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 ***CTM/CBPA Memorial Day Parade and Grill-Out May 27, 2019***

Don't miss this fun, local tradition on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27. Please join Clifton Business & Professional Association (CBPA) and CTM for a parade and grill-out to celebrate Memorial Day.

Begin gathering at 10:30 a.m. at the Clifton Memorial Day Parade starting point at the intersection of Middleton and McAlpin Avenues. All residents, businesses and friends of Clifton are welcome to participate in the parade! Kids on foot or scooters and bicycles, in wagons and strollers are regular parade participants. The Cincinnati Police

and Fire Departments lead the way, there's a band, and likely some other special participants will be there.

The parade starts at 11 a.m. and proceeds north on Middleton Avenue, then west on Lafayette Avenue, ending at Mt. Storm Park.

At the park, neighborhood volunteers have a grill loaded with burgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs and all the typical fixings along with soda, juice and water. Donations for food and drink are accepted.

This event happens rain or shine.

Tom Reese 2019 CTM Golf Outing's "Friend of Clifton"

Each year at the CTM Golf Outing we present the "Friend of Clifton Award" to someone who makes Clifton the unique and wonderful place it is. This year's Friend of Clifton is Thomas Reese. If you ever visit the Clifton Recreation Center (aka CRC) or any of the various events in and around Clifton, you almost certainly know Tom. Tom is the current Service Area Coordinator, (manager), of the Clifton Recreation Center. The CRC is a core element of Clifton serving more than 100 children from our area each day throughout the year. They offer many educational and sports programs, games, activities, almost anything for both the young and "more experienced" members of our community. The CRC also is the meeting place for CTM. Tom plays a leading part in making the CRC, its programing and partnerships a great success.

The Cincinnati Recreation Centers have long been a part of Tom's life. He grew up going to the centers and taking advantage of the programing.

One of his first jobs was part-time work for the Cincinnati Recreation Department as a touring puppeteer in a theatre group called the Mythfits. They would visit the recreation centers throughout the city putting on puppet shows. Under the vision of Jerry Handorf and Beth Kattelman, this eventually transformed into the Cincinnati's Madcap Productions Puppet Theatre of which Tom was an original member. After attending university and acquiring several degrees, Tom returned to the Cincinnati Recreation Department part time as an art and theater teacher. Within a few years he was working full time at the Pleas-



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The CTM President's Message

Fellow Cliftonites,

Summer is always such a lively time around the neighborhood and what better way to kick it off than to join your neighbors at the Memorial Day Grill-out and Parade? Along with the Parade and Grill-out you will also be able to learn more about the new plans for Mount Storm Park. I am also looking forward to seeing neighbors at some Clifton events throughout the summer. CCAC's weekly Wednesday in the Woods at the Burnet Woods Bandstand, and at the weekend entertainment in the heart of our business district, on Clifton Plaza are always a great place to converse with your neighbors and enjoy a warm summer evening. All of these events are FREE and family friendly.

Your Clifton community council (CTM) is also undertaking a number of exciting projects that will make their mark on our neighborhood. We are in the beginning stages of bringing capital improvements to Clif-

ton Plaza, with help from our partners and neighbors, to make it a better space for events, community activities and enjoyment. Our Arts and Culture community is also working on plans to bring new vibrant murals and art to the Ludlow Avenue business district. You may have heard the buzz about Clifton winning the first pollinator garden challenge and work on bringing new gardens (and their associated pollinators) to our neighborhood is ongoing. Learn more about these and the many other happenings in Clifton by liking us on Facebook, visiting our newly updated website at cliftoncommunity.org, and joining CTM as a member. Our membership form is conveniently located on page 5 of this newsletter.

I wish everyone a wonderful summer season and hope to see you around the neighborhood!

Best Regards,

Brad Hawse, President CTM

Reach for the Stars this Summer at the Clifton Branch Library

You can experience your own space adventure this summer through the Library's Summer Adventure program. There's plenty more to do for all ages this summer at the Clifton Branch. Explore your options at CincinnatiLibrary.evanced.info/signup/List. Sign up for Summer Adventure at www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/SummerAdventure.

See the online newsletter for full details of Library programs and Eric Davis' "Library Corner".



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<http://www.cliftoncommunity.org/clifton-chronicle/>

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Ludlow Garage to Remodel

The Ludlow Garage's last show before renovations will be June 1, with re-opening set for September. Remodeling downstairs includes a bar, seating increased to 450, reduced kitchen space, and upgraded powder rooms. In the back audience section the chairs can be removed for more dancing. A wheelchair lift will be included. (See plans online.)

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A Walkable Tree Canopy for a Green Clifton

Last summer's sidewalk repair blitz made our neighborhood even more walkable throughout many parts of Clifton, which is good. However, it also meant the loss of some beloved trees that had buckled sidewalks and skirted over the walking surface, making walking hazardous, which is not so good.

Trees are an important element in climate preparedness as we face the challenges of warmer days and excessive rains; they make our walks for groceries, to go to school or church, to visit

friends, to walk to the free concert at the Plaza, and the many other reasons to be on foot more beautiful and enjoyable.

If you need a new tree in your tree lawn (road verge), you can contact the Cincinnati Parks Department of Urban Forestry to request that they plant an appropriate tree, at no charge! They will visit you and discuss what tree you might prefer, and then arrange a planting and

mulching within about three to six months as the season permits. Just call 513-357-2604, or visit their website www.cincinnati-parks.com/urban-forestry to get started. And if you have room in your yard—either front or back—where there are no powerlines overhead, you might want to plant a good hardwood or other native tree to be there for generations to come.

Let's keep Clifton walkable and green!

—Peggy Spohr, CTM Trustee

Clifton Meadows Pre-opening Event

Friday, May 24, from 6 to 10 p.m., is Clifton Meadows pre-opening Open House/adult-only party. Active adult members can bring (and should bring) a guest at no charge. Bring a dish to share (snack bar will not be open) and your favorite beverage, and kickoff the season with old and new friends. The dive pool will be open so bring your suit.

The Club opens for the 2019 season on Saturday, May 25 at 11 a.m.

For calendar of events and new membership applications, be sure to check out www.cliftonmeadows.com. (See article from Clifton Meadows president and photos online.)

UC DAAP Students Brainstorm Plans for A Pedestrian Friendly Ludlow

University of Cincinnati DAAP (Design, Art, Architecture and Planning) students met in April to brainstorm ideas to make Ludlow Avenue more pedestrian friendly. Their professor Vikas Mehta said they hope to present their ideas to Clifton Town Meeting in May. He says the real value of using DAAP would be to run a full studio with 15 to 20 students, then of course, he said, "the ideas are much broader, and we run it through the whole semester." He was surprised to learn from Malcolm Montgomery, Mica Ovadia, Catherine Hamilton Hicks, Seth Maney and other Cliftonians who were present that something like this has never been tried before.

In response to the question of "what is possible working with the city?" Professor Mehta said they want to take some solutions to them and see how much they are willing to work with the community.


(Go to the online Clifton Chronicle for an update and for some "What we'd like to see on Ludlow" visuals from Tom Lohre.)

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2019 CTM Golf Outing's Friend of Clifton

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ant Ridge Center and in 2008 became the SAC of our Clifton Recreation Center. He has served in that post for the past 11 years, since colleague and previous manager Dale Doerman, retired!

