

# shaker life

NORTHEAST OHIO'S P

Great Shaker Homes:  
a South Park Legacy

PLUS:  
Shaker Schools Update

october | november 2010

\$3.50



shakeronline.com



# HERE TODAY. SAFE TOMORROW.



In every season, McGregor offers a remarkable quality of life, stimulation, beauty and peace of mind. And in choosing our extraordinary residences for assisted living today, you're assured that all the compassionate help you'll ever need will be here for you in the years to come. This is the time. McGregor. 133 years of excellence in senior living for Greater Cleveland.



## McGregor

NOT SIMPLY ASSISTED LIVING. ASSISTED LIVING WELL.

14900 Private Drive, Cleveland, Ohio 44112 • 216.851.8200

For more information, go to: [www.mcgregoramasa.org](http://www.mcgregoramasa.org)

Independent Living • Assisted Living • Short Term Rehabilitation • Long Term Care



## features + departments

### on the cover:

A detail from the gate in the solarium of the former Myers home on South Park – now the gift shop of the Shaker Historical Society and Museum.

Photo by Janet Century



### **GREAT SHAKER HOMES 41**

A Van Sweringen South Park legacy.



### **A COMMUNITY HARVEST 23**

Community vegetable gardens sprouted all over Shaker Heights this year.



### **THE GREAT WINDOW DEBATE 29**

Restore or replace? A guide for homeowners.



### **FALL FRESH 37**

Fall is the season of bounty, celebration—and lawn and garden winterization.



### **WINTER SAFETY TIPS 39**

Shaker Fire and Neighborhood Revitalization offer some do's and don'ts.



### **NEVER TOO YOUNG TO CARE 48**

Shaker elementary students show us how to reach out to others, locally and around the world.

### more departments:

City News [3](#)

Kevin Jacobs is the new Fire Chief.

The Shaker Schools Update [8](#)

Real Estate News [11](#)

Library News [13](#)

Out & About [55](#)  
Calendar of events.

Advertiser Index [67](#)

Shaker Observer [68](#)  
Scents and Sensibility:  
A Shaker Reverie



shaker renters...  
ready to become a

*shaker homeowner?*

low-interest  
down payment  
assistance loans  
are available in  
designated  
neighborhoods

call 491-1457  
for more info

fund for the future of shaker heights

*enhancing neighborhood diversity since 1986*

**shaker** *life*

OCTOBER | NOVEMBER 2010  
VOLUME 28 ISSUE 5

3400 Lee Road  
Shaker Heights, OH 44120  
WEBSITE: shakeronline.com  
EMAIL: shaker.mag@shakeronline.com  
VOICE MAIL: (216) 491-1459  
FAX: (216) 491-1408  
TTY: (216) 491-3161

**EDITOR**

Rory O'Connor  
rory@whelancom.com

**DESIGN & PRODUCTION COORDINATOR**  
Jennifer Coiley Dial

**CITY NEWS AND REAL ESTATE NEWS EDITOR**  
Vicki Blank  
vicki.blank@shakeronline.com

**LIBRARY NEWS EDITOR**  
Margaret Simon

**SHAKER SCHOOLS EDITORIAL ADVISOR**  
Peggy Caldwell

**ADVERTISING MANAGER**  
John Moore, (216) 531-4044  
shakerlife@shakeronline.com

**AD SALES REPRESENTATIVE**  
Rebecca Wong

**CONTRIBUTING WRITERS**  
John Brandt, Beth Friedman-Romell,  
Christopher Johnston, Rita Kueber, Nancy O'Connor,  
Jennifer Proe, Diana Simeon, Sue Starrett

**CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHERS**  
Janet Century, Green Street Studio,  
Caydie Heller, Kevin G. Reeves, Alex Rivera

**READER COMMENTS:**  
Please send comments and observations to Letters to the Editor,  
shaker.mag@shakeronline.com or to Shaker Life,  
3400 Lee Road, Shaker Heights, OH 44120.  
Letters may be edited for publication.

**STORY SUBMISSIONS:**  
Shaker Life does not accept unsolicited editorial material, but story  
suggestions from residents are welcome. Send suggestions by email  
or letter. Please do not call. We cannot respond to every suggestion  
but each will be given consideration.  
Freelancers: Please email the editor for guidelines.

**SUBSCRIPTIONS:**  
Kim Golem, (216) 491-1419  
SHAKER LIFE is published six times per year by the  
City of Shaker Heights, Department of Communications &  
Outreach, and distributed free to residents of the  
Shaker Heights City School District. Extra copies are available  
at area newsstands for \$3.50. See shakeronline.com for locations.

For general City information, call (216) 491-1400 or  
EMAIL: city.hall@shakeronline.com

**ADA NOTICE:** Upon request, the City can provide  
published materials in alternative formats to  
accommodate a person with a visual impairment.

The views of the individuals and organizations interviewed  
in Shaker Life are not necessarily the official views  
of the City of Shaker Heights.

© City of Shaker Heights. All Rights Reserved.  
Printed on recycled paper.  
Please recycle this magazine.



*I seek quality in  
all things.*

I live in Shaker Heights.

SARI FELDMAN  
Executive Director,  
Cuyahoga County Public Library



SHAKER  
HEIGHTS



Visit shakeronline.com or call (216) 491-1332 to schedule a guided tour.

## Don't Miss Fire Department Open House

Bring the whole family to the SHFD Open House on Saturday, October 9 from 1 to 3 pm at the Fire House, 17000 Chagrin Boulevard. Enjoy:

- Refreshments
- Kids' activities
- Station and fire truck tours
- The fire safety trailer
- Fire extinguisher demonstration and hands-on practice
- Free blood pressure testing
- Review of home escape plans
- Fire safety related information, such as proper installation of smoke detectors

Have fun while learning to be safe. Don't forget to bring a camera.

## Mayor Appoints Kevin Jacobs as Fire Chief

Mayor Earl M. Leiken has appointed Kevin Jacobs as Fire Chief of the Shaker Heights Fire Department. Jacobs has served the department for nearly 26 years. He became a firefighter in 1984 and was promoted to Lieutenant in 1990. He was promoted to Captain in 1998 and was named Assistant Chief of Operations and Administration in 2002. He became Interim Fire Chief in July of 2009.



Jacobs

"Kevin Jacobs has done a fine job as the City's Interim Chief while maintaining the high quality and standards of the Fire Department and meeting any financial challenges," said Mayor Leiken.

Wayne Johnson will continue to serve as Assistant Chief of Fire, while Police Chief Scott Lee will continue to serve as Assistant Safety Director.

## Call for Nominations for the 2011 MLK, Jr. Award for Human Relations

The Human Relations Commission is now accepting nominations for the 2011 Martin Luther King, Jr. Human Relations Award. Eligible for nomination are those individuals or groups whose actions during the past year exemplify Dr. King's values through their commitment to compassion, humility and service.

Nominees must have made a significant contribution in 2010 through volunteerism and community service, helping others, and building community in Shaker Heights. Recipients must be residents of the Shaker Heights City School District, and may be of any age or race. A posthumous award may be given. Nominees not chosen are eligible for re-submission the following year, with updated information from the nominator, as appropriate. Current members of City Council and the Human Relations Commission or their families are not eligible for the award.

Completed nomination forms must be submitted by Friday, October 31. Paper forms may be mailed to the City of Shaker Heights, Human Relations Commission, 3400 Lee Road, Shaker Heights, 44120. Completed electronic nomination forms may be emailed to [communications@shakeronline.com](mailto:communications@shakeronline.com). Nomination forms are available for download from [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com) or in hard copy at City Hall and the Shaker Public Libraries. For additional information, call 216-491-1419.

## Ash Tree Borer Arrives in Shaker Heights

The Emerald Ash Borer has taken up residence in ash trees in Shaker Heights, as it has in Brecksville, Cleveland, Westlake, Fairview Park, and Hudson. The inevitability of the borer's appearance in Shaker was anticipated by the City when it developed its Emerald Ash Borer Management Plan in 2006 (read the plan at: <http://bit.ly/92q4De>).

The EAB Management Plan outlined the systematic removal of ash trees in the public right of way over five years. The plan to selectively remove all ash trees and plant replacement trees was chosen so that no one area would have to remove all its ash trees in a single year. Now in the fourth year of the Plan, the City's Public Works Department has removed and replaced approximately 1,500 trees.

