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With God, all things are possible....

A Time to Give Back....

The best way to give thanks this holiday season is by giving back. The sculpture, 'Homeless Jesus' now in place at Messiah Lutheran Church in Fairview Park reminds us all of those in need. Senior Pastor Jerome Burce welcomes the installation - on loan from **Community West Foundation** - as statement on giving back as a way to give thanks. See inside for info on helping the homeless.



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UH Head Shaving Supports United Way



Jeff Reilly, COO of UH St. John and UH Elyria Medical Centers went all in for a United Way head-shaving last week. Robin Rowell, VP, Chief Nursing Officer at Elyria did the honors as Jeff joined three other hospital leaders in the cause.

"Please Leave the Ears!"

Those were the unspoken words of three University Hospitals employees as they had their heads shaved last Wednesday to benefit the United Way of Greater Lorain County.

The volunteers were Tom LaMotte, Manager, Rehabilitation Services; Jeff Reilly, Chief Operating Officer; and Chris Pebworth, Facilities Manager.

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Toys for Tots

Ridge Cleaners of Avon Lake kicked off the holiday season with a Toys for Tots open house last week. 'Heroes Give Back' was the theme as local business owners stopped by with gifts to support this annual holiday drive. Pictured are Ridge Cleaners owners John & Sandy Sebastian, SSGt. Christopher Smith, Christy Howard of Toys for Tots and Lisa Sebastian, Ridge Cleaners owner. See inside for list of area Toys for Tots drop off locations.



Westlake K9 Sniffs Out \$100K Drug Bust

On 11/3/18 at approx. 8:30AM an officer noted suspicious behavior in the Red Roof Inn parking lot. A vehicle was stopped leaving the area after they committed a traffic violation. After observing criminal behavior indicators, a Westlake PD K9 sniff of the vehicle prompted further investigation. In all, over 1 Kilogram of illegal THC/cannabis oil in cartridges was recovered from the vehicle. Follow-up led to a room at the Red Roof Inn where it appeared that the subject was manufacturing the drugs. Paraphernalia including chemistry beakers and written instructions were recovered. In addition, over 3 additional kilograms of THC oil was located. A 26yo male from Napoleon, MI was charged with trafficking and illegal manufacture of drugs, both felonies. A 25yo female from Bay Village, who had rented the room, was charged with felony complicity for the same offenses. It is estimated that these narcotics would sell for over \$100,000 on the streets.



“Please Leave the Ears!” UH Head Shaving Supports United Way



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These three employees have solicited donations from coworkers, family and friends to benefit the United Way of Greater Lorain County.

This is the 6th year that Tom LaMotte has had his head

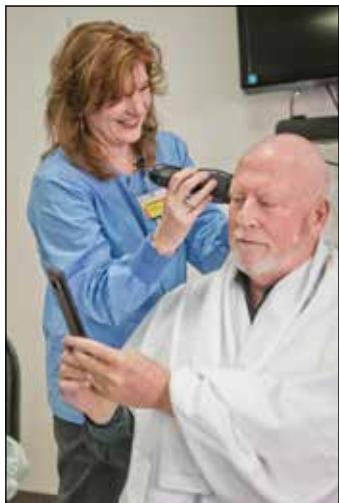
shaved for charity. Tom estimates that he and his colleagues have donated more than \$7500 since he began this fundraiser in 2013.

“It’s for a good cause, I am happy to be part of it,” said Jeff Reilly, participating for

the first time. Jeff serves as COO of UH St. John in Westlake and UH Elyria Medical Center.



Chris Pebworth, Manager of Facilities with Deb Henthorn, Dept. Assistant.



Jeff Reilly, Chief Operating Officer with Robin Rowell, VP, Chief Nursing Officer manning the clippers.



Tom LaMotte, Manager of Rehabilitation services with Cyndie Bailey, RN, on the shears.



Chris Pebworth, Jeff Reilly and Tom LaMotte with their new do's.

Tree of Life Honors Loved Ones at UH St. John

In recognition of loved ones of the University Hospitals St. John Medical Center family who have been lost, UH St. John honors the memories of those cherished individuals with a Tree of Life ceremony.

The Tree of Life event takes place twice a year and offers a moment to pause in reflection and honor employees or members of employee families who have passed.

