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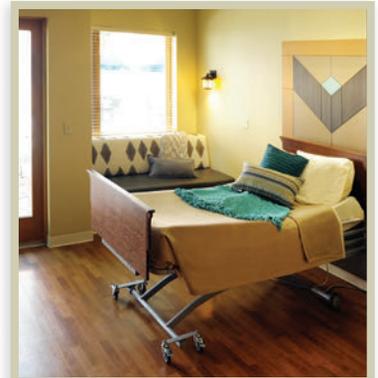
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Letter from THE EDITOR

By Debby Zelman Rapoport

January 6th would have been my sister's 57th birthday. It was a day of remembrance, sadness, love and memories because despite Darcy Alter's strength, courage, determination and focus, she lost her battle to cancer on November 30, 2015.

Our experiences mold us into who we are today and, although we often can't control our circumstances, we can control our outlook and how we react, even in the worst scenarios.



Life is precious, and tomorrow is guaranteed to none of us. With Valentine's Day being just a few weeks away, let's start with self-love and living life to its fullest each day.

In the past three months, I've had the privilege of attending celebrations, which include a niece's bat mitzvah, another niece's wedding, and gatherings and outings with friends and family. I have heard about celebratory milestones and, unfortunately, illnesses and deaths.

These occasions – good and bad – are part of the circle of life. We experience joy and endure pain. There is no way around it and nobody is immune. Our experiences mold us into who we are today and, although we often can't control our circumstances, we can control our outlook and how we react, even in the worst scenarios.

A few years ago, I published information that was written by Bronnie Ware, an Australian nurse who spent several years caring for patients during their last 3 to 12 weeks of life. She routinely asked them about regrets or what they might have done differently. She published a book of her findings, *The Top Five Regrets of the Dying*.

Highlights include:

- I wish I'd had the courage to live a life true to myself, not the life others expected of me. This was the most common regret of all.
- I wish I hadn't worked so much. By simplifying your lifestyle and making conscious choices along the way, it is possible to need less income than what you may think. And by creating more space in

your life, you become happier and more open to opportunities better suited to your simplified lifestyle.

- I wish I'd had the courage to express my feelings. Many people suppressed their feelings in order to keep peace with others. As a result, they settled for a mediocre existence and never developed their potential. As a result, many people suffered from illnesses that related to the bitterness and resentment they carried.
- I wish I had stayed in touch with my friends. There were many deep regrets about not giving friendships the time and effort that they deserved. In the end, it is not money or status that holds true importance; it all comes down to love and relationships.
- I wish that I had let myself be happier. Many people did not realize until the end that happiness is a choice. They were stuck in old patterns and habits. Fear of change had them pretending that they were content. In the end, thoughts of smiling and happiness override what others think of you.

In the January 2016 issue of *Beachwood Buzz*, I published "I Believe" (author unknown) as a tribute to Darcy. She had read this to her daughter, Sadie, at her bat mitzvah on October 3, 2015; and Rabbi Rob Nosanchuk reread it at Darcy's funeral. Here are some of the messages Darcy

chose to leave with her family and the universe:

- **I believe** you can keep going long after you think you can't.
- **I believe** we are responsible for what we do, no matter how we feel.
- **I believe** that you either you control your attitude or it controls you.
- **I believe** that it isn't always enough to be forgiven by others. Sometimes you have to forgive yourself.
- **I believe** that our background and circumstances may have influenced who we are, but we are responsible for who we become.
- **I believe** that you should always leave loved ones with loving words. It may be the last time you see them.
- **I believe** the happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything they have.

Life is precious, and tomorrow is guaranteed to none of us. With Valentine's Day being just a few weeks away, let's start with self-love and living life to its fullest each day. Love more, be kind and feel grateful for all that is good. Nothing should be taken for granted. Don't wait until you are on your deathbed to reflect on regrets you have or things that you may have done differently. Happiness is a choice. When we choose happiness and courage to be our true selves, we are truly blessed.



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FROM THE BEACHWOOD SCHOOL BOARD

Dr. Brian Weiss, Maria Bennett, Michael Zawatsky, Steve Rosen and Josh Mintz share the elementary consolidation plan.

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What are some challenges that the Beachwood Schools are facing?

It is always a challenge to meet and exceed the high expectations that our community has for our district in the face of increased state and federal mandates (on schools, staff, students, families), decreased state funding, rising operational expenses, limited land and aging infrastructures.

Our job is to maintain the excellence that we have consistently achieved. It is our goal and commitment to improve in every aspect of our children's education. With decreased funding and increased mandates, this job becomes more of a challenge. Our board, administrators, and staff strive every day to reach this goal.

What will appear on the May 8, 2018 ballot?

In May, we will place a combined operating and bond levy on the ballot. The timing is critical for both of these levies. The operating levy helps pay the ongoing costs of running our school system. The bond

levy supports construction of a consolidated elementary school that replaces Bryden and Hilltop Schools, which were built in 1956.

By combining the two, we can account for \$500K in annual operational savings from consolidating the elementary schools. As a result, the amount we are asking for is less than it would be if the operating levy were separate.

Can you tell us more about the operating levy?

All Ohio public schools are funded, in large part, by operating levies. Our district has no alternative means of funding its operations. Beachwood has not asked its voters for an operating levy since 2005, longer than many other school districts in Ohio. However, after 13 years of cautious fiscal stewardship that elongated pay scales, required greater employee contributions toward health coverage, and more efficiently assigned personnel, it has become necessary for the district to ask our community for more funding. For the average homeowner (\$250K home), the operating levy will cost \$43/month. Despite years of holding our expenditures flat when adjusted for inflation (1.2% average annual increase over 10 years – lower than the rate of inflation), one important reason for requesting additional operating revenue now is because the Ohio General Assembly has passed legislation that costs Beachwood \$3.5 million annually. More than half of the new operating revenue we seek simply makes up for these losses."

And the bond levy?

The bond levy will pay for the consolidation of our three primary schools (pre-k through grade 5) into one state-of-the-art, energy efficient elementary school on the Fairmount School site. This project is a critical investment in the future of elementary education in Beachwood, keeps our district on the forefront of education, will attract new families, and retain existing families in our community. Additionally, consolidating schools will result in at least \$500,000 of operational savings per year – the equivalent of at least \$16 million in present day value over the life of the levy. The bond levy will raise the estimated \$39 million to construct the new elementary building. For the average homeowner (\$250K home), the bond levy will cost \$20/month.

Why was the decision made to consolidate the schools?

By consolidating our elementary schools in a new state-of-the-art building attached to our newer pre-school, we can take advantage of many educational opportunities – continuity of curriculum, flexible academic groupings, streamlined initiatives, peer mentoring, and more. Bryden and Hilltop elementary schools are nearly 60 years old and have significant infrastructure needs that we are unable to remedy with simple repairs or minor renovations. These facilities do not match the quality of the educational programming Beachwood provides its children. The new consolidated elementary building will meet our educational needs for the next half century and accommodate our steady student enrollment. It will be safer, more secure, and accessible. It will help us build a stronger sense of community and meet our citizens' expectations of a 21st-century school.

What will be done with the Bryden and Hilltop properties?

They will be repurposed – the Hilltop site as a community recreational park and the Bryden site as single-family homes.

Beachwood has very few green spaces and the repurposing of Hilltop will provide a wonderful opportunity to create a recreational park that can be enjoyed by the entire community. It will have walking paths, a playground, and recreational sports fields. It will also retain Hilltop School's newer gymnasium.

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We envision the Bryden site to be developed for single-family homes, complementary to the homes on Bryden and Letchworth. This will attract families to Beachwood and will also result in approximately \$125,000 in annual tax revenue for the schools.

It is exciting to be able to offer both options to our current and future Beachwood residents.

What other facility improvement plans is the district considering?

The natatorium, built in 1982, hosts a rapidly expanding youth-through-adult swimming and diving program and requires significant renovations, starting with a roof replacement in the summer of 2018.

The athletic fields between the high school and the middle school need to be addressed with the creation of a varsity softball stadium and upgrades to the drainage and irrigation of the soccer and baseball fields.

These projects have been well-researched and investigated, and are part of a master fields and facility plan. We will continue to maintain and upgrade all our facilities to keep them safe and state-of-the-art. Please note, we will NOT need to ask the public for additional tax funding to complete these projects.

In closing?

By combining the operating and bond levy now, we are able to ask for less in the operating levy due to the anticipated operational savings noted above. If we do not secure new operating revenue, we will be forced to make cuts over the next several years that will significantly diminish the educational offerings and experiences the Beachwood community has grown to expect from our award-winning schools.

Michael Zawatsky



was elected to the Beachwood Board of Education in 2013. Michael earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from The Ohio State University (Summa Cum Laude) with a triple major in finance, marketing, and transportation and logistics. A long-time Beachwood resident and Beachwood Schools volunteer, Zawatsky is the managing director and chief operations officer of The Oasis Asset Management Group, a wealth management firm where he also acts as a financial advisor. He has earned various industry-related designations, including chartered retirement planning counselor, chartered retirement plans specialist, and certified financial educator. He is president of the Lake Erie Chapter of The Society for Financial Awareness; volunteers for Junior Achievement, and has coached his children in a variety of sports. Michael and his wife, Jodi Cohen Zawatsky, a Beachwood graduate, have three children, Samantha, Jordyn and Brett.

Fun fact:

“At every stage of life, find your passion. I have been fortunate to have found mine, baseball, and have incorporated it into my life. I enjoy watching and being involved in the game, and have had the privilege of coaching all three of my children. I have been coaching for more than a decade and recall one particular year when I coached all three children, on three separate teams, in the same season. Although my daughters are not currently playing softball, I am still an assistant coach for my son's travel baseball team.”

What are you most proud of from your time on the board?

“Year after year, we remain one of the top-ranked school systems in the state, which is a credit to our administration, faculty, staff and cutting-edge educational programs, such as the medical academy and engineering program. As a bi-product of our educational excellence, many graduates attend prestigious universities in the nation and the world. I am extremely proud that our board works collaboratively to consistently make decisions in the best interests of our children.”

Dr. Brian Weiss, long-time Beachwood Schools volunteer, has served on the Beachwood Board of Education since 2004. He has lived in Beachwood for more than 40 years and has been a private-practice podiatrist for 35 years. Dr. Weiss has served on more than 20 district and building committees. His trusteeships include The Beachwood Schools Foundation, Beachwood High School Alumni Association, The Up Side of Downs of Greater Cleveland (president), Alumni Board of the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine and the Northeast Ohio Academy of Podiatric Medicine (treasurer). As the parent of a special needs child and a child who participated in the gifted program, Dr. Weiss has first-hand knowledge of all ranges of learning styles. He and his wife, Dawn, are Beachwood High School graduates. They have four children: Danna, Brittany, Taryn and Collin, all graduates of the Beachwood Schools.



Fun fact:

"A number of years ago, I applied for and received a trademark for the term "Cleveland Rocks." Around the time of the opening of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, I was part of a corporation that used the term, and sold clothing and merchandise that contained the words "Cleveland Rocks," with various logos with a hound dog named Moondog."

What are you most proud of from your time on the board?

"I am proud of the excellent top-rated school district that we have maintained, and to be a part of a community that consistently values and supports education. I am also proud to have been involved in the hiring process of every current administrator (except for treasurer Michele Mills, for whom I wish I could take credit). This team consists of the individuals who guide and allow the district to maintain its excellence. I am also proud to have participated in changing our social graduation policy several years ago. As a parent of a child with a disability, it is heartwarming, each year, to see our students with various disabilities march across the stage with their peers during the high school graduation ceremony."

Maria Bennett was elected to the Beachwood Board of Education in November of 2017. She has served on corporate boards for more than 10 years, on Miami University's board (her alma mater), and the Beachwood PTO board.



With a BS in Engineering and an MS in Biomedical Engineering, Bennett holds more than 25 patents, has authored 20 scientific publications, and has secured more than \$23 million in state and federal grants and contracts. She also founded a local MedTech pain-management company and has served as its president and CEO since 2010. Bennett has been a mentor for more than 20 years to young people in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics), providing leadership on education, entrepreneurship and career mentorship. She is a multiple-year room parent, former Hilltop School PTO representative and just stepped down from her role as PTO treasurer. Bennett is married to Carl and they have two children, Luke and Kyle.

Fun fact:

"I love to dance. Growing up, I took years of tap, jazz and ballet, and was on my school's drill team and in the Marching Band, which marched in the Fiesta Bowl parade in Phoenix, AZ, and won the Indiana State Marching Band Championship my senior year. I also performed with my dance team throughout cities in China the summer after my freshman year in college. Today, I enjoy going to Zumba for dance and exercise. I also enjoy dancing (and embarrassing my children) at bar and bat mitzvahs."

What are you most looking forward to accomplishing as a board member?

"I am most excited about the opportunity to provide leadership and ideas to strengthen the partnership and communication between our schools and families to support our students and their futures. Our students are continually facing pressures, such as those associated with social media and diversity acceptance. It is important that we face these issues together through lectureships and opportunities for discussion to increase awareness and support our youth through these formative years."