The likely infestation at this point will be to ash trees located predominantly on private property. Here is what residents need to know:

- City ordinance requires that an infested or dead tree be removed.
- Pesticides injected or "drenched" may delay, but will not save ash trees from destruction by the borer. No treatment is proven 100 percent effective.
- Damage to the tree begins under the bark, disrupting the tree's ability to transport water and nutrients. By the time loss of leaves is visible, infestation throughout the tree is likely. The tree should be removed before it becomes a hazard.
- Registered landscapers are listed on the City website under the Registered Contractors section, and a list

*continued on next page*

of certified arborists is available through the website of the International Society of Arboriculture (<http://www.isa-arbor.com/findArborist/findarborist.aspx>).

For assistance in identifying whether a tree on private property is an ash tree, visit <http://bit.ly/czd5ME>. For additional information, contact the City's Forestry Superintendent, Patrick Neville, at 216-491-3285 or [patrick.neville@shakeronline.com](mailto:patrick.neville@shakeronline.com).

Ash trees have a pinnately (feather-like) compound leaf, usually with more than seven leaflets. The only other oppositely branched tree that has a compound leaf is boxelder, which almost always has three to five leaflets.



PHOTO COURTESY OF  
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

## Signs of the Centennial

Momentum is building for a celebration of the City's centennial in 2012. Residents can now display their civic pride with t-shirts and buttons, which are available for purchase at the Shaker Heights Main Library, Thornton Park, and the Administration Building for the Shaker schools. Twist Creative donated the design for the t-shirts, which are available in medium, large, and extra-large sizes at \$10 each. Twist also designed four different collectible buttons, which are available for \$1 each.

The Gibson family, owners of Shaker Hardware, supplied the Centennial committee with a cornhole game, which was custom-designed and built by Chris Gibson. Look for the cornhole game at the Shaker Square North Union Farmer's Market on Saturday mornings, and try your hand at the game for a chance to win a button or t-shirt. The North Union Farmer's Market has donated a stall for the City's use in promoting the celebra-

tion. Centennial committee members also bring the cornhole game to block parties and other public events throughout Shaker to help raise awareness about the upcoming celebration.

To find out how you can be a part of this magnificent milestone in our City's history, visit [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com).

## Shaker Historical Society Seeks Volunteers

What's your Shaker IQ? If you have ever wanted to learn more about our City's heritage, or would like to share the knowledge you have, the Shaker Historical Society has a need for your talents. The Historical Society is seeking volunteer docents to greet and guide visitors through our collections, with shifts available Tuesdays through Fridays, from 2-5 pm.

Volunteers are also needed to organize the museum library, help visitors in the Spirit Tree museum store, and assist with graphic design.

No prior museum experience is necessary; training will be provided. Please contact Hajnal Eppley, Director of Education, at 216-921-1201 or [heppley@shakerhistory.com](mailto:heppley@shakerhistory.com).

## Inspired and Energized

The Shaker Historical Society's annual Twilight in the Garden benefit and Gracious Gardens of Shaker Heights tour raised \$70,000 this year.

Society President Ann Cicarella told Shaker Life that approximately 1,100 people visited the gardens on Sunday, June 20. It was the event's sixth year and its most successful.

Proceeds help fund the Society's educational and historical projects.

Seven homes were on the tour this year. Landscape designers who were represented included David Thorne and Cicarella herself. Several of the homes' gardens were designed by the owners with the help of professionals.

Margaret Ransohoff, benefit and garden tour co-chair, said a huge favorite of tour attendees was Catherine Feldman's garden on Leighton Road, designed by Feldman and professional landscape artist Elsa Johnson "using the precepts of permaculture" – that is, a diverse and sustainable mix of plants, including perennials, herbs, vegetables, and butterfly-attracting flowers, all growing together amid winding gravel and dirt pathways.

The Twilight in the Garden Benefit was held the previous Friday night at the South Park Boulevard home of Dr. Andy and Robin Schachat. The house was built by the developers of Shaker Heights, brothers Oris and Mantis Van Sweringen, in 1909. (See inside this issue for a photo feature of the home.)

"I love how this event promotes the beauty of Shaker Heights," says Cicarella. "People have an opportunity to visit the neighborhoods, focus on the architecture of beautiful homes, and spend time in the gardens. Ransohoff agrees and adds, "This event promotes a great sense of community. People come away inspired and energized."

## Setting the Record Straight

An article in the August/September issue of Shaker Life incorrectly stated the historical background of Gruber's Restaurant, a landmark in Shaker's fine dining history. Maximillian Gruber had restaurants in several locations on Cleveland's west side starting in 1907, and eventually at different locations downtown, including Max Gruber's Café in the Old Arcade from 1932-1947. Max's sons, Roman and Maxwell, opened the Shaker restaurant in 1947 on Van Aken Boulevard, which provided more of a fine dining experience. We apologize for the error.

For all the facts, and the great memories that go with them, be sure to visit a new exhibit at the Shaker Historical Society, "Remembering Gruber's Restaurant."



## Shaker Gems

### The Best of Shaker Heights

Beth Friedman-Romell's Shaker Observer column this issue vividly reminds us that it's often the little things that make life in Shaker Heights so pleasant. Beth writes about memories triggered by aromas, among them the fresh-ground coffee at Heinen's and the lawn-care products at Shaker Heights Hardware. Most of us have some favorite Shaker things, from the obvious to the sublime: Walks around the Duck Pond in the fall. Sitting in the reading garden at the Bertram Woods library on a summer day. The sound of the Rapid through a kitchen window early in the morning. The challenges of the ninth hole at the Shaker Country Club.

Shaker Life would like to hear from readers about their favorite things. It can be anything: a City service or employee, a dish at a restaurant, a person, a place, an event. We're looking for the little gems, and will publish the best of them in a future issue of Shaker Life.

Email us at [shaker.mag@shakeronline.com](mailto:shaker.mag@shakeronline.com), or send a letter to Shaker Gems, Communications & Outreach, 3400 Lee Road, Shaker Heights 44120. We look forward to hearing from you.



## City Tweeting

Sometimes you need a small piece of information. Rapid line closed this weekend? A tweet from the City will send you the news. Visit the City's homepage, scroll down to the Twitter icon and click to sign up.

# CONGRATULATIONS

to our 2009/2010 Howard Hanna Shaker Heights' Top Agents

HOWARD HANNA SHAKER HEIGHTS SALUTES ITS SALES ASSOCIATES RECOGNIZED BY THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS IN REAL ESTATE SALES AND SERVICE FROM JULY 2009 THROUGH JUNE 2010.

Pinnacle of Performance

**Cathy LeSueur**

Award of Distinction

**Jenny Chin, Teri Chmielewski, Sally Essreg,  
Marilyn Kahn & Mary Lou McHenry**

Award of Achievement

**Jackie Collesi, Susan Delaney, Mary Ann Franey, Patty Munro,  
Amanda Pohlman, Milan Polacek & Elizabeth "Liz" Schorgl**

If you are looking for real estate service both conscientious and creative, your search ends here at the Howard Hanna Office, in the heart of Shaker Heights



Real Estate • Mortgage • Title • Insurance

**216.751.8550 Office Manager, Myra White**  
20710 Chagrin Boulevard  
Shaker Heights, OH 44122



Serving the Area Since 1936

**OSBOURN**  
Plumbing Heating Pumps

**440-564-1433**

Pumps Sewer Cleaning  
Water Conditioning Boilers  
Disposals Water Heaters

OH LIC #17983

9988 Kinsman Rd., Novelty, Ohio 44072

**Volpe Millwork, Inc.**

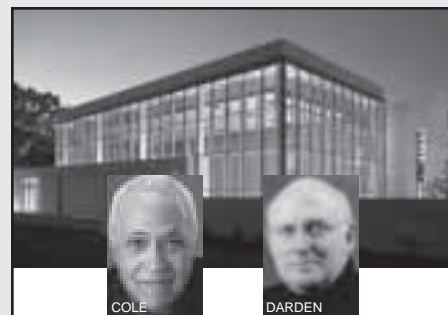
Design / Build / General Contracting  
Fabrication of Cabinets / Furnishings  
Architectural Millwork  
Restoration / Remodeling / Repairs

*...Turning Your Ideas Into Reality*

4500 Lee Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44128  
(216) 581-0200

[www.volpemillworkinc.com](http://www.volpemillworkinc.com)

Member of AIA Architectural Woodwork Institute



**Mixon Hall** MASTERS SERIES

**Vinson Cole, tenor**  
**George Darden, piano**

Sunday, October 10, 2010 - 7 pm

This year's Mixon Hall Masters Series also includes performances by **Roberto Díaz** on November 14 and **Leon Fleisher** on February 10.