Tom was involved in the planning and visioning of the 2015 renovation of the CRC. He advocated for the improved audio visual systems and technology through the facility, the enhanced and added classroom spaces, and many other elements that make the center more functional than ever.

The Rec Center faces challenges each year such as budget constraints and often reductions which Tom must lead his team through to deliver the highest quality services our center is known for. There is a need to constantly adapt to changing situations

and unexpected issues. Few things stay the same and there is a lot of non-routine work. Tom finds this very motivating.

Coming up with quality and interesting programming for the children is one of the core responsibilities his team has. This can be athletic or classroom activity, or even theatre. Most recently Tom has directed an original play called "Staged w/Jenny," featuring Jenny Trier, which will tour at various locations.

Over the years Tom has helped nurture children at the facility and watched them grow from grade school age and youth programming, to teenagers perhaps doing part-time work at the facility, and finally a few who have returned to work or use the facility as adults. His advice, "Go to work and contribute every day, the kids can tell if you are not really into the job."

Tom will be recognized as this year's Friend of Clifton at the **7th Annual CTM Golf Outing at Avon Fields Golf Course on Saturday, August 24** after conclusion of play (around 7 p.m.). This year CTM has partnered with The Little Sisters of the Poor who will benefit from the proceeds of the outing. You can sign up to play at Sign up at www.cliftoncommunity.org/event/2019-annual-ctm-golf-outing/

Families are invited afterward for dinner on the deck. Kids 12 and under eat for free!
—Eric Urbas, CTM Golf Outing Committee



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CTM Membership

Clifton Town Meeting (CTM) is your local community council which advocates on behalf of the Clifton community. CTM also sponsors many activities and festivals throughout the year for our community. To support this important community work, we need your generous support. Membership dues are tax deductible and are the second largest source of income for CTM. If you paid membership dues sometime in 2018, thank you for your support. Memberships are based on the calendar year, and we need your support again in 2019.

Starting or renewing your membership will help us keep Clifton a vibrant, desirable, and fun place to live, work, and play. CTM also accepts donations, and you can do that at the same time you renew at <http://www.cliftoncommunity.org/membership/> or clip the form below and send a check or money order payable to Clifton Town Meeting, P.O. Box 20042, Cincinnati, OH 45220.

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CTM and Go Vibrant Launch Walking Routes

CTM and Go Vibrant are launching four visible, marked neighborhood walking routes that range from 1 to 4 miles in length. The routes will all have a starting point at Clifton Plaza. Signs along the routes will guide you along. Maps of the routes will be available online at <http://govibrant.org/active/clifton-walking-routes> and in printed format at various businesses in Clifton as well as the Recreation Center on McAlpin Avenue. In addition to the Clifton walking routes, you can explore other neighborhoods'

walking routes. Find them at <http://govibrant.org>

Go Vibrant's Million Step Challenge is a competition among neighborhoods in Cincinnati. Can Clifton log the most steps during in 2019? Who will take the top prize (a donation for an interactive, engaging playset in their neighborhood's park)? The challenge runs from May 24, 2019-October 12, 2019. Cliftonites can take their first steps together in the Memorial Day Parade this year! Register now at <http://www.govibrant.org/stepup/>

1960's Clifton Reunion

On September 15 from 12-4 p.m. a reunion for ANYONE who resided in Clifton in the 1960s will take place at Mount Storm Park at the end of Lafayette. It coincides with the date of the Walnut Hills High School's reunion. Please spread the word about the reunion.

For more information, contact Cathy Capelle, now 65, at cathena18@juno.com. Provide your email address for upcoming news before 9/15 and photos of the event afterwards.

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The concerts will feature a variety of local performers, hands-on art activities for children, sweet and savory food trucks, beer available for purchase from 50 West Brewing Company courtesy of the Cincinnati Parks Foundation, and two Community Partners collecting non-monetary donations to aid our neighbors in need: Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement Services (May/June) and Lighthouse Youth & Family Services (July/August).

New this summer, CCAC has added extra activities to the season lineup:

- Nature Walks led by Cincinnati Parks Naturalists: June 5, July 10, and August 7
- Independence Day Fireworks with expanded kids' activities, bounce houses, and a fireworks display: July 3
- Dog Days of Summer Dog Parade: August 7



The 2019 Wednesdays in the Woods Line-up

May 29: The Comet Bluegrass All-Stars

June 5: Misterman and the Mojo Band

June 12: Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra presents "Chamber Rock"

June 19: The Cliftones

June 26: Mike Wade and the Nasty Nati Band

July 3: Model Behavior

July 10: Push Play

July 17: TRIIBE

July 24: Sound Body Jazz Orchestra

July 31: Tropicoso Salsa

August 7: Jake Speed and the Freddie's

Live! On the Plaza Concert Series

Clifton Cultural Arts Center (CCAC) is proud to announce it will partner with the Clifton Business and Professional Association to program live music on the

Clifton Plaza every Saturday from 7 to 10 p.m. from July 6 to September 28, 2019. We look forward to welcoming back some of your old favorites as well as bringing

new and emerging artists to Clifton. Visit cliftonculturalarts.org for more details!



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- Dushy, 18 year employee at the Clifton Store, retired April 30 to take care of her new grandbaby.
- Widmer's has a new manager, Todd Rutherford
- Bruegger's Bagels—Too much salt on your salt bagel? They will scrap off what you don't want.
- At Dewey's Pizza you can bring in your vegan cheese for your pizza.
- Paolo Modern Jewelry has a six-month-old Italian Mastiff pup called "Puppy" for now.
- J Gumbo's recently remodeled the kitchen. Open until 4 a.m. Friday and Saturday, 3 a.m. Monday to Thursday.
- Adrian Durban filled 1,500 orders on Valentine's Day. They ran out of flowers the night before.
- Crossroads video portrays Jesus helping out a bunch a people. An artistic retelling of the *Passion of Christ*.
- Semester's can order a six-foot paddle.
- Biagio's Bistro will cook pasta you supply for your order. Their pasta is vegan, no eggs.
- It's Yoga celebrated 19 years with a three-day celebration in early May. Indu Bhardwaj spoke about their start in the lower Ludlow Garage among a collection of shops. It's Yoga is the main training facility certified by the Yoga Alliance up to the advanced level.



Howell Avenue Pet Hospital—Now offering online prescription pet food. Above, Marianne Bourne with her dog Charlie; Gray and white Beatrice for adoption; and Teddy the house cat with a green bow tie.

- Whole Bowl is in its third year showing what works on Ludlow.
- CVS Manager Ben Birkle says the store will get a complete remodel in May. New product options focus on health/beauty.
- Grill of India is remodeling in June.
- Maya is updating their silver collection.
- May 3 brought the opening of the rooftop garden at Clifton Gaslight Bar & Grill. New bar chairs and stand up tables finished off the look the way it was meant to be. **(More online.)**

Photo quiz:

Do you know where this building stood in Clifton and what its purpose was?



Answer: Cincinnati Gas Company office (and perhaps valve house) which stood at Clifton and Ludlow streets before being replaced by the fire house in 1905.

A Glimpse of Streetcars' Prominence

Online—Read Geoff Gelke's unique perspective on the street cars' vital link to Clifton's development.