Joshua Mintz was elected to the Beachwood Board of Education in 2011. A 1993 graduate of Beachwood High School,



he is the owner and operator of commercial real estate. Mintz volunteers and supports school and community programs, including the Beachwood Boosters, Beachwood Schools Foundation, parent advisory boards and the Beachwood 100. Mintz also serves on the board of InMotion, a wellness community for Parkinson's and other movement disorders. He is married to Elana and they have two children, Izzie and Drew.

Fun fact:

"On April 27, 1989, the Beachwood Middle School baseball team played its inaugural game. BMS beat University School by a score of 12-11. I was the winning pitcher for the game and still have one of the two winning game balls. Former principal Edward Bernetich has the other one."

What are you most proud of from your time on the board?

"It goes back to my own children and their friends. We are fortunate to be part of a school system and community that remains one of the top-ranked school systems year after year. Our children are excelling in in the classroom, on the fields, on the stage, and in competitions – locally, nationally and even globally. These achievements wouldn't be possible without the support of our teachers, their parents and the Beachwood community. Together we work to teach, coach, support and cheer for all of our kids. Our enthusiastic support is what makes me proud to be a board member."

Steve Rosen

was elected to the Beachwood Board of Education in 2011 and has been an active volunteer in the Beachwood schools since 2002. He serves as a business consultant with First Data, a global leader in commerce-enabling technology and solutions; is past president of the OSBA Black Caucus Scholarship Committee; and serves on the board of directors of Effective Leadership Academy. Rosen is married to Beachwood High School graduate Debbie Berusch Rosen and they have two children, Brenna and Molly.



Fun fact:

"In 1982, I started the national David Letterman Fan Club by placing an ad in Rolling Stone Magazine. The club grew to over 10,000 members, including now-famous names as the late Andrew Breitbart and actor Paul Rudd. In fact, Paul Rudd was a guest during Letterman's last week and brought out a few of the club items to share with Dave."

What are you most proud of from your time on the board?

"I am most proud of my involvement in the OSBA Black Caucus. As a longtime member and past president of the Scholarship Committee, I was proud to get the OSBA legislative platform changed to include a proactive approach to include diversity in educational materials. I also helped the Caucus secure their proper documentation to raise money to increase scholarships."



Dr. Brian Weiss, Maria Bennett and Michael Zawatsky were sworn in as board members at the School Board meeting on Tuesday, January 9.

Mayor Martin S. Horwitz Sworn In as 17th Mayor of Beachwood

Martin S. Horwitz was sworn in as the 17th Mayor of Beachwood on Tuesday, January 9, 2018, a feat that he humbly said would not have been possible without the love and support of his family, friends, and the residents who backed him.

Mayor Horwitz mentioned support from his wife of 41 years, Sandi; daughter and campaign co-manager Gayle, who had the honor of swearing him in; son-in-law Matt Besser; son Dr. Justin Horwitz; grandsons Sam and Ashton Besser; campaign co-manager Caroline Rado; treasurer David Ostro; councilman James Pasch; cinematographer Steve Hacker; and, “Other friends who helped along the way – who walked door-to-door, wrote a letter, lent names to be used in my ads, stood at the polls, shared my Facebook posts, or offered other support, I cannot thank you enough. Thank you to my brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law who came all the way from Sacramento and Shaker Heights. You all share in this evening.”

Mayor Horwitz told us that he and Gayle share a love of Broadway musicals and when he chose to run, she sent him a card with a quote from General George Washington in the play *Hamilton*, which he pinned to his bulletin board and read every day since June. It said, “I know that we can win. I know that greatness lies in you.”

“Sam located every Beachwood voter in in his preschool and asked them if they would take a yard sign. He’s been very excited about this new job, and when I showed him my office last Sunday, he asked if he could help me do ‘mayoring’ on the weekends,” Mayor Horwitz shared with a proud smile. “Ash-

ton, who is celebrating his first birthday today, also helped by letting me use his cute face on all my campaign literature.”

Mayor Horwitz recognized three people who are no longer with us – his mom and dad, Cel and Joe Horwitz, and mother-in-law, Anne Blank. He shared that Anne was always a tireless campaigner for him and through her eyes, he learned the value of the tremendous programs that Karen Carmen and the Beachwood Community Services Department offer our city’s seniors. His dad was a former Cleveland city councilman who once ran for mayor of Beachwood himself against George Zeiger. “He lost, but the experience clearly left an impression on me. I practiced law with my dad for 20 years until his death. And everything I know about public service, dedication to my profession, and respect for every individual, I learned from my dad.”

What’s Next?

Mayor Horwitz then acknowledged that Beachwood is a wonderful community that has been nurtured by generations of caring leaders, including Mayor Merle S. Gorden and Councilman Melvin Jacobs. He went on to describe his vision for Beachwood. “I think of what I’d like to accomplish, starting today, as ‘Beachwood 2.0.’ In technology terms, we take a great product, build on the elements that people like, and try to offer more

functionality in the new version.” Towards that end, following the November 7 election, Mayor Horwitz spent four days at the National League of Cities conference in Charlotte, NC, at his expense, to meet with city leaders from across the country and study innovative programs and practices that can benefit Beachwood.

“As mayor, I want to use social media and new technologies to reach our residents and bring their opinions into our discussions. I want to look at economic development from a broader perspective. I want to look at ways to help seniors age in place and young families find affordable housing. I want to find ways to increase services while operating more efficiently.

“And finally, I want to celebrate the diversity of our community and its unique families and cultures.

“We will build on past success, but we are not bound by past practice. There will be change

– which may feel unfamiliar – but I promise you it will be the product of open, diverse, and thoughtful discussion between me and our council, our directors, and our residents.

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Pictured: Attorney Gayle Horwitz has the honor of swearing in her father, Martin S. Horwitz, with her children.

Photo by Scott Morrison, Discovery Photo.



The First Two Weeks:

"There is a new energy on city council, and it was apparent at the swearing in ceremony. It was nice to see so many young families and children in the audience, which is a complete generational turnaround. It is the future of Beachwood and it is exciting.

"In my first two weeks on the job I've dealt with resident problems, union negotiations, financial issues, press interviews, meeting the mayors of neighboring cities, finding my way around City Hall and organizing my office and work flow.

"The staff at City Hall and our directors have been tremendously welcoming and helpful. I've had lengthy meetings with all the directors to talk about future plans and they are excited to work with me to improve communication, services, and the "Beachwood experience" for our residents, businesses and visitors. I also

appreciate the camaraderie I have with city council. I speak with council president Linick and other members of council daily. Council is moving quickly to fill my unexpired seat. We have all worked very closely in the past, and I believe that will be the key to our success moving forward."

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New Recycling Guidelines in Beachwood



The City of Beachwood provides weekly curbside recycling for residents. For recycling efforts to be effective, the following guidelines must be followed.

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City Council Member Justin Berns Achieves 'Run-derful' Athletic Goal

By June Scharf

Justin Berns freely admits that he's a "Disney geek" who loves everything about Disney World in Orlando, Florida. But he took that interest to an exclusive, elite level by entering an extreme series of running races known as the "Dopey Challenge." Named after the seemingly dim-witted Disney character, it involves four days of consecutive competitions starting with a 5K, then 10K, half marathon (13.1 miles) and culminating with a full marathon (26.2 miles) – for a grand total of 48.6 miles.

With a passion for running and a predilection for the Disney theme parks, Justin was in paradise. "If you can combine it all, what could be better?" he states. He also folded family into the event by involving son Caleb, 13, who ran in the 5K and 10K races.

Celebrating its 25th anniversary this year, the January event is billed by Disney as a "run-derful" experience. Berns wouldn't argue. Nor would plenty of others, creating a competitive online sign-up process (see RunDisney.com for more information), which sells out soon after it's posted. A total of 9,500 people entered the Dopey Challenge.

One source of praise Berns, 48, bestows on the race courses relates to how flat they are. "Florida is a breeze!" he says. This highly contrasts with his typical running route on Gates Mills

Boulevard, which he emphatically points out is very hilly. It's also semi boring, he adds. What excited him about the Disney runs were all the sources of entertainment present throughout the courses. Disney movie music was streaming on speakers everywhere, costumed characters posed for quick photos and plenty of port-a-johns were available.

The weather conditions, however, proved to be the greatest obstacle, with shockingly cold air blasting the area and temperatures dipping into the 30s during all of the races. But equally as surprising is the fact that Berns had never previously run a full marathon. In the absence of actual experience, he performed some mental gymnastics instead. Though he had some fear, he told himself, "If everyone else

can do it, then I can do it, too."

He says the toughest part of the experience was waking up at 2 a.m. to catch a bus at 3 a.m., which transported participants to Epcot. After walking a two-mile route to the starting line, they waited in the cold for an uncomfortably long two hours before the races began.

He also was challenged by becoming hungry during the races, but volunteers offered lots of snacks. "I ate like an animal – I needed energy!" The scenery around the parks provided additional distraction, such as the stretch where he ran through the Magic Kingdom's castle and around Main Street, Tomorrowland, Fantasyland, Animal Kingdom, Hollywood Studios, ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex and finished at the Epcot World Showcase.

In the absence of actual experience, he performed some mental gymnastics instead. Though he had some fear, he told himself, "If everyone else can do it, then I can do it, too."

To deal with the cold, he dressed in layers and shed them as the race progressed. This meant sacrificing clothing, something he had anticipated, knowing that his articles, along with many other people's, would be donated to charities. He admits, though, that there's no way to really prepare for the arctic air. He says that his legs tightened up during the marathon from the cold, combined with the



Justin Berns proudly poses with all his medals earned by completing a 5k, 10k, half marathon and full marathon, spread over four days.

Caleb Berns (left) defies the cold weather with his dad, Justin, in a race during the early morning hours at Walt Disney World in Orlando.

strain of running for the previous three days, so he didn't perform as well as he had hoped. "But I'm still proud - the whole experience was intense."

Berns began running a mere year and a half ago, even though he had been saying he would start to run regularly for many years leading up to that point. The nudge finally came in 2016 when he joined wife Lisa during

her new walking routine, executed on Beachwood's nature trails. He quickly realized he preferred running to walking and worked up to six miles by getting outside three to four times per week. By September 2016, he could conquer 10 miles, with a nine minute per mile average time.

Last year, he began entering races, with his first being the Rite Aid Cleveland Marathon's half

marathon event in May. His time was good enough to qualify him in subsequent races for the "A corral," the group that leaves the starting gate first.

Next, he ran in Disney's November "Wine & Dine" 10K and half marathon. This whetted his appetite for more Disney events, and he shifted his thoughts to the Dopey Challenge. His interest was further stoked by his home training habit of listening to Disney-themed podcasts, including "Be Our Guest WDW," "Mickey Miles & More" and "Backside of Magic: Tip and Tricks for Your Walt Disney World Vacation."

Despite the chilliness, pain and sleep deprivation, he says he would compete in the event again, but he's not so sure it will happen next year. His hope is to run a Disney race some day with Caleb who will be old enough to enter the half marathon in another year. Berns also maintains a goal to race in the Boston Marathon.

Women of Fairmount Temple Program

On Tuesday, February 13 at 11 am, the community is invited to attend "First Families of the Bible Torah Study Session," led by Diane Lavin.

At 12:15 pm, you are invited to stay for lunch (\$10/person). Please RSVP to Phyllis Henry at 440.461.7921 by Friday, February 9.

At 1 pm, Rabbi Robert Nosanchuk will talk about "The Values of Israel: A Study of the Themes in Israel's Declaration of Independence."

These programs will be held at Fairmount Temple and are free and open to the community.

Justin Berns' Race Results

- **5K** – 22 minutes, 36 seconds
- **10K** – 44 minutes, 30 seconds (placed 11th in age group; overall, 134 out of 12,890)
- **Half Marathon** – 1 hour, 40 minutes, 40 seconds (placed 28th in age group; overall, 321 out of 20,801)
- **Marathon** – 4 hours, 14 minutes, 38 seconds (finished 2,019 out of 20,025 runners)

Caleb Berns' Race Results

- **5K** – Stats are only available to those entered in the Dopey Challenge.
- **10K** – 48 minutes, 19 seconds (placed 1st in his age group; finished 292 out of 12,890 runners)

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Ileen Kelner

Renamed in memory of longtime Beachwood Arts Council president Ileen Kelner, this special exhibit will feature artwork by regional high school students in a variety of media, including painting, photography, sculpture, and fiber art. This year's judges are: Sandra Noble, part-time lecturer, art education, Department of Art History

and Art, Case Western Reserve University; Grafton J. Nunes, president and CEO, Cleveland Institute of Art; and Kevin O'Donnell, managing director, Lee Hayden Gallery, Beachwood Place.

This show and opening reception are free and open to the community. Refreshments will follow the awards ceremony.

