

## New dialysis treatment center to move into former McIntyre Center on Pearl Rd.

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After extensive remodeling and investment, the former McIntyre Center at 4805 Pearl Rd. will open this month as Ridge Park Dialysis. Dr. Ronald Flauto and his team at

together with dialysis, reducing the number of trips a patient must make.

Two leading Northeast Ohio nephrology practices – Comprehensive Kidney Care and Northcoast Nephrology – merged in 2014 to form the Americare Kidney Institute. The



Photo by Rosemary Mudry

DaVita Dialysis, 4805 Pearl Rd. (originally the R. A. Gall building)

the Americare Kidney Institute have partnered with DaVita Dialysis to open the treatment center in Old Brooklyn. The dialysis center is slated to open in early March with physicians' offices to follow by the end of 2015.

This combination of dialysis treatment center with physicians' offices is fairly unique in northeast Ohio. The Old Brooklyn center will be just the fourth of its kind in the area. Americare Kidney Institute also operates the other facilities — in Brunswick, Rocky River and Parma Heights.

Dr. Flauto explained that by putting dialysis and doctors' offices together, their team is better able to serve patients with multiple medical issues and those with transportation barriers. Since patients normally receive dialysis three times per week, doctors are able to walk the floor to check in throughout the month rather than just at scheduled office appointments. Having offices connected to dialysis treatment also means that there is a doctor on site more often and that office visits can be scheduled

practice now has fourteen physicians who oversee twelve offices and visit patients at over forty-five centers across Greater Cleveland.

When asked why Americare decided to open a center in Old Brooklyn, Dr. Flauto explained that one of their goals is "bringing care closer to home" and with its aging population, Old Brooklyn is a community in need. He hopes that having a place in Old Brooklyn makes accessing care easier for patients.

Americare teamed up with DaVita in Cuyahoga County and Medina County for dialysis side of the facilities. According to Dr. Flauto, they chose DaVita because they are the top clinical performer in the United States and are an internationally recognized Fortune 500 company. Therese Majewski, RN, who will serve as the Facility Administrator in Old Brooklyn, said DaVita's corporate attitude and values match those incorporated into Americare's practice.

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## OBCDC & ECDI announce small business education and grant program

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Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation (OBCDC) is excited to announce a small business grant competition in partnership with the Economic and Community Development Institute (ECDI) with a grant from the Ohio Capital Corporation for Housing.

In July 2012 ECDI launched a public private partnership in Cleveland to provide micro loans, training and technical assistance to neighborhood businesses. This innovative program has achieved extraordinary success, according to ECDI Vice President Eric Diamond, and is at the heart of the robust ecosystem of support for small businesses.

Now, in partnership with ECDI OBCDC is announcing a competition for local entrepreneurs to submit pitches for businesses that will receive entrepreneurship education and compete for grant money to transform the ground-floor development of Old Brooklyn's main streets.

Up to ten businesses will be selected as a cohort to drive development in the neighborhood.

All entrepreneurs are encouraged to apply, both start-up businesses and established ventures looking for new, expanded or additional space. The candidates selected for the training and grant competition will be assisted in the identification of leasable storefronts in Old Brooklyn, including: Storefronts in historic properties ranging from 1,000-3,000 square feet along primary regional corridors seeing clustered development;

Adaptive reuse projects of former service and garage facilities ranging from 1,500-

4,000 square feet adjacent to traditional mixed-use buildings; and office and creative space for flexible work environments.

All business concepts will be accepted. Special consideration will be given to neighborhood retail, service retail, food and beverage enterprises, office and creative studios.

Applications will be accepted through April 24th. During this period those who wish may receive training through ECDI on the development of a "business plan canvas" - which is a much more visual and basic style of business plan. This approach levels the playing field for entrepreneurs with less formal training.



Photo by Jim Metrisin

Small businesses add vitality to our streets and help create a strong community. One such example is Gyro Guys at 4348 Pearl Rd.

From the initial pool, a panel made up of representatives from ECDI and Old Brooklyn stakeholders will select up to ten candidates who will go through a four-week ECDI-led entrepreneurship training for the formal pitch. Finally the candidates will pitch their business to a panel and the winning selection will occur in early June.

Candidates will be eligible to receive grants of up to \$10,000 in addition to other financial incentives and training.

"We are very excited for the opportunity to not only provide funding to a project, but also to bring together entrepreneurs and help them develop their ideas. Old Brooklyn is a great place to grow your business," said Jeffrey T Vrespej.

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### Ben Franklin Garden

*presents*

## Spring Fling #6

Saturday April 18th

6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

**Local Tavern**  
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## Fr. Doug Brown

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Surrounded by artwork, books and the occasional Indians memorabilia, Fr. Doug Brown moves quickly between tasks. Apologizing for the interruption, he explains that he must make a quick phone call to determine if the school will be closing the next day due to weather. In the background a computer screen glows with the Facebook page for Mary Queen of Peace School and a local police radio interrupts static with information.

Fr. Brown describes the greatest challenge of priesthood as being able to constantly change gears. The flow of the day brings him from one activity to the next; there are opportunities to connect and challenges to overcome, and each one is different.

The youngest of five sons, Fr. Brown grew up in a Catholic Irish-Italian family and attended Mass each week. He always held priests in high esteem and even considered the role, but never too seriously. As a child he remembers enjoying travelling from Lake County into the city for ballgames, concerts and events and never minding the distance traveled. After high school he attended Ohio University where, after his first year, he applied to and was accepted at the seminary, but subsequently turned it down. "It just wasn't the right time for me to make that decision."

Instead Fr. Brown continued on at school and earned a Bachelor in Journalism degree and then a Master's in Higher Education. He spent the next several years working in admissions at Northern Kentucky, Akron and Case Western Reserve universities.

In his mid-30s Fr. Brown began reconsidering the priesthood. Through some very strong spiritual experiences he realized that he was being 'called' again and though he was concerned that he might be too old, he applied and subsequently enrolled at St. Mary's Seminary in Cleveland.

"It turned out I was right in the middle of the group. There were guys there who were much older and some who were younger. It's a different experience for everyone." And he wouldn't change a thing about his path. "I'm a much better priest for the life I have led."

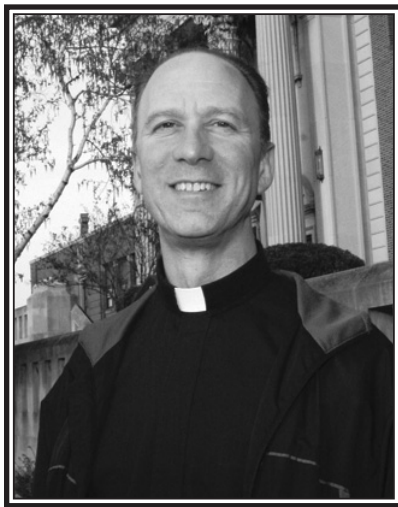


Photo by George Shuba  
Fr. Doug Brown

In May of 2006 Fr. Brown was ordained and took on his first role at St. Basil the Great in Brecksville. He remembers it as a wonderful place to start his new path. People say a priest's first assignment is like a first love and he finds that to be true. After more than three years at St. Basil the Great it was hard to move on, but a wonderful opportunity had presented itself in the people of Old Brooklyn.

During his time at St. Basil the Great, Fr. Brown would often take groups on tours of other churches. After spending the morning visiting various locations around Cleveland they would grab lunch at Sokolowski's and talk about their experience. During one such trip the group visited Our Lady of Good Counsel (one of the parishes which was merged into Mary Queen of Peace) and were told by the pastor that he would soon be moving on and that there would be an opening. In a moment of prayer, Fr. Brown thought that he might apply if given the opportunity.

Later that year the opportunity did come and Brown was selected to head Mary Queen of Peace in April of 2010. Though it is very unusual for an associate to be made a pastor so early, his age and experience in education likewise made the difference.

As pastor Fr. Brown is the head of the school as well, and enjoys his time with kids. Each week he holds a class in which they discuss a range of issues from current events to broader themes. "The kids are great. They are smart and funny. They have lots of questions."

When asked about Old Brooklyn and the city, Fr. Brown makes one thing clear — "I never want to leave; my heart is in the City." He explains that there is a connectedness in this community which he loves. He eats at

## From the desk of the executive director

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Just avoid the Sunday newspaper. That was some recent advice given to me pertaining to societal woes. The litany of woes could go on and on. It would be relatable to someone reading this newspaper thirty years ago and would look similar to a person viewing it in some format in another thirty.

Sticking your head in the sand only makes you an ostrich, though. It does not actually change anything. To broach that change, I turn to lyrics from the popular hymn, Hosea:

*Trees do bend, though straight and tall;  
So must we, to others call...*

This column space is not dedicated to creating world peace. It is, however, about being a neighbor in a community. When those lyrics recently fell upon my ears, the need for improving our community's relations became starkly apparent.

The notion of neighborly activity keeps returning to our agenda on a daily basis. From the recent challenges with police-community relationships to generations-long fears of new people and ideas, these issues loom large.

In addition, true to any legitimate problem posed, solutions are not easy. Being an engaged neighbor takes on different shapes and sizes; in many instances it is barely recognizable. When discovered, though, it is what builds the foundation for a healthy place to grow.

Where does neighborliness start? It starts with 'Hello', and slowing down. All of us, and I especially, are guilty of moving too fast and not paying attention to our surroundings.

restaurants down the street and gets his hair cut around the corner. He describes coming to Old Brooklyn as the best thing that has ever happened to him. He senses that there is a vibrancy and realness to the people here.

