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From the Director

Today's urban planners will tell you there is too much parking just about everywhere, but try telling that to the guy who's trying to get a burger at West Park Station! We appreciate your patience while the municipal parking lot improvements are wrapping up. The brief inconvenience will soon lead to a new lot with bioretention areas that will keep nearly 1,000,000 gallons of storm water out of our sewer system, without the loss of any parking spaces. Please join us in the parking lot for a gala ribbon cutting on June 9 at 11:30 a.m. under the red tent on opening day of the Kamm's Corners Farmers Market. Our organization, with the help of Ward 17 Councilman Marty Keane, secured the primary funding of \$250,000 from the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District. The City of Cleveland kicked in the rest, and is also managing the project. We thank them both for this game-changing improvement!

Our neighborhood is continuing its upward trajectory and momentum. As it continues to evolve, change is inevitable. We expect to hear news on the redevelopment of the former Kmart site this summer. Cleveland State graduate students presented their thoughts on possibilities for future development in that area, as well as the Rapid Transit station as part of their Capstone project. They interviewed dozens of stakeholders, and more than 2,000 residents completed surveys to inform their thinking. Also, be on the lookout for some new businesses and improvements on Rocky River Drive. Watch for updates on kammscorners.com and in our e-newsletter.

Our organization works hard every day to facilitate and guide this evolution and encourage neighborhood growth, to be sure we continue to serve our residents, businesses, and institutions as effectively as possible. Vital to those efforts has been Marilyn Osborne, our Manager, Marketing and Communications, and Editor of this magazine. After giving us more than 20 years of service, Marilyn is retiring at the end of June. She will be greatly missed by our staff and board alike. We wish her all the best!

The next big thing is the new date for the 10th anniversary of The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™. Celebrate with us on June 15 for all the fun detailed in the centerfold of this issue, and, as always, let us know how we're doing.

On our cover: From the main stage at The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™. Join the fun on Saturday, June 15.

Steve

Steve Lorenz
Executive Director

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Around the Corners

Highly anticipated, **The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™** draws crowds of neighborhood residents, visitors, and tourists who enjoy this annual opportunity to savor food, entertainment, and offerings from West Park. This year, join us on Saturday, June 15. Celebrate on Lorain Avenue east of Rocky River Drive from noon until 8 p.m. Read about the entertainment, booths, and more on page 10. The event map appears in the centerfold of this magazine.

Kamm's Corners Farmers Market celebrates its 13th season this summer, re-opening on Sunday, June 9, and continues every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the municipal parking lot behind **Walgreens** at West 168th Street and Albers Avenue. See page 14 for details. The free Perennial Exchange takes place on Sunday, June 16 from 10 a.m. until noon. Bring your perennials to trade with others. Keep their roots watered for easy replanting. The exchange is a no-cost way to freshen up your garden.

Here's a big shout out to **Carol and John's Comic Book Shop**, 17462 Lorain Avenue, on another successful **Free Comic Book Day**. "We had a record year for sales, which really helps with the sustainability of the event," said owner **John Dudas**. Art from the associated comic book art show will continue to be displayed at the shop and will be available for purchase.

Puritas Nursery, 19201 Puritas Avenue, is Cleveland's last growing greenhouse of flowers and vegetables. Stop by for sincere, personal attention, and gardening advice you can trust from owner Dale Heyink and his staff of experts. Call 216-267-5350 for information.

All are invited to the next **West Park Neighbor Night**, taking place on Wednesday, June 12, at the **West Park United Church of Christ**, 3909 Rocky River Drive. It's a high-energy monthly gathering that brings a diverse network of neighbors together to share information, connect

with, and support one another. Dinner will be provided. The meeting starts at 6 p.m.

The Horizon Education Center, 13850 Triskett Road (at the Rapid Transit Station), is now open for child care, preschool programs, summer camp, and after-school for school-aged children. Call 216-230-4432 for enrollment details.

The **Colleen DeCrane Family Foundation** invites all to their **20th Annual Golf Outing and Pig Roast** at **Bob-o-Link Golf Course**, 4141 Center Road in Avon, on Saturday, June 1. There will be door prizes, a raffle, high score prizes, tasty food, great fun, and good friends! Food includes coffee and donuts, a boxed lunch, a huge rib and barbecued chicken dinner, pig roast, pop, water, and beer. A ticket also gets you 18 holes of golf and a cart for \$95 in advance and \$100 on the event day. For additional information, email: info@colleendecranefoundation.org.

Remember that **Ace Hardware**, 3780 Rocky River Drive in **Kamms Plaza**, offers a complete garden center, certified Weber grill sales and repairs, fishing and hunting licenses, and more. Call 216-251-4223 for more information.

Reserve the third Friday of June, July, and August for an evening of games, art, and prizes that ends under the stars with a family friendly movie all at Impett Park, 3180 West 153rd Street. Newly named "**Lawn Chair Cinema**," bring your lawn chairs or blankets! The fun begins at 6:30 p.m. It's free, thanks to our sponsors **Cleveland Clinic Fairview Hospital** and **Cuyahoga Arts & Culture**. See story on page 6.

Kamm's Corners Ice Cream Company beckons you to 3764 Rocky River Drive in **Kamms Plaza**, offering homemade ice cream, sweet treats, and more! It's a bright and happy place to hold a child's birthday party or other special event! Call 216-417-4382 to schedule.

West Park United Church of Christ, 3909 Rocky River Drive, serves a community meal from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Bartter Hall, on the last Sunday of every month, free of charge. All are welcome. Come through the rear entrance off the parking lot.

Look inside the May edition of **Cleveland Magazine** for a section that focuses on Cleveland neighborhoods. West Park is featured on pages 10 and 25.

The **West Park Kiwanis Club** is already gearing up for the annual **Kamm's Corners Independence Day Parade**. It takes place on Thursday, July 4, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Plan to watch or participate! See details about that event and also a newly planned steak and chop roast on page 9.

West Park Discovery World, 3909 Rocky River Drive, is accepting applications for their fall programs. Learn more about this excellent preschool, which has been operating here since 1986. Call 216-671-7229 or visit discoveryworldwp.com. Be sure to visit their booth at The Hooley.™

Meet the police officers serving our community. Attend the **Cleveland Police First District Community Relations** meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held at **Saint Ignatius of Antioch Church**, 10205 Lorain Avenue.

Keep the kids engaged throughout the summer. Many activities are offered at the **West Park Branch of the Cleveland Library**, 3805 West 157th Street. Call 216-623-7102 for more information about programs for the kids and the entire family. See them at The Hooley.™

Northeast Ohio's only foreign language immersion school is at 13442 Lorain Avenue. **Global Ambassadors Language Academy** (GALA) is a tuition-free opportunity offering Mandarin or Spanish language immersion classes. Enrollment is underway for K-2. For more information, visit gala-prek8.org.

West Park Massotherapy, 4168 Rocky River Drive, has added additional Zumba workouts and dance classes. You can attend a free demo session of Zumbini, the ultimate bonding experience for mother and child through age 6, on June 11 at 10 a.m. Call 216-671-6080 for details.

Save the weekend of Friday, July 19 through Monday, July 22 for the **37th Annual Cleveland Irish Cultural Festival**, taking place at the **Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds**

in Berea. Tickets are \$12 per person per day with a discount for multi-day purchases. Children under 10 gain free admittance. Parking is free. For more information, visit clevelandirish.org.

Congratulations to the **Cleveland International Film Festival** on breaking attendance records again this year, with 105,839 attendees and \$156,249 in Challenge Match donations! Once again, KCDC is proud to have been among its neighborhood outreach partners.