Classical Revolution Concert: Gypsy Land

Beachwood Community Center • Sunday, February 25 • 2-3 pm

Enjoy music performed by this accomplished group, made up of graduates from the Cleveland Institute of Music. This trio will perform Gypsy and folk music by renowned composers, including Haydn's "Gypsy" trio and Monti's "Czardas." This program, made possible by a grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture, is free and open to the community.



Classical Revolution

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Decorate a wooden tray at this fun, hands-on workshop. Participants will learn to create a variety of eye-catching designs with the use of stencils and paints. \$25/BAC members; \$30/non-

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The campaign is designed by the team at Type Twenty Seven, and focuses on the idea of curiosity. The CIFF provides unique opportunities for people to explore other cultures and ideas in an effort to challenge and, perhaps, change the ways we perceive and interact with the world around us.

CIFF42 is expected to include approximately 200 feature films and 200 short subject films, representing close to 70 countries. Over 300 guest filmmakers will be in attendance to share their

talent with our audience. Program details will be announced on Friday, March 9 at cleveland-film.org. Program guides will be available throughout the area the week of March 12. Tickets will go on sale to CIFF members on Friday, March 16, and to the general public on Friday, March 23. Tickets are currently on sale for opening night, which will take place at Playhouse Square on April 4.

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The Cleveland International Film Festival is supported in part by the residents of Cuyahoga County through a public grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture.

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- **Isolation:** Seniors are often alone because families move away and sometimes have little or no interaction with loved ones.
- **Loneliness:** Because of their isolation, seniors' friendships often can be limited, and this can make them vulnerable to a friendly cold caller. Some

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- **Sickness:** Chronic health issues mean that many older adults have difficulty maintaining their property. Scam artists know that. Unscrupulous workers can bilk seniors out of thousands of dollars for a job that should only cost hundreds of dollars.
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Beyond Chicken Soup is included with Maltz Museum ad-

mission: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors (60+) and students, \$5 youth (5-11) and FREE for Maltz Museum Members and children under 5. Groups of 10 or more are eligible for guided tours and a discount with advance registration.

Exhibition/Museum hours are: Tuesday – Sunday, 11 am - 5 pm, and Wednesday, 11 am - 9 pm. The Maltz Museum is closed Mondays.

Guided "Drop-In" Tours: Document-led tours of Beyond Chicken Soup are available Tuesdays and Sundays at 2 pm with regular Museum admission.

Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage celebrates culture and identity to encourage connection and promote a greater appreciation of Jewish heritage and the diversity of the human experience. For more information, visit maltzmuseum.org and follow us on Facebook and Twitter @maltzmuseum.

BHS Students Compete in Ohio High School Team Figure Skating Championships



Each February, the Shaker Figure Skating Club holds the Ohio High School Team Figure Skating Championships at its home rink, Thornton Park, 3301 Warrensville Center Rd, Shaker Heights.

Several Beachwood students will be competing as part of the Eastside Blades team, which also features skaters from Orange and Hudson.

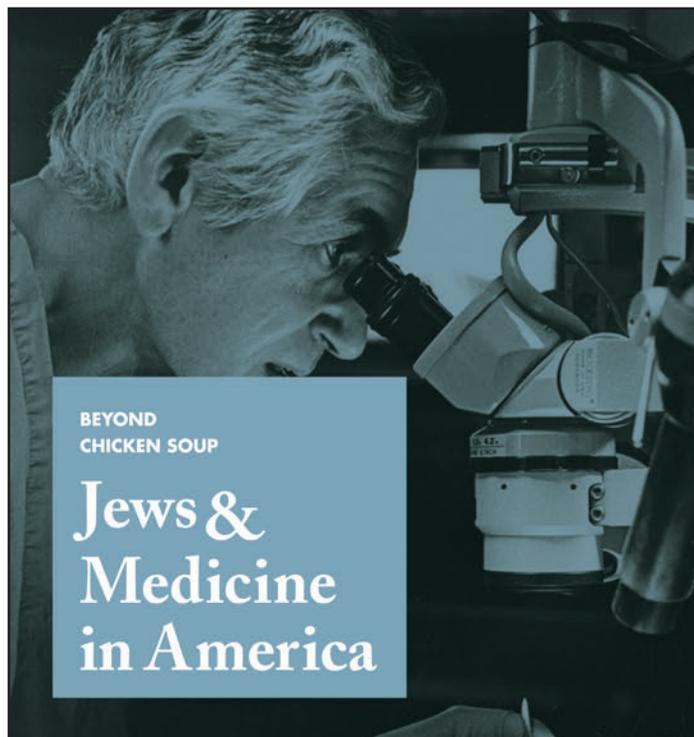
Beachwood students include Zoe Krantz (9th grade), Rebecca Gips (8th grade), David Kuang (8th grade), Veronica Schwartz (6th grade), Allie Berns (6th grade) and Sarah Berns (6th grade).

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ary 10 and 11, and the community is welcome to sit in the team's section and cheer them on!

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HEY NEIGHBOR!

by Arlene Fine

Sparks Fly . . . Again

I don't know about you, but I fall for a good love story every time. And February, a month with Cupid's arrow stuck right its middle, is custom made for an honest-to-goodness romance – one that proves that love is ageless.

Just ask Mickey Friedman, 84 and Art Glassman, 85.

Mickey and Art caught each other's eye three years ago on the very day that Mickey moved from her Shaker Heights home into a two-bedroom apartment at Wiggins Place on the Menorah Park campus in Beachwood.

Within hours of Mickey's move, Art, who also lives at Wiggins, noticed that she could use some help.

"I'm a retired NASA engineer and I like things neat and organized," says Art. "I saw stacks of moving boxes all over the place, so I took three steps across the hall from my apartment to see if my new neighbor needed a hand."

Art's gallantry, kindness, and strong back made Mickey take notice. "Here was a complete stranger, lifting boxes and helping me put things away, all the while smiling and cracking jokes," she says. "He made me feel right at home. I sensed then this man was someone special."

By the time Mickey had unpacked and closed her door to head for dinner, she and Art had clicked. Art knew a thing or two about helping Mickey get adjusted to her new home. He and his late wife Mary had lived at Wiggins for several years before Mary passed away in 2014. The couple had been married 57 years.

Over the course of the next few days, Mickey and Art kept meeting and discovered they had so much in common and even knew many of the same people, including Mickey's twin sister. "And we both had long-lasting, beautiful marriages," says Mickey, who had been married to her late husband Stanley for 56 years before he died in 2010.

But the most important thing the couple shared was their belief in living life to the fullest and being grateful for each day.

Mickey and Art's initial bond has blossomed into an endearing love story. Nowadays they may be found holding hands at happy hour or just sitting side by side at the fireplace in the Wiggins lobby.



Mickey Friedman and Art Glassman

"I tell my family and friends that once I grabbed onto Art, I never let go," says Mickey.

Mickey and Art's children and grandchildren are thrilled with their romance. "Both our families are overjoyed that we found love and each other at our age," says Art. "This is one of life's unexpected bonuses."

The duo has attended many family events together, including a recent trip to Lancaster, England, for Art's granddaughter's wedding, and other family celebrations in Columbus and Detroit.

What makes their relationship even stronger is their own unique interests. Mickey is an avid sports fan, and she and her late husband had season tickets to Browns games for 55 years. "Mickey should be the new Brown's coach," quips Art.

And Mickey is very proud of Art's long-time community involvement and his current role as president of the Wiggins Place Tenants Association. He even organized and planned a recent New Year's Eve party. "It was a question of what would drop first at midnight, the ball or some of the tenants," says Art.

Art is also an active member of a ROMEO (retired old men eating out) lunch group. "Mickey and I like people and Wiggins provides so many opportunities to be part of an active, social community," he says.

But it is not always go, go, go for the couple.

Sometimes they enjoy falling asleep on the couch while watching TV in the evening. "That shows how comfortable we are with each other," says Mickey. "And at this point in our lives, we don't have time to stay angry about anything. Time is too precious, and we want to take advantage of every minute that we have together."

As Mickey and Art walk hand in hand at Wiggins Place Mickey reflects, "I've had such a good life; I've been so lucky." And judging by the happy grin on Art's face as he gives Mickey's hand a gentle squeeze, this NASA rocket scientist is over the moon.

"The Second Time Around"
Song with Words by Sammy Cahn, Music by Jimmy Van Heusen

Love is lovelier the second time around
Just as wonderful with both feet on the ground
It's that second time you hear your love song sung
Makes you think perhaps that love, like youth, is wasted on the young

Love's more comfortable the second time you fall
Like a friendly home the second time you call
Who can say what brought us to
this miracle we've found?
There are those who'll bet love
comes but once, and yet
I'm oh, so glad we met
the second time
around

Chagrin Valley Camera Club

The Chagrin Valley Camera Club meets twice a month on Tuesdays at the Beachwood Library. Meetings are from 7 to 9 pm and guests are always welcome!

February 6

This session's theme will be photographs that feature architecture. Submissions are currently limited to existing members, but guests are welcome, even if you have no photos on display, to learn how other photographers evaluate a photo.

February 20

This session's theme will be images that incorporate bridges. From "the flats" of Cleveland to the covered bridges of Ashtabula County, Ohio is rich in such imagery. Our members' photos may range from these local favorites to other structures throughout the world. Join us for this visual tour.

Finally, special acknowledgments are due for all members who recently submitted photos in the club's annual "People's Choice Awards" – one of two major competitions held for members this year. As always, selecting from among many fine photos is difficult, so we applaud our winners: David Alan (1st Place); Abe Wolf (2nd Place); and Les Greenberg (3rd Place).

For a complete overview of meetings, speakers, and events, we also invite you to visit the Chagrin Valley Camera Club's website at: <http://www.chagrinvalleycameraclub.com/>.



Pictured from left: Abe Wolf (2nd place, Alfama Ceiling), David Alan (1st place, The Glowing Arches of Prague), and Leslie Greenberg (3rd place, Early Morning).

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The Changing Role of Israeli Women Highlighted at NCJW Winter Luncheon

Israeli screenwriter and film expert Galit Roichman will share her perspective on the changing role of Israeli women at National Council of Jewish Women/Cleveland's Winter Luncheon and Petite Israeli Street Fair/Boutique.

The event will take place at Executive Caterers at Landerhaven, on Wednesday, February 13, beginning at 10 am, when a small number of Israeli pop-up boutiques will line Landerhaven's lobby-turned-Israeli-themed street fair. Lunch will be served at 11:45 am.

Entitled "Israel Through a Lens," Roichman's discussion will bring today's Israeli women to life through film clips that trace their journey and place in Israeli society. The cost is \$36, which includes complimentary valet parking.

A graduate of Tel Aviv University with a master's degree in film, Roichman is a screenwriter who has also worked extensively as an informal Jewish educator in Israel and abroad. In addition to writing screenplays and lecturing, Roichman is an editor for the Online Encyclopedia of Ynet, Israel's largest and most popular news and content website.

For information or to make a reservation, call 216.378.2204 or visit ncjwcleveland.org.

Evicted by Matthew Desmond Selected for First-Ever Countywide "One Community Reads" Program

Honorary Chair Armond Budish and program partners launch "One Community Reads"

The launch of the One Community Reads provides an opportunity for everyone to read the same book at the same time. One Community Reads is a partnership of all nine local library systems, the City Club of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County and Playhouse Square to foster a sense of community and awareness of critical issues facing the community through reading and discussion.

Modeled after similar programs in Seattle, Chicago and New York City, Cuyahoga County's first-ever One Community Reads program will include book discussions at locations throughout Cuyahoga County as well as community programs on the themes explored in the Pulitzer Prize-winning book, *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*, and a free public lecture by the book's author, Matthew Desmond. For more information on book discussion groups and how to join in on the discussions, please visit www.onecommunityreads.org.

One Community Reads launched the program on January 11 with a book giveaway at Heinen's of Downtown Cleveland. According to One Community Reads honorary chair Armond Budish, "*Evicted* tackles the very important issue of

housing insecurity that is faced by people all across America. This is a problem we take very seriously and are working hard to address. Not only will One Community Reads bring our residents together through a shared reading experience, but it will provide the community with the opportunity to discuss challenging issues of economic inequality and housing."

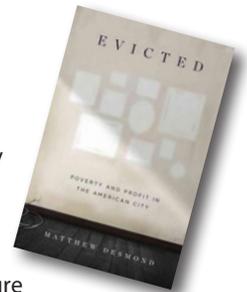
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"The mission of the City Club is to create conversations of consequence that help democracy thrive," says Dan Moulthrop, City Club CEO. "We know that books can serve as an important spark to generate conversations, and that's why we are excited to partner on this One Community Reads effort. A shared reading experience of *Evicted* may foster an important dialogue that can bring us closer as a community and closer to solutions for economic inequality."

One Community Reads will conclude with a free public lecture and book signing by Matthew Desmond on Thursday, March 15, 7 pm, at the Ohio Theater. Ticket information and a full listing of public programs and book discussions are available at www.onecommunityreads.org. Visit your local library to check out or download a copy of *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*.