And as part of his work, Fr. Brown has engaged Mary Queen of Peace in community outreach. They hold monthly community meals at which over 100 people come and eat for free; have started a mobile food pantry to provide produce to local residents; and routinely open their doors to provide meeting space for community groups.

When asked how he wants to go about making an impact, Fr. Brown explains that his gift is not in speaking to many, but rather the individual. In a one-on-one setting he can make his best impact and bring people closer to Christ.

Fr. Brown makes himself available and visible to the community by attending local events and getting out and around. Being visible is the most important thing he can do and he has found that each time someone sees him in public it reminds them that he is available and there to listen and counsel.

Outside of the parish but still in the neighborhood, Fr. Brown has been the chaplain of the Brooklyn-Parma Knights of Columbus Council #2803 since 2010. And he's been the

When we do slow down and pay attention to our surroundings, the actions both small and large become very apparent. Most visibly at this time of year are our sidewalks. While we are out clearing our own, how much joy can be created by taking care of a neighbor's sidewalk? Checking in on our elderly community members on the bitter cold days of winter warms our neighborhood, too.

Once those bonds are created, the strength of a network is born. Joining a local block club, becoming active in your child's school, or volunteering at a nearby hospital or senior center further cement the connections that change our community day-by-day.

This is not easy or simple. If it were easy, many of our societal challenges would be solved already.

Our eyes deceive us. They see a tree and impose a feeling of strength and fortitude, a belief that something sturdy and rigid must stand tall. For a tree to grow strong, though, it must bend so that it can be nourished by what it needs: water, air, sun. For a community to be built, we must too, bend.

I will try to do that. The needs in our neighborhood might be in a different language, from a different generation, or from a new community member. I ask anyone reading this to do the same, and together we will build a stronger Old Brooklyn.

Faithful Friar (chaplain) to the Archbishop Hoban 4th Degree Assembly #1407 since 2012. Fr. Brown is also the spiritual advisor to the Diocesan Conference of the Society of St. Vincent DePaul.

The Knights of Columbus Cleveland Council recognized Fr. Brown's work with their organization by awarding him their Clergy of the Year Award for 2014. It was presented to him on January 30th at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Garfield Heights.

One way the church has evolved to remain accessible to all is in their use of modern technology. Pointing to his smart phone Fr. Brown commented that today most people have a phone as their main computer. As such, Mary Queen of Peace has developed an app for smart phones which gives information and updates to the public. Although he is very traditional in his practices of the Faith, new technologies have their place in connecting everyone.

Above all else, though, Fr. Brown remains modest. "I'm just a regular guy doing my job each day," he explained. He has a twelve-year-old truck and an eight-year-old German shepherd mix aptly named Shadow because she follows his every move. "I want to live the life of the people around here. In the end we're all just doing our jobs and striving for a better world."

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**Beginning Sunday, March 1st Cemetery Decoration Removal**

Lutheran Cemetery, 4566 Pearl Rd. Removal of all winter decorations by staff, except for wooden crosses. Spring & summer decorations may be placed beginning Tues., Mar. 10th.

**Monday, March 2nd**

**Cuyahoga Valley Genealogy Society**  
Independence Civic Center, Willow Room, 6363 Selig Blvd., 7 pm. "Courthouse Records: An Overlooked Source?" presented by Thomas Neel, Library Director at the Ohio Genealogical Society. Contact CVGS president Mary Boehlein, 440-736-7180, or visit [www.cuyahogagenealogy.org](http://www.cuyahogagenealogy.org) for more info.

**Tuesday, March 3rd**

**Polish Genealogical Society Meeting**  
St. Mary Polish National Catholic Church, 5375 Broadview Rd., Parma, 7:30 pm. Topic: "Polish Genealogy workshop". Call 440-838-5743 for more info.

**Friday, March 6th**

**Wine/Beer Tasting & Silent Auction Benefit**  
Grand Pacific Hotel, All proceeds benefit - Heritage Days & Olmsted Bicentennial. Tickets: \$30; available at Shamrock & Rose Creations, Olde Wine Cellar & Clint Williams. 50/50 raffle, Chinese raffle, silent auction. Ticket price includes appetisers & 6 tasting. Call 440-714-9000, for more info.

**Monday, March 9th OBALL Fundraiser**

Memphis Dairy Queen, 5501 Memphis Ave. 4 - 9 pm. 30% of purchase goes towards OBALL.

**Monday, March 9th**

**Monday Night at the Movies "Won't Back Down"**

River's Edge, 3430 Rocky River Dr.; 7 pm. Optional discussion following. Free, but free will offerings appreciated. Register at [www.riversedgecleveland.com](http://www.riversedgecleveland.com).

**Wednesday, March 11th Westside Basket Guild**

St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd., upstairs hall. Class starts at 5 pm; come any time up to 6:30 to start weaving. Meets on second Wed. every month. **Mar. 11th - Plastic Bag Pull. Apr. 8th - Classy Cover Up; \$16.** Supplies to bring when weaving -- old towel, bucket, clothes pins, ruler, pencil, scissors. Call Connie, 216-749-7912, to RSVP.

**Wednesday, March 11th**

**Greater Cleveland Beekeepers Association: Swarm Prevention**  
Rocky River Nature Center, 24000 Valley Parkway, N. Olmsted. 7:30 - 9 pm. Denzil St. Clair, beekeeper for 40+ years, discussing management of hive to prevent swarming. Call 440-734-6660 or visit [www.greatercleveland-beekeepers.com](http://www.greatercleveland-beekeepers.com) for application & more info.

**Thursday, March 12th**

**Presentation on Human Trafficking**  
South Brooklyn Branch, Cleveland Public

Library, 4303 Pearl Rd., 4 pm. For everyone, esp. teens. Call 440-356-2254 or email [collaborative\\_initiative@yahoo.com](mailto:collaborative_initiative@yahoo.com) for more info.

**Thursday, March 12th**

**Branding Brooklyn Centre Neighborhood Art House, 3119 Denison Ave.; 6:30 - 8 pm.** All neighbors, friends, business owners & interested parties welcome to discussion. Call 216-398-8556 for more info.

**Thursday, March 12th**

**Antique Collectors Club Meeting**  
Busch Community Meeting Room, 7501 Ridge Rd., 7 pm. *History of Cleveland's old breweries* presented by Rebecca McFarland. Call Publicity Chairman Robert Murdoch, 440-845-7046 for more info.

**Fri., Sat. & Sun., March 13th - 15th CityMusic Cleveland**

**Fri., Mar. 13th, 7:30 pm,** Lakewood Congregational Church, 1375 West Clifton; **Sat., Mar. 14th, 8 pm,** Shrine Church of St. Stanislaus, 3649 E. 65th St., Slavic Village; **Sun., Mar. 15th, 3 pm,** Christ Episcopal Church, 3445 Warrensville Center Rd. [www.citymusiccleveland.org](http://www.citymusiccleveland.org) for more info.

**Tuesday, March 17th**

**Grindstone Knitters' Guild**  
Mahler Museum, 118 E. Bridge St., Berea. Monthly meetings 3rd Tues. of each month, 7 pm. Current project is mystery knit along. Call 440-821-8891 or 440- 826-1254 for more info.

**Tuesday, March 17th**

**St. Patrick's Day Parade**  
Parade begins at 1:04 pm at intersection of Superior Ave. & E. 18th St. & ends at intersection of Rockwell Ave. & E. 6th St.

**Wednesday, March 18th**

**College Preparation Information Night**  
Mary Queen of Peace Parish Hall, 4423 Pearl Rd.; 6 - 8 pm. Representatives from College Now, Minds Matter & Esperanza will be there to present their services & will be available for questions. All parents welcome, but night will be focused on how to start preparing 7th - 9th graders for college. They will be raffling off an iPad Air as a door prize, pizza will be provided.

**Friday, March 20th - Saturday, March 28th Ukrainian Easter Bazaar 2015**

Ukrainian Museum Archives, 1202 Kenilworth Ave.; Fri., 10 am - 8 pm; Sat., 10 am - 5 pm; Sun., noon - 4 pm; Mon. - Thurs., noon - 6 pm. **Ukrainian Easter Egg "Pysanky" Making Workshop** - every Fri. & Sat., until Mar. 28th. Fri., 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Sat., 10 am - 12 pm or 1 - 3 pm. Class size: 5 - 10 people. Ages 11 & up. Fee: \$20. Call 216-781-4329 or email: [staff@umacleland.org](mailto:staff@umacleland.org) for more info. [www.umacleland.org](http://www.umacleland.org) to register.

**Saturday, March 21st**

**Night at the Races**  
American Legion, 4910 Memphis Ave., Post 469 Legion Ladies Aux. Doors open 6:30 pm; races start 7:30 pm. Horses - \$15; tickets - \$15. Call 216-251-6481 or 216-702-3368 for more info.

**Saturday, March 21st**

**US Polka Association Spring Dance**  
Holy Spirit Party Center, 5500 W. 54th St., 8 pm-midnight; doors open 7:30 pm. Band: Lenny Gomulka & Chicago Push. Donation: \$13 person. Beverages & food available. Special hotel rates at Holiday Inn,Rockside; 216-524-

8050. (Mention USPA.) Call Barb, 440-886-6157, for table reservations or more info.

**Sunday, March 22nd**

**Arts Renaissance Tremont Bach Birthday Celebration (330th)**  
Pilgrim Church, 2592 W. 14th St., 3 pm. Dr. Robert Schneider, organ. Amber Fasquelle, mezzo soprano introducing violinist, Isabelle Durrenberger. A minor Violin Concerto. Admission: freewill donation.

