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Holidays on Ludlow is a fun family event with a special old-fashioned feature—carriage rides!

Holidays on Ludlow – Celebrating Local Tradition

Come celebrate the holidays with your family and friends on Ludlow Avenue on Friday, December 5, from 6 to 9 p.m.!

"Holidays on Ludlow" will feature free carriage rides, music, creative decorations, and several festive activities, including ornament making, kids pictures with Santa, and a local author signing event.

The Clifton Fairview German School Choir will kick-off the event with a concert on the Plaza. Throughout the business district there will be live music performed by local musical and theatrical groups, including a strolling Barbershop Quartet and a Brass Ensemble.

As part of the festivities, Pop-Up Cincy will unveil a series of window displays, each inspired by a fairytale. Community members will tour the windows of many of the businesses on Ludlow to peer into imaginative worlds that delight the mind and spirit. Pop-Up will also be hosting an artist "meet and greet" at Sitwell's Coffee House.

Best of all, your favorite local merchants will have special surprises in their stores, so be sure to stop in, say "hello," and get a start on holiday shopping. Free parking will be available in the Merchant's Lot on Howell Avenue.

Be on the lookout for flyers in local Ludlow Avenue businesses and visit our Facebook event page for more information:

https://www.facebook.com/holidaysonludlow See you there!

CTM —Anthony Sizemore, Trustee

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From CTM's President

This is my last *Clifton Chronicle* "From the President" column. My second and final term as Clifton Town Meeting's president ends New Year's Eve at midnight. I think there will be some kind of party on Times Square.

I've grown to appreciate what a community council like CTM does for its neighborhood. There are the events that bring neighbors together like the Memorial Day Parade and the carriage rides for Holidays on Ludlow. There are the collaborations with other organizations to enhance the business district. There is the communication we provide through this publication, through our website, and through Facebook. But I think the most challenging part of the work has been when we've had to address public issues with no easy answers.

The board members of Clifton Town Meeting are elected to represent the community on these public issues. But how do we know whether the positions we take are ones that most residents would agree on? Even if we knew what would be the most POPULAR decision, is that always the RIGHT decision? Was it right to work with Cincinnati City Hall to favor grocery store developments over other developments for the former IGA? Was it right to push for safer traffic on Clifton Hills Avenue during the Hopple construction project, knowing that some drivers would have longer commutes? We don't really know, and that's what makes this part of the work so hard. But we try to take positions that

"In any situation, the best thing you can do is the right thing; the next best thing you can do is the wrong thing; the worst thing you can do is nothing." —Theodore Roosevelt

CTM Trustee Elections

Clifton Town Meeting (CTM) Trustee elections will be held on December 1, 2014 from 6-7 p.m. prior to the December monthly CTM meeting which begins at 7 p.m. Elections will be held at the Clifton Cultural Arts Center (CCAC) on the 2nd floor. Current membership is required to vote, and memberships can be paid current on election day prior to voting. There are five three-year trustee positions open for election for terms beginning in 2015. There are five candidates vying for these positions. Candidate bios are posted online at http://www.cliftoncommunity.org/2014-ctm-trustee-elections/

Election results will be announced during the CTM meeting on December 1.

-Kevin Marsh, CTM Trustee

Visit Ruth's Parkside Cafe Northside to see Clifton Artist Pat Olding's exhibit



we think are both wise and reasonably representative of the community as a whole.

We might often be wrong. But if we let doubt keep us from deciding, that is also a decision. Taking a stand is the only way we can influence the city to better serve the needs of Clifton.

—Ben Pantoja, CTM President

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Save the Date! May 10 Clifton House Tour 2015

It only happens once every three years, and 2015 IS THE YEAR! Every third spring in Clifton, several neighborhood home owners graciously open up their lovely residences to the public as part of the Clifton Home Tour organized by Clifton Town Meeting (CTM), the neighborhood's residents association.

This year's Clifton House Tour will take place the afternoon of Mother's Day, May 10, 2015. Although the list of houses is a closely guarded secret, it is certain to be an eclectic and entertaining tour through some of the neighborhood's most beautiful and historic landmark residences.

Ticket prices are \$18 in advance and \$22 the day of the tour. There will be plenty of free parking available.

The event draws people from all over the region and has been a great way to spend Mother's Day. The tour proceeds are reinvested in the community through the various projects of Clifton Town Meeting, which include the *Clifton Chronicle*, and events such as Holidays on Ludlow, CliftonFest, and the Memorial Day Parade and Picnic.

Mark your calendars and save the date. For more information, contact Anthony Sizemore at (513) 807-8669, or anthonysizemore@gmail.com.



David Mann, far right, was joined by his family when he was honored as the 2014 CTM Golf Outting Friend of Clifton Award. From left are Jaron Porter, Betsy Mann, Jim McVey, Dick Landis, Deb Mann, David Porter, Mary Landis and David Mann.

CTM Golf Outing Raises Funds for CCAC

The second annual CTM Golf Outing generated \$7,500 for Clifton Cultural Arts Center. With 73 golfers participating, the event was held at Avon Fields Golf Course on August 16. TriHealth was the 2014 Title Sponsor and Warsaw Federal Savings, United Fidelity Bank, Driehaus Insurance and Hampton Inn were Presenting Sponsors. Food was provided by Django Western Taco and Keystone Grille on Calhoun. A special thanks to the many partners in the Clifton community who sponsored holes or contribut-



ed prizes. Please visit the CTM website for pictures and additional information on our sponsors.

A new addition to the event this year was the "Beat the Lady Bearcat" closest-to-the-pin game. This event pitted University of Cincinnati Bearcat Golfer Stephanie Mitchell against any outing golfer who wanted a shot at doubling their money, with all net proceeds benefitting the CCAC. Mitchell beat 40 of the 45 golfers who accepted the challenge.

Please mark your calendars now for the 2015 event on Saturday August 22. We hope to make it bigger and better than ever! Remember, you don't have to be an avid golfer to enjoy the event. —*Tom Dwyer, CTM Trustee*

UC Lady Bearcat Golfer Stephanie Mitchell with Charlie Johnson, a Makatewah Country Club caddy, Ohio State freshman and Evans Scholar.



CliftonFest – It's Here ... It's Gone

9/26/14 Weather: perfectly warm. The village: spruced up, primped, polished, flower beds weeded, litter picked. Time for 10,000 special guests and a party!

Sunset on Friday: Jazz and wine spirit neighbors onto a pulsing plaza.

"What's new? You look terrific! Let's have dinner up here next week.

Wow, look at everything happening here this weekend!"

Pre-dawn on Saturday, the street closes: Five neighbors scrub and sweep the midway from Clifton to Middleton. Ten-by-ten squares scribed down the

yellow line, in the dark. Sun up: 41 artisans pull in, load out and organize their treasures. Sound engineers test-one-two, musicians tune-plink-plunk...then full-on bluegrass, swing, zydeco, jazz, trance, afro drumming... Sidewalk chalkers grid out ArtCarpets first in white, black next, milk and brush, then rainbows 'til sunset, finessing these temporary curbside tattoos. Mary Poppins floats into the village while storytellers weave words for little literates. Face-painted kids, mendhied teens, adults just a bit beery, All cruise up and down Ludlow without care for cars or clocks.

Summer's past, and the time is right

for dancing/playing/drawing/shopping/ drinking/eating in the street.

Sunday morning: The chime of mellow crystal bowls calms the heart, bidding yogis to flex and stretch. In a parallel universe just a block away, a hundred runners bounce a 5K through the woods.

Puppets, jugglers, silly tunes and toddlers tumble on the grass over at Diggs. Did you get your latte/doughnut/bagel/ burrito/ice cream/beer/cheesesicle/taco? This afternoon one hundred pooches puton-the-dog, radiating collective cheer. A big band blows us away – they hand their pay straight over to social services!

Sunday sunset: Time's up! Box it up, load it out, sweep it, count it, pack it, store it all away.



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The Spirits of Christmas Five Verses of A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30 Verse 1: Locked Down **FRIDAY DECEMBER 5** Holidays on Ludlow - Horn Choir, Bell Choir, and Carolers SUNDAY DECEMBER 7 Verse 2: Past Grace; Afternoon Christmas Caroling **SUNDAY DECEMBER 14**

Verse 3: Present ; Childrens' Performance SUNDAY DECEMBER 21

Verse 4: Yet-To-Be Longest Night Evening Service of Prayer and Peace CHRISTMAS EVE

5:30 PM Interactive Service with Children, 7:30 PM Communion Service; 11 PM Candelight Service

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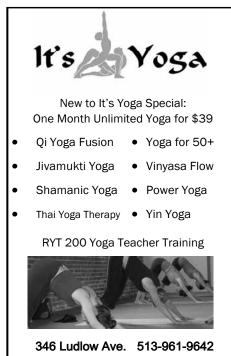
Ludlow reset, CliftonFest dispatched in good style. A satisfied sit-down for eight weary neighbors

who raise their margaritas. Darned-good partners who ran up the hill altogether. And how about that blessed weather! Glad for the sponsors, committee, artists, artisans, musicians, volunteers, neighbors, guests, a great party, a new mural, fresh business brochure, friendships, pride, 10,000 positive impressions.

Mission Accomplished.

Thanks to Everyone! —Jan Brown Checco, President, CliftonFest Partners LLC



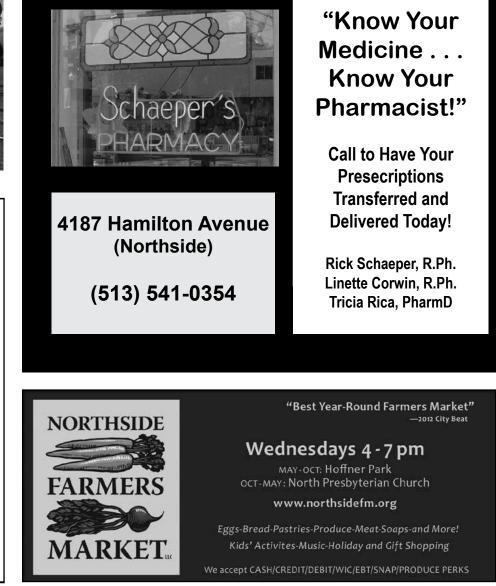


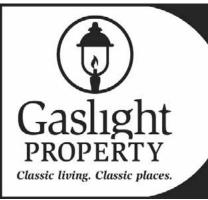
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Art, music, dancing, hoolahooping . . . it was a festival.