One Community Reads is made possible, in part, by Ohio Humanities, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this program do not necessarily represent those of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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Bryden Elementary School Celebrates 60th Birthday

By June Scharf

Milestone birthdays call for celebration, and on January 10, students at Bryden Elementary School recognized their building's 60th year. They were treated to a school assembly and festivities, including a 1950s-style sock hop. Mayor Martin S. Horwitz and City Council decreed the date as Bryden Elementary School Day, and council member Alec Isaacson presented a proclamation to Bryden principal Sherry Miller.

Attending the school's celebratory assembly was a panel of city representatives, including Superintendent Bob Hardis, additional City Council members Brian Linick, James Pasch and Eric Synenberg, and School Board members Maria Bennett and Michael Zawatsky, along with a panel of 12 students who donned sashes that read "student leaders."

Each panel member delivered brief remarks, some of which elicited laughs from students. Synenberg revealed that he was feeling like a kindergartner on the City Council since it was only his second day in that position. "I'm learning how city council operates," he explained.

Isaacson told the students

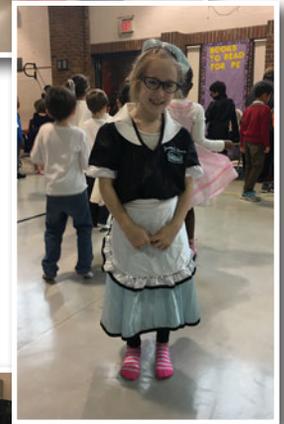
that one day they would grow up and might later return to Bryden school, when they would begin to wonder: "How did the building get so small?"

Miller led a presentation covering some of the Beachwood School District's history. In 1927, a one-room schoolhouse first opened in what is now Beachwood. Later, Fairmount School was built to host all grades. A slide show featured an old school bus, dating from 1934, driven by a man who also served as the school's custodian.

As it states in the proclamation, "While additions were added in the 1960s and again in 1991, the original building still stands and continues to educate Beachwood's children."

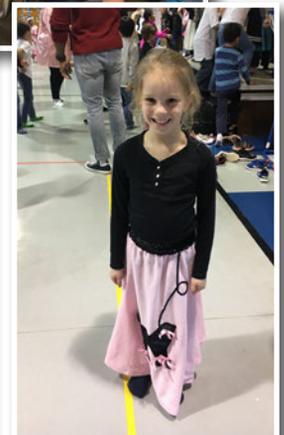
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Students participated in activities all week that revolved around what children did in the 1950s. They were introduced to games and books from that era, among other exposures. The activities culminated with an afternoon sock hop where everyone learned popular dances and heard music from the 1950s.



Bryden students and staff, pictured from top: Teachers Michelle Mayer and Dana Schultz; Jackson Klein and Isaac James; Avery Feuerman; Beachwood's one-room school house built in 1886; School Bus in 1934; Beachwood's eight-room school house built in 1927; Elijah Ajiboye; Staff photo from left: Lisa Cummings, Dana Schultz, Debbie Rubenstein, Ray Holmes, Ellen Margulies, Shahnyn Moody-Benedict, Michelle Mayer, Angie White and Sherry Bogart; and Liesel Dachner.

Photos by Shahnyn Moody-Benedict.



11th Annual Indoor Triathlon & Biathlon - February 11, 2018

New Kids Tri for ages 8-13 is ideal for all levels and skills!

Mandel JCC presents its eleventh annual Indoor Triathlon & Biathlon on Sunday, February 11, from 11:30 am to 4 pm. Like a traditional outdoor biathlon and triathlon, it will include events in swimming, biking and running. The Indoor Triathlon & Biathlon, which attracts both serious and casual athletes, is open to all individuals, ages 10 years and older (minimum height 4'10") and families. Participants can compete individually or in teams. The event sells out each year, so participants are encouraged to register early.

Unlike the traditional biathlon and triathlon, The J's Indoor Triathlon is a timed event and winners are determined by number of laps completed in the pool, number of miles biked, and number of laps run. The biking portion, on The J's Spinner bikes,

will last 20 minutes. The running portion, on The J's indoor track, will last 20 minutes. The J's indoor pool will host the swimming leg and will last 15 minutes. Awards will be given by categories and all participants will receive t-shirts and refreshments.

NEW KIDS TRI EVENT!

Kids, as young as 8 years old, will now be able to join in the fun with their very own Kids Tri. The Kids Tri, for kids ages 8-13, will take place concurrently with The J's Indoor Triathlon & Biathlon but in separate parts of the gym. The event includes running for ten minutes, rowing on The J's sleek WaterRowers GX for five minutes, and a five-minute strength component. Kids ages 10 and up, depending on their interests and skills, have the option of participating in either the

Kids Tri or the Indoor Triathlon and Biathlon.

"The Kids Tri and our traditional Indoor Triathlon and Biathlon serve as an excellent opportunity for all to support The J," said Traci Felder, VP of Development. "We are so excited to add the Kids Tri to not only promote a fun competition for kids, but to also promote philanthropy in our youth."

One of the unique features of this event is that area teens and young adults ranging in ages from 16-24, that participate in Jewish Family Services Association's (JFSA) Horvitz Youth Ability community service and Ascentia Mental Health programs, will be competing. The teens and young adults have a broad spectrum of physical and developmental disabilities and at-risk conditions.

RUN, BIKE, SWIM & ROW FOR A CAUSE

All participants are encouraged to get friends and family to sponsor their involvement to help raise funds to support the Mandel JCC and its outstanding programs and services. To motivate fundraisers, an Apple Watch will be awarded to the highest fundraiser. The event was established to promote a healthy and active way of life and help support The J's mission to strengthen the quality of life in our community. The J hopes to raise more than \$55,000 for the Mandel JCC Financial Assistance Program.

For fees and to register, visit www.mandeljcc.org/triathlon or contact 216.831.0700, ext. 1495 or triathlon@mandeljcc.org.

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JCC Men's Club

The JCC Men's Club is a Beachwood gem that offers its members the chance to socialize, meet new friends, and take part in discussion groups every Monday morning. The club meets from 11 am to noon and community gentlemen are invited to enjoy coffee and presentations by interesting speakers. Stop by as the group's guest for a few weeks before you decide to become a member. Get up, get out and learn something. You'll feel better for doing it!

Monday, February 5

Eileen Saffron, founder, and CEO of The Gathering Place will share information about programs they offer to the community.

Monday, February 19

Rap session
Stop in and talk about current events, and topics brought up by members.

Monday, February 12

Maria Campanella, director of the Children's Museum will talk about the new Children's Museum's programs and facilities.

Monday, February 26

Rabbi Yossi Marozov, director of Friendship Circle will talk about Friendship Circle of Cleveland.

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Jewish Federation of Cleveland Announces Creative Arts Contest

Cash award and publication for winners; contest open to middle and high school students

Calling all Cleveland area middle and high school writers and artists: you are invited to enter the 2018 annual Yom Hashoah V'Hagvurah (Cleveland's commemoration of the Holocaust & Heroism) Contest. Essays and works of art are sought that portray this year's theme, "Finding Meaning in the Broken Glass: Reflections on Kristallnacht."

Kristallnacht (Night of Broken Glass) saw thousands of Jewish homes, businesses, and synagogues destroyed. 80 years later, we reflect on its meaning and its aftermath.

Entries will be judged on interpretation of the theme,

originality and technique. Cash prizes up to \$2,500 will be awarded. Winners and their schools will be recognized at the Yom Hashoah Commemoration on April 11, 2018 at Park Synagogue Main.

The Yom Hashoah Creative Arts Contest and the annual Yom Hashoah commemoration program are sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Cleveland and the Kol Israel Foundation.

Deadline for entries is February 16, 2018. For more information and entry forms, visit www.jewishcleveland.org/creativeartscontest or contact Debbie Klein at dklein@jfcleveland.org or 216.593.2834.

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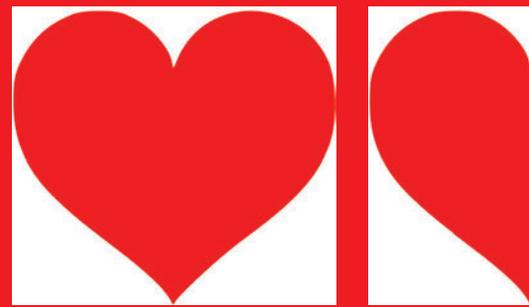
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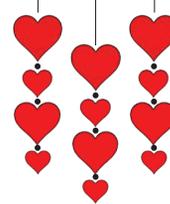
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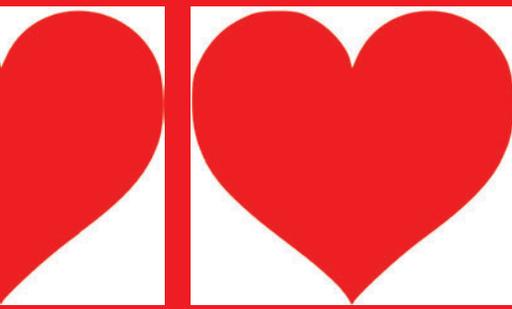
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Geauga Savings Bank's Dell Duncan Wins Growth Capital Corp's Lender of the Year Award



Dell Duncan

Geauga Savings Bank recently announced that Dell Duncan, executive vice president, has been awarded

tasked with processing, approving and servicing Small Business Administration 504 loans. The 504 program funds fixed asset and real estate acquisition and refinancing through a debenture, taking a second lien position behind the bank.

Growth Capital Corp's Lender of the Year Award for 2017 at Growth Capital Corp's recent annual meeting and awards' dinner. The Lender of the Year Award recognizes the lender that produced the most SBA 504 and Ohio Regional 166 loans. This year, Duncan topped the list with a total of 5.

"This is a tremendous honor, not just for me, but for the whole team at Geauga Savings Bank," says Duncan. "Growth Capital Corp is a great partner, and getting this award is tangible evidence of the bank's progress in effectively servicing small businesses."

Growth Capital is a local Certified Development Company based in Cleveland, and is

"We are so proud of Dell and the leadership that he has provided in helping Geauga Savings Bank accomplish our goal of becoming a key commercial lender in the greater Cleveland market," said Jim Kleinfelter, president and CEO.

Since 1983, Geauga Savings Bank has been serving Geauga County as a locally owned and operated institution. Geauga Savings Bank offers a full range of personal and business services and is committed to helping its neighbors in Geauga and adjacent counties to realize the great American Dream of financial independence. It now has an office in Beachwood.

To learn more, visit online at www.GeaugaSavings.com.

Scholarship Opportunity from Friends of the Beachwood Library

Friends of Beachwood Library invites graduating high school seniors who are residents of Beachwood to apply for a scholarship. First place is \$1,250; 2nd place is \$750; and 3rd place is \$500.

To apply, you must write a 1,500 word essay, answering questions that relate to your vision of the library of the future, your lifelong reading

patterns and how the library has met your needs, and the library services you have used and how they have enriched your life.

Complete directions and guidelines are available at the Beachwood Library's teen desk or by emailing FriendsofBeachwoodLibrary@gmail.com. The deadline for all entries is Friday, April 6, 2018, by 5 pm.

Milestones Annual Benefit Raises over \$250,000 for Local Autism Community

Milestones Autism Resources recently hosted more than 250 guests at their 2017 Annual Benefit. The nonprofit raised over \$250,000 to fund their autism help desk, a free resource for families and professionals looking to connect with valuable, regional services. The organization also acknowledged honorees Adam Berebitsky and Rochelle Nyer for serving as leaders in Milestones' initiatives and for their dedication to the local autism community.

Attendees were captivated by John Carroll student Cory Irwin, an individual on the autism spectrum.

"My mom will say the only person who understands me more than she or my father does is probably Miss Haley at Milestones," Irwin said. "She has been working with me so I can learn how to talk to my co-workers, advocate for myself and build a career in the field I love. While I am a work in progress, I can tell you my confidence is growing at a steady pace daily."

With the help of Milestones,

Irwin is now the Cleveland Israel Arts Connection Intern with the Jewish Federation of Cleveland, a position that allows him to utilize his passion for museum studies.

Milestones is a nonprofit based in Warrensville Heights that improves the lives of individuals on the autism spectrum at all ages, stages, and abilities by educating, coaching and connecting the community with evidence-based information.

For information on Milestones and their mission, please visit milestones.org.



Pictured: Honorees Adam Berebitsky and Rochelle Nyer are presented Milestones Autism Resources Community Leadership Awards by Leslie Rotsky, Milestones conference director, and Gary Isakov.

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"Doctors and hospitals are not all alike," says UH cardiac surgeon Benjamin Medalion, MD. "For something as important as heart surgery, it's wise to compare experience and outcomes from different hospitals to help you decide where you want to be treated."

Close, Convenient Experts

UH Ahuja Medical Center in Beachwood has developed a comprehensive heart surgery program that brings the expertise of the UH Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute closer to residents of Cleveland's eastern suburbs. Members of the same Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute surgical team that perform the most serious, advanced heart procedures at UH Cleveland Medical Center also operate as a team at UH Ahuja Medical Center. *Consumer Reports* ranks the cardiac surgery team at UH Cleveland Medical Center among the best in the state, based on outcomes data reported by the Society for Thoracic Surgery.