**Monday, March 23rd**

**Western Reserve Rose Society Meeting**  
North Royalton Public Library, 5071 Wallings Rd., 7 pm. Amber Strobe speaking about "Cherished Daylily Memories". Refreshments. All welcome.

**Tuesday, March 24th**

**Big Creek Watershed Growth Partnership Meeting**  
Ohio Aerospace Institute, 22800 Cedar Point Rd., 4 - 6 pm; dinner included. All interested members of public invited to attend. To ensure proper seating & free dinner service, RSVP by Wed., Mar.18th to: [BalGro@bigcreekconnects.org](mailto:BalGro@bigcreekconnects.org). Indicate any dietary requirements. Call Bob Gardin, Big Creek Connects, 216-269-6472, for more info.

**Sunday, March 29th**

**Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser**  
St. Rocco's Church Hall, 3205 Fulton Rd., 10 am - 1 pm. \$5 per person in advance; \$6 at door. Pancakes & sausage & choice of beverage. Sponsored by The Second District Community Relations Committee. Call Bob Shores, 216-570-3904, for more info.

**Saturday, April 11th**

**Spaghetti Fundraiser Dinner to provide headstone for Roxanne Bajusz-Fitten.**  
Mary Queen of Peace Parish Center, 4423 Pearl Rd., (downstairs cafeteria), 5 - 8 pm. Dinner includes: spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, roll, beverage & cupcake. Couple, \$15; single, \$10; child, 6 - 12 years, \$5; under 5 free. Door prizes, basket raffles, 50/50, bake sale & face painting. Call Karen Webb, 216-258-5560 or email [tkwebb6977.kw@gmail.com](mailto:tkwebb6977.kw@gmail.com). for tickets or more info.

**Cuyahoga County Public Library Snow Branch - 2121 Snow Rd. 216-661-4240 [cuyahogalibrary.org](http://cuyahogalibrary.org) ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages - Mon., Wed., Fri. mornings, 9:30 am - noon.**

**Adult Books Discussions - Mon., Mar. 16th, 7 pm - "A Constellation of Vital Phenomenon" by A. Marra. Thurs., Mar. 26th, 11 am - "Where'd You Go Bernadette?" by Maria Semple.**

**Street Operations: Potholes**

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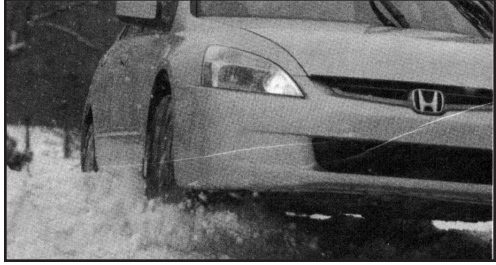
Whether you're driving to your local supermarket traveling from International Falls to Winnipeg, temperatures can fall fast and winter storms can be dangerous for those caught unprepared. Motorists should monitor weather conditions, pay close attention to storm warnings and road reports and trust them.

Heavy snow and ice can trap motorists in their cars but attempting to walk for help in a blizzard can be a deadly decision. Disorientation and confusion can come very quickly in blowing snow.

People should remain in their vehicle and wait for help to arrive. Emergency crews can find your vehicle a lot easier than they can find you. Don't expect to be comfortable. The challenge is to survive until you're found.

Carry a winter survival kit this should include a flashlight, batteries, hand/foot warmer, first aid supplies, high-energy snacks, brightly colored cloth or flag, a candle, matches, a cell phone, and a shovel. Don't forget some kitty litter or sand, which can be used to provide added traction.

If your car breaks down or gets stuck pull off the road as far as possible and don't panic. Being hit by a passing car is the greatest danger at this point, so stay put.



**THE COLD, HARD TRUTH - In any weather emergency, the challenge is to survive until you're found.**

Let others know you are in trouble. Call first responders or AAA to inform them of your location and situation. Hang a distress flag from your aerial or window. Raise the hood when the snow stops falling. Other tips include:

- Run the engine and heater approximately ten minutes of each hour.
- Change positions and do minor exercises to maintain body heat.
- Use newspapers, road maps, seat covers, floor mats or extra clothing for insulation and warmth. If there are two or more people, huddle together for warmth.
- Avoid carbon monoxide poisoning by clearing snow from the exhaust pipe and cracking a window for ventilation.

- Turn on your inside dome light at night so first responders can spot you.
- Never overexert yourself. Avoid shoveling heavy snow or trying to push your car out of a deep snow drift.

Watch for signs of frostbite and hypothermia. Symptoms of frostbite include loss of feeling and a white or pale appearance in your fingers, toes, nose and earlobes. Hypothermia symptoms can include uncontrollable shivering, slow speech, memory lapses, drowsiness, exhaustion and frequent stumbling.

If you suspect frostbite or hypothermia, warm the victim's mid-trunk section. Warm the arms and legs last to avoid moving cold blood toward the heart. Avoid giving caffeine (such as coffee or tea) or alcohol to a frostbite or hypothermia victim. Sugary drinks are better than hot drinks for beating the cold.

Delay your trip if possible, in poor driving conditions, and if not, notify others of your plans. If you do become stranded preparation and knowing how to react are vital to keeping you safe.

### GIVE YOUR CAR A CHECK-UP

To avoid mechanical breakdowns have a qualified automotive technician like those in AAA's Approved Auto Repair program, inspect the brakes, tires, cooling system, windshield wipers, battery, electrical system, lights, emergency flashers, ignition, defroster, and exhaust system.

## SCR volunteer of the month: Rev. Hoffman

by Bethany Hicks

Reverend Paul Hoffman of St. James Lutheran Church is Senior Citizen Resources' (SCR's) Volunteer of the Month for March. For eight years, he has delivered *Meals on Wheels* for SCR, and is also the Meals on Wheels Volunteer Coordinator at St. James Lutheran Church, 4771 Broadview Rd. He and his the members of his team serve seniors living in the Crestview, Valley Road Villa and Spring Hill apartment buildings.

"Showing Christ's love and checking in on the homebound" is the main mission of the volunteers in Reverend Hoffman's congregation. "We want people in the community to reach out to those in need; it creates a ripple effect of love and trust in others," he added.

Throughout twenty-five years of ministry in the Cleveland area, Rev. Hoffman has led St. James Lutheran Church to become deeply involved in this neighborhood. The church provides the both the congregation as well as members of the entire community with opportunities to participate in senior groups, Fellowship Club, *Crime Watch* and *Meals on Wheels*. Some work on local events such as *Falloween*, *Pop UP Pearl* and *Cookies and Cocoa with Santa*. Whether it be through prayer or service, Reverend Hoffman encourages all to assist those in need throughout the community.

Service to others can be as simple as a short prayer or phone call, to let an individual know that they are thought of and cared about. "Every day is a gift from the Lord. Use it! Where there is life, there is hope," Reverend Hoffman says, "as a way to encourage us all to be a positive influence in someone's life." He believes that caring is contagious. By doing something simple, we have done a lot for others.

Originally from Chicago, Rev. Hoffman's travels extend far past Cleveland,



Reverend Paul Hoffman

Ohio. Recently, he and his wife had the opportunity to visit Louisville, Kentucky, a place full of history. His family reunion in Bend, Oregon also proved to be a memorable adventure. "We saw a lava mountain and breathtaking nature," he enthusiastically recalled.

Senior Citizen Resources is thankful for its volunteers. Ask any member of the staff or a current volunteer about our opportunities to make a difference for SCR and the community. (Lynette Filips reworked this article from the one which appears in the March Senior Citizen Resources newsletter.)

## BCN shares information about climate change

by Gloria Ferris  
Brooklyn Centre Naturalists

*Climate change* is a better term than *global warming* when discussing the changing weather in Ohio. Not only are summers hotter, with more 90+ degree days, but springs are wetter, and winters are snowier and colder. The number of 'ozone days' has increased and the ragweed season is gradually increasing each year, coming earlier and staying later.

Recently, a group of Brooklyn Centre Naturalists attended the "Impacts of Ohio's Warming Climate Symposium" sponsored by the National Audubon Society and hosted by Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) at its new Tinkham Veale auditorium.

After welcoming the group, CWRU Sustainability Director Stephanie Corbett gave an overview as to why Case Western Reserve has committed itself to becoming carbon neutral by 2020. It was quite sobering to learn the statistics of how much waste is generated and how much hard surface exists on the campus. Dr. Aparna Bole, a pediatrician from Rainbow and Children Hospital, talked about the effects which extremes in heat and cold have on people, especially children and the elderly with asthma and other respiratory ailments. Twenty-five % of the children in the Cleveland area suffer from asthma, a figure well above the national average.

Dave Spangler of the Lake Erie Charter Boat Association spoke about Lake Erie's fishing industry - both commercial and sport - as well as the tourism which generates billions of dollars for the Ohio economy each year. The algal blooms which form when conditions are right (e.g., last year's incredibly wet spring) have been affecting larger areas of the Lake.

Fish avoid the algal blooms, making it more difficult for commercial and sports fishermen to find areas of open water to fish, thus detrimentally impacting this portion of the economy.

When the algae die, the mycotoxins formed fall to the bottom of the Lake. When this changes in their living conditions happens, many tiny organisms, important to the health of the lake, die. Thus last year's wet spring spawned conditions which caused Toledo's water to become toxic.



New development and large scale farming are also threats to the viability of the continued economic health of Lake Erie. Fortunately, at this time Northeast Ohio is not threatened as the western shore of Lake Erie is, but it is still a concern.

