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**Thank you for sharing your ideas and opinions so that Beachwood Schools may best meet the future needs of our community.**





## Letter from **THE EDITOR**

By Debby Zelman Rapoport

**J**on Gordon is one of my favorite motivational authors/speakers. I recently read one of his blogs, titled “Telescope and Microscope: See the Big Picture and Zoom Focus Today.”

He wrote about having a vision for our future, saying that it is supposed to be energizing and exciting, then added, “The other day it hit me that sometimes a vision doesn’t energize you. Sometimes it depresses you because it seems impossible to achieve and so far away.”

Just because we have a vision, it doesn’t mean that it will happen instantaneously. Our vision may show something that is possible in the future if we’re willing to put in the work to create it.

“The key is to just keep moving forward with grit and optimism toward your vision, one step at a time,” Jon wrote.

He then explained the importance of going through life with a telescope and microscope if we’d like our vision to become reality.

“The microscope helps you zoom focus on what you need to do today to realize the big picture in the telescope,” he wrote. “If you just had a telescope and no microscope, you would have vision without execution, which leads to nothing.

“If you had a microscope without a telescope, you would likely lose sight of the big picture and get frustrated by all the challenges of today. Together, the telescope and microscope provide you with the right combination of inspiration and action to create your future.”

When Jon talked about steps to take today to create a clear vision for tomorrow, my thoughts were transported outward, to the current state of our country. My vision through the telescope doesn’t energize me, it depresses me because I don’t like what I see through the microscope: mass murders, women’s rights being dismantled, and little to no concern for the climate crisis, as proven by the recent decision by the Supreme Court (*see Kent Smith’s column on page 15*).

Through a telescope, I’d like to see a world as bright and beautiful as the universe that surrounds us: a world without mass murders as a result of tighter gun control, women’s

rights restored, support for action to mitigate the climate crisis, and guaranteed rights for all. I want to have peace of mind by knowing that tomorrow’s world supports today’s children and future generations, and that people don’t have to cross state lines to receive medical healthcare.

When I zoom focus on what I can do today, my first action – which I urge each of you to do – is to get out and vote! We need to support people who support our beliefs.

“Democracy is the ultimate team sport. It improves when more people play,” State Representative Kent Smith shares. “Your voice will only be heard if you engage in the system, and your participation – more than your words – is a lesson for children who are watching. If you don’t think your vote will matter today, remember that the future of this nation is being created in the minds of those in elementary school. Students need to know that power exists for them in the future.

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“It’s important to let legislative leadership and local representatives know your viewpoint. Reach out to all levels of government and always contact the folks in charge,” he added. “For state and national issues, contact your state representative, state senator, speaker of the house, president of the senate, and governor. For local issues, contact your council president, mayor, and city council representatives.”

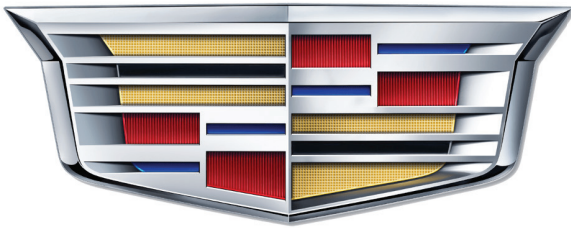
When we take action, our voices are heard and, hopefully, we will see brighter days ahead.

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Evelyn reports that she dutifully replied to the essay prompts but she hardly stressed about them. "I didn't think I had a chance to win. Although I did my best, it's just that the odds seemed really small!"

While she's correct, the odds were slim, she's the type who exists among the upper intellectual echelon, who welcomes considerable academic challenges and who succeeds where many others might fail. As evidence, she's that extremely rare student who earned perfect scores on both the ACT and SAT standardized tests last year.

The part of all this she struggles with most is being in the spotlight. Sorry – but not sorry! – Evelyn. In fact, these remarkable achievements inspire interest in some backstory. So here we go.

Evelyn's parents immigrated to the U.S. from the JiangSu Province in China 21 years ago. She began attending Beachwood Schools in

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– Jeff Luce, BHS Math Teacher

kindergarten, and her sisters, Amber, 13, and Iris, 8, have followed that same path. Her parents, Dongxia Yuan and Yuming Zhang, are both immersed in science by way of their careers with her mom working as a nurse in orthopedics at Cleveland Clinic and her dad employed as a chemist at Olon Ricerca Bioscience in Concord.

At home, Evelyn's family members speak Mandarin, a skill that was buttressed by her attendance at the Cleveland Contemporary Chinese Culture Association in Solon. She attended two-hour long language classes on Sundays, starting in elementary school and finishing at the end of middle school.

When Evelyn was young, the die was cast for her to develop some strong academic drive and ambition. She had a vast appetite to immerse with books, so she made a daily habit of visiting the Beachwood Library after school or camp to read for an hour or two. She'd walk past bookshelves and pick something that seemed interesting. Early on, that was the *Magic Treehouse* series, however, she zipped through all of them and soon moved on to ... *Harry Potter*, completing all of the books in that series while in 3rd grade. She read many fantasy and science fiction books afterward.

She started playing violin when she was 6 years old and took weekly lessons until age 10, at which point she took classes in school. She also enrolled in ballet classes until she was 8, swimming lessons until about age 13, and she played soccer in middle school and high school. Other high school extracurricular activities included math club, cybersecurity club, Science Olympiad, and writing news articles for *The Beachcomber*, the BHS newspaper.

Her GPA is 4.77, which reflects a lot of top grades in the advanced placement classes she took at BHS. In total, she scored 13 5's (the highest possible rating) on AP tests taken annually in May.

What can suddenly animate Evelyn's face and intensify her voice is talking about college. She's never really been away from home, and she's very excited to be independent for the first time. Her intention is to double major in computer science and math at Vanderbilt University, although ...

“I was told that I have room for a third major, which I am still deciding on.” She says she thinks, “becoming some sort of professor would be cool.”

What she admits she's most passionate about, what completely captures her imagination, is, by far, math. In some areas, she's even self-taught. She got her hands on a textbook after her freshman year and studied the chapters that a teacher told her to read. With what she learned, she was able to test out of Precalc/AB. Sometimes, however, there were bumps along the way.

She laughs at the thought that she understands concepts right away, and she's quick to note that she's been challenged “so many times.” It's just boundless determination that won't let her give up. She'll also tell others that even though they may find certain subjects difficult, that doesn't mean they're bad at them.

“The thing about math is that I don't always understand it on the first try, but I don't give up just because it's hard. It's easy to practice and get better, even if it's hard in the beginning.”

When she says that math is her favorite subject, she really, truly means it, and the evidence lies on her transcript: Calc BC (as a sophomore) and Multi Variable Calc (as a junior) (very uncommon). During her senior year, she took several classes at Cuyahoga Community College, including Discrete Math, Linear Algebra and Differential Equations, astronomy, and psychology.

Oh, one more thing. She found incredible traction with science.

“I skipped Physics 2. Technically, you need to take Physics 2 in order to take Physics C: E&M, but it didn't fit into my schedule so I just studied it by myself.”

When she's not poring over her homework, Evelyn has one not-so-guilty pleasure – playing the video game “Celeste,” which follows a young woman who attempts to climb a mountain and must face her inner demons in her quest to reach the summit. She also pays attention to her pet turtle, which lives in a large tank with some rocks and a raft. By way of some internet research, she learned that it is a female red eared slider.

During summer breaks, she has made it a regular practice to take classes and work at a restaurant. Also, she likes going to Cedar Point amusement park with friends, and she loves to ride the big roller coasters, like Steel Vengeance, Maverick, Millennium Force, and Raptor.

Some of her spare time during the school year is devoted to tutoring students in math and standardized test-taking methods. High school teachers have recommended her services to students, and she finds it very rewarding to make a difference and have an impact.

Back to the award. When Evelyn discovered that she was a winner, she only told her parents and a few friends, but the news spread quickly throughout BHS once it was announced. It didn't matter much to her friends, she says, since they don't focus as a group on academics. They told her it was cool, then moved on, just the way she preferred it to be handled.

Then there's this article. Those in a position to actually amplify Evelyn's strengths are a couple of her teachers, and they were happy to offer some insight into her talent and character. According to math teacher Jeff Luce, her academic prowess is hard to miss.

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her incredible natural abilities, she is very humble, patient, and unassuming. She would typically work in a group and stay fairly quiet until things began to go wrong, at which time she would politely speak up and get everyone back on track.

“Despite the fact that I had her in class as a sophomore, Evelyn would always come back to visit me regularly. She is truly curious and passionate about mathematics. She likes to understand things deeply and has never been afraid of being challenged academically. She also has been eager and excited to help her peers with their math questions. She regularly came to my academy to volunteer as a tutor.”

Physics teacher Michael Lerner offered additional observations about her tendencies.

“Evelyn has a fast and logical brain. She often would ask questions that were about what I was going to teach next week – she knew that there were questions she couldn’t answer, and she felt she almost knew enough to figure it out on her own. And more than once, in AP Physics 1, I had to tell her to wait a week and she’d be able to explain the event she saw in the real world with the physics we were learning in class.”

He also notes that she’s funny and has a sharp, self-deprecating sense of humor.

If Evelyn could offer any details from her heritage that might be contributing factors to her success, she has a thought.

“The way the Chinese education is structured, test scores matter a lot, so my parents carried that mindset here,” she explains. “They told me that I needed to get good test scores and beyond that, they stressed working hard and always trying to improve and do more.”

That message can be applied to anyone trying to accomplish more, and for Evelyn, when that work ethic is combined with her natural abilities, the results clearly catapult her into some very rare academic air.

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# Letter to the Community

A statement delivered by Jillian Long to Beachwood City Council on June 21:

I want to give a huge shout out to the Beachwood Police and Recreation Departments, and more specifically, to Officer Daniel O'Malley and Community Services Director Derek Schroeder. Our electric scooter was recently stolen from the Beachwood Family Aquatic Center bike rack. I reached out to Derek the same evening to see if video footage could be used to identify the thief. By 7 a.m. the next morning, Derek had responded to my request and provided the police with the footage. The officers were

able to identify the suspect, retrieve the scooter, and return it to my home that same evening. My family is so grateful for the time the police spent on this.

Let me remind City Council members and the mayor that this type of service serves as a reason why we live in Beachwood. When I share stories about Beachwood with my friends and family who live in other cities, it's always the same response: "Only in Beachwood do you get this kind of service." It's not one department, it's not just this

instance, it's all the time. All employees go above and beyond for me, my neighbors, and the community.

I know that as public officials you get your fair share of concerns and complaints. I wanted to take this time to say thank you, and to ask that you please take time to thank the administration, staff, and departments for all the hard work they do to shine a flattering light on Beachwood.

Jillian DeLong  
Beachwood Resident  
Beachwood Board of Education



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## June Louise Van Sweringen English Tudor “Cottage” House 23305 Fernwood Drive

Oris Paxton (OP) Van Sweringen (1879-1936) and Mantis James (MJ) Van Sweringen (1881-1934) were brothers who became railroad barons. The Van Sweringens built the Terminal Tower, developed Shaker Heights, and envisioned building summer homes or cottages “in the country,” in what we now call Beachwood. Their dream was crushed during the Great Depression. By the time of their deaths, the brothers’ net worth had plummeted from \$3 billion to a mere \$3,000. June Louise’s home is one of the few cottages that were built before the Great Depression hit. She created a whimsical home filled with charm, and a she cave. This is her happy place; it is truly magical.



Mayor Justin Berns with June Louise. Photo by Arlene Kemejak.



## The Small Family 2645 Buckhurst

This mid-century modern California style ranch features two unique courtyard spaces: one in the center and the other on the perimeter. The Smalls opened their home so visitors could experience its California style right here in Beachwood.



## The Schoenfeld Family 23995 Wendover

This landscape includes Japanese maples, gentle sounds from a fountain, and splashes of red that accent the landscape. It also includes a frog and rabbit cooling down in the shade. It’s a perfect space to relax and unwind.

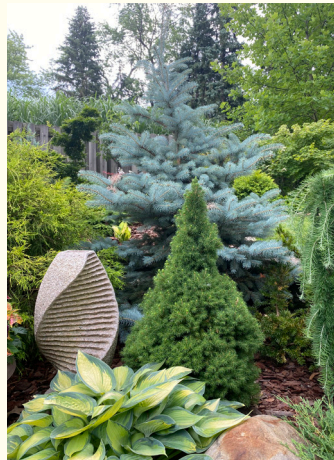
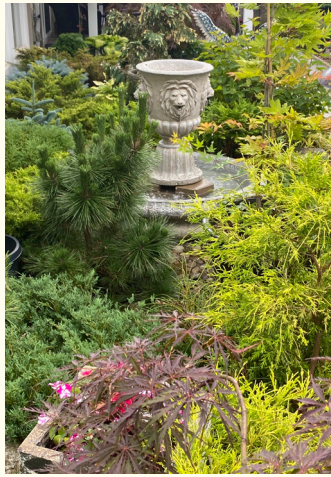


Rosemary Nemeth, president of the Beachwood Historical Society, and her husband, Jim.