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Fairview-Clifton Welcomes New Principal

Fairview-Clifton German Language School is proud to announce the hiring of our new principal, Stephen A. Sippel, who will begin at Fairview-Clifton in fall 2019. Mr. Sippel is a product of Cincinnati Public Schools, having been a student in the CPS Foreign Language Alternative Program and Withrow High School. Prior to working in public education, he served as Director of

Community Ministry at a church in Over-the-Rhine, helping families with food, rent and utility assistance. He began his teaching career at Withrow High School then became Assistant Principal at CPS's Academy of Multilingual Immersion Studies. For the past 10 years, he has been Principal of Dater High School. Mr. Sippel understands and has a deep passion for the value

of language study, as well as the importance of being a good global citizen. The Fairview-Clifton community looks forward to Mr. Sippel continuing the legacy of great leaders at our school. —*Leslie Mooney, Member, Fairview-Clifton LSDMC*

Irish Band Dark Moll Joins Corryville Suzuki Project's Young Musicians for Clifton Plaza Concert June 14

Young musicians from Corryville Suzuki Project (CSP) will perform a Camp Celebration Concert on Friday, June 14, 7 p.m., at Clifton Plaza, for the 2019 Plaza Summer Music Series. The performance will feature classical and Irish music with the Cincinnati-area Irish band Dark Moll.

The performance will cap off a fun-filled week of the 18th Annual CSP Summer Camp, June 10-14, at St. Monica-St. George Parish Center in Clifton Heights. During the camp, students will play classical music and learn Irish tunes from fiddle performer and teacher Kate Riker. Teenagers also participate in chamber music ensembles. Space is still open for string players.

The Corryville Suzuki Project, directed by Dr. Vincent Phelan and Mrs. Elizabeth Council-Phelan, is an accelerated String Music Program specializing in the Suzuki Talent Education method of teaching music to ages 4-18.

For more camp information or to schedule a free observation of classes, please contact info@SuzukiProject.org or call 513-231-3523. www.suzukiproject.org



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Spring 2019 Clifton Deer Update

It has been a little more than three years since CliftonDeer.org began spaying the deer in a one square mile area of Clifton, and the most recent progress report shows it's working!

The population survey conducted in February found the number of deer resident in the study area (bounded by Clifton Avenue, Ludlow Avenue, and I-75) shrank from about 99 to about 74, for a ~25 percent reduction since the first doe was sterilized in December of 2015. That's good news for the parks, Clifton gardeners, drivers, and our hoofed neighbors.

More importantly: An estimated 94 percent of the adult does in the area now are sterilized which should greatly reduce future births for years to come; and there has been little immigration of new deer into the study area, supporting our optimism that the deer population will continue to decline through attrition over time. How fast is another question.

Study and learn! The population drop could have been closer to 30 percent. Why wasn't it?

- Some of the deer sterilized early in the project were able to regenerate ovaries from remnant tissue and have fawns. We modified our surgical method since the first year, re-treated affected does, and are monitoring the herd to see if anyone else should be re-treated.
- Also Clifton deer have an extremely low death rate. The does are impressive-

ly healthy (well nourished, and no ticks or diseases found) and fewer are killed in collisions than in other communities with similar programs. (Thank you, Clifton drivers.)

In other news, we continue to build local knowledge and resources in an effort to reduce dependence on out of town consultants, and ultimately to lower costs:

- Our partnership with UCAN, a non-profit spay and neuter clinic located just minutes from Clifton, is providing a state-of-the-art surgical facility, and a warm base camp on cold January nights for the capture and transport teams.
- Experienced volunteer surgeons from UCAN and elsewhere are learning the ovariectomy procedure, bringing high volume spay/neuter experience,

and enthusiasm, to the project.

- Our local darter-in-training is in his second year of learning all aspects of deer capture and release, and has already successfully darted four deer.

Another initiative this year is to treat border deer—those who primarily reside outside the study area, but whose territory crosses into it. If you live east of Clifton Avenue or south of Ludlow and notice tagged deer in your yards, that's why.

Finally, it has been suggested that the project be expanded to include neighborhoods south of Ludlow or east of Clifton Avenue. This would require regulatory approval, additional funding and strong new volunteer involvement. Have thoughts or suggestions about expansion or anything else? Please contact us at info@cliftondeer.org.

—*The CliftonDeer.org Leadership Team*

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Welcome to the new CANS Principal

As the former Clifton School building is prepared for our arrival in August 2019, the Clifton Area Neighborhood School (CANS) community is excited to introduce our new Principal, James Zoller. He is passionate about both fostering high academic achievement as well as cultivating the social-emotional, artistic, and creative thinking skills instrumental for future student success within and beyond the classroom. James adds, "I believe we have the opportunity to build a remarkable school together. I look forward to meeting the whole community soon and to partnering closely with everyone to achieve our shared vision."

Prior to his assignment to our school, Mr. Zoller had experience working for Cincinnati Public Schools in the curriculum and instruction department. His previous role involved strengthening classroom

instructional practices through data analysis and professional development, and supporting the district's initiative to embed the systems-based Quality Improvement model at the building level. Prior to working with Cincinnati Public Schools, Mr. Zoller spent four years as a building administrator in the Lakota Local School District and was a classroom teacher for nine years with Wyoming City Schools. Mr. Zoller holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Virginia as well as a Master of Education degree from Xavier University.

As CANS Principal, James will work closely with students and families residing in Cincinnati's historic neighborhoods of CUF, Clifton and Spring Grove Village. Together with our new leader, the CANS community will strive to provide innovative learning experiences, an atmosphere of multicultural inclusion and respect. We'll



James Zoller

aim to develop the whole child through high academic standards, including experiences in nature and connection to real-world problems.

Please join us in welcoming Mr. Zoller as the new CANS leader. —*Jan Brown Checco*

Ohio's Governor: "This is a Model that Works"

"I love the Cristo Rey model; this is a model that works." With these words Ohio Governor Mike DeWine opened his keynote address at DePaul Cristo Rey High School's Corporate Partner Leadership Breakfast. It was held on February 27 at Great American Ball Park and sponsored by The Cincinnati Reds. (*Read the full story online.*)

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Pollinator Garden Challenge

Do Cliftonites love a challenge? We must! In the month of March, we had 22 pollinator gardens registered at the Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden's Plant for Pollinators Challenge, winning the neighborhood challenge sponsored by the City of Cincinnati's Department of Environment and Sustainability. Congratulations Clifton!

So what is the buzz about? Pollinators are animals that carry pollen from one part of a plant to another, which allows the plant to flower, and produce fruit and seeds. Approximately 80 percent of the plants on earth require these outside pollinators. With increased loss of animal habitat, accomplishing this simple and necessary step in a plant's life has become difficult. The Cincinnati Zoo is spearheading a regional effort to increase the number of gardens which provide needed food and places to live for our pollinator friends. Something as easy as planting a couple of potted pollinator-friendly plants, such as Zinnias and Mint, can qualify your home or business garden as a pollinator garden.

Clifton Town Meeting is proud to be a Zoo partner in this program. On April 6, we hosted a Pollinator Event at the Clifton Rec Center where Mark Plunkett representing the Horticulture Department at the Zoo, came and spoke to a nice crowd of beginner and experienced gardeners about the challenge. The following week, volunteers helped to tidy-up the Clifton Plaza garden, and planted our pollinator program sign.