Attention all local artists and crafters! An arts and crafts walk is being planned for Saturday, July 20, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tables will be set up on the outside patios at **Back Stage Bar** and **West Park Station**. Call Michele at 216-533-0892 or email mc16wps@yahoo.com for an application.

A 50's themed "**Christmas in July**" is slated for Friday, July 26! Wear your best 50's get-up, and enjoy fun under a big tent in the parking lot at **Kamms Plaza**. This third annual event features musical entertainment, children's crafts, raffles, and prizes for the best 50's costume. See the color ad on page 15 and the article on page 29 for details.

Save the dates! **West Park Walk on Wednesdays** (West Park WOW) is a walking program that kicks off on the evening of May 22, and then continues on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month throughout the summer. See the details on page 8.

Come hungry for the 3rd Annual "**Wing it with the Y**" fundraiser on Saturday, June 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. at West Park Station, 17015 Lorain Avenue. Proceeds benefit the **West Park Family YMCA's** Annual Campaign, which provides scholarships to those who can't afford a membership. Tickets are \$20 for all-you-can-eat pizza, pasta, boneless wings, and a variety of beverages. Call 216-941-5410 for details.

To keep up with neighborhood news between quarterly issues of Kamm's Corners Magazine, sign up to receive neighborhood news updates and occasional special reports from our e-newsletter. We publish twice a month. Visit kammscorners.com for the link. You may also follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter @KammsCorners.

Councilman's Corner

... by Councilman Marty Keane

News from Ward 17 and City Hall



Dear Neighbor:

The spring issue of this magazine means we made it through winter and The Hooley™ is right around the corner. Many of you already know that The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™ has a new date. Mid-May proved to be too risky with the weather and when a June date became available, we jumped at the chance to host the Hooley™ on June 15 this year. That means you have more time to tell your friends and neighbors to meet you on Lorain Avenue from noon to 8 p.m. that day. A great music lineup and festival foods will be accompanied by beautiful sunny skies as we kick-off a fun-filled summer.

The Hooley™ is featured in this issue along with several other special neighborhood happenings throughout the next few months. KCDC does a great job at promoting events throughout the City via social media platforms. Please follow them, and, as always, your feedback is especially important. KCDC has made great strides in outreach and promotion based on feedback from all of you. Please let them know what you'd like to see or what you're most interested in as we continue to publish valuable content for our friends and neighbors.

While the spring brings special events, it is also the time that we see potholes everywhere. The Division of Streets has been out and will continue to address potholes throughout our neighborhoods. Your reporting of potholes is encouraged and appreciated by calling 216-664-2510 or my office at 216-664-4239. We are continuing to discuss the residential resurfacing program for Ward 17. Obviously we all know the need is great and resources are finite. I've been discussing our mid-major streets with the Administration since last year at this time. While not fully resolved as of yet, I hope to finalize the discussion shortly to get the resurfacing program underway for 2019.

With some sadness, I acknowledge that this is Marilyn Osborne's final magazine for KCDC as she enters retirement. She has made tremendous contributions as the editor of this magazine for more than 20 years. Congratulations to Marilyn on making this magazine what it is today. Her passion and attention to detail has been evident in every single edition – and always with a smile! Thank you, Marilyn, for your years of service to this great community!

On a similar note, I cannot send acknowledgements without noting the retirement of two of the most influential people in the history of Saint Patrick's Church, West Park. Father Jim Ols and Maureen Mountcastle will both be retiring this June. Father Jim answered the call when his home Parish needed him most. Thank you for your unwavering support of our Parish and our community. Mrs. Mountcastle can never leave Saint Pat's. For 43 years, Maureen has performed every task ever asked and some she felt compelled to just do. Most recently as Parish Secretary but also, notably, along with Mr. Mountcastle, started the Saint Pat's Hunger Center many years ago. Born and raised in Saint Pat's, Maureen's indelible mark on this important Parish, neighborhood, community, and much more can never be erased. I ask all of West Park to join me in thanking Father Jim Ols and Maureen Mountcastle for a job well done! God bless you both, and may you have great health and happiness in your well deserved retirement!

Finally, please take note that the kids will be getting out of school soon and will be out playing once again. Please take extra care on the side streets and around our wonderful parks. That's where they'll be. Always remember to shop locally and support those small business that make us who we are.

All the Best!

Marty Keane

Our Outdoor Movie Event Returns on June 21 With a New Name

Now in its 16th season, our always fun outdoor movie event offers a fantastic menu of family-friendly films. Admission is FREE. Movies begin at dusk on the third Fridays of June, July, and August. Concessions are available.

Newly named "Lawn Chair Cinema," to better reflect the grassy setting, the event calls for bringing your lawn chairs or blankets to stake a spot on the lawn in front of a giant inflated screen. No need to wait patiently for the movie, because the fun begins at 6:30 p.m., while dusk falls over Impett Park, 3180 West 153rd Street. The evening's events are free, thanks to our sponsor Cleveland Clinic Fairview Hospital.

Kids are invited to try creative games of chance and skill for small

prizes – all provided by local merchants and organizations. A ring toss, pin the tail on the doggy, hula-hoops, and more will keep the kids engaged. Two contests with prizes for boys vs. girls is planned and also one GIANT game at each movie night.

In August, a City of Cleveland Safety Fair is planned for the area adjacent to the parking lot from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Meet law enforcement officers and representatives. Walk through the smoke house and get up close and personal with a fire truck, motorcycle, and bomb squad truck. Pick up giveaways and information from city departments.

In addition to games, there will be art activities and everyone will be invited to dance and sing with the help of DJ Kenny G, starting at 7:30 p.m. Draw characters from the featured



film and win a prize! The artistic portion of Lawn Chair Cinema is supported by the residents of Cuyahoga County through a public grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture.

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Looking Back While Saying Goodbye

...by Marilyn Osborne

When I joined Kamm's Corners Development Corporation in 1997, most visible was my role as editor of Kamm's Corners Magazine. Back then, the magazine was completely black and white, 24-pages long, and published three times a year: spring, summer, and fall. One of my first articles was about the new playground equipment at Drakefield Park. It was also the cover story. Since then, I've edited 79 issues and written countless articles, often interviewing many vibrant and interesting neighborhood people.

Over the years, the magazine has won awards for excellence, including recognition from the Neighborhood & Community Press Association of Greater Cleveland. It also won an Excellence in Neighborhood Marketing award from Neighborhood Progress Inc., Cleveland Neighborhood Development Coalition, and LiveCLEVELAND. "Kamm's Corners Magazine is widely regarded as the best print publication produced by any Community Development Corporation," said the presenter.

In 2006, color was added to the front and back pages. In 2008, the magazine grew to 28 pages and a winter issue was added, making the magazine quarterly. In that issue, it gained a new color center of four more pages, growing to 32 pages. That first 4-page color center section featured before and after photos of storefronts that benefited from the Storefront Renovation Program. The last big change came when the centerfold grew to 8 pages for the now 36-page spring issue, featuring The Hooley on Kamm's Corners.™ The centerfold for the large spring issue contains a map of the The Hooley footprint. The other color pages allow extra room for our advertisers to take a color spot to help support The Hooley™.



Marilyn Osborne

Without our advertisers, there would be no magazine! Please continue to give them your business. A few have been with us since the magazine's early days, and I'd like to acknowledge them: Cleveland Clinic/Fairview Hospital, Casey O'Connor DDS, Chamber's Funeral Home, Kamm's Corners Auto Body, Kamm's Corners Chiropractic, Kamms Plaza, Practical Financial Planning, Kevin O'Malley, Joe Rutkowski, Puritas Nursery, West Park Dental, West Park Lutheran School, and West Park Station rarely miss an issue.