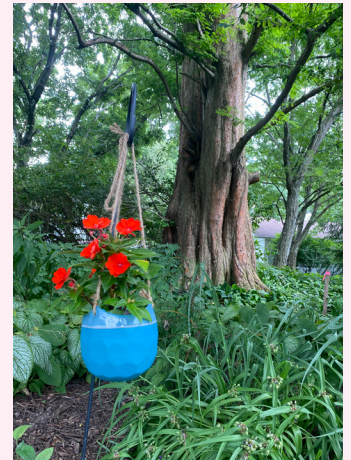
**Gretta and Michael Jacobs**  
2654 Ramsay Road

Gretta and Michael Jacobs, formerly featured in this magazine, created a magnificent yard featuring miniature and dwarf conifers, Japanese maples, waterfalls, and stone. Also included are a Bald Cypress, Silver Leaf, Dwarf Dawn Redwood, and hostas. The Jacobs family created their own sanctuary that they are proud to share with our community.



**Jo deHaseth**  
Master Gardener  
24658 Hazelmere

Jo and her husband purchased their Beachwood home mainly because of the floor-to-ceiling windows that lead to the yard. With help from a landscape designer, Jo added flowers, shrubs, and grasses to the home's existing landscape. She loves the concept of "borrowed landscape," the principle of incorporating background landscape into the composition of a garden found in traditional East Asian garden design, and is very happy with the dawn redwood and the Scots pine in the yard adjoining hers. Jo's garden continues to evolve. She enjoys attracting birds with her feeders, welcomes native plants, and loves her view from the living room.



**Garden of Heroes**  
Beachwood City Park West

Twelve local heroes who work and live in the City of Beachwood were recently selected by the city, schools, and Beachwood Historical Society. Congratulations to Lisa Berns, Dr. Scott Howard, Lori Joyner, Kelly Debeljak, Steven Holtzman, Greg Liggett, Therese Ferritto, Brian Moore, Stacey Wright, Luke Combs, Dan Cicchella, and Riley Parke on being named this year's heroes. For details, refer to the July issue of *Beachwood Buzz*, or visit [beachwoodbuzzmag.com](http://beachwoodbuzzmag.com) or [beachwoodhistoricalsociety.com](http://beachwoodhistoricalsociety.com). If you know someone who lives or works in Beachwood, please contact Rosemary Nemeth at [rmemeth001@aol.com](mailto:rmemeth001@aol.com) to nominate them as one of next year's inductees.

**Lyn Davidson**  
Master Gardener  
24418 Duffield

Lyn's gardens, featured on the August 2016 cover of *Beachwood Buzz*, continue to flourish. Lyn has added unique features, including a mason honey bee house and espalier apple tree. Her perennials continue to multiply, and maintaining her outdoor paradise continues to be a labor of love.



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## Hedy Westra • Master Gardener • Beachwood City Park West

Hedy led tours to the butterfly garden, located adjacent to the parking lot, down the steps, to the left. This garden is sponsored by the Beachwood Historical Society and Boy Scouts Troop 620, and is maintained by the Beachwood Garden Club. During the event, she informed visitors of the the importance of pollinators and native plants, and shared how each of us can support pollinators in our own gardens.

“Pollinators and native plants are important to sustain our food source and environment,” Hedy told us. “They are vital to maintaining a healthy ecosystem.

“The butterfly garden in the park, which includes milkweed, liatris, butterfly weed, and more, supports native insects, birds, and monarchs,” she added. “Many people think milkweed is the only plant that supports monarchs, but that’s only true when they are caterpillars.”

Hedy shared that it doesn’t take a lot of space to create a pollinator garden with native plants. “We’ve lost a lot of our pollinator habitat by eliminating native flowers to add more lawns,” she said. “We can recreate this space by planting pollinator-friendly plants in something as small as a pot.”

Insects are important because they help to pollinate corn, wheat, tomatoes, potatoes, etc., and our insect population has decreased. Solitary bees



also do a lot of hard work, so Hedy encourages readers to please be more forgiving when bees are in your garden.

The park’s butterfly garden is marked, and extends down the trail so butterflies can meander.

Hedy received her Master Gardener status in 2009 from Ohio State University Extension, which trains volunteers to empower and educate others with timely research-based gardening information.

“We can all make a difference,” she emphasized. “Planting native plants in your garden benefits you, the native wildlife, and the environment. If we each plant just a few, we will make a huge difference!”



## Native Flowers in Beachwood

Milkweed (bottom-left photo)

Liatris

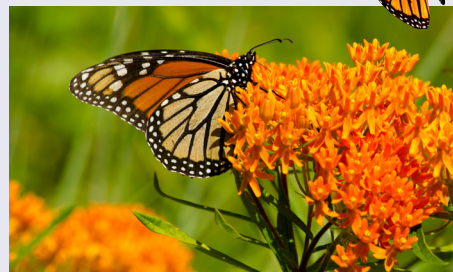
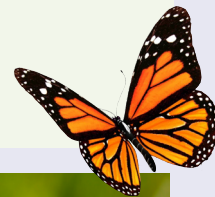
Butterfly Weed (pictured below)

Bee Balm

Purple Coneflower

Wild Geranium

Goldenrod



## What’s Growing in the Beachwood Community Gardens?



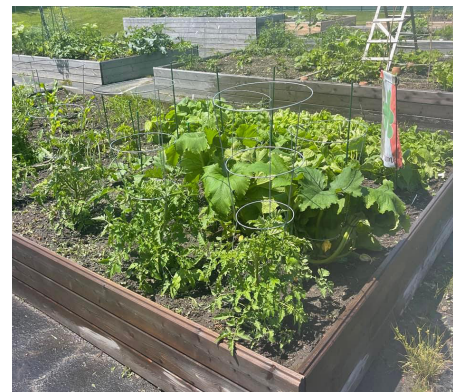
### Ellen Teitelman Wohl

Peas, beans, peppers, carrots, radishes, eggplant, zucchini, lettuce, tomatoes, and a future farmer!



### Bob Gourley

Corn, kale, Swiss chard, peas, beans, Brussels sprouts, cucumbers, peppers, zucchini, carrots, and cantaloupe. And I have not killed anything yet!



### Traci Gallagher-Bonvenuto

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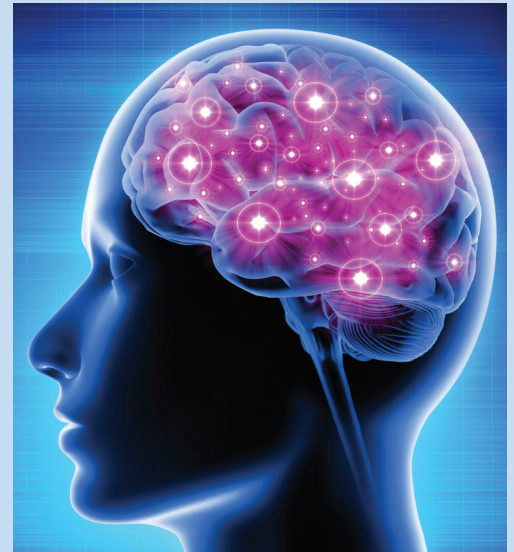
The goals of the event will be accomplished through:

- Educational sessions on Parkinson's disease treatments and updates.
- Interactive sessions that introduce rehab therapies, exercise programs and wellness concepts to fight back against Parkinson's disease.

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\*This event will be held live at LaCentre for those who would like to attend in person. In-person attendance limited to a maximum of 3 per group. Face masks required and vaccination strongly recommended.

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# Cleveland Jewish FilmFest Returns to Theaters to Explore, Educate and Entertain

The Mandel Jewish Community Center is pleased to present the annual Cleveland Jewish FilmFest September 8-18. The festival, now in its 16th year, brings the best of Jewish and Jewish-themed cinema to Greater Cleveland to educate and entertain teen and adult audiences.

The FilmFest features 30 films from 10 countries, showcasing a mixture of outstanding documentary, feature, comedy, and short films. A television series will also be streamed throughout the festival.

This year, the longstanding and popular Cleveland Jewish FilmFest returns to local theaters after being presented primarily virtually over the past two years. Opening night is at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History and includes a pre-movie insider party and post-movie dessert reception.

Films will be screened at the Cedar Lee Theatre with a shorts

program to be held at the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage. Several films will be available for streaming at home.

"We are excited to be able to gather together again to connect people and create dialogue," said Deborah Bobrow, director of arts and culture at the Mandel Jewish Community Center. "We are thrilled to share this diverse selection of thought-provoking films with our community. Film enthusiasts will experience powerful, award-winning films of all genres that offer unique perspectives while exploring Jewish history and themes

such as cultural identity, civil rights and anti-Semitism."

Major sponsors for the 16th annual Cleveland Jewish FilmFest are Cuyahoga Arts and Culture, John P. Murphy Foundation, The Harry K. and Emma R. Fox Charitable Foundation, and Ohio Arts Council.

Tickets will be on sale beginning August 8 and can be purchased online at [www.mandeljcc.org/filmfest](http://www.mandeljcc.org/filmfest). For more information, call Deborah Bobrow at 216.593.6278. Each film has a limited number of tickets available for sale and streaming films have a 48-hour viewing window.

## FilmFest Highlights

- September 8: Opening night movie at Cleveland Museum of Natural History
- In-person film screenings at Cedar Lee Theatre
- September 18: Shorts program at Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage
- TV series streaming throughout the festival
- Jack and Minda Jaffe Audience Award encore screening



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From dramatic to humorous, the 16th annual FilmFest presents powerful, entertaining and award-winning films for all movie lovers. The 11-day festival showcases 30 films from 10 countries.

Find your favorite at [mandeljcc.org/filmfest](http://mandeljcc.org/filmfest). Get your tickets starting August 8.



# Supreme Court Gets It Wrong Again

by State Representative Kent Smith

One of the frameworks for understanding policymaking that is most instructional is the following: Politics is often the interests of today versus the interests of tomorrow. The problem is, today has all the lobbyists.

As we attempt to deal with the climate crisis and the challenges of moving toward a clean energy economy, it is not the interests of today that often stand in the way of progress. It is the interests of yesterday: Yesterday's interests to protect expensive, inefficient, dirty power generation. These antiquated interests won a major victory at the U.S. Supreme Court on June 30, 2022, even though we who support today's interests argued for a more sustainable energy future.

On the final day of the Supreme Court's 2021-2022 term, it dealt a major blow to the Environmental Protection Agency's ability to regulate carbon emissions that cause

climate change with their West Virginia vs. the EPA decision.

The majority opinion, written by Chief Justice John Roberts, essentially argued that because the climate crisis is such a significant issue, Congress could not have possibly given so much authority to a federal agency to combat the matter.

The irony is that by issuing an opinion to protect congressional authority, what the court did was strengthen its own authority – not that of Congress.

I disagree with the majority opinion. The name of the agency is the Environmental Protection Agency. Central to its purpose – and contained within the agency's name – is protecting

the environment for the benefit of the human race that created the agency.

Justice Elena Kagan agreed, pointing to a portion of the law that allows the EPA to regulate pollutants that "may reasonably be anticipated to endanger public health or welfare."

But the conservative majority, in an effort to satisfy the interests of yesterday's dirty polluters, ignored what was already happening in the power generation arena today.

Utilities have been closing coal plants over the past decade in the face of competition from cheaper forms of energy, such as natural gas generators, solar farms, and wind turbines. In their own brief, Apple, Tesla, and other major

tech firms investing in renewable energy agree that "stable, nationwide rules" on emissions are needed to accelerate that trend. In the interests of today, the largest technology companies on the planet were arguing for the clean energy economy.

If the Court continues to look backwards, anything is possible and we may continue to see outcomes that are not good for our present or our future.

*State Representative Kent Smith represents Ohio's 8th House District which includes Beachwood, Euclid, South Euclid, Richmond Heights, East Cleveland, Woodmere Village, and a little bit of the city of Cleveland.*

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# I Can and I Will

by Jen Stern

**Y**es, the sun is shining and the birds are singing. Each day begins and ends with the awareness of my personal blessings. Yet, somehow, this no longer feels enough. My heart is heavy with the realization that so many lives continue to be impacted, limited, controlled, compromised, dismissed, and jeopardized by the preferences of others that are manifested into law.