"At UH Ahuja Medical Center, our team specializes in patients who need routine bypass surgery or heart valve surgery and are low to moderate surgical risk based on the absence of other

serious health conditions," Dr. Medalion explains. "Patients from other eastern region UH hospitals who meet these criteria are coming to us to receive the same quality of care as at UH Cleveland Medical Center, closer to home." Patients who need complex, less common heart procedures or who are higher risk are still referred to UH Cleveland Medical Center, he stresses.

Attention to Every Detail

The cardiac surgery program at UH Ahuja Medical Center is posting some significant achievements. In 2017 the team achieved a 100 percent success rate for heart surgery at UH Ahuja as measured by in-hospital and post-surgical mortality. In another measure of quality, patients consistently give UH Ahuja Medical Center top scores for the overall environment of care and compassion they experience during their hospital stay.

That success derives from the program's attention to every detail, from preoperative screening and risk factor management, through the surgery itself and into the patient's postoperative hospital stay and follow-up care, Dr. Medalion notes.

Before surgery, each patient

undergoes a thorough medical evaluation to identify any factors such as weight or diet that can be improved to optimize the patient's outcome. A nurse meets with the patient and his or her family to explain the surgery and what to expect before and after and answer any questions they may have.

Competency Brings Confidence

When the day of surgery arrives, the patient can feel confident he or she is in good hands, Dr. Medalion says. "Our cardiac surgery team is trained and experienced in the latest heart surgery techniques, including small-incision surgery," he says.

"The operating rooms at UH Ahuja are state-of-the-art, and we opened a new surgical intensive care unit just last year, where patients spend time immediately after surgery for observation and monitoring." Dedicated nurse practitioners and registered nurses are available 24/7 for post-operative patient care and home-going education for the patient and family.

"The combination of all these elements adds up to a very high-quality program for our patients, with the added benefit of being close to home," Dr. Medalion notes. For maximum convenience, patients can have their follow-up cardiology appointments and cardiac rehabilitation exercise program right at UH Ahuja Medical Center.

For more information about UH Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute at UH Ahuja Medical Center, visit <http://www.uhhospitals.org/ahuja/services/heart-and-vascular>. Physicians in the UH Harrington Heart & Vascular Institute also provide expert care for patients at other convenient locations across the UH health system. The complete list is available at <http://www.uhhospitals.org/services/heart-and-vascular/institute/locations>.

To make an appointment with a cardiologist or cardiac surgeon at UH Ahuja Medical Center, call 216.844.4004 or visit <http://www.uhhospitals.org/make-an-appointment>. UH Ahuja Medical Center is located at 3999 Richmond Rd., Beachwood, Ohio 44122

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ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 2018 HIGHLIGHTS

1. Mayor Martin S. Horwitz and his family. He was sworn in by his daughter, Gayle I. Horwitz.

2. Councilman Alec Isaacson sworn in by Steve Dettelbach.

3. Councilman James Pasch sworn in by Joe Medici.

4. Councilman Eric K. Synenberg sworn in by Judge Joan Synenberg.

The following individuals were sworn in by Mayor Martin S. Horwitz:

5. Gary Haba, Chief of Police
Larry A. Heiser, Finance Director
Karen A. Carmen, Community Services Director
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Patrick J. Kearns, Chief of Fire-Rescue
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6. Shaun Lutz, Assistant Fire Chief

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 Brian T. Burke, Chairman and Member of the Civil Service Commission
 Orry Jacobs, Chairman and Member of the Planning and Zoning Commission



NEW COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND V.P.

Congratulations to Brian Linick, newly-elected Council President and to James Pasch, Vice President of Council.

SNOW ORDINANCE

Beachwood Ordinances states when snow falls over a 24-hour period to a depth of 2" or more, an emergency is declared and parking may be prohibited on all City streets. We will make a reasonable attempt to notify the public by tweeting and using local press. Vehicle owners are responsible to comply with the emergency parking regulations.



City Hall

City Hall will be closed on Monday, February 19 in observance of Presidents' Day. Rubbish pick-up will be delayed on day. Monday's collection will be made on Tuesday, February 20.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

CITY COUNCIL

Usually meets the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. Upcoming meetings: Monday, February 5 and Tuesday, February 20. Questions? 216.595.5462.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Usually meets the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Upcoming meeting: Thursday, February 22. Questions? Call 216.292.1914.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

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FAREWELL COUNCIL MEETING

On Monday, December 18, City Council held its final meeting with our former administration. Highlights included:

1. Firefighter Nicholas Ricco and Lt. James Leffler presented former Mayor Merle S. Gorden with an ax from the International Association of Firefighters. Union members receive one when they retire.
2. Sunny Simon, Cuyahoga County Council Representative for District 11, said, "Beachwood stands out as a shining star in the county. It's not an accident. It comes from hard work, true dedication and passion."
3. Kent Smith, State Representative, 8th District, and Kenny Yuko, State Senator, presented Gorden and former Councilman Mel Jacobs with state proclamations.
4. Orange Village Mayor Kathy Mulcahy, standing with Mayor Fletcher Berger of Bedford Heights, said: "There are 59 mayors in Cuyahoga County and Mayor Gorden is known and respected by every one of those. He is someone to emulate."
5. Service Director Dale Pekerek spoke on behalf of all city directors. He said of Gorden, "I have been here for 33 years and have seen this gentleman lead our city, come to family events and come to our aid. He's been a friend to everyone up here. You stay at a job because it is the best you can find and that's why we're here."

"We present this to you as a token for your years and years of love. God bless you. We love you. It is for your 8,030 days as mayor."



Former Beachwood Mayor Merle S. Gorden with his family: daughter Carey, son Jamie and wife Harriet

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Join pianist Caroline Oltmanns, hornist Stacie Mickens, and tubist Brian Kiser for a program featuring creative works

Join pianist Marshall Griffith and violinist Kallen Bierly in a concert celebrating Mother's Day

Pianists Chee-Hang See and Amy Tan combine beauty and acrobatics in music for one piano, four hands

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SUMMER DAY CAMPS RESIDENT REGISTRATION NOW ONGOING

Beachwood Summer Day Camp registration for residents is underway. Register for Kidz, Bison, Sports, Teen Travel and Theater Camp between 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., Monday through Friday at Beachwood City Hall (Recreation Office). Proof of residency required.

An early-bird fee will be offered to all residents until March 9. Non-residents may register starting Sunday, March 11 AT 8:00 A.M. at Beachwood Community Center. For more information please refer to your Winter Rec Guide or visit www.beachwoodohio.com.

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Networking: The Beachwood Chamber of Commerce hosts a luncheon and networking after five event each month, which are great opportunities to make new business contacts and promote your company.

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Special Events: The Beachwood Chamber hosts the Wellness Challenge in the Spring, Golf Outing in August, Beachwood Business Expo in October and Taste of Beachwood in November, along with combined events with other chambers in the surrounding communities.

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Sponsorship Opportunities: There are different levels of sponsorship available for each event hosted by the Beachwood Chamber. Sponsorships are a great way to promote your business and boost community involvement.

Volunteer Opportunities: The events hosted by the Beachwood Chamber are driven by committees and each committee welcomes new members at any time. Meetings are held once monthly for one hour.

Affordable Rates: Joining the Beachwood Chamber is a simple and affordable. Discounted rates are available for non-profit and some service organizations. For more information about the Beachwood Chamber of Commerce, visit us online at Beachwood.org or call us at 216.831.0003.



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Bryden Celebrates 60 Years of Success

BRYDEN SCHOOL kicked off the new year with a "birthday" celebration for the 62 year old building. Students started the week with an assembly featuring School Board and City Council Members, who presented a proclamation to the school. Every day, students celebrated Bryden's history and had some fun as well.

Students played with play doh, slinkies, hula hoops and dominoes - all toys created in the 1950s. They read books like Tom's Midnight Garden, Half-Magic and The Children of Green Knowe, much like the first Bryden students would have done in 1956.

The entire school dressed up on Friday to celebrate by recreating a sock hop! Students hand jived and bunny hopped their way across the floor with their teachers joining in. A great time was had by all.

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Science Olympiad Teams Continue to Thrive

BEACHWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL AND BEACHWOOD HIGH SCHOOL are in the midst of their competition seasons and both are doing very well this year. Regional Qualifiers for the State Competition for both BMS and BHS are February 24th at Mentor! We'll be looking forward to cheering both team on!

The Middle School Team just finished 8th of 25 schools at Kenston High School. The previous week, the Middle School team ranked 16th, so they are showing significant improvement as they continue to compete. The Middle School team is coached by parent Rakhee Banerjee.

Individual and Team Medalists are as follows:

Anatomy & Physiology	2nd place	Amy Li & Evelyn Zhang
Mystery Architecture	3rd place	David Kuang & Evelyn Zhang
Solar System	3rd place	Bowen Zhang & Siya Gulia
Disease Detective	5th place	David Kuang & En-Yu Sun
Potions and Poison	5th place	Amy Li & Rena Feng
Thermodynamics	6th place	Rena Feng & Evelyn Zhang
Fast Facts	7th place	David Kuang & Vidula Jambunath
Towers	8th place	Rena Feng & Grace Yan

The High School Science Olympiad Team continues to be a strong contender as well, despite graduating a large number of last year's team. The team placed well at the Kenston Invitational in early January, finishing in 4th place and positioning themselves well for Regionals.

The team continues to be coached by Alise Stawicki, BMS 6th grade science teacher.

The individual event placements are below:

2nd Place	Hovercraft	Daniel Mishins and Chelsea Zheng
2nd Place	Mission Possible	Daniel Mishins and Greg Glova
3rd Place	Experimental Design	Julia Woomer, Jing-Jing Shen, Anna Ward
3rd Place	Thermodynamics	Yang Yu and Jack Zhang
4th Place	Optics	Min Jung and Yang Yu



The Middle School Science Olympiad Team



The High School Science Olympiad Team

Royster Breaks School Record

TAYLOR ROYSTER (SENIOR, GIRLS BASKETBALL) broke the school record for most points scored in a career, surpassing Selena Budge (2004 graduate) who finished her career with 1,637 points. Taylor was named Bison Athlete of the Week.



Summer Camps



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Bison Camp for Grades 3 - 6

This personalized camp is a combination of the traditional group-based and activity-based camp. Campers select group activities of personal interest as well as participate in swimming (lessons and free swim), art, field trips and sports.

Sports Camp for Grades 4 - 8

This camp is divided into three two-week sessions, with a major emphasis placed on one sport during each session. In addition, campers are offered other activities such as bowling, batting cages and swimming. Campers also enjoy field trips and intramural sports.

Youth Theatre Camp for Grades 2 - 8

Campers attend workshops that are focused on acting, dance, vocal performance and crafts, with the highlight of a fully-staged musical production for the entire community to see the last week of session one.

Teen Adventure Travel Camp for Grades 6 - 8

Teen Travel Camp offers an exciting summer full of adventure and a wide variety of trips. Weekly excursions include: Swings N' Things, water parks, Whirlyball, rope courses, rock climbing, bowling, hiking, canoeing, amusement parks, Great Lakes Science Center, baseball games, paddleboarding, escape rooms, kayaking, movies and more.

Beachwood Residents may register now and enjoy early bird savings until March 9. Starting Sunday, March 11, non-residents may begin to register. Camp packets are available now and space is limited.

Complimenting our camp season is our Before and After Camp Child Care program. Child care starts as early as 7 am and concludes at 6:15 pm daily.

Beachwood Recreation also offers over 40 one-week specialty camps – perfect for specific interests and talents. Specialty camp offerings include: tennis,

computer, science, golf, soccer, baseball, horseback riding, art, chess, basketball and more.

Registration must be completed in person at Beachwood City Hall Recreation Office. Residents must show two forms of proof of residency. For more information, visit beachwoodohio.com or call 216.292.1970.



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Summer Camps



Fairmount Early Childhood Center

Fairmount Early Childhood Center Camp accommodates children entering preschool (3 years old) through entering 2nd grade (7 years old). Weekly themes, outdoor activities, guest performers, field trips, art activities, water play and the use of the Beachwood Family Aquatic Center are some of the camp's highlights.

Summer camp runs for seven weeks, from June 11 – July 27. Preschoolers (3 years old) can attend 9:30 am – 1:30 pm. Pre-kindergarteners (4 years olds) can attend 9:30 am – 1:30 pm or 9:30 am – 3 pm. Kindergarteners, 1st graders and 2nd graders (5-7 years old) attend camp 9:30 am – 3 pm. Extended care is also available for any ages between 7:30 am and

5:30 pm. Children can be registered for one week or all seven weeks of fun!

Summer calendar events include: Squire's Castle picnic, Fourth of July parade, field trips and the all-popular camp carnival complete with bounce houses and yummy carnival foods.

Registration has already begun!

