifton, everyone gathered at Mount Storm Park for the CTM cookout where the band played in the pavilion and residents and friends enjoyed the day.



Photos by Tom Lohre

CTM Golf Outing A Growing Success

The 3rd Annual Clifton Town Meeting Golf Outing was held Saturday, August 22. It was a beautiful day for golf and a good time was had by all. The event continues to grow each year as the number of players (80), hole sponsors (15) and local businesses donating prizes (19) all reached event highs. The monies raised benefited the Cancer Center at Good Samaritan Hospital and Tom Lohre was honored as the 2015 Friend of Clifton. This year's golf was highlighted by a Hole-in-One by Clifton's own Kevin Smith. Well done.

The following is a listing of sponsors. We appreciate their participation in this event and hope you patronize their businesses.

—Tom Dwyer

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Personalities by Leona
Playhouse in the Park
Proud Rooster
Woodward Theater



Kevin Smith made a hole in one.



From left, Erin McDermott, Tracy Hall, Jennifer Rebling and Katie Witte check golfers in for the start of the 3rd Annual Clifton Town Meeting Golf Outing sponsored by Tri-Health. (Photo by Tom Lohre)



First-time golfer, Linda Ash, searched for ball in a fruit tree hazard. (Photo by Tom Lohre)



CTM President Tony Sizemore enjoys the chili rellenos served by Frankie of Django Western Taco, food sponsor for the CTM golf outing. (Photo by Tom Lohre)



Tom Lohre, right, accepts the Friend of Clifton award at the 3rd Annual Clifton Town Meeting Golf Outing from 2014 recipient David Mann. Lohre encourages all to volunteer in small doses so you do not get burned out and can continue volunteering until you finally move out of Clifton. (Photo by Helen Lohre)



Rick Rafferty, John Rizzo, Dan White and Jamie Easterling of Tri-Health. Good Samaritan TriHealth is the main sponsor of the CTM Golf Outing. (Photo by Tom Lohre)

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August 1 Deadline for Fall

Monthly

1st Mon. 7 p.m. CTM Meeting.

Meeting location to be on second floor of Clifton Recreation Center (CRC).

2nd Wed. 10:30 a.m. Book Discussion at Library

2nd Sun. from Oct. to May 2 p.m.

Family Showtime at CCAC

3rd Mon. 3 p.m. Clifton Business and Professional Association Meeting downstairs at U.S. Bank. All welcome.

3rd Thur. 7 p.m. Bedtime Story Time at Library

Winter Laurel and Hardy Film Club, Masonic Lodge, 218 Ludlow Ave.

chimpltent@live.com

Tongue and Groove updates on TheCliftonHouse Facebook page

Bi-Monthly

Taste of Ludlow Avenue,

Gaslight Clifton

The 5 to 8 p.m. events are free to the public—third Thursday of every month.

Weekly

Mon. 5:30-8 p.m. Clifton Farmers Market on Ludlow Plaza (Summer)

Fri. 7:30 p.m. Open Mic Poetry at Aquarius Star/Om Cafe

Fri. & Sat. 5-8 p.m. Ludlow Wine & Beer, Wine Tastings

Tues. 10 a.m. Preschool Story Time at Library

Wed. 9 p.m. Faux Frenchmen @LaPoste

Wed. 7 p.m. Music on the Green at the CCAC, June through August 13

Thur. 1 p.m. ESOL Conversation Group at Library

Thur. 6-9 p.m. Dogs Night Out at Graeter's Ice Cream

Sat. 9 a.m., It's Yoga at Clifton Plaza, spring, summer & fall, free

Sat. 11-Noon, Make sandwiches and

dinner for Lighthouse at Immanuel Church, 3445 Clifton Avenue
Sun. 11-12:15 p.m., Sadhana Service at World Peace Yoga, free

Daily

Mon. Sept. 1, fall *Chronicle* in mailboxes

Sun. Sept. 6, 6 p.m. Clifton Meadows Doggie Dip, pool closes

Sat. Sept. 11, 6-9 p.m., Opening of Golden Ticket Art Show at the CCAC

Sun. Sept. 13 sundown, Rosh Hashanah

Mon. Sept. 14, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting. Second floor of CRC.

Fri. Sept. 15, End of Rosh Hashanah

Tues. Sept. 22, sunset, Yom Kippur begins

Wed. Sept. 23, nightfall, Yom Kippur ends.

