



# Clifton

## Chronicle

## Seasonal Beauty

Embrace It



A black swallowtail butterfly visits Clifton.

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### Miller Mask Project - We Can Do It!

Nancy Miller (née Van Ginkel) and her five siblings grew up in Clifton, the children of a pediatrician. A graduate of Clifton Elementary and Walnut Hills High Schools, Nancy went to Kenyon College and then on to the University of Cincinnati (UC) where she graduated with a BS in Mechanical Engineering. She worked at Procter and Gamble (P&G) and the Department of Defense (DOD) and more recently, Nancy completed her MBA from UC's Lindner College of Business.

Nancy recalls how on March 21, 2020, she reflected late into the night on what Ohio Governor Mike DeWine had said in his daily COVID-19 briefing. "Each night when I go to bed, I ask myself if I've done everything I could to defeat this enemy. I would ask all of you to ask yourselves the same thing - are you doing everything you can to stop this?"

Nancy woke up the next morning and went to work. She found the Facebook group Sew Masks 4 Cincy. "They are very organized and are doing a fantastic job. With hundreds of people sewing, they are easily keeping up with the demand from hospitals. So I decided to focus instead on finding the best pattern for non-medical use. My very discriminating husband chose a pattern from ProperFit Clothing as the clear winner. It is a more fitted style, and he prefers it because it gives greater coverage, stays on better, and is more comfortable than the accordion style masks." She began by making ProperFit masks for the seniors in her family, and then for family members living in large cities. Now she is inundated with requests from more family members, neighbors, and close friends. "I can only make a maximum of 10 per day, so I have to limit who I say yes to! I sew masks for pretty much eight hours a day, seven days a week. I make changes and improvements to the mask construction with each batch. I also experiment with different fabrics and prints, trying to make the masks more fun (as is possible



Nancy Miller strikes a pose reminiscent of the World War II "Rosie the Riveter" poster exhorting women to join the war effort.

with a face mask). I now have some adorable 'flying pig' fabric which I imagine will be a big hit."

"Some people have tried to pay me, but my goal is not to start a business. Rather my goal is to do something, even if it is a very small something, to help our country get through this very difficult time. I can sew, so I can make masks. Also, I am blessed with a full refrigerator. So it made sense to link my mask making with a fundraising campaign for Feeding America." Nancy encourages everyone who is able to keep their own refrigerator full to be as generous as possible to Feeding America, their local foodbank, or to any Hunger Relief organization. Nancy said "I chose Feeding America because I have been sending masks to family all over the country and they will channel funds to local foodbanks where the need is the greatest."

For more information please visit Nancy's website [millermaskproject.com](http://millermaskproject.com).

—Rama Kasturi, CTM Trustee



Nancy uses a variety of fabrics, including flying pigs, to make the masks a little more fun to wear.

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## CTM President's Message

What do we owe our neighbor? From Robert Putnam in *Bowling Alone* to Theda Skocpol in *Diminished Democracy*, many have documented the decline of civic life and engagement across America. We've been atomized by various different forces—changing economics, advancing technology, and changes in government. "Citizenship," in the sense of the way we interact with, live in, and support and have obligations to our communities, has been falling out of favor and replaced by a general attitude of "that's not my problem".

It took a pandemic to show it, but community action and unity isn't dead quite yet. For COVID-19, at least, there's no such thing as "not my problem". Our neighbors' problems are our problems, and community problems need community solutions. And we have responded. As hard as it's been, we've all demonstrated our commitment to the large-scale quarantines, social distancing and business closures necessary to solve this large-scale problem. There is a lot of collective action going on, in furtherance of a common good.

Things are going to be very different, potentially for a very long time. This is being forced upon us, but we can control it. By working together as a community, we can stop the spread of SARS-CoV-2—the virus that causes

COVID-19. It will be a slow, gradual process. But I am convinced it can be done if we continue to support each other. Clifton Town Meeting (CTM) will be there to help, in whatever form that may take.

A lot has been put on hold for CTM, such as our new community plan. But a lot has started, most notably the amazing "Clifton Cares" program. "Clifton Cares" is a fantastic example of how we can unite to make a difference – individuals donate money, which helps businesses stay open to provide food, which helps healthcare workers treat the sick, which keeps individuals in our community who can start the process over again. In Clifton as in America, when "unforeseen misfortune strike a family, the purses of a thousand strangers open up without trouble; modest but very numerous gifts come to its assistance in its misery." —Alexis de Tocqueville, *Democracy in America*.

If you are a CTM member, thank you. If you are not, please consider joining. We are still holding our monthly meetings via videoconference, still working on projects like repairing and replacing benches along Ludlow Avenue, and still representing Clifton and working in its best interests. Thank you for all you do for our community.

—Joe Bruner, CTM President

## Bench Upgrades Are Coming!

As part of an effort to upgrade public outdoor furnishings, CTM has just ordered three benches to replace those that have deteriorated at Middleton and Ludlow, at the firehouse on Clifton Avenue, and on Ludlow at the Superior Credit Union. This is the first phase of bench replacement made possible thanks to a Neighborhood

Support Program (NSP) grant. The second phase, financed by a grant from Keep Cincinnati Beautiful (KCB) will happen in the fall. The benches are Victorian in style, compatible with Clif-



ton architecture and our iconic gaslights. They are made of cast iron ends and composite recycled slats, and will require a minimum of maintenance.

We also need help with beautification projects. CTM is looking for a few good volunteers for a mini neighborhood blitz that will include:

1. Installation of these new benches
2. Graffiti removal
3. Pressure washing, staining and sealing of the benches at Telford
4. Cleaning up the bulletin board at Telford
5. Repair of a wooden bench at the Clifton Plaza
6. Staining the wooden features at Clifton Plaza

To volunteer email Gerald at [GRChecco@gmail.com](mailto:GRChecco@gmail.com).

—Gérald Checco, CTM Treasurer

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### CTM Electronic Meetings - A New Way to Meet-Up

Because of social distancing during the COVID-19 outbreak period, the Clifton Town Meeting will be holding monthly public meetings on the internet. You can tune in and participate on your computer, laptop or Iphone. Meetings are typically the first Monday of the month. Watch for the public announcement for the meeting on the CTM webpage and then use the provided link, meeting ID # and passcode number. Meetings will begin promptly at 7 p.m., but you can connect as early as 6:30 p.m. to make sure your line is established and you have access. Thanks for joining in your community council's forum!

### Staying in Touch with CTM

Email us at [contactctm@cliftoncommunity.org](mailto:contactctm@cliftoncommunity.org) to learn how to subscribe to our emails or find us in social media.

**HEALTH**  
Are you one of only 10% of Americans who eat the recommended 5 servings of fruits and vegetables each day? Eating a diet rich in fruits and vegetables protects against heart disease, diabetes, cancer & more.  
Each day, eat one vegetable with each meal, and add a fruit to it. Try this: Keep fruits and vegetables on your counter or top shelf in the refrigerator for a natural reminder and easy access.

**RELATIONSHIPS**  
Have you heard?! 17% of Airpod owners have actually worn them while having sex! Not sure what this means, but could it be that engaging with technology is competing with our ability to connect with people?  
If that's true for you, then how about making a pledge to power off your devices for at least one hour off your day each day connecting with someone important to you? Remember, Google may know the answer, but it can never give you a hug; only people can, so make them first!

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## — Join Clifton Town Meeting! Here's How:

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 this form and send it along with a check or money order payable to Clifton Town Meeting, P.O. Box 20042, Cincinnati, Ohio 45220-0042.

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## Clifton Town Meeting Transportation Committee 2020 Priorities

The CTM Transportation & Public Safety Committee is a small group of volunteer residents – CTM Trustees and non-Trustees – who are passionate about making active transportation easier and safer in Clifton. The committee partners closely with the City of Cincinnati Department of Transportation who is the ultimate decision-maker to transportation-related issues. Our priorities, which are derived from feedback of residents, are fourfold in 2020:

First, partner with the city on a six-month test on Ludlow Avenue in the business district to lift rush hour parking restrictions. The city just completed that test in April so now we are gathering three pieces of data from which a decision will be made on whether to make the test permanent: a survey of residents, input from businesses on Ludlow and data to understand the impact of that change on accidents. The success criteria we have identified as: (1) strong positive residential feedback on the traffic and safety of having rush

hour parking; (2) support from the businesses on Ludlow of the change; (3) no increases in crashes as a result.

Second, working with the city on their “road diet” study on Ludlow from the old District 5 police station to Whitfield Avenue, which is scheduled to be completed in the April 2020. The genesis of the study was a request of the city to put in crosswalks at a few intersections on Ludlow near Dunore Park as well as the interest in reducing accidents – especially near Cornell Place & Whitfield. The results of the study done by the State of Ohio will be shared with the community, and the City of Cincinnati will solicit community feedback in the Summer 2020.