Would you like to be a friend to our bees, birds and butterflies by adding key plants to your garden? It's easy to get

started. Simply go to the Zoo's website at www.cincinnati-zoo.org/horticulture/plant-for-pollinators¹ and read about the steps to take to create a pollinator garden. Then, once planted, snap a photo and register with the Zoo. You will receive a certificate by mail, and have the option to purchase a sign for your garden to let your neighbors know that you, too, have joined the challenge! — *Peggy Spohr*



In the garden photo, from left: Mary Rita Dominic, Alice Palmer, Peggy Spohr



Mark Plunkett speaks to beginner and experienced gardeners.



Clifton Loses Two of Its Finest

In February, Elizabeth "Betsy" and John Black died suddenly within a week of each other. Both were solid Clifton Citizens. For many years Betsy wrote the Clifton Town Meeting News for the *Clifton Chronicle* and worked at the Clifton Library. Her careful attention to details made her service invaluable, sifting through numerous sources to reach the answers library visitors wanted.

John, in retirement, sold fruits and vegetables on Ludlow, first at ACE Hardware and then in front of Ludlow Wine and Beer. He was affectionately known as "Farmer John" by the numerous friends and patrons who purchased his produce. Known for his kidding, he always had a joke and a smile for you.

(Read more about Betsy and John Black in the online newsletter.)

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You Are Invited!



This Clifton 4th of July block party will celebrate its 45th year in the backyard of the same home. If you can guess, you can come.

Homage to Clifton's Old Streetcars . . .

By Geoff Gelke

Much homage is due our old streetcars, as they ultimately enabled the building and burgeoning of the more modest homes and apartments which more broadly define what we know as Clifton today.

These structures really started to appear at the turn of the century (about 1890 – 1910) in waves of construction. Sales of the homes during this period was almost entirely dependent upon the ability of good streetcars to whisk folks to work in the basin and back home by evening. It is no coincidence that the colossal apartment buildings, built by Thomas Emery, et al., such as The Roslyn, The Roanoke, The Romaine, The Rutland, The Delmoor and The Maplewood, were all built right on the streetcar lines commencing after the first electric streetcars appeared in 1889.

Two new routes came through Clifton. The first was the 55 Vine-Clifton (originating at 5th and Walnut downtown), coming down Jefferson to Ludlow, right on Telford, left on Bryant, right on Middleton, to right on McAlpin and ending at Clifton School, where the lineman simply walked to the rear of the streetcar (which also had controls), and drove back in the reverse direction. Later, buses required a turn-around be built at this point into the Rawson pasture (evident today). And, how the streetcars climbed back up the Middleton Avenue hill, I will never know but I do remember hearing much wheel screeching. Plus, just imagine these large streetcars maneuvering the sharp turns on Telford and Bryant Streets – wow!

The second route was the 61 Clifton-Ludlow (originating at 6th and Walnut downtown), came down Clifton Av-



Omnibus – precursor to the horsecar and streetcar

enue into Clifton, then left onto Ludlow, then down all the way through Northside on Hamilton Avenue, and ending at Springlawn Avenue before reversing for its return run. In addition, there was a Short Route, #65, which just circled through the Telford-Bryant-Middleton area before heading back downtown, and not out through Northside. This duplication speaks to the volume of people living in the gaslight hub.

So either by agreement or collusion, the streetcars provided the necessary people to rent all the apartments and buy the myriad of surrounding homes, while satisfying the intense desire of people to move

to the “burbs” (sound familiar?) away from the stench in the basin areas. This general movement came first to Mt. Auburn, then to Corryville, Walnut Hills and Avondale, followed by Clifton and Hyde Park—all then largely considered streetcar communities.

To entice home buyers and renters to Clifton, the architecture of this period had to have the “wow factor” in appearance, often using more than one motif—such as Chateausque, Romanesque, Gothic, Neo-Classic, Flemish, Beaux Arts and Colonial Revival—all to impress and lend complexity for the eye to marvel at.

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Some asymmetry was usually thrown in to give a counterbalancing tartness to any over embellishments. This architectural movement called “eclectic”, “aesthetic” and “composite”, all created a Camelot-like affect for those coming up from the blandness of the basin in search of a dream home. These “blends” of architecture signaled an exciting break from the classic-traditional rigidity of balance and symmetry—especially appealing for those who so wanted to identify with the new modernism and display ostentatious status. Chateausque and Flemish seems to have been the most popular “blend” in Clifton with their turrets and Flemish Gables and, perhaps, even a Romanesque Arch thrown in the mix. My grandmother, who grew up during this period, described such houses as “swell homes”. No matter the architectural style, these homes all flaunted stained glass windows and massive front doors of oak, often with asymmetric panels to further confirm their break from classical orders to this new freedom of design. Amazingly, most of these original and interesting front doors have stood the test of time and still boast of the home’s importance.

For an added touch, gaslights on the streets had been installed as early as 1875 by the Globe Light Company at \$29 each, and later improved by the Welsbach Company, which replaced the less reliable Globe lamps and burn to this day.

For shopping, inhabitants could just walk to Ludlow Avenue and send the kids off to the new Clifton Public School to complete suburban life. Over time, Ludlow would support a Kroger (CVS today), an Albers (Grill of India and Habanero restaurants today), Clifton Fruit Market and Yaeger Meats (Sitwells today), Keller’s (now Clifton Market), Adolph Meyer’s, and three drug stores: Dows, Stier’s and Pahner’s. Of course, now most Cliftonites just drive their cars to shop elsewhere, right?

All of this started in Cincinnati in 1859 with the first horsecars (streetcars pulled by teams of horses), serving primarily the basin areas—until the advent of the inclines in 1872, 1876 and 1894, known as the Mt. Auburn, The Bellevue and The Fairview inclines respectively, to scale the hills, spare the horses, and there-



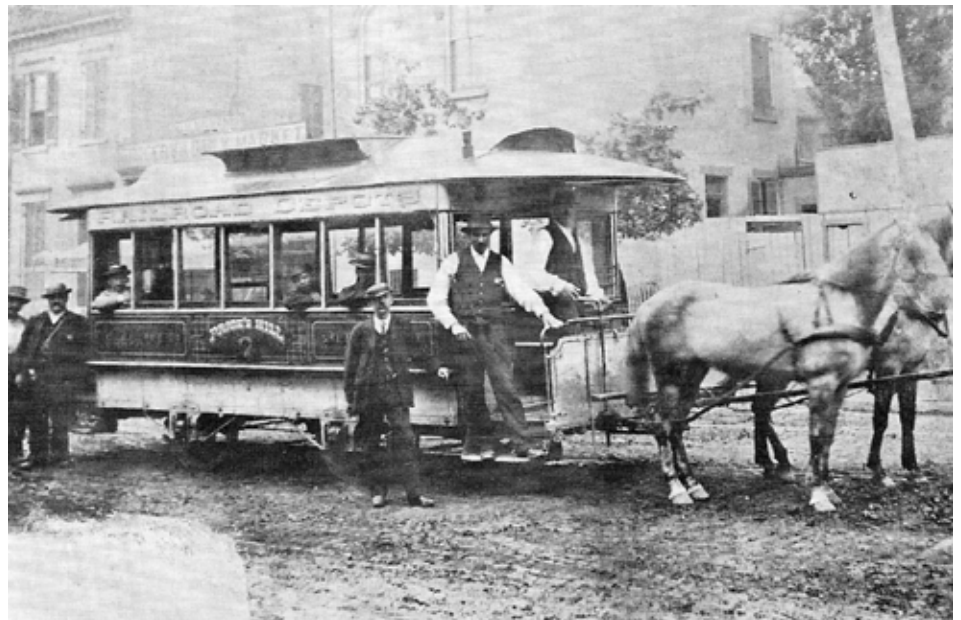
“Bellview Incline” crossing above Clifton Ave. passing the old Medical College, supported by stone pillars still visible today.

by now give the horsecars mass access into Clifton. The two other inclines, the Mt. Adams and the Price Hill inclines, served those neighborhoods. Prior to this period, one horsecar line did come out of Corryville as early as 1859 to terminate at Jefferson and Brookline (Clifton boundary then) and also to the zoo, but not into the gaslight area yet. In fact, these “lines” were

individually owned until later consolidation improved operations. Other areas, not served by horsecars, were reached by scant omnibus lines (similar to stagecoaches).