I also wish to acknowledge Joe Outlaw. From the day I started, he has played a key role in editing, designing, and typesetting every magazine and getting it to press and out to our readers!

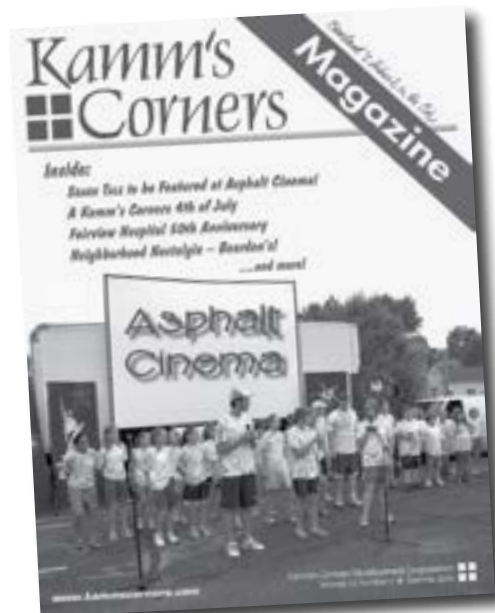
When I joined KCDC way back when, the internet was barely underway. The only domain available was dot com, so we snapped up *kammscorners.com*. and became one of the first Cleveland community development non-profits to own a webpage. Following the internet came interconnected office computers and individual telephone extensions. Hard to believe now, but back then we all shared one phone number and had only two lines coming into the office. There were no separate extensions.

I could recite a litany of changes in the duties, title, and scope of my work! The most pleasing constant has been to play a role in helping the community continue to thrive and improve! As a team member of KCDC, I have most enjoyed working every day with those who inspired me and made my job easier. Although I'm looking forward to retirement, I feel a bit of sadness that I won't be part of KCDC any longer. At the same time, I will continue to treasure the many friendships I have developed with colleagues, residents, and business owners who have been with me on this long, pleasant journey.

As I move on to new endeavors, I wish all of you every success for a bright future!



The Summer 1997 issue introduced Marilyn as our Managing Editor.



The Asphalt Cinema first appeared on our Summer 2005 cover.



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GardenWalk Cleveland takes place the weekend of July 13 and 14, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. This is a free, self-guided tour of more than 200 private neighborhood gardens within Cleveland's city limits. Its purpose is to invite people to connect through the love of gardens.

West Park's first foray with GardenWalk in 2015 was a great success! And, in a repeat performance last year, even more gardeners showcased their handiwork to neighbors and people from all over the city, county, and state! About a dozen people from other countries toured the gardens as well. Last summer's event attracted upwards of 2,000+ guests over the course of the weekend!

Once again, West Park is excited to participate in the walk. And, just like last year, the neighborhoods will be split between the two days. Saturday, July 13, will feature gardens in West Park, Old Brooklyn, and Detroit Shoreway. Then, on Sunday, July 14, gardens in Little Italy, Fairfax, Collinwood, and Broadway Slavic Village will be shown. That way, those hosting tours of their own gardens will have an opportunity to visit gardens in the other neighborhoods.

Garden hosts do not have to be present, but most enjoy showing off the results of their passionate vision as hours of pruning, shaping, and planting result in a certain natural magic. And, they like talking with their visitors.

The neighborhoods chosen each year vary, so West Park may not be on the tour in 2020. Therefore, if you want to participate, visit gardenwalkcleveland.org to see whether there are gardens already on the tour near you. Then you can apply to join that cluster. Or you may want to start your own cluster by getting your friends and neighbors involved. It's always best to get several gardens near each other, since people like to park and walk to as many gardens as they can before driving to the next area.

Participating is a great social way to meet new neighbors and friends while sharing your little bit of paradise with the community. If you would like to be involved this year as a gardener or volunteer for the event, email or call David Horneck at dhorneck1@gmail.com or 216-543-4277. Please consider volunteering and donating. Although this is a free public event, it still takes many thousands of dollars to produce.

Update on The VIP Inn

...by Ben Campbell

I recently paid a visit to check in with The VIP Inn. As you may recall, it has been about a year and a half since The VIP owners completed a building project using the City of Cleveland's Storefront Renovation Program to add storefront windows to the facade, a new sign, and a covered outdoor patio with landscaping. The owners have continued to upgrade the business with renovations to the bathrooms, especially the women's restroom, and recently worked with Puritas Nursery to enhance the landscaping.

Asked what changes she has seen since the completion of the renovation, co-owner Debbie Lowry replied they are seeing many new faces, particularly younger clientele, and business is up by about 50% over pre-renovation levels. Part of the surge in sales has been a significant increase in event bookings—weddings, birthdays, and retirement parties.

They also continue to tweak their menu. In addition to the bar menu of appetizers, wings, and sandwiches, they have starting offering "home cookin' specials" on Tuesdays and Thursdays that have included meatloaf, city chicken, Salisbury steak, and meatball lasagna. A prime rib special offered on a recent Friday night was a sold-out success. They are also trying out Sunday brunch with a Bloody Mary bar as they prepare for the upcoming Cleveland Browns football season.

What she would tell someone considering to participate in the Storefront Renovation Program? She didn't hesitate. "I would recommend that they do it in a heartbeat. The investment pays off, and we think it is one of the best things we have done for our business."

For more information about booking an event or food specials, call The VIP at 216-476-2411 or visit their Facebook page. For more information about the Storefront Renovation Program, call me at 216-252-6559, Ext. 1200.



West Park Kiwanis Independence Day Parade

On July 4, 1968, a troop of Cub Scouts paraded down several West Park sidewalks. The following year, they were joined by local Boy Scouts. Eventually their annual parade grew so large that help was needed. That's when the West Park Kiwanis Club stepped in. Under the leadership of a popular Kamm's Corners merchant, Howard Schreibman, the parade moved from side streets onto the middle of Lorain Avenue. Now in its 32nd year under Kiwanis leadership, the annual Kamm's Corners Independence Day Parade is bigger than ever! In 2019, it takes place on Thursday, July 4, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Applications are being accepted now. Plan to watch the parade – or participate with your community organization.



Brass bands, costumed characters, community groups, local celebrities, and area merchants are all welcome! Download an application at westparkkiwanis.org or call Herb Hampson at 216-287-3871 to have one mailed to you. Before June 20, the registration fee is \$70, except local non-profit organizations pay \$35. After June 20, the registration fee is \$100 for all. Don't delay!

In addition to gearing up for the parade, the club is planning a fundraising roast, featuring your choice of either a 12-ounce steak or 12-ounce pork chop, salad, vegetable, baked potato, dessert, and beverage. The event takes place at the Cretan Banquet Center, 3853 West 168th Street on Saturday, June 22, from 4 to 8 p.m. All money raised will be used for West Park projects. Please contact Cliff LaRocque at 216-319-1309 for reservations, which must be paid in advance by June 15. See the ad on page 17.

Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs Warns Residents of Tax Lien Scams

The Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs warns residents about scam mailings that threaten people with seizure of their property, Social Security benefits, and tax refunds.

"This is just another effort by impostors to shake down people who have experienced financial difficulty," said Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs Director Sheryl Harris. The letter may target people who owe back taxes.

In some mailings, it appears the county is threatening seizure. In others, the sender poses as the State of Ohio. In all versions of the letter, recipients are urged to call a toll-free number to get instructions for making a payment.