Third, working on ‘hot spots’ throughout Clifton. These ‘hot spots’ are areas that either have a significant number of crashes or reports of running lights/speeding (e.g. Ludlow & Clifton) or where neighbors request a change (e.g. a request to put in a stop sign at Lafayette and Middleton).

Finally, developing a longer-term ‘active transportation’ plan with the city to encourage more walking and biking not only for commuting, but also for errands, recreation or as transportation to the business district for entertainment.

We welcome any input from residents via attendance at CTM monthly meetings or feel free to reach out to me as the chair of the committee – ([Jeffreys.ms@live.com](mailto:Jeffreys.ms@live.com)).

—Mark Jeffreys, CTM Trustee



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## Clifton Market Strives to Meet Community Needs During the Pandemic

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The Market has also expanded its pickup and delivery services. Pickup and delivery orders can now be placed by emailing orders to [onlineshopping@cliftonmarket.com](mailto:onlineshopping@cliftonmarket.com) or

by visiting the online shopping site (click on the Online Shopping link at their home page, [cliftonmarket.com](http://cliftonmarket.com)). A CM team member will send you an email confirming receipt of your order and give you a rough estimate of when your order will be completed. Once the order has been put together, a team member will call you to obtain payment and schedule a pickup or delivery time.

If you are unable to place your order via email or through the online interface, you can also call in orders to 513-861-3000. However, given the current demands on their team, the manager requests that you place orders by phone only if

you are unable to use the email or online system.

If you are a senior or have an underlying health condition, team members are also willing to pick up and deliver supplies from other neighborhood merchants when delivering your Market order. These services will be provided free of cost. Please allow up to 24 hours for your order to be fulfilled. Note that deliveries can only be made to homes within a 10-mile radius of the Market. All team members welcome your suggestions and feedback and are happy they are able to provide all shoppers a safe and convenient shopping experience. —*Rama Kasturi, CTM Trustee*

## Your Neighbors Could Sell You the Statue of Liberty. No, Really!

Reid and Barbara Sikes raised their three sons Will, Graydon and Evan on the charmingly tucked-away Hedge-row Avenue. Still residing in the Gaslight, they enjoy living nearby their kids and grandchildren, and are devoted “Grands” of Fairview Clifton German Language School. Three years ago, Reid and Evan renovated a commercial space on Madison Road in Oakley, and there opened their art gallery – CAZA Sikes. Graydon joined the team, and together they curate art exhibitions, appraise precious objects and organize auctions.

Last fall they met a woman who, now in her 70’s, confided a wish to retire, but also her lack of means to support her self. However - in a corner in her modest Dayton home, she said that she had something unique: “I have a Statue of Liberty I’d like to sell.” Of course, what immediately comes to mind are the little metal and plastic souvenirs millions of Americans cherish from their trips to New York Harbor. The conversation continued and the woman told Reid more: her four-foot tall model of “Lady Liberty Enlightening the World” was created by Frederic Auguste Bartholdi in France in 1875. Cast by the sculptor himself, they had been displayed alongside the full-scaled arm of the Statue when it travelled to the Philadelphia Centennial in 1876. The touring arm and sale of these models were intended to raise American dollars to pay for construction of a pedestal for the bronze colossus. Her grandfather had purchased the statue in a 1940’s farm auction.



*Graydon, Evan and Reid Sikes with “Lady Liberty Enlightening the World”*

The Sikes immediately scheduled a visit to have a look, and at first glance knew this was the real deal. Estimates established, they hoped to sell Lady Liberty for something in the neighborhood of \$20K - \$40K. When auction day



came - February 22nd - there was special excitement in the Caza Sikes gallery. This piece was the stuff of major auction houses! Would it go for a fair price and fulfill the reason for its sale? Two individuals had placed sizable absentee bids, but the final winning bid came in online - something highly unusual. When the hammer went down, the total buying price with auctioneer’s premium was \$106,250.

The take-away value for the owner was much more than anyone had anticipated. She calls frequently to talk to Reid Sikes now, and it’s not unusual that they are both moved to tears while considering the impact this sale. Her art treasure, no longer holding court in her parlor’s corner, will have a monumental presence through the next years of her life.

To learn more about CAZA Sikes, visit their website at [www.czasikes.com](http://www.czasikes.com).

To learn more about the creation of the Statue of Liberty: [www.nypl.org/blog/2015/04/07/statue-liberty-pedestal](http://www.nypl.org/blog/2015/04/07/statue-liberty-pedestal).

—*Jan Brown Checco, CTM Secretary*

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Tom Reese, Service Area Coordinator and Taylor Schafer, Center Director hand out snacks on McAlpin Avenue in front of the Clifton Recreation Center

## CCAC Encourages Creativity & Connection

The arts and community connectedness are more important now than ever before, and your local community arts center is working hard to provide and promote resources that help us overcome this national emergency. With schools, offices, restaurants and gathering places like CCAC all mandated to close per the governor's stay at home order, the Clifton Cultural Arts Center has adapted our existing programs and classes to make them available virtually. We have also produced several new resources that encourage creativity and connectedness – even when we are socially distant from one another. We are producing weekly videos on African Dance and CCACMakes – hands-on art instruction for young artists to hone their creativity skills with objects and materials found at home. We delivered dozens of sidewalk chalk bundles with notes to encourage residents of our neighborhood to get out on nice days and draw or write on the sidewalks throughout Clifton. CCAC has also created unique coloring pages – perfect for kids and adults alike – featuring some of your favorite Clifton icons. These resources and much more are available on our website. As we move into the summer, we are looking at ways to adapt your favorite community programs, including Wednesdays in the Woods and Live! on the Clifton Plaza, so that they are safe, responsible, and enjoyable by as many people as possible. We are seeking innovative ways to bring people together, promote a healthy and vibrant community, and expand the cultural arts in our city – and most importantly we are here to serve you throughout this time and beyond.

—Leslie R. Mooney, CCAC Executive Director



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## Gone But Not Forgotten: Seth C. Foster, 1823-1914



SETH C. FOSTER.  
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An early mover and shaker of Clifton was Seth Foster, yet not much mention of him is found. Born in 1823 in Boone County, Kentucky, he arrived in Cincinnati about 1839 looking for work, and became acquainted with William Stearns at a church gathering. A lifelong business partnership was born and later named "Stearns and Foster."

Initially, they worked producing upholstery for the large carriage industry here, before patenting a cotton wadding process to make mattresses. The rest was history: becoming the largest manufacture of mattresses with over 1,000 employees at their new Lockland factory. Later, they were acquired by Sealey, pushing them to the top spot in the entire industry.

As success became apparent, both Seth Foster and William Stearns yearned to move from the basin area to the burbs and declare their success with mansions, as was the custom of the day.

Stearns moved to Wyoming, close to the new Lockland plant, building a mansion where? On Stearns Avenue. Seth, who had recently married one of William Resor's daughters, Julia, of Clifton, was thereby obliged to consider Clifton as a residence.

Plans were drawn up in 1867 for their large Second Empire-styled mansion on their plot at 134 Glenmary Street (then Glenway) that stretched from Biddle Street (then Riddle) all the way down to Vine Street, and reaching as far North as, in spots, where Woolper Avenue is now. Some 10.8 acres initially the mansion would have been located where the Crestmont Lane, cul-de-sac is now, just off Biddle Street.



Above: Rare photo of Foster Mansion on Glenmary

Right: Plot map (1869) showing Foster Estate to right

Once the mansion was completed, the family—Seth, Julia and sons, George and William—enjoyed notoriety and were automatically accepted into Clifton society being part of the Resor clan (see article in Spring 2020 Clifton Chronicle). The boys enjoyed a toy train large enough to ride on with their friends in the large attic (verbal account), while wife, Julia, loved raising her prize high-stepping ponies at their stables to the rear. In her later years, it was common to see Julia wearing a straw poke bonnet, driving her prized team of ponies through Clifton according to the *Cincinnati Post*, on



December 2, 1904. Imagine seeing her trotting up Clifton Avenue! And, being the "bon vivant" that she was, she successfully hosted many fetes on their enormous lawn for the notables of Clifton, to raise funds for charities—something that Seth was well into. The lower end of their property, near Vine Street, was endowed with copious amounts of violets and became the go-to place for Clifton girls to pick violets (verbal history).

Over on the Resor estate (now Greendale Avenue) Julia's family was considering subdividing, so Seth along with C.H. Law, A.W. Whelpley, and Charles Stewart, all married to Resor girls, got together and the four brother-in-laws bought



As Julia Foster and rig would have looked.

in at \$150,000 to develop the estate into high-end homes for sale. This offered control and security for the rest of the Resor family, some of whom remained there until 1970.