Another solution to ascending the hills and sparing the horses, were cable cars or streetcars, pulled by buried cable running up the center of Gilbert Avenue, Vine and

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Horsecar – preceded the advent of electrified streetcars in 1889

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Last 61 Clifton/Ludlow streetcar going down Clifton Avenue in 1949

Sycamore Streets. Once these cable cars reached the summits, they were hooked to awaiting horse teams and off to the routes, becoming horse-cars. Two of the power houses for the cables still stand today at the top of Gilbert Avenue, and at Dorchester and Highland Avenues. The streetcars themselves were built by the Cincinnati Car Company, which had an impressive stone factory on Spring Grove and Mitchell Avenues (now an auto parts store—ugh!).

Then, with the advent of the electrified streetcar in 1889, and all of their superior efficiencies, new tracks were laid into Clifton to accommodate the aforementioned building during those years, and is what actually created Clifton and allowed it to function so well for generations—despite their characteristic clanging sound, which became more like a heartbeat for its riders. And yes, they also had an old-world charm, now lost to obtuse belching motorized buses. The last #61 rolled down Clifton Avenue in April of 1949 and signaled the end of a grand era, however, their service gave us Clifton as we see it today, hence our homage to the streetcars and all those horses who served us as well.



Old 61 Clifton/Ludlow posing in front of the old Corryville car barn on Vine in Corryville



Old Cincinnati Car Company factory on Springgrove

Library Corner with Eric Davis

School is almost out and summer is fast approaching. If you're looking for fun ways to keep your brain in tune and entertained, the library is the place for you! We invite you to stop in and sign up for the library's summer reading program, Summer Adventure, which runs from June first through the end of July. When you sign up you'll get a free book and a passport to record and track your reading or other learning experiences. When you bring in your passport for weekly check-ins, you can collect fun prizes, including items in the toy box, gift certificates to local establishments and awesome Adventure Prizes. There are eight Adventure Prizes (1 for each week of the adventure) which include: a Lego box set, a board game set, an art set, a telescope, a Sphero mini robot, Keva planks, a Kroger gift card and a Fandango gift card. Kids, teens and adults of all ages are invited and encouraged to participate. Sign up here: www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/SummerAdventure. Being the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 lunar landing on July 20, this year's Summer Adventure theme will focus on the wonders of our universe and the incredible strides we have made in space exploration. Many kids' events will have a STEM focus, helping us to better understand our world and have hands-on fun in the process. Teens are invited to join us for some cool, summer events including: DIY Scratch Maps and Posters, DIY Nail Polish, Disney Pixar Trivia Night, Marvel Movie Nights with free pizza, and Gaming Nights with Nintendo Switch and the SNES. Events for adults include TED Talk Watch and Discussion Sessions, a Summer Self-Care Sampler Series with topics focusing on music therapy and aroma therapy, book clubs and neighborhood architectural walking tours. Craft and Create classes for adults meet the second Saturday of each month from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. You are invited to join us! Here's a link to all the library's Events and Classes: <http://cincinnati.library.evanced.info/signup/List>. You can search by library location, age, type of event and date. Please note that some events require registration. From the entire team at the Clifton Library we wish you a fun and safe summer season and look forward to seeing you!

Fairview Clifton German Language School Fasching Parade of Masks

On Friday March 15, the day before Fasching, a parade circled Fairview Clifton German Language School with all classes participating in the event in their created masks. The band accompanied. On Saturday, March 16 Fairview Clifton German Language School turned into a spring carnival with games, prizes, auctions, raffles, bouncy rides, and German foods and sweets. Fasching celebrates spring with a parade of masks on Friday. This popular community tradition is open to the public, so all family and friends were invited to celebrate.

Fasching can be traced back to pagan times. It started as an event to drive out the winter and the ghosts of darkness who had begun to lose their powers as the springtime sun started to warm the earth. Rituals in these areas included processions where people generate lots of noise and masquerade with horrifying face masks in order to scare away the ghosts of winter and at the same time avoid their revenge. It was also a festival to honor the Goddess Freya and to celebrate fertility with the beginning of spring.

Early missionaries tried to shift the meaning of this celebration to a more Christian ritual, and so the carnival came to mark the beginning of Lent—a time of reflection and abstinence from eating meat, eggs or dairy until Easter.

The days before Lent would be the last opportunity to eat these foods for 40 days and therefore a great excuse for parties and feasts. This is the origin of the alias name Karneval as it is derived from Latin carne vale, meaning 'farewell to meat'. In the Middle Ages, this command was not too difficult to follow because food stocks usually were expended by this time of year, and it was a good idea to consume the remaining stocks, which would most likely start to rot in the following weeks.

Another tradition is Starkbier (stout). This is a very potent beer brewed by the monks at this time for use during Lent, when they were not allowed to eat. They made up for the calories by drinking this darker, richer beer. The famous Starkbier-Anstich (celebration of opening the first Starkbier keg) at the Nockherberg facility in Munich is a story in itself . . .

Many people often wonder why monks—of all people—were allowed to drink such strong beer during their fasts. As the Legend goes, they originally trans-



ported the beer over the Alps to distant Rome in order to convince the "Holy Father" of its suitability for fasting. When they eventually reached the Pope, however, it had turned sour and was undrinkable. The Pope had no qualms, therefore, about permitting the monks to use the beer as liquid sustenance during Lent.

Photos: The day before Fasching, students circled Fairview Clifton German Language School in their created masks and with the band playing. The horrifying face mask, bottom photo, was intended to scare away winter. Eek! Photo by Catherine Hamilton Hicks



Reach for the Stars this Summer at the Clifton Branch Library

Fifty years ago this July, the astronauts of Apollo 11 landed the first two humans on the moon, one of whom was Neil Armstrong. Born in Ohio, Armstrong resigned from NASA in 1971 and made the Queen City his home, where he taught in the Department of Aerospace Engineering at the University of Cincinnati. Other famous Ohio astronauts include John Glenn and Jim Lovell. What an adventure those early astronauts experienced out in space!

You can experience your own space adventure this summer through the Library's Summer Adventure program.

Kicking off the summer June 1 is the Space Cadets Program for students in grades 1-2. The Space Cadets program for grades 3-5 is July 6. Both programs explore the wonders of space through hands-on STEAM activities while celebrating the Apollo 11 anniversary with activities developed as part of the NASA @ My Library* initiative. Registration is required and begins four weeks before each event.

If you're already dreaming of the stars then June 10's astronomy program with the Cincinnati Observatory is for you. You'll get to see the biggest star of our galaxy—our own sun! Astronomer and co-host of PBS' Stargazers program, Dean Regas, gives a presentation about the sun, moon, planets, and stars. Then, if it is a sunny day, you'll have the chance to safely view the sun through special telescopes. Free and open to all ages. No registration is required.