Kent State University and Ohio State University are working with CWRU, combining their research on sustainability to accelerate their learning in this area. They would like to have more colleges collaborate with them. People can debate climate change, or just agree that 90+ degree days are detrimental to one's health, that hard, drenching rains cause storm sewer overflows, and that algae blooms are detrimental to Ohio's economy. Here are some things that people can do to make life better:

- Increase their knowledge about environmental issues by attending lectures, symposiums and workshops;
- Share the information they learn;
- Speak to or write to elected officials (local, state and federal) and inform them that environmental issues are integral to humankind's well-being and should be considered when drafting and approving legislation;
- Plant a tree for storm water management as well as better air quality;
- Be an advocate for preserving, protecting and integrating the natural environment by exploring parks and wetlands.

The National Audubon Society has the saying "Where birds thrive, people prosper." Brooklyn Centre Naturalists thinks it is a good way to remember how the natural environment can enhance or detract from everyone's quality of life.

(Lynette Filips contributed to this article.)

### "It's with HONOR"

Once again Old Brooklyn will show our support to our Cleveland Police by displaying blue ribbons everywhere in the police's honor. If you don't have one, you can purchase a ribbon at Flowerama at 5401 Memphis Ave. Please help send a clear message to the officers in blue that we support them!



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While the temperatures in February were brutal, I can say that I've been encouraged by the lengthening days of sunlight which we've also been experiencing. Spring will arrive this month! And so will Daylight Savings Time. Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour on Sunday, March 8th.

In the meantime, when you get the chance, try to remember to recognize the hardships so many of the people in service-oriented jobs have had to endure for the rest of us this winter. I do not know how letter carriers, delivery service personnel, sanitation workers and utility company employees who work outside have survived *day after day* of below freezing -- and even below-zero -- temperatures. And thank the medical people who show up for work to care for us day after day, too.

Is this really the 'Temperate Zone' which I learned about in grade school geography? Then what would living in the Far North be like?

Another thing which I'm finding encouraging these days are the previously vacant buildings in our neighborhood which are being revitalized. Seeing relatively new businesses fold not long after we featured them in this newspaper (e.g., Food Peddler on Fulton Rd. north of Memphis Ave. and Autos Direct Online on Pearl Rd. in the former RTA bus barns) is very discouraging. But having a business like **DaVita Dialysis** open in a too-long-vacant building complex on Pearl Rd. is the kind of 'shot in the arm' which this community needs.

One of our front page articles this month talks about the new medical facility, but it doesn't say anything about the building's history. The renovation got me thinking about my earliest recollections of it, from when I was a youngster. In my mind it was an **R.A. Gall** office building.

(Older readers will recall that R.A. Gall was a very prominent southwest side of Greater Cleveland Realty company in bygone decades. Sometimes the structure is also referred to as the **McIntyre Center Building** because of a drug and alcohol treatment facility which was there about twenty years ago.)

I contacted Judith Cetina, Ph.D., at the Cuyahoga County Archives to check the records for me, and sure enough, R.A. Gall had had a ten-year lease on the building from 1960-1970. But it seems to me that they were there longer than that.

According to the Cuyahoga County Auditor's office, R.A. Gall Realty Investment Company sold the building in 2005. I wonder if anyone who lives/ has lived near the building remembers other tenants over the years.

After losing major companies like American Greetings, many Brooklyn residents are probably happy about a large new business which came to their community last month -- an **LA Fitness** center. The new, 45,000 square foot facility is located at 5000 Tiedeman Rd.

The two-level club has 30 different group fitness classes including: Zumba, yoga, indoor cycling, kick box cardio, racquetball, basketball, volleyball and swimming. Personal training and Kids Klub babysitting services are also available for members.

To learn more about LA Fitness, visit [www.lafitness.com](http://www.lafitness.com)

Another exciting announcement a couple of months ago was the **Cleveland Orchestra's residency in Broadway Slavic Village** (the eastern end of Ward 12). This is only the third time that the Orchestra has taken up residency in a neighborhood. In 2013, it was in the Gordon Square/Detroit-Shoreway Arts District and presented a free concert at St. Colman Church. In 2014 it was in Lakewood and presented a free concert at Lakewood High School. This year the free concert will be at **Our Lady of Lourdes Church** on Thursday, April 10th. Tickets will need to be obtained in advance. Closer to the date, details about how to do that will be available on the Slavic Village website, [www.slavicvillage.org](http://www.slavicvillage.org).

I'm out of space, but if there's something you would like me to include in a future column, email it to [LynetteF@oldbrooklyn.com](mailto:LynetteF@oldbrooklyn.com).

## Ben Franklin Garden fundraiser coming up

The Ben Franklin Community Garden (BFCG) will host its sixth *Spring Fling* on April 18th from 6 to 9 p.m. This year the fundraiser will be held at the Local Tavern, 5513 Pearl Rd. (at the intersection of Ridge Rd. in Parma). Ticket prices will remain \$20 pre-sale and \$25 at the door.

The Garden supporters who attend will be treated to a tossed salad, a pasta salad in white wine/garlic/tomato sauce, chicken tenders, and pizzas with assorted toppings. Desserts will be provided by volunteer bakers. Each ticket holder will also be given four tickets for either draft beer, "well drinks" or house wines. Pop won't require a ticket.

The Chinese Basket Raffle is always a popular activity at the event. In the past, local merchants have been very generous in donating goods and services to fill the baskets. Attendees love pouring over the available prizes and thinking about how to "divvy up" the tickets they've purchased.

The Garden relies heavily on its annual fundraiser to provide the money necessary to maintain the five-acre garden. The plot fee that each gardener is assessed pays the salary of the part-time garden coordinator, but all the other expenses are paid out of an operating fund. The BFCG Operating Committee is a subcommittee of the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation's Green Space and Natural Resources Committee.

In addition to its annual fundraiser, the BFCG Operating Committee raises money in a number of other ways -- t-shirt sales, cookbook sales, hot dog sales and donations. The money is then spent on things like tools (purchased by the dozen, not in single units!), large machines (e.g., chipper, shredder and riding lawnmower) and the servicing and maintenance of those machine.

To provide additional security to the area, several years ago the Garden installed fencing (to the tune of nearly \$4,000).

The Garden has also contracted with a tree service on several occasions to safely remove diseased trees from the woods which border it. Supplies ranging from soil to the bleach used to disinfect the rain barrels are also all purchased with money from the operating fund. They contract with a local business to do the annual plowing.

The people who attend BFCG's fundraiser are the ones who make most of the operating fund expenses possible. Thank you to everyone who's bought tickets to past fundraisers. If you've not attended before, please consider coming this year. Tickets to *Spring Fling* may be purchased at the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation office, 2339 Broadview Rd., or by contacting Greg at 216-789-2086.

*(This article is the result of the collaborative effort of Kim Repinski, John Jenkins and Lynette Filips.)*



Photo by Kim Repinski

Ben Franklin Community Garden fundraiser from 2012.

## Staff change at Old Brooklyn CDC

The Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation said goodbye to Cynthia Cejka at the end of January.

Cynthia had been our Office Manager for more than eight years, but is no longer

working at the CDC.

We are thankful for her service and dedication to Old Brooklyn, and the entire staff and Board of OBCDC wish her all the best.

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## Friends become co-owners of new salon

by Sam Winward

Kathy Sekeres and Cindy Decara opened KaCi's Barber and Styling Salon at 6110 Memphis Ave. on January 6th. The business name combines the first two letters of Kathy's and Cindy's names.

KaCi's interior was not always as cozy and comfortable as it is today. When she was being interviewed for this article, Cindy pointed to a picture on her phone and said, "The only thing in here was this bathroom sink." Not only was it the sole furnishing, but it was strategically centered along the wall to cover a rather large hole.

Kathy's husband, Larry Sekeres, played a critical role in the building's transformation. Amidst his continued handy-work around the shop, Larry remembered a day when "we just looked around and smiled." He had truly created a classy, living-room type environment, welcoming to men and women of all ages. As Cindy remarked, "We welcome everyone into our house."

Kathy and Cindy have over sixty years of experience between them. Kathy spent decades at Pavone's Hair while Cindy worked at The Cutting EDGE housed in the same building at 4237 Ridge Rd. After a stint in Florida, Cindy returned to Cleveland to be closer to her grandchildren when her son retired from the Marine Corps.

Kathy and Cindy were ready for a new chapter in their lives in 2015. When it came to location, remaining at home in Old Brooklyn was the obvious choice. "It's not something we would have done without each other," Cindy explained. Together their barber and cosmetology experience (and



Photo by Jason A Powers

Kathy Sekeres and Cindy Decara

degrees) allow them to meet the needs of a diverse clientele.

Although they always accept and enjoy new customers, they are committed to creating and maintaining loyal clientele through personable service. "Working in the area so long, I've seen families grow," Kathy observed. They offer kids hot chocolate in relief of wintery chill as they walk in the shop, and they have coffee for the adults as well.

Again with their customers in mind, "we keep our prices according to the area," Kathy said. Yet they still have high standards for their affordable product. KaCi's is one of three shops in Northeast Ohio to carry Organic Salon Systems products. In July, they will be in Chicago for an Organic Salon Systems conference. "We are always educating ourselves to stay up to date with the latest trends," said Cindy. And they still regularly attend each other's educational classes.

The shop is open Tuesday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Reservations can be made by calling 216-749-0766.

### DaVita Dialysis from front page

DaVita is very community-oriented; each of its centers are involved in community projects through both staff volunteer time and monetary contributions.