How is this our world in 2022?  
And what can and will I control?

*I can and I will* continue to educate myself, vote, volunteer, and donate to organizations that support the type of world in which I wish to live.

*I can and I will* treat others with compassion and respect.

*I can and I will* not judge the painful choices that many must make on a path that I have never walked.

*I can and I will* turn inward with intentional and consistent self-care so that I do not become more enraged or bitterly, hopelessly, disengaged.

*I can and I will* practice daily rituals of self care as a way to sustain an open and grateful mindset.

*I can and I will* put boundaries around information that triggers, notice the miracles that exist within nature, walk and play with my puppies, and slow down and appreciate my morning coffee.

*I can and I will* take time to listen to music, read poetry that inspires and books that allow mindless escape, and try recipes that satisfy and comfort.

*I can and I will* stretch, drink water, smile, sing, hum, pray, and count my blessings.

*My heart is heavy with the realization that so many lives continue to be impacted, limited, controlled, compromised, dismissed, and jeopardized by the preferences of others that are manifested into law.*

Each day I will try to connect to what I can control so as to not lose myself to the anxiety or frustration of what I cannot.

I am but one. I am grateful to be here. *I can and I will* try to be a part of what brings compassion to my life, to the lives of those I care so much about, and to those I do not know, yet wish for peace, strength, and personal agency over their lives .

*Jennifer Stern, LISW, is a Loss and Bereavement Specialist at Ellen F. Casper, PH.D and Associates in Beachwood. For more information, call 216.464.4243, or visit [www.transformativegrief.com](http://www.transformativegrief.com) and sign up for monthly posts.*

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# Daniel N. Zelman Named Chair of Jewish Federation of Cleveland's Board of Trustees

The Jewish Federation of Cleveland recently announced that Daniel N. Zelman has been named board chair for the 2022-2025 term. Dan, 65, is the chief executive officer of Paro Services Corporation, which owns businesses in the chemical manufacturing and janitorial services industries.

"Dan is a proven community leader who has consistently demonstrated a deep understanding of our diverse community," said Erika B. Rudin-Luria, president of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland. "We are thrilled to have him steward our talented and committed Board at this time."

Dan has been actively involved in Cleveland's Jewish community for many years and an officer of the Federation's Board of Trustees since 2013. Over the years, he has held various leadership positions on the Federation Board, including

serving as the general campaign chair from 2015 to 2016.

Dan just completed a three-year term as chair of the Jewish Family Service Association (JFSA) Board of Trustees, where he continues to serve on several committees. He is also a board member of Jewish Federations of North America, Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage, and Menorah Park. In service to the Greater Cleveland community, he is a board and committee member at The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and just recently concluded serving on the

board of University Hospitals – Ahuja Medical Center.

"Jewish Cleveland is a special community for many reasons – perhaps none bigger than the genuine concern our community members have for one another and Jews everywhere," said Dan. "We were reminded how special our local Jewish community is by how it responded to the COVID-19 pandemic with will and determination. I am truly humbled to serve this wonderful community in this capacity and look forward to working even more closely with the Board, Erika, and Federation professionals."



Dan and his wife, Ellen, live in Moreland Hills and are members of Park Synagogue. Dan succeeds J. David Heller, who has served as Federation's Board chair since April 30, 2019. The Federation's new slate of officers also includes Vice Chairs Peter Meisel, Bradley A. Sherman, Erica G. Starrfield, Jeffrey J. Wild, and Dara G. Yanowitz. Jeffrey Weiss will serve as treasurer and Amir Jaffa will serve as associate treasurer. Dan and the new slate of Federation officers were elected at the Board of Trustees meeting on June 21, 2022.

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# A Look Inside the Beachwood Police Department

By Debby Zelman Rapoport

Staff at the Beachwood Police Department are always proactive when it comes to protecting our community's citizens, businesses, and visitors. Unfortunately, we live in unprecedented times and we can't predict when or where serious crimes will take place. Therefore, the Beachwood Police Department continues to be extra vigilant through training, education, and programs.

Police Chief Kate McLaughlin and Officer Jamey Appell recently shared information about some programs that keep officers at the top of their game, and some exciting news about a grant the department recently received.

## ALICE Training

ALICE is an acronym for alert, lockdown, inform, counter, and evacuate. These steps save lives. Once ALICE trained, individuals are more equipped and empowered to make their own life-saving decisions.

ALICE Training's mission is to improve chances of survival. The threat of an active shooter attack is rare, but very real. ALICE's aim is to eradicate the "It can't happen to me" mentality and change the way people in schools, universities, businesses, hospitals, and places of worship respond to armed intruders.

Three Beachwood officers are ALICE trained. They're also qualified to train others who live and work in our community.

"We want as many people as possible to have the knowledge and skills to survive when shots are fired," said Chief McLaughlin.

Officer Appell, our city's public information officer, told us that between 90-95% of the PD staff have completed a 40-hour active shooter training module and the FBI has agreed to conduct an additional training program so boots-on-the-ground officers are trained before the start of the new school year.

"Our goal is to have the entire department fully trained," Officer Appell said. "We are working to be further prepared to best protect everyone in our community.

"We also want to motivate people to be more proactive," he added. "We encourage employers to provide active shooter training and encourage employees to push employers to do so. The reality is if you do nothing, there's pretty much a 0% chance of survivability. Training raises your chance of survival to 75%."

ALICE Training, available to businesses and organizations within our community, includes a video, presentation, discussion, and practical drills. For more information, contact Officer Appell at 216.595.3749 or [jameyappell@beachwoodohio.com](mailto:jameyappell@beachwoodohio.com).

## Crisis Intervention Team

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training is a specialized police curriculum that aims to reduce the risk of serious injury or death during an emergency interaction between persons with mental illness and police officers. As of July 1, 100% of Beachwood's police and dispatchers have completed a 40-hour course and are CIT trained.

"This is *huge*. I'm so proud of this statistic because it benefits the city as a whole," Chief McLaughlin explained. "Mental health is real. We deal with it on a daily basis."

## Training Drills

As part of continuing education, officers regularly participate in training drills. On May 22, the Beachwood Police Department, Jewish Federation of Cleveland, neighboring communities, and FEMA participated in an eight-hour active shooter training exercise.

"This was a complex, difficult endeavor and our officers did a great job," said Chief McLaughlin. "They arrived as soon as they got the mock call, collaborated with each other, and did what they were trained to do."

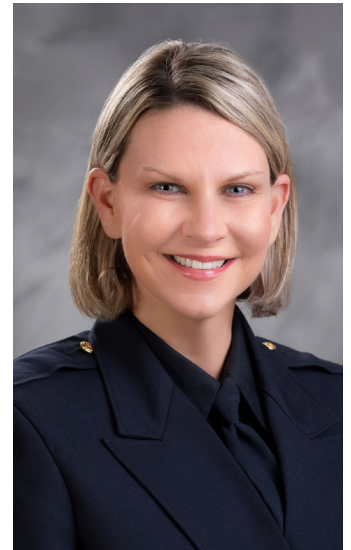
## State Grant Funds

The Beachwood Police Department was recently awarded funds from the American Rescue Plan Funding Grant through its fourth round of distributions. Beachwood was awarded \$559,073 to help maintain current law enforcement staffing levels, recruit new officers, and continue ongoing public safety services to prevent and investigate violent crimes. Two officers will be assigned to Beachwood Place on a full-time basis for a period of two years.

Officer Appell, with assistance from other members of the police department's administrative team, was responsible for handling the grant application.

"We are very happy with this outcome," Chief McLaughlin said. "We believe a more visible presence at the mall will step up security and enhance community relations."

In conjunction with this grant, Chief McLaughlin will seek permission to use funds from the Police Department's Law Enforcement Trust Fund to lease property for two years at Co-Hatch, located in Beachwood Place. She anticipates that the space, which will act as a police department substation, will be highly visible to guests in a spot overlooking the food court.



Police Chief Kate McLaughlin

She will also pursue permission to use funds from this account to purchase equipment for the space.

Officers who work out of this location will increase visibility and serve as a deterrent to those who go to the mall for purposes other than dining and shopping. Mayor Justin Berns is pleased with this development and notes that it dovetails with his mayoral campaign pledges.

"Early in my campaign, I discussed seeking funding opportunities from outside sources to assist with city operations, and the importance of Beachwood Place as an asset to the city of Beachwood," Mayor Berns said. "I appreciate our police department's diligence in applying for and obtaining the funding necessary to create this program at Beachwood Place."

Beachwood Place is a huge asset in our community," Chief McLaughlin added. "We want people to go there and to feel safe."



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- For additional safety and as a deterrent, you may want to install a camera-operated doorbell and/or alarm system.
- When you're going out of town do not post it on social media.
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# BHS Baseball Team Asks for Community Support!

The Beachwood High School Baseball Team excelled last season under the leadership of a new coaching staff, led by Head Coach Ben Shepherd. Coach Shepherd, formerly employed for 18 years at Tallmadge High School, recruited fellow Tallmadge coaches Scott Noel, Nolan Sands, and Seth Burkey, all of whom he coached while in high school. He also recruited former football coach Michael Paulo, who attended high school with the others. They came to Beachwood in full force, guiding the Bison to become the Chagrin Valley Conference Champions for the first time since 2014.

Although the season is over, momentum is building for next year with two fundraisers underway so the team can travel to The Ripken Experience™ in Myrtle Beach, SC, for spring training. The Ripken Experience™ consists of six youth turf fields with lights, batting cages, and bullpens on each field to give every player a true Big League experience.

"We want our team to experience playing in a beautifully modeled complex," Coach Shepherd told us. "It's important for our players to travel

together because it provides the best bonding opportunities, which make for a stronger team."

The fundraisers are a golf outing and "Junk in Your Trunk."

"We've envisioned the Junk in Your Trunk event for a while, as an alternative to Beachwood PTO's garage sale," said Jodi Zawatsky, a baseball mom (her son, Brett, is a pitcher). "The BHS parking lot can hold up to 300 cars.

Parking spaces are being sold for \$35 each, with additional spots available for \$15 each. This will be like a big garage sale that isn't as volunteer intensive."

Jodi told us that they will publicize the event extensively and there will be no fee to attend. Off-site parking will be available, and players and coaches will be on hand to help people carry purchases back to their cars.

"We're all in this together. We want what's best for our players," Coach Shepherd said. "We want the kids to have a blast at The Ripken Experience™. They may not remember their records in a few years, but they will remember the fun, bonding, and good times from this trip."

Coach Shepherd and his team want to build a culture in Beachwood where baseball is a main community focus that is well respected from outside areas, and he welcomes input. "I encourage the community to reach out with ideas," he said. His email address is bshepherd@beachwoodschoools.org.

To register for the golf outing, visit [www.beachwoodschoools.org/tickets.aspx](http://www.beachwoodschoools.org/tickets.aspx). For more information, contact Sherri Malek at 216.470.3968 or 30sherrim@gmail.com.

"It's important for our players to travel together because it provides the best bonding opportunities, which make for a stronger team."

– Coach Ben Shepherd

To reserve a space or for more information about Junk in Your Trunk, contact Jodi Zawatsky at 216.215.8838 or [cozacreations@yahoo.com](mailto:cozacreations@yahoo.com). Watch for more information in next month's *Beachwood Buzz!*

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The Beachwood Bison baseball team beat the Independence Bluedevils 6-2 to lock in the league title.

# Young Family Audiences Get Artsy at Maltz Museum's New Special Exhibition

A new interactive children's exhibition has arrived in Beachwood! *Chagall for Children: Where Kids Can Touch the Art* opened at the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage on May 15, with a kick-off event celebrating the art of theater, music, and magic. An estimated 350 guests, of all ages and backgrounds, enjoyed the hands-on exhibit, as well as featured guests from Mandel Jewish Community Center's Playmakers Youth Theater, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame's Mike Abbadini, and master magician Scott Shuller. The special exhibition is on view through August 28.

Weekly morning story times at the museum will occur every Thursday, starting in June. Plus, monthly family events will include interactive art projects with the Children's Museum of Cleveland, Spirit of Clay Art Studio, and Upcycle Parts Shop.

*Chagall for Children* was developed by the Kohl Children's Museum of Greater Chicago, Illinois, as a multi-sensory, hands-on exploration of one of the best loved artists of the twentieth century, Marc Chagall.