Science meets the arts with these two special programs. Learn how to create cool cosmic artwork using the power of the Earth's sun June 8. Make your own sunprint with photographic paper and the sun's UV rays. Be sure to come back June 22 as the Wump Mucket Puppets perform "Space is the Place," a show about a space princess who must stop star pirates.

And for adults who gaze at the stars in wonder, joins us for two TED Talk watch-and-discuss sessions. The topic June 30 is "Adventure," while July 28's topic is "Exploration." Delve into different thoughts and ideas through TED Talk videos and discussion with fellow attendees.

There's plenty more to do for all ages this summer at the Clifton Branch. Explore your options at [CincinnatiLibrary.evanced.info/signup/List](http://www.CincinnatiLibrary.evanced.info/signup/List). Sign up for Summer Adventure at www.CincinnatiLibrary.org/SummerAdventure.



Cincinnati Observatory's Astronomy Program



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On June 22 the Wump Mucket Puppets perform "Space is the Place".

*The NASA @ My Library project is led by the National Center for Interactive Learning at the Space Science Institute. Partners include the American Library Association Public Programs Office, Pacific Science Center, Cornerstone of Science, and Education Development Center. NASA @ My Library is made possible through the support of the NASA Science Mission Directorate as part of its STEM Activation program.

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Elizabeth "Betsy" Black joined her husband February 17, 2019 after an extended illness. John, also a Native of Ironton, was her High School sweetheart. He died one week prior in an accidental fall outside his home just after he took his Betsy to her son's home for hospice.

Cliftonian Comments

Kathy Jo Parsanko—"With a sad and heavy heart, Farmer John passed away. Someone who always made everyone feel special, and helped make Clifton our very own Mayberry."

Neil Anderson—"Talked to him a little over a month ago. Had many a beer with him. We laughed and joked about life a lot. Godspeed my friend."

Julia Heather Cumming—"Ohhhhh this makes me so sad. I did enjoy his beautiful produce. He was a font of knowledge. I also got the lowdown on prominent peach thieves. Grow in Peace Farmer John."



Daniel Luck SO sad INDEED. He will be missed...(LOVED da " cherry bomb" hot peppers he grew..)

Christopher Martin—"He always greeted me with a smile, rest well, John."

Nancy Niehaus—"What a loss. The happiest man on the strip."

Priscilla Gorman—"So sad to hear this. Such a giving man. Loved the Earth and the bounty of the goods it provided."

Diane Fishbein—"I'm so sorry. I'll miss you Farmer John."

CWC HOSTS “Sheltering Our Community”

The Cincinnati Woman’s Club (CWC) was founded 125 years ago with the mission of education and philanthropy. In keeping with this mission, CWC held a day-long volunteer effort “Sheltering Our Community” for women experiencing homelessness, co-chaired by CWC members Charlotte Goering and Margy Richards.

More than 80 women volunteered to gather, sort, package, and label boxes brimming with necessities for the following agencies: The YWCA Domestic Violence Shelter, The Center for Respite Care, Mary Magdalen House and Serenity Network.

Each of the agencies received 15 fleece lap blankets crafted by a group of volunteers during the day.

A buffet luncheon format allowed speaker, Courtney Stepp, to share her journey to recovery through the Angie’s House of Freedom & Miracles, part of the Serenity Network. The Serenity House provides shelter for women participating in addiction recovery programs and has been integral to Courtney’s healing process. Courtney achieved a master’s degree in social work and currently works in a psychiatric setting. Courtney’s story of determination and hard work with the support of the “girls on the steps” at the Serenity house was one of true forgiveness and inspiration.



Cathy Hogan and Barb Backscheider pack clothing for shelters.



Courtney Stepp luncheon speaker for Angie’s House of Freedom and Miracles Brandy Lawless Program Coordinator Angie’s House.



Nancy Vandenberg and CWC President Ellen Zemke make blankets for shelters.



Nancy Gaffney and Terri Schumacher gather the blankets CWC members prepared for shelters.



Elaine Sicking, Marney Weis, Patti Schutte, Kathy Setzer and Susan Bacevich sort and pack toiletries for shelters

Plans for A Pedestrian Friendly Ludlow—The Rest of the Story

The following are photos from the University of Cincinnati DAAP (Design, Art, Architecture and Planning) students' brainstorming session to make Ludlow Avenue more pedestrian friendly.



Left photo: Professor Mehta said they want to take some solutions to the City of Cincinnati and see how much they are willing to work with the Clifton community. Photo at right: CTM Trustee Malcolm Montgomery enjoys the presentation by UC's DAAP professors and students during the April meeting at at DAAP. (Photos by Catherine Hamilton Hicks.)



Washington Avenue Becoming “Greener”

If you have driven down Washington Avenue in North Avondale this year, you may have noticed two new home projects on the hill; a brand new home located at 3736 Washington Avenue, and an existing home remodel with some additions at 3720 Washington Avenue. IKOTA Management was hired for both projects to attain GOLD LEED Standard, and contracted with Green Building Consulting to help navigate the way.

LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is a consensus-based set of building standards administered by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC),

a nonprofit organization. LEED was created to help guide the construction of healthier, highly efficient buildings that reduce waste and are better for communities and the environment. The LEED rating system, used worldwide, has four levels – Certified, Silver, Gold and Platinum – depending on how high a building scores on the LEED point system.

The homes go beyond just Energy Star appliances, from spacing of framing lumber, non-toxic and local materials used, water and heat efficiency fixtures, all the way to what type of grass seed used outside. The owners of LEED projects feel like winners



all around, from tax abatements enjoyed, helping reduce environmental strains/emissions, and overall improvement quality of living.— *Rasheed Shamma of IKOTA Management*

Dreams for A Pedestrian Friendly Ludlow

Tom Lohre's created the following visuals for "What we'd like to see on Ludlow Avenue".



Things we would like to see. Chocolatier in the old Gaslight Gourmet Cookies shop that closed in September of 2018.

Slow down traffic on Ludlow? Eliminate no parking during rush hour. Capture parking spaces for human spaces. Bump out public space with sound deadening clear panels along the traffic side.



Clifton and Glenmary get a Bump Out—Now the center line turns to the right not straight as in the Google Earth view. Put in to slow traffic and protect the pedestrian.

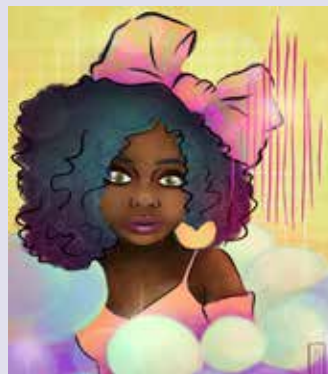
Artist Speak: Kiersten Pfeiffer

Kiersten Pfeiffer, a Clifton local, graduated from UC's DAAP with a degree in fine art. Having concentrated on sculpture for most of her career, she decided to take a left turn and began illustrating after school. Now a full-fledged freelance artist, Kiersten uses an iPad pro and the indie program Procreate to create her portraits. She's had shows around Cincinnati, but is concentrating on current freelance work.

Kiersten is open for commissions currently, and can be contacted through email for further details.