The Old Brooklyn dialysis center will be no different. As soon as they're open, they'll begin an education program called "Kidney Smart" for both patients and the community to learn how kidneys work, symptoms of kidney problems, how to take care of your kidneys and what treatment plans look like.

The class will also discuss other home co-morbidities like high blood pressures and diabetes. Offered as a one-session course, anyone in the community can sign up. Check the DaVita Dialysis website at <http://www.davita.com/services/find-a-kidney-education-class/> or call 216-398-6033 to find out the schedule.

Dr. Flauto and Therese Majewski would like to expand their community involvement beyond just "Kidney Smart" by bringing information and providing services like blood pressure screenings to existing community events or health fairs.

The dialysis side of the Old Brooklyn center will have thirteen dialysis stations. The center will begin by providing treatment three days per week and move to six days per week after the schedule is complete.

The facility will eventually have about a dozen staff, including a dietician, a social worker, and a charge nurse. Every patient will see each member of the unit, and they also meet regularly as a team to provide an interdisciplinary approach to patient care.

The Old Brooklyn Americare facility will also provide two forms of at-home dialysis in addition to the traditional in-patient treatment program. Patients who meet the right criteria have the option to do home hemodialysis in which they'll learn how to do dialysis on themselves with a home machine.

Home peritoneal dialysis is the other alternative in which the patient manually completes fluid exchanges four times per day by hooking themselves up to a dialysate fluid bag.



Photo by Rosemary Mudry

Therese Majewski, RN and Dr. Ronald Flauto at their Parma Heights facility.

These home dialysis options allow patients to make only two trips per month to the clinic instead of the usual three trips per week required by traditional in-center dialysis.

On the other side of the facility will be physicians' offices where patients can schedule their regular appointments with their nephrologist. Dr. Flauto, who is the Medical Director at the Parma Heights facility, will also serve as director of the new Old Brooklyn facility.

Following his education in Massachusetts and Chicago, Dr. Flauto completed his residency and fellowship in Northeast Ohio at Summa Health System and Case Western Reserve University. He has also served as president of the medical staff at Parma Community General Hospital. Dr. Flauto was drawn to specialize in nephrology because of strong relationships with patients and their families which develop due to the nature of the kidney practices (e.g., regular visits and long-term care).

With the clinic on the verge of opening and the first round of state inspections complete, Dr. Flauto's goal of making kidney care more accessible for Old Brooklyn residents will soon be a reality. For more information about the Americare Kidney Institute and the new Old Brooklyn facility visit [www.americarekidney.com](http://www.americarekidney.com) or call 216-398-6033.

### OBCDC & ECDI from front page

Indeed, Old Brooklyn is a community on the rise. Residents and store owners benefit from transit connectivity and location and can get to almost any location in Cuyahoga County in less than 20 minutes.

A store in this area - retail, service or offering food/drink can serve local residents as well as attract customers from downtown who pass through during their commute, customers from the growing Ohio City and Near West neighborhoods, and suburbanites from east and west sides of the city.

With initial developments already starting, Old Brooklyn is poised to pop over the next few years. A strong local economy

paired with growing urban scene and connectivity to the region at large should attract many new business owners as well as those looking for their next expansion location.

Old Brooklyn CDC is now accepting applications. Interested entrepreneurs should visit [www.oldbrooklyn.com](http://www.oldbrooklyn.com) and download the file and email to [businesscompetition@oldbrooklyn.com](mailto:businesscompetition@oldbrooklyn.com).

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## Ice Damming? What is it and how do you prevent it?

By Jayme Lucas-Bukszar  
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Sources: [thisoldhouse.com](http://thisoldhouse.com)  
Also local contractor Rocco Sutera who did not want to take credit for his contribution

We have probably all had icicles hanging along the eaves of our homes. In addition to the trouble they were accused of causing in “The Christmas Story” i.e. breaking off and breaking Ralphie’s glasses, they can cause real trouble to your home. The conditions that allow the icicles to form can also lead to ice dams, which are thick layers of solid ice that build up along your eaves. Eaves are the part of a roof that meets or overhangs the walls of your home. Dams can tear off gutters, loosen roof shingles, and even cause water to back up into your house. Since no one wants water pouring into their homes and the requisite damage that causes, here are some tips from “This Old House” and a local contractor about ice dams and how to prevent them:

### What conditions cause ice dams

1. Heat collects in the attic and warms the roof, except at the eaves.
2. Snow melts on the warm roof and then freezes on the cold eaves.
3. Ice accumulates along the eaves, forming a dam. Meltwater from the warm roof backs up behind it, flows under the shingles, and into the house.

### What to do and not to do:

Never hack away at ice dams with a hammer, chisel, or shovel. This is bad for your roofing—and dangerous for you. And throwing salt on them will do more to harm to your plantings than to the ice. Here are two stop gap measures you can do if you have ice dams:

- **in cold air:** Take a box fan into the attic and aim it at the underside of the roof where water is actively leaking in. This targeted dose of cold air will freeze the water in its tracks.

- **Heat Wiring System:** Heat wire can be installed and if a quality wiring system is installed properly, this will help to keep the ice from forming in normal conditions. This application can be expensive and may not achieve the results people are hoping for so buyer beware.

- **Ice Guard:** This is a rubber membrane that is installed over the wood deck prior to a roofing system being installed. Optimally the rubber membrane is installed over the fascia wood before the gutter is installed and should be installed to be installed outside edge up minimum of 36” or more depending on the roof system and overhang size. This material will NOT stop the ice from forming but WILL manage it by allowing the cycle of freeze/melt to occur without allowing water to permeate into the interior ceiling or walls. This is an almost foolproof method ice management if installed correctly. This material is normally installed in conjunction with a roofing tear off and replacement but it can be

installed at the first 4 feet or so of a roof system if an entire roof tear off is not affordable or practical.

Once the snow thaws this spring, you can prevent ice dams in the future by increasing roof ventilation, adding insulation, and sealing off air leaks that might warm the underside of the roof. The goal is to keep entire roof the same temperature as the eaves. And, additional insulation and air sealing will also help reduce energy loss and heating and cooling costs.

### Early Spring Maintenance Tips

Sources:  
<http://www.hgtv.com/design/decorating/clean-and-organize/10-home-maintenance-tips-for-spring>

We all are anxious for spring to finally arrive and begin to thaw out from this cold and snowy winter. Here are a few inexpensive and simple things to do in early spring to get your ready for summer:

- Check for loose or leaky gutters. Improper drainage can lead to water in the basement or crawl space. Make sure downspouts drain away from the foundation and are clear and free of debris.

- Low areas in the yard or next to the foundation should be filled with compacted soil. Spring rains can cause yard flooding, which can lead to foundation flooding and damage. Also, when water pools in these low areas in summer, it creates a breeding ground for insects.

- Use a screwdriver to probe the wood trim around windows, doors, railings and decks. Make repairs now before the spring rains do more damage to the exposed wood.

- From the ground, examine roof shingles to see if any were lost or damaged during winter. The summer sun can further damage roof shingles. Shingles that are cracked, buckled or loose or are missing granules need to be replaced. If your home

has an older roof covering, you may want to start budgeting for a new roof. Keep in mind that if your home has three or more layers of roofing, you will need a “total tear off” meaning all layers of roofing need to be removed.

- Inspect concrete slabs for signs of cracks or movement. All exterior slabs except pool decks should drain away from the home’s foundation. Fill cracks with a concrete crack filler or silicone caulk. When weather permits, power-wash and then seal the concrete.

- Remove firewood stored near the home. Firewood should be stored at least 18 inches off the ground at least 2 feet from the structure. Firewood can be a breeding ground for mice, snakes, and other pests you do not want near your home.

- Check outside hose faucets for freeze damage. This is ideally a two person job. Have one person turn on the water valve back on to the outdoor faucet and another slowly turn on the outside faucet. If water runs into the house, immediately turn the water valve off and have a plumber repair the damaged line.

- Check your gas- and battery-powered lawn equipment to make sure it is ready for summer use. Clean equipment and sharp cutting blades will make yard work easier.

- We hope to get an early start to spring and look forward to sunshine, warm breezes, and bright flowers. Hopefully with these tips, you can enjoy your home and outdoor spaces even more quickly.

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# Brooklyn Township young men's (and other ancestors') lives impacted by Civil War, Part II

by Lynette Filips  
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When I decided that February would be the month in which a history series featuring the sesquicentennial of the American Civil War and its impact on Brooklyn Township would begin, I had no idea that The Cleveland Public Library's (CPL's) four-month exhibit, *Lincoln and Cleveland 2015*, would be opening at the same time (on February 2nd).

What serendipitous timing that is, though it remains to be seen if I will be able to finish relating my Cleveland view of the Civil War in four months! But no matter how long this series turns out to be, CPL's exhibit at 325 Superior Ave. (downtown) will run through May 30th. It's open during the library's regular hours, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

As we did beginning in last month's issue, in every *Old Brooklyn News* through May we will continue to have either a 'box' alongside *News & Events* or a 'box' accompanying this article (SEE BELOW), detailing the special events which the main library and the other sponsoring organizations — Cuyahoga County's Soldiers & Sailors Monument, Old Stone Church and the Military Order of the Loyal Legion (MOLLUS) — have arranged for that month in conjunction with the *Lincoln and Cleveland 2015* exhibit.

In this series I'll continue to particularly follow the activities of the Seventh OVI because one of my Brooklyn Township ancestors, Francis J. Werz, was among the 610 local young men in that regiment (and ultimately he gave his life in the war effort.)