The most recent Tree of Life ceremony took place on Oct. 31. Participants were able to see the memory of their loved honored and also place a tribute medallion in memoriam of the cherished individual.

Sr. Kendra Bottoms, Director of Pastoral Care, UH St. John, displays the tribute medallion placed on the Tree of Life in honor of employees or members of employee families who have passed.

“When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure.”



The UH St. John Tree of Life - “Always Remembered”

Freeman Blade Named Westlake Boys Basketball Coach

Westlake High Athletic Director Tony Cipollone has announced that, upon approval from the Board of Education, Freeman Blade will become the new Demons Head Boys Basketball Coach.

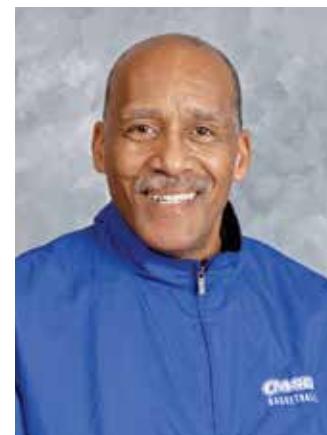
He takes over the spot left when veteran coach Shawn Hood resigned this fall for personal reasons.

“We just felt with the timing that we needed to bring in an experienced person to guide us through this season and to bring some stability to the program. Coach Blade made an impression on me the first time I spoke to him and with his background and experience, he just seemed like the perfect person at the right time. We intend to conduct a full coaching search at the conclusion of this season but make no mistake, we expect to be a competitive bunch this upcoming season and I feel like we have some good players that have something to prove,” Cipollone said.

Blade has over 25 years of experience in coaching at all different levels including Division 1 collegiate, international leagues and high school. He is a native of Twinsburg and played at Montana State. He is currently a trainer for the Positive Coaching Alliance, a national organization dedicated to educating athletes, coaches and parents about the power of positive and how it relates to athletics. He is also the founder and instructor of Hoops of Excellence, a basketball organization for all ages.

“I am excited to come into a great school like Westlake and try to help the athletes get through a difficult time while at the same time getting them prepared for a basketball season in the tough SWC conference. I don’t intend to come in here and totally overhaul the offense or defense but I do feel that with my experience I can supplement what the kids already know and hopefully give them some of my knowledge from over 25 years of coaching to improve their mind, body and spirit in order to make them productive human beings in whatever they choose to do,” said Coach Blade.

Freeman was drafted in the 4th round in 1976 by the Philadelphia 76ers as a junior in college but decided to remain in school at Montana State. After graduating, he played for a brief time for the Phoenix Suns in the NBA and also played in the Continental Basketball Association for the Anchorage Northern Knights.



Coach Blade with the Phoenix Suns

Westlake Porter Public Library

Saturday, December 1 (10-11:30 a.m.) Beginning Coding for Adults – Learn the basics of coding through self-paced online modules. An instructor will be on hand to help get you started and to facilitate lessons. Please register.

Thursday, December 6 (1-7 p.m.) American Red Cross Bloodmobile

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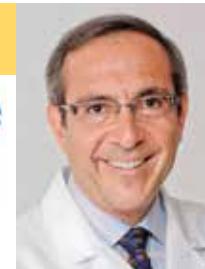
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Making Dental Insurance Work for You....

by Dr. Louis Malcmacher of *The Healthy Smile*



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Dental insurance can be both a blessing and a curse, as is medical insurance. Certainly, you are lucky if you have some kind of benefits to help with your dental treatment. Sometimes though, dental insurance may somewhat inconvenience you in order to get the best benefits. If your dentist and the office manager do not understand the intricacies of your dental insurance you could stand to lose benefits and have to pay more out of your pocket.

A perfect example of this was my recent trip to my dermatologist. I come from a very freckly family, and we all go for annual checkups to make sure that there are no moles that need to be removed. When I went to my dermatologist, just a couple of weeks ago, he did find something that he didn't think was important, but wanted to remove it anyway. I told him that I had the time if he had the time and to just go ahead and do it then and there. Because he knew about my medical insurance, he had told me that it would be to my benefit to come back for another appointment to have it removed because my medical insurance will not pay to have these moles removed on the same day of the examination. Does it make sense? Not at all. Was I happy to hear that he could make the most out of medical benefits and less out of pocket for me? Absolutely.