Please visit <u>http://www.cliftoncommunity.org/clifton-chronicle/</u> for many, many more CliftonFest photos as well as other articles about individuals from and events in the community.





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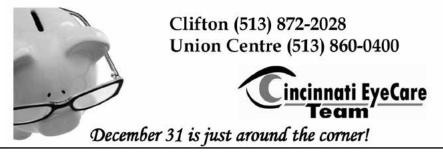


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CRC Director Arnelle Dow Announces Retirement



From left, Gregory Torres, Clifton maintenance new bire, Arnelle Dow, and Mr. Tom

Arnelle Dow has taught youth, teens, adults and seniors for years in the Clifton community. Her experience and leadership will be greatly missed as we celebrate her dedication and commitment to our CRC family.

She has taught sewing to children offering their first hands on experience with a creative life skill. Arnelle has also explored the outdoors with a visceral excitement and curiosity extended to her students through the love of nature as they have learned to observe what the outside brought inside can lend to the creative experience.

Arnelle has led the Arts for Artist collaborative for many creative participants (a cooperative group of amateur, semi-professional, and professional artists) who may never have taken the chance to explore their own creativity without her encouragement.

While teaching, learning, and sharing are all highlights of her tenure with CRC, one overall aspect of Arnelle's impact from the observation as a friend and colleague of many years (working with her since Arts for All program in 2001) has been her connection to her students and center participants as investment. She truly brought the idea of experience as investment to everything she taught as if each skill each child learned was to be realized as a tangible result in our community.

Going beyond expectations was her standard. Completion was not only a goal but a duty to follow through, whether it was cleaning up after yourself in an art project or making sure a lesson turned into expression.

We wish her the best in her new adventures and hope to lure her back as a visiting art teacher in her spare time between traveling to art galleries all over the world! Congratulations, Arnelle, on a job done (very) well.

-Tom Reese, Service Area Coordinator

Clifton Recreational Center Completion In Sight

Clifton center is tentatively scheduled for grand re-opening January 2015. We moved (October 31) from our neighbors at Clifton Cultural Arts Center to another temporary situation at the 320 McAlpin address as we await finishing touches to the project. Yes, it has been quite a year of planning, construction and waiting, but we are almost ready to celebrate.

Drive by and discover the newly paved parking lot with freshly painted parking space lines, the glass addition of a two-story lobby and new signage. Inside each room has added details, including interior and exterior retail-style windows which adds natural lighting to each room.

Before and after School programs will be returning to the building in January after their holiday break in late December. A freshly resurfaced gym floor awaits the Cincinnati Fencing Club (temporarily moved to McKie center) on Monday night for instruction and Thursday night for accomplished members.

Karate with Sensei Figgs will return on Monday and Wednesday nights for youth, teens and adults. Pottery instructors will teach in a new, expanded studio offering classes for all ages with additional weekday and evening classes Monday thru Thursday. Open Volleyball will be added on Tuesday night, and Wednesday studios for Family Art will entice beginners and professional artists to community art projects.

A new addition to the evening class schedule invites talents of all sorts to our "Listening Room" Series, taking advantage of the newly remodeled multi-purpose room. Think open mic with an attitude as musicians, writers and improvisational actors introduce their new works for a new audience each week in a cafe atmosphere. Drop by as a daily user (\$5 fee) or buy a membership for a minimal fee (\$2 for youth and teen, \$25 for adults ages 18-49, or sign up with a senior discount for only \$10 annual membership).

Arts4Artists program will continue after their year-long relocation to CRC Dunham Center. A4A meets Tuesday mornings for instruction and special events and Friday mornings with Leisure Fridays, an opportunity for senior members to finish a specific project or visit at a different pace.

Art4Artists is a cooperative group of amateur, semi-professional, and professional artists. Participation is welcome in exchange for a project, media, or event. These are presented to the group when a member has the motivation, idea and knowledge to share. The group is full of talented retired art teachers, recreation staff, arts enthusiasts and artists. The group is interested in sharing time with others to motivate and inspire while sharing friendship, mentoring, advice and encouragement to create on many levels. Under the direction of Arnelle Dow (retiring December 1, 2014) this group started more than eight years ago as a monthly outreach activity. A4A has grown into a full program, meeting weekly, offering tours to local galleries and exhibits, and providing instruction in a wide variety of artistic expression and media for fellowship to an always welcoming, vastly talented membership.

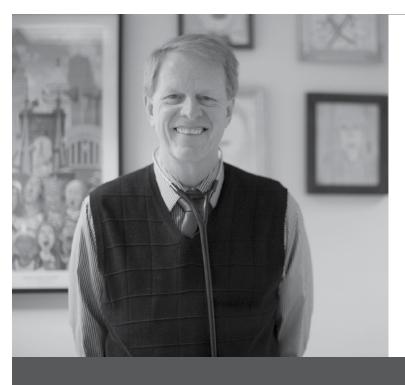
Clifton Recreation Center looks forward to a continuing and renewed history as a part of the Clifton Community as we dedicate our newly renovated facility.

- Tom Reese, Service Area Coordinator

Utility Boxes Unveiled



The new utility boxes are all here. This juke box is on the west side of Clifton Avenue close to Greendale.



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Laurel and Hardy Return to the Masonic Lodge in Clifton

They're back in town. Yes, it's those klutzy kings of comedy, Laurel and Hardy, as they return on Saturday, December 6 at 6:45 p.m. to entertain us in an evening they call "Dance In Your Pants!" Presented by The Chimp Tent, Cincinnati and the TriState's local chapter of The Sons of the Desert (The Laurel and Hardy Appreciation Society), the fun event will highlight Laurel and Hardy's feature film *The Dancing Masters*. Also scheduled to be screened are shorts starring Charley Chase (*Mr. Bride*), Our Gang (*Reunion in Rbythm*), and Joe McDoakes (*So You Want To Learn To Dance*). Plus a film surprise or two and the "fabulous" raffle. \$5 adults; kids 12 & under free. At the E.T. Carson Masonic Lodge, 218 Ludlow Avenue. Questions: 559-0112 or chimptent@live.com. We hope to see you there!



Clifton Market Wishes You Happy Holidays!



Clifton Market invites you to stop in during Holiday on Ludlow and give yourself and your family a gift that you will treasure—your share in a real neighborhood grocery store!

With the help of national grocery expert Keith Wicks and Randy Miller, 35 years in grocery management experience, we have developed a market that specializes in the freshest produce, service meat and seafood, European bakery, farm to fork deli, a great selection of beer and wine and all your daily needs such as cleaning, health and pet food.

For more info go to:

http://www.cliftonmarket.com

Meet Rich Jones

Immanuel Presbyterian Church at the corner of Clifton and Bryant has called a new pastor to serve our community.

Reverend Rich Jones began his duties in October and is actively getting to know the Clifton community. He is an avid runner and coaches the Finneytown High School cross country team. Please welcome Rich, his wife, Debbie, and their children Mckenzie and Brennan. (Read more about Rich in the online *Clifton Chronicle*.)



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Report from Cincinnati State

The weather may be turning cold, but at Cincinnati State we're preparing for the Spring Semester, which begins Jan. 12 and runs through May 2.

The new semester builds on the one just finished, and will bring changes to the College – among them a block scheduling offering in a select group of business programs that is designed to allow students to do most of their coursework online and come to campus just one day a week, while still carrying a full-time course load.

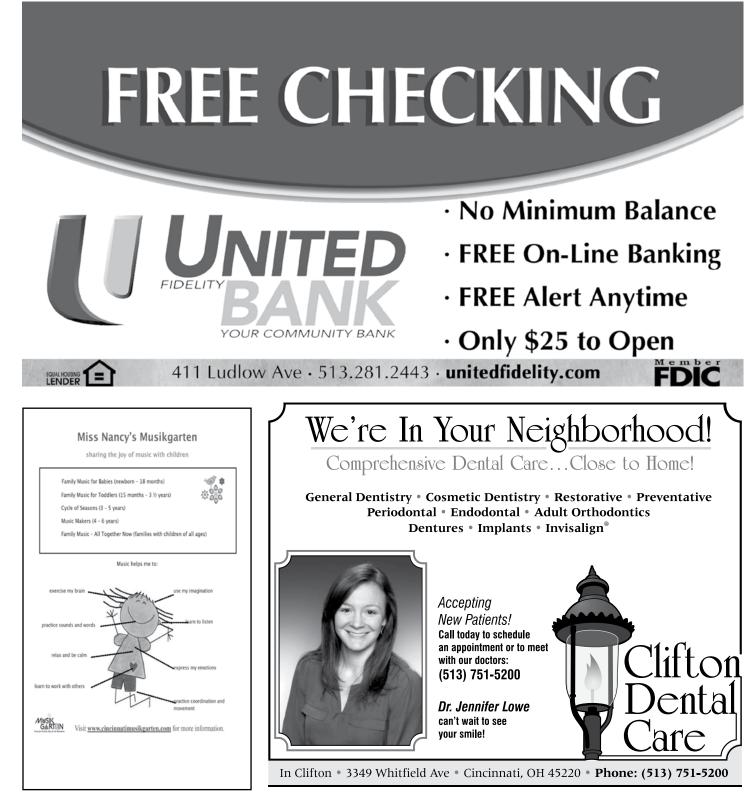
The Clifton campus is also getting a new machine tool lab, part of Cincinnati State's renewed emphasis on meeting employer demand for workers trained to fill jobs in the advanced manufacturing sectors of the region's economy. To read more, please see the online version of the *Clifton Chronicle*.

Neighborhood Beautification

The beautification committee put up holiday evergreen roping with LED lights for holiday the weekend of November 22.