Anyone who missed last month's article about northeast Ohio's initial response to President Abraham Lincoln's call to arms can still read it online at [www.oldbrooklyn.com](http://www.oldbrooklyn.com). It began with a brief mention of the Confederates' shelling of Fort Sumter on April 13th, 1861 and ended with the Seventh Ohio Voluntary Infantry's (OVI) mustering in at Cleveland's newly formed Camp Taylor on April 30th.

Camp Taylor, though, was only a very temporary gathering place, as on May 2nd, most of the troops there were ordered to move to Camp Dennison in Cincinnati as soon as possible. On May 3rd, the ten companies (837 men) of the Eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry were the first troops to be transferred from

Camp Taylor to Camp Dennison for drill and instruction. That regiment included another group of Hibernian Guards from Cleveland's Irish social club; they became the Eighth OVI's Company B and eventually became known at the 'Right Flank Squirishers'.

The departure of the Eighth OVI was not described in the *New York Times* article (written on Monday, May 6th, 1861; published on Thursday, May 9th, 1861) quoted in last month's *Old Brooklyn News*, but the journalist who wrote that article painted quite a picture of the departure of the Seventh OVI as they headed for the railroad cars which would trans-

leader Jackson Miller Leland and Cleveland's leading marching band in 'The Encyclopedia of Cleveland History')

First came an escort, composed of picked men from the Toledo Regiment, after which the gallant Seventh, headed by Leland's Band, and commanded by Lieut.-Col. Creighton, the printer soldier of Cleveland. Two fine companies of Zouaves had the right of the line — one, Col. Creighton's Light Guard Zouaves, the other, the Sprague Cadets, under the command of Maj. Charles A. De Villiers, an old French Zouave, and who, your readers will remember, was Surgeon to Col. Ellsworth's corps of Chicago Zouaves; seven companies from the country following, including a detachment of students from Oberlin College, called the Monroe Rifles, the rear closing with Capt. Wiseman's splendid company of National Guard, all stalwart Germans.

As the procession reached the summit of Bank-street (the former name of W. 6th St.) hill, it was joined by the Hecker Band (also mentioned in 'The Encyclopedia of Cleveland History', a favorite at public and private functions), and a detachment of firemen. These all marched into the depot, the band playing "Yankee Doodle." As the National Guard defiled into the depot to the car assigned, they struck up the "Marseillaise," singing it in French, which was caught up by the crowd, until the depot reechoed with one grand, wild strain of music.

And now came the time to start; there were hasty leave-takings, and the trickling tear and suppressed sob from all classes of the people, as they said "Good-bye," showed what a deep hold the members of the gallant Seventh had upon the hearts of the people. The train moved slowly out of the depot, and shouts of "God bless you, boys," were heard from all sides. Slowly and sadly the vast crowd returned to their desolate homes, and quiet reigned once more this beautiful Sunday morning in this city.

The number of troops now remaining in camp is about 3,000...

Although the majority of the men in the Seventh OVI were in the departing-for-Columbus group described above, First Lieutenant Orrin J. Crane and one hundred members of the regiment had actually left for the Cincinnati area very early the previous morning, to build barracks at Camp Dennison for the rest of them. It makes sense that 1st Lt. Crane would have been assigned that task,

because before he enlisted in the Army, he was a carpenter for a Cleveland shipbuilder.

According to *The Encyclopedia of Cleveland History*, 1st Lt. Crane "learned the rudiments of military science from Col. Wm. R. Creighton and excelled in supervising the building of bridges, barracks and corduroy roads." (Corduroy roads were constructed of logs to combat mud in swampy or low-lying areas.)

After their grand departure from Cleveland that morning, the rest of the Seventh OVI arrived in Columbus at 4:30 Sunday afternoon and moved to Camp Jackson. The conditions were so bad that Lt. Col. Creighton ordered them to march to the State House. They were then ordered to join the rest of the troops at Camp Dennison. They left Columbus at 5 a.m. Monday morning, and arrived at their destination late that afternoon.

Camp Dennison was located in the town of Germany, Ohio, seventeen miles north of Cincinnati. It was named for Ohio's Governor William Dennison, who was a native of Cincinnati. General George McClellan chose Germany as the 500+ acre camp site because it was situated near Cincinnati, the Ohio and Little Miami Rivers, and the Little Miami Railroad. The rivers and railroad provided ready transportation from various parts of Ohio and nearby states. Having troops at Camp Dennison also provided Cincinnati, an important manufacturing city, with protection from the Confederates.

Colonel William Rosecrans had been assigned the task of laying out Camp Dennison. Ultimately the barracks, located to the south of the Little Miami Railroad, provided housing for more than fifty thousand Civil War soldiers who passed through the camp.

In 1862, military officials would establish a hospital at Camp Dennison, too, but when the Seventh OVI arrived there on May 6th, heavy rain had been falling and the mud was two to six inches deep. Their work was cut out for them — fixing up the camp. Their newly elected colonel, Erastus B. Tyler, formerly head of the local militia group *Tyler's Raiders* from Ravenna, had his work cut out for him, too.

The soldiers at Camp Dennison usually remained there for just long enough to receive some military training before they were sent off to war. I'll pick up with that segment of this saga next month.

Ohio.

Francis J. Werz  
Co. A, 7 Reg't Ohio Infantry.

Appears on  
**Company Muster Roll**  
for to Oct 31 1861.

Joined for duty and enrolled:  
When April 22, 1861.  
Where Camp Taylor.  
Period 3 years.\*

Present or absent not stated

Stoppage, \$ 100 for  
Due Gov't \$ 100 for

Remarks Re-enlisted for 3 years  
June 19/61.

From Second Auditor's copy of roll.

\* See enrollment on card from muster-in roll.

Book mark:

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Company Muster Roll at Camp Taylor

port the majority of them to Camp Jackson in Columbus.

(Although not mentioned in the *New York Times*, on the same day they departed for Columbus/Cincinnati, the Seventh OVI's Lieutenant Colonel William R. Creighton married Eleanor Louise Quirk.)

Yesterday, (Sunday,) the Seventh Regiment, composed of picked troops, marched out of camp and took the cars for Columbus, en route for Camp Dennison. This is one of the "crack" regiments of Ohio, and received high encomiums from Maj.-Gen. McClelland when he visited Camp Taylor a few days since. (The terms 'picked troops' and 'crack regiment' refer to an elite group of specially selected soldiers. 'Encomiums' are tributes or formal expressions of praise.)

The departure of the Seventh was an era in the history of Cleveland; they had won golden opinions from all our citizens, who turned out en masse to bid them God speed. At 8 o'clock A.M. the sweet strains of Leland's Band notified their approach, and crowds of people blocked the streets and sidewalks. (Read about music teacher and brass band



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emily.sparks@case.edu

Saturday, March 28th  
11 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Cleveland Public Library  
Civil War Living History will include stations about soldier's life & women's roles; scavenger hunt. Held in conjunction with 29th OVI, Company G, Living History Association & the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Any questions should be directed to:  
Ohio Commandery of MOLLUS.  
Email: [ohiomollus@aol.com](mailto:ohiomollus@aol.com)  
330-855-4251 [www.lincolnatcleveland.org](http://www.lincolnatcleveland.org)

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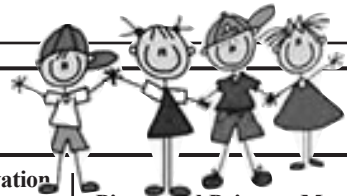
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www.clevelandchildrensmuseum.org  
Hours: Mon. - Sun., 10 am - 5 pm. Exhibit areas close 15 min. prior to Museum closing. Cost - \$7, children age 1 - 12; \$6, adults & children 13 & over; free, under 11 months.

"Terrific Tuesdays" - second Tues. eve. of month, 5 - 7:30 pm, through Apr., 2015. Explore interactive hand-on exhibits after normal museum hours for free.

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216-721-1600 www.cb garden.org  
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**Glass House Tours** - Tues. thru Sun., 1 pm & Wed., 7 pm. Free with admission, so no registration required.

**Cleveland Metroparks - CanalWay Center**  
E. 49th St. bet. Grant Ave & Canal Rd.  
216-206-1000 or clevelandmetroparks.com

**Hunt of the Month: Turtles** - Sun., Mar. 1st - Tues., Mar. 31st. Mon. - Sat., 9 am - 5 pm; Sun., noon - 5 pm. As ice on wetlands melts, turtles come out of water to bask in nearly spring sunshine.

**Canalway Storytime at Night** - Wed., Mar. 4th, 6:30 - 7:15 pm. Party with some good books about amazing amphibians; free.

**Family Movie Night - "The Land Before Time"** - Fri., Mar. 6th, 7 - 8:30 pm. Snacks available for purchase or bring own. Call to register.

**Leprechaun Hunt** - Sun., Mar. 15th; 3 - 4 pm, age 3 - 8 with adult. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day by hunting leprechauns hiding among trees near the Center. Hear story about how leprechauns gave us trees. Go on short, self-guided hunt & be rewarded with 'gold'. Register Mar. 4th - 14th.

**Kid's Day at CanalWay** - Tues., Mar. 31st, 10 am - 3 pm, ages 7 - 11. Celebrate spring break with day of fun & games. Hike, play games, make a craft & meet some of Center's animals. Snack & pizza lunch included. Fee: \$10. Registration required.