The same is true in our dental office in Bay Village. We work very hard to get the most benefits out of your dental plan. Our office manager, Joyce, regularly speaks to insurance companies and has a real knack for determining what the best way to accomplish treatment is in order for you to get the most benefit.

Another thing you should know is that most dental plans are on a yearly cycle, which renews in January. If you still have dental benefits left, now is the best time to get in to see us so that we can plan out your treatment so that if you do need some type of major dental treatment, we can help you use your benefits for this year and plan for next year. If you know that you have that broken tooth, a nagging, dull toothache for a long time, or some gum disease, seek out the

treatment you need. Don't lose your benefits. If you don't use your benefits by the end of the year, this year's benefits will be gone forever.

Call us today for a free consultation at 440-892-1810 and let's see how we can help you maximize your benefits. We love to give people a very beautiful, healthy smile.

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City of Westlake Tree Lighting Ceremony



Kick-off the holiday season with the City of Westlake! The Westlake Town Criers will hold the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at Westlake City Hall, 27700 Hilliard Boulevard on Sun. Dec. 2 at 6 p.m.

This will include introducing the new Mr. & Mrs. Westlake. To nominate a couple, please call the Town Criers President, Rick Grane, at 440-829-0974.

The Westlake Town Criers select a Mr. and Mrs. Westlake based on nominations from the community. Winners are chosen based on their dedication to service within the Westlake community.



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Join the Mission of Community West Foundation

Matthew 25:40, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

"Homeless Jesus" Sculpture Finds Thanksgiving Home at Messiah Lutheran Church

A life size sculpture titled "Homeless Jesus" has traveled to Messiah Lutheran Church in Fairview Park. Created by Canadian sculptor Timothy Schmalz, it depicts Jesus as a homeless person lying on a bench covered by a blanket with wounds in his feet. This symbolic work of art is one of a series of inspiring sculptures crafted by Schmalz.

Community West Foundation purchased the sculpture and displayed it outside of its office building as a reminder of what the organization values. It is a visual representation of the Gospel passage in Matthew 25:40, "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." The Foundation had the intent all along for the statue to become a traveling exhibit. For the past month Homeless Jesus was placed at the First Congregational UCC Church in Elyria, known for their active

concern for the marginalized.

All are invited to take the opportunity and see "Homeless Jesus" currently at Messiah Lutheran campus at 21485 Lorain Road. There is even space at the end of the bench to sit for a while, to pray and meditate.

Community West Foundation will continue to make the sculpture available for area churches to borrow and display for inspiration to their congregations.

About Community West Foundation

Community West Foundation is a local philanthropic organization dedicated to supporting organizations that provide the basic needs of food, clothing, shelter and medical care to the most needy in our community, as exemplified by the SocksPlus campaign. Learn more at www.communitywestfoundation.org.



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Workers installing the "Homeless Jesus" Sculpture at Messiah Lutheran Church.

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When was the last time you were excited to receive socks? For thousands of Cleveland's homeless, socks are a gift that's never taken for granted. In fact, they are the item that's most requested by anyone living outside.

The needs are constant throughout the year. During the cold fall and winter months, socks, gloves, boots and warm clothing protect them from frostbite and hypothermia.

Your donation can help with some basic necessities of this population. No matter what you give, your gift makes a difference.

Consider this:

- \$10 can supply 10 pairs of Socks;
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- \$40 can supply 10 pairs of SocksPLUS gloves and

a hat and shoes, or a water-resistant mat;

- \$60 can supply 10 pairs of SocksPLUS gloves and a hat, shoes, and heavy-duty winter boots, or a sleeping bag that can be used throughout the year;
- \$100 can supply a backpack filled with 10 pairs of SocksPLUS gloves and a hat, shoes and heavy winter boots, or essential clothing and supplies in the warmer months.

Donating to the campaign is an easy way to help people who are homeless throughout the year. And, when you give, you'll receive regular updates of where your donations are going and how they're helping.

Donations can be made online at www.communitywestfoundation.org/socksplus, by mail to: SocksPLUS, c/o Community West Foundation, 800 Sharon Dr., Suite C, Westlake, Ohio 44145, or in person to The Northeast Ohio

SocksPLUS

Coalition for the Homeless (NEOCH) is collecting items for the homeless, which can be dropped off at 3631 Perkins Avenue, in Cleveland. NEOCH will distribute items directly to the city's least fortunate residents. Remember, every little bit will go a long way towards helping someone survive.