Tickets \$45 for each recital  
Purchase all three and save 10%  
Call 216.791.5000 or  
buy online at [cim.edu](http://cim.edu)

**cim**

CLEVELAND INSTITUTE OF MUSIC

## Business News

### Business is Popping at Crosby's Corn

For a flavorful and fun snacking experience, pop into Crosby's Corn at 16832 Chagrin Boulevard. The gourmet popcorn shop offers regular, cheese, and caramel popcorn with or without nuts, popcorn balls, hot dogs, soft drinks, and frozen slushies.

Stop in often to sample new flavors, which will be introduced each week. In addition to walk-in customers, Crosby's Corn also caters large and small events, and sells its fare at Playhouse Square downtown. Store hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from noon to 9 pm and Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from noon to 11 pm. For more information, call 216-295-5470.

Owners Marc and Jana Crosby launched the business as a channel to support their non-profit community organization, Just Like Us (JLU), which provides training, education, and support to help ex-offenders re-enter the community and become self-sufficient. To learn more about their mission, visit [justlikeus.org](http://justlikeus.org).

### Shaker Town Center Welcomes New License Bureau

Residents can now renew a driver's license at a convenient location close to home. The Shaker License Bureau is open for business at 16945 Chagrin Boulevard, at Shaker Town Center. The License Bureau can issue driver's licenses, state ID cards, temporary cards, stickers, auto tags, driver's abstracts, and salvage receipts. It also offers notary public services. Hours are 8 am to 5 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday; 9 am to 6:30 pm on Wednesday; and 8 am to 1 pm on Saturdays. For more information, contact Stephanie Drake, Deputy Registrar, at 216-283-4000.

## Shaker News Briefs

- The Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage has appointed Shaker resident **Beth Wain Brandon** as a member of its board of trustees. She serves on the strategic planning and development committees of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland's board, chairs its government relations committee, and co-chairs the Lion of Judah committee.

She is also on the boards of The Ratner School and Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau, the Mt. Sinai Foundation Executive Committee, and is past president of Recovery Resources. She received her JD from the Cleveland Marshall College of Law.

The Maltz Museum, located in Beachwood, promotes an understanding of Jewish history, religion, and culture and builds bridges of tolerance and understanding with people of all religions, races, cultures, and ethnic backgrounds.

- Montefiore honored Shaker resident **Morton J. Gross** with the 2010 Harley I. Gross Presidential Award at its 128th annual meeting. Montefiore provides a comprehensive system of support services for seniors in the Jewish and general community of Greater Cleveland. Gross is a longtime Cleveland businessman, entrepreneur, philanthropist, and community leader. He was recognized in particular for his significant contributions toward transforming the dementia care unit into a family-friendly and engaging area with park benches, virtual blue skies, flowering trees, and a lamp-post, evocative of Central Park. Gross is an active member of Montefiore's Family Council, a group of family representatives that meet monthly to give feedback on new programs and opportunities to continually improve Montefiore. He enjoys celebrating Shabbat and Passover services with dementia residents and their families. He and his wife, Toby, have a long-established commitment to Jewish communal service and philanthropy.

- Case Western Reserve University has presented Shaker resident **Susan Hinze** with The Diekhoff Award, which recognizes outstanding contributions to the education of graduate students. Hinze is an associate professor of sociology and the director of the Women's and Gender Studies program at Case. She was recognized in particular for her mentoring abilities. "It's a joy to watch students develop into accomplished teachers and researchers," she says.

- Cleveland State University has appointed Shaker resident **Geoffrey Mearns** as provost. Formerly a partner with the Baker Hostetler law firm, Mearns joined CSU in 2005 as dean of the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Mearns commented, "I served as interim provost for six months and enjoyed it very much. The ability to serve a more broad constituency is attractive to me."

Mearns is a graduate of Shaker Heights High School, has an undergraduate degree from Yale University, and a JD from the University of Virginia. He served as a federal prosecutor for nine years before joining Baker Hostetler in 2002. During his tenure as law school dean, Mearns helped create the Center for Health Law and Policy and worked to increase student performance in the state bar.

Public service runs in the Mearns family. His mother, Patricia Mearns, is a former mayor of Shaker Heights. His wife, Jennifer Mearns, is a member of the Shaker Heights School Board.

- Governor Ted Strickland and the Governor's Office for Women's Initiatives and Outreach have selected Shaker resident **Lana Moresky** as a 2010 inductee to the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame. Moresky currently serves as a member of the Ohio Board of Regents, and previously served as the director of the Department of Community Services for the Cuyahoga County Auditor's Office from 1984-1999. She has also served as the vice president of Heights Fund and as an



executive board member for Women's Law Fund. She is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University.

Governor Strickland praised the inductees, saying, "These exceptional women, all leaders in their fields, have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to excellence, achievement and service, often against great odds, with courage, determination, and compassion."

## Seasonal Reminders

**Bicycle Licensing:** Licenses will be sold from 9 am to 3 pm September 11 & 25 and October 2 & 30 in the Police Department lobby, 3355 Lee Road. New licenses are \$5. Re-issued licenses are 50 cents.

**Child Care Seats:** Is your child buckled up safely? The Fire Department offers free safety checks on car and booster seats required by the State, by appointment only. Call 216-491-1200. Appointments are subject to staff availability.

**Nominations for Customer Service:** The City appreciates nominations from residents for outstanding customer service – above and beyond expectations – provided by City employees. Nominations are accepted all year long for recognition in the spring of 2011. Instructions can be found in the Human Resources section of the City website, [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com), as well as at the reception areas of City Hall, Shaker Community Building, Court, Police, Fire, Public Works, and Thornton Park.

**Contractors:** While the City cannot recommend contractors, lists of contractors registered with the City can be viewed at [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com). Lists are updated regularly.

**E-News Updates:** Don't miss a thing! Sign up to receive emailed news about your community. Visit the homepage of [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com) and enter your email to select the information you

wish to receive.

**Go Green Program:** Learn how best to reduce your energy consumption. The City's discounted energy audit can help determine how to save energy costs in your home. Price: \$400 (homes with one heating system), \$475 (homes with two heating systems), and \$250 (condos). Call 216-491-1370 for more information.

**Parking Ban:** There is no parking permitted on Shaker streets between 2 and 6 am.

**Power outages:** Please call CEI, not City Hall: 888-544-4877.

**Trash Delays:** Collections scheduled on or after Thanksgiving will be one day late. Call the Public Works Department, 216-491-1490, to report a missed pickup. Calls must be received the next business day. To receive an email reminder when pickup is delayed a day, sign up for the City's email list at [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com).

**Smoke Detectors:** Residents are required to have at least one smoke detector adjacent to the sleeping area in each dwelling unit and at least one smoke detector on each additional level, including the basement. Smoke detectors are provided free to low-income residents. The Fire Department will install smoke detectors for residents who require assistance.

**Yard Waste:** October 15 to December 15 is leaf collection season. City crews are equipped to pick up leaves, grass clippings, hedge trimmings, and garden waste from tree lawns (never in the street). Brush collection is suspended temporarily during leaf collection. When crews are busy with snow removal, brush collection is maintained as weather permits. Landscapers should be advised to remove any brush collected during this time.

For more information on the City's Codified Ordinances, visit [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com).



## Keeping You In the Know

Over the past several months, many of you have expressed a desire for more frequent news about the Shaker Heights schools. To help keep you informed, we are pleased to inaugurate a regular section of Shaker Life devoted to the schools. Through this partnership with the City of Shaker Heights, we will be able to provide news about our schools at a fraction of the cost of publishing and mailing a separate newsletter.

Each issue will contain information on such topics as student accomplishments, strategic planning, distinctive programs, finances, and more. It's our hope that you will not only enjoy the school news and features in this magazine, but also take advantage of our website and e-newsletter for more in-depth information. We encourage you to subscribe by visiting [www.shaker.org/news](http://www.shaker.org/news).

On behalf of the Board of Education, I thank the community for its commitment to providing top-quality educational opportunities.

Mark Freeman  
Superintendent of Schools

For the latest news and info about the Shaker schools, please visit [shaker.org](http://shaker.org). To receive regular e-news updates, subscribe at [shaker.org/news](http://shaker.org/news).