To facilitate lot dimensions of 100-foot fronts in the Resor estate, William Resor's old house had to be torn down or moved (see Spring 2020 article for details). As it turned out, it was moved back to the North edge and about 300 feet from Clifton Avenue, then remodeled into a modern house (*Cincinnati Gazette*, 1896). This investing group then went on to create the Resor Subdivision II, forging a new street, named "Woolper" (after Seth's favorite boyhood creek in Boone County, Kentucky) with some 60 home units, over the next decade, for people of "modest means".

Both Seth and Julia died in the mansion at 134 Glenmary in 1914 and 1915 respectively. Then, by the 1930s, houses were built that completely obliterated the entire Foster estate from Biddle Street, with some terraced down to Vine Street. Number 134 was just one of 10 houses originally built down the Foster side of Glenmary.

Seth also left an enormous human legacy when considering his huge company employed more than 1,000 employees for three generations, gave large sums to Cincinnati charities, supported a grandiose lifestyle for his family, and created affordable housing for Clifton to help make it the mix it is today.

—Geoff Gelke, *The History Buffs*

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Along the way, so much growth happened. The staff of CANS welcomed us with Friday morning coffee, classroom parties, weekly volunteer slots in various classrooms

## Cincy VegFest Returns to Burnet Woods

Cincy VegFest is scheduled to return to Burnet Woods on September 12, 2020, after a successful inaugural year. Expect a variety of talks, music, food demos and activities with national and internationally known presenters, musicians, authors, artists and chefs unfolding a path to a more peaceful world through compassionate plant-sourced vegan living. Delicious and diverse plant-sourced meal choices are exquisitely prepared and offered by a variety of our vendors. This is also a family friendly event with special activities for kids and the opportunity to connect with the community. More information is at [www.cincyvegfest.com](http://www.cincyvegfest.com).

## Free Yoga at Trailside

The Stewards of Burnet Woods, part of Cincinnati Parks Foundation, are proud to support FREE community yoga for all in Burnet Woods. Classes are offered by World Peace Yoga every Saturday from 11 to 11:45 a.m., Sunday from 7 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday from 5 to 6 p.m. These classes are for all levels and are beginner-friendly. Simply bring yourself and your own yoga mat. More information available at [www.worldpeaceyoga.com](http://www.worldpeaceyoga.com).

## Heart Montessori News

Heart Montessori is offering two sessions of summer camp, with session one beginning July 13. Visit [www.heartmontessorischool.com](http://www.heartmontessorischool.com) for information.

and specials and so much more. Right when we were hitting stride there was a new obstacle and we were once more thrown into the unknown.

People reached out; neighborhood scavenger hunts, read alouds, and an absolutely Wonderful video put together by CANS teachers helped during early weeks of confusion. And in the ensuing month, we have seen fantastic student work; books written and read aloud, habi-

tats built by eager young preschool scientists, pollinator gardens created in the yards of many second graders... art, life and love that can go on even at a distance. So even as far apart as we all are right now, we can still grow closer.

Because through all this uncertainty, this is certain: I miss school. I miss CANS. And I can't wait for next year.

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## Support CliftonFest Now

Planning has begun for the ninth annual CliftonFest October 2-3, when the community hopes to gather on Ludlow Avenue and celebrate our local businesses, local artists and local spirit. While we all wait to see how and when life will return to normal after the COVID-19 pandemic, CliftonFest organizers currently are looking for event sponsors and committee volunteers to join the team and help guide key decisions over the next few months.

If all goes according to plan, CliftonFest 2020 will feature live jazz, blues, R&B, rock and dance bands; dozens of craft vendors; family games and entertainment in multiple locations; and local chalk artists decorating the sidewalks. Live music will be hosted Friday night on Clifton Plaza and all day Saturday on Ludlow Avenue. The famous pet parade, local restaurant specials and a beer tent will return.

## Local Cartoonist Provides Humor with Clifton Cool Comic Book

James White has a substantial history with humor in Clifton. He was University of Cincinnati's political cartoonist in the 80s. In 2000 he painted the Arlins Bar mural. For four years he was on the *Clifton Chronicle* staff and he drew caricatures at many CliftonFests.

The *Clifton Cool* comic book is his latest venture in printed humor. The book has 21 10-page stories of black-and-white cartoons about singles in their late twenties dating, etc. Think *Seinfeld* TV episodes, but taking place in Clifton. Each story is \$2 on Amazon Kindle Ebooks.



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## Library Celebrates Milestones

The Clifton Branch Library has two milestones to celebrate this year. May 28 marks our five-year anniversary at Parkview Manor and the building has its 125th birthday! It's amazing to think of how much has changed since 1895 and, yet, how some things remain the same.

"We are still social beings who need to connect (one way or another) with each other to share, learn and live together on this incredible planet," said Children's Librarian Eric Davis. "With the strange and unforeseeable events of the past several months that have taken place, I sincerely hope that more people, indeed, everyone realizes what an incredible gift it is to be alive and to be able to share these moments together and that we work to be our best selves and create a world we are proud to be a part of, one that is driven by love and includes everyone in its decisions, policies and vision."

"And from the entire staff of the Clifton Library we wish to thank you for including us as a vital part of the community and look forward to learning, laughing, and celebrating with you for many years to come. Thank you!"

As this edition of *Clifton Chronicle* gets ready to go to press, the Library would love to share all its exciting summer events coming up at the Clifton Branch. As of now, though, we don't know what's going to happen with the stay-at-home order or the COVID-19 virus in the next few months.

But what we do know for sure is that our digital collections and resources are available to you no matter what. You don't have to be quarantining at home to enjoy eBooks, eAudiobooks, virtual story times, and the like. Log in while on vacation, commuting, or stuck inside on a rainy day.

Plus My Librarian offers year-round assistance with small business concerns, job searches, filing for unemployment, computer and database assistance, and more.

Be sure to check out the Library's Facebook page for

Bedtime Storytime with Mr. Eric. This Facebook Live event was April 29, but can be viewed afterwards. Just click on the Facebook link on the Library's webpage. Mr. Eric also did a Movers & Shakers video.

Also, the Library is holding the Quilts for a Cause project. The community is invited to create cloth squares that will be sewn into a quilt(s) for the Library Foundation to auction off to benefit critical Library services and programs, like Homework Help and summer learning activities for youth.



Quilts for a Cause Details: [blog.cincinnati.library.org/Blog/quiltsforacause](http://blog.cincinnati.library.org/Blog/quiltsforacause)

My Librarian Details: <https://blog.cincinnati.library.org/Blog/mylibrarian>

Virtual Storytimes & Activities Details: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CincinnatiLibrary/featured>

Facebook Live Storytimes: <https://cinlib.org/storytimelive>

And as always, you can reach out to our Virtual Information Center (VIC), which is set up to answer any questions you may have. Just call 513-369-6900. Eric Davis, Branch Manager Lisa Hamrick and Teen Librarian Liz

Weigand are among the team members answering calls, so if you have a question and call in you might just hear a familiar voice.

"While Clifton staff have been working from home developing plans and best practices for reopening in a new environment with social distancing concerns, we are also able to talk with our customers because we are taking shifts answering the VIC," said Hamrick. "The concern and care from our customers is wonderful — so many people have told me to 'stay safe' and 'be careful' and 'we miss you.' It is heartwarming. And, in case you were wondering, WE miss YOU and we hope you are taking care and are well!"

"Answering phone calls to the Library makes me feel connected to my community. It's exciting to talk to so many different people, and it feels good if I'm able to help them in some way. It's a great reminder that there's a world out there, and we need to talk to one another," said Weigand.

To keep up-to-date on Library news, visit [www.CincinnatiLibrary.org](http://www.CincinnatiLibrary.org) or follow us on social media.

—Lisa Mauch, Cincinnati Library



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# Cincinnati Parks in the Era of COVID-19: Nature Prevails

Although park attendance is up almost 120 percent, the impact of social distancing and stay at home orders have had their impact on park amenities. Cincinnati Parks continue to offer refuge from the stress of COVID-19 for all those who safely seek its healthful offerings.