In person donation items needed include: New Socks; Blankets; Coats; RTA one-day bus tickets; Toiletries; Hand sanitizer; Water bottles; Towels/hand wash cloths, tissues and baby wipes; Back packs, sleeping bags and tents; Ponchos; Insect repellent; Sunscreen.

For more information, contact Community West Foundation at 440-360-7370. #SocksPLUS

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- Water bottles • Towels/hand wash cloths and tissues
- Back packs, gym bags, and tents

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Gardens at Westlake Welcomes Santa!

Gardens at Westlake, 27569 Detroit Road in Westlake will host "Photo's with Santa" and party on Sat., Dec. 1, from 5 to 7 p.m. This FREE family event is open to the public. You are welcomed to take your own photos. Donations are accepted with the proceeds to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Come and enjoy some milk and cookies -- Santa's favorite!



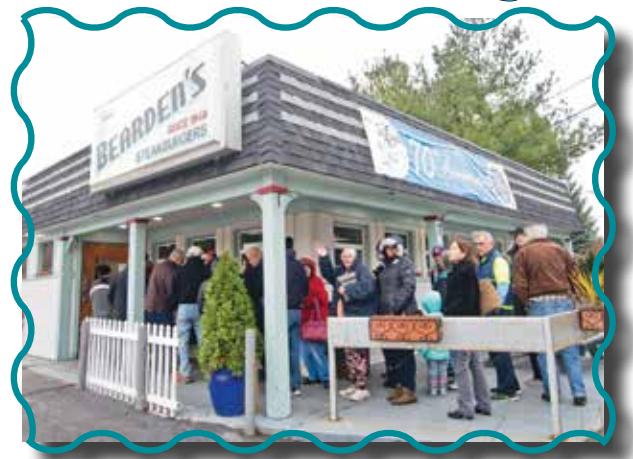
Bearden's Celebrates 70 Years with 70 Cent Burgers

Burger Blast at Bearden's! Lines were out the door and down the street as Bearden's - Rocky River's iconic 50's burger & shake headquarters - celebrated its 70th anniversary with 70 cent burgers last Friday.

Opened in 1948, Bearden's has never faltered in its tried and true mission of delivering the best grilled burger, onion rings and shakes around. Diners also enjoy the electric train with the stuffed bear in the conductor's seat that encircles the dining room.

Everything about Bearden's is a blast from the past, still fashioning fresh made burgers on a hot and steamy grill in the busy kitchen.

Bearden's was originally called Jackson Limited and opened in 1934 in Rocky River. In 1948, as a joint venture between Ross Bearden and the Orange brothers, Bill and James; Bearden's was started. Joe Orange and his family owned and operated Bearden's until 2010 when it was closed. In 2011 Jim Griffiths and his team pur-



chased Bearden's. After months of renovations Bearden's reopened in October of 2011 with a new 50's diner feel, but still serving the same great Bearden's fare.

One recent addition - Bearden's now has a food truck!

The grill today....



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WEST SHORE BLUES: THE BEST OF THE BEATS

Mountain Lion Sighting is False Alarm

Nobody really believed there was a mountain lion on the loose in Westlake, but police responded to a call on Nov. 2 from a concerned citizen reporting that she almost struck a mountain lion as it crossed the roadway on Crocker between Center Ridge Rd and Lorain. North Olmsted and Westlake officers checked the area but could not locate any roaming animals.

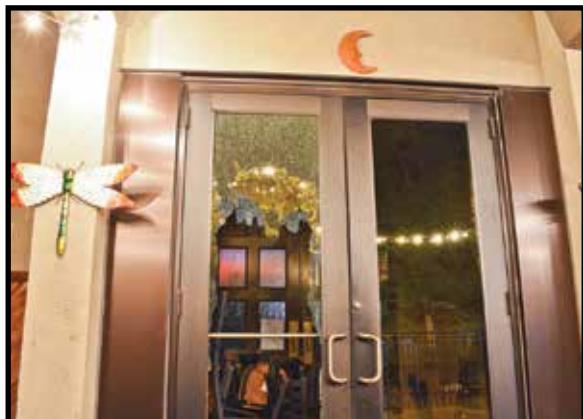


Two for One

Shoppers like two-for-one specials. The police? Not so much when it involves impaired drivers.