We've lost our gateway garden easement at 111 Woolper, so the beautification committee will remove all of the plants and store them at the City Barn garden during the winter to be replanted next spring.

—Adam Balz, CTM Trustee



Library Corner with Eric Davis

Here comes that magical time of year again! Crisp air, starry skies and peaceful snowflakes telling us it's winter. Stop into the Library and load up on books, movies, music CD's and magazines to keep you engaged and entertained. You can also download eBooks, audio books, music, movies, magazines and more from our website-all for free! Visit our Virtual Library and Downloadables page at http://www.cincinnatilibrary.org/downloadables/. If you're looking to get out of the house, the Library also has several programs for you and your family. If you are new to iPads, Nooks, Kindles or other electronic devices, stop into the Library and we can help you get started. **Programs for Kids: Preschool Storytime** 10 a.m., Tuesday Mornings

Join Mr. Eric for a fun and educational hour of picture books, songs, rhymes and movement with your toddler or preschooler.

TNSM Students Learn

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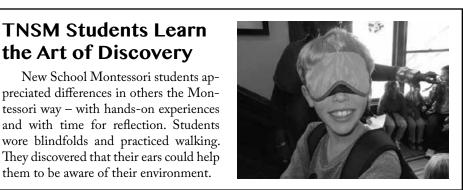
Bedtime Storytime

7 p.m., Third Thursday of Every Month

If you can't make it to the library for Tuesday morning storytime, please join us for Bedtime Storytime. This is also geared towards toddlers, preschoolers and their parents. Happy New Year Get Fit Dance Party 2-3 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 3

Are you wondering how you're going to keep that fitness goal you set for your New Year's resolution? Parents and children are invited to a fun-filled hour of dancing that will leave you smiling and put you many steps closer towards your fitness goal! Winter Wonderland Skate Party 2-4 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 24

Come to the Library for books, movies, CD's, magazines and...ice skating? Enjoy cool tunes, hot cocoa, snacks and "ice skating" in our wonderful wintry Library! Hand-made Valentine's Cards 2-4 p.m., Saturday, Feb 7



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- Broadway costume design
- · Muppetry with Jim Henson
- Cincinnati Shakespeare Co.
- Cincinnati Ballet
- Katherine Dunham dance



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Show your loved ones how much you care by giving them a hand-made Valentine's card! Card-making supplies, treats and music will be provided.

Chinese New Year/Spring Festival Tea Party – 2-4 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 28

Did you know that Mr. Eric LOVES tea? It's true...he's been collecting and enjoying fine teas for several decades now and loves to share his enthusiasm for this ancient plant and drink. Ring in the Chinese New Year, celebrate the approach of spring, enjoy several Chinese teas and learn about the regions in which they are produced. All ages are welcome!

Programs for Teens: Teen Tech Club: Rube Goldberg Machines-6 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 6

A Rube Goldberg machine is a device that relies on a complicated chain reaction to accomplish a simple task. Have fun designing a virtual Rube Goldberg machine online and share your creation with the group!

Cards for the Community - 2 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 17, Feb. 21 and March 21

Brighten the day of a senior citizen living in Clifton by creating handmade greeting cards. We provide all supplies and will deliver the cards to their recipients. A great service opportunity! Teen Tech Club: 3Doodler!

6 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 3

Interested in 3D Printing? Try out our brand new 3Doodler. 3Doodler is a 3D printing pen that you can use to make anything from blocks to toy bugs! Come show off your creativity and get your hands on some new technology! **Chocolate Scavenger Hunt**

4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 10

Follow the clues to complete the scavenger hunt and taste some delicious chocolates along the way!

Teen Tech Club: GarageBand 2 p.m., Saturday, March 7

Josh Elstro of The Music Resource Center will demonstrate how to record and mix music using software such as GarageBand. Find out about more opportunities for teens at the Music Resource Center in East Walnut Hills.

Enjoy the winter and holiday season however you choose to celebrate and please stop in and visit us at the Clifton Branch Library! For more information about programs at the Clifton Branch Library, call 513-369-4447 or visit http://www.cincinnatilibrary.org/.



Winter Break Camp at the Trailside Nature Center

Winter Break Camp – Children K – 3rd The Trailside Nature Center – Burnet Woods, 3400 Brookline Dr., 45230

Monday, December 29, 2014 – 9:30 – 2:30 p.m. We're going to celebrate the quiet calm of winter and ring in the New Year! Join in on the fun as we go exploring, play seasonal games, get creative with arts and crafts and simply relax with a story. Be ready for an exciting time! Call 751-3679 for more information. Online registration for this camp ends at noon on December 26. Call 751-3679 to find out about the availability of camp slots after this time.

Holiday Craft Fair Sure to Delight Visitors

The Clay Alliance Holiday Pottery Fair returns to the Clifton Cultural Arts Center, 3711 Clifton Avenue, Saturday, December 6. Visitors will find booths teeming with finely crafted pottery. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. (See full story online.)

For Wolff Planetarium Winter Skies shows and times visit online Chronicle.

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Winter Exhibits at CCAC

Looking for a fun activity to keep the cold at bay? Spend an afternoon (or evening!) in the galleries at CCAC! This winter, CCAC is filled with interesting art in a variety of mediums from a range of local and regional artists, both amateur and professional. Come support local artists and be inspired by their work!

Contemporary Narrative in its Many Forms Opening Reception: December 12, 6 – 8 p.m. Exhibition dates: December 12 – January 10

Featuring the work of eight artists in a variety of 2D and 3D media, including drawing, printmaking, felting, embroidery, painting, ceramics and mixed media, the exhibit will explore the depth and breadth of contemporary narrative expression. Curated by Terri Kern, the show includes artwork by Ronald Gibbons, Pam Korte, David Umbenhour, Nancy Hopkins, Richard Hague, Renee Harris, Paula Wiggins and Ms. Kern.

Summerfair Cincinnati Emerging Artist Exhibition

Opening Reception: January 23, 6 – 8 p.m. Exhibition dates: January 23 – February 5

Join us for this annual exhibition, featuring the work of junior and senior art students from Greater Cincinnati colleges and universities.

CCAC's Winter Quarter Starts January 5

Start your new year off right with friends, family, and CCAC! Our winter class lineup boasts a fabulous line up of dance classes, provided by resident dance company Mam-Luft&Co. Modern Dance. Get your body moving with ballet, jazz, modern, and tap offerings for all ages! Ms. Nancy's Musikgarten returns in the new year, bringing musical delight to your young musicians; for adults, The Art of Freedom for Musicians begins Sessions Two this January. Your favorite wellness classes are also back: Zumba ® (including new toning options), Nia Technique, Yoga, Tai Chi and more! Play and sing your way into 2015 with guitar, piano, African Drumming, and vocal lessons. Whatever your interest, we've got something for you at CCAC! See all class offerings and register today at: www.cliftonculturalarts.org/classes/all-classes/

An Exhibition by Sean Mullaney and Justin West

Opening Reception: February 13, 6-8 p.m. Exhibition dates: February 13 – March 14

Sean Mullaney and sound artist Justin West,

this exhibit is a must-see. If you enjoyed

their previous collaboration, "Currents," then prepare to be wowed once again.

A collaboration piece by visual artist

CCAC's Sunset Salons and Second Sundays are back — Visit http://www.cliftoncommunity.org/clifton-chronicle/ for details!

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| December 24 at 5:30 p.m. | Family candlelight Christmas Eve service featuring readings, carols, and special music. |

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This is the oldest continuous preschool in the city of Cincinnati (since 1929). Full day programs are provided for toddlers and preschoolers; after school and summer camp programs for school-age children. Call Greg Windle, Director (513-861-2692), to schedule a tour.

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We are a Clifton neighborhood church that is striving to love our neighbors and be "outside-in" focused. Stop by anytime.

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Perfect weather and a spirit of community ushered in CliftonFest September 2014. Above, Zoe Zorn, right, and Patsy Schomaeker create an art carpet. See more images on pages 24 – 29.

Clifton Town Meeting Trustee Candidates for 2014 Election

Clifton Town Meeting (CTM) Trustee elections will be held on December 1, 2014 from 6-7 p.m. prior to the December monthly CTM meeting which begins at 7 p.m. in CCAC's, second-floor meeting room.

Nicholas Hollan

Community service has always been a priority for Nicholas Hollan. It was here in Clifton where Nicholas lived when he graduated from UC, volunteered with the American Red Cross following Hurricane Katrina and accepted a position as the Disaster Response Supervisor for our local Red Cross.

Nicholas is a graduate of the United Way's Board Orientation & Leadership Development program and used that training to serve on the boards of United Cerebral Palsy, The Westwood Civic Association and Invest in Neighborhoods.

Nicholas was a candidate for Cincinnati City Council in 2009 and 2011 where he was endorsed by many organizations including the *Cincinnati Enquirer* and *City Beat*. In 2010 Nicholas was recognized in the annual "Best of" edition by *City Beat* as "The Best sign of intelligent life on the West Side".

In 2010, Nicholas took out an SBA Loan and opened his own business in Roselawn. The Valley Dental Management Service employs 13 healthcare professionals and works closely with local doctors and surgeons to provide quality dental care to low-income patients.

After the premature birth of his son in 2011, Nicholas chaired the Family Team committee for the March of Dimes in 2013 and 2014. Nicholas, Meghan and Preston were delighted to have purchased the Charles B. Russell House in 2012 and look forward to calling the Gaslight home for many more years.

John Juech

John Juech is a Clifton resident and home owner, raising his family in the neighborhood, who hopes to live in Clifton and help the community prosper for many years to come.

Professionally, John currently serves as Chief of Staff to the Vice Mayor of

Cincinnati, David Mann, also a Clifton resident for many decades. John has extensive experience in local, national and international politics, from advising Members of Congress and large corporations to running campaigns – such as the David Mann for Council campaign - to helping to set up democratic elections for the UN in in 2005 in Liberia, West Africa after a protracted Civil War. He has worked for the United Nations, the US Congress (don't hold that against him), and in the private and non-profit sectors as well.