Use these tips to avoid impostor scams:

- Don't panic. Threats that you will be arrested, or your property or accounts will be seized unless you make a same-day payment are scams.
- Verify phone numbers. Never call a number provided to you by someone who is threatening you. Use a verified number to contact a government agency if you're worried you might owe. The Ohio Department of Taxation can be reached at 1-800-282-1780. The Cuyahoga County Treasury Tax Services Department can be reached at 216-443-7420.
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Cuyahoga County residents who received or responded to this mailing are encouraged to file a complaint with the Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs at 216-443-7035 or online at consumeraffairs.cuyahogacounty.us.

The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™ Returns Saturday, June 15

All are welcome to West Park for our festive homecoming celebration! In Ireland “hooley” is a word for a lively gathering. In Cleveland, The Hooley™ is an annual day-long block party. On Saturday, June 15, from noon to 8 p.m., The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™ brings live music, tasty food, engaging entertainment, unique art, and plenty of family fun to Lorain Avenue from West 165th Street to Rocky River Drive. Moved this year from mid May to mid June, it is THE place to be on a day that is a treat for the senses! Restaurants open their patios, kids gather to play games or create art, booths line both sides of the street, and music fills the air as the street takes on a joyful atmosphere.

“So many people's lives have intersected with the neighborhood that we think of The Hooley™ as West Park's homecoming celebration,” says Steve Lorenz, Executive Director of Kamm's Corners Development Corporation. “We're inviting past and current residents to come together and enjoy, or in many cases rediscover, this amazing city neighborhood.”

There is no charge to attend this event produced by Kamm's Corners Development Corporation with presenting sponsor Cleveland Clinic Fairview Hospital. It started as a celebration of the new streetscape installed 12 years ago. It remains a highlight of the year in West Park, a neighborhood that once was predominantly Irish and still celebrates its Irish roots.



The Hooley™ on Kamm's Corners

The opening ceremony begins at noon on the main stage at Rocky River Drive, facing east on Lorain Avenue. In order of appearance, performing are: The Pipes and Drums of the Cleveland Police, The Kilroys, the Wallace Coleman Band, Monica Robins Ninja Cowboys, Cleveland Firefighters Memorial Pipes and Drums, Monica Robins Ninja Cowboys (again), and The Front.

The Family Stage at West 165th Street, sponsored by Dollar Bank, will provide entertainment appealing to a younger crowd. Irish dancers from four dance schools will perform, each showcasing their distinctive style. Appearing will be: Burke School of Irish Dance, Brady Campbell Irish Dance School, Leneghan Academy of Irish Dance, and Cannon Irish Dance.

Other acts include juggling by John Flower and performances by the West Side Irish American Club Pipe Band, and Tri C Rock Off favorites 2 Seconds to the Basement and Category 5.

Andrew McManus will perform Irish ballads, and for the younger set, enjoy a Frozen sing-along with Elsa and Anna!

Nearby will be the Family Entertainment area on West 168th Street, featuring a thirty-foot tall fire truck slide, and several new bounce

houses. The always-popular pop-a-shot returns, too.

Indulge in a variety of Hooley™ offerings from food vendors, including pierogies, philly cheesesteaks, pizza, bratwurst sandwiches, chicken gyros, pulled pork, kettle corn, ice cream, and freshly squeezed lemonade. Come hungry! All the restaurants will be open, too.

Look for handmade arts and crafts at the booths that line Lorain Avenue, too. Bring a tote bag for your purchases of unique items, including clothing, jewelry, toys, home decor, Irish-themed gifts, accessories, and more.

Please join the thousands who visit for a great day of entertainment, food, and family friendly fun.

In addition to the generosity of Cleveland Clinic Fairview Hospital and aforementioned sponsors, The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™ is made possible with support from its vendors, the City of Cleveland, Cleveland City Council, Kamm's Corners Farmers Market, Only in Clev, Neighborhood Family Practice, and the residents of Cuyahoga County through a public grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture.

See the color centerfold for an event map and stage schedules. Follow us on social media for all the latest news about The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™.

Parking information:

- Parking will be at a premium. Visitors are encouraged to walk, Uber, or take public transportation to the event.
- Fairview Hospital has agreed to open their surface lots on Lorain Avenue to visitors for the day at no charge. These lots are on both sides of Lorain Avenue, west of Citizens Bank and Kamms Plaza.
- Parking at Kamms Plaza is reserved for patrons of those stores. Please do not park there if you are attending The Hooley™.

You may be towed!

Please remember, the consumption of alcohol will be permitted only within the taverns and restaurants and their associated patios. Alcohol may not be consumed on the street or brought to The Hooley™.

Details on New Performers on the Main Stage

What do you think of when you hear The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™? Maybe you think of the the fabulous Irish dancers from four different schools. And, they are a big part of the entertainment on the family stage. You might also think of local Irish bands, and you'd be correct. But each year, our Hooley line-up grows in diversity and quality as thousands of people from across the community gather in the heart of Kamm's Corners to celebrate its heritage and embrace other musical styles.

This year features an outstanding lineup of musical acts and a variety of performers of many genres. Among those is Wallace Coleman, a self-taught musician and West Park resident, who played the harmonica on his breaks at work. One day, a co-worker brought his cousin to the jobsite to hear Coleman



*Internationally acclaimed blues musician
Wallace Coleman.*

play. That meeting sparked a year-long pairing with Cleveland's Guitar Slim at the Cascade Lounge, and the discovery of this authentic Blues venue nestled in his new Cleveland hometown.

It was there that Coleman caught the ear of "Robert Junior" Lockwood, a famous American Delta blues guitarist who had heard about him and had come to hear him play. Lockwood called Coleman over and, on the spot,

offered him a position in his band. A flattered Coleman said he had about a year to work before reaching retirement, and he would contact Lockwood then. And, after marking 31 years with Cleveland's Hough Bakeries, as promised, within the year he called Lockwood.

Thus, at the age of 51, Wallace Coleman closed the door on one career and stepped into the next: that of professional musician. The Wallace Coleman Band now travels internationally to rave reviews! Hear him live on our main stage at 2 p.m.

Another act to catch is Monica Robins Ninja Cowboys, performing at 4 p.m. and again at 5 p.m., as the Cleveland Firefighters Memorial Pipes and Drums rouse the crowd from 4:45 to 5 p.m. with their traditional Irish flair.

The Ninja Cowboys came together to meet the rising demand for contemporary country music. They play everyday favorites along with the classic anthems and standards that will make the crowd break out in line dancing.

They are comprised of lead singer Monica Robins of WKYC Channel 3 News. "I've dabbled in several different types of music including pop, bluegrass, blues, alt, and acoustic. With this band, the positive energy of our fans is contagious and keeps me coming back for more."

Other band members include Southern rock based musician Sid Solomon on Guitar, Jim Bacha the global touring professional on bass, Jim McShane showing his multi-dimensional playing on keys, and Deke Kumler holding it all together on the drum kit. Come out and see how rockin' country music can be!

Do you prefer Rock-n-Roll? The Front is a classic rock band from Cleveland, that played Northeast Ohio from 1985 to 2000. They reunited in 2012 to the delight of their many fans. They'll be playing at The Hooley™ from 6 p.m. to closing. High energy classic rock and pop from the 70's and 80's, features theatric stage props and some great songs nobody else covers yet everybody knows and loves.

Irish Dance and More Draws Big Crowds at the Family Stage

Join the crowd of Irish dance enthusiasts gathered around the Family Stage at the 10th annual The Hooley on Kamm's Corners™. While the event itself kicks off at noon with opening ceremonies on the Main Stage, action is also taking place at the east end of Lorain Avenue on the Family Stage.