On Nov. 2, within 1 hour, WPD investigated 2 motor vehicle accidents which were each caused by impaired drivers. At 9:51 p.m. a 44yo driver from North Ridgeville admitted to officers that he "messed up" by running into the rear of another vehicle on Crocker at Union Sts. The investigation revealed that he was intoxicated. He was charged with OVI and Assured Clear Distance but later refused a breath test. While officers were dealing with the first drunk driving collision, another 911 call came into the dispatch center at 10:25PM. Another crash had occurred at Walter and Westwood Rds. When speaking with the operator of one of the vehicles, which had struck the other from behind, officers detected signs of impairment. The 24yo from Westlake was field tested and arrested for OVI. He later tested almost 2x over the legal limit of alcohol on his breath. Luckily, no one reported any injuries in either collision.

Restaurant Woes



On 11/5/18 at approx. 1:04AM officers responded to an alarm at the Stonehouse Grill on Center Ridge Rd. Upon arrival, it was found that a glass door was smashed in. The suspect, who had entered the business, was gone before the officers arrived. Review of the surveillance video showed that one person was inside for less than 3 minutes. The suspect is described as a white heavier set male, who had been wearing a backpack,

gloves and knit cap. He made off with an undetermined amount of cash. The scene was processed and video surveillance is still being reviewed.

Criminal Damage



On 11/5/18 at about 9:04PM an officer took a criminal damaging report at Crocker Park. A citizen found that their F-150, which had been parked in a surface lot behind Bar Louie, had 2 tires which had been purposefully damaged. Officers are following up with a possible suspect.

Tires Slashed

On 11/8/18 a caller reported that she had all 4 tires slashed while parked at Houlihans Restaurant on Detroit Rd. Also her driver's side mirror had been smashed. A report was generated. There are no suspects at this time.

Bay Senior's Bike Swiped

On 11/05/2018, at 12:51 hours, a 71-year old Knickerbocker Apartments resident came to the station to report that two days before, he realized someone had taken his silver Crestwood bicycle from the rack on the west side of the building. The Bay Village Bicycle Co-op had given him the bicycle. When asked why he did not report the theft earlier, he replied that he is an optimist and thought someone took it because, "they must've need it more than me." Information was taken for a report.

Bay Senior Swindled

On 11/08/2018, at 19:49 hours, a 67-year old resident of the Knickerbocker Apartments called to say she had been scammed out of \$400. Several weeks ago, she had received a call from a male who identified himself as "John Sawyer". He informed the victim that she had won 2.5 million dollars from the Las Vegas Mega Millions lottery, but in order to claim her winnings she needed to send \$100.00 to a "Pearl Johnson" at an address in Louisiana. The victim went to the post office, obtained a \$100.00 money order and mailed it to the ad-



dress. Several days later "Sawyer" again called stating that he needed an additional \$300.00 to complete the transaction. The victim wrote a personal check and sent it to the previously mentioned address. She had second thoughts and put a stop payment on the check. "Sawyer" again called and was able to convince the victim to send a \$300.00 money order to the Louisiana address. A report was taken.

Stranger in Town

On 11/06/2018, at 01:41 hours, an officer on routine patrol observed a male wearing a gray hoodie, with shoes in his hands, walking in the street of Kenilworth, south of East Oviatt. When the officer attempted to talk to this male, and before he had even exited his patrol car, the male started running up the driveway of a residence. He ran into the backyard, before scaling a wooden fence and fleeing south bound. Additional officers responded to assist. Eventually the male was found hiding in a shed behind a house several houses south of his last known location. The 25-year old male from Wellington was arrested and charged with Obstructing Official Business, Criminal Mischief and Criminal Trespass.



Wrong House!

Police received a 9-1-1 call from a W 204 St resident on Nov. 6 at 1:22 a.m. that an unknown male was inside her house. Upon arrival, officers located a male outside near the side door, appearing to be intoxicated. He was secured while one officer spoke to the caller. She stated she heard the front door open and thought it was one of the children. She went downstairs to find the unknown male inside. She screamed at him to leave, and ran upstairs to call 9-1-1. Speaking to the male, it was discovered that due to his intoxication, he thought he was at his house, which was over 8 blocks away. The 38 year old Fairview Park man was arrested on Criminal Trespass and Disorderly Conduct: Intoxication charges.