*Chagall for Children: Where Kids Can Touch the Art* opened at the Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage on May 15, with a kick-off event celebrating the art of theater, music, and magic.

The exhibit is specifically designed for audiences ages 2-12. With 14 multi-sensory interactive play stations featuring reproductions of Chagall's colorful artworks, young visitors enjoy touching and engaging with the art. From wearing colorful smocks to seeing their face in the painting to weaving a loom to piecing together a stained-glass puzzle to building a house with log blocks, there's something special for everyone!

A bonus reading nook was added to share stories of the artist, imagination, and creativity.

Additional programming inspired for adults by Marc Chagall includes the series *Get Artsy at the Spirit of Clay Art Studio* in Mayfield Heights, a live reading of the play *Bauer*, produced by Interplay Jewish Theater and hosted at the Mandel JCC, and a lecture on Arthur Szyk's stained-glass windows, by curator Sue Koletsky, at The Temple-Tifereth Israel.

For information about the exhibition, any family or adult programs, or to buy tickets, call 216.593.0575 or visit [www.maltzmuseum.org](http://www.maltzmuseum.org).



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# BAKED by Abbie

## Peach Pound Cake



Seeking something new to celebrate the abundance of peaches in August, I discovered a decadent dessert to bring summer to a delightful close with a peach pound cake!

While rummaging for the right-sized pan, I decided to explore the precise difference between pound and Bundt cakes. It comes down to this: any cake can be a Bundt cake, so long as it is baked in a Bundt pan.

Pound cakes, however, while frequently made in Bundt pans, are dense and traditionally made with a pound each of butter, sugar, eggs, and flour. This recipe is adapted from *Southern Living*. Enjoy!



### Ingredients

#### Cake

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 2 cups granulated sugar, plus 1-2 tablespoons to coat pan
- 4 eggs, room temp
- 1 cup buttermilk/sour cream
- 3 cups all-purpose flour, plus 1-2 tablespoons to dust peaches
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 teaspoon peach schnapps (optional)
- ½ - 1 teaspoon almond extract (optional)
- 3 cups diced peaches (peeling optional)

#### Glaze

- 1 ½ cups powdered sugar
- 1-3 tablespoons milk or cream

#### Directions

- Preheat oven to 350°F. If not using a non-stick 12-cup tube pan, grease with melted butter and coat with sugar.
- With an electric mixer, beat butter until light and creamy. Add sugar and beat at medium speed until light and fluffy (5-7 minutes). Add eggs, one at a time, scraping down sides. Add vanilla and other extracts, if using.
- In a medium bowl, sift together flour, salt, and baking powder. Add mixture alternately with the buttermilk to the batter, ending with the flour mixture.

- Combine reserved flour with the diced peaches. With a spatula, incorporate peaches into batter until just mixed evenly.
- Pour batter into prepared pan. Bake for 1 hour and 20 minutes, up to 1 hour and 40 minutes, checking for doneness after 70 minutes. If cake bottom browns early at halfway, cover with a piece of foil (shiny-side up!). Cool 20-30 minutes before running a clean knife along edges to invert onto a plate. Cool completely.
- To make glaze, in a small bowl, whisk milk into powdered sugar 1 tablespoon at a time until desired consistency. Pour over cake. Let glaze set before serving.
- To garnish, drizzle with caramel sauce and add fresh peach slices and mint, along with a dollop of whipped cream or scoop of ice cream.

*Abbie Nagler Sender, a licensed, award-winning baker, is the owner of BAKED by abbie, a Beachwood-based home bakery that offers customized baked goods with a Jewish twist. For more information, visit [www.BAKEDbyabbie.com](http://www.BAKEDbyabbie.com) and like her Facebook business page, BAKEDbyabbieCLE.*

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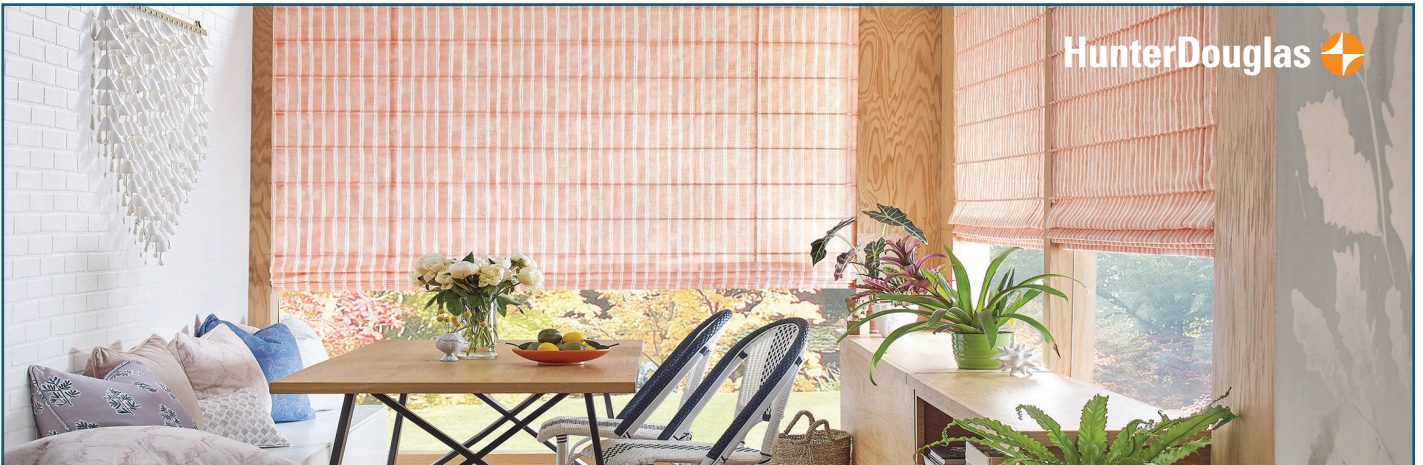
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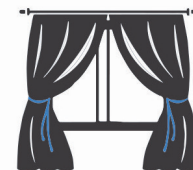
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THE INSIDER

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

This summer has delivered some remarkable weather, so I hope everyone has been able to enjoy some outdoor activities. The community gardens, our camp programs and the Beachwood Family Aquatic Center have certainly benefited from all the sunshine.

This is also the season for construction. We have started our road resurfacing program and are finalizing one of our storm sewer relief projects.

**We're also planning improvements to the Chagrin/Richmond/I-271 corridor which experiences high traffic volume and is prone to congestion.** Several areas/intersections within the project scope are rated at the top of the Ohio Department of Transportation's safety priority rankings. That's not a ranking we relish, and we are, and have been, working to get a plan in place that will move traffic more efficiently through the Richmond/Chagrin intersection and onto I-271.

**The problems in this corridor have existed for many years, and a solution is long overdue.** There are opportunities for the City of Beachwood to receive funding to assist with costs, and we are working diligently with our city engineer to secure as many grants as possible.

The city has been working, in conjunction with ODOT, on this project for a very long time. One aspect of the project, when it was first proposed, showed the creation of a cul-de-sac at Bryden and Richmond. After hearing from our residents, the city worked with our engineers and ODOT to come up with an alternative. **Because this is a project that ODOT considers essential, they agreed to a right-in and right-out entry/exit at Bryden.** This will be incorporated into the design drawings.

However, the elimination of the traffic signal and left turns at this intersection is necessary. I assure you we have examined alternatives and we have heard from residents who will be personally affected by this change.

The plan that is being developed will address the situation appropriately to meet the objective of moving traffic safely in that area and it will be done

with the least amount of disruption as possible. This does not mean that everyone will be 100% pleased with the outcome – but everyone should know that we have and will continue to listen to your concerns and will do the best we can under the circumstances, prioritizing safety over convenience when necessary.

Transparency and the dissemination of *correct* information as it relates to this project is essential. **We have developed a web page on the city's website dedicated to providing accurate information relative to this project.**

There will be ample opportunity for our constituents to see the plans as they are developed and a town hall meeting will be conducted to summarize and share that information with the public prior to its final consideration by City Council.

**This project puts safety first and will benefit our entire community.** Beachwood must continuously look for ways to improve the city and we must get it right when it comes to traffic and safety. City Council and I

have been elected, by our constituents, because they believe that we will advocate for what is needed to move Beachwood forward, that we will be proactive, that we will be leaders, and that we will do what is necessary for the good of the entire community – especially when faced with hard decisions. **These improvements are necessary and the time has come to address them.**

For more specific information on this project, please visit our website at [www.BeachwoodOhio.com](http://www.BeachwoodOhio.com)

Mayor Justin Berns  
[MayorBerns@beachwoodohio.com](mailto:MayorBerns@beachwoodohio.com)



**“The plan that is being developed will address the situation appropriately to meet the objective of moving traffic safely in the Chagrin/Richmond/I-271 corridor and it will be done with the least amount of disruption as possible.”**





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# FIRE DEPARTMENT HONORED WITH GOLD PLUS AWARD

The City of Beachwood received the “Gold Plus” Mission Lifeline recognition for 2022. Mission Lifeline is a program designed to showcase Emergency Medical Service (EMS) organizations across the nation for excellent access to percutaneous coronary intervention for patients with ST-segment–elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI). The role of EMS in the system of care for these patients is crucial and often sets the course for a patient’s outcome. EMS patient contact to EKG under 10 minutes is the “gold standard” they strive to achieve, along with door to balloon time under 90 minutes at the local emergency department.



## NEW TRUCKS FOR HEAVY LOADS

Western Star 4700 series dump trucks have arrived, complete with stainless steel dump bodies, stainless steel V- hoppers, and unloader and storage systems. Also, each has a 10-foot Buyer’s road plow. The yellow truck on the right is a Caterpillar 930 M wheel loader.



### HOW TO EMAIL YOUR COUNCIL MEMBER:

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## JULY 2022 - PASSED CITY ORDINANCES

**No. 2022-84:** Amending Section 648.04 titled “Disorderly Conduct; Unreasonable Noises” of the Codified Ordinance of the City of Beachwood, Ohio

**No. 2022-85:** Authorizing the Mayor to enter into Change Order No. 1 with CATTs Construction, Inc. for the Beachwood Blvd. Storm Sewer Improvements Project

**No. 2022-87:** Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the City of Shaker Heights, Ohio, for the Bryden-Green Storm Sewer Improvements Project

**No. 2022-89:** Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Ohio Department of Transportation (“ODOT”) for the widening, adding turning lanes and signal improvements on Chagrin Blvd. (US-422/SR-87) from west of Richmond Rd. to Beachwood ECL in the City of Beachwood in Cuyahoga County; Widening the I-271 NB exit ramp to Chagrin Blvd. and the I-271 SB exit ramp to Chagrin Blvd.; Widening the Chagrin Blvd. bridge over I-271 to six lanes; Rehabilitate Richmond Rd. (SR-175) from south of Chagrin Blvd. to Bryden Rd.; Widening EB Chagrin Blvd. west of Park East Dr. and WB Chagrin Blvd. between Park East Dr. and I-271 NB ramps; Widening the Chagrin Blvd./Richmond Rd. intersection

### UPCOMING CITY MEETINGS

**City Council:**  
August 1 at 7:00 p.m.  
August 15 at 7:00 p.m.

**Planning & Zoning:**  
August 25 at 6:30 p.m.

**Architectural Board of Review:**  
August 1 at 4:30 p.m.  
August 15 at 4:30 p.m.



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# WORK-LIVE-LEARN...THRIVE

## DO NOT FEED WILDLIFE

Many people enjoy living near and watching wildlife. You can help keep animals wild by keeping the following tips in mind.

- Do not encourage wildlife by feeding or leaving food.
- Don't allow bird food to accumulate on the ground.
- Don't place food scraps in gardens. Use a closed compost bin.
- Keep pet food and water containers indoors, especially at night.
- If you have fruit trees, harvest fruit when it is ripe.
- Use metal or durable plastic trash containers with tight fitting lids.
- Enjoy wildlife at a distance. Respect their space, they are wild animals that should stay wild.



## POLICE DEPT. GRATEFUL FOR FOURTH OF JULY LUNCH

A special thank you to Beachwood's St. Mark's Presbyterian Church for providing our police officers with lunch on Independence Day. They are truly our friends in the community! Such a special group of caring people. Thank you.



Sgt. Page, Officer Reyna, Officer O'Malley and Officer Majewski with members of St. Mark's Presbyterian Church.

### BEACHWOOD SHRED DAY:

Sunday, September 11 | 9:00 a.m. - Noon | Community Center Parking Lot

Free to city residents! Shred up to 6 banker boxes or 12 blue grocery bags. Rain or shine event.