From junior jiggers to teen leapers, Irish dancers entertain throughout the day at West 165th Street on the Family Stage sponsored by Dollar Bank. Four schools of Irish dance will each showcase their distinctive style, some with colorful costumes and ringlet wigs. At 1 p.m. The Burke School of Irish Dance opens with prize-winning



dancers from the Irish step dancing tradition. Founder Theresa Burke is a member of the Irish Dance Hall of Fame with more than 50 years of success teaching Irish dance.

Then Brady Campbell Irish Dance School jumps on stage at 3 p.m. Under the tutelage of two veteran performers of Michael Flatley's "Lord of the Dance," these student dancers excel in a wide range of styles and include performers as young as four years old. Some have gone on to win numerous regional, national, and world medals, including the World Irish Dance Championships in Dublin, Ireland, considered the Olympics of Irish dance.

"Our instruction includes the modern form of traditional Irish dance, jazzed up with a flamboyant burst of

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Riverdance,” said Patrick Campbell, who founded the school with his wife, fellow Flatley alumna Rebecca Brady-Campbell.

At 4:45 p.m. the Leneghan Academy of Irish Dance fills the stage with high energy performances by students who compete worldwide with poise and style. Burke School alumna Catherine Leneghan founded the school in 1992.

At 6 p.m. Cannon Irish Dance showcases the traditional dances of their Irish heritage. Their graceful and energetic movement with good timing, pointed toes, and high kicks brings a thrill to the audience!

In addition to Irish dancing, the Family Stage features a Frozen Sing-a-Long with Elsa and Anna, followed by an interlude of pipes and drums performed on the ground by the West Side Irish American Club Pipe Band. At 3:30 p.m. Andrew McManus sings ballads and Irish folk songs. Also performing are finalists of the Cuyahoga Community College High School Rock-off: 2 Seconds to the Basement and Category 5.

Bring the family, visit the booths, enjoy the concessions, and find a seat to take in a variety of excellent Family Stage performances.

West Park Walk on Wednesdays Returned May 22



WALK ON WEDNESDAYS

Returning for the second year in a row is a summer program called “West Park Walk on Wednesdays” (West Park WOW). A free raffle for a West Park WOW T-shirt takes place at each walk. No need to register. Simply show up!

This year, it kicked off the evening of May 22, at 6:30 p.m. and continues at the same time on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month throughout the summer. Ross Bassett, President of the West Park Historical Society led the first walk beginning at Peace, Love and Little Donuts, 3786 Rocky River Drive. Ross shared information and answered questions on the walk to 5 Points Coffee & Tea, 3600 West Park Road.

Our next walk will be led by Steve Lorenz, Executive Director of KCDC. The walk begins at the KCDC Office, 17407 Lorain Avenue, on June 12. Come upstairs to Suite 200A.

Ongoing information about upcoming walks can be found at kammscorners.com as well as in our e-newsletter. Join us!



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West Park's Post Offices

...by Gary Swilik

The U.S. Post Office was established in 1775 when West Park was still a nameless wilderness. Exactly where our very first post office was located is uncertain due to scarce records and changing boundaries. One of our earliest post offices – possibly our first – was located at Oswald Kamm's general store at the southwest corner of Rocky River Drive and Lorain Avenue. Mr. Kamm was appointed local postmaster by President Grover Cleveland in 1886.

Kamm's post office and store became a landmark. Outgoing mail bore the postmark "Kamms Ohio." Among Mr. Kamm's duties was a daily trip to the train station in present Rocky River, Ohio, to pick up the mail. Reportedly he made the trek on foot, hiking down into the valley, across the river, and up the opposite bank. He retraced his steps for the return trip.

How did Oswald Kamm, more than 40 years old, make such a journey every day – five rugged miles – and still have energy to run his store? History provides no answer. Maybe that wasn't considered much of a hike in those days. Or perhaps Mr. Kamm was in great shape. In any case, Kamm's Store was still serving as a post office as late as 1911. And a branch of the U.S. Post Office remained open at Kamm's Corners, at a different location, until it was closed in a cost-cutting move in 2011.

By 1898, another post office had opened on the south side of Lorain Avenue beside the New York Central railroad tracks near the present West Park Rapid Station. This was probably the first official "West Park post office." In 2007, Addie Feuchter Snell, then 93 years old, told the author, "My father had the post office on Lorain Avenue near the West 143rd Street tracks for a while. He took the money home at night because there was no place to safely store it at the post office."

In 1925, the West Park branch of the U.S. Post Office moved to a newly constructed building at 3312 West 117th Street, just north of Lorain Avenue. This post office was in operation until 1936 but stood for many years afterward. It was later home to an Ohio State Liquor store and the Velvet Rail Billiards Parlor. In 1984 it became part of the Tony's Diner complex known as Mr. Z's Deli and Lounge. It was torn down in June 1998.

In 1936 the West Park post office moved into the building most remember at 13101 Lorain Avenue. Officially called West Park Station, this new \$83,000 facility opened on February 15, 1936, and operated for 54 years before closing in 1990. The site is now occupied by CVS Pharmacy.

Construction on our current post office, tucked away in the back parking lot of the West Park rapid station on Lorain Avenue, began in 1988. The building opened to the public in the spring of 1990 and will likely serve West Park for many years.



Oswald Kamm's store, at the southwest corner of Lorain Avenue and Rocky River Drive, was one of West Park's earliest post offices. Photo circa 1900.

This envelope, bearing the postmark, "Kamms Ohio," was mailed from the post office in Oswald Kamm's store on June 12, 1890. Courtesy of Ralph A. Pfingsten.



The West Park post office at 3312 West 117th Street was in operation from 1925-1936. In 1984 it became part of Mr. Z's Deli and Lounge. It was razed in 1998. Gary Swilik Collection.

The post office at 13101 Lorain Avenue served West Park from 1936 to 1990. Courtesy of Ross E. Bassett.



This tiny branch of the U.S. Post Office, Kamm's Station, 3786 Rocky River Drive, was open in the 1950's and early 1960's in one-half of a small commercial building. Kamm's Station later moved into nearby Kamms Plaza shopping center. Gary Swilik Collection.

Our current post office, West Park Station, in the parking lot at the West Park rapid station. February 23, 2017.





Kamm's Corners Farmers Market

Now entering its 13th season, Kamm's Corners Farmers Market (KCFM) is a popular gathering place for our community, thanks to the local farmers, artisan food vendors, and enthusiastic shoppers who keep this market alive and thriving each summer. Be there with us! The fun starts on opening day, Sunday, June 9, and continues every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. through October 13, in the freshly renovated municipal parking lot at West 168th Street and Albers Avenue, behind Walgreens on Lorain Avenue in the heart of the Kamm's Corners entertainment district.

Visiting KCFM on summer Sundays offers a chance to pick up a bounty of fruits and vegetables at the peak of perfection, grown locally. It also provides an opportunity to enjoy live music, watch a cooking demonstration, pick up an interesting piece of art, and pass the time in a friendly crowd.

Shop outdoors in the fresh air with the wind on your face and the sun on your skin as you talk to the farmers about what they're growing. Many offer samples to taste right on the spot! Choose your favorites and leave with a great memory of the farmer you met.

New vendors this year include Crow's Produce and Catering, offering heirloom tomatoes in season along with various vegetables and fruits. Rust Belt Roastery will sell whole bean coffee, hot coffee, and cold brew coffee. Randy's Pickles take on a whole new twist with Sideburns Grilled Pickles, among the bread-n-butter, spicy dills, and mustache-on-fire dills. See the vendor list below.