Immediately prior to his current job, John was Vice President at Garten Rothkopf, an international consulting advisory firm based in Washington, DC for four years. Prior to that, he served as a senior legislative assistant to US Congressman Bill Delahunt, a senior member of the US House Foreign Affairs Committee.

He holds a masters in International Relations from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS).

He will bring to Clifton Town Meeting a wealth of ideas married to practical experience with campaigns, public communication, fundraising, social media and community development that can benefit the Clifton community. He also brings to CTM an understanding and relationshipswith key City of Cincinnati leaders at City Hall, in the City Administration, and throughout Cincinnati's 52 neighborhoods from his work running the Vice Mayor's office. Among his prior involvement with CTM and the Clifton Community is helping to organize the 2014 CTM golf outing, which raised a significant amount of money for the CCAC and working on a number of issues at City Hall of interest to CTM, such as the Woolper bike lane project, the Probasco Fountain, and the work on the future of Ludlow.

travel to more than 60 countries and 46 US states. He lives on Belsaw Place with his wife, Kate, a senior executive with the Clinton Foundation, and his daughter Josephine. Their family is expanding in early 2015 and plan to put down roots in the neighborhood, raise their kids, and be there for years to come.

Rama Kasturi

Dear CTM Members,

My name is Rama Kasturi and I am seeking your support in my bid to serve as a Trustee of the Clifton Town Meeting. Many of you know me from walking in and around Clifton and Burnet Woods with my dogs for the last 18 years, being a parent at Fairview-Clifton German Language School, or working at the University of Cincinnati.

My husband, Erik Nelson, and I have lived in Clifton with our twin children for the past 15 years when we moved from our condo on Jefferson Avenue just on the other side of Clifton! We love the historic gaslight district and its astounding diversity and neighborly atmosphere. The proximity to several beautiful urban parks, a charming movie theatre, ethnic restaurants, diverse businesses, and a walkable grocery store all made Clifton the hands-down choice for my own home away from home.

A Biophysical Chemist by training, I have worked at P&G and at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, where I taught Medical Pharmacology until last August. I am currently retired from professional life and I am actively engaged in doing as much good as I can.

With this in mind, I have decided to follow through on my desire to give back in some way to the community that my family and I so enjoy by seeking election as a Trustee of CTM.

John has had the great privilege to

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CTM Candidates Continued

I am specifically interested in the following:

1. Helping make the Clifton Cooperative Market a reality—every neighborhood needs a grocery store! I am an advisor to the board of the Clifton Market and serve on the Capital Campaign Committee.

2. Helping to making our business district and neighborhood more "green": I have already been designated "Recycler-In-Chief" for CliftonFest 2015 (!). I will work to ensure that our businesses are greener and have volunteered to create community recycling opportunities at the Clifton Cooperative Market.

3. Ensure that the diversity of Clifton is showcased and celebrated: e.g., I would like to see flags on Ludlow representing the numerous countries whose citizens now call Clifton home! Where else in Cincinnati can you live and experience the diversity of Clifton?

If elected, I will do my best to do as much good as possible for Clifton over the next three years.

Shaun McCance

I moved to Clifton because I wanted to live in a friendly, walkable neighborhood with a vibrant business district. I continue to be impressed at how the people of Clifton come together to shape their neighborhood, and I'm proud to be able to play a small part in that.

I work as a programmer, technical writer, and community liaison for a major open source software company. I served two terms on the board of directors for a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to open source and digital freedoms. I spend my days working with volunteer communities to foster open source, promote open data, and protect people's freedoms and privacy online.

For the last year, I've been involved with Clifton Market, the community-owned effort to bring a grocery store back to our neighborhood. I serve as the treasurer and general records keeper, and I handle much of the technology and design work. It's been a rewarding experience that has given me the opportunity to get to know a lot of my neighbors.

I'm a firm believer in the power of open communities. I've seen time and time again what people can accomplish when they're informed and engaged. As a CTM trustee, I'd like to explore ways to continue to increase community engagement, encourage open discussion among neighbors, and better promote Clifton online.

Michael Moran

Michael Moran is a native Cincinnatian who lived in Western Hills, Mount Adams and Oakley before moving to Oxford Terrace in Clifton almost nine years ago. He studied finance and accounting at the University of Kentucky and works as a commercial real estate broker for CBRE. He's married to Abby Moran, and they have two children, Will (8) and Maisie (6).

Mike has served one term as a Trustee on Clifton Town Meeting and currently holds the Treasurer's position. Mike also sits on the Board of Tender Mercies, Inc., an organization that provides permanent and supportive housing to the homeless and mentally ill. Mike loves living in Clifton is currently involved in rehabbing a new home in the area for his family.

DePaul Cristo Rey Teacher Honored with Mexican National Poetry Award

Manuel Iris, Ph.D., teacher and coordinator of Hispanic outreach at DePaul Cristo Rey High School, has become one of the youngest poets ever to win the Rudolfo Figueroa Poetry Award. This national honor is awarded by the government of Chiapas, Mexico, to poets from the south of Mexico and Guatemala.

A Clifton resident, Dr. Iris received the 2014 award in Chiapas in October for his poetry collection, "Los Disfraces del Fuego," or "The Disguises of Fire." The honor included a monetary award and publication of the poetry collection in January 2015. It will be his third published volume of poetry; the first was published when he was just 19 years old. He has previously received the Rosario Castellanos National Poetry Award (second place in 2003) and the Mérida National Poetry Award (in 2010). In addition to teaching, Dr. Iris has written essays, poetry and translations for magazines published in numerous countries including the U.S., Mexico, Spain and Colombia.

Dr. Iris joined the faculty at DPCR in 2013 and is teaching both world literature and British literature, as well as serving as an advocate and translator for DPCR's Hispanic families. Dr. Iris holds a bachelor's degree in Latin American literature





Top: Dr. Iris teaching at DPCR and above, center, receiving his award from (left) Antonio Valdez Meza, mayor of the City of Cintalapa, Chiapas, and Cicerón Aguilar, director of cultural promotion of the Council for Culture and Arts of the State of Chiapas.

from the Autonomous University of the Yucatan, a master's degree in Spanish literature from New Mexico State University, and his doctorate degree in romance languages from the University of Cincinnati.

TNSM Students Learn the Art of Discovery

Third-grade students wore blindfolds to better understand the challenges sight-impaired people face.

• They practiced walking up and down the stairs and noticed feeling more vulnerable.

• They walked across a room and felt the changes in their balance and the loss of having a reference point to guide their way.

• They learned that their hearing could help them be more aware what was going on around them.

• Students recorded their reflection from the experiences into their journals.

Third-level students listened to a guest speaker who was invited to TNSM by Civics teacher, Johnnye White.

The group discussed:

• Ways that we are different and the same.

• Their names, nicknames and what they like and don't like to be called.

• The way we feel when someone teases or bullies us because of one of these differences.

• What things could we say to someone who might be teasing us when we don't want to be teased?

To schedule a tour of The New School Montessori, call (281-7999) or visit www.newschoolmontessori.com. We encourage you to attend our Open House on Sunday, January 25 from 2-4 p.m. Teachers, board members and staff are available to answer questions, to give tours and to facilitate the discovery process as children explore the environment.





Immanuel Presbyterian Church Welcomes New Pastor

Immanuel Presbyterian Church at the corner of Clifton and Bryant is excited to announce that they have called a new pastor to serve our community.

Reverend Rich Jones began his duties in October and is actively getting to know the Clifton community.

Rich is a native of Louisville, Kentucky and graduate of Fuller Seminary in Pasadena, California, but he is no stranger to Cincinnati, having served as the director of student ministry at Northminster Presbyterian Church in Finneytown since 2000. Rich's long history of involvement in youth ministry, community development and relationship building should serve our neighborhood well.

An avid runner, Rich serves as coach of the Finneytown High School cross country team.

Join us as we welcome Rich, his wife, Debbie, and children Mckenzie and Brennen into the life of our community.



Reverend Rich Jones

Wolff Planetarium Winter Skies Shows

Holiday Skies

Friday, December 12, 2014, 7 – 8 p.m.

Come join us at the Wolff Planetarium as we experience the real holiday light show, the winter sky. Discover the mysteries of the Christmas Star, see a bright holiday "wreath" of twinkling lights, and hear the tale of the man being pulled across the sky . . . and his three baby goats! Programs are open to adults and children ages 5 and older accompanied by an adult. Fee: \$5 per person. Reservations required. Seating is limited. Please call 751-3679 to register.

Native American Nights Friday, January 16, 2015, 7 – 8 p.m.

Journey back in time and hear the campfire tales told on Native American Nights. A sky that was filled with rampaging bears, cunning coyotes and beautiful dancing maidens. Programs are open to adults and children ages 5 and older accompanied by an adult. Fee: \$5 per person. Reservations required. Seating is limited. Please call 751-3679 to register.

Winter Constellations Friday, February 13, 2015, 7 – 8 p.m.

Experience the oldest public planetarium west of the Allegheny Mountains. Discover stars, constellations, galaxies and more. Learn the stories behind the Big and Little Dippers, Orion and many other constellations in the night time sky. From nebulas and novae to star formation and more, this show has it all! Programs are open to adults and children ages 5 and older accompanied by an adult. Fee: \$5 per person. Reservations required. Seating is limited. Please call 751-3679 to register.

CCM Faculty Recital Moves to December

This year's annual Gino James DiMario faculty recital will take place with a Christmas holiday theme at 7 p.m., Friday, December 5, again at the home of Kathy and Paul Alexander, assistant coach of the Cincinnati Bengals. Performers will include Jiyong Atkinson, violin; Edward and Stephanie Neeman, piano; Heather Verbeck Harrison, flute; Mary Ann Powers Buyukisik, soprano; Mo-ah Kim, piano; James Meade and Jeremy Collins, guitar. This intimate chamber music and dining event has limited seating, so reserve now. Tickets are \$100 per person, \$175 per couple; call the CCM Preparatory office at 513-556-2595 to request a seat.