—Rama Kasturi, CTM Trustee



*Socially distanced joggers taking a break: Jim Goetz, vice president, Cincinnati Park Board, on left*



*Seeking tranquility in the woods*



*Playground off-limits*



*Large white trillium*



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*From left: Tyrone Harrison, FAO driver; Joe Stallo, captain Engine #34; Robert Lingo, firefighter; and Alexia Mundy, firefighter paramedic*



# Clifton Civic Groups, Residents Reach Out to Front Line Heroes

*“Clifton Cares” – A New Social Consciousness Project*



*Nurse Elizabeth Bukovinsky picks up the 1,000th meal at Sitwell’s Act II – “What an incredible project, thanks for your quick thinking and for everyone’s generosity! It has meant so much to us and to the neighborhood has a whole. You have our endless gratitude.” – Florencia Garayoa and Alex Barden, Sitwell’s Act II*

On February 3, 2020, a Clifton resident came to the CTM monthly meeting, expressing concerns about inaccessibility to many businesses on Ludlow Avenue. Discovering about 20 percent of our local businesses cannot accommodate people with wheelchairs, a partnership formed between Clifton Business Association (CBA) and CTM, followed up with a grant application. Purchase of signage and portable ramps is an example of how Clifton residents and businesses can cooperate to solve specific problems through a new initiative we’re calling “Clifton Cares”.



This initiative was born at the same time that we all experienced the rapid spread of COVID-19. Orders for social distancing and closure of restaurants for dine-in service created a new set of problems. Our community is full of hospitals and healthcare workers who work long and perilous hours. Because restaurants can still provide carry-out, we asked the City of Cincinnati to help us reserve curbside parking spots. A quick response from Parking Operations established four food pick-up zones on Ludlow Avenue. Next, CBA and generous citizens contributed funds to “Clifton Cares” through online web addresses, allowing sponsorship of lunches and dinners for healthcare workers in our nearby hospitals. Workers simply called in their orders, gave their name and professional ID numbers, and picked up food from the eight participating restaurants.

At a time of long hours in close contact with a perilous illness and the fear of exposing not only themselves but their families, CBA imagined that this practical meal support could help. Patrick Borders, vice president of CBA, surveyed all Ludlow restaurants for interest, and organized the logistics of operation with the participants: Dusmesh, The Whole Bowl, Habanero’s, Biagio’s Bistrot, Proud Rooster, Marrakech, Sitwells Act II and The

## Cancellations and Postponements Due to COVID-19

- Memorial Day Parade and Picnic cancelled, but community meal will be planned for later.
- Neighborhood Planning exercises suspended.
- Presentations by finalists for the 2020 NBDIP (Neighborhood Business District Improvement Program) grant awards have been delayed. “Accessible Clifton Ramps Project” will be presented by grant author, Gérald Checco.
- Spring clean-up and all other public service blitzes are postponed.

Gaslight Bar & Grill. By request of restaurant patrons, three more participants came on board: Los Potrillos, Baladi and Grill of India. Borders said, “Clifton is uniquely positioned to make a difference, because many of these health care professionals are our neighbors, and patrons who have long contributed to the financial wellbeing of our business district. They now needed our support.” Micah Ovardia, proprietor of The Whole Bowl, provided computer technical support to the project as well as many free meal bowls. He said, “Our restaurants are suffering, but we know our hospital front line needs our help right now.”

At a time when time and energy is in short supply for our healthcare workers, self-care and cooking can feel like a task too far. On Saturday April 4, CBA volunteers delivered its first 100 “Clifton Cares” lunches and 100 more dinners, by invitation of Good Samaritan Hospital. Erica Blackburn, a Clifton nurse, said, “As we all work through stressful and uncertain times, it is comforting to be supported by a great community that cares.” This massive delivery of meals for Good Sam’s ICU was repeated several times.

“This fast track project simply asked each participant to do what they already knew how to do. A moment of urgent need met with quick success. Patrick’s survey of restaurants rallied their participation, posters went up in workers’ spaces, Gerald’s social media updates connected the community. All was stitched together by Patrick’s excellent



*Nurse Lakisha Sawyer at the VA Hospital COVID Unit*

communication. Delicious meals fed scores of hungry hospital workers as they finished stressful shifts,” said Jan Checco, Clifton Cares team member.

Clifton Town Meeting (CTM) and Clifton Community Fund (CCF) teamed up with CBA with large donations to extend and magnify the project. In addition, 150 generous individual donors contributed, making it possible to provide over 4,000 meals to Health Care professionals. The unprecedented alliance between our civic institutions and residents has resulted in a unique win-win, placing our neighborhood on the map as the only community with a coordinated business and hospital workers support against the pandemic. Exactly four weeks after it started, Clifton Cares made its last deliveries to Good Samaritan Hospital, VA Hospital and the University Hospital. —Gérald Checco, CTM Treasurer



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## WHAT OUR RESTAURANTS SAID:

"A truly an impressive undertaking. Kudos and much gratitude to the Clifton Cares team, as well to everyone who donated resources to this effort. A great deal of positive karma was generated here." - Micah Ovadia, The Whole Bowl

"This has been the difference-maker for us during this troubling time. Thank you for stepping up. Looking forward to the future!" - Kevin Worthington, Gaslight Bar & Grill

"Clifton Cares has been great for my family's business. We have served healthcare workers which was wonderful, and have also gained many new customers. Thank you!" - Maya, Dushman

"In the month of Ramadan, we remember people who are suffering, as well as people who are giving. We're grateful to generous neighbors who have allowed us to help ease the burden of the hospital workers, and who have also helped us to survive." - Mohammed Largo, Marrakech

"I get news from all over the world that people are suffering. I was happy to help lessen the burden with some comfort food. I am thankful that our neighbors helped us survive this ordeal, it means a lot!" - Biagio Lamassa, Biagio's Bistro

"Clifton Cares provided a much needed safety net for us. I was reluctant to stock up because I had no idea if we would have any business. The steady orders from hospital folks and the big deliveries made it possible for us to stay open." - Bob Doll, Proud Rooster

*Photos by Helen Adams and Jan Checco*





## A Century on Clifton Avenue: The Joseph Rawson Family: 1877 - 1980

### Part II. Clifton, Marion and Dorothy Rawson Grow Up

Edward Rawson's daughters Marion and Dorothy lived in the Rawson Farmhouse for their whole lives – nearly 90 years. In 1899, Marion was born at the Farmhouse into a large dynamic family. Marion fell exactly, by her age, between the youngest and oldest members of the big Rawson family, and developed a natural independence and ability to work with others. Her loving family cultivated Marion's joy for art and music as well as exceptional sociability. She observed and came to understand the workings of the family business, and commerce in general. Dorothy's passion for travel adventures and horses kept their family life full of action, fascination, depth and warmth. In 1829, their grandfather Joseph Rawson Sr. moved to boomtown Cincinnati from Boston, eventually becoming owner of a successful pork-packing business that he managed with three of his eight children - Warren, Joseph Jr. and Edward. Joseph Sr. was also among the founders of the First National Bank where he and his sons all served as officers. After the Rawson patriarch's death in 1891, his three sons migrated their young families up the hill from downtown to Clifton, settling on land perspicaciously acquired over time by Joseph Sr's wife, Mary. She moved from her family's Race Street townhouse to live with Joe Jr's family at Centerwood (today known as the Rawson House).

Although Marion never had the joy of knowing her grandmother, she nonetheless inherited Mary's penchant for women's equality. Despite prevailing customs, Mary Rawson bequeathed money to her daughters in equal amounts as she left to her sons, allowing them to all be completely financially independent.

Marion and Dorothy's father, Edward Rawson, purchased his family's Clifton home and six-acres of farmland from A.C. Neave in 1886, exactly one year before Henry Probasco presented a beautiful and very useful fountain to the People of Clifton. Located just outside Rawson Farm's front gate, the



Marion Rawson, 20 years old and her life-long home, the Rawson Farmhouse, where she and her sister Dorothy lived their entire lives



Joseph Rawson Sr. and his wife Mary with the children of Joe Jr.

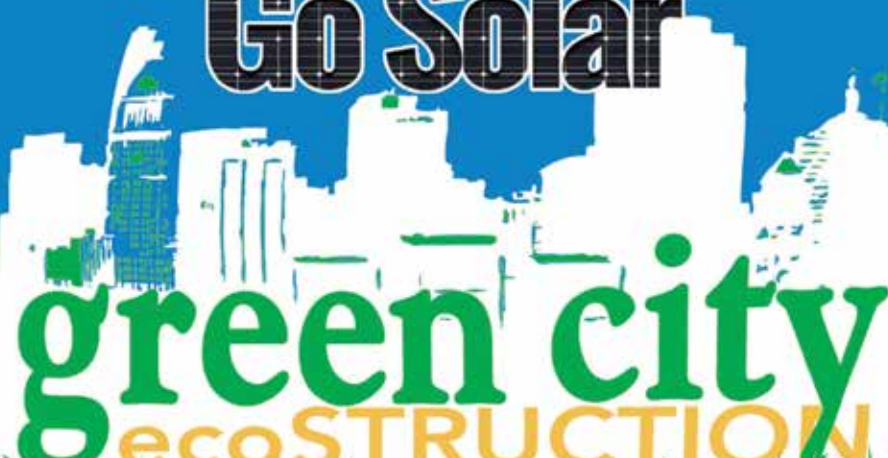
Probasco Fountain was essential to all who did not have running water in their homes. Neighbors filled buckets, bottles and cups with clean water from a decorative freshwater spout. Commuters - tired from the climb of steep hills from their downtown offices - refreshed themselves while their horses and neighborhood dogs drank from separate basins.