## COMMUNITY COMPLIMENT

"I wanted to send a note of thanks for the special trash pick up. I left a voicemail on a Monday evening asking if it was possible to get a trash pick up because I had just moved and my tree lawn was overrun with trash. I received a call Tuesday morning (before 8 a.m.) saying that a special pick up had been scheduled for the afternoon. I'm sure this had to be done after their usual route and I had a LOT of garbage so I really, really appreciate the pick up. As do my neighbors, I'm sure! Thank you for the incredibly quick reply from the very friendly lady who called me and the quick service from the employees on the truck."

**Maggie Keenan**

Proud Beachwood Resident

## ROUNDBABOUT PLAN

In order to improve traffic safety at the intersection of Halcyon, Hilltop, E. Silsby and E. Baintree, the city will be restriping the intersection and creating a roundabout. Southbound traffic on Halcyon will have to utilize the roundabout, while northbound traffic will remain the same. Please be aware of the new signage and street striping.



# LOCAL ARTIST BRINGS VIBRANT DISPLAY TO THE FITNESS PARK

Local artist Eileen Dorsey was honored during Launch Day at Beachwood's new Fitness Park on Wednesday, June 29. Her work, titled *Five Seasons in Ohio*, earned her a \$5,000 check awarded by the National Fitness Campaign. Beachwood Arts Council contributed to the selection of Eileen as a local artist for the project.

## About Eileen's Artwork:

Eileen Dorsey captures both local landscapes and fantasy scenes in vibrant hues, painting meditative forests of light and color. Dorsey expresses the energy of the places she visits through impressionistic or expressionistic marks. Emphasizing our connection to nature as a healing and rejuvenating experience, Dorsey's paintings transcend reality to achieve an emotional impact. She won *Cleveland Scene's* Best Artist in 2020 and 2018, *Cleveland Magazine's* Best Artist in 2021, 2020 and 2019, and was honored with "Eileen Dorsey Day" on July 31 of 2021 by the Mayor of Westlake.



*Five Seasons in Ohio* featuring vibrant colors in Beachwood's City Park East.



Eileen Dorsey was presented with her check during an announcement by Community Services Director Derek Schroeder on Launch Day.



Eileen posing near the new Fitness Park and her artwork. Photos taken by BThomasHart Photography.

# FLAG PROUDLY ON DISPLAY FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY



Mayor Justin Berns assisted the Community Services Department with the painting of the United States flag on the front lawn of City Hall in preparation for Independence Day. We hope everyone enjoyed the holiday and the display.

# MIM SOFTWARE NAMED TOP WORKPLACE

MIM Software, Inc., was awarded a Top Workplaces 2022 honor by the *cleveland.com* and *The Plain Dealer* Top Workplaces. The list is based solely on employee feedback gathered through a third-party survey administered by employee engagement technology partner Energage, LLC. The anonymous survey uniquely measures 15 culture drivers that are critical to the success of any organization including alignment, execution, and connection, just to name a few.



# AUGUST RECREATION GUIDE

## FITNESS PARK NOW OPEN WITH FREE SUMMER CLASSES



Mayor Justin Berns (center) cutting the ribbon with Council members Joshua Mintz, Eric Synenberg, Barbara Bellin Janovitz and Danielle Shoykhet.



Attendees at the Fitness Park Launch Day on June 29 learning how to use the strength training equipment.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Quick Fit 9:30 AM Triple A Wellness	3 Outdoor Evolution 9:00 AM ATP Gym	4	5 Pulse 6:30 PM Robyn Schadick	6 Your Dog Is Your Workout Partner 9:00 AM Thank Dog Boot Camp
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Fitness Park Partners:	TRIPLE A WELLNESS	ATP	Mandel Jewish Community Center	FIT4MOM	Thank Dog BOOTCAMP	



The Public Works Department cleared, leveled and poured concrete to the required specifications prior to install.



Located in City Park East, the Fitness Park is open dawn to dusk.

**BEACHWOOD'S CLE MARKET:** Wednesday, August 10 | 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. | Beachwood City Hall Parking Lot  
Featuring a variety of vendors with homemade products, art and more! A food truck will be available.

## ART GALLERY SHOWCASES TIME TRAVELERS' GARDEN EXHIBIT

The Time Travelers' Garden features the work of Dustin Grella, Christopher Hoot, Liz Maugans and Mark Soppeland. These four artists explore diverse artistic practices that involve highly personal approaches to the interconnected, broadly defined ideas of time, travel and the garden. Their work is on display at the Beachwood Art Gallery inside the Community Center through August 28.



Quantum Physics in Monet's Garden by Mark Soppeland.



Tongue Twister by Liz Maugans.

## LEAF PARTY DAY



Beachwood Family Aquatic Center staff, patrons and summer campers celebrated the 5th Annual Leaf Party with Bartu on Friday, July 8.

# AUGUST 11 YAPPY HOUR BENEFITING UH PET PALS

June's Yappy Hour had the crowd barking for more! Beachwood Community Services and University Hospital's Pet Pals program are teaming up for a second Yappy Hour on August 11 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at City Park East, near Barkwood. The event is free and open to all with a live DJ plus beer, wine and cocktails for purchase. Beverages are sponsored by North High Brewing and Pope's Cocktails. Scott's Fire and Ice food truck will also be serving up some delicious bites during the event.

Dogs and their owners can participate in the optional Pet Pals fundraising walk benefiting the program's in-room therapy dog visits. Tips at the bar will also support the Pet Pals fundraising efforts. See the QR code for more info or visit BeachwoodRec.com.



Images by Discovery Photo at the June 30 Yappy Hour.

BEACHWOOD OUTDOOR

## Movie Nights

**FREE!**

**August 14 at 5 PM - Moana**  
**Community Center Parking Lot**

**Luau Party Night!**

**HONKIN HAULIN TRUCK PARADE**

**Sunday, September 18**

Details coming soon!  
BeachwoodRec.com

CITY OF BEACHWOOD

# DOG PADDLE

**Thursday, September 8th**

**Beachwood Family Aquatic Center**  
**4:00 - 7:15 PM | Admission: \$5/dog**

Open to resident dogs only. NO human swimming. Pre-registration required by time slot.  
Time Slots: 4:00-5:30 PM or 5:45-7:15 PM

**Register at BeachwoodRec.com or City Hall!**  
Registration opens August 15th. Proceeds benefit the Barkwood Park Fund.

## CALL FOR CULTURAL PERFORMING ARTISTS

Beachwood Arts Council and the City of Beachwood will shine a light on individual residents or groups who would like to share their cultural talents in a live performance on the main stage of this year's Fall Festival. Since our city has a range of backgrounds and ethnicities, we're looking forward to showcasing these cultural acts (i.e., dance, music or art) for all to enjoy. Performances should be approximately 15 to 20 minutes.

The Fall Festival will be held on Sunday, October 2, from noon to 5:00 p.m. in the Beachwood City Hall Parking Lot and Community Center.

Want to sign-up? Have questions? Contact Paula Rollins at 216-789-3995 or email phonepr@aol.com.

BEACHWOOD

# FALL FESTIVAL

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# BEACHWOOD SENIORS

## MAYOR VISITS MENORAH PARK TO GREET LOCAL SENIORS

Mayor Justin Berns was recently invited to Menorah Park for its petting zoo event which delighted residents and offered the mayor a chance to meet and greet some charming senior citizens.



Menorah Park resident Grace Ordin with Mayor Berns and some relaxed goats.



Mayor Berns with resident Francine Hekelman and Dixie the donkey.

## BRIDGE HODGE PODGE

Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. (Beginning September 6)  
Fridays at 1:00 p.m. (Beginning September 9)  
Beachwood Community Center  
Residents - \$80, Non-Residents - \$96 (Six-week session)

An instructional program led by a certified teacher for intermediate players who are comfortable with basic bidding and play. Register by August 31 online at [BeachwoodRec.com](http://BeachwoodRec.com) or City Hall.



## AUGUST SENIOR DAY OUT

### The John D. Rockefeller Story Myth vs. Fact

Thursday, August 18, at Noon (Register by 8/11)  
Beachwood Community Center  
Residents - \$13, Non-Residents - \$16  
Program only with no meal for \$5.

Dan Ruminski, Cleveland's storyteller, will share surprising details of Cleveland's wealthiest citizen, his unusual disease and what he really thought of Cleveland at the end of his life. We will learn where folklore and fact differ in a most fascinating story of great ambition, success and charity.

## SEPTEMBER SENIOR DAY OUT

### Delightful Dianne

Thursday, September 15, at Noon (Register by 9/7)  
Beachwood Community Center  
Residents - \$13, Non-Residents - \$16  
Program only with no meal for \$5.

Dianne Palmer returns to bring her delightful voice and engaging personality for an afternoon of music. Get ready for a feel good time! Featuring Ralph Turek at the piano.

## FALL DRAWING CLASS

Get expert instruction with a Tuesday or Wednesday six-week afternoon session beginning September 6. Register at City Hall or online.

# ALWAYS BE AN INSIDER, STAY CONNECTED!

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## Frequent Urination Is Not a Given: See an Expert for BPH

**B**enign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH), also called benign prostatic hypertrophy, is when the prostate gland becomes very large and causes problems passing urine. The prostate gland, found only in males, is located in front of the rectum and below the bladder, wrapping around the urethra – the tube that carries urine out of the body.

As the prostate grows with BPH, it presses against the urethra, interfering with urination. At the same time, the bladder wall becomes thicker and irritated, and begins to contract, even when it contains only small amounts of urine. This can cause more frequent urination. These changes cause the bladder muscle to weaken. It may not empty fully and can leave some urine behind. This leads to symptoms such as:

- Leaking or dribbling of urine
- Trouble starting urine stream
- More frequent urination, especially at night
- Urgency to urinate
- Holding urine (can't pass urine)
- An interrupted, weak stream of urine

Though the cause of BPH is not fully known, experts do know that the prostate goes through 2 main periods of growth: in early puberty it doubles in size, and around age 25, the prostate starts to grow again and continues to grow for most of a man's life. This continuing growth of the prostate, however, typically does not cause problems until much later in life. Around age 60, this second period of growth may result in BPH.

BPH is not cancer, rather it is a common part of aging for men. BPH, however, can raise levels of PSA (prostate-specific antigen) – a protein made by cells in the prostate gland that has been correlated with an increased risk of prostate cancer.

"It is important to diagnose and treat BPH because if left untreated, it can lead to a number of more severe issues, including loss of urine control, kidney damage, blood in the urine, bladder damage, urinary tract infections, bladder stones, or the inability to pass urine at all. It's also important to distinguish BPH from other more serious diseases like prostate cancer," says UH urologist and BPH specialist Irina Jaeger, M.D.

### **How is BPH diagnosed and treated?**

Diagnosing benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH) in its earlier stages can lower the risk of complications. Many simple tests can be used to diagnose BPH alongside a review of health history and standard physical exam. Once diagnosed, a variety of treatment options are available.

Historically, medications have been used to relieve symptoms of BPH. These medications shrink, or at least stop, the growth of the prostate, or loosen the muscles around the urethra, allowing urine to flow more easily. While a low maintenance option, medications may cause sexual side effects, such as ejaculation problems and erectile dysfunction.

If medications are unsuccessful or sexual side effects are a concern, thermotherapies and/or surgery may be recommended. But not all options require

major incisions and lengthy recovery times. Experts at University Hospitals now offer a variety of minimally invasive, highly effective procedures. Some of the newest include laser therapies like holmium laser enucleation of the prostate (HoLEP) and GreenLight, and the use of small implants like UroLift®.

During HoLEP, a holmium laser encased inside a telescope is inserted into the urethra and used to separate excess prostate gland tissue from the prostate capsule, an action some clinicians describe as similar to "peeling an orange from the inside." Like HoLEP, GreenLight laser therapy involves the use of a laser-containing telescope. Its laser, however, rapidly vaporizes the excess prostate tissue responsible for limiting the flow of urine rather than cutting it away.

Performed as an outpatient procedure, UroLift® involves the use of a permanent implant. Instead of removing prostate tissue, the UroLift® procedure implants a device that pulls the prostate away from the urethra on both sides and holds it in place – much like opening a curtain. This widens the urethra and restores normal urine flow.

"For years, the primary options for treating BPH were through behavior modifications, medications, or invasive surgery," says Dr.