Summer Learning Program Bigger Than Ever Before

The cool weather this summer led to a hot trend—reading books. The Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County saw an increase in the number of people who completed the Summer Learning Program.

This year 34,948 readers registered for Summer Learning; and 22,092 completed the program by logging reading time and collecting prizes, a 7 percent increase over 2013. The Brain Camp and Free Summer Lunch portions of the Summer Learning Program also saw an increase in participation.

There were seven sites for the Summer Camp Reading program and 90 participants. Of those 90 students, 99 percent had improved reading scores by the end of the sixweek program; 40 percent of the children in the "at risk" category at the beginning of the program improved to the "some risk" or "low risk" category by the end of the program; and 57 of the 90 children ended the program in the "low risk" category, which means they're on track to read at the third grade level by the end of third grade.

All Library locations offered a Brain Camp program this year, with themes that ranged from science and geography to sports and reading. The total Brain Camp attendance was 2,558 campers, a 68 percent increase from last year's attendance of 1,525.





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Clifton resident Carter Fritz, above, received a Kindle Fire for being the Summer Learning kid grand prize winner at the Clifton Branch Library.

Rowen Keifling, right, of Mt. Auburn with the Nabi Jr. tablet he received as the Summer Learning preschool grand prize winner at the Clifton Branch Library.





Second Sunday Family Showtime

Join us for year five of Second Sunday Family Showtime, which will feature special receptions after the show each month! CCAC is partnering with our region's talented performance roups, including Bi-Okoto Cultural Institute, Madcap Puppets, The Linton Chamber Music Series, and the Playhouse in the Park to bring you another year of fantastic family performances. Shows start at 2 p.m. and are free for kids and just \$5 per adult (scholarships available).

December 14 – The Night Before Christmas, presented by Children's Theatre of Cincinnati

January 11 – Rhythms of Our Land, presented by Bi-Okoto Cultural Institute

February 8 – High-Low. Fast-Slow. Listen Closely Here We Go!, presented by

The Linton Chamber Music Series, Peanut Butter & Jam Sessions **March 8** – The Jungle Book, presented by Frisch Marionettes

April 12 – Twain's Twisted Tales, presented by Madcap Puppets

May 10 – Bird Brain, presented by Playhouse in the Park

CCAC Winter Activity Lineup

12/6: Clay Alliance Holiday Fair, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. (free!)
12/12: Opening Reception: Contemporary Narrative in its Many Forms, 6 – 8 p.m. (free!)
12/14: Second Sunday Family Showtime – The Night Before Christmas, 2 p.m. (free for kids, \$5/adults)
12/14: Winter Class Sampler, 2:45 p.m. (free!)
12/20: Lynn Somers & Friends presents A Christmas Puppet Program, 12:30 p.m. (\$10/ticket)
1/11: Second Sunday Family Showtime –Rhythms of Our Land, 2 p.m. (free for kids, \$5/adult)
1/23: Opening Reception: Summerfair Cincinnati Emerging Artists Exhibition, 6 – 8 p.m. (free!)
1/24: Madcap Puppets presents Once Upon a Clock, 11 a.m. & 1 p.m. (\$8/ticket)
1/28: Sunset Salons – Wine, 6:30 – 9 p.m. (\$15/advance, \$20/door)
2/8: Second Sunday Family Showtime – High-Low. Fast-Slow. Listen Closely Here We Go!, 2 p.m. (free for kids, \$5/adult)
2/13: Opening Reception: An Exhibition by Sean Mullaney and Justin West, 6 – 8 p.m. (free!)

Sunset Salons Conversation. Participation. Personalities.

In September, eight members of the filmmaking community came together to divulge their cinematic secrets and show clips of their recent films. In November, local singers and songwriters joined us to share their creative insights and some of their favorite tunes. The third year of Clifton Cultural Arts Center's Sunset Salons series continues into the new year with three more evenings of animated conversations about matters that shape our lives: wine, improvisation, and bourbon. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. each evening for light bites and the panels start at 7 p.m. Tickets and season passes are available now through <u>http://www.</u> cliftonculturalarts.org

January 28 – Wine

It's wine o'clock at CCAC! Explore the history and art behind the beverage – and even sip some samples – from the region's finest sommeliers and specialists. Come thirsty, leave happy.

March 25 – Improv

Enjoy a night dedicated to un-

scripted hilarity, led by those who do it best. Join us for an evening of laughs and impromptu fun. But beware – you could find yourself center stage!

May 21 – Bourbon

Savor the sweet nectar of the Bluegrass State. Bourbon's biggest champions make their way across the river to share barrel-aged wisdom and perfectly sippable samples.



DePaul Cristo Rey Faculty and Staff Spend Their In-Service Day in Service

In the spirit of service of the school namesake, St. Vincent de Paul, all DePaul Cristo Rey High School faculty and staff spent a recent professional in-service day serving in eight nonprofit organizations around Greater Cincinnati.

The eight organizations served by DPCR on October 20 were Bethany House, City Gospel Mission, Freestore Foodbank, Our Daily Bread, St. Joseph Home, St. Vincent de Paul, Tender Mercies, and Working in Neighborhoods. The DPCR staff service ranged from helping to prepare a newsletter mailing at Working in Neighborhoods, to decorating Halloween pumpkins with residents of St. Joseph Home, to cleaning and yard work at Bethany House, St. Vincent de Paul and Tender Mercies.



At Our Daily Bread (left to right): Teacher Julie Murray, Admissions Coordinator Yasmeen Khan, Counselor Jessica Smith and Teacher Albert Bailey.

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The Clay Alliance Holiday Pottery Fair



Queen Ann's Lace Teapot by Jancy Jaslow

The Clay Alliance Holiday Pottery Fair returns to the Clifton Cultural Arts Center, 3711 Clifton Avenue, on Saturday, December 6. Visitors will find booths teeming with finely crafted pottery.

This year 30 members of the Clay Alliance, an all-clay Cincinnati-area art organization, are showcasing their diverse talents in items ranging from constructed slab creations to delicate pinch-pots to functional wheel-thrown vessels.

Clifton resident, Jancy Jaslow, is

among those artists. Jancy says she has always been attracted to nature and texture and expressing herself in art. Starting as a wheel-centered functional potter, she reached a point where she wanted to include texture, primarily organic, natural motifs. Her work now is a mix of wheel thrown and hand work emphasizing leaves and natural materials as impressed decoration. She has been exhibiting her ceramic work for over 20 years.

New at the fair is the Gift Collection booth. It features work from several additional Alliance members all priced at \$20 or less.

Whether you are in search of a unique piece of ceramic art for yourself or a special gift for someone on your shopping list, this is the place to look for it.

Fair hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Credit cards are accepted and there is plenty of free parking on the streets and in nearby lots. Plus, for hungry shoppers, Renegade Street Eats will be there. Additional information can be found at www.clayalliance.org or follow Clay Alliance on Facebook.

Mann is CTM 2014 Golf Outing Friend of Clifton



Tom Dwyer, right, CTM trustee and event chair, presented David Mann with a gift from the CTM Golf Outing as part of honoring him as the 2014 CTM Golf Outing Friend of Clifton Award.

Holidays on Ludlow & Pop-up Cincy—December 5

Come celebrate the holidays with your family and friends on Ludlow Avenue, Friday, December 5, from 6 to 9 p.m. Carriage rides are a family favorite, here Irene, Avocet, Siena and Helen enjoy the festive atmosphere. Pop-up Cincy unveils a once in-a-lifetime magical wonderland on

Ludlow Avenue transformed by Artists. View Fairytale

window designs and participate in a light up parade! Right, a fairly tale window display. Visit our Facebook event page for more information: https://www.facebook.com/ holidaysonludlow





Clifton Community Fund Dinner 2014



The Clifton Community Fund's annual fundraising dinner was Saturday, September 20.

The festive evening at the Cincinnati Woman's Club included dinner, music and entertainment, and an art auction. New this year was a bonus wine auction.

The Clifton Community Fund works to keep Clifton vibrant, fun and beautiful. Recent projects include refurbishing a stained glass window at the new Clifton library branch, the popular Clifton art utility boxes, planting 1,000 daffodils in Dunore and Bowdle parks, an outdoor bench and refinished gallery floors for the Clifton Cultural Arts Center, and lighting the firehouse facade and IGA building mural on Ludlow Avenue.



District 5 Gives Guides to Deter Panhandling

"District 5 receives many complaints regarding panhandling but please remember not all panhandling is illegal," Paul Neudigate said.

Listed below are the most common criteria for when asking for money is prohibited by Cincinnati Municipal Code:

When Panhandling is a Crime

- In any public transportation vehicle or at any bus stop
- Within 20 feet of an ATM or bank entrance
- At any parking meter or Pay-to-Park location
- In any parking lot or garage

• From any person driving or getting into or out of a motor vehicle

• Within 20 feet of a crosswalk

• From any person standing in line waiting to get into a store, restaurant, etc.

• On private property without permission of the owner

• After 8 p.m. and before 7 a.m. during Daylight Savings Time

• After 7 p.m. and before 7 a.m. when Daylight Savings Time is not in effect

• Within any outdoor dining area, must be adjacent to a restaurant or food service facility

• Within 20 feet of any hotel doorway

Cincinnati police also reminded the public that it is also illegal for a panhandler to become aggressive and engage in the following manners:

• Blocking a person's way into or out of a building or vehicle

• Alarming, intimidating, threatening, menacing, harassing or coercing

• Following behind, ahead or alongside someone and continuing to bother them after they've said "No"

• Using foul or abusive language or gestures during or after a request for money

• Touching or laying hands on someone without that person's permission

Aggressive panhandling (or "improper solicitation") is a fourth-degree misdemeanor and carries a penalty of up to 30 days in jail and a fine, Neudigate said.

If you observe illegal panhandling in violation of the above restrictions, contact the Emergency Communications Center at (513) 765-1212, Neudigate recommended. The CPD captain said to use "911" if the individual is "aggressive in nature or there is a possibility of injury or harm."