The Resor Academy served as the heart of the hilltop community for 33 years, housing Clifton Village's council chambers, police and fire stations, a jail, as well as classrooms for Clifton's children. The land for this important village center was purchased in the 1850's by several prominent Cliftonites including Supreme Court Justice Salmon P. Chase, Robert Buchanan and George Resor. The Academy was built in 1870 on the corner of Clifton Avenue and Central Avenue (now named McAlpin) next door to the Farmhouse.

In 1896, after Clifton was annexed by Cincinnati, the di-

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Clifton Avenue 1887 and the Probasco Fountain



The Resor Academy (1870-1903)

rectors who owned the Academy's property deeded the land to the City along with a mandate that the property always be used for the education of youth. But despite being a big, handsome Italianate structure, the Resor Academy quickly became unsuitable for use and was demolished. During a citywide population boom, Clifton's student enrollment grew from 251 pupils in 1896 to 350 in 1901. The Cincinnati Board of Education launched a major building program to erect new facilities and modernize older ones. E. H. Dornette, architect for the Cincinnati Board of Education, designed Clifton School, an impressive Beaux Arts structure with a price of more than \$143,500. It proudly presented "an elegantly embellished exterior, spacious corridors, a basement with playrooms and lavatories, 14 classrooms, an auditorium, a gymnasium and a library."

The grand and modern Clifton School opened its doors in 1906 when Marion Rawson was just seven years old and ready for second grade. Her sister Dorothy was sixteen, so she attended classes at the newly opened Miss Doherty's College Preparatory School, located in what was formerly the Walnut Hills home of Ohio Governor George Hoadly. Over the decades, Mary Harlan Doherty's teaching harmonized with the philosophy of Cliftonite educator Helen Lotspeich's Open-Air School, and with the addition of Hillsdale School, the three became what is now The Seven Hills School Doherty Campus.

#### 1910 - Clifton's Completely Walkable Lifestyle

Throughout Marion and Dorothy Rawson's youth, Clifton was an ever-evolving place. Curvy lower Ludlow Avenue was straightened out to have two gentler bends, allowing the addition of two streetcar tracks that connected downhill to the new Central Parkway. The Ludlow Avenue business district bloomed beyond the original handful of shops. Neighbors walked daily to Ludlow Avenue to shop the abundant mercantile choices - 19 businesses now lined each side of the street.

After the demise of Resor Academy, the fire department gained an elegant new home in 1906 at Fire Station #34, located at the intersection of Clifton and Ludlow Avenues. The village continued to grow, including new apartment buildings on the business strip and the new Middleton Avenue. This new paved north/south thoroughfare became necessary for residents living north of McAlpin. It improved walkability to the streetcar stops on a line that looped throughout Clifton, and removed the need for pedestrians to cut-through Rawson Farm's land several times a day!

Some of Marion's friends attended the excitingly progres-



Clifton School, constructed in 1906

sive Clifton Open-Air School at 416 Resor (established in 1909) where Mrs. Helen Lotspeich's students learned their lessons in small buildings behind her home. Convinced that fresh air was essential for optimal learning, her students wore their coats and hats in unheated rooms with windows open in even the coldest months. All neighborhood children were welcomed to the Open-Air School's highly amusing Halloween parties.

On the way there, Marion and her friends turned off Clifton onto Resor Avenue where an old mansion housed the Sister's of Charity's Good Samaritan Hospital Annex. A few more steps up the street, they passed the original modest home of Annunciation Church built in 1910, still standing today just behind the beautiful 1930 neo-Classical church structure. To reach the end of Resor Avenue, they had to weave a pathway through the construction zone of new homes popping up all around. Five new subdivisions were rising on Resor, Thrall, Middleton, Bryant, Linden (now Whitfield), Cook (now Telford), Prospect (now Hosea) and Brookline.

By 1911, everyone thrilled to performances in the new Esquire Theatre, packing the 500-seat auditorium for live perfor-

mances and silent movies. For a few more years, the Rawson brothers and their friends enjoyed rounds of nine holes at the Clifton Golf Club, until those land parcels were purchased in 1913 to create Hebrew Union College. The Sisters of Charity bought up the remainder of the land in 1915 to build their new Good Samaritan Hospital. The Kessler Plan of 1907 formalized public use of Burnet Woods and Mt. Storm developed into parklands after the Bowler Mansion was demolished in 1917. The Cincinnati Zoo - now 35 years old - was well established. These public green spaces were all designed by renowned landscape architect, Adolphe Strauch, who also designed many of Clifton's private gardens, many other public parks and Spring Grove Cemetery.

Because of their difference in ages, the Rawson sisters were separated during much of Marion's childhood. Dorothy - seven years her senior - was either away at college in Connecticut, or living in Paris in the company of classmates and their parents or chaperones. When Marion was 13, Dorothy returned to Cincinnati, just four years before their father Edward died at the age of 67. No longer would the sisters thrill to their father's singing in the bass section of the May Festival Chorus, a for-

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We are a progressive faith community where all are welcome. Here are some ways we are at work - being safely present - in this time of distancing.



#### Worship online with us every Sunday at 9:15 AM

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#### To-Go Meals for Kids Tues and Thurs 12-1 PM

Stop by the church to get up to 4 bags (per child) of kid friendly snacks on Tuesday or Thursday. There is no requirement or qualification to receive this food: we'll offer this until schools reopen.



#### Donate items for schools (Drop Off At Church)

We are collecting items for Parker Woods Elementary and Roberts Academy. Contact the church office or visit us Tues-Fri 9 AM- 2PM to drop off.

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## Green Clifton *Reel Lawnmowers = Real Freedom!*

In the interest of full disclosure, I just bought a reel lawnmower – as in I push it because it has no engine. I bought it for two reasons:

1. My youngest daughter needed a lawnmower and I gave her mine
2. I have a small “Clifton-sized” yard that’s perfect for the powerless.

So, I made the leap and it’s pretty good. Perfect? No. But not bad! Here’s why:

- The cut is actually better for my grass by helping it retain moisture and reduce disease
- I cut my grass this morning at 6:30 – and no one yelled at me!
- I carry the mower to my front yard
- The work is not the same, but the time spent is
- I get more exercise, which means I can spend less other time exercising to exercise
- I don’t buy gas or oil.

No air pollution . . . unless you’re offended by one really sweaty human

And, since I don’t have any lawn treatment I cut half as often as those who do chem-bomb their lawns.

Admit it, if you live in Clifton there’s a good chance your yard is small enough for you to have had some “powerless”

thoughts. You’ve probably seen someone like me quietly cutting his grass and thought, “What a nerd”. BUT . . . then I’ll bet you thought, “I ought to ask him/her about that mower”. You now have your answers.

Oh, yeah, my mower cost just \$83!

*The Myth of Sisyphus – 2020: I pay to make my grass grow fast so I can pay to have it cut.*

Clifton might lead the city in yards with clover, dandelions and wildflowers – and that’s a good thing. Each one of those imperfect Clifton lawns is a living environment.

It may be that lawns and lawn treatment will be the next “smoking”. Twenty years from now it a perfect lawn may be as politically incorrect as lighting up a cigarette in someone’s living room today. People will find it hard to believe that we used to “kill” our lawns in order to keep up with the Jones’ – and we are not just killing our lawns. Those chemicals don’t stay just in your yard; when it rains they run off. Read the labels or research for yourselves.

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—Larry Holt



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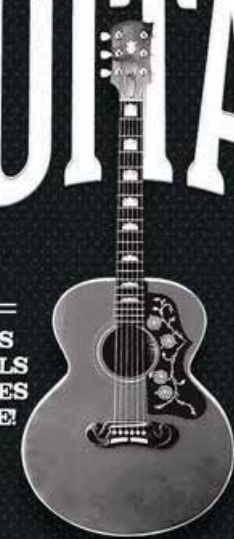
Here is the link for the video. [bit.ly/Make-Paint](https://bit.ly/Make-Paint)



New School Montessori elementary art teacher, Robin Hartmann, made an instructional video showing students how they could make their own paints using everyday items found around the house. To create your own paint the way da Vinci did. Separate egg white from egg yolk. Put the yolk on a paper towel and use a toothpick to rupture the egg yolk’s sack. Squeeze the yellow liquid from the sack into a container or welled cup of a paint palette. Take care to keep the yolk’s membrane on the paper towel. Then mix small amounts of liquid yolk with various ground-up pigmented items like chalk dust, Kool-Aid or food coloring to begin your masterpiece.