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Portfolio on Instagram username @__pfeiffer__



MORE ALL THE NEWS ON "THE AVENUE"

Father's Unite for Camaraderie

Clifton men, throw your troubles away and gather at Arlin's at 9 p.m. every second Wednesday for a rousing time with the Clifton Dads. You'll go home with a smile on your face, remembering nothing about what you did or heard. Smiling faces all around instead of gazing longingly into your glowing "substitute for humanity" (i.e. social media) in your hand. The Dad's group was started about 10 years ago. You do not have to be a dad in Clifton to join in.

Clifton Moms meet at a private home on the second Tuesday. Moms started meeting in 1929. Email president Lara Roller cliftomoms@gmail.com to join the Mom's group.—*Tom Lohre*



Makin Heads Turn

Saira Makin, owner's brother, creates the textured pieces and her girlfriend designs the ladies.



New Faces and People on the Move



Garret, Clifton Market front end manager, is the new employee at Petey's Pet Shop, working as a second job to his bigger mission

At right: Sybilka Storie, the new hostess at Postmark, wants to organize Clifton shop owners meet and greets.



Wonderland Smoke Shop just hired a handsome young salesperson, "JR."



Dushey, an 18-year employee at Clifton Graeter's, retired April 30 to care for her new grandbaby. A customer gets a hug. (Catherine Hamilton Hicks' photo)





'Cat Sighting

Celebrating 200 years, University of Cincinnati, lifsize Bearcat Mascots have been showing up all over town. This one was named Tom Yunger after the former owner of Clifton Skyline and is placed in the restaurant's parking lot.



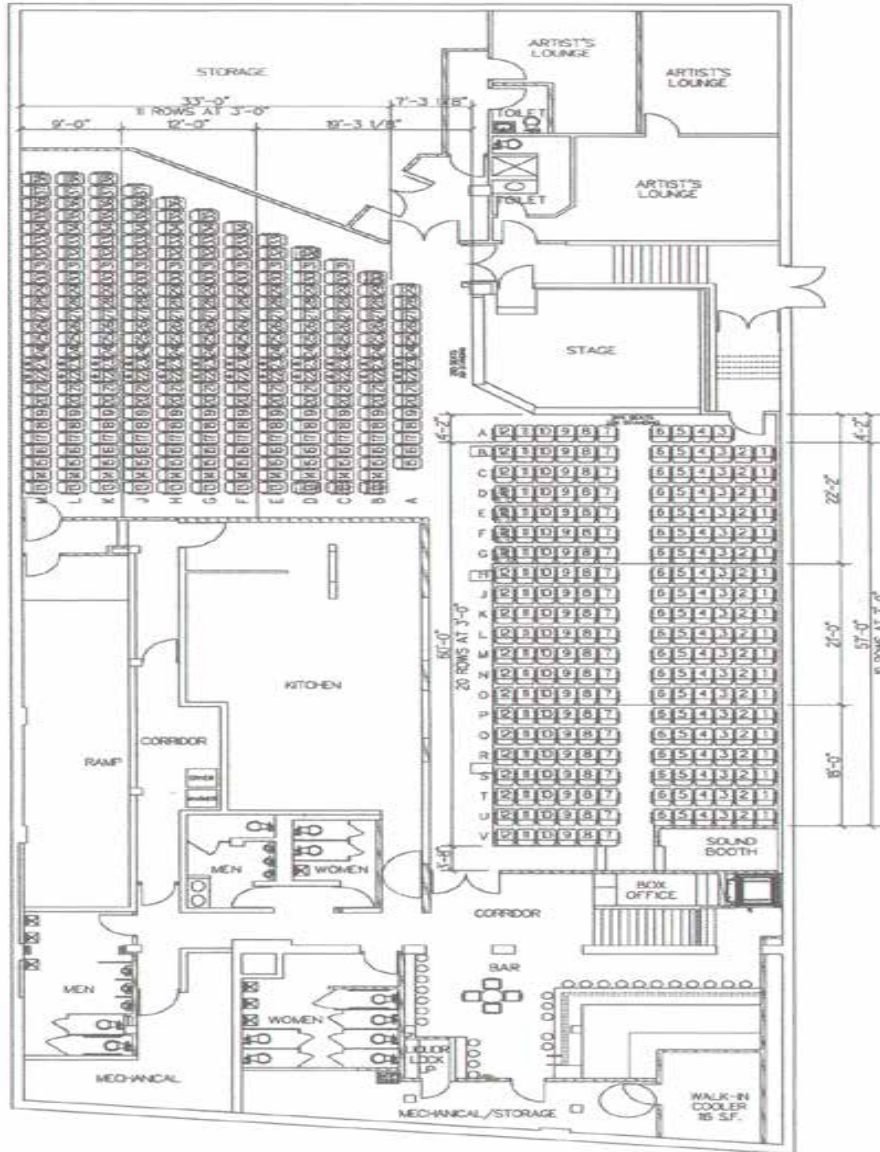
Finely Tuned at Lydia's

Bob Siegfried, 89, retired Procter and Gamble engineer, is improving the "new" vintage piano at Lydia's. He first tuned it and now is tightening and adjusting the "works" so they strike the strings properly. To do this he removed the works to his workshop. It will take about two weeks to bring it back. "If it's not tuned. Nobody will play it," he said

Reach Bob at the National Piano Technicians Guild website: <http://www.ptg.org/> by searching for Robert Siegfried. He is also the Guild treasurer.

Ludlow Garage to Remodel

Brian, manager of the Ludlow Garage, says the last show will be June 1st opening back up in September with a remodeled down-stairs. See plans below.



AN "X" INDICATED ON A SEAT DESIGNATES A SEAT THAT IS REMOVABLE TO CREATE A CENTER AISLE

Help for US Border Is Just Down the Road

You may have heard that Guatemala is now the leading source of undocumented immigrants coming to the United States. But, did you know that there is an internationally recognized nonprofit located right here in Cincinnati that's doing something about it? Cooperative for Education (or CoEd) was founded in 1996 by Clifton resident, Joe Berninger, and his brother, Jeff Berninger. The organization works to break the cycle of poverty in Guatemala through education. CoEd gives opportunities to rural Guatemalans so that their best option to provide for their families is no longer trying to cross the border. CoEd's US office is located just down the road in Westwood. Visit <https://cooperativeforeducation.org>

Crossroads Church Films Video on Ludlow



In April, Crossroads Church shot a video on Ludlow Avenue. An actor portraying Jesus was dancing down the street, stopping to say hello to a woman who was gazing at the glittering jewelry in Maya's shop window. He continued down the street to Diggs Plaza, greeting people along the way.



At Commanding View

May 3rd brought the opening of the rooftop garden at Clifton Gaslight Bar & Grill. New bar chairs and stand up tables finishes off the look the way it was meant to be.



From left: DPCR students Brian '21, Jaelyn '19, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, Malikah '19, and DPCR President Sister Jeanne Bessette.

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At the February 27 event DPCR leaders and students thanked all of the businesses who partner with the school in the Corporate Work Study Program (CWSP). As the Governor said, "Without you Cristo Rey doesn't work." Through this program all DPCR students work five days a month at one of the 100 partner companies, earning part of their education costs and gaining valuable professional skills and exposure.

Governor DeWine, formerly the Ohio Attorney General, is very familiar with DePaul Cristo Rey and the Columbus and Cleveland Cristo Rey schools. The Attorney General's Office participates in the CWSP with students working in their offices in all three cities.