Contact Karen Leeds, preschool director, at 216.464.2600 or KML@beachwoodschoools.org for more details.



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"Fun for Now, Skills for Life" is not just a catchy logo, but truly defines what you accomplish at Falcon. Designed for boys and girls ages 6 – 16 in 2, 4, 6 or 8-week sessions, campers choose their own schedule every day within a general framework. Daily activities are gender separate with planned coed events. Riding, sailing, riflery, crafts, tennis,

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We have a strong reputation for making sure a camper's first overnight experience is very positive. Our non-competitive environment is inviting to campers who may be hesitant to try something they have never done before, while our awards system challenges our most experienced campers. The 1:4 staff/camper ratio allows individual instruction and attention. Most of all it's GREAT FUN!

Falcon also has a special 'Young Adventure' one week intro program for campers ages 6 -10. This program for younger campers

Park Day Camp

Welcome to Park Day Camp 2018, open June 11 through August 3. We offer flexible and affordable two- to eight-week sessions for boys and girls entering kindergarten through grade 6. Hours are 9 am to 3:50 pm with extended care options. Campers enjoy a private swimming pool with daily instruction by certified lifeguards and free swim time. Our sports program includes traditional team sports plus other fun games! Well-supervised activities ensure a positive, safe experience where good sportsmanship is always encouraged. Daily hot, Kosher lunches and snacks are included. Summer fun also includes arts & crafts, music, nature activities, theme days, and more in an uplifting Judaic environment. In case of inclement weather, ac-

tivities easily move into our new covered pavilion or inside to our air-conditioned and spacious synagogue. Our experienced and engaged staff, including an on-site nurse, looks forward to providing your child with a fun and rewarding summer!

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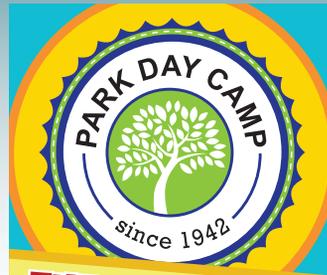
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Hathaway Brown

Hathaway Brown's Broad Horizons Camp Turns 40, Offers 5-Day Camp Option

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HBBH day camp welcomes boys and girls ages 3-4 for half-day programming. Girls in kindergarten through grade 5 attend HBBH from 9 am – 3 pm. Broader Horizons Day Camp provides girls entering grades 6 through 8 fun all-day activities designed for their age group, including trying out the onsite adventure learning course, off-campus field trips to explore the city, and much more. Campers of all ages also have a chance to use HB's aquatics center and tennis courts, with swimming lessons that can be added to their days.

For your budding performer, Hathaway Brown Theatre Institute will again provide top-notch training opportunities in drama, dance, and music. Participants have the chance

to earn roles in full-scale productions, and they have a great time while perfecting their craft. This summer's productions are Music Man and The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee.

HB is known for offering a host of summer athletics, academic, specialty, and adventure programs, many of which are co-ed, and this summer is no exception. With dozens of programs to choose from, HB's got it covered so parents no longer have to struggle to find engaging and enlightening summer activities for children of all ages.

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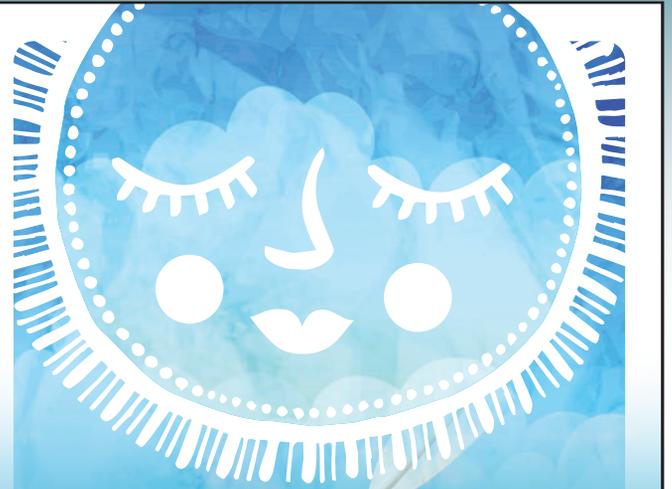


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Nanny's Muffins – A Sweet Hometown Story

Amy Babbush Eisenberg was born at a U.S. Naval hospital in Taiwan and lived there until she was eight months old. During their stay, her mom learned to cook Chinese style, a custom that she brought back to the United States. One of Amy's earliest memories is of being in the kitchen, and lining up with her siblings to roll egg rolls when their parents, Sandy and Chuck Babbush, entertained.

"We were always in the kitchen," Amy told us. "Even with our crazy schedules, there was a full meal on the table every night, with everything presented beautifully."

Although Sandy is a great chef, she claims to be not much of a baker. Nonetheless, Amy shared fond stories about her family's experiences of cooking and baking together, and she still has the cookie cutters they used when she was growing up.

One recipe always stood out – the one for muffins.

Whenever someone was sick, celebrating a special occasion,

or gathering with their family, Amy would make a platter that always prompted questions about selling the muffins.

Two years ago, she began to seriously consider the idea and, this past summer, she started playing around with the recipe.

Amy began by making chocolate chip and blueberry mini-muffins. She experimented, tweaked the recipe, baked for friends and family, gathered feedback and created focus groups. And because Amy is gluten free, she also tested gluten-free flours to achieve the taste and consistency she wanted, so she could offer a traditional muffin as well as a gluten-free option. She experimented with packaging and researched the guidelines required to bake from home.

In November, Amy was ready to roll! Her son, Joey, helped design a logo and create images. "Let's just post them and see what happens," he suggested. "Just do it!"

Because this is not Amy's first business venture, she already has many followers on social media and received hundreds of "likes" when the post went up. "I had no clue as to what the response would be," she said.

In response to the post, Amy was asked to set up a booth at the Fairmount Temple boutique, which was just five days away. She chose to participate, baked about 50 dozen mini-muffins and sold out. "People who left the boutique

after picking up their kids from religious school came back for more," Amy said. "Within a week, my business was up and running. It was very exciting."

Now, just three months later, Amy is working with Jason Schrode to rebrand her business. She changed the name from Nanny's Mini Muffins to Nanny's, which will provide for future expansion opportunities. Also, her new logo is written in her mom's handwriting, which of course is meaningful. Amy also plans to obtain her home-bakery license, to allow her to ship out of state and broaden her reach by offering college care packages, holiday gifts, and get-well goodies, locally and across the country.

Nanny's is much more than tasty muffins. "It's about family traditions around food and the love that goes into preparing recipes," Amy said. "That's how we were raised. Some of life's best memories and moments happen in the kitchen and around the kitchen table."

Amy paused, and added, "I am thrilled to be able to do this as a tribute to my parents, while we can still reminisce together, celebrate who we are as a family, and pass down traditions to the next generation."

Another of Amy's dreams is to put together a cookbook with her mom's recipes – with a few special twists. It will also include recipes and photos from childhood friends. "What better way to document the delicious food we remember and recall the memories from when they were served," she said.



The Story of Nanny's Muffins

The story of Nanny's Muffins was born out of a timeless family philosophy: we share what we love most with those we love most. Our secret isn't the delicious recipe that's been passed down for generations, and it's not the premium-quality ingredients inside every bite of our delectable desserts. No, our secret goes back to what Nanny Babbush said after sharing her very first batch with the rest of us – "The most important ingredient is love."

And we haven't changed it since.



When we asked Amy about future plans, she told us that she hopes to create a brand that will evoke feelings and portray the meaning behind why she started the business. She intends to grow the brand, while keeping its mission of love in the forefront.

Amy thanks her parents, brothers (Jeff and David, who are both in the food industry), husband (Steve, her best taste tester), children (Alex, Joey and Grace) and stepchildren (Sydney and AJ) for their input, for believing in her, and for their yummy flavor recommendations and all that's trending in treats. She also thanks her friends for their continued support.

"Our children have seen how hard I've worked and understand that the love that goes into this business is possible because of all the love I've received in our family," Amy said. "They are a big inspiration and I'm proud to pass along a passion for cooking to them."

"My prior business experiences brought me to where I am today," Amy added. "I feel that I'm now doing what I'm supposed to be doing. It's part of my story – my journey. I've built the courage and confidence to do this and for that I am grateful."

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Nanny's mini muffins may be purchased for \$8/dozen. Flavors include: chocolate chip, blueberry, cinnamon sugar, toffee and birthday cake. Custom and gluten-free orders are available, and sweet deals are offered for Valentine's Day. When asked how long the muffins stay fresh, Amy said – and I confirm – "They will be gone before they get stale."

For more information, email amyseisenberg@nannysminimuffins.com and visit www.nannysminimuffins.com.



Pictured, opposite page: Amy's son, Alex, packages muffins to share with his college roommates. Amy and her mom, Sandy, pick apples to bake a pie.

Above: Amy, Sandy and Chuck Babbush – Nanny's is a tribute to Amy's parents.

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Living a Legacy of Light

by Jennifer Stern

I was fortunate to hear Rabbi Daniel Cohen speak as part of the Mancel JCC Book Festival. His book, *What Will They Say About You When You Are Gone? Creating a Life of Legacy*, was thought provoking, challenging, and quite meaningful. He encourages us to live our best life now and to embrace a life of purpose, with the awareness that we live not just for ourselves.

His message is powerful. We must make the most of every day and ensure that how we live and how we treat others reflects our highest-level self. As he shared stories of his childhood and the great influence of his parents, he described how they modeled for him how to live a life of purpose, resilience, gratitude, optimism and wisdom.

He reminds us that every choice we make reflects our past and determines our future.

His book speaks to the difference between our mission and our purpose. Our mission is what we do. Our purpose is why we do it (the goal being to move from self-centered to other-centered). He asks us to consider the talents we possess and how we can use them to improve the life of another. At the end of each day, he asks, "What did I do today to uplift another soul?"

He speaks of how each moment gifts us the opportunity to be the light for another (in little ways, in big ways, in ways we may never even be aware).

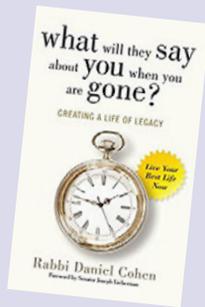
His book encourages readers to consider how they might touch the lives of others with compassion, understanding,

inspiration and light. Through anecdotal stories, he illustrates how we can impact the world in meaningful ways, find the strength to live our lives as a reflection of our innermost values, and pursue what is right and purposeful. He reminds us that every choice we make reflects our past and determines our future.

While listening to Rabbi Cohen speak, I had a profound moment of clarity as to why I did not sit in anger or self pity when my mom died. It was because in that moment of her death I was gifted her legacy. In that moment, it became my obligation to live her values, her strengths, her lessons. To honor co-destiny (her life will continue to impact the world through me and how I choose to live). She is with me, always guiding, encouraging, empowering and inspiring. It is my hope that my choices, the way I am living my life, will bring light to others so that when I am gone, my light will continue to shine through them, as my mom's does through me.

There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it." ~ Edith Wharton

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Memory Lab at Library Branch an Asset for Genealogy Research

Members of the Jewish Genealogy Society of Cleveland and guests will have the opportunity to learn about one of the newest services of the South Euclid-Lyndhurst Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library – the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Memory Lab – at a meeting on March 4, starting at 1:30 pm in the Men's Club Board Room at Park Synagogue East, 27500 Shaker Blvd., Pepper Pike.

The featured speaker is Matthew Skvasik, innovation programming specialist for the Cuyahoga County Public Library. Skvasik will explain the equipment, capabilities and software that can be used for free in the library's lab to digitize and preserve family photographs, artifacts and other items.

In his role at the library, Skvasik designs, plans and implements library programming in CCPL's technology-based spaces which include the Innovation Centers, studio spaces and the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Memory Lab. Skvasik has a Masters of Library and Information Science degree from Kent State University.

The Jewish Genealogy Society of Cleveland meets on the first Sunday afternoon during the winter months. Board members are available from 1pm to assist with individual research questions. Guests are welcome and can RSVP to Programming@ClevelandJGS.org.

For more information, contact Stewart Hoicowitz at 1stVP@ClevelandJGS.org.

Milestones' Strike It Big Bowling Extravaganza

Milestones' Strike It Big Bowling Extravaganza, presented by Davis Automotive Group, will take place Sunday, March 11, from 11 am to 3 pm at Spins Bowl in Independence.

All generous efforts allow Milestones Autism Resources to continue offering its free Autism Helpdesk, a service which allows families to contact the Milestones professional staff for personal guidance, local resources and individualized information at each and every stage of their child's development.

People can get involved in the following ways:

- Register to bowl at the event and raise \$200 as a team to bowl for free
- Donate to your favorite team or bowler
- Become a sponsor of the event

• Join Milestones as a walk-in the day of the event for \$35 per person to enjoy an afternoon of family fun

Register online today at <http://milestones.everydayhero.do/>. For more information, please contact Laura Kravitz at lkravitz@milestones.org.