On opening day, Great Lakes Sprouts will have various microgreens, perfect for salads. Meats, cheeses, eggs, pasta, bread and pastry, scented soaps, olive oil, and everything in-between will be available, too. Later, when they ripen, vegetables and fruits will be plentiful. Some of the farmers offer organic produce, and others offer hormone-free, naturally raised meats. Whether from as close as a mile away to dozens of miles away, virtually all of the goods are from Northern Ohio and are grown or made by the vendors themselves.

Another new vendor this summer is Hatfield's Most Wanted, a food truck operated by Hatfield's Goode Grub, 16700 Lorain Avenue, offering a variety of southern goodies. Ice cream will be available, too, including treats, bars, and sandwiches.

Looking Ahead to our 13th Season!

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Each market Sunday, KCFM visitors enjoy live musical entertainment from locally famous and sometimes internationally famous artists. Dozens of talented singers and musicians perform throughout the season, showcasing a variety of musical styles. A list is available at kc-fm.org. Twice each summer, local troubadour Alex Bevan entertains at the market.

Catch a cooking demonstration on our demo cart at 11:30 a.m. by notable chefs showcasing their talent. Many utilize produce from the market's vendors, demonstrating what can be done with the great fresh produce available that day.

Also this summer, a "Healthy Living" feature will be offered. Local experts will share practical tips on heart health and easy dietary improvements. Free blood pressure checks will be given along with other easily done screenings right on the spot. As always, the farmers market will host a free Perennial Exchange the second market (June 16) and the second-last market (October 6). Dig and bring some perennial plants or flowers to share or trade. It's a great way to change-up your garden.

So, grab your shopping bags and head over to the municipal lot at West 168th Street and Albers Avenue every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Leashed dogs are welcome. If you have children, bring them, too. Even the pickiest eaters may be more apt to try something new if they see it displayed by the farmer.

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*For more information about the market, call market manager
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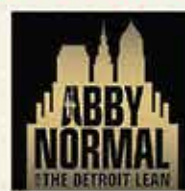
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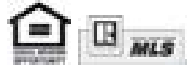
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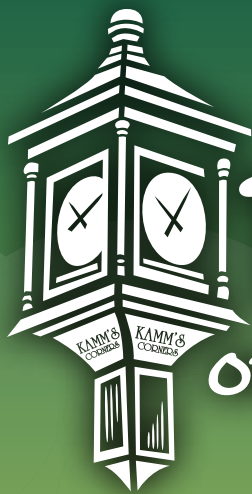
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- 12:15 The Pipes and Drums of the Cleveland Police
- 12:30 The Kilroys
- 2:00 The Wallace Coleman Band
- 4:00 Monica Robins Ninja Cowboys
- 4:45 Cleveland Firefighters Memorial
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- 5:00 Monica Robins Ninja Cowboys
- 6:00 The Front

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- 1:30 Frozen Sing A Long with Elsa and Anna
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Community West Foundation announces the release of their 2018 Annual Report. The theme chosen is from the words of poet Kahlil Gibran, "Work Is Love Made Visible" and captures the sheer joy and privilege the board and staff feel about the work they engage in at Community West Foundation. These words are certainly alive, active, and abundant in the Foundation's activities.

**Work
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The Foundation shared \$2.1 million in grants that helped 53 local organizations providing for the most basic of necessities helping our neighbors who hunger for food, shelter, health care, emergency assistance, and love. The impact can be seen and felt throughout the city. An additional \$1.5 million supported the valuable work of Fairview and Lutheran Hospitals. There is no greater gift to our community than to restore the spirit of hope to those who need it most.

Community West received great support and opportunities from a wonderful community of people. The Foundation raised \$4.2 million, a reminder that people value the Foundation's mission and believe in their work. It is clear that donors are impressive in their loyalty, longevity, and love for this wonderful west-side Foundation.

The Foundation's important work is strengthened by the efforts of its board, donors, partners, and grantees all helping to address the needs of our community. We are all so fortunate to live in a community where wonderful individuals and organizations embrace the idea of philanthropy.

Learn more about the Foundation's inspiring work, and you too will be moved to join in and make your love and service visible to others. Visit communitywestfoundation.org to read about the 2018 highlights and the power of partnerships.

Celebrating Summer Solstice

Celebrate Summer Solstice with River's Edge, 3430 Rocky River Drive. Enjoy a gentle yoga class on their beautiful wooded grounds. Join everyone around the campfire afterward for Taizé, a service of simple chants, prayer, drumming, and meditative silence.

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River's Edge fosters the integration of personal wellness, spirituality, global and ecological responsibility, and expanding consciousness in order to bring about personal and societal transformation.

Run for the Arts

Saint Mark Catholic School is holding its 19th Annual Run for the Arts on June 1. Funds raised from this benefit are used to provide art, band, and drama programs for the students.

The 1-mile Walk/Fun Run run begins at 9 a.m. at Saint Mark School, 15724 Montrose Avenue, and threads through the lovely neighborhoods of West Park. Participants may download a registration form at stmarkwestpark.com or register online at peaceracing.com. Race registration is \$15 in advance and \$20 on race day.

Immediately following the race, an Art Festival features art displays and performances by the talented students of Saint Mark. There will also be crafts to make, raffles, and fun summer refreshments



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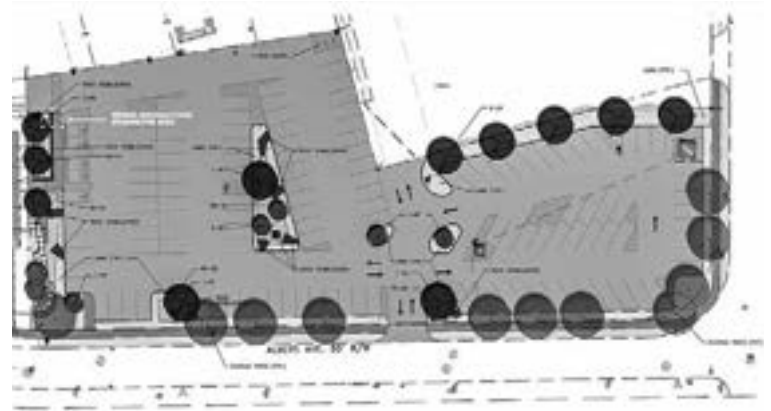
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City Parking Lot Project Update

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Started in early April, construction is nearing completion on the City-owned parking lot at West 168th Street and Albers Avenue. The project will include a much-needed resurfacing of the entire parking lot, restriping of parking spaces, and installation of green infrastructure to address storm water runoff.

The green infrastructure portion of the project involves the construction of bioretention cells that infiltrate into the underlying soils the storm water runoff that is diverted away from the sewer catch basins. Secondly, the bioretention areas are designed to act as a treatment system to remove pollutants and sedimentation in the storm water runoff. Further, the bioretention cells will



also have landscaping – trees, shrubs, and grasses – to assist with the drainage and enhance the visual appearance of the lot. In the event of severe rain storms, catch basins have been installed in the bioretention basins to capture storm water overflow. Projections estimate the new green infrastructure will divert almost one million gallons of storm water runoff out of the sewer system, a major goal toward improving the water quality of Rocky River and Lake Erie.

The unsightly concrete barriers have been removed from the hillside adjacent to the Walgreen’s parking lot and will be replaced by lawn with a row of Honeylocust trees and a new concrete curb. In all, 16 trees, 57 shrubs, and more than 500 grasses will be planted as part of the project.