# The Shaker Schools Update

## High School **Learning Garden Thrives**

The idea for a learning garden at the High School sprouted last spring when Intervention Specialist Stacey Steggert's class read the novel *Seedfolks*, by Paul Fleischman. The book sparked an interest in gardening that has grown far beyond the classroom.

The students broke ground for the garden last May, using a fenced plot in the northwest corner of the High School courtyard. The garden features wheelchair accessible paths and a raised planting bed at wheelchair height. The garden quickly became a collaborative effort that includes students of all abilities. Students from intervention classes,

AP Environmental Science, the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program, and the High School Green Club have all contributed their time and energy to the project.

The Learning Garden was a front-runner in an online voting contest sponsored by True Hero, an organization that awards funding to community service projects. At press time, final results were not yet known. Whatever the results, says Steggert, "Our intention is for the Learning Garden to become a catalyst for a wide variety of interdisciplinary projects for many years to come."



## October 11 is **Tour Your Schools Day**

The Shaker schools will open their doors to the community on Monday, October 11 from 9:30 am-noon, and from 1-2:30 pm. Tour Your Schools Day is a great opportunity to see dynamic teaching and active learning.

No appointment is necessary; all visitors will be asked to sign in at the main office of the schools they visit. Volunteers, students, and staff members are eager to welcome visitors and to show them around.

Principals have set aside special times to meet with prospective residents and

parents who are considering the Shaker schools. They are as follows:

<b>K-4 schools:</b>	10:30 am
<b>Woodbury:</b>	9:30 am
<b>Middle School:</b>	1 pm
<b>High School:</b>	11 am

Building principals are happy to arrange a time to meet with prospective residents and parents who are considering the Shaker schools. Tour arrangements can be made online at [www.shaker.org/tour](http://www.shaker.org/tour), or call the school's main office.

## **Alumni** Bookshelf

*How to Walk to School: Blueprint for a Neighborhood School Renaissance* by Jacqueline Edelberg ('85) and Susan Kurland. Edelberg is an artist and writer living in the Chicago area. The book describes how a group of motivated parents helped to transform a struggling Chicago elementary school into a vibrant and desirable neighborhood school. Foreword by U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan.

*East of West L.A.* by Kevin McCollister ('72), a poet and photographer based in Los Angeles. Includes 55 selected photographic portraits McCollister captured as he walked some of the lesser-known streets of the city. As reviewed in the L.A. Times by Liesel Bradner, "His version is not the cliché L.A. story, feathered with fortune and celebrity. His photos are counterintuitive as to what many people think of when they think of Los Angeles."

*Abby Carnelia's One and Only Magical Power* by David Pogue ('81), author and *New York Times* technology columnist. Written for children ages 8-12, the story involves an 11-year-old girl who discovers she has a unique, but questionably useful, magical power.

*Being Wrong: Adventures in the Margin of Error* by Kathryn Schulz ('92). Schulz is a writer in New York, whose work has been published in *The Nation*, *Rolling Stone*, and *Slate*. Dwight Garner of *The New York Times* calls the book "a funny and philosophical meditation on why error is mostly a humane, courageous and extremely desirable human trait."

*Stay connected! Visit the Alumni/ae News section on [shaker.org](http://shaker.org) to update your profile, nominate a fellow grad for the Hall of Fame, and find information on upcoming reunions.*





## Shaker Goes Global with International Baccalaureate

**It's official:** Shaker Heights High School is now an International Baccalaureate World School. Approximately 2,800 schools in 138 countries are designated as IB World Schools; however, only a handful of schools in Northeast Ohio are certified to offer the prestigious IB Diploma Program, a rigorous course of study with an integrated liberal arts focus.

Forty-three students from the class of 2012 have elected to enroll in the Diploma Program. Students who successfully

complete the course work have an edge in the college admissions process, and can earn credit at colleges and universities throughout the world. The High School continues to offer 23 Advanced Placement courses, the most of any school in Northeast Ohio. Students may enroll in classes for either or both programs.

The elementary and middle schools are also laying the foundation to become IB World Schools. The K-4 buildings have already begun to apply IB principles and

curriculum elements, and Woodbury and the Middle School teachers are developing lesson plans and being trained for the program.

"International Baccalaureate will bring a more global focus to our entire course of study, and will provide valuable hands-on learning opportunities for all Shaker students," says James Paces, Director of Curriculum. To learn more about the program, visit [shaker.org/ib](http://shaker.org/ib).

IB ARTWORK: SHOSHI BIELER, CLASS OF 2012

## New Principals at Woodbury and Shaker Middle School

**Randall A. Yates**, formerly principal of Shaker Middle School, became principal of Woodbury School this year. Barbara Whitaker has retired from the position after 23 years of devoted service to Shaker schools. Yates began his career in 1985 as a mathematics teacher at the Middle School and subsequently became an assistant principal at the High School, and then an associate principal at the Middle School. He holds a Ph.D. in educational leadership from Kent State University.



Yates

**H. Danny Young, Jr.** is now principal of the Middle School. Young joined the Shaker faculty in 1992 as a third grade teacher at Mercer. After obtaining his master's degree in counseling, he became a guidance counselor at the Middle

School and was named assistant principal in 2005. He holds a bachelor's degree from Hiram College, a master's degree from Kent State University, and an Education Specialist postgraduate degree from Cleveland State University.



Young

## Shaker Schools Foundation Elects New Trustees

The Shaker Schools Foundation has elected three new members to its 20-member Board of Trustees. Each will serve a three-year term which began in June. Community leaders established the Shaker Schools Foundation in 1981 in order to provide supplemental, private funding of enrichment opportunities for faculty and students.

**Steven Goldfarb** is a partner, mem-

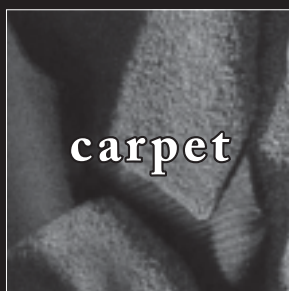
ber of the Board of Directors, and co-chair of the litigation department of Hahn Loeser. He and his wife Gail live in the Boulevard neighborhood. Both have been active with Shaker schools for many years. Goldfarb holds a bachelor's degree from Indiana University and a JD from The Ohio State University School of Law.

**Richard (Rick) Hubbard** is retired from his position as Vice President of Watson Wyatt, a global consulting firm. He and his wife Annie live in the Mercer neighborhood, and have volunteered extensively for the Shaker schools and the Foundation. Hubbard holds a BA and a BS from Bowdoin College.

**Philip Shands** is an ophthalmologist with Kaiser Permanente. He and his wife Shuara, a Shaker graduate, live in the Mercer neighborhood. Shands holds a bachelor's degree from Williams College, an MBA from Case Western Reserve University, and an MD from The Ohio State University School of Medicine.



**DIAMONDS ARE A GIRL'S BEST FRIEND.**  
So is new carpeting for your home. We've got both.



**carpet**



**laminate**



**tile**



**hardwood**

**FALL IN LOVE AGAIN,  
WITH YOUR HOME.**

**Bedford Heights**

23760 Miles Road  
216-662-5550

**Mentor**

8653 Mentor Avenue  
440-255-4068

**Macedonia**

874 East Aurora Road  
330-467-2100

**North Royalton**

13513 West 130th Street  
440-877-2100

*CALVETTA BROS.*  
**Floor Show**



CARPET - CERAMIC - HARDWOOD - LAMINATE

[www.CalvettaBrothers.com](http://www.CalvettaBrothers.com)



## REAL NUMBERS

Housing transfers between May 1 and May 31, 2010 appear below. The first list includes only those properties that have had a prior sale within the last 10 years. Excluded are "quit claim" transfers as well as those resulting from foreclosure, in which the sale price is not reflective of the property value.