At the breakfast, DPCR honored Mercy Health with the Corporate Partner of the Year Award. Mercy has 12 students working across the Mercy Health organization in hospitals and locations around the region.

DPCR also honored the following organizations for five years of CWSP participation:

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- American Red Cross
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- Crayons to Computers
- Easter Seals Serving Greater Cincinnati
- Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati
- Flynn & Company, Inc.
- Hubert Company
- KDM POP Solutions Group
- Key Bank
- North American Properties
- Paycor
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CWC Hosts 125th Anniversary Luncheon

Seven enterprising women founded The Cincinnati Woman's Club in 1894 with the expressed purpose of furthering education and philanthropy. During 2019, the CWC has celebrated this milestone with a variety of events reflecting that mission. Recently, leaders from 60 Cincinnati organizations that have been in existence for at least 125 years joined CWC members for a 125th Anniversary Luncheon, co-chaired by Shannon Carter and Pat Humphrey. Guests included representatives from the business and health care communities, educational and religious institutions, the arts and other civic organizations.

In her welcome, CWC President Ellen Zemke described this event as a chance to celebrate Cincinnati's heritage and to find connections and avenues for working together in the future. Ellen Katz, president and CEO of the Greater Cincinnati Foundation, then led a panel discussion, "Connecting Women in the Future of Our Community." She noted that Cincinnati has exceptional female leaders in philanthropy, the arts, education and business and introduced the panelists representing those areas. She then asked each panelist how her organization was distinguished and what she saw as the challenge for the future.

ArtsWave CEO Alicia Kintner said that Cincinnati is the home of some of the country's top arts organizations with significant community support and women in key leadership roles. She noted that the expansion of arts exposure in education is a means of teaching skills like creative problem solving and teamwork that are of critical importance in the work force both today and in the future.

Laura Mitchell, Superintendent of Cincinnati Public Schools, noted that the 190 year-old Cincinnati Public School System continues to grow, offering more educational choices every year. The system also serves as a national model for incorporating community services like health care into school sites. Her organization's most pressing challenge is finding ways to finance its growth.

Jill Meyer, CEO of the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber, said that her organization is one of the largest of its type in the country, distinguished by its regional scope and its broad engagement with the local business community. Her list of future "work to do" includes a regional transportation system and a focus on developing and keeping local talent while attracting talent from outside the region.

This lively discussion gave CWC members and guests many ideas to discuss as they enjoyed the elegant three-course luncheon that followed. Each guest received a copy of *The Life of the Future*, a book created by the CWC to commemorate its 125th Anniversary.



From left: Ellen Katz, Alecia Kintner, Ellen Zemke, Laura Mitchell, Jill Meyer

UC News Record Names “Best of Clifton”

Best Hookah Bar: Just steps away from the Esquire Theater, the Bohemian Hookah Café on Ludlow is the epitome of tranquility. Bohemian cultivates a relaxed atmosphere and chill ambiance — and it offers some of the best hookah in the city. It’s a fantastic place to spend an evening with friends and enjoy a board game or chess match. Bohemian also offers a versatile menu of flavorful homemade teas, including chai and fresh mint, for you to sip on.

If you’re looking for a place to study, Bohemian provides a quiet, laid-back venue (with free Wi-Fi, of course) to get some work done. The service is top notch, the staff is fantastic and the atmosphere is serene. What’s not to love?

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Best hookah bar: Bohemian Hookah Café

Best dessert: Graeter's

Favorite female athlete: Jordan Thompson

Favorite male athlete: Jarron Cumberland

Best fraternity: Delta Tau Delta

Best sorority: Phi Mu

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Bohemian Hookah Café

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Clifton Market, the Heart of Clifton

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The map shows an aerial view of the Clifton Market area, with numerous callout boxes pointing to specific businesses and locations. A large QR code is centered on the map, likely linking to more information about the market. The callouts include:

- Head First Salon** 861-8477
- Pangaea Fashions** 751-3330
- Sitwell's Rest & Bar** 281-7487
- Esquire Theatre** 281-8750
- Los Potrillos Rest & Bar** 221-0313
- Toku Baru Gifts** 751-3338
- Kilimanjaro Gifts** 221-0700
- Biagio's Rest & Bar** 861-4777
- Dewey's Pizza & Bar** 221-0400
- Harvest Rest & Bar** 281-3663
- Lydia's on Ludlow** 381-3436
- Clifton House B & B** 500 Terrace Ave 221-7600
- Gaslight B & B** 3652 Middleton Ave 861-5222
- Adrian Durban Florist** 221-8222
- Graeter's Ice Cream** 281-4749
- Apple Tree Daycare** 221-8353
- CM Swim & Tennis** 4045 Egbert Ave 961-3793
- Heart Montesson** 218 Ludlow Ave 300-9642
- Skyline Chili** 221-2142
- Natural Foods** 961-6111
- Clifton Dental** 3349 Whitfield 751-5200
- Library** 3400 Brookline 369-4447
- J Gumbo's Rest** 271-5040
- Clifton Barber Shop** 281-3163
- Group Health Physicians** 246-7000
- Paolo a Modern Jeweler** 751-2171
- d Raphael Gifts** 751-1440
- Good Sam Hospital** 569-5400
- 274 Ludlow for Rent was Subway**
- Lentz & Co Furniture** 739-0193
- M Montgomery EduTech Consult** 513-961-1211
- World Peace Yoga** 300-9642
- Ludlow Wine & Beer** 751-3727
- Bohemian Hookah Cafe** 221-0291
- Jagdeep's Grocery** 961-2699
- Marrakech Rest** 442-2233
- 272 Ludlow for Rent was G Cookie**
- Arin's Bar & Restaurant** 751-6566
- Ludlow Garage** 221-4111
- Ace Hardware** 281-9600
- Favorite Vapors** 448-7417
- Semesters Gifts** 221-2031
- Tom Lt Records** 859-415-2638
- Proud Rooster Rest** 281-4965
- Shell Gas** 281-0031
- It's Yoga** 961-9642
- Merchant Parking Lot**
- Clifton Market** cliftonmarket.com 861-3000
- United Dairy Farmers** 751-5132
- Ambar Indian Rest** 281-7000
- Barbra Druffel Realtor** 281-7653
- Brueggers Bagel Rest** 221-2243
- Habanero Rest** 961-6800
- Baladi Rest & Bakery** 221-7222
- Grill of India Rest** 961-3600
- Widmer's Cleaners** 221-4091
- Post Office** 861-1367
- Whole Bowl** 503-757-2695
- University Nails** 751-4111
- Improv Cincinnati** 900-1110
- Richardson Acct** 772-8348
- Makin Heads Tum Salon** 407-3911
- US Bank** 475-6060
- PNC Bank** 221-1122
- Gaslight Properties** 861-6000
- Ora Forusz Realtor** 533-8045
- United Fidelity Bank** 281-2443
- Prescriptions CVS** 281-4329
- Hansa Guild Gifts** 221-4002
- Gaslight Bar & Grill** 861-3663
- Brown's Travel Service** 731-3369
- For Rent was PO** 861-6000
- Dr. Kaplan Dentist** 281-8800
- Maya Jewelry** 667-9299
- China Kitchen** 221-5333
- Wonderland Smoke Shop** 407-3233
- Personalities Beauty Salon** 751-5100
- Pet Hospital** 221-3404