Fraud

On 11/8/18, Pixel Connections reported an incident of fraud involving their eCommerce store on Ebay. An individual in Tarzana, California purchased a Sony camera lens, valued at \$2,175 and later requested a refund. This individual was issued a full refund by PayPal and never returned the item



Shoplifter

Officers were dispatched to 35980 Detroit Road, Heinen's, for a theft Complaint of over \$150 of stolen merchandise. Officers located the female suspect inside the subway at 35970 Detroit Road. Female subsequently arrested for theft.

Happy Birthday, Virginia Sperling: 100 Years of Amazing!



Virginia Sperling, a long-time Avon Lake resident, turned 100 on November 6th and her longevity is celebrated by many admiring friends!

On November 5th, 2018, Avon Lake Mayor Greg Zilka officially proclaimed Virginia a model citizen, exemplifying the highest ideals in volunteerism and selfless service to others. He noted that Virginia was actively involved in organizations such as Avon-on-the-Lake Garden Club and Women's Club for almost 60 years. Throughout her many years, she developed a profound love of reading, creating floral arrangements, gardening,

and fundraising for nonprofit organizations. "She has many friends because she is a friend to many," stated Mayor Zilka, as he recognized Virginia for her outstanding accomplishments. With a warm smile and handshake, he extended his deep appreciation and congratulations to Virginia for all her dedicated work in the local community.

Virginia celebrated her birthday by gracefully accepting many invitations throughout the week! The Villager joins in honoring Virginia's long life and wishes her many happy days ahead.

You can go to www.AgingGracefully.TV to view a fun TV show with Virginia and her daughter, Vanessa.

— Written by Senior Writer Kathryn Eyring



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Rose Senior Living: Honoring Our Vets

Rose Senior Living - Avon was pleased to join with VFW Post 7035 and Sally Tomko of Hospice of the Western Reserve for a special Veterans Day ceremony the morning of Nov. 10.

"Thank you to all of our residents who served! And thank you to Mike Khoma of the VFW Post 7035 and Sally Tomko," said Rose representative Eve Wilhelmi as the ceremony followed breakfast and included the pinning of veter-

erans who both live at RSL Avon and the community.

Rose Senior Living residents who were honored included:

Army - Gene Connor, Robert D'Alessandro, Jack Patton, George Wilcox, Robert Kubinski, Richard Hueskin, Thomas Haynes, Harold Schatschneider, Joseph LaGrassa, Robert Schloss and Thomas Gardner (Army Reserve).

Marines - Donald Hujarski.

Navy - Lila Corrigan, Martin Cahill and George Futnik

National Guard Air - James Gropitch

Coast Guard - Richard Martin.

Air Force - Charles Decker and James Minik.

God Bless America!



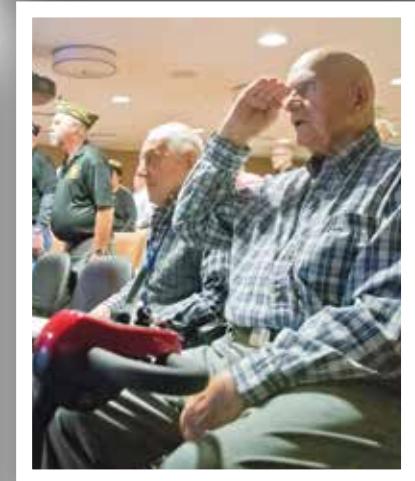
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Avon Place Celebration Rewind



Bridge's staff and residents had fun being silly at the Halloween festivities at Avon Place



Bridge's staff enjoyed dressing up for Halloween



Avon Place Dietary, Housekeeping & Laundry enjoyed the Recognition Lunch. Thank you everyone for your service.

Princesses, Super Heroes Visit Avon Heritage Elementary



Above, Avon Heritage Elementary School third-graders Joshephine Kornes, Bella Muratore, and Finley Dietz pose with the princesses.



Maureen Zollos' third-grade class at Avon Heritage Elementary School present pictures to the princesses to say "thank you" for visiting.