Jaeger. "However, medications don't work for all patients and can have undesirable side effects. With laser solutions like GreenLight and HoLEP, and minimally invasive procedures like UroLift®, I'm able to provide relief of BPH for men who want to treat their BPH, but do not want to take medication or want to avoid major surgery."

Though common in older men and not always a cause for concern, changes in urination are not a given – especially when related to BPH. Consult and treatment of BPH can significantly improve the standard of living for men who suffer.

### **About Irina Jaeger, M.D.**

As a general urologist, Dr. Jaeger sees patients with a wide range of urological disorders, from the most common to the highly complex. Her clinical expertise includes the diagnosis and treatment of benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH), stone disease, overactive bladder and incontinence in men, sexual dysfunction, and urologic cancer. She is trained in the most advanced treatments and techniques available.

Dr. Jaeger is the only woman physician in Ohio designated as a UroLift® Center of Excellence. She received a second Center of Excellence certification for GreenLight laser therapy in April 2021. To schedule a BPH consultation with Dr. Jaeger, call 216.545.7046.

## Opening School Year 2022-2023

Dear Beachwood Families,

I hope you have had a wonderful summer, whether it has kept you close to home or you have been able to travel far and wide. It's hard to believe we are already looking forward to the start of the school year on August 17th!

I am incredibly optimistic for the year ahead as we move beyond COVID-19 protocols, welcome two new principals, Ms. Arianna DeGeorge at Bryden Elementary and Dr. Octavia Reid at Hilltop Elementary, and continue to pursue an elementary facilities plan that will earn the community's support in May 2023.

Earlier this year, I shared my goals of onboarding and training for our newly formed board. In February, we received training alongside the district's superintendent and treasurer from the Ohio School Board Association (OSBA) and legal counsel Dan McIntyre. Additionally, in May, Board Vice President Jillian DeLong and I attended OSBA's Board Leadership Institute. We have also been connecting with students, families and staff by attending school events and engaging in regularly scheduled Bison Talks. You are invited to join our next Bison Talk on Tuesday, September 20, at 6:00 pm.

As always, I firmly believe that we are stronger together and wish the very best for you and your families this coming school year.

Best wishes,  
**Megan Walsh**

*President, Beachwood Board of Education*



**Megan Walsh**, *President*  
*Beachwood Board of Education*

### New Bison!

Please join us in welcoming:

- Jennifer Androsko**, Special Education Assistant
- Khari Bess**, Special Education Assistant
- Tomika Eason**, Custodian
- Emily Cleer-Estades**, Speech-Language Pathologist
- Arianna DeGeorge**, Bryden/Fairmount Principal
- Grace Ellis**, Hilltop Intervention Specialist
- Rebecca Fleishmann**, BHS Office Assistant
- Jeffrey Gacka**, Bus Driver
- Johnathan Luster**, Hilltop Intervention Specialist
- Lauren Meade**, Director of Communications
- Eddy Murphy**, Bus Driver
- Jennifer Polak**, Director of Pupil Services
- Dr. Octavia Reid**, Hilltop Principal
- Allison Siekmann**, Orchestra Teacher
- Sunceriray Stallworth**, Bus Driver
- Alexandra Thailing**, Special Education Assistant
- Jordan Wallin**, Hilltop Teacher
- Anna Wilson**, Preschool Assistant

## New District Leaders



### **Dr. Octavia Reid**, Hilltop School Principal

Beachwood Schools warmly welcomes **Dr. Octavia Reid** as Hilltop School principal. Dr. Reid comes to Beachwood from Maple Heights City Schools, where she has served as the principal of the Barack Obama Elementary School since 2018. With two decades of school leadership experience, Dr. Reid has excelled professionally in curriculum revitalization, community engagement, and diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives. Dr.

Reid holds a Doctorate in Educational Leadership, Management and Policy from Seton Hall University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from Troy State University.

"I am honored to have been selected to serve in a community that is devoted to academic excellence," said Dr. Reid. "It is my desire to instill that love of learning in every child who enters the doors of Hilltop Elementary."



### **Jennifer Polak**, Director of Pupil Services

Beachwood Schools is excited to announce the hiring of **Jennifer Polak** as the director of Pupil Services. An experienced leader and champion for students, Ms. Polak previously served as the director of Pupil Services and Special Education in the Ashtabula Area City Schools and the director of Pupil-Personnel for the Fairport Harbor Exempted Village School District. She holds a Master of Educational Administration and Leadership

from Ashland University and a Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education from Notre Dame College of Ohio.

"I am looking forward to learning and growing with this wonderful team of educators," Polak said. "Their dedication to excellence and pursuit of the best possible education for all students is exciting and inspiring."



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## Update: Elementary Facilities Project

Beachwood City School District is ensuring its elementary schools are future ready. The district is developing a facility plan for the **Hilltop, Bryden**, and **Fairmount** school buildings. Several options are being developed for replacing and/or renovating the aging buildings to ensure the facilities meet the standard to support elementary education in the 21st century. Hilltop and Bryden were both built beginning in 1956.



Families, students, staff, and residents will have opportunities to engage in conversations about how the elementary facilities can best serve the Beachwood community and support innovative programs and instruction.

The following community meetings are projected:

**September 12:** Project Management Consultants (PMC) will present the elementary schools' needs and discuss general master planning concepts with public input and questions.

**October 10:** The public will review master plan options and have opportunities to ask questions and offer feedback.

**November 14:** PMC will present one or two options for recommendation to the Board of Education.



Use the QR code above to provide input about how the elementary facilities can best serve the Beachwood community and support innovative programs and instruction.

## Board of Education NEWS

### Recent Resolutions:

- Approved Handbooks and HS Program of Studies
- Adopted new Bryden Social Studies and BHS Spanish textbooks
- Renewed contract with AVI Foodsystems
- Approved Owner's Representative, Project Management Consultants for Elementary Schools Project

### Future Resolutions:

- Hire Architect for Elementary Schools Project
- Approve 22-23 Bus Routes
- Hire Federal Grant Tutors

### Board Meeting Calendar:

- August 3, 2022 @ 7:00 pm (Special Meeting)
- August 8, 2022 @ 7:00 pm
- August 22, 2022 @ 7:00 pm

## Spring Sports Highlights

Congratulations to our spring athletes and coaches for making Beachwood shine with another record-breaking season!

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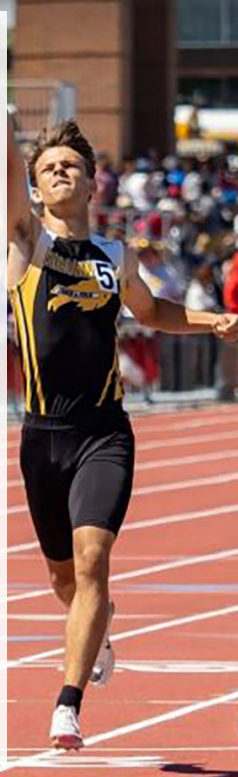
- **Braylen Eaton, Noah Saidel, Caleb Berns, David Steckner** - STATE CHAMPIONS, 4 x 400 Meter Relay
- **David Steckner, Greg Perryman, Noah Saidel, Caleb Berns** - 2nd Place, 4 x 800 Meter Relay
- **Dakota Houston, Sarah Brown, Amelie Cotta, Lauren Luxenburg** - 3rd Place, 4 x 100 Relay
- **Dakota Houston, Sarah Brown, Amelie Cotta, Lauren Luxenburg** - 3rd Place, 4 x 200 Relay
- **Sarah Brown** - 4th Place, Shot Put
- **Kylie Waters** - 4th Place, Long Jump
- **Caleb Berns** - 7th Place, 800 Meter Run

### BASEBALL:

- Chagrin Valley Conference Champions
- **Brendan Malek**, 1st Team All District, Honorable Mention All Ohio & CVC Most Valuable Player
- **Josh Rosenblitt**, Honorable Mention All District

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- Finished 14-2



## Beachwood Medical Academy Prepares Students for Healthcare Careers

High school students aspiring for in-demand healthcare careers will learn and work alongside caregivers from **University Hospitals Ahuja Medical Center** during a two-day camp held August 9-10. Students will earn CPR certification, observe demonstrations in robotic surgery, and gain hands-on laboratory experience with lung and heart dissections.

"I am happy that our partnership with Ahuja is returning this summer," said Linda LoGalbo, director of Curriculum & Instruction. "I am incredibly grateful to Dr. David Rosenberg for his leadership in spearheading the camp." Dr. Rosenberg (Class of '66) was recently inducted into the BHS Gallery of Success.

Earlier this summer, Beachwood Medical Academy students visited a cadaver lab to study gross anatomy during a June 15-17 camp that was hosted in partnership with the **Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine Physician Assistant Program**. "The camp broadened my view of what it would be like to be a doctor or physician assistant," said Radha Pareek, 15. "I learned about the different paths I can take within the medical field."

In addition to these summer experiences, Medical Academy students prepare for competitive pre-med programs by following a sequence of honors and Advanced Placement courses. Hospital immersion and volunteer experiences held throughout the 2022-2023 school year at UH Ahuja Medical Center will feature a variety of medical specialties and careers. To learn more about the Beachwood Medical Academy, visit [www.beachwoodschoools.org/MedicalAcademy.aspx](http://www.beachwoodschoools.org/MedicalAcademy.aspx)

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# Wiggins Place Communal Garden

The community at Wiggins Place of Menorah Park proudly celebrated its communal garden at a ribbon-cutting ceremony on July 12. Resident, donor, and avid gardener Donna Yanowitz cut the ribbon alongside Jim Newbrough, Menorah Park president and CEO, and Mayor Justin Berns, amidst family, fellow gardeners, and guests.



Donna Yanowitz cuts the ribbon with Jim Newbrough (left) and Justin Berns (right).

Lois Klein, of blessed memory, and Donna Yanowitz contributed to the establishment of the garden space: Donna, through the Bennett and Donna Yanowitz Family Foundation at the Jewish Federation of Cleveland, and Lois, through the Lois and Bernard Klein Wiggins Place Fund. According to Brian Sokol, Menorah Park chief development officer, Lois loved gardening and wished for the funds to be used to enhance Wiggins Place after her passing. "How pleased Lois would be to see this beautiful garden," Brian said. "Thank you, Lois, for your foresight."

Community gardens in the U.S. are growing faster than ever. For example, the number of garden plots in city parks has increased 44% since the non-profit group Trust for Public Land started keeping track in 2012.

"Gardening is a fun, meaningful activity. Plus, the gardens continue to beautify the environment for all of our tenants and

visitors," Jim said. "We are so proud of this latest enhancement to our campus and hope everyone takes great pleasure in either planting and enjoying their garden harvests or enjoying the beautiful scenery it provides."

"Wiggins Place is a treasure in the Beachwood community," added Mayor Berns. "May you continue to enjoy this garden with happiness."

Cheerful artwork and a painted stone walkway, created as a labor of love by Tony Ciuprinskas, assistance maintenance manager, and Emily, his daughter, guide gardeners and guests to the garden entry. The duo shared their artistic talents to bring added smiles to the space.

Wiggins Place gardeners include Donna Yanowitz, Archie and Reva Leitzman, Dr. Sidney Cohen, Shirley Chessin, Art Glassman, Leo Katz, Enid Kirtz, Yona Reisez, and Helene Weiss.



Shirley Chessin loves everything about gardening. "I enjoy being outside and I love seeing things grow," she said.

After raising their family in Beachwood, Shirley and her late husband Jim lived in Florida, where she used to grow flowers. Since moving to Wiggins, her favorite plants to grow are tomatoes. "They're so versatile and I enjoy making homemade tomato soup, so that was my obvious choice," she explained.

"What I really love about gardening is the satisfaction of seeing plants grow. The growth and beauty are amazing," she added. "And being outside, I love being outside."



Dr. Sid Cohen (right) and Art Glassman (left) both have backgrounds in gardening.

"I've been gardening ever since I became a homeowner," Art said. "There is nothing better than eating a fresh tomato."

When Sid was in practice as a surgeon, he would come home, walk back to the garden, and pluck a ripe tomato to enjoy as he walked in to greet his wife, who was the family gardener at the time.

It's no wonder that the two joined forces to form #TeamTomato. "Sid and I just do tomatoes, about four plants," Art added. "We decided to partner to make sure the plants receive good care."

The duo began growing tomatoes about two years ago, which encouraged more residents to join in, and sparked interest and growth toward this expanded space.

While there are certainly physical and mental health benefits to gardening, as well as the promotion of nutrition and ecology, Sid and Art appreciate a more immediate pleasure: "We thoroughly enjoy the fruits of our labor," Art said.