ADDRESS	2010 SALE PRICE	PRIOR SALE PRICE
3307 CHADBOURNE ROAD	\$255,250	\$251,500 (2002)
3290 ELSMERE ROAD	\$197,000	\$187,000 (2007)
18701 FAIRMOUNT BLVD	\$176,000	\$110,000 (2007)
17701 FERNWAY ROAD	\$232,500	\$285,000 (2007)
3102 HUNTINGTON ROAD	\$210,000	\$167,000 (1990)
3136 HUNTINGTON ROAD	\$175,000	\$157,000 (2008)
2735 LONDON ROAD	\$654,000	\$620,000 (2006)
3718 LATIMORE ROAD	\$175,000	\$115,000 (2008)
3318 MAYNARD ROAD	\$245,000	\$281,500 (2004)
3388 NORWOOD ROAD	\$190,000	\$210,000 (2001)
19015 OXFORD ROAD	\$299,000	\$395,000 (2004)
3588 PALMERSTON ROAD	\$151,000	\$149,000 (2000)
21999 SHELBURNE ROAD	\$380,000	\$168,000 (2008)
3715 TOWNLEY ROAD	\$165,000	\$112,500 (2002)
2891 WEYBRIDGE ROAD	\$455,000	\$551,500 (2003)
3028 WOODBURY ROAD	\$204,000	\$204,000 (2009)

### LIST OF HOUSING TRANSFERS WITH A PRIOR SALE WITHIN 15 YEARS:

2007 COURTLAND BLVD	\$565,000	\$317,000 (1995)
23935 DUFFIELD ROAD	\$193,000	\$185,500 (1995)
16821 FERNWAY ROAD	\$185,000	\$121,500 (1998)

Information Source: First American Real Estate Solutions

## Become "Certified Shaker"

Give yourself a leg up on the competition by attaining certification in this unique program, which is offered to landlords at no charge. Among other benefits, properties that meet or exceed City standards of excellence are promoted on the City's website and are shown to prospective renters by relocation specialists.

Newly Certified and re-Certified Shaker property addresses and their owners' names are listed in this publication. The listings represent the best rental properties the City has to offer. For a complete list of Certified properties and to find out about vacancies, call 216-491-1332 or check the City's website, shakeronline.com.

Learn how to qualify by calling Jacqueline Patterson the Housing Specialist at 216-491-1333.

## Certified Shaker Properties

### Rental Homes:

3525 Daleford Road, Owners:  
Dr. Israel & Mrs. Nehama Henig  
Certified 2006-2010

3601 Glencairn Road  
Owners: Gary & Linda Peck  
Certified 2007-2010

3683 Latimore Road  
Owner: Josh Lovinger  
Certified 2009-2010

18231 Lynton Road, Owners:  
Roland & Patricia Arnold  
Certified 2004, 2010

3666 Normandy Road  
Owner: Eric Gesis  
Certified 2010

3022 Southington Road, Owners:  
Greg Aliberti & Lynne Breitenstein  
Certified 2010

3300 Stockholm Road, Owner:  
Cleveland Restoration Group  
Certified 2010

2973 Warrensville Center Road,  
Owner: Lynda DiNardo  
Certified 2010

## Landmark Commission Announces 2010 Preservation Awards

In 1988 the Shaker Heights Landmark Commission established its Preservation Awards program to recognize and highlight efforts by property owners who have preserved and improved their home or property in a manner that reflects the historic nature of our city. The Landmark Commission is pleased

to announce the following award winners for 2010:

**Carlton Road**

HONOR AWARD

Distinguished Landscape

*Owners:* Mary Kay DeGrandis and Edward Donnelly

*Landscape Designer:* Ann Cicarella

*Landscape Contractor:*

Angelotta Landscape Associates LLC

**Braemar Road**

MERIT AWARD

Retention of Original Materials

*Owners:* Ray and Andrea Vicchio

*Contractor:* Mike Lally,  
Lally Construction, Inc.

Nominate a Shaker Restoration Project

The Landmark Commission is now accepting nominations for the 2011 awards program. Exterior projects completed

within the last two years are eligible. Nominations can be submitted for any building in Shaker Heights, including homes and apartment buildings, commercial buildings and other structures.

Nominations should be submitted to the Shaker Heights Landmark Commission. Visit [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com) or contact Ann Klavara at 216-291-1436 or [ann.klavara@shakeronline.com](mailto:ann.klavara@shakeronline.com).



# When I grow up...



## I want to be unparalleled.

**Laurel School Open House**

Sunday, November 7 12:30–3:00 p.m.

Call 216.464.0946 • [www.LaurelSchool.org](http://www.LaurelSchool.org)

Girls Kindergarten–Grade 12 • Coed Pre-Primary

**LAUREL**

Dream. Dare. Do.

Laurel School  
One Lyman Circle  
Shaker Heights, Ohio 44122





## Library Funding Update

With the first year of the state's budgetary biennium behind us, Library staff continues to monitor local and state funding trends. The Ohio legislature cut support for the Public Library Fund (PLF) by 11 percent beginning in August 2009. This August was the first chance to compare and revealed a modest increase at the reduced rate.

Is there light at the end of the tunnel? The Ohio Department of Taxation estimate of PLF payments for next year is positive, but perhaps overly optimistic with a predicted increase of 10 percent. With an expected budget gap of \$8 billion at the state level, it is more likely that the PLF would be frozen or cut back further, which would reduce any potential increase to the three to four percent range.

Second half property tax collections in 2010 are above estimates, but technical reconciliations through the County Auditor's Office in October, due to delinquencies and homestead exemption rollbacks for seniors, will determine the extent of an increase, if any. The Ohio Library Council continues to lobby at the state level on behalf of all public libraries. Ultimately, however, we rely on the support of our constituents as they let our legislators know the importance of full funding for libraries.

## Renovations at Main Library: Your Tax Dollars at Work

Construction has begun on the \$800,000 capital project at the Main Library, which is funded by the 2004 Shaker Schools/Library bond issue. We will create new Computer Center and Training Lab facilities with a combined capacity of 40 workstations in the unfinished sections of the second floor. We will also add much needed

office space for adult services staff. The sorting area for Friends of the Shaker Library book sales and the workroom for maintenance staff will be shifted to accommodate this expansion.

Another area under renovation is the Movies & Music section, which will be moved to a central space on the first floor. This change will allow for the elimination of the Movies & Music checkout desk and will enable staff to move to self-service checkout for all material. The Library will implement self-service holds shelves and an online payment system, as well.

## Circulation Policy Changes

At its September meeting, the Board of Trustees approved a revised Circulation Policy, effective October 1. Policy changes include elimination of the 10-video limit. Cardholders can now check out as many videos as they wish. TV series' videos will circulate for 14 days instead of seven days. The daily fine for videos has been reduced from \$1 to 50 cents; and the maximum overdue fine per item has been reduced to \$5.

Library cardholders can pay fines by cash, check, or by using credit cards, including VISA, MasterCard, and Discover.

Children of all ages can now check out movies; however, parents can restrict a minor from borrowing movies, if they wish.

## Shari Hunter Performs Jazz at Main Library

Fernway resident Shari Hunter will perform jazz classics at 3 pm Sunday, October 24 at the Main Library.

The Glenville graduate began singing gospel in church at the age of five and studied vocal theory at the Cleveland Music School Settlement. At the age of

18, Hunter was inspired by legendary jazz artists Ella Fitzgerald and Nancy Wilson, and has developed into an extraordinary jazz vocalist.

Hunter has performed as a backup singer to RCA recording artist Jean Carn, and has jammed with George



Hunter

Duke, Stanley Clarke, and Najee at the former Front Row Theatre where her improvisational jazz scatting earned her standing

ovations. She has sung the National Anthem with a jazz vocal arrangement for the Cleveland Indians, and has performed with Art Effect, Sekou Bunch & Co., Shakedown, Forecast, Nightbridge, Michael Stanley Band, Tony Quarles & Discovery Band, and others. She has performed locally at Club Isabella, Europa, and Rudy's.

Hunter has two adult daughters and one grandson who live out of state, and a son, Langston, a third grader at Fernway School.

## Job Hunting Workshops Continue at Main Library

Get tips from the expert on interviewing when Giannoula Regan, STERIS Corporation's on-site workforce manager for Staffing Solutions Enterprises, continues her job-hunting series at Main Library. Regan manages the temporary and temp-to-hire staffing for STERIS and helps in the recruitment of specialized, permanent positions.

Regan will present a two-part workshop on job interviewing strategies. Interviewing Strategies, Part I will be held from 2-4 pm Tuesday, October 19 and will cover the basics of interview-

ing. Learn to prepare for the job interview and to gain confidence and make a winning first impression. Interviewing Strategies, Part II will be held from 2-4 pm Tuesday, November 9. Regan will discuss how to respond to a variety of different behavioral questions. Learn to use a small set of examples in a variety of interview situations.

The programs are free; however, reservations are requested and can be made in person, online, or by calling 216-991-2030.

## Knit Nights Knitters Knit Caps for Kids

For the third year in a row, Knit Night knitters invite the community to create caps for kids. Last year the Library donated more than 200 caps to the Cleveland Metropolitan School District's Project ACT for distribution to homeless children.