Beachwood residents Judy Freedman and Sharon Epstein helped prepare mailings for Strike It Big on March 11.

Menorah Park Programs

The Kenneth & Deborah Cohen Lecture Series:

The Strange Life of a Renaissance Musician:

Heinrich Isaac, the First Professional Composer

Monday, February 12 • 2:30 pm

Menorah Park's Saltzman Auditorium

"The Strange Life of a Renaissance Musician: Heinrich Isaac, the First Professional Composer," will be presented by David Rothenberg, Ph.D., chair of the Department of Music at CWRU.

- Have you ever heard of Heinrich Isaac?
- Did you know he was a professional singer who became the first musician ever hired specifically as a composer?
- Come learn about this musician and hear some of his wonderful music!

This program is free and open to the community.

For more information, contact LeAnne Stuver at 216.360.8208.

Like to Sew?

Helpers Needed to Make Pillows

Brighten someone's day and enjoy your craft at the same time. If you have spare time to help bring comfort to Menorah Park residents receiving hospice care, please contact Lynn Lapin at 216.831.5452, ext. 576.

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Menorah Park recently received The Creating Opportunity Award from Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities, recognized for helping individuals with disabilities find fulfilling work on campus. For more information on the award, please visit <http://www.ood.ohio.gov/Employers/Opportunity-Awards>.

Pictured: Camille Ali presents Menorah Park CEO Jim Newbrough with the Creating Opportunity Award from Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities, recognizing Menorah Park for helping individuals with disabilities find fulfilling work on campus.



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Health and Human Services Levy

A statement from Cuyahoga County Executive Armond Budish:

Our county is making great progress. We are facing our challenges and tackling them head on, whether it's quality health care, pre-kindergarten education, infant mortality, or the opioid crisis. To continue our great progress, we will be asking the citizens of Cuyahoga County to support a renewal of the Health and Human Services Levy. The renewal means no increase, no impact on your taxes for the next four years. It means we will work even harder to do more with what we have, to continue the services and support for children, for seniors and anyone in the county who may need help.

The people of Cuyahoga County have demonstrated their compassion and generosity by supporting the levy for years, assuring that anyone in any municipality, within any zip code, of any race, religion or gender, has access to the services that strengthen our residents and prepare people to support themselves and their families.

The legislation that council president Brady and I are bringing before council does two things: it declares the necessity of asking the voters to renew the levy, and, it allows us to put it on the ballot for consideration on the May 8th primary election. I ask for your support.

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Ceramic Studio Offers Haven for Creativity

By June Scharf

"I say a prayer of thanks for this place every time I visit," says ceramic sculptor Jane Altshuler. The spot that merits her frequent reverence is Beachwood's ceramic studio, located on Commerce Park. Owned and operated here since 2009 by Andrea Serafino, the space has room for seven artists.

According to Serafino, what people create most often is tableware, such as serving pieces, in addition to pottery and sculpture. Those who patronize the studio include students who take classes through the Recreation Department; elementary age students, many of whom come to earn badges for cub scouts or brownie troops, birthday party celebrants, and adults who take their craft quite seriously.

Serfino conducts classes for adults twice a week, but artists have access to the studio every day. The fully equipped space offers two kilns, a slab roller, extruder, five pottery wheels and a rich collection of glazes. The cost is \$160 per month.

Altshuler, 56, has been a sculptor for 30 years, using stone, wood and plaster as her primary mediums; she shifted her focus to ceramics three years ago. Her self-assigned project, begun six months ago, is to create 100 ceramic owls. So far, she has completed 40 owls of all different shapes and sizes. She admits that clay is not ideal for creating owls since they are large and require lots of material, but Altshuler seems to relish a challenge. "The fun is in the engineering."

She is no stranger to animal-themed art with a father who sculpted this subject matter

and a mother who worked at a zoo. The attraction of the owl, according to Altshuler, is the fact that it's a complicated creature with stellar features.

She also sees their metaphysical overlap with some people: "They wrap themselves into a little form and hide during the day -- I think that's how some people act, too. There's great talent inside, but we can't see it." She adds that owls are "so grand, but they can be compact and nearly invisible with their camouflaged feathers."

Now that she's almost halfway through her creation process, she has learned how to make the forms simpler and less ornate. She also says she has discovered a great deal about clay itself. Learning about glazes with this project is an additional bright spot. At the rate she's going, she

anticipates completing her 100th owl by May or June 2018.

She's not certain what she'll do with the owls, but one thought is to hold a show and give some away, which she's already done. She's not worried -- "they'll find a place." It's the creation of the owls that's the most interesting part, she says. All she says she really expects of herself is to create "Ten really great owls," with one of them being the ultimate owl.

While some of her sources of traction with the owls relates to finding them "fascinating, wise and cute," she'll be ready for new subject matter later this year. What will that be? Maybe making people. Or more animals.

"This experience has helped me solve some technical challenges. I'm much closer to depicting the form the way I want to."



It's a hoot! Jane Altshuler with her collection of owl creations, made at the Beachwood Ceramic Guild on Commerce Park.

Montefiore Programs

Montefiore offers the following programs, free and open to the community.

Caregiver Education and Support Group

Tuesday, March 6

5 – 6 pm at Montefiore

One David N. Myers Parkway, Beachwood

Feeling burnt out from caregiver stress or alone in your journey with no one to lean on? Do you have questions about what is coming next and how to deal with it?

Come to Montefiore's monthly caregiver education and support group to receive tips on how to cope and how to receive support as a caregiver.

Journey Through Grief

A Six-Week Bereavement Support Group

March 6 – April 17

Tuesdays, 5:30 - 7 pm at Montefiore

Miriam Katz, MSSA, LISW-S, will facilitate the group. For more information or to register, contact Miriam Katz at 216.910.2796 or email at mkatz@montefiorecare.org.

The Shoppe at Montefiore Needs You!

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For more information, contact Diane Weiner, volunteer manager, at 216.910.2741 or dweiner@montefiorecare.org.

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Programs at The Gathering Place

The Gathering Place is a cancer support center that provides free programs and services to help individuals and families currently coping with the impact of a cancer diagnosis in their lives. Programs are provided for adults, teens and children and include support groups, family and individual support, a lending library, a wig salon, exercise programs, hands-on cooking classes, art therapy and more. The Gathering Place has locations in Beachwood and Westlake. Visit www.touchedbycancer.org for a listing of all programs and services or call 216.595.9546 to talk with a staff member. Beachwood programs listed below require advance registration by calling 216.595.9546 unless otherwise noted. Our Beachwood address is 23300 Commerce Park.

Cancer and Careers: Beyond the FMLA

Tuesday, February 6 • 6:30 – 8 pm
An interactive discussion on looking for work while dealing with cancer: when and what to disclose and reasonable accommodations. Presented by Kerri Mazzone, LISW-S.

Life After Cancer Treatment Support Group

Thursday, February 8 • 6:30 – 8 pm
An opportunity to talk about the 'new normal', coping with fear of recurrence and scan anxiety, coping with long-term side effects and moving forward after a cancer diagnosis.

KidShop/TeenShop

Monday, February 12 & 26
6:30 – 7:30 pm

This workshop is for children and teens who have an adult family member with cancer. The theme for February is 'Ways We Connect'.

Cleveland Rape Crisis Center Opens New Office Location in Beachwood

Cleveland Rape Crisis Center is pleased to announce the opening of its new Beachwood office, located at Signature Square I, 25201 Chagrin Blvd., Suite 390, within the Nexis Medical Offices, to provide direct services to survivors of rape and sexual abuse.

The Beachwood office will offer, to survivors of rape and sexual abuse, an option to access specialized services including counseling, victim assistance and support groups close to home.

"There are survivors of rape and sexual abuse in every community in Northeast Ohio. With the opening of the new Beachwood office, we hope to help survivors to access services close to home," said Sondra Miller, president and CEO,

Cleveland Rape Crisis Center. "We welcome survivors of rape and sexual abuse to access our services no matter how long ago they were harmed. We want all survivors to know: you are not alone, and you can recover and lead a healthy and happy life."

The Beachwood office provides convenient access to specialized services for survivors of rape and sexual abuse, including:

- Individual counseling for adults and children*
- Support groups
- Victim assistance for survivors who are navigating the criminal justice process* and considering legal options
- Community outreach to raise the awareness about issues

surrounding rape and sexual abuse

- Professional training for law enforcement; first responder, medical, and mental health professionals; educators, as well as cosmetologists.

* Services available in Spanish.

"We are excited to partner with the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center to bring a place of healing to the Beachwood area," said Scott Zimmerman, president and CEO, Nexis Medical Offices, LLC.

To make an appointment or learn more, call 216.619.6194, ext. 141, or request an appointment online at clevelandrapeccrisis.org.

Mandel JDS Penny Challenge

They say a penny saved is a penny earned, but in this case, Mandel JDS students did a lot more than save their pennies - they donated 717 dollars worth to the Jewish Federation of Cleveland's Campaign for Jewish Needs.

This year, Mandel JDS students raised a total of \$717.24, with the second grade winning the lower school challenge, and the sixth grade winning the middle school challenge. The kindergarten received honorable mention for having the most pennies. Mandel JDS students presented a check to Abigail Levin, Vice President / Development / Campaign for the Jewish Federation of Cleveland and a Mandel JDS parent, at an all-school assembly.

Each year, Mandel JDS students participate in the "Penny Challenge," a fundraising compe-

tion amongst grade levels. Each student is tasked with putting pennies in corresponding jar for their grade. In order to "take points away" from another grade, they can put in nickels, dimes, and quarters into their jars, which in turn "subtracts" from their final total. Whatever grade has the highest total wins the challenge, and a prize for their grade.

"The Penny Challenge reinforces one of the School's seven

core values: Tzedek (or Justice in English)," explains Laura Leventhal, Mandel JDS Director of Institutional Advancement. "We teach our students to pursue justice by engaging in acts of Tzedakah (righteousness), through volunteer work locally and through charitable giving. This instills within them a sense of responsibility for each other and for the larger world in which they live. We are so proud of all that they have accomplished."



Abigail Levin accepts a check for the Jewish Federation of Cleveland from Shira Rosenberg.

Jewish Federation of Cleveland Names Jeffrey J. Wild as 2019 and 2020 Campaign Chair



The Jewish Federation of Cleveland has named Jeffrey Wild as its Chair for the 2019 and 2020 Campaign for Jewish Needs. In this volunteer role, he will be responsible for providing leadership, vision and strategy for the Federation's annual

fundraising effort. Wild, 45, is a partner at Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff, where he serves as the firm's Administrative Partner, Chief Strategy Officer and chairs its Real Estate & Environmental Practice Group.

"We are extremely fortunate to have Jeff Wild leading our 2019 and 2020 Campaign for Jewish Needs. He is a proven leader who brings a wealth of civic engagement experience and a deep understanding of our community needs," said Federation Board Chair, Gary L. Gross. "On behalf of the entire Board, I sincerely thank outgoing Campaign Chair David F. Adler for his inspired leadership over the past two years. We look forward to building upon the sizable momentum he helped us create under Jeff's stewardship."

Wild has been actively involved in Cleveland's Jewish community for several years, and currently serves as the Allocations Committee Chair for the Jewish Federation of Cleveland. An advocate for ensuring a strong Jewish future, Wild is a former president of Fuchs Mizrahi School and former vice president of the Jewish Education Center of Cleveland (JECC). He currently serves on the Board of Directors for Cleveland Development Advisors, an affiliate of the Greater Cleveland Partnership, and Cleveland International

Fund.

"I am humbled and honored to serve as the chair for the Campaign for Jewish Needs over the next two years," Wild said. "Through my work on the Federation's Allocations Committee, I've seen first-hand the tremendous work our agencies do on a daily basis as well as the many ways the organization serves the diverse needs of our community here and around the world. I look forward to working closely with the Federation's leadership team and the tremendous network of volunteers to ensure the vibrancy and vitality of our community."

The Campaign for Jewish Needs is the Federation's annual fundraising campaign that serves Clevelanders of all backgrounds and the global Jewish community. The Federation is the only organization in Cleveland that considers the needs of the Jewish community as a whole and plans for its future.

For more information about the Jewish Federation of Cleveland and the Campaign for Jewish Needs, please visit www.jewishcleveland.org.

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Programs at the Beachwood Library

Registration is requested for all programs except storytimes. Please call 216.831.6868 or visit www.cuyahogalibrary.org to register.

Art Book Club

Monday, February 5
2-3 pm

Join us for a discussion of the book *Georgia: a novel of Georgia O'Keefe*, by Dawn Tripp.

Transformative Grief

Thursday, February 8
7-8 pm

Jennifer Stern, licensed independent social worker, will address the topic and talk about how grief is one of life's greatest teachers. Through our grief, we can learn to live with a deeper awareness and appreciation for healthy connection, meaningful growth, and intentional purpose. We can make choices and learn strategies to protect ourselves from being defined or limited by loss. Stern will discuss ideas that can help us to grow through grief.