**Cleveland Metroparks - Chalet**  
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**Cleveland Metroparks Garfield Park Nature Center** 11350 Broadway Ave. 216-341-3152

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**Return of the Buzzards** - Sun., Mar. 15th, 9 am - 2:30 pm; free. Hikes -- 9:15 & 10:45 am & 12:30 pm. **Bus Tours** of Hinckley Reservation - 10 & 11 am; noon & 1 & 2 pm. **Platform Presentations** - Live Birds of Prey Programs - 10 & 11:30 am; noon, 1:30 & 2 pm. **Tent Activities** - Nature Shop selling unique buzzard merchandise. Exhibits & other activities. Free shuttle bus service from the Bath House parking lot & Whipp's Ledges parking lot to Buzzard Roost. Food concession for a fee. Call for more info.



**Cleveland Metroparks Rocky River Nature Center/Frostville Museum, Rocky River Reservation** 24000 Valley Pkwy., North Olmsted 440-734-6660  
**Pancake Breakfast** - Sun., Mar. 1st, 8th & 15th; 9 am - 1 pm. Events Barn, 24101 Cedar Point Rd. (at corner of Lewis Rd.) Adults - \$7; children 10 & under - \$5. Unlimited pancakes, juice, hot beverage & sausage. Additional sausage - 3 for \$1; orange juice - \$.50. Take-out available. Olmsted Historical Society is sponsor. Call 216-501-3345 or www.olmstedhistoricalsociety.org for more info.

**History of Maple Sugaring** - Sat., Mar. 7th - Sun., Mar. 22nd, 11 am - 4 pm. Watch sap being boiled into 100% pure maple syrup. Guided public hikes leave Sugarhouse every 20 minutes; last hike leaves at 3:40 pm.



**Cleveland Metroparks Watershed Stewardship Center West Creek Reservation** 2277 W. Ridgewood 440-887-1968

**Spring Gnome & Fairy Garden Workshop** - Thurs., Mar. 19th; 1 - 2:30 pm. Ages 5 years & older with adult; fee: \$10. Will plant hardy succulents. Gnome & fairy gardens give children small space of their own to nurture plants & explore other cultures. Register by Mar. 13th.

**World Water Day** - Sun., Mar. 22nd; noon - 4:30 pm. Learn about water's role in world & neighborhood. Free hikes, entertainment, exhibits & crafts for whole family. Call for more info.

**Build a Bluebird Nest Box** - Sat., Mar. 28th, 2 - 3:30 pm. Ages 8 & up, with adult. Fee: \$19. Register by phone or online by Mar. 24th.

**Cleveland Museum of Natural History**  
1 Wade Oval Dr. 216-231-4600 www.cmnh.org

Hours: Mon. - Sat., 10 am - 5 pm; Wed., 10 am - 10 pm; Sun., noon - 5 pm. Adults 19 & up, \$14; \$7 after 5 pm on Wed.; Youth 3 - 18, \$10; College students with ID, \$10; Seniors 60 & up or with a Golden Buckeye card, \$10; toddlers 2 & under, free. **Planetarium tickets:** \$7 per ticket or \$5 with general. Members free.

**Cuyahoga County Public Library**  
Parma-Snow Branch  
216-661-4240; www.cuyahogalibrary.org  
9 am - 9 pm, Mon. - Thurs.; 9 am - 5:30 pm, Fri. & Sat.; 1 - 5 pm, Sun.

**Teen Programs** - Sat., Mar. 14th, TAG Team, 1:30 pm. Grades 6 - 12 & Board Game Day, 2:30 pm, ages 10 - 19.

**Pirate and Princess Magic Show** - Sat., Mar. 21st, 2 pm.

**Puppet Show: The Pied Piper of Hamelin?** featuring the Rat-a-ma-taz Rats - Sat., Apr. 4th, 2 pm. Hand puppet show.

**Home Depot**  
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### Mary Queen of Peace Church 4423 Pearl Rd. 216-749-2323

**Cash Bonanza Breakfast** - Buy cash bonanza ticket & get free breakfast, Sun., Mar. 1st, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm; Parish Center cafeteria. Tickets: \$5.

**Lenten Communal Penance Service** - Sun., Mar. 1st, 2 pm; upper church.

**Seasons of Hope Bereavement Group** - Six week session of healing for the grieving, Tues., Mar. 3rd, 6:30 pm; parish office.

**A Night of Confessions:** Diocesan Celebration of Sacrament of Penance, Wed., Mar. 4th, 5 - 8 pm; upper church.

**School Stations of the Cross** - Wed., Mar. 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th & Apr. 1st, 2:15 pm; upper church.

**Avilas Holy Hour** - Thurs., Mar. 5th, 8:30 am; lower chapel.

**Stations of the Cross** - Fri., Mar. 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, Apr. 3th, 7 pm; upper church.

**First Friday Latin Low Mass & Eucharistic Adoration** - Fri., Mar. 6th, 8 pm; upper church.

**Men's Lenten Retreat Day** - Sat., Mar. 7th, 8:30 am - 2 pm; lower chapel.

**Adult Catholic Education** - "Catholicism: The New Evangelization", Sun., Mar. 8th & 15th, 9:30 am; parish office.

**Mary Queen of Peace Seniors** - Wed., Mar. 11th, lunch at noon with meeting & social to follow; lower chapel.

**Men's Prayer Group** - Sat., Mar. 14th & 28th, 8:30 am; Parish Center.

**Free Community Meal** - Sun., Mar. 15th, 1 pm; Parish Center cafeteria.

**World Apostolate of Fatima Holy Hour** - Sun., Mar. 15th, 2 pm; lower church.

**Mobile Food Pantry (free produce offered by Cleveland Food Bank)**, Sat., Mar. 21st, 9 am - 11 am; upper garages.

**Western Reserve Chorale Concert** - Sun., Mar. 22nd, 4 pm; upper church.

**Parish Mission presented by Father Gerard Gonda, OSB** - Mon., Mar. 23rd; Tues., Mar. 24th; Wed., Mar. 25th, 7 pm; upper church. Preceded by simple soup supper, 6 pm; lower church

**Easter Bunny Breakfast & Easter Egg Hunt** - Sat., Mar. 28th, 9 am; Parish Center cafeteria.

**Acies of the Legion of Mary** - Sat., Mar. 28th, 12:30 pm; upper church.

**Palm Sunday Masses** - Sat., Mar. 28th, 4:30 pm, & Sun., Mar. 29th, 8:30 & 11 am; upper church.

**School Stations of the Cross** - Wed., Apr. 1st, 2:15 & 6:30 pm; upper church.

**Holy Thursday Mass** - Thurs., Apr. 2nd, 7 pm; upper church. For the fifth year, Bishop Roger Gries, OSB, will be the celebrant.

**Good Friday of the Lord's Passion** - Fri., Apr. 3rd, 3 pm; upper church.

**Blessing of Food** - Sat., Apr. 4th, 11 am & noon; upper church.

**Easter Vigil & Mass** - Sat., Apr. 4th, 8:30 pm; upper church.

**Easter Sunday Masses** - Sun., Apr. 5th, 6:45, 8:30 & 11 am; upper church.

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**Tuesdays: Crafts** - 9:30 am, **Crochet Group** - 9:30 am, **Chair Bowling** - 10:30 am, **Arm Chair Exercises** - 10:30 am; **Pinochle** - 12:15 pm, **Line Dancing** - 1 pm.

**Wednesdays: Ez-Exercise** - 9 am; **Trivia** - 10 am; **Chair Volleyball** - 10:15 am., **Fruit Bingo** - 10:30 am, **Canasta** - 12:30 pm.

**Thursdays: Crafts** - 9:30 am, **Chair Volleyball** - 10 am, **Horse Racing** - 10:30 am. **Fridays: Ez-Exercise** - 9 am; **Current Events** - 10 am, **Corn Hole** - 10:30 am, **Wii** - 11 am; **Pinochle** - 12:30 pm.

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4423 Pearl Rd. Phone: 216-749-2323  
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Pastor: Fr. Joseph Hilinski. - Masses: Sat., Vigil  
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Pastor: Rev. William G. Bouhall. Masses:  
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## School registration information

**Mary Queen of Peace School**  
 Preschool - grade 8. Cleveland Scholarship & Tutoring vouchers accepted for K - 8. Applications in school office. Student Shadow days welcome! County vouchers OK for Preschool. Stop by for a tour or call 216-741-3685 Mon. - Fri., 7:30 - 3:30. Visit [mqp-school.com](http://mqp-school.com) or school's Facebook page for more info.

**Ready, Set, Grow Preschool**  
 Located in Brooklyn Heights United Church of Christ, 2005 W. Schaaf Rd. Ages 3 - 5. Learning & social skills for kindergarten readiness. Certified teachers. Registration fee, \$40. Class times, 9 - 11:15 am. Call 216-447-9145 for more info.

**St. Leo Preschool & Open House Registration 2014-2015 School Year**  
 Preschool, 4940 Broadview Rd. 2nd flr of the St. Leo Parish Community Center. Open house & open enrollment, Aug. 10th; 11 am - 1 pm. Preschool is licensed by the Ohio Department of Education & is operated according to mandated rules & regulations. 3 & 4 yr old part-time am & pm classes as well as a full-day program with an option for extended care. To be eligible for enrollment, the child must be 3 yrs old by Sept. 30th. Bring the child's birth certificate & \$50 dollar registration fee. Registration continues until all classes are filled. Call 216 661-533 for more info or to schedule an appointment.

**St. Leo the Great School Registration**  
 St. Leo the Great School, 4900 Broadview Rd, grades K - 8. Children must be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 30th to be eligible for all-day kindergarten. \$50 non-refundable registration fee required along with birth & baptismal certificate. Pick up registration forms from school or rectory office. For new students grades 1-8, copy of most recent report card also required.