United Bank Joins **(** the Clifton Community

United Fidelity Bank is proud to be a part of the Clifton community. United acquired Columbia Savings Bank in May of this year. United is head-quartered in Evansville, Indiana and operates a total of seven banking centers in Southwest Indiana and the Cincinnati area. "We are extremely pleased to be able to provide a safe and secure home for Columbia's deposit and loan clients," said United President and CEO, Donald Neel.

United is a community bank that offers a full suite of personal and commercial products. "We are excited to be able to offer our customers the friendly, personalized service they have come to expect as United Fidelity Bank," said Shelly Watson, vice president, and community executive.

For more information about United's products and services, you can visit Shelly and her staff at 411 Ludlow Avenue or on the web at <u>www.unitedfidelity.com</u>.

Clifton Resident Part of Animal Focused <u>Our Ohio</u> Special

Clifton resident and CEO of SPCA Cincinnati, Harold Dates, was a guest on a special two-part PBS *Our Ohio* television show titled 'The Human-Animal Bond' in October.

Dates joined a panel of animal experts, including Dr. Katy Proudfoot, assistant professor with The OSU College of Veterinary Medicine; and Charles Wildman, Ohio pork producer and industry leader. The panel addressed many hot topic subjects that currently challenge animal care. According to Dates, his main goal was not to euthanize any more animals.

"To get that far, it's not just us; it's not just the City of Cincinnati, or Hamilton County or the State of Ohio, it's the whole United States," said Dates. "We have to get information out there to people and we have to get them to keep the animals that they do have in their possession, plus find homes for the rest."

Our Ohio is an effort to help further Ohio Farm Bureau's mission of forging a partnership between farmers and consumers and is underwritten by the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation and Nationwide Insurance.



Report from Cincinnati State

The weather may be turning cold, but at Cincinnati State we're preparing for the Spring Semester, which begins January 12 and runs through May 2.

The new semester builds on the one just finished, and will brings changes to the college – among them a block scheduling offering in a select group of programs that is designed to allow students to do most of their coursework online and come to campus just one day a week, while still carrying a fulltime course load.

The Clifton campus is also getting a new machine tool lab, part of Cincinnati State's renewed emphasis on meeting employer demand for workers trained to fill jobs in the advanced manufacturing sectors of the region's economy. The college recently purchased six Computer Numerical Control machines- made in the U.S. – through a grant from the U.S. Department of Labor designed to support manufacturing education at Cincinnati State.

Cincinnati State is also using federal grant funds to develop its supply chain management and logistics program, including the creation of a materials handling training center. An expansion of its welding program to the Middletown campus is also in the works.

Another bit of news on the academic front will probably sound equally dry, but is every bit as important. It's the completion of a new articulation agreement with Northern Kentucky University (NKU). I know, I know. When I first sent out a media advisory to announce this, a reporter for the Associated Press sent back a note asking me if I couldn't put "articulation agreement" into layman's words. I suggested he use "academic agreement" instead, but it's more than that, really.

What we've been doing – most recently with NKU, but also lately with the University of Cincinnati (UC), Ohio University, Mount St. Joseph University, Miami University and other four-year schools – is to not only make it easier for our graduates to transfer to

those institutions, but to provide incentives whenever possible for them to do so. Hence, these agreements set up protocols that let students take advantage of the incredibly favorable tuition rates at Cincinnati State, and our coop system and the smaller-scale, more intimate academic environment, but at the same time start planning early to go directly from their associate degree to a specific bachelor's program at a specific baccalaureate institution. Thus you'll find academic counselors from UC and now NKU with regular office hours at our campus, or students at Cincinnati State earning campus privileges at those campuses. The hardest part, of course, is aligning our courses with those offered at the other schools. But that is being worked out - and it's why these are called articulation agreements.

Let's close with a few short takes:

Cincinnati State's Fire Service Technology program has a new fire truck, thanks to the generosity of Green Township Trustees and their Fire Department. This brings our fleet of such vehicles to four, and will greatly expand the flexibility of our scheduling.



By the time you read this our men's and women's basketball seasons will be well underway. Now, in a town that boasts D-1 college basketball at the levels that UC and Xavier perform, and in a region that has such perennial powerhouses as University of Kentucky, Ohio State University, University of Dayton Louisville and Indiana, we know all too well that not too many people are going to get real worked up about junior college basketball. Still. There's some really fine talent on display at the Cincinnati State gym, as often as not from the women's teams. And for the record, last year Cincinnati State sent four of its six athletic teams to their respective national championships.

Finally, if you live in Clifton and you like food, if you like fresh ideas, if you like good value, visit the Midwest Culinary Institute at <u>http://www.cincinnatistate.edu/mci</u>. There you'll find information about upcoming events, cooking classes and much more.



Cincinnati State's Fire Service Technology program has a new fire truck, thanks to the generosity of Green Township Trustees and their Fire Department.

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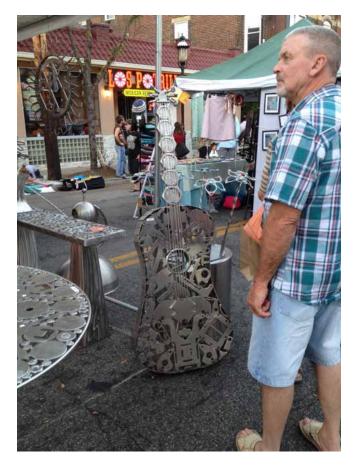


Adam Hyland, CTM trustee, with his son, Henry, and Ben Pantjola, CTM president



Alice Palmer, CTM trustee Buddy Goose and Claudia Reilly volunteer at the information booth.





Left, Sarah Gardocki spins the hula hoop in front of the Food Roots booth. Above, the Crafty Bear booth featured creative metal art.





Music and dancing on the plaza, one of two stages for entertainment.

Art carpets adorned the city sidewalks in a rainbow of colors.



The festival gave everyone—merchants, artist and visitors—an opportunity to interact.





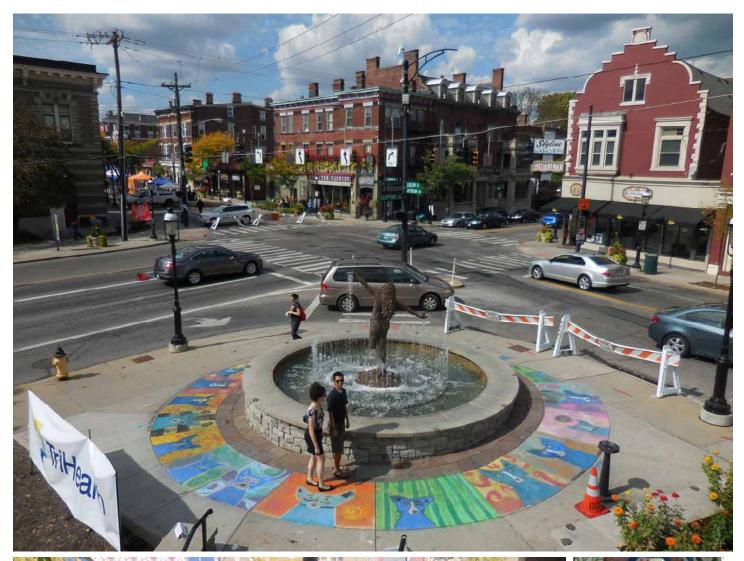






Left, the vibrant singing crystal bowls, brought to life by Ron Esposito; top Proud Rooster Restaurant; bottom, the Clifton Market mural.









Bird-eye view of the fountain at the corner of Clifton and Ludlow Avenues, and left, the Esquire Theatre.





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Top, big band tunes fill the airwaves; top left, hundreds of runners jogged through Burnet Woods for the CliftonFest 5K; left, face painting catches the tween market. Above, Bonnie Mitchell and her marvelous ceramics inspired an ArtCarpet sponsored by Howell Avenue Pet Hospital.



The Pet Parade is an annual favorite. Below, Scott Donaldson previews the funk about to descend on the new Live at the Ludlow Garage











Top, Arlin's on Ludlow; left, It's Yoga filled Clifton Plaza with a mellow vibe on Sunday morning... Bottom left, our volunteers created custom designs on CliftonFest t-shirts.

David and Betsy Mann, HSDC's 2014 Recipients Mardee Dinerman Wachs Volunteer Service Award

The Hearing Speech & Deaf Center of Greater Cincinnati (HSDC) proudly honored David and Betsy Mann, longtime volunteers, board members and ad-

vocates as the 2014 recipients of the Mardee Dinerman Wachs Volunteer Service Award at a Gala on the evening of October 30 at the Cincinnati Woman's Club.

David and Betsy began their journey with HSDC 45 years ago when they learned their infant daughter was living with significant hearing loss. They received the help they needed for their family and quickly became strong allies for those in the community disenfranchised by their hearing and communication loss. Betsy became a volunteer then a board member for 25 years, her husband David offered pro bono legal services to the deaf and also was a board member for eight years. Longtime family friends Jerry Springer and WLWT-TV News Anchor Courtis Fuller joined the festivities as Keynote Speaker and Emcee.



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HSDC is a nonprofit organization helping more than 6,000 clients annually with their communication needs. Founded nearly 90 years ago in 1925 as the Cincinnati League for the Hard of Hearing; the center now helps those with hearing loss, speech disorders, or deafness through audiology, speech pathology and deaf services. No patient is ever turned away despite ability to pay; last year, HSDC offered \$450,000 in charitable services. Clients are served through the center's three offices: Burnet Avenue in Cincinnati, Eastgate and West Chester. Our staff are nationally certified and committed to providing cutting-edge technology and services in a family focused environment. Center staff and leadership volunteers share the philosophy that ommunication is not a luxury; it is a basic essential human right.

David and Betsy Mann

The Mardee Dinerman Wachs Volunteer Service Award is named on behalf of one of HSDC's most stalwart volunteers who left us too soon, Mardee Dinerman Wachs. She was an active member of the HSDC Board of Directors, dedicated advocate and formidable fundraiser. She passed away in 2004.