The project is on schedule to be completed in early June in time for the first Kamm’s Corners Farmers Market of the season on Sunday, June 9, and The Hooley™ on Saturday, June 15, weather depending.

With the exception of removing the top surface of the existing asphalt and asphalt resurfacing, much of the lot will remain open throughout the project with parking in permitted areas.

Most of the funding was the result of a grant application prepared by KCDC, with the support of Councilman Marty Keane and others, and awarded by the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District. The City of Cleveland provided additional funding and is managing the project construction.



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Four Businesses Win Storefront Awards

On May 2, the City of Cleveland celebrated the storefront renovation projects completed in 2018. The City of Cleveland's Storefront Renovation Program helps neighborhood retail districts become more attractive, economically viable, and diverse places to visit and shop by assisting in the design and funding of signage and the rehabilitation of traditional storefront buildings. Congratulations to who all received awards for their storefront renovation projects!

Pictured are winners accepting their Storefront Renovation awards from Mayor Frank Jackson and Tania Menessee, Director of the Department of Community Development.

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Ken and Jessica Hatfield of Hatfield's Goode Grub, 16700 Lorain Avenue.



Matthew Eppich on behalf of Hakim Ali for the HKM Tax Services project at 15708 Lorain Avenue.



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Ben Campbell of KDCD accepting on behalf of Martin Lansky for the Mission Boutique project at 16604 Lorain Avenue.

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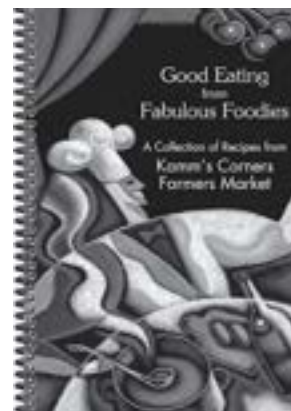
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Farmers Market Cookbook Features Flavorful Recipes

Kamm's Corners Farmers Market has been selling fruits, vegetables, meats, and cheeses for more than 10 years. We have pretty much left it up to you to figure out what to do with them... until now! After gathering flavorful recipes from customers, vendors, volunteers, and guest chefs, we have compiled a collection of culinary creations certain to fill your foodie fantasies (and test your tolerance for alliterations!).



Yes, we have produced our very own cookbook filled with 129 recipes plus many tips and tricks for cooking. "Good Eating from Fabulous Foodies" is designed to help all of West Park cook seasonal dishes made from nature's freshest ingredients. It is also a fundraiser for the market itself. The cost is \$10 and ALL proceeds go to helping sustain the Kamm's Corners Farmers Market. This is a limited edition, so when you see it, buy it. Copies will be selling at the farmers market at the information tent.

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Farmers Market Manager, Bill Markowitz, demonstrates cooking what he calls, "Hunky Junk."

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- 2-3 medium sweet peppers
- 1 medium onion
- Salt, pepper, and spices to taste
- Fry the sausage, drain any grease.
- Dice all other ingredients.
- Add the diced ingredients to the cooked sausage and cook down until it is the consistency of sloppy joes.
- Serve on a bun or in an omelet.

Considering Spine Surgery?

Know the benefits and limits of lasers

Patients with chronic back pain have many treatment options, and laser spine surgery is often promoted as a quick, easy solution.

“Although minimally invasive surgery using a laser is effective for some conditions, it isn’t a miracle cure and it isn’t for everyone,” cautions Cleveland Clinic spine surgeon, Gandhivarma Subramaniam, MD. “It’s important to understand the differences between traditional, minimally invasive, and laser spine surgery.”

In the traditional “open” approach, the surgeon’s incision goes through the skin to the muscle. Then the surgeon dissects the muscles away from the spine and has a clear pathway to work on the spine.

In a minimally invasive procedure, the surgeon makes a smaller incision and uses microsurgical instruments to tunnel to the site of the pain. Because the muscles aren’t elevated from the spine, there is often less pain and a shorter recovery time.

During laser surgery, lasers are used to remove portions of soft tissue that can compress nerves, such as ligament enlargement or disc herniations. However, lasers are only appropriate for certain conditions and, as with any procedure, there are potential complications.

“There is the risk of having an inadequate operation,” explains Dr. Subramaniam. “For example, if you have leg pain caused by a spinal deformity, minimally invasive or laser surgery may improve the leg pain briefly, but may not fully treat the root cause and additional surgery may be necessary.”

There is no single treatment option for every spinal condition. More complicated back problems typically require traditional surgery for the



best outcome, and every patient is evaluated to determine the most effective technologically advanced surgical procedure for their specific issue.

Dr. Subramaniam sees patients at Cleveland Clinic Fairview Hospital and Richard E. Jacobs Health Center in Avon. To schedule a consult with a Cleveland Clinic spine surgeon, call 216-636-5860.



Subramaniam Grandhivarma, MD

Now Open at Fairview Hospital: Hybrid Operating Room and Breast Center

Recently, Fairview Hospital opened a Hybrid Operating Room, which is a state-of-the-art operating room that allows vascular surgeons to perform surgeries on the entire spectrum of interventions, from accessing arteries with wires and catheters, to standard open vascular procedures.

Providing diagnosis, treatment, and support for women, at Fairview Hospital’s Breast Health Center, patients have access to the best in breast cancer diagnosis, treatment, clinical trials and supportive care including:

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The Breast Center at Fairview Hospital now has the convenience of larger exam rooms, closer proximity to Imaging, and new space for shared medical appointments. Breast surgery and medical breast appointments will continue to be located in this area.



Fairview Hospital’s new Hybrid Operating room and Breast Health Center.

Fairview Hospital Nurses Provide Exceptional Obstetric Care

In December, nurses in the Women's and Children's services units at Fairview Hospital decided to prepare for and take the obstetric nursing certification examinations together. A total of 54 nurses achieved the RNC-OB certification (Registered Nurse Certified – Inpatient Obstetric Nursing) and RNC-MNN (Registered Nurse Certified – Maternal Newborn).

Congratulations to these nurses and thank you for continuing to provide the highest quality obstetric care.



Saint Joseph Academy Earns Computer Science Female Diversity Award

Saint Joseph Academy has earned the inaugural College Board AP® Computer Science Female Diversity Award for achieving high female representation in Advanced Placement (AP) Computer Science Principles. Schools honored with the AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award have expanded girls' access in AP Computer Science courses. Out of more than 18,000 secondary schools worldwide that offer AP courses, Saint Joseph Academy is one of only 685 to accomplish this impressive feat.

"We're honored by this recognition and are proud of the achievements of our students studying computer science," said Principal Jeff Sutliff. "It affirms our continued commitment of providing our female students with access to AP Computer Science courses to help prepare a more diverse workforce in critical STEM jobs."

Schools receiving the AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award have either 50% or higher female representation in one of the two AP computer science courses or a percentage of

the female computer science examinees meeting or exceeding that of the school's female population. Only 490 schools earned the AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award for AP Computer Science Principles.

"By inviting more young women to advanced computer science classrooms, Saint Joseph Academy has taken a significant step toward preparing all students for the widest range of 21st-century opportunities," said Trevor Packer, College Board Senior Vice President of the AP Program. "We hope this inspires many other high schools to engage more female students in AP Computer Science and prepare them to drive innovation."

The AP Computer Science Principles course launch in 2016 was the largest in program history. AP Computer Science Principles has promoted the growth of AP computer science in high schools. AP computer science course participation increased 135% since 2016, broadening STEM career opportunities for more students. The number of female, rural, and under-represented minority students taking AP computer science exams has more than doubled in that period.