Residents can knit or crochet a hat, scarf, or mittens from one of their favorite patterns, or they can pick up a basic hat pattern at either Library or download instructions online. All caps should be brought to the Bertram Wood Branch by December 9.

Knit Nights are held at 7 pm Thursdays, October 14 and November 11 at Woods Branch and are moderated by experienced knitter, Fern Braverman.

## Technology Fair

In a digital daze? Wondering what to buy for the holidays? Come to the Library's Technology Fair from 12:30-5 pm Saturday, November 20 at the Main Library. Learn to get the most out of DVDs, Smart phones, downloadable books, playaways, digital cameras, and other popular gadgets, which will be available. This free event will feature representatives from BestBuy, MotoPhoto,

Barnes and Noble, and others, who will demonstrate their products.

Library staff will explain how to download books and answer your questions about electronic media.

## For the Birds Gallery Exhibit

Denise Stewart and Leslie Edwards Humez have curated an art exhibit that features everything avian. The exhibit will be on display October 21 through December 3 on the second floor of the Main Library. Residents can meet the artists at a reception at 7 pm Thursday, October 21.

Denise Stewart graduated from Boston University and received a master's degree in printmaking from The Cleveland Institute of Art. She continues to combine teaching with her work at the Cleveland Institute of Art's Continuing Education program. She was recently the cura-

### Inspired Design, Quality Craftsmanship



For over 15 years the Karlovec & Company team has been redefining the art and science of Design/Build Remodeling. Our clients rave about our design process, our customer service, our craftsmanship and the cleanliness of our jobsites. Call us today, or visit us on the web, to see how Karlovec & Company can bring new life to your old home.

Service you've come to expect, design your home deserves, on a budget you can afford.



DESIGN/BUILD • REMODEL

WWW.KARLOVEC.COM

PH: 216.767.1887



Stewart

tor and gallery manager at the Valley Art Center in Chagrin Falls and enjoys mentoring interns from CIA as well as other art colleges. She is currently a resident artist at Zygote Press. Her prints incorporate unconventional material, such as used tea fiber and rust. She has exhibited at the Heights Gallery, Trinity Cathedral, Edge Gallery, Zygote Press, Bay Arts, and the Cleveland Institute of Art.

Leslie Edwards Humez is a fine artist who has explored many media and gathered technical knowledge from teachers and her own exuberant experimentation. She uses familiar materials in unexpected ways and has a growing interest in printing fabric with natural stains such as rust and grass. Her work has garnered



Humez

many awards and has been featured in *Cleveland Magazine*, and can be found in many private collections around town. She was the founding publisher of the *Pork Belly Review*, has contributed to *Eclectica Magazine*, and is the creator of the on-line gallery Cleveland Arts East at [clevelandartseast.com](http://clevelandartseast.com).

## Poetry Back in the Woods

Friends of the Library sponsors its 13th year of poetry programs at Bertram Woods Branch. The series began in September with a reading from Take Nine, a group of nine female poets. The series continues at 7 pm Thursday, October 28 with readings by Sara Holbrook and Michael Salinger. Maj Ragain and Tim Joyce headline the 7 pm November 18 program.

Sara Holbrook has been an NPR commentator on educational topics. She is

considered one of the country's leading performance poets and is a frequent keynote speaker at national and international conferences. She is the author of two books on writing and public speaking skills, *Practical Poetry: A Non-Standard Approach to Meeting Content Standards and*



Holbrook

*Outspoken: How to Improve Writing and Speaking Skills through Poetry Performance* written with Michael Salinger. She has published eight poetry books for children and two

poetry books for adults. Michael Salinger has been writing and performing poetry and fiction for over 20 years. His work has appeared in dozens of literary journals. A five-time captain and coach of the Cleveland Slam team, he has also served as a consultant and board member to Poetry Slam, Inc., the governing body of Poetry Slams across the country. He currently directs the organization's summer writing and performance conference held at the campus of the State University of New York's Oneonta campus. He is the founder and director of the Nova Lizard project, a semi-



Salinger

nal performance troupe in Cleveland, and chief facilitator of the teen writing and performance program at Cleveland's Playhouse Square Foundation.

Maj Ragain has taught creative writing at Kent State University for more than 20 years and has hosted monthly poetry readings at Brady's Cafe in Kent. He has published four books of poetry, most recently *Twist the Axe: A Horseplayer's Story*, a collection of poems, journals, and illustrations. A recipient of three fellowships from the Ohio Arts Council, Ragain



Ragain

held a fellowship at the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, Massachusetts during the summer of 2001. He hosts a monthly open poetry reading at the North Water Street Gallery in Kent and was recently honored for his excellence in teaching at the annual Teaching Council's conference at KSU.

Tim Joyce graduated from Cleveland State University and began a career interweaving journalism and teaching with painting, poetry, and music. He earned a master's degree in Anglo-Irish literature from University College Dublin, and spent seven years in Hollywood with the Motion Picture Association of America. In 1992, Joyce was a visiting lecturer in



Joyce

American poetry at the John F. Kennedy School in Berlin. He has published three volumes of poetry: *Those Lucky Days*, *Flowerthief*, and *Language Animal: New and Collected Poems*. As a recipient of a NEH grant, Joyce studied as a Harvard Fellow with poetry critic Helen Vendler. His most recent work, *Himself*, is a collection of songs. A painter and musician, Joyce lives on Cape Cod where he teaches high school English.

## Recent Donations to the Local History Collection

Items recently donated to the Local History collection include:

*Daring Daughter of the Covenant: A Historical Novel based upon the Life and Times of Beatrice Nasi Mendes "Dona Gracia" 1510-1569* by Emilie Barnett. Windjammer Adventure Publishing, 2009. Donated by the author.



**MAIN LIBRARY** ■ 16500 VAN AKEN BOULEVARD ■ 216-991-2030 EXT 3141  
**BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH** ■ 20600 FAYETTE ROAD ■ 216-991-2421 EXT 2241

#### PLAY AND LEARN STATION

##### AT MAIN LIBRARY

A free preschool literacy program that offers interactive opportunities for parents or caregivers to explore with their children, ages birth to 5 years.

10 am-noon Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays.

6-8 pm Tuesdays.

*No registration required.*

##### PLAY AND LEARN BABIES

A special room filled with literacy-based activities just for babies from birth to 18 months with their parent or caregivers.

10 am-noon Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays.

*No registration required.*

#### PLAY AND LEARN STATION

##### FOR CAREGIVERS

A preschool literacy program that offers interactive opportunities for caregivers to explore with their children, ages birth to five years.

10 am-noon Wednesdays.

*One-time registration is required; call Family Connections at 216-921-2023.*

No programs on Election Day November 2.

*Play and Learn programs are offered in collaboration with Family Connections.*

#### SATURDAY PRESCHOOL STORIES

##### AT PLAY AND LEARN STATION

Stories and fun for preschoolers.

11 am Saturdays.

*No registration required.*

#### FOR THOSE NOT YET TWO:

##### NESTLINGS

It's never too soon to start sharing books with babies! Enjoy songs & rhymes, books and bounces in this class for babies 5 to 15 months with a grown-up.

Fall session:

September 20-November 11.

9:30 am Mondays at Main Library.

9:30 am Tuesdays at Woods Branch.

*Registration began September 7. Child must be target age by the first class.*

##### FLEDGLINGS

Experience the wonder of words with your child through stories and songs, movement, puppets and fun in this story time for children 15 to 24 months with a grown-up.

Fall session:

September 20-November 11.

10:30 am Mondays at Main Library.

10:30 am Tuesdays at Woods Branch.

*Registration began September 7. Child must be target age by the first class.*

##### TERRIFIC TWOS

Stories, songs and movement for 2-year-olds with an adult.

Fall session:

September 20-November 11.

10 am Mondays or Wednesdays at Woods Branch.

10 am Tuesdays or Thursdays at Main Library.

*Registration began September 7. Child must be 2 years old by the first class.*

#### PRESCHOOL STORIES

Stories, rhymes, and fun for children 3-, 4-, & 5-years-old.

Fall session:

September 21-November 10.

1:30 pm Tuesdays & 10 am Thursdays at Woods Branch.

10 am Wednesdays at Main Library.

*No registration required; groups must make special arrangements.*

#### PAJAMA STORIES AT WOODS BRANCH

Stories for children ages 3 and up with or without an adult.

7:15 pm Monday, September 20.