On Friday, Nov. 9 an organization called, **A Moment of Magic**, made a special visit to Avon Heritage Elementary School. The princesses and super heroes visited third-graders at the school. Third-grade teacher, Maureen Zollos' daughter is an active part of this service organization through The Ohio State University.

The group travels in costume to spread cheer and happiness to students. A Moment of Magic is a nonprofit organization set up to visit individual kids, or groups of kids to brighten their day. They visit with the kids, read them books, talk about their character, etc.



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December Events

Join us for these free events in December

Community Christmas Bingo

Tuesday, December 4th

Refreshments 12:00pm
Music Bingo 1pm

Join us as we kick off the holiday season with this fun event!

Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be served at 12pm with music bingo starting at 1pm.

Great food, good friends and fun prizes - hope you will be able to join us!

RSVP by November 30th

Please Call 440-937-6201 to RSVP.

Pancake Breakfast

Tuesday, December 11th
Served from 9:00am-10:00am

Seniors 55+ are invited to join us for our FREE monthly Pancake Breakfast.

Those in attendance will enjoy:

- pancakes
- sausage
- fresh fruit
- orange juice
- coffee

Information about upcoming Avon Place events will also be available.

RSVP by December 7th

Please Call 440-937-6201 to RSVP.

Lunch & Learn

Tuesday, December 18th

Lunch 11:30am
Presentation 12:00pm

Legends of Christmas Ornaments Presented by the Lorain County Historical Society

Join us as we watch a small Christmas tree being decorated while learning the stories behind 30 commonly used ornaments at Christmas time.

Lunch will be served at 11:30 am with presentation to follow at Noon.

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Westlake Company Holding Toy Drive Through November 30

Jason M. Orsky Wealth Management is hosting a Toy Drive through Friday, November 30. Toys are being collected for families served by the Twice Blessed Free Store.

Twice Blessed Free Store Manager Craig Cowles shared that in-demand toys include board games, craft kits, art supplies, LEGOs, multiethnic baby dolls, multiethnic Barbie dolls, basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, Marvel / DC toys, Matchbox and Hot Wheels cars, blocks, and toddler toys.

The Twice Blessed Free Store serves families on the near west side of Cleveland, providing clothing and household items free to visitors of the store. It is an outreach program of Rocky River United Methodist Church that operates at their second campus location at West 65th Street and Bridge Avenue. The store is open to shoppers every Saturday between 10am and 1pm.

New toy donations can be dropped off at Jason M. Orsky Wealth Management offices at 671 Columbia Road, Suite 1, Westlake during normal business hours (Monday - Friday 9am-5pm). Toys should be unwrapped.



Avon Lake Community Television - 2018 Philo Festival of Media Arts Awards Recipient



Stephanie Biggers, Barb Cagley and Jackie Tomco

Avon Lake Community Television (ALC-TV) was honored at the 2018 Philo Festival of Media Arts Award Ceremony in Alliance, Ohio, on Sat., Oct., 2018, for its award-winning work in the past year.

ALCTV's Brian Bowles, Production Assistant, has been named a finalist for his work on the ALC-TV Summer Channel ID in the Channel Bumps & Station ID'S (:30 or less) category. Stephanie Biggers, Production Coordinator, has been named a finalist in the Health category, for her impactful program created in collaboration with Assist Communities, "Recovery is Possible." ALC-TV was also the

winner in the Non-Professional Division of the Interview/Talk Show category for Jackie Tomco's "The Jackie-O Show at Big Trucks," with production assistance from Brian Bowles. These and other shows are available for viewing at www.AvonLake.org under "Streaming Community TV."

Each year, the Alliance For Community Media Central States Region salutes the best community programming with a regional video contest, the "Philo Festival Of Media Arts Video Competition." Named after Philo T. Farnsworth, inventor of the first receiving tube for television transmissions, the Philos recognize the efforts of modern day pioneers who work to promote the use of media in the community.

Avon Lake Community Television is a Department of the City of Avon Lake and is comprised of two channels: government access and public access. ALC-TV Government Access Channel provides a means of communicating government activities, issues, legislation, events and meetings. Through taped and live productions and a computerized bulletin board, the staffed station works to keep the citizens of Avon Lake aware, informed, and active in local, regional, and national levels of government. ALC-TV Public Access Channel provides an "open forum" television format for all citizens, groups, organizations, clubs and enterprises of Avon Lake to produce non-commercial, informational programming.



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