Now in its 129th year, Saint Joseph Academy is the only all-girls Catholic high school in the City of Cleveland. It is located at 3470 Rocky River Drive in Cleveland. For more information, visit sja1890.org or call 216-251-6788

Saint Joseph Academy Walk of the Roses 2019

The Saint Joseph Academy (SJA) Walk of the Roses, one of West Park's oldest traditions, brings the community together along the sidewalks of Rocky River Drive from SJA, 3470 Rocky River Drive, to Our Lady of Angels Church, 3644 Rocky River Drive. It's a joyous procession as the most recent graduating class of young women steps off from the high school promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Traffic is temporarily halted as the white-robed graduates, each carrying a dozen red roses, proceed to church services. Please join the many family, friends, alumnae, and neighbors who line the street to cheer on the proud class of 2019 on Tuesday, May 28, at 6:30 p.m. Pictured is a group of previous year's graduates.



Kamms Plaza Shopping Center Presents Christmas in July

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Saint Joseph Academy PenOhio Team Named Grand Champions

On March 9, the Saint Joseph Academy PenOhio Writing Competition team was named the Grand Champion of the Northeast Ohio Regional Pen Ohio Scholastic Writing Tournament. The Tri-C North Coast Regional tournament took place at The Jack, Joseph, and Morton Mandel Humanities Center in Highland Hills. Writers competed in three rounds of impromptu writing, creating narratives in response to a prompt provided in each round.

The Varsity Team, coached by Instructional Coach Keri Grady, earned first place among 16 teams. Claire Kapitan '20 placed first in individual competition. Grace Thomas '19 placed second in individual competition in a field of 64 writers.

The Junior Varsity Team, coached by Student Support Services teacher Becky Goede McNulty '96, placed second in a field of 16 teams. Isabel Small '21 placed first in individual competition among 63 Junior Varsity writers! Participating writers are listed at right, in their respective divisions. Congratulations to the team and good luck at the State tournament!



*Varsity: Nicole Baddour '19, Maggie Cornelison '19, Malina Infante '20, Claire Kapitan '20, Carly Pinter '20, Grace Thomas '19, and Laura Wirtz '20
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Maureen Patterson

"WISE Cleveland could not be more excited to recognize Maureen as one of our WISE Women of Inspiration honorees this year," states Lauren Harris, President of WISE Cleveland. Harris continued, "Through the development and on-going growth of Solus Lighting, to her leadership within the community, and her continued support for WISE Cleveland, she is without a doubt beyond worthy of this award. Congratulations Maureen!"

Currently, Maureen serves as Immediate Past President on the Board of Directors for the International Live Events Association Cleveland Chapter and serves on the Executive Committee for the ILEA Ohio WOW Awards. She is a member of Women in Sports & Events where she has participated as a mentor in their WISE Within program since 2013. In 2016, she was recognized internationally as an Enterprising Woman of the Year Champion, and in 2017 was named the first honorary member of the National Association of Women Business Owners.

A founding member of the Irish Network Cleveland, Maureen is also an active member of Plexus (LGBT & Ally Community Chamber of Commerce), the Kamm's Corners Development Corporation, and the Ohio River Valley Women's Business Council.

Maureen's top priority is the continued development of Solus Lighting LTD. The company doubled the number of employees in 2018, which positioned the organization for significant growth while maintaining the high standards set forth since inception. She was honored at an awards ceremony on May 7, at the Music Box Supper Club.

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West Park Station, 17015 Lorain Avenue, in conjunction with Back Stage Bar, 17007 Lorain Avenue, will host West Park's Annual Arts & Crafts Walk on Saturday, July 20, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tables will be set up on their patios and inside. Artists may now email Michele at mc16wps@yahoo.com for a registration form.

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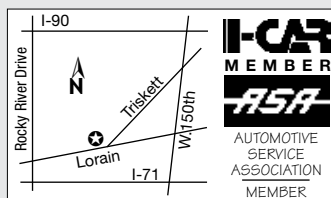
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Star Trek Fans Raise Funds for Cleveland Police Memorial!



Top photo: Vice Admiral Joe Outlaw presenting a \$500 memorial sponsorship check to Cleveland Police Museum board member Pat Reynolds. Bottom photo: The interactive large touch screen display provides biographical and end of watch information for fallen officers.

Members of the International Federation of Trekkers (IFT) Cleveland chapter, the USS Challenger, hosted their annual Cleveland Star Trek Day fundraiser at P.J. McIntyre's Irish Pub on March 26. Part of the funds raised went to a \$500 sponsorship for the Cleveland Police Museum's new "In the Line of Duty" interactive memorial honoring fallen officers.

"Cleveland has a very special connection to Star trek," stated Vice Admiral Joe Outlaw, commanding officer of the USS Challenger. "The wife of Star Trek's creator Gene Roddenberry, Majel Barrett, nee Hudec, was raised here in Cleveland. Her grandfather, father, and uncle were Cleveland police officers. Majel's father was killed in the line of duty on August 30, 1955." Gene Roddenberry's son, Eugene "Rod" Roddenberry, Jr., is a lifetime IFT member and was presented with a collection of Hudec family Cleveland police records assembled by Mazie Adams, the museum director and historian.

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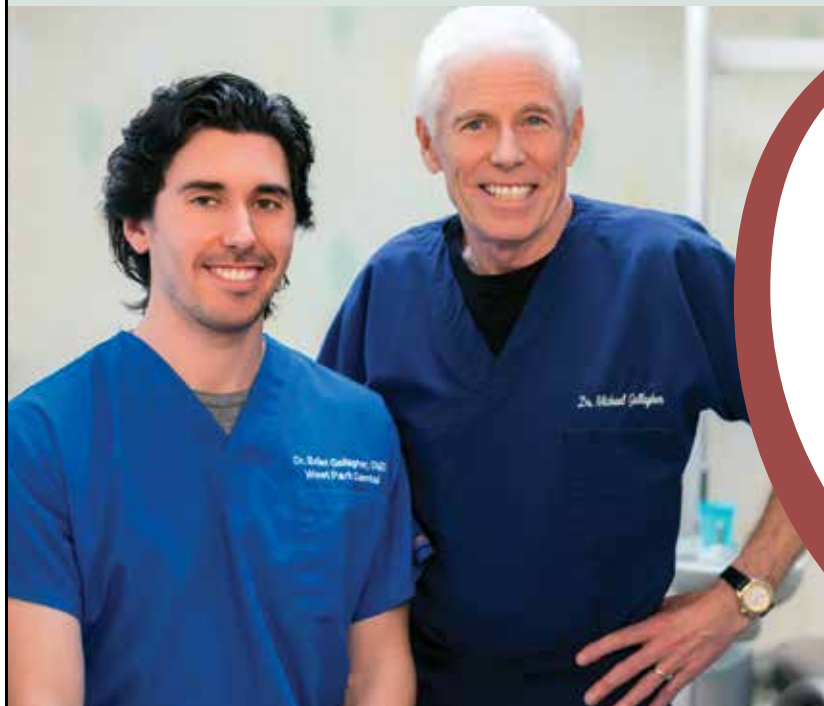
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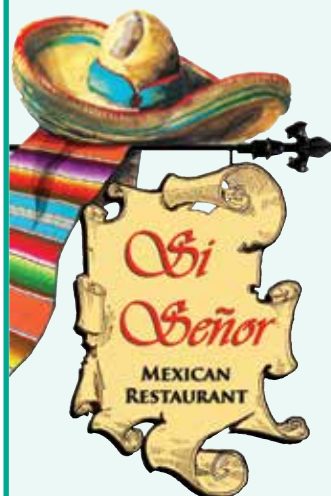
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