Sept. 25-27, CliftonFest, On Facebook at Cliftonfest on Ludlow

Sept. 25-27, Mid-Point Music Festival

Sat. Sept. 26, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m Immanuel Presbyterian Church Apple Festival (3445 Clifton Avenue)

Sat. Sept. 26, 7 p.m. – Community Fund Dinner at The Cincinnati Woman's Club (513) 751-4355

Mon. Oct. 5, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting, second floor of CRC

Fri., Oct. 9, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Schaeper's Pharmacy Annual Health Fair, Free Tests at North Church

Mid Oct. 2-4 p.m. Open House New School Montessori

Fri. Oct. 23. Deadline for winter *Chronicle*

Sat. Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m. Halloween

Sat. early Nov. Autumn Air Art Fair at the Clifton Cultural Arts Center

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Early Nov., 6-9 p.m. Lantern Walk, gather in Annunciation parking lot

Tues. Nov. 3, Election Day

Mon. Nov. 9, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting, Clifton Rec Center.

Mon. Dec. 1, winter *Chronicle* expected in mailboxes

Mon. Dec. 1, 7 p.m., CTM board meeting, CTM Trustee election prior to meeting from 6 to 7 p.m., Clifton Rec Center

Fri., Dec. 11, Pop-Up Ludlow (decorated store fronts on Ludlow)

Fri., Dec. 11, 6-9 p.m., Holidays on Ludlow

Thurs. Dec. 24, 5 and 9 p.m., Christmas Eve Services at Calvary Episcopal Church

Thurs. 24, 5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Service with Children, **7:30 p.m.**

Communion Service, **11 p.m.** Candlelight Service, Clifton United Methodist Church (www.cliftonumc.com)

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CliftonFest 2014 on Ludlow Avenue—CliftonFest 2015 is set for September 25-27

Thurs. Dec. 24, 5:30 p.m. Family Candelight Christmas Eve service. at Immanuel Presbyterian Church

Fri. Dec. 25, Christmas

Mon. Jan. 4, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting. Clifton Rec Center.

Jan. 24, Deadline for spring *Chronicle*

Jan. 24 to 30, Annunciation School will celebrate National Catholic Schools Week

Feb. 1, CTM board meeting, 7 p.m., Clifton Rec Center

Mon. March 1, spring *Chronicle* in mailboxes

Mon., March 7, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting. Second floor or Clifton Rec Center.

Early March Over-the-Rhine Bockfest

Sat. in March, 1-6 p.m. Fairview-Clifton School Fasching Kids' Festival

Fri. March 25 Good Friday

Sat. March 26, 10 a.m. Community Easter Egg Hunt at Immanuel Presbyterian Church, rain or shine.

Sun. March 27 Easter

Sun. April 3, following noon mass, Annunciation Easter Egg Hunt

Mon. Apr. 4, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting, second floor or Clifton Rec Center

Early April, Clifton Heights Music Festival

April 17, Deadline for summer *Chronicle*

Late April early May, Fairview - Clifton School Father Daughter Dance

1st Sun. May, Flying Pig Marathon

May 20, *Chronicle* in mailboxes

May 23, Clifton Meadows Opens

Mon. May 25, 10:30 a.m. Memorial Day Parade at McAlpin and Middleton

Tues. May 26, 4 - 6 p.m. Coho Swim practice begins

May 26-June 6, Fringe Festival

Mon. June 1, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting, Clifton Rec Center

Fri. June 5, National Donut Day

June 9, CoHo Tie-Dye Day

Early June, Paddlefest at Coney Island

Sat., June 14, 6-11 p.m. Annunciation Summerfest

June 14-July 19. RYT 200 Teacher Training at It's Yoga, 346 Ludlow, (513) 961-9642

Wed., June 17, Sunset Beginning of 30 Days of Ramadan

Mon. July 6, No CTM Meeting, unless otherwise decided at June CTM Meeting

Sun. July 19, National Ice Cream Day

Fri. July 24, Deadline for fall *Chronicle*

Mon. Aug. 3, 7 p.m. CTM Meeting, Clifton Rec Center

Fri., July 17, Sunset, End of 30 Days of Ramadan

Late Aug., CTM Golf Outing

End Aug. Community Art Centers Day at the CCAC, music, ice cream social and a mini-parade



FreeCycle

One person's trash is another's treasure! Our goal? To reduce waste by connecting people who are throwing away unwanted items to others seeking the same items. Nothing is too big or too small, but everything must be 100% free. Sorry: no pets, please!