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## Clifton Heritage continued from page 15



Clifton Open-Air School at (1909) Mrs. Helen Lotspeich and students



mal event the entire family loved to attend every other Spring.

After her primary education in Cincinnati concluded, Marion continued her studies at Bryn Mawr College located just outside of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Graduating in 1922, her courses included Psychology, Economics and Politics, though the work she best loved was in Music Appreciation. Her Aunts Mary and Helen's French residence, "Villa Vista" on the Cote d'Azur at Menton, afforded their nieces and nephews frequent long, cheerful visits to The Continent. The younger Rawsons were delighted to accompany their spritely aunts on cultural tours throughout Europe!

Dorothy and Marion cared for their ailing mother Clara

**We're Open!** Clifton Natural Foods, 336 Ludlow Avenue, is open. You can pick up your call ahead order. Knock on the door and get that small item you crave. Hartzler Milk, 16 bricks local bread, local eggs and all the items you love from Clifton Natural Foods are still available. Our hours have been modified slightly. <http://www.cliftonnaturalfoods.com/> (513) 961-6111 10-6 Monday through Saturday &— 11-6 Sunday

### Meet the Editor

Summer 2020 marks the beginning of my eighth year as the "Do It All Person" for the *Clifton Chronicle*. I was so dubbed by Tom Lohre who handed over the reigns for the Summer 2013 edition. Tom continues to be the newsletter's neighborhood liaison and my often "go-to" person for clarification on a variety of matters.



The majority of my professional experience has been in publications, including writing for and managing of newspapers and magazines; book ghost writing, editing, production and publishing; public relations; advertising; and design and layout.

The most fascinating part of "telling the story" has been dropping into circumstances and people's lives, places you would never have imagined going on your own. Finding the unexpected extraordinary in others' lives has been the reward.

To our advertisers, the members of CTM and the community who have helped me produce the *Clifton Chronicle* since 2013, thank you, stay strong, and please continue to submit your ads and articles on time. :- ) —Vicki Black

Hobart Rawson until her death in 1927, exactly one decade after their father's death. Caring for others was an important aspect of the Rawson sisters' lives; Dorothy served as a volunteer at the City Hospital and at the Woman's Exchange, a charity organized to sell women's handiwork and baked goods to support themselves at home. Her commitment to the Exchange lasted for decades, and she served as the organization's President throughout the years of WWII.

Marion worked with the Vocation Bureau of Cincinnati Board of Education to help with intelligence testing. In 1931, she earned a degree in Archaeology from the Department of Classics at the University of Cincinnati. Now she was well prepared for the next fascinating chapter of her life, destined to be full of hard work and excitement alongside Dorothy with celebrated archaeologist Carl W. Blegen in the digs of ancient Troy and Pylos, Greece. Her flawless documentation of hundreds of important Mycenaean and Trojan treasures still remains an important component in the foundation of Classical archaeological studies today.

—Jan Brown Checco, CTM Secretary



Dorothy Rawson's passion for horses guaranteed that there was always a "Nelly" in the front pasture of the Rawson Farm.

Aunt Mary and Helen's home, "Villa Vista", in Menton, France, captured in a drawing by celebrated Cincinnati painter Elizabeth Nourse, their close friend



Next episode: Part III: Marion and Dorothy Rawson's Archaeological Deep Dive

Clifton Heritage – A new Chronicle feature!

Here's an invitation to tell the stories of your historic hilltop community and about the exceptional people who grew up, lived, and thrived here. Submit your Clifton Heritage stories anytime to **Clifton Chronicle** c/o Vicki Black [vblack1@cinci.rr.com](mailto:vblack1@cinci.rr.com)

## DePaul Cristo Rey Senior is Foundation's High School Student of the Year, Five Others Earn Scholarships

DePaul Cristo Rey senior Paul Aulis of Price Hill has been honored as the High School Student of the Year by the English Language Learning Foundation (ELLF). Five additional DPCR seniors received ELLF scholar-



ships for college, including Aurora O., Fredy A., Allyn L., Denis C., and Andrea B.

Paul was recognized at the ELLF Breakfast on February 20 at Northern Kentucky University. His honor includes a \$2,000 scholarship toward his first year of college. Also pictured on the far right is DPCR graduate Sandra Ramirez Puac, a Mount St. Joseph student, who was recognized at the event as the Tutor of the Year.

The English Language Learning Foundation's mission is "helping Greater Cincinnati English language learners to become successful in their academic lives while fostering their cultural identity."

Aurora O., Fredy A., Allyn L., Denis C., Paul Aulis, Andrea B. and Sandra Ramirez Puac

### Personalities By Leona – Online

Personalities By Leona hasn't been open since March 24 when the close order went out. <https://www.ideas-tream.org/news/dewine-ohio-will-start-reopening-businesses-may-1> Practices that businesses may need to implement, including: keeping stock of personal protective equipment (PPE), limiting visitors, screening workers for health, maintaining clear hygiene guidelines, mandatory face masks and enforcing six-foot physical distancing.

Be prepared, see Leona's offerings online at <https://www.facebook.com/PersonalitiesbyLeona>

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## A Ritual Before Making Stuffed Peppers While Fending Off a Hostile Spirit Named Dylan

By Gregory Flannery

First gather the ingredients: fruit of the earth, cheese, spices from faraway lands, aromatic seasonings, ancient grains (they have no expiration date). This gathering of the parts requires meticulous care and the recitation of these magic words: I can do this.

Begin the procession. Using your cane, proceed to your walker. You need your walker to get to your car. You need the cane to go into the store. Place the cane on the seat of the walker. Take 50 steps. A small hill stands between you and the driveway. Here, where you most need the walker, you cannot hold onto it with both hands. As you descend the hill, the cane will fall off the seat. Then you will have to genuflect, straddling the hill, picking up the cane, trying not to fall.

Keep one hand on the walker and use the other to keep the cane on the seat.

As you inch down the hill, repeat the magic words: I can do this.

At the driveway, lift the walker onto the stoop. Use the cane to get to the car. Sit in the driver's seat. Let the pain subside. Wait until you are breathing easily. Repeat the magic words: I can do this.

Drive to the grocery store. Circle the handicapped-parking spots. This is the circumambulation of sacred ground, an automotive liturgical dance. See how all the handicapped spots are full? Rejoice and be glad in it.

Proceed to the Pick Up spots, reserved for people who pay to have groceries brought to their cars. See how most of the PickUp spots are empty? Take one. Put your handicapped-parking placard on the rear-view mirror, as though laying an offering on the altar to appease a jealous god. Do not rejoice. Do not be glad in it. The jealous god has already laid eyes on you.

This is the most difficult part of the ritual. Anger threatens to arise. Say these words: I will gather the ingredients for stuffed peppers without losing my temper. Remember that food prepared with a joyful heart is a boon to body and soul. Food prepared in anger can cause a tummy ache.

Now Dylan, Lord Guardian of the Pick Up parking spots, presents himself before you as he did yesterday and the day before yesterday and as he probably did to your father and your father's father before you.

"Sir," Dylan says, "I can't allow you to park here."

Rise from the car. Lean on your cane. Remember that you will repeat this part of the ritual in a day or two. Be brief, but polite.

Wave your arm in a slow sweep as if blessing the handicapped parking spots before you. Say these words: "Dylan, all the handicapped-parking spots are full. Many Pick Up spots are empty."

Dylan repeats the refrain, "Sir, I can't allow you to park here."

Nod to Dylan, signaling your understanding. Do not

urge him to throw off the shackles of his corporate masters. That requires a different ritual.

"You can't allow me to park here?"

"No, sir."

Say these words: "Gotcha."

Using your cane, walk past Dylan to the store entrance.

A third time comes the refrain: "Sir, I can't allow you to park here." Continue your procession.

Once in the store, find a motorized cart. Pray that it is charged. Sit. Let the pain subside. Wait until you are breathing easily.

Carefully proceed through the aisles. Remember that motorized carts are invisible. Be ready to suddenly stop lest you interrupt someone else's procession by running into them.

Select four bell peppers. This requires standing. Repeat the magic words: "I can do this." Select an onion. Select a tomato.

Now begin the ritual music. Placing your metal cane upright in the cart, proceed to the low-hanging metal scale in the produce section. Move the motorized cart forward at full speed and bang the cane into the scale. Gong! Back up the cart. Move forward to the low-hanging scale. Gong! And a third time. Gong! Notice the odd looks aimed at you; the ritual music has put those people in a trance.