Gardening has been a part of Donna Yanowitz's life since before she was married. "I used to go back to my hometown in Duluth, MN, clean out my parents' garden, and get it planted for the year," she recalled. Additionally, Donna planted about 30 plots of flowers in her home garden in Pepper Pike.

"When I came to Wiggins Place and found out they had gardens, I knew what I had to do," she added. "It's my favorite activity. I can get my hands dirty and I love digging in that soil."

Gardening has always been about the aesthetic, which is why Donna prefers to grow flowers. "I can buy my fruits and vegetables at the market, and I love flowers," she said. At

Wiggins Place, she has planted snapdragons, delphiniums, marigolds, and impatiens. Donna also grows orchids in her apartment, which gets plenty of natural light.

Her harvest is sometimes bountiful enough to share, so Donna enjoys setting flowers at the Wiggins Place front desk for others to enjoy. "The mission of the flower is just to look beautiful," she emphasized. "You cut it and it enhances the beauty of your home."

The most satisfying part of growing flowers is playing a role in bringing new life to the ground and watching it grow. "You put something in the soil, a little, tiny thing, and you water it, take care of it, and get something beautiful out of it."



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# Snap Out of It

## Diverting the Emotional Roller Coaster

### A Memoir by Ellen Wohl

To be released this month

Ellen imagined herself as a lot of things: actress, romance novelist, and undercover secret agent. Caregiver was never on her list. In an unexpected twist of fate, she is thrust into a world of medical advocacy and, yes, caregiving for her husband, Jack, who continues to battle a lifetime of chronic conditions.

Ellen Teitelman Wohl shares a decades-long love story filled with frustration, determination, and resilience in her memoir, *Snap Out of It, An Unexpected Caregiver's Way to Self-care, Stability, and Survival*.

*Snap Out of It* reads like a medical thriller with two stories in one. Prepare for a wild ride while Ellen navigates numerous – and often unexpected – twists and turns in her husband's health over several decades, often hovering over a chasm from which there is no return. Together, they conquer conditions ranging from mental illness, heart disease, and lung cancer to diabetes and normal pressure hydrocephalus (water on the brain).

Living in Cleveland, Ohio, Jack has the greatest doctors in the world. They tell Ellen, "We'll take care of your husband. You take care of yourself." But how, she wonders.

Maintaining Jack's erratic health and a normal day-to-day family life with work, school, sports, travel, and friendships is challenging. Ellen steps up and tries to keep it all together. It is the impetus for her common-sense approach to mental health/self-care practices. Finally, she discovers the way from stress to strength.

Often asked, "How do you do it?" *Snap Out of It* is her answer. Ellen reaches into her past for familiar acts that bring comfort and calm to her Whack-a-Mole world of worry. She shares these "snaps," cherished, often humorous stories of her younger self that become the inspiration for her mental escape, respite, and relief. Ellen encourages readers to dig into their own history for a personal approach to self-care.

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# BHS Grad Moonhee Kim Awarded BAC Scholarship

**C**ongratulations to Beachwood High School graduate Moonhee Kim, who received Beachwood Arts Council's Si and Shirley Wachsberger Arts Scholarship Award. This award is presented annually to a graduating high school senior who plans to pursue the arts by further developing his or her skills in college.

Each school that participated in the Ileen Kelner Juried High School Art Show was invited to select one student to apply for the scholarship. Then, each nominee had a live interview that included a short performance.

Moonhee has fine-tuned her violin skills to perform at an elite level. Her talent, along with that belonging to three other musicians in the quartet, Lumiere, propelled them to win a silver medal in the 2021 Fischhoff Competition. This program is nearly the equivalent of the Olympics as the largest and longest-running chamber music competition in the world. Moonhee will be attending Brown University in the fall. To learn

more about her, visit [www.beachwoodbuzzmag.com/magazine/2108.pdf](http://www.beachwoodbuzzmag.com/magazine/2108.pdf). She was featured on the cover.

BAC established The Si and Shirley Wachsberger Arts Scholarship Award to honor the couple for their contributions to the organization. Awards are rotated between students focusing on musical arts, performing arts, and visual arts.

### About Si and Shirley Wachsberger

Si was raised in East Cleveland and graduated from Miami University with a degree in journalism. He is best known for holding elective office for 38 years on both the

Beachwood Board of Education and Beachwood City Council, serving as president on both. He owned The Oxford Shop, which sold mens clothing in Shaker Heights, for 29 years. He was then executive director at Fairmount Temple, where he had been a teacher years earlier.

In addition to being a BAC co-founder, Si helped to start the Voters League, Beachwood Museum, and Little League.

Shirley was raised in Cleveland and graduated from John Carroll University with a degree in psychology. While raising four sons, Donald, Kenneth, Jeffrey, and Robert, she worked at the Bryden



School library, then later as a paralegal in Cleveland. In addition to being a BAC co-founder, she volunteered with PTA and Montefiore Women's Auxiliary, serving as president of both.

Si and Shirley also volunteered as reading tutors to inner-city children and created a library at one of the schools.



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# Accessing Community Resources Now Easier with New ACCESS Jewish Cleveland Website

## State-of-the-art site makes finding local services, activities, and resources simple

The Jewish Federation of Cleveland recently launched a new, state-of-the-art website for its Access Jewish Cleveland program (“ACCESS”). Created in 2012 with funding from the Mt. Sinai Health Foundation through the Centennial Fund, Access Jewish Cleveland is a free service that provides a single point of contact to virtually everything Jewish in Cleveland, including education and synagogue options, fitness and recreational opportunities, Jewish life resources, and upcoming local events.

ACCESS also provides personalized and confidential assistance for individuals and families in need of emotional and psychological counseling, financial assistance, employment support, in-home care and food delivery, and more. Additionally, the ACCESS website is home to a comprehensive cemetery database.

“Over the years, ACCESS has helped thousands of Jewish Clevelanders find the information or help they needed,” said Peter Meisel, chair

of Federation’s Community Planning Committee. “We have so many options and resources to support the Jewish community. We needed to upgrade the website for Access Jewish Cleveland to keep pace with the growth in services we have seen and provide users with the highest quality online experience no matter what device they are using. This new site is further evidence of our commitment to serving all of Cleveland’s Jewish community in the best way possible.

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The new website, which is now mobile-friendly, offers visitors a streamlined, modern design, improved functionality, and easy access to essential information.

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The new website, which is now mobile-friendly, offers visitors a streamlined, modern design, improved functionality, and easy access to essential information. Visitors are encouraged to explore the website at [www.accessjewishcleveland.org](http://www.accessjewishcleveland.org) and call 216.292.INFO (4636) with any questions or comments.

## Beachwood Men’s Softball League Update

The Beachwood Men’s Softball League had a very competitive first half of their 2022 season. Going into the final week, the Adelman-Gross team had only one loss, and the Gottfried-Dirusso team and Shickler-Siefert team had three losses each. If the Gottfried-Dirusso team would have beaten the Adelman-Gross team, there would have been a three-way tie, necessitating a three-team playoff series.

However, the Adelman-Gross team rose to the occasion and defeated the Gottfried-Dirusso in both games to finish with a 13-1 record and the first half championship. The champions survived the game even though they were down two players, pitcher David Peltz and outfielder Fred Gross, due to heat exhaustion.

The win, with hitting stars Tyler Peltz, Todd Adelman, and Zach Just, was an entire team effort.

In keeping with the tradition of the Beachwood Men’s Softball League, which encourages family members playing together, the Adelman-Gross team boasts four sets of family ties: Fred Gross and his son, Ben; Larry Adelman, his

son, Todd, and son-in-law, Leland Vincent; Neal Nudelman and his brother, Roger; and David Peltz and his son, Tyler.

The second half of the season is now underway. At its

conclusion, the Adelman-Gross team will play the second half winners in a two-out-of-three-game championship series. Other post season play for the Beachwood league includes a

Round Robin tournament, a “Legends” game and an All-Star game.

League commissioners are Larry Adelman, Ed Bernstein, Dick Cohen, and Jim Heller.



*Front row, kneeling: David Peltz, Tyler Peltz, Fred Gross, Todd Adelman, and Zach Just  
Middle row, leaning: Larry Adelman, Roger Nudelman, and Stuart Ostro  
Back row: Chuck Calder, Steve Berris, Ben Gross, Matt Kneitel, and Neal Nudelman  
Not pictured: Leland Vincent, Dan Nathanson, Rich Clemens, and Chad Baxter*

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# The Unconventional Guide To Joseph Fine

When Allen Danzig retired in 2016, he pivoted to the writing life and just published his first book, "The Unconventional Guide to Joseph Fine." This entertaining and thought-provoking novel is both a romantic comedy and a broader exploration of how we see each other.

Meet Joseph Fine, the main character, whose surname is a painfully accurate assessment of his life at the moment. On paper, everything about his life appears to be, well, fine. Successful lawyer. Respected by peers. Financially sound. Check, check, check. Well, not quite. This quirky guy who stands about 5-foot-3-inches decides to drop everything to venture thousands of miles from his uncomfortable comfort zone to figure out what it takes to live life and find love.

"Although the first few chapters may seem autobiographical, the story is not about me," he told us.

Allen has enjoyed American literature and fast-paced, spontaneous writing since high school. After retirement, he thought, "If I just sat still long enough I can do this. I have something to say, and now I can make it funny, cute, light, and fun to read."

That's what he did. He made a point about how men and women view each other. "There are plenty of books about women and their issues, so this is from a man's point of view.

"Joseph finds that women aren't giving him a chance and they see him superficially," Allen explained, saying that he isn't giving away any spoilers.

He added, "What does it take to get beyond that?"

Allen addresses tolerance and acceptance, and looking at people past a first impression. "The process was cathartic," he reflected.

"Writing this novel has been a rewarding experience," he said. "I encourage others to use their latent talents in the creative realm."

Allen grew up in New Jersey and attended Rutgers Law School. After law school, he was an attorney with the Environmental Protection Agency in Washington D.C. He and his wife, Lynn, then moved to Beachwood, where he worked for 28 years as



corporate environmental counsel with Sherwin-Williams. They now spend most of the year in South Florida.

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# A Rare Diamond: Philanthropist Honored Again with Prestigious Tree of Life Award

Longtime Cleveland philanthropist and Jewish National Fund-USA partner (donor), Harlan Diamond, has once again been named a recipient of the organization's prestigious Tree of Life™ Award, which recognizes outstanding community involvement, professional leadership, dedication to the cause of American Israeli friendship, and a devotion to peace and the security of human life. Harlan received his first award in 2006.

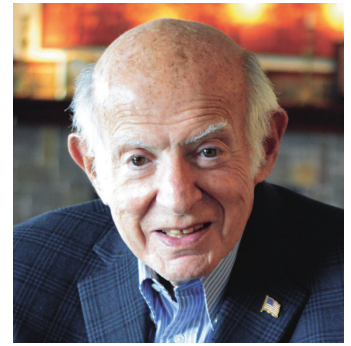
Hundreds are expected to honor the former president of Executive Caterers, Inc., at a reception at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 28, at Landerhaven – a venue previously owned by Harlan.

"I've been a proud supporter of Jewish National Fund-USA for decades and have been

a Zionist my entire life," said Harlan. "When I learned I'd been nominated for the Tree of Life™ Award, I was so moved and excited to accept. One of the most appealing aspects of this honor is the opportunity to support the Jewish National Fund-USA project that is closest to my heart – The Galilee Culinary Institute. I worked in the food and beverage industry for 70 years, and to have the opportunity to give back to that industry in this way is such an incredible opportunity."

As part of Jewish National Fund-USA's strategic initiatives, supporting the Galilee region's economy and infrastructure, with a goal of attracting 300,000 new residents to the area, the Galilee Culinary Institute

(GCI by JNF) is expected to reinvent culinary education and revolutionize the culinary arts scene in northern Israel when it opens in 2023. GCI by JNF will offer an intensive, total-immersion program that is designed to help students acquire a combination of practical skills and a broad understanding of the major themes impacting the food world today. The program will include a 12-month hands-on educational experience, where students from around the world will learn about cooking, as well as critical life skills like architecture, marketing, business, finance, and the local farm-to-table concept that promotes sustainable, locally sourced produce. The campus will also include a restaurant, café, and brewery.



Event chairs include Kevin S. Adelstein, Rebecca Bar-Shain, Barnett Bookatz, Mindy Feigenbaum, Barry Feldman, Daniel Geller, The Honorable Francine Goldberg, Michael Jacobson, Noreen Koppelman-Goldstein, Margaret Singerman, and Charles Whitehill.