Mayor John Cranley Meets Future Leaders on First Visit to DePaul Cristo Rey

"I'm looking at the future leaders of this city," is how Cincinnati Mayor John Cranley addressed DePaul Cristo Rey High School students in his first official visit to the school. Mayor Cranley's speech to students was part of the school's Founders Day Celebration on September 25, which began with an allschool Mass to mark the upcoming feast day of St. Vincent de Paul, namesake of the school.

Mayor Cranley shared with students lessons learned from his own experience as a Cincinnati native, Catholic school graduate and city leader. He explained how his Catholic education helped instill in him an understanding of the role we all play in creating a better community. "We're all part of one human family; we can't be comfortable in our lives, if there's discomfort in someone else," he said.

He also stressed how important education is to break the cycle of poverty and joblessness in the city and society as



Cincinnati Mayor John Cranley, center, made his first official visit to DePaul Cristo Rey High School as part of the school's celebration of Founders Day.

a whole. The Mayor commended the students for their participation in DPCR's Corporate Work Study Program, "You are already learning and seeing the dignity that comes with work. DePaul Cristo Rey is modeled on this and your work will lead to great satisfaction in your life." Before taking questions from students, Mayor Cranley concluded his remarks by encouraging the students, "I'm going to bet on your futures. You're going to college; you can achieve your dreams. Believe in yourself and start dreaming!"

Igniters of Change Honored for Setting Hearts on Fire for DePaul Cristo Rey

At its first annual Igniters of Change Celebration, DePaul Cristo Rey High School honored four individuals and organizations for setting hearts on fire for the school through their exceptional contributions of service and support. Honored at the October 9 Igniters of Change Celebration were:

Judy Mae Vann, who received the Spirit of Service Award. This award recognizes an individual who, through personal presence and relationships with others, has made a difference in the daily life of DePaul Cristo Rey. Vann is the parent of a DPCR junior and has been a consistent volunteer since her daughter began as a freshman. She is an active member of the Bruin Parents Club, serves as a volunteer school receptionist one day a week, and volunteers at the Rey of Light Scholarship Benefit for Students held every April.

Tom Neyer, Sr., who received the Champion of the Mission Award for understanding, articulating and carrying Facilities Committee where he has made invaluable contributions to the renovation of the school and the addition of the hillside campus.

St. Xavier Church, which was recognized with the Investor in the Future Award for demonstrating exceptional commitment to the mission of DePaul Cristo Rey through extraordinary support and generosity. The parishioners of St. Xavier, behind the leadership of former and current pastors, provide ongoing financial support for student scholarships, financial sponsorship for special events, and donated a nearly-new van to the school. The award was accepted by the Rev. Patrick Fairbanks, SJ, pastor, on behalf of the parish.

Good Samaritan TriHealth Hospital, which received the Corporate Partner of Excellence Award for giving outstanding, consistent support to the school both within and beyond the Corporate Work Study Program. Good Samaritan Hospital has hired two teams of DPCR students every year since DPCR opened in 2011. This commitment continues this school year with eight students working at Good Samaritan.



Honorees at the Igniters of Change Celebration (from left): Tom Neyer; Valarie Boykins of Good Samaritan TriHealth Hospital, student speaker Heather Cook, DPCR President Sister Jeanne Bessette, Rev. Patrick Fairbanks of St. Xavier Church, and DPCR parent and volunteer Judy Mae Vann.

Scholarship Fund Grows Thanks to Golfers and Sponsors at Depaul Cristo Rey Golf Classic

The third annual DePaul Cristo Rey High School Golf Classic was a huge success – with a sellout group of enthusiastic golfers, dedicated volunteers and outstanding sponsors all contributing to the more than \$60,000 raised for the DPCR Student Scholarship Fund.

The September 12 Golf Classic was held at the Losantiville Country Club and chaired by John Neyer, CEO of Neyer Management and a member of DPCR's Board of Directors. Almost 120 golfers participated.

Key to the success of the Golf Classic was the sponsorship support which included Gold Sponsors: SC Minis-

try Foundation and the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati. Silver Sponsors: Vicky and Rick Reynolds and Bartlett & Co; CR architecture design; Deye Enterprises; E.W. Scripps Company; Jedson; Loth; Dawn and Rich Newsted; Neyer Management; and United Maier Signs. Bronze Sponsors: Family Investment Services, Inc. – Tom and Eric Anderle; Joseph Auto Group; Nusheen; The Roehr Agency; Mary Beth and Tom Sundermann; and Turner Construction. Other sponsors include CE Power Solutions; Airport Fast Park, FastPark & Relax; and Keating Muething & Klekamp.

Pictured at Losantiville Country Club are some of the DPCR students who assisted at the Golf Classic.



Deaconess Associations Foundation Donates \$400,000 for Homeless Primary Health Care Donation will establish three Deaconess Health Check clinics

Deaconess Associations Foundation has awarded \$400,000 to Homeless to Homes Collaborative to create three primary health care clinics for Cincinnati's area homeless population.

Tony Woods, chairman of the board of Deaconess Associations, Inc. (DAI), presented a check August 14 to Anastasia Mileham, communications vice president of Cincinnati Center City Development Corporation (3CDC) and Roger Howell, president of City Gospel Mission, at its groundbreaking ceremony for City Gospel Mission's new facility on Dalton Street.

The funds will establish three Deaconess Health Check clinics in the city's new shelters for the homeless and at-risk youth: City Gospel Mission, the DropInn Center for Men and Drop-Inn Center for Women.

Homeless to Homes is a community plan to ensure the city's homeless have access to shelter and services to facilitate movement to permanent housing. "This is consistent with Deaconess' 125-year history in the health care community," said Woods. "We all recognize that our basic physiological and safety needs – like food, shelter, health care – must be satisfied before we can expect to gain self-respect and realize what we are capable of doing and being."

The collaborative approach adopted by the Homeless to Homes initiative is another reason Deaconess chose to offer support, he added. "We believe that a united effort to prevent, assist, and solve a mutual problem is much more effective than any independent



From left are Roger Howell, president of City Gospel Mission; Anastasia Mileham, communications vice president at Cincinnati Center City Development Corporation (3CDC); and Tony Woods, chairman of the board at Deaconess Associations, Inc. Deaconess Associations Foundation donated \$400,000 to establish three Deaconess Health Check clinics at the new City Gospel Mission and DropInn centers for men and women currently under construction. The clinics will provide primary health care for the homeless and at-risk youth. (Oak Tree Communications Photo)

attempt," said Woods. "Deaconess is pleased to join the impressive list of other partners and funders who are working together to answer this problem."

3CDC leads re-development efforts in Cincinnati's urban core, including the historic, Over-The-Rhine district. The organization helped orchestrate the health care initiative and construction of new facilities for Cincinnati's underserved population.

DAI is a diverse healthcare organization that owns and operates four senior living communities in Ohio and Kansas, and the Deaconess Health Campus in Cincinnati. It also independently manages in-home and educational programs, including Deaconess Medical Monitoring and Heimlich Heroes.

The Deaconess Associations Foundation supports a number of philanthropic initiatives, including the Deaconess Foundation Scholarship Program; Health Care Access Now; and several Deaconess Health Check clinics.

Catholic Contracting Firm Helps Churches Stay in Tip-Top Condition

Cincinnati Northside business helps churches assess, forecast and budget for mechanical needs

Some Catholics live out their faiths by quietly giving to others. Tom Lienhart, St. Boniface Church parishioner and president of Century Mechanical Solutions in Cincinnati's Northside, carries on a family tradition. He and his father, the late Frank Lienhart, have donated engineering work for the Catholic community for more than 50 years to help churches modernize and stay operational from basement to steeple.

A recent renovation to St. Louis Catholic Church in downtown Cincinnati began as a leaky refrigerant line repair. But an inspection of the historic, 144-year-old church uncovered a need for much more serious maintenance issues: Two steam boilers in the basement were more than 50 years old. There was only one entrance into the basement pit, which is a safety hazard, and it was a circular stairway cut into the foundation. An antiquated electrical system featured only two light bulbs to light the basement. And all of the piping and boilers were covered with asbestos insulation, which poses a health hazard.

The boiler replacement, air conditioning and bell repair, along with asbestos removal and installation of new stairs are among repairs totaling almost \$170,000. Church donations came in at \$60,000 and Lienhart donated the stairs and engineering. The parish still needs about \$100,000 to cover expenses, but it now has a strategic plan to keep the building operating efficiently and comfortably for the next 25 years.

"I appreciate Century Mechanical's commitment to upgrading our mechanical systems at the least cost possible," said the Rev. Steven Angi, pastor at St. Louis Church. "God always provides and I am sure God will provide for us—for the remaining funds."

After Century helped St. Louis Church create a long-term strategy to maintain its historic, aging structure,



Tom Lienhart of Clifton, president of Century Mechanical Solutions in Northside, continues a 50-year tradition his father, the late Frank Lienhart, began of donating engineering services to local Catholic churches. (Beacon Shots Photo)

Jeff Wilmink, a member of St. Pius Church in Edgewood, and part of the Century Mechanical team, is inspired to help other diocesan churches, too.

"A great portion of our business is industrial," said Wilmink, "but we noticed that our church and nonprofit clients were patching when they should have been repairing or replacing infrastructure. There is no sense in repairing plaster in a church due to mold damage when the church has no air conditioning. No reason to insulate pipes when they're crumbling and need to be replaced. We see a real need to help churches look at their buildings strategically and help them identify and plan for longtime repairs and replacements as well as short-term fixes."

"Because of our experience, we have a good understanding of what problems any building faces—and we are willing to help," said Lienhart of Clifton. "Many churches have a business manager and maintenance staff, but in many cases they don't know what their long-term capital expenses might include. Even if a church or nonprofit ultimately does not use our services, we can at least help them see the big picture about their building. We're happy to help our neighbors as we would like to be helped."