*Register in person, by phone, or online beginning Monday, September 6.*

#### FREE FAMILY FLICK AT MAIN LIBRARY

Watch the PG-rated film *How to Train Your Dragon*, based on the book by Cressida Cowell, about a Viking teenager who befriends a dragon.

2-4 pm Saturday, October 23.

*Register in person, by phone, or online beginning October 2.*

#### BUTTERFLY HANDS AT MAIN LIBRARY

Certified signer, Nancy Barnett, introduces children in grades K-4 to basic signing skills.

Fall session: October 11-November 15

4:15 pm Mondays

*Registration began September 20.*

#### BUTTERFLY HANDS AT WOODS BRANCH

Learn basic signs through songs, finger plays, flannel boards, and interaction with certified signer Nancy Barnett and her signing puppet Sammy. For children from birth to 5 years with an adult.

Fall session: October 7-November 11.

10:45-11:15 am Thursdays.

*Registration began September 23.*

**PAJAMA STORIES AT WOODS BRANCH**

Stories for children ages 3 and up with or without an adult.

7:15 pm Monday, November 15.

Register in person, by phone, or online beginning Monday, November 1.

**FAMILY HALLOWEEN STORYTELLING****AT MAIN LIBRARY**

Join us for stories, songs, fun, Halloween revelry, and a tasty treat. Costumes are welcome!

7 pm Monday, October 25

Register beginning Monday, October 11.

**THE HOMEWORK CENTER****AT MAIN LIBRARY (Grades 2-6)**

Free homework help provided by teachers under the supervision of Mrs. Cheryl Darden, Special Education Supervisor, Cleveland Public Schools.

An adult must be present to register the student at the first visit. Students must be picked up by 6:30 pm.

4-6:30 pm. Mondays & Wednesdays in Meeting Room F (second floor).

Call the Children's Department for details, 216-991-2030.

The Homework Center is funded by MyCom.

**MEET AMERICAN GIRL DOLL MOLLY****(Grades 1-5)**

Listen to a passage from the first book in the doll's series, play a game, make a craft and enjoy a snack from Molly's era.

2-3:30 pm Saturday, October 16 at Woods Branch.

Register beginning Saturday, October 2.

2-3:30 pm Saturday, November 13 at Main Library.

Register beginning Saturday, October 30.

*Dark Guard and Dark Guard 2: Terror Tribe* by C.C. Byrnes. Appling Books, 2009. Donated by the author (aka Christopher Appling). *The Red Hand Forever: The Hugh M. O'Neill Family of Cleveland* by Christopher J. Eiben. O'Neill Brothers Foundation, 1997. Donated by Brian Sullivan.

*This House is Empty Now* by Joseph Iorillo. Monolith Graphics, 2008. Donated by the author. *Tales from Grenney Lane and Other Stories* by Marjorie Howard Johnson. Eagle Creek Press, 2010. Donated by the author. *Not-So-Desperate: Fantasy, Fact, and Faith on Wisteria Lane* by Shawnthea Monroe. Chalice Press, 2006. Donated by the author. *The President Comes to Shaker: The Presidential Speech*. DVD. Shaker Heights School District, 2009. Second Story Productions. Donated by producer Brian Sullivan. *A Place Apart: The History of Bratenahl, Ohio* by Diana Tittle with photographs by Jennie Jones. Bratenahl Historical Society, 2007. Donated by the Bratenahl Historical Society. *The Immigrant's Way: For All Immigrants, By An Immigrant* by Margaret W. Wong, Esq. 2009. Donated by the author.

Marilyn Bachman donated *Gristmill* Shaker Heights High School yearbooks from 1960, 1961, and 1962. Linda Gillinov donated *Redi Realty Atlases of Cuyahoga County and Geauga County* (17 volumes, 1991), *G.M. Hopkins Plat Books of Cuyahoga County* (Volumes 1 & 2, 1941-1942), and *G.M. Hopkins Plat Books of Cleveland* (Volumes 1 & 3, 1932-1933). Claudia Boatright donated photos from the Baus photo album and materials collected by Frank Myers relating to Budinger family history and Shaker Heights history.

**Book Discussions at Main Library**

Whether your passion is mystery, business, or fiction, the Library has a book discussion for you. Register and pick up books at the Main Library one month before the scheduled discussion.

**Book Buzz**

10 AM TUESDAY OCTOBER 12

*Crossing to Safety* by Wallace Stegner

Stegner explores the bonds of a long friendship between two couples despite vast differences in their upbringing and social status.

**Mystery Book Discussion**

7:30 PM TUESDAY OCTOBER 19

*Wife of the Gods* by Kwei J. Quartey

The murder of a controversial young woman, who had been campaigning against AIDS in a remote village in Ghana, sends Detective Darko Dawson of the Accra police to investigate.

**Evening Book Discussion**

7:30 PM TUESDAY OCTOBER 26

*Homer and Langley* by E.L. Doctorow

Share the unusual story of the Collyer brothers, two hermits who occupied a shuttered Fifth Avenue mansion in New York City.

**Book Buzz – Discuss two different books about Madame X**

10 AM TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9

*Strapless: John Singer Sargent and the*

*Fall of Madame X* by Deborah Davis

This is the personal history of Virginie Gautreau, the 23-year-old New Orleans Creole who moved to Paris and a relatively unknown painter, John Singer Sargent, who won the commission to paint her.

*I Am Madame X* by Gioia Diliberto

This richly imagined novel illuminates the struggle between American beauty Virginie Gautreau, and John Singer Sargent, painter of the controversial painting that shocked the 1884 Paris Salon.

**Mystery Book Discussion**

7:30 PM TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9

*Trace Evidence* by Elizabeth Becka

Evelyn James, a forensic investigator in the Cuyahoga County coroner's office and a single mother who is dealing with a teenage daughter upset about her par-

ents' divorce, attempts to solve the gruesome slayings of several young women just a few years older than her daughter.

### Business Book Discussion

7 PM WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 17

*Outliers: The Story of Success*

by **Malcom Gladwell**

In statistics, an outlier is a significant distance from the norm. The author takes this concept and applies it to exceptionally successful people, studying their personal characteristics and environments.

### Evening Book Discussion

7:30 PM TUESDAY NOVEMBER 23

*Cutting for Stone* by **Abraham Verghese**

Sister Mary Joseph Praise and Dr. Thomas Stone are the main characters in this riveting story that moves from India to Ethiopia, to an inner-city hospital in New York City.

## Free Computer Classes at the Main Library

### INTERNET CLASS

7-8:30 PM MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

3-4:30 PM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Discover how to find and use a variety of resources using Internet Explorer. Learn how to "surf" the web to find sites of interest, and ways to search for information. Participants must be able to use the mouse to click, drag and highlight.

### INTRODUCTION TO EXCEL®

10-11:30 AM TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

10-11:30 AM WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Learn the basics of spreadsheet construction, including formatting and design, printing options, creating and using basic formulas. Participants must be comfortable using the mouse to drag and highlight.

### CHARTS AND GRAPHS IN EXCEL®

10-11:30 AM TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

10-11:30 AM WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Explore the ways that Excel can display data as charts and graphs. Learn the basic ways data can be charted, and review chart types to understand how they are used and with what kind of data. Some familiarity with Excel spreadsheets is expected.

### INTERNET WITH EXPERTS:

#### ONLINE JOB HUNTING

7-8:30 PM WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13

10-11:30 AM TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16


This class is designed to help job seekers develop Internet and computer skills needed in online job hunting. Discover websites that can help create resumes and get an overview of local online resources and tips for investigating local companies. Mouse skills are required for this class.

### INTRODUCTION TO POWERPOINT®

3-4:30 PM THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14

7-8:30 PM MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Put some power in your presentations.



With All Our  
Sophisticated  
Healing Methods...

This Is Still One of the Most Effective.

We have all of the latest techniques and technologies including hyperbaric oxygen chambers, yet the thing people seem to remember most is our genuine caring attitude. If your wound has been defying everything you've tried, call us or ask your doctor for a referral. You'll see what technology combined with old-fashioned care can do.

To download a **FREE** wound care information guide,  
visit [southpointehospital.org/woundguide](http://southpointehospital.org/woundguide)

### Wound Healing Center

4180 Warrensville Center Road

Warrensville Heights

**216.491.7111**

 **South Pointe Hospital**  
a Cleveland Clinic hospital



Learn to create a slide show with text and graphics, edit slides, and add sound and animation. Participants must be able to use the mouse.