For more information or to register to attend the reception honoring Harlan Diamond, visit [www.jnf.org/NOhiotreeoflife](http://www.jnf.org/NOhiotreeoflife) or contact Ari Milgrom, JNF-USA director, Northern Ohio, at [amilgrom@jnf.org](mailto:amilgrom@jnf.org) or 216.292.8733, ext. 790.



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## Beachwood Truck Park

On July 8, Beachwood Truck Park opened at the prior location of the Beachwood Fire Department, 24619 Chagrin Blvd. With an 11,000-square-foot patio and indoor seating available on the first and second floors, the old fire house was revamped to become a new gathering space for friends, family, and dogs.

Local food trucks will be on a rotating schedule every day to provide options for everyone, with at least two trucks scheduled each morning and two or three trucks every evening. For

details, visit Beachwood Truck Park on social media.

"We offer similar drink selections as we do at Lakewood Truck Park, including local beers, specialty cocktails, ice cream, milkshakes, and pup cups," said Michaela Amato, manager. "We also offer bottled wine at this location, versus tapped wine in Lakewood."

Beachwood Truck Park plans to expand its patio to the Chagrin Boulevard side of the building and introduce live music and events in the near future.



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# Fairmount Temple Welcomes New Board President and Executive Director

On June 21, Michele Krantz was elected president of the Anshe Chesed Fairmount Temple Board of Directors. Michele, who has been serving as the 1st vice president for the past year, has been a Board vice president since 2019. In addition, she has served on multiple committees at Fairmount Temple, including co-chairing the Cantorial Search Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee.



Michele is currently an attorney in the Office of General Counsel at Case Western Reserve University. Prior, she worked with the Meridia Hospital System and Cleveland Clinic Health System, and practiced law in Washington, D.C. She received her B.S. with Distinction from Cornell University and her J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. She also serves on the *Cleveland Jewish News* board of directors.



*Pictured from top:* Michele Krantz and Julianna Johnston Senturia

Michele grew up in New York City and moved to Northeast Ohio 30 years ago with her husband, Marc, of blessed memory. Their three children, now adults, all attended Fairmount Temple's Religious School. One of her family's highlights was going on a Fairmount Temple trip to Israel, which was led by Rabbi Caruso and Cantor Sager.

and coordinator of Lifelong Jewish Engagement.

On August 15, Julianna Johnston Senturia will be joining Fairmount Temple as its new executive director. With more than 25 years dedicated to the nonprofit sector and Jewish communal life, Julianna most recently served as executive director for the Heights Schools Foundation, which supports the Cleveland Heights-University Heights public school system. Prior, Julianna was a member of the Fairmount Temple staff as a Hebrew teacher, and religious school curriculum consultant

Additionally, she served on Shaker Heights City Council for eight years as chair of the city's Safety & Public Works Committee and two years as vice mayor. Her volunteer commitments include board positions with the Shaker Heights League of Women Voters, Cleveland Jewish News Foundation, and Shaker Heights Development Corporation.

Julianna earned a Master's in Nonprofit Administration from John Carroll University, as well as a Master's of American Policy and Women's Studies, and Political Science Major B.A. from Ohio University. She and her family have been active members of Fairmount Temple for more than 20 years.

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We invite you to learn more about our welcoming and embracing community, including our educational Jewish experiences for learners of all ages and dynamic Religious School programming for children Pre-K - 12th grade. To learn more, reach out to Rabbi Elle Muhlbaum, [Emuhlbaum@fairmounttemple.org](mailto:Emuhlbaum@fairmounttemple.org).



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# 60 Connect

## A senior in-person program on the Mandel JCC Campus

The Mandel Jewish Community Center (Mandel JCC) offers a free program for community members ages 60 and over to connect with one another. The program provides an array of social and recreational activities, such as exercise classes, speakers, live entertainment, bingo, and kosher snacks.

60 Connect is designed to build connections among area seniors and adults with disabilities. It also offers links to social services for these individuals, many of whom live alone, to combat isolation. These human connections provide vital socialization that many seniors and individuals missed due to health and safety concerns during the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to in-person

programming, home-delivered kosher meals are available for individuals who register.

The program, formerly called Lunch Plus, operated as a congregate lunch program. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the program's in-person gatherings took a hiatus; however, the lunch service shifted to a home kosher meal delivery format for registered participants. Efforts to reinstate the congregate lunch service are underway.

### About 60 Connect

- Program Offered: Monday through Friday, 10 am to noon, in the Mandel JCC Stonehill Auditorium
- Free transportation is available to and from many surrounding communities
- Registration is required to attend 60 Connect programs or receive home-delivered kosher meals
- To register, contact Yolanda Nixon at 216.831.0700, ext. 1210, or [ynixon@mandeljcc.org](mailto:ynixon@mandeljcc.org)

60 Connect is designed to build connections among area seniors and adults with disabilities.

### Funding is provided by:

- Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging
- Cuyahoga County Division of Senior and Adult Services
- Jewish Federation of Cleveland
- Mandel JCC



Beachwood Democrats invite you to join them the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. to learn more about

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## Show Your Care with ORT's Honey From the Heart

ORT's Honey From the Heart sale is back for another sweet Rosh Hashanah. This distinctive 8-ounce jar of kosher honey is decorated with a festive label, includes a personalized card, and will arrive in time for the Rosh Hashanah holiday.

The Honey From The Heart® fundraiser, now in its 32nd year, is operated by volunteers of the ORT Atlanta Region, who have shipped hundreds of thousands of honey jars around the world since it began in 1990.

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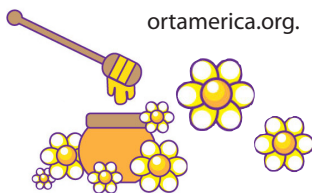


ORT Kadima Mada (Science Journey) school educates some of Israel's most vulnerable children near the border with Gaza.

This is a sweet way to start the Jewish New Year. It's fast and easy to order online at [www.orthoney.com/CLV](http://www.orthoney.com/CLV).

For more information or assistance with your honey purchase, contact Sandy Lusher-Waterhouse at

216.464.3022 or [ohio@ortamerica.org](mailto:ohio@ortamerica.org).



## BHS Class of '72 Reunion



### 50-Year Reunion

Saturday, October 29 • 7 p.m.  
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Planning for a fun-filled weekend is underway. If you would like to help, please

contact Susie Loparo at [Susiesellscleveland@gmail.com](mailto:Susiesellscleveland@gmail.com), Michelle Reiner at [Mich40love@aol.com](mailto:Mich40love@aol.com), or Joan Morgenstern at [Jbmorg1@gmail.com](mailto:Jbmorg1@gmail.com).

## Beachwood Library Feature Programs

### Stories at the Pool

Beachwood Family Aquatic Center  
Wednesday, August 3 • 2-3 p.m.  
Families are invited to enjoy stories, songs, and fingerplays during rest period at the pool.

### Summer Reading Round Up

Grades K-5  
Tuesday, August 9 • 3-4 p.m.  
Say goodbye to summer with some STEAM fun at the library. Registration is required.

### Stories at the Playground

Beachwood Family Aquatic Center Playground  
Wednesday, August 17  
11-11:30 a.m.

Families are invited to enjoy stories, songs, and fingerplays at the playground.

For a complete listing of all upcoming events, visit [www.cuyahogalibrary.org](http://www.cuyahogalibrary.org).

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## Yarn Over Beachwood

**Y**arn Over Beachwood members knit, crochet, and loom items for different organizations and charities throughout Northeast Ohio. Group members share ideas, patterns, projects, websites, links to patterns, and more.

The group meets the first Friday of each month from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Beachwood Library. Upcoming dates are August 5, September 2, and October 7. Participants create varied projects that include hats, bird nests, lapghans, and more – and yarn donations are always welcome! To participate or donate yarn, contact Iris November at lbrtyclub@gmail.com or 216.375.9111.



Crafters recently created 106 hats for “Hats not Hate,” the group’s project against bullying. This is an ongoing project.

## Saltzman Youth Panel Grants \$45,000 For Community Needs

**T**wenty-four Jewish high school juniors and seniors from public and private schools across Cleveland have come together to recommend grants totaling \$45,000 to 16 organizations for crucial programs in the Jewish and general community through the Jewish Federation of Cleveland’s 2021-2022 Maurice Saltzman Youth Panel.

Saltzman Youth Panel was established in 1998 through a generous gift from the late Shirley Saltzman and her family, in memory of the late Maurice Saltzman. The program is designed to help educate the next generation of Jewish community leadership, a passion of Maurice’s, who was a past board chair of the Federation. Each year, a new Saltzman Youth Panel allocates up to \$50,000 to worthy organizations – 85% of which is awarded to programs serving the Jewish community and 15% awarded to nonprofit programs serving the general community. Through this experience, the participants learn about the philanthropic process and responding to community needs.

Panelists Maya Eisengart, a junior at Beachwood High School, Zachary Honig, a senior at Shaker Heights High

School, and Katie Rusnak, a senior at Shaker Heights High School, presented the panel’s recommendations to the Federation’s Board of Trustees on May 23, 2022. Recommendations from the panel were unanimously approved by the board.

Among the grants were: \$4,000 to Cleveland Chesed Center toward school supplies for disadvantaged kids; \$4,000 to Jewish Agency for Israel – North American Council for summer camps in Israel that bolster Ethiopian immigrants’ academic performance, social skills, and Hebrew proficiency; and \$1,250 to Linking Employment Abilities & Potential toward providing needed resources for individuals to return home after a hospital or nursing home stay.

Prior to the Board of Trustees meeting, panelists and their families gathered for

a reception to celebrate their accomplishments. Federation President Erika B. Rudin-Luria congratulated the group on their successful collaboration and philanthropic spirit. Panelists commented on how much they learned about community needs, evaluation of grant proposals, and the struggle to prioritize needs when resources are limited.

Panelists, selected through a competitive application process, met eight times throughout

the school year. They created a Request for Proposals, reviewed grant applications, learned about consensus decision making and, in the end, had a tremendous impact on programs and organizations which improve the lives of others. Three alumni also joined the 2021-2022 panelists as Saltzman Youth Panel Peer Advisors, mentoring their peers and ensuring that panelists are part of the communal decision-making process.



2021-2022 Saltzman Youth Panel

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## Ice Cream Social

September 25 • 3-5 p.m. • Beachwood Board of Education

The Beachwood Neurodiversity, Disability and Adaptive Education Family Network, a support group for families with special needs in the Beachwood City School District, invites you to kick off the school year by attending its second annual ice cream social on September 25, 3-5 pm, at the Beachwood Board of Education, 24601 Fairmount Blvd.

### Membership / Participation:

This network is open to all Beachwood Schools families. Any member of our community who wishes to be educated

on and contribute to matters concerning neurodiversity, disability, and adaptive education in our district may participate.

The participation and cooperation of families of students who are neurotypical, non-disabled, and do not require adaptive education is necessary and essential in order to achieve full inclusion.

For more information and a calendar of upcoming events, please visit [www.beachwoodschoools.org/neurodiversity.aspx](http://www.beachwoodschoools.org/neurodiversity.aspx).



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## Mandel JCC to Host Free Vaccination Clinics through December

The Mandel Jewish Community Center, in partnership with the Jewish Family Service Association, will continue to host free COVID-19 vaccination clinics on Sundays, once a month, through December. The clinics will be held from 9-11 a.m. in the Community Room at The J's Beachwood location, 26001 S. Woodland Road. Clinic dates in 2022 are: 8/14, 9/11, 10/16, 11/13 and 12/11.

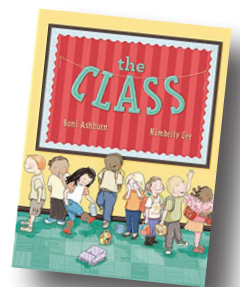
Community members ages 12 and up may register to receive Pfizer or Moderna first- and second-dose vaccines and booster shots. While registration is preferred, walk-ins will be accepted. Please register at [Bit.ly/MJCC-CovidVax](http://Bit.ly/MJCC-CovidVax). Then, contact Nata Mendlovic at [nmendlovic@jfsa-cleveland.org](mailto:nmendlovic@jfsa-cleveland.org) or Michelle Eisenberg at [meisenberg@mandeljcc.org](mailto:meisenberg@mandeljcc.org) for a consent form to complete and bring to the clinic.

## StoryWalk®

The August StoryWalk® is *The Class*, by Boni Ashburn, illustrated by Kimberly Gee. It is about 20 young students – some eager, some nervous, some grumpy – preparing for their very first day of kindergarten.

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