**St. Mary Byzantine School Registration**  
 St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Elementary School, 4600 State Rd., accepting applications for preschool - grade 8. Before/after school services available; also daycare when school's not in session, (inc. summer). FREE tuition possible for every family through Cleveland Scholarship & Tutoring Program. School program includes technology instruction in new computer lab, enhanced learning through use of interactive Smart Boards, instrumental music & art instruction, CYO athletic options, & much more. Call 216-749-7980 or visit [www.smbyz.org](http://www.smbyz.org) for more info.

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# COMMUNITY MEETINGS

**Brooklyn Centre Naturalists** - no meeting: this month.

**Brooklyn-Cleveland Kiwanis** - every Tues., 12 - 1:30 pm; Golden Corral, 8676 Brookpark Rd.

**Brooklyn Genealogy Club** meeting, Sun., Mar. 15th, Brooklyn Fire Station, 8400 Memphis Ave. at Roadan). No word yet about speaker or topic. For information about the group contact Ann Wojtowicz, [wojtowicz6809@roadrunner.com](mailto:wojtowicz6809@roadrunner.com).

**Cleveland Republican Organization** meeting, Tues., Mar. 10th (& every second Tues.); 7 pm, Brooklyn Hts., UCC, 2005 W. Schaaf Rd. Call 216-832-9195 for more info.

**Laurel Garden Club** - Tues., Mar. 10th; 7 pm. Brooklyn Fire Station Community Rm., 8400 Memphis Ave. Wear your finest hat, bring your favorite tea cup & get ready for our annual "Welcome back tea party." Prizes awarded for best hat & best tea cup. Refreshments provided, all welcome.

**Historical Society of Old Brooklyn** meeting, 7 pm, Fri., Mar. 6th, Pearl Road United Methodist Church, 4200 Pearl Rd. (Use rear entrance off parking lot.) Speaker: Daniel Smith owner of Familyography. Call president Constance Ewazen, 216-398-8969, for more info.

**Old Brooklyn Crime Watch** meeting, No meeting this month. Call Barb Spaan, 216-459-1000, for more info.

**Second District Police Community Relations** meeting, Tues., Mar. 10th (& every second Tues.), 7 pm, Applewood Center, 3518 W. 25th St.

**Southwest Citizens Area Council** meeting, every first Thurs., 7 pm, Gino's, 1314 Denison Ave.

**Ward 13 Democratic Club** meeting, Tues., Mar. 17th (& every third Tues.), 7 pm, Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 5801 Memphis Ave.



**American Legion Post 469**, 4910 Memphis Ave., Fridays, until Apr. 3rd. Dine in 5 - 8 pm. Dinners - \$8; includes 2 large pieces of battered fish, fries, cole slaw, roll & butter. Call 216-741-1880 for take-out orders.

**Dr. Martin Luther Evangelical Lutheran Church**, 4470 Ridge Rd., Brooklyn. Fridays, until Mar. 20th; 4:30 - 7 pm. Walleye, cod, shrimp, pierogi, cabbage & noodle dinners, \$5 - \$10; sides, \$1.25 - \$5. Take-out available. Call 216-749-5585 for more info.

**Maennerchor**, 4515 State Rd., Fridays, 5:30 - 8:30 pm. Fish, shrimp, scallops, schnitzel, bratwurst, pierogis, potato pancakes, German potato salad. All dinners include bread & butter & choice of potato salad or french fries & apple sauce, coleslaw or salad. Specials every Fri.; prime rib on 1st & 3rd Fri. Call 216-741-7728 for more info.

**Mary Queen of Peace Church**, 4427 Pearl Rd., Parish Center cafeteria. Fridays., until Mar. 27th; 4:30 - 7 pm. Breaded baked fish, non-breaded fish, homemade pierogi, battered shrimp with choice of two sides. Dinners - \$8, adults; \$6, children & seniors. Eat-in or take-out.

**St. Leo the Great Church**, Lux Hall, 4900 Broadview Rd., Fridays, until Mar. 27th; 4:30 - 7 pm. Four dinner selections: baked seasoned fish, fried fish, shrimp & pierogi, combo dinner. Dinners include main entrée, choice of fries or baked potato, cole slaw, roll & butter. Also fish sandwich platters, kids meals, a la carte items including macaroni & cheese, pizza, cabbage & noodles & dessert. Dine-in or take-out. Call 216-661-1006 for more info.

**St. Mary Byzantine Church**, Crystal Chalet Banquet Hall, 3600 Biddulph Ave. Fridays, until Mar. 20th; 4 - 7 pm. Fried & baked fish, pierogies, fried shrimp, cabbage & noodles & more. Senior meals, \$6; meatless spaghetti dinner, \$7; fried fish dinner, \$8; fried shrimp dinner, \$9. Eat in or take out. Raffle. Call 216-749-7980 or 216-749-4504 for more info.

**St. Rocco Church**, Parish Hall, 3205 Fulton Rd, Fridays, until Mar. 27th; 5 pm - 8 pm. Meals include baked cod, fried flounder, fried shrimp or pierogie dinner. Sides coleslaw, fries or pierogies, & dessert. Children's meals include one fried fish or mac n' cheese, a side of fries or pierogies & dessert. Take out & a la carte available. Call 216-961-8331 for pricing & more info.

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# Another Oberlin College intern at OBCDC

by Daniella Mostow

I am very excited to be interning with the Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation (OBCDC) for the next couple of months. As an Akron native, I have grown up going to the Cleveland Zoo, and now I get to learn more about the whole community. I have already learned so much, and I know that I will learn a lot more in the coming months.



Daniella Mostow

I graduated from Oberlin College in January with a bachelor's degree in Law and Society. This means that I studied a combination of sociology, politics, psychology and religion to see how people are constrained by/can be helped by community structures like laws. As I progressed in my education, I realized that I was fascinated by the way that any structure, like the format of cities, also changes the way people interact with each other.

Last year, I studied positive psychology in Copenhagen, Denmark. While there, I also took a History of Copenhagen class where I learned about how the city was built, and how different street sizes, types of buildings, and green spaces transformed the culture of the city. This course made me want to find out more about this interesting field.

Last fall, I contacted Rosemary Mudry, another Oberlin alum, who works at the OBCDC. She invited me to intern under her so that I could learn more about the field. So far I have gone with her to see energy audits, open commercial space, and to various meetings about future projects that OBCDC will be pursuing. I have really enjoyed seeing the ways that OBCDC works with community partners to support growth in the area.

In these next few months, I will be working on creating a list of all commercial spaces that have kitchens in Old Brooklyn and expand that list to also include other commercial spaces in town. OBCDC will then be able to use that list to help future entrepreneurs find a space that is right for them in Old Brooklyn. I am looking forward to this project and all of the other work I can do to support the organization.

I am only interning at OBCDC two days a week. The other three days I work in the Dialogue Center at Oberlin College where I help organize and do intake for mediations and facilitations on campus. I also spend some time in Oberlin's pottery studio and teaching Laughter Yoga at Oberlin's Public Library.

I look forward to making the most out of my time in Old Brooklyn. I want to explore and learn as much about the area and OBCDC as possible. So far, I have been inspired by all of the work OBCDC has done, and I cannot wait to learn more.



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Snow can be so beautiful when one isn't shoveling it or trudging through it! This view of Hillcrest Ave. looking west from the Brooklyn Heights Cemetery end of the street towards State Rd. was taken February 1st.

## Speaking of Old Brooklyn..., II interviews coming soon

by Lorene Olsen Bowles, Secretary Historical Society of Old Brooklyn

The Historical Society of Old Brooklyn (HSOB) will soon begin recording oral histories for a sequel to Speaking of Old Brooklyn ... , published in December, 2011. They hope to publish Volume II in November or early December so that it will be available for Christmas gift-giving.

The HSOB plans to interview people age 78 or older who are or were long-time residents of Old Brooklyn—attending the local schools and/or churches, shopping in the stores, participating in community activities, etc. They'll also be interviewing current or former business owners whose Old Brooklyn businesses have been (or were formerly) here for twenty years or longer. The business owners do not have to be 78 or older.

If you or someone you know would like to be considered for an interview, call Lorene Olsen Bowles, 216-749-7416, or Constance Ewazen, 216-398-8969, for further details.

The original Speaking of Old Brooklyn ... is completely sold out. Because HSOB has been receiving requests for it, arrangements have been made for a second printing of 25 copies. These will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Call Constance Ewazen to place an order for one or more of them.

Another option for anyone who wants to read the original Speaking of Old Brooklyn ... is to look at the copy which was given to the South Brooklyn branch of the Cleveland Public Library (at the intersection of State Rd. and Pearl Rd.)

spring *forward*

**Sunday, March 8th**

The Old Brooklyn Families Group is a group for families who live in the Old Brooklyn neighborhood of Cleveland who want to improve the neighborhood and connect with other families.

We meet monthly at various locations in the Old Brooklyn neighborhood to discuss and plan events and activities.

*We would love for your family to join us!*

Monday, March 2nd; 6 p.m.  
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mussels & clams

**\$1 Off Fish Dinner**  
Coupon expires 4-3-15

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## Old Brooklyn Safety Summit

Sunday March 22, 2015; 2:15PM

Mary Queen of Peace  
4423 Pearl Road @ Parish Center

Commander Tom Stacho and a panel of Second District Officers will discuss enforcement activity and strategies for working with residents and businesses to keep our neighborhood vibrant and safe.

Join us for 2 hours and get to know your Men & Women in blue that serve our community. Together we make a difference!

Refreshments will be served.