Wilmink said one project Century Mechanical is trying to obtain funding for is air conditioning installation for Old St. Mary's Catholic Church, 123 E. 13th St. in downtown Cincinnati. At 173 years old it is the oldest church in Cincinnati and is listed in the National Register of Historical Places. It boasts a renovated pipe organ and ceiling frescos, yet lacks an air conditioning system, which will preserve both these important pieces of history.

"Century replaced our boiler in an emergency situation and saved Old St. Mary's money in the process," said Guy Huxel, business manager at Old St. Mary's. "Century acts as a servant leader as well as a faithful and consistent friend to us."

For more information, call Wilm-ink at (513) 681-5700.

Calendar

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Quarterly

Community Newsletter *Clifton Chronicle* January 24 Deadline for Spring

Monthly

1st Mon. 7 p.m. CTM Meeting. Meeting location to be at CCAC, second-floor gallery until Rec Center reopens.

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

2nd Sun. from Oct. to May 2 p.m. Family Showtime at CCAC 3rd Mon. 3 p.m. Clifton Business and Professional Association Meeting downstairs at Olives. All welcome. 3rd Thur. 7 p.m. Bedtime Story Time at Library

Winter Laurel and Hardy Film Club, Masonic Lodge, 218 Ludlow Ave. <u>chimptent@live.com</u>

Tongue and Groove updates on TheCliftonHouse Facebook page

Bi-Monthly Taste of Ludlow

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

Weekly

Mon. 5:30-8 p.m. Clifton Farmers Market on Ludlow Plaza (Summer) Fri. 7:30 p.m. Open Mic Poetry at Aquarius Star/Om Cafe Fri. & Sat. 5-8 p.m. Ludlow Wine & Beer, Wine Tastings Sat. 5-8 p.m. Ludlow Wine & Beer, Wine & Beer Tastings Tues. 10 a.m. Preschool Story Time at Library Wed. 9 p.m. Faux Frenchmen @LaPoste Wed. 7 p.m. Music on the Green at the CCAC, June through August 13 Thur. 1 p.m. ESOL Conversation Group at Library Thur. 6-9 p.m. Dogs Night Out at Graeter's Ice Cream

Sat. 9 a.m., It's Yoga at Clifton Plaza, spring, summer & fall, free Sat. 11-Noon, Make sandwiches and dinner for Lighthouse at Immanuel Church, 3445 Clifton Avenue Sun. 11-12:15 p.m., Sadhana Service at World Peace Yoga, free

Daily

Mon. Dec. 1, winter Chronicle expected in mailboxes Mon. Dec. 1, 7 p.m., CTM board meeting, CTM Trustee election prior to meeting from 6 to 7 p.m..CCAC, second-floor gallery Fri., Dec. 5, Pop-Up Ludlow (decorated store fronts on Ludlow) Fri., Dec. 5, 6-9 p.m., Holidays on Ludlow, Carriage Rides Wed. Dec. 24, 5 and 9 p.m., Christmas Eve Services at Calvary Episcopal Church Wed. 24, 5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Service with Children, 7:30 p.m. Communion Service, 11 p.m. Candelight Service, Clifton United Methodist Church (www.cliftonumc.com) Wed. Dec. 24, 5:30 p.m. Family Candelight Christmas Eve service. at Immanuel Presbyterian Church Thurs. Dec. 25, Christmas Mon. Jan. 5, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting. Location to be announced. Jan. 24, Deadline for spring Chronicle Jan. 25 to 31. Annunciation School will celebrate National Catholic Schools Week Feb. 3, CTM board meeting, 7 p.m., Location to be announced. Mon. March 1, spring *Chronicle* in mailboxes Mon., March 3, 7 p.m. Location to be announced. Early March Over-the-Rhine Bock Fest Late March 1-6 p.m. Fairview-Clifton School Fasching Kids' Festival Fri. April 3 Good Friday Sun. April 5 Easter Mon. Apr. 6, 7 p.m. CTM board Early April, Clifton Heights Music Festival https://www.facebook.com/ The.Heights.Music.Festival Sun. April 12, following noon mass, Annunciation Easter Egg Hunt April 17. Deadline for summer *Chronicle*

Late April early May, Fairview -Clifton School Father Daughter Dance 1st Sun. May, Flying Pig Marathon May 20, Chronicle in mailboxes May 24, Clifton Meadows Opens Mon. May 26, 10:30 a.m. Memorial Day Parade at McAlpin and Middleton Tues. May 27, 4 - 6 p.m. Coho Swim practice begins Late May, Fringe Festival June, Burnet Woods Programing 2015 Mon. June 1, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting, CCAC Fri. June 5, National Donut Day Early June, Annunciation Summerfest June 9, CoHo Tie-Dye Day Early June, Fri. 9-4 p.m. Schaeper's Pharmacy Annual Health Fair, Free Tests Late June, Paddlefest at Coney Island Sat. June 18, Sunset Beginning of 30 Days of Ramadan Mon. July 6, CTM Meeting TBA Sun. July 19, National Ice Cream Day Fri. July 24, Deadline for fall Chronicle Mon. Aug. 3, 7 p.m. CTM Meeting, Location to be announced Thurs., July 16, Sunset, End of 30 Days of Ramadan Sat. Aug. 22, CTM Golf Outing End Aug. Community Art Centers Day at the CCAC, music, ice cream social and a mini-parade Mon. Sept. 1, fall *Chronicle* in mailboxes Fri. Sept. 4, Opening of Golden Ticket Art Show at the CCAC Mon. Sept. 7, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting. Location to be announced. Early Sept. RYT 200 Teacher Training starts at It's Yoga, 346 Ludlow, (513) 961-9642 Sun. Sept. 6, 6 p.m. Clifton Meadows Doggie Dip, pool closes Mid Sept. Hughes HS Open House http://hughesstem.cps-k12.org/ Late Sept. 11 a.m. - 4 p.m Immanuel Presbyterian Church Apple Festival meeting. Location to be announced. Sun. Sept. 13 sundown, Rosh Hashanah Fri. Sept. 15, End of Rosh Hashanah Tues. Sept. 22, sunset, Yom Kippur begins

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

Late Sept., 7 p.m. Clifton Community Fund Dinner (513) 751-4355 Late Sept., CliftonFest, On Facebook at Cliftonfest on Ludlow

Late Sept. Mid-Point Music Festival Late Sept. Hughes HS Green Apple Day, (513) 363-7500

Mon. Oct. 5, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting, location to be announced Mid Oct., 2-4 p.m. Open House New School Montessori

Sun. Early Oct., *Make a Difference Day* Christian Huelsman, (513) 378-8155 <u>christianhuelsman@gmail.com</u> Fri. Oct. 23. Deadline for winter *Chronicle*

Sat. Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m. Halloween
Sat. early Nov. Autum Air Art Fair at the Clifton Cultural Arts Center
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Early Nov., 6-9 p.m. Lantern Walk, gather in Annunciation parking lot
Tues. Nov. 3, Election Day
Mon. Nov. 9, 7 p.m. CTM board meeting, Location to be announced.

Keep Clifton Safe

Help us fight drug dealing by watching and reporting suspicious activity.

What to Watch for

A car you don't recognize is parked and waiting for no apparent purpose. Another car arrives and pulls up to the driver's window. Or one person may get out and walk over to the other car and either lean in the window or get in. Or both may get out and make the transaction, usually trying to keep it covert (like passing the money and drug as part of a handshake).

After they appear to exchange someting at least one of the cars drives off. The other may also leave, or its diver may use the drugs right then and there.

This pattern can occur on any side street in the city, regardless of the neighborhood. It is facilitated by cell phones, which allow spontaneous meetings at random locations. This makes it hard for the police to track, but you can help fill in the missing information—with caution. If something feels amiss, there is a good chance it is. Trust your instincts.

What to Do

Do not antagonize or confront the participants. Take a discrete photo. Jot down as much detail as you can safely observe such as the color, make and condition of each car; license plates (even partial or state); number of occupants (male/female, age, hair, eyes, height, weight, hat, clothes); and anything else you notice. Note the day and time.

Then call 765-1212 and say "I just observed suspicious activity at 'location" and give the details. *Remember*, *you are reporting suspicious activity for the benefit of the police*. Incomplete information is normal and you're not expected to prove a crime was committed before you call. Just pay attention to your feelings about the situation and do your best to describe what makes you suspicious and how to identify the participants.

What the Police Will Do

Since these exchanges are typically very brief and ony appear to be drug dealing, it is rarely feasible or effective for the pokice to drop everything and rush to the scene. They do, however, piece together fragments of information from many reports to identify the participants. Police may opt to observe the dealers discretely rather than arrest them immediately in order to gather information about thier sources and operations.

To report suspected drug dealing or suspicious activity that is currenty occurring, call (513) 765-1212.

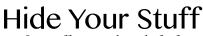
For an ongoing pattern of drug dealing/suspicious activity, please contact Cincinnati Police Officer List Johnson at <u>lisa.johnson@cincinna-</u> <u>ti-oh.gov</u> or (513) 569-8507.



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



After 5 years, we've decided to close down Share Some Sugar. Thank you to the hundreds of thousands of members who made the community a safe place for sharing with your neighbors and friends. Check out our friends at <u>www.neighborgoods.net</u> and <u>www.snapgoods.com</u> to join another sharing community. Love, Shugie and Team;)



MoBo Bicycle Cooperative Mission of MoBo:

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

1415 Knowlton St. 45223, http://mobobicyclecoop.org/



Report All Crimes

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

Crime Reporting (513) 352-2960

Youth Crisis Center

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

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CTM Golf Outing Saturday, August 22

Email <u>CTMGolfOuting@Clifton-</u> <u>Community.org</u> for more information or participation in this event. Watch for details.

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

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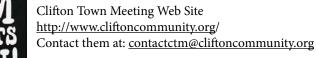
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Child Study Group

Moms' group since 1938

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

Meetings are at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of the month, September-May. New members always welcome! Contact Abby Moran at <u>cliftonmoms@</u> <u>gmail.com</u>

Shop Ludlow web site: http://www.shoponludlow.com/

Community Fund

This endowed fund is managed by the Greater Cincinnati Foundation.

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

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