Proceed. Select rice. Proceed. Select black beans. When the cart runs out of power in the canned-food aisle, raise your hand in a mudra, a sacred gesture to a fellow devotee and say these words: "Could you please ask an employee to help me? My cart ran out of power." Wait for the employee. When the employee arrives, ask for a second cart. Wait for the second cart. When the second cart arrives, transfer the rice, bell peppers, onion, tomato and beans to the new cart. Proceed to the dairy aisle. Select cheese. This requires standing. Repeat the magic words: I can do this.

Remember that you are low on milk. Milk is heavy. Forget the milk.

Proceed. Pay. Park. Plug in the cart. Using your cane, walk to your car, parked nearby in a convenient Pick Up spot reserved for you by divine providence. Put your groceries on the passenger seat. Put your cane in front of the passenger seat. Pretend you do not see Dylan glowering at you just a few feet away. That is his ritual. He does not approve of divine providence reserving parking spots for you. Dylan believes divine providence should make you starve to death, longing for stuffed peppers.

Climb into the driver seat. Let the pain subside. Wait until you are breathing easily. Repeat the magic words: I can do this.

Begin to drive. Smile real pretty at Dylan and wave with all five fingers as you pass by.

At home, climb out of the car. Hold the grocery bag. Use

the cane on the way to the stoop to fetch the walker. Take the walker off the stoop. Place the cane on the seat of the walker. Hold onto the walker and bag of groceries. When you get to the base of the little hill, repeat the magic words: "I can do this."

Now you will ascend Mount Sinai, if you are being Jewish today; or Mount Meru, if you are being Tibetan Buddhist today; or Mount Carmel, if you are being Catholic today. Inch your way up the little hill. You need both hands for the walker and groceries, so thrust your groin to keep the cane on the seat of the walker. Don't push the walker too hard or it will jerk forward up the hill, and the cane will fall backward smack! Into your balls. As you recall, this is unpleasant. Food prepared with aching balls is fit only for the likes of Dylan.

When you get to the top of the hill, rejoice and be glad in it. Sit on the walker. Let the pain subside. Wait until you are breathing easily. Repeat the magic words: I can do this.

Leave the walker outside. Using the cane, walk 50 steps, climb the stairs and enter the house. Sit on the couch. Let the pain subside. Wait until you are breathing easily. Say these words: "I have overcome Dylan, dark lord of the parking lot, once again! Now I will make stuffed peppers!"

*Bio: Gregory Flannery was a newspaper reporter and editor for 35 years. Now he sits around and gripes. Greg was a participant in the February-March 2020 "Artists' Rituals" exhibition at Off Ludlow Gallery, curated by Anne Skove and produced by CTM's Arts and Culture Committee.*

### AUTUMN OBSERVATION

By Charlie Goetz

The geese are gone.

Just yesterday they splashed  
And honked and carried on  
Like families on vacation  
Stopping at a nice motel  
With an Olympic pool.

Their northern residence  
Is closed or sublet 'til the spring.  
Their forwarding address  
Is someplace south  
I can't afford to go.

Now the pond is quiet;  
Waters no longer lap,  
Slap at the shore I run around,  
Lonely for their feathered company.

I'll see them again in March or May.  
But of course there'll be a fall or spring  
When they will not see me.

When I'll be gone  
As the geese are

Today.

*Bio: Charlie Goetz was a participant in the February-March 2020 "Artists' Rituals" exhibition at Off Ludlow Gallery, curated by Anne Skove and produced by CTM's Arts and Culture Committee.*

Visit the Clifton Chronicle online. We added four pages to the print edition, but still couldn't get in all the news. The community may have been socially distanced, but it is still actively reaching out. Things change fast—keep up to date.

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## Signs of Our Time



Photos by Rama Kasturi

### A Sisterhood of Locally Owned Boutiques Still Available Online

Store owner, Victor said, "When the scare started in late March people stopped shopping. I have an amazing amount of young women working for me who are just on it and love what they are doing. Everyone is anxious to get back. We were able to keep some people on payroll because we were working on our website. This is one of our busiest times of the year. You definitely want to be open. But again we have to do it in an exacting manner to keep everyone safe. We have had to switch out all our inventory. If I get any PPP money I'm going to hire people



back even if they have to sit at home." Our website is officially LIVE! We've been working extra hard to make this long time goal of ours happen, and just in time. If you're looking for a way to support our small business, this is it. Gifts cards are available and never expire, along with lots of other Pangaea goodies. Visit <https://www.iluvthatstore.com/> today and let us know what you think!



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## CWC Learns “The Young History of the Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra”

There are so many ways to experience the arts in Cincinnati, and the Cincinnati Woman’s Club recently discovered a wealth of interesting information about a gem in our arts community: The Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra (CCO).

CCO musician Wendy VanderMolen began by performing two beautiful pieces on the viola, enchanting the audience with her musical skills. She then thanked the Woman’s Club for providing a scholarship for her to attend the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music at UC years ago, which enabled her to pursue her passion for music.



*Wendy VanderMolen*

LeAnne Anklan, Executive

Director of CCO, detailed the storied history of the orchestra in Cincinnati, which has performed 428 concerts over the last 45 years, and won national acclaim when it received the coveted Scripps-Corbett Award for Artistic Excellence in 2009. In what LeAnne referred to as “The Eckart Era”, referencing CCO’s current, celebrated Music Director Eckart Preu, the CCO in 2015 launched their Summermusik festival, which occurs every August. Eckart describes this series as “the sound of summer in Cincinnati”, as the CCO holds 4 Saturday evening concerts (including a lecture), 4 Sunday afternoon concerts, and “chamber crawls” at area music and restaurant venues around Cincinnati on Tuesday and Friday nights. Due to COVID-19, events through May 31 have been cancelled. Please check the remaining schedule at <https://www.cincinnati-symphony.org>.

Ann Stewart, Communications Director said festival passes can be purchased to enjoy multiple concerts in the Summermusik series, and the CCO also holds concerts throughout the year, performing “Bach to Rock” in various venues around Cincinnati. The Cincinnati Chamber Or-

chestra holds a special place in our arts scene, and CWC members will be sure to be supporting it in the future.

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*LeAnne Anklan, Ann Stewart*

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## Hunan Bistro Receives a Four-Star Review

My fav Chinese place growing up was China Chef on Colerain. It was super good and nothing I had compared. I brought my husband there and even he commented about how unexpectedly good it was. About two years ago though, the original owners either passed or sold it or some combo. The new owners revamped the building but the food is nowhere like it used to be so I've been on the hunt for a good Americanized Chinese place since.

I saw that Hunan Bistro opened and decided to give them a shot. As a bonus I'm within their three-mile delivery radius so I was able to get it delivered, so automatic star for that. I placed my order at 7:20 with an estimated delivery time of 8:20. Food came at 7:47 (early) and was hot and fresh. Bonus points for quickness!

For this review, keep in mind I'm looking for old school Americanized Chinese.

Pork egg roll. Pass. There was a flavor in there I didn't like. Still looking for the China Chef flavor I miss. Plus it was on the smaller side.

Vegetable fried rice that I added roast pork to and upgraded to a large = \$13. Pros: Veggies were super fresh. Cons: kind of a small portion. Flavor wise I felt like it was missing something that I was looking for in regards to Americanized Chinese. Again, just short of the mark almost like it needed a bit more spice. The rice grains were pretty dark so it seems like they used a decent amount of light soy sauce. Maybe some dark soy sauce to give it depth?

Beef with Cumin. Ordered spicy. So I was going to buy something more traditional for Americanized Chinese but I'm basically judging places off of their fried rice and egg rolls. Since this is Hunan Bistro I went Beef with Cumin (a Hunan dish) since I'm a sucker for authentic Hunan and Sichuan cuisine.

This was delicious! Great mala and immediate numbing from the Sichuan peppercorns (in fact my lips are still tingling). Big chunks of peppers, tender beef and dried chilies. This was \$14 but worth it in my opinion. I would 100 percent get this again.

So four stars overall. I don't think this will be my new Americanized Chinese go to but if I want tasty Hunan I'd definitely order from here again. I think this trick will be to stay true to their House special dishes vs the more typical Americanized Chinese.

<https://www.hunanbistroclifton.com/>

—*Jj P, Bellevue, KY*



*Caption: Beef with Cumin, Large vegetable fried rice and roast pork*

## Ardor Bake Shop Has the Goods

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# University of Cincinnati Faculty Awards 2020:

## Cliftonite Anna Gudmundsdottir Honored as a Distinguished UC Research Professor

Chemistry has taken Anna Gudmundsdottir around the world as a global expert in her field of photochemistry.