Northern Ohio Opera League – A Valentine's Day Greeting to Cleveland

Sunday, February 11
2-3 pm

Operas are about love, and Dr. Michael Blauner will share examples of arias and duets that express this deep human emotion. Enjoy this informative and entertaining monthly program about the music history story and performance of classic Operas.

Matter of Balance

Mondays, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26 and 4/2
2-4 pm

This interactive series emphasizes practical strategies to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels. Participants will learn to view falls as controllable, set realistic goals, change their environment to reduce risk factors, and exercise to increase strength and balance.

Meet Author Moriel Rothman-Zecher

Thursday, February 15
7-8:30 pm

This rising literary star and MacDowell Fellow will visit in support of his searing debut novel, *Sadness Is a White Bird*.

Moriel Rothman-Zecher is an American-Israeli writer, poet, and novelist. Born in Jerusalem and raised in Ohio, Rothman-Zecher returned to his birthplace in 2011 and has been involved with several groups working to end the Israeli occupation of the Palestinian Territories. From this experience comes his debut novel, *Sadness Is a White Bird*, which follows a young man preparing to serve in the Israeli army.

Books will be available for purchase and signing courtesy of Mac's Backs - Books on Coventry.

Through the Eyes of the Artist – Andrew Wyeth

Friday, February 23
10-11 am

The key to understanding Andrew Wyeth is to know the Wyeth Dynasty a family of artists that goes on for generations. Art historian Felicia Zavarella Stadelman returns with her popular series on the lives and works of beloved artists. This program is sponsored by Friends of the Beachwood Library.

Mal Barron Jazz Quartet

Sunday, February 25
2-3 pm

Mal Barron has been composing jazz numbers since the 1970s. The quartet includes Bob Ventre on guitar, John Mallet on bass, Alan Nemeth on drums, and Barron on saxophone and flute. This program is sponsored by Friends of the Beachwood Library.

3-D Design for Adults

Wednesday, February 28
7-8 pm

Explore hands-on digital creation using a 3-D modeling program. Space is limited.

It's About Time:

Time Management for Retirees!

Thursdays, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
March 8, 15 and 22

This 3-part workshop series teaches a unique approach to time management, walking you step by step through setting up your days and weeks in a way that is right for you.

Harp and Piano Recital

Sunday, March 11
2-3 pm

Enjoy this music recital by harp and piano students of Jody and Caryl Guinn, a mother/daughter duo.

Children's Programs

Techy Tuesdays:

Electric Playdough

Tuesday, February 6
4 pm
Grades 3 to 6

Calling all tech-savvy kids: This program is just for you. Join in and make electric playdough!

Friday Family Fun: Love Bugs

Friday, February 9
10:30 am

Enjoy a heartwarming morning of stories, crafts for your favorite someone and activities that let you show your love.

Chinese New Year Celebration

Saturday, February 10
10:30 am

Families

Celebrate the Chinese New Year with stories, crafts and more. Held in cooperation with the Chinese Language and Culture Center.

Afternoon Art Adventures

Tuesday, February 13
4 pm

Grades 2 to 5

Students in grades 2 through 5 can enjoy an afternoon of creating fun art projects based on favorite children's books.

Build-O-Rama

Thursday, February 15
4 pm

Grades 1 to 5

Attention LEGO lovers! Bring your mad skills and create your own masterpiece using the library's LEGO pieces and a different building challenge each month.

Hebrew Storytime

Wednesday, February 21
4 pm

Ages 2 to 8 with a caregiver.

Enjoy a Hebrew/English storytime where you will hear stories and songs in Hebrew and English. This program is presented in cooperation with the Jewish Education Center of Cleveland.

Magic Treehouse Club:

Night of the Ninja's

Thursday, February 22
4 pm

Grades 1 to 4

Travel with Jack and Annie on magical adventures through space and time. This month's feature is *Pirates Past Noon*, and attendees will also enjoy games, crafts and activities.

Rabbi Shmuli Friedman Engages a Crowd of Over 50 Attendees at the Special Opening Event, "Kabbalah of Communication"

Chinese Storytime

Saturday, February 24

10:30 am

Families

Enjoy stories, songs and rhymes in Mandarin Chinese and stay for a craft and playtime after. This program is presented in cooperation with the Chinese Language and Culture Center.

Storytimes:

Toddler Storytime

Mondays at 4 pm and

Wednesdays at 10 am

Ages 19-35 months

with a caregiver

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Baby & Me Storytime

Tuesdays at 6:30 pm and

Thursdays at 10 am

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Enjoy rhymes, songs, fingerplays and books perfect for baby.

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays at 1:30 pm

Ages 3-5 not yet in kindergarten

and their caregivers

Enjoy stories, books, rhymes, songs and fingerplays with your little one.

Pajama Party Storytime

Wednesdays at 6:45 pm

Ages 19 months – 5 and their caregivers

Wear your PJs and join enjoy

stories, songs and fingerplays.



"The class was excellent. I learned a number of practical tips from tonight's class alone. Rabbi Shmuli has a talent to explain what he knows while keeping his audience involved with his great sense of humor. I'll be back next week!" said Jaime Klausner, a Beachwood resident who attended the class.

The rise of the internet, mobile phones, and social media has completely changed the way we relate, interact, and communicate with one another – and it's high time we reclaim this lost art.

In Jewish philosophy, communication is more than just a tool – it is who we are. Humans are defined as communicative beings with a communicative soul, and aligning ourselves with this soul is our *raison d'être*.

In "Communication: Its Art and

Soul," Rabbi Friedman leads the discussion about contrasts between Jewish thought with scientific discovery to unearth the essence of communication and how to utilize its powers to better ourselves, our relationships, and all of society.

Classes run weekly on Wednesday mornings and eve-

nings through February 21. Each class is a stand alone lesson with much knowledge and wisdom to gain. For more information or to join a lesson, email JLI@EnrichingJudaism.com or call 216.282.0112.

The course is CME and APA accredited.



Maya Bolman, Jaime Klausner and Rivky Friedman at Kabbalah of Communication, a Jewish Learning Institute event.

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Mandel JDS Students Compete in Science Fair

Last month, Mandel JDS held its annual Science Fair. Seventh-grade students competed against each another to see who would attend the 65th Annual Northeastern Ohio Science and Engineering Fair at Cleveland State University in March.

First place went to Beachwood resident Hannah Plotkin for her project, "Which is a more

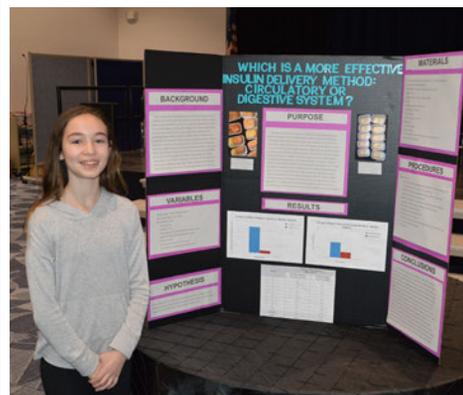
effective insulin delivery method; digestive system or circulatory system?" The Second-place winner was Teddy Prokvolit for his project, "What soda has the highest level of decay on teeth?" Lia Polster took third place for her project, "How is adhesive strength affected by temperature?" Guy Levi and Nathan Claypool each received honorable

mentions for the projects, as well. These five students will all go on to the Science Fair competition at Cleveland State University.

Plotkin shared her results, recognizing

the importance of knowing which method of insulin delivery is more effective – through the circulatory system (injection) or digestive system (pill) – to diagnose patients with type-two diabetes. She placed pieces of jello (representing insulin) in different solutions, 10 pieces in a solution representing the circulatory system and 10 pieces in a solution representing the digestive system. She then calculated the change in mass (representing the insulin being dissolved and infused into the bloodstream) and found that the insulin in the digestive system model had a greater decrease in mass. This means that the insulin in pill form being swallowed is more effective than insulin in an injection.

Hanna Plotkin, first-place winner in the Mandel JDS Science Fair, proudly shared the results of her project.



Who's Buzzin' in Beachwood?

by Arlene Fine

Simchas Alta Vita

An enthusiastic group of women from Cleveland's Orthodox community flocked to Acacia Country Club for a joyful Simchas Alta Vita fundraiser. Simchas Alta Vita is an initiative that provides eligible brides a comprehensive package of new household items, including two sets of dishes, housewares, linen, bedding, clothing and a shaitel (wig). The evening included a specially-prepared dinner and cheesecakes by Lilac & Crème that were flown in from Lakewood, New Jersey. A performance by the hilarious comedy duo, The Lisauer Sisters, topped off the event.



Chany Klein, Bassy Gutman



Esther Keller and Deb Peters



Anita Kane



Doreen Warn, Marilyn Schachter

The Spectrum of Possibility

More than 250 guests filled the Crowne Plaza at Playhouse Square for Milestones Autism Resources' 2017 benefit, The Spectrum of Possibility. The evening's honorees were longtime, dedicated Milestones supporters Adam Berebitsky and Rochelle Nyer. The fundraiser netted \$250,000, which is earmarked for the Milestone's helpdesk, a free resource for families and professionals looking to connect with valuable, regional services.

Milestones is a nonprofit based in Warrensville Heights that improves the lives of individuals on the autism spectrum at all ages, stages, and abilities by educating, coaching and connecting the community with evidence-based information.

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Alla Mikhli



Rabbi Moshe Gancz
with Mayor Martin S.
Horwitz.

Beachwood City Council Meeting

An overflow crowd filled Beachwood City Hall on January 8, 2018, for the swearing in of Mayor Martin S. Horwitz and City Council members Alec Isaacson, James Pasch and newly-elected council member Eric K. Synenberg. A dessert reception followed the Beachwood City Council meeting.

Linda Blumenthal and Michael Friedman



Scott and Carol Burg



Honorees Rochelle Nyer and Adam Berebitsky



Ilana Hoffer Scoff, Josh Yanowitz and Donna Yanowitz



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Scam Victims Can Get Refunds From Western Union

The Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs is encouraging scam victims who wired money to scammers through Western Union to apply for refunds by the February 12 deadline.

Western Union agreed to pay \$586 million to settle charges brought on by the Federal Trade Commission and U.S. Justice Department. They were charged for looking the other way while scammers used Western Union's money wiring system, despite receiving hundreds of thousands of complaints about scam activity.

The Justice Department is refunding the money to fraud victims who wired money to scammers through Western Union between January 1, 2004, and January 19, 2017.

To receive funds, wronged consumers must submit a claim by February 12.

"It's rare for scam victims to get their money back," said Sheryl Harris, director of the Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs. "We want to make sure that county residents who are eligible for these refunds

don't miss the deadline to apply."

Consumers who believe they are eligible for refunds should visit FTC.gov/WU for claim forms and updates. Those who have power of attorney can apply on behalf of an eligible scam victim.

Consumers can file a claim online or print out a claim form to return by mail.

Consumers can contact the claims administrator at 1.844.319.2124.

Scams that commonly relied on money wire transfers include impostor cons in which scammers posed as friends or family members in trouble, romance scams, and a wide range of scams involving fake checks, including mystery shopping, government grant and sweepstakes or lottery scams.

The Department of Consumer Affairs and its Cuyahoga County Scam Squad partners remind consumers that no legitimate government agency accepts funds through money wires or gift cards.

To report a scam, please call the Scam Squad at 216.443.wvSCAM (7226).

Area 2 Envirothon Entry Deadline March 23, 2018

Envirothon is designed to stimulate, reinforce and enhance interest in the environment and natural resources among high school students. A competitive outdoor team event, Envirothon offers a unique and enjoyable learning experience. A team consists of five students, all from the same school. An adult advisor (or advisors) must accompany the team, but is not permitted to assist them during the competition.

Envirothon tests students' knowledge of soils, forestry, wildlife, aquatic ecology and a current environmental issue. In addition, the Envirothon encourages cooperative decision-making and team building. While each student on an Envirothon team is challenged to contribute his or her personal best, the score that counts at the end of an Envirothon is the team score.

Five area Envirothons are conducted around Ohio each spring. The top four teams progress to the Ohio Envirothon in June, which is held in a different part of the state each year. The top scoring team in the Ohio Envirothon is eligible to compete in the National Conservation Foundation

— Envirothon, hosted by a different state or Canadian province every year. For more information, go to www.envirothon.org.

In Ohio, Envirothon is sponsored by the Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Conservation Districts in cooperation with the Ohio Department of Agriculture. Natural resource and environmental specialists from many agencies, organizations, colleges, universities, park districts and businesses devise the test questions and staff the various testing ecostations.

The Area 2 high school Envirothon competition will be held at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds (19201 E. Bagley Road – Middleburg Heights) on April 26. We are looking for teachers and students who are interested in forming an Envirothon team. Contact Amy Roskilly – 216.524.6580, ext. 1005, aroskilly@cuyahogawcd.org, or download the registration forms on the Envirothon webpage - www.cuyahogawcd.org/programs/envirothon. This event is organized by county Soil and Water Conservation Districts. The 2018 Area 2 competition is organized by Cuyahoga and Portage Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

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