<http://www.my.freecycle.org/>

CliftonFest 2015

September 25, 26 and 27
See details in this issue!

CTM Golf Outing

2016 Event Date To Come Avon Fields GC

Email CTMGolfOuting@cliftoncommunity.org for more information or participation in this event. Watch for details.



Mike Suffern, Karen Imbus and Reuel Ash enjoy the 2015 CTM Golf Outing.



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Hide Your Stuff

In an effort to reduce thefts from cars, the Cincinnati Police Department is asking that you remove all valuables from your vehicle or secure them out of sight in the glove compartment, console or trunk and lock the car.

Nextdoor Clifton

<http://www.clifton.nextdoor.com>

Nextdoor Clifton is a private website created by you and your neighbors, and supported by our company, Nextdoor, Inc. Nextdoor is a private social network for your neighborhood. It's the easiest way for you and your neighbors—and only you and your neighbors—to talk online.



MoBo Bicycle Cooperative

Mission of MoBo:

The MoBo Bicycle Cooperative is a non-profit volunteer-run cooperative dedicated to making cycling accessible and practical to everyone in the greater Cincinnati area. We build community by providing a welcoming and communal workspace, knowledgeable staff, and the tools and parts for cyclists of all ages and skill levels to repair, maintain and acquire bicycles.

1415 Knowlton St. 45223
<http://mobobicyclecoop.org/>



Gaslight Repair

Cincinnati Gaslight
(859) 727-1331

Report All Crimes

It takes about three minutes to report a crime. You give your name, address, tel #, estimate of damage, insurance company, plate #, year of vehicle, etc.

Crime Reporting (513) 352-2960

Youth Crisis Center

An emergency shelter and hotline service that provides crisis intervention and a haven for young people when their living situation is disrupted or endangered, the Lighthouse Youth Crisis Center is the only facility in the Cincinnati area where unaccompanied boys and girls ages 10-17 and homeless 18-year-olds who are full-time students can seek shelter and safety. The Youth Crisis Center is a 20-bed emergency facility open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The Youth Crisis Center also operates a 24-hour youth crisis line at

3330 Jefferson Ave., 45220
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Food Pantry Pushing into High Gear

Call Janet at 751-8771 or email her at stgeorgepantry@zoomtown.com.



The Uptown Consortium is a nonprofit organization made up of Uptown's five largest employers: Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden, the Health Alliance of Greater Cincinnati, TriHealth Inc. and the University of Cincinnati. Uptown generally includes the neighborhoods of Avondale, Clifton, Clifton Heights, Coryville, Fairview, Mt. Auburn and University Heights. Together, the center city and Uptown compose the core of the region.

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City Services

Call (513) 591-6000 for answers to all your City of Cincinnati questions.



Recreation Center

Located next to the Cultural Arts Center. All City membership cards are honored at any CRC center: Junior/Teen \$10, Adult \$25, Senior \$10.
<http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov>
Phone: (513) 961-5681
320 McAlpin Ave., 45220



Clifton Town Meeting Web Site
<http://www.cliftoncommunity.org/>
Contact them at: contactctm@cliftoncommunity.org

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The CBPA meets the 3rd Monday at 3 p.m. (U.S. Bank downstairs)
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cliftonbusinessassoc@gmail.com

Child Study Group

Moms' group since 1938

Clifton Child Study Group has been bringing Clifton-area mothers together to socialize and discuss ideas since the 1930s.

Meetings are at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month, September-May. New members always welcome!
Contact Mindy Rich at cliftonmoms@gmail.com

Shop Ludlow web site:

<http://www.shoponludlow.com/>

Community Fund

This endowed fund is managed by the Greater Cincinnati Foundation.

The yearly profit from the fund is available for the beautification, preservation, and cultural enhancement of the Clifton community.

We urge all lovers of Clifton to contribute to this endowment so it can become even more effective. Every penny counts, so write your check today payable to the Greater Cincinnati Foundation/Clifton Fund and send to:
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200 W. Fourth St.
Cincinnati 45202-2602
<http://www.greatercincinnati.org>



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