Hailing from Iceland, the UC College of Arts and Sciences professor studied in British Columbia and completed a fellowship in Michigan before coming to Ohio.

"I've been making my way south ever since I was born. It's easier to do that if you're born in Reykjavik," she jokes.

Gudmundsdottir is in high demand as a speaker and travels extensively to share her research. As a Fulbright

Scholar, she and her family lived in Japan for a year. Likewise, Gudmundsdottir's work with her research partners has attracted considerable interest through grant awards totaling more than \$6 million over her career.

"Dr. Gudmundsdottir has established herself as a national and international expert," Dean Valerio Ferme wrote in nominating her for the 2020 STEMM Award.

Ferme said he was especially impressed that Gudmundsdottir's many publications include papers co-written with undergraduate and high school students.

"I hope the committee finds this as remarkable an achievement as I do. We often speak about recruiting students to STEMM disciplines and exposing them to experiential learning in their fields. However, few are the ones who actually do this," Ferme said.

Gudmundsdottir said teamwork is a big part of her work ethic.

"Chemistry is a collaborative field. I really like collaborating with my students and watching them collaborate with researchers around the world," she said.

Research benefits from having people with different skill sets and life experiences approach a problem, she said.

"I like the diversity in our field. It's

a mini-society, people from different backgrounds trying to learn from each other," she said. "We've sent students to Germany, Canada, Abu Dhabi. Many had never been outside the country before. It's fun for me because I see them grow into professionals."

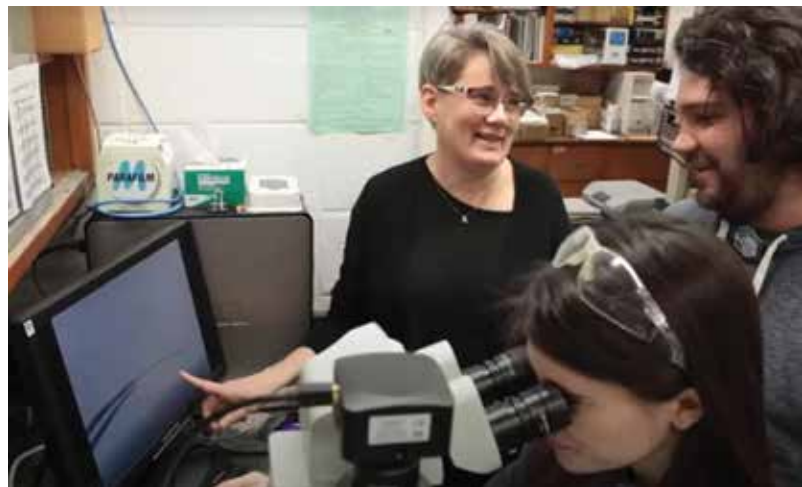
Meanwhile, Gudmundsdottir's travel itinerary is as busy as ever. This year she will return to Japan to discuss curious new findings in her research on nitrenes.

When it comes to travel, her children take after her. Her oldest son is studying computer science now in Iceland.

Gudmundsdottir said she places a high value on family. Despite her busy schedule, she makes time to check in over Skype each day back home in Iceland with her brother Oscar, who has Down Syndrome.

"I think about being in grad school in Canada when it was so expensive to phone home. You'd call once a month and take a deep breath and blurt out everything you wanted to say. Now it doesn't cost you a penny."

—Michael Miller



*AnnaGudmundsdottir2.jpg" Gudmundsdottir studies molecules called nitrenes, applying laser light to crystals to create surprising reactions. The insights she uncovers could improve car air bags, among many other applications.*

## Professor Willard Sunderland Is Recognized with the 2020 George Rieveschl Jr. College of Arts and Sciences Award for Creative and/or Scholarly Works

Willard Sunderland is the Henry R. Winkler Professor of Modern History in the Department of History of the University of Cincinnati. He received his bachelor's degree in Russian Studies from the University of Pennsylvania and his master's and doctorate in history from Indiana University. Since joining UC in 1996, he has taught on the topics of Russia and the Soviet Union, modern Europe and world history and has served as department head and director of European Studies.

Sunderland is lauded by colleagues as an engaging and passionate educator and superb writer, having written and edited several books and scores of other publications on Russian history.

His principal research interests are the history of the Russian Empire in the modern period. Experts in Sunderland's field note that his scholarship has enhanced the study of Russian history through the vast research and dedication that he invests in his projects, whether by traversing Eurasia in search of rare historical sources or learning Russian and, most recently, Chinese to fully explore the complexities of the cultures and regions he is studying.

His first book, *Taming the Wild Field: Colonization and Empire on the Russian Steppe*, is an important and elegant work that examines the Russian colonization of the vast frontier north of the Black and Caspian seas over many centuries.

His second book, the prize-winning *The Baron's Cloak: A History of the Russian Empire in War and Revolution*, by contrast, focuses on the life of a single individual — the curious general Baron Roman von Ungern-Sternberg, who for a brief moment during the Russian and Chinese revolutions took over Mongolia and envisioned rebuilding the long-lost empire of Genghis Khan.

Sunderland's current book in progress is again something new: a study of Russia during the momentous era of Peter the Great when the country first began to emerge as a power with global standing and ambitions. —Angela Koenig



*Sunderland with a historical reenactor Muscovite-Era Infantryman, in Moscow's Red Square, Fall 2018*



# Ludlow Avenue, the Heart of Clifton

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The map shows an aerial view of Ludlow Avenue in Clifton, with numerous callout boxes pointing to various businesses and landmarks. A large QR code is centered on the map. The callouts include:

- Head First Salon 861-8477
- Pangaea Fashions 751-3330
- Sitwell's Act II 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
- Postmark Pop Up Dinners 281-3663
- Graeter's Ice Cream 281-4749
- Natural Foods 961-6111
- Clifton Barber Shop 281-3163
- d Raphael Gifts 751-1440
- Lentz & Co Furniture 739-0193
- Ludlow Wine & Beer 751-3727
- Bohemian Hookah Café 221-0291
- Marrakech Rest 442-2233
- Ludlow Garage 221-4111
- Ace Hardware 281-9600
- Torn Lt Records 859-415-2638
- Proud Rooster Rest 281-4965
- It's Yoga 961-9642
- Ambar Indian Rest 281-7000
- Habanero Rest 961-6800
- Grill of India Rest 961-3600
- Post Office 861-1367
- Whole Bowl 503-757-2695
- Improv Cincinnati 900-1110
- Richardson Acct 772-8348
- US Bank 475-6060
- PNC Bank 221-1122
- Superior Credit Union 281-2443
- Prescriptions CVS 281-4329
- Hansa Guild Gifts 221-4002
- Gaslight Bar & Grill 861-3663
- Brown's Travel Service 731-3369
- Off L Gallery For Rent 861-6000
- Dr. Kaplan Dentist 281-8800
- Maya Jewelry 667-9299
- Hunan Bistro 221-5333
- Wonderland Smoke Shop 407-3233
- Personalities Beauty Salon 751-5100
- Pet Hospital 221-3404
- Lydia's Closed 381-3436
- Apple Tree Daycare 221-8353
- Clifton Dental 3349 Whitfield 751-5200
- Clifton House B & B 500 Terrace Ave 221-7600
- CM Swim & Tennis 4045 Egbert Ave 961-3793
- Clifton Market cliftonmarket.com 861-3000
- Merchant Parking Lot
- Barbra Druffel Realtor 281-7653
- M Montgomery EduTech Consult 513-961-1211
- Good Sam Hospital 569-5400
- Gaslight B & B 3652 Middleton Ave 861-5222
- Heart Montessori 218 Ludlow Ave 300-9642
- Library 3400 Brookline 369-4447
- Group Health Physicians 246-7000
- Adrian Durban Florist 221-8222
- Skyline Chili 221-2142
- J Gumbo's Rest 271-5040
- Paolo a Modern Jeweler 751-2171
- 274 Ludlow for Rent was Subway
- World Peace Yoga 300-9642
- Jagdeep's Grocery 961-2699
- Ardor Bakery & Cake Shop 221-2452
- Arin's Bar & Restaurant 751-6566
- Favorite Vapors 446-7417
- Semesters Gifts 221-2031
- Shell Gas 281-0031
- United Dairy Farmers 751-5132
- Brueggers Bagel Rest 221-2243
- Baladi Rest & Bakery 221-7222
- Widmer's Cleaners 221-4091
- University Nails 751-4111
- Makin Heads Turn Salon 407-3911
- Gaslight Properties 861-6000
- Ora Forusz Realtor 533-8045
- Petey's Shop 221-7387