## MOUSE CLASS

3-4:30 PM SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

3-4:30 PM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

This 90-minute class is designed to help beginning computer users become comfortable using the mouse, the basic tool that allows people to use software, surf the net, and play games on the computer.

## WEB EMAIL

7-8:30 PM MONDAY, OCTOBER 18

3-4:30 PM SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Learn to access a web e-mail account and to send, receive, reply, and forward messages as well as to delete, file, move, and print them. Participants must be able to use the mouse to click, drag, and highlight and be able to navigate websites and type URLs.

## WORKING WITH WINDOWS®

10-11:30 AM TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19

10-11:30 AM TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Learn how Windows works! This class is designed for those who can navigate the Internet and work with programs, but are not comfortable using multiple windows. Topics include opening, moving, resizing, and arranging windows, copying and pasting, as well as tips and tricks for using the keyboard to make some activities easier. Participants must be able to use the mouse.

## WINWAY RESUME WRITING

10-11:30 AM WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

10-11:30 AM TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Learn to create a professional looking resume with Winway Resume Deluxe 11. This program also has video segments for learning, a manager for contacts and job leads, and search functions that gather resources into a single page. Participants must be comfortable using the mouse.

*Custom Designs in Ornamental, Wood and Vinyl*



**Security, Safety, Beauty...** Henry Fence

440.951.9009 [www.henryfence.com](http://www.henryfence.com)



# 1,000 WAYS TO BE WILDLY SUCCESSFUL

**No. 337**

**broaden your horizons.**

As a Global Scholar, Alanna spent five weeks in Australia and came home with much more than a T-shirt. HB helps girls find and amplify their passions. Each girl, each year, in each way that fits her.

MY WAY

I have a best friend on the other side of the world!

**OPEN HOUSE**

Sunday, October 24th  
1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

For 999 more WAYS, visit [www.hb.edu/1000ways](http://www.hb.edu/1000ways)

HathawayBrown



Shaker Heights, Ohio  
Girls K-12 Co-ed Early Childhood  
216.320.8767

## GRAPHICS IN POWERPOINT®

3-4:30 PM THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

7-8:30 PM MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Learn to create effective PowerPoint presentations by inserting clip art, Word Art, digital pictures, and even text boxes into slides. Basic familiarity with creating slides and slideshows is expected.

## INTERNET WITH EXPERTS:

### GOOGLEMANIA™

10-11:30 AM TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

10-11:30 AM TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Learn advanced Internet searching strategies using the Google™ search engine, including tips and tricks for finding better information more quickly and efficiently. Topics will include Google Advanced Search, Settings and Preferences, Google Maps, Google Books, and many other services. Participants must be able to use the mouse to click, drag and highlight. Basic Internet skills are also required.

## BASIC WORD PROCESSING CLASS

7-8:30 PM WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

3-4:30 PM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Learn to format documents using Microsoft Word software. Topics to be covered include formatting text and paragraphs, text alignment, the use of toolbars, menus, and context-sensitive menus. Participants must be comfortable using the mouse.

## ANIMATION IN POWERPOINT®

3-4:30 PM THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

7-8:30 PM MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Everything in a slide can be animated. Learn the important objects that can be added to a slide and the menus that control them. Participants should be familiar with the basics of creating a slide show, including adding new slides and using graphics. Using the mouse and searching on the Internet are required skills.

## INTERNET WITH EXPERTS:

### GOOGLE DOCUMENTS™

7-8:30 PM WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

With just a web browser, work on documents, spreadsheets, and databases over the Internet. Invite others to edit the documents and work collaboratively. Mousing and Internet skills are needed. Some familiarity with productivity software is useful.

## Teen Scene

### THE TEEN CENTER AT MAIN LIBRARY

(Ages 12-17)

3:30-8 pm Monday-Thursday  
Second Floor.

### TAB MEETINGS AT MAIN LIBRARY

(Ages 12-17)

Regular meetings for 2010-11  
Teen Advisory Board Members.  
7:30-8:15 pm Tuesdays, October 12 and  
November 9.



*I love  
my kitchen!*

*Somrak understands the  
importance of your kitchen...*

Customized & creative kitchen designs  
Unique & quality products  
Distinctive cabinetry and counters  
for every room  
A strong reputation for over 50 years  
Two inspiring showrooms

**Somrak**  
KITCHENS  
*Cabinetry & Counters for Every Room*

#### East

26201 Richmond Rd.  
Bedford Hts., OH 44146  
**216-464-6500**

#### West

975 Crocker Rd  
Westlake, OH 44145  
**440-808-6088**

[www.somrakkitchens.com](http://www.somrakkitchens.com)

**SMART SNACKS IN THE TEEN CENTER**  
(Ages 12–17)

Have fun making (and eating) healthy snacks that will keep you looking and feeling great.

4 PM WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13.

*Register beginning September 29.*

**CREATE YOUR OWN BOOK—**  
**INSIDE & OUT! AT WOODS BRANCH**  
(Grades 6 and up)

Celebrate National Book Month by making a distinctive accordion-fold book like the Aztecs, Mayans, and peoples of Asia have done for centuries.

2:15-3:15 PM SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23.

*Register beginning October 9.*

**ACT PRACTICE TEST AND ACT STRATEGY**  
**SESSION AT MAIN LIBRARY**  
(for Students in Grades 10-12)

The Princeton Review will administer an ACT Practice Test, professionally score it, and return the following week to teach score-boosting strategies. Bring two #2 pencils, a snack, and a calculator.

9:15 AM-2 PM SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13  
ACT TEST.

9:15-11 AM SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20  
ACT STRATEGY SESSION.

You must be registered to take the test. No one will be admitted to the test late.  
*Register for both programs beginning October 30.*

**MOVIE DAY IN THE TEEN CENTER**  
(Ages 12-17)

Enjoy a popular teen film and old-fashioned movie-theater-style snacks.

4 PM WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17.

*Register beginning November 3.*

**AT 3 @ WOODS BRANCH**  
(Grades 6 and up)

Hang out, relax with friends, make a snack and play some games.

3-3:45 PM THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18.

*No registration required.*

**The Bookshelf:**

In honor of Veterans Day

*Black Virgin Mountain: A Return to Vietnam* by Larry Heinemann. Doubleday, 2005. The Vietnam War veteran and National Book Award-winning author of *Paco's Story* (1987) returns to Vietnam to find a warm welcome from a land at peace.

*Flashback: Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, Suicide, and the Lessons of War* by Penny Coleman. Beacon Press, 2006. In this thoroughly researched history of what was once called shell shock, readers are presented with the tragic, in-their-own-words stories of 12 women, each of whom is a surviving relative of a Vietnam veteran who committed suicide.

*Soldier from the War Returning: the Greatest Generation's Troubled Homecoming from World War II* by Thomas Childers. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, 2009. This sensitive account of the post-war trauma of three WWII veterans, includes a father describing the struggle that many veterans experienced after the cheering stopped and the war's effects remained.

*A Time for Peace: The Legacy of the Vietnam War* by Robert Schulzinger. Oxford University Press, 2006. A distinguished American historian examines the war from many angles, and explores how the deeply etched memories of the conflict have changed the political, social, and cultural landscape of America.

*Two Wars: One Hero's Fight on Two Fronts – Abroad and Within* by Nate Self. Tyndale House Publishers, Inc., 2008. Former Army Ranger Nate Self tells his story, from battles in the mountains of Afghanistan to his struggle with posttraumatic stress disorder, showing how his faith and his family pulled him through.

**For Children**

*America at War* by Lee Bennett Hopkins. Margaret K. McElderry Books, 2008. This volume of poetry includes classics such as Stephen Crane's "War is Kind" and John McCrae's "In Flanders Fields", spanning the American Revolution to the war in Iraq.

*The D-Day Heroes* by Patrick Bousquet. OREP Editions, 2006. The story of D-Day and some of its heroes is illustrated by famous French graphic novelist Regis Hector.

*Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine, and a Miracle* by Major Brian Dennis. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers, 2009. This is the heartwarming story of a dog that followed a Marine convoy 70 miles across the Iraqi desert to find Major Brian Dennis, the man who had cared for him while stationed in Western Iraq.

*In Flanders Fields: The Story of the Poem* by John McCrae by Linda Granfield. Delacorte Press, 1995. Beautifully poignant illustrations accompany the text of McCrae's famous poem. Additional material includes information about World War I, life in the trenches, and biographical information about the Canadian medic and poet: lest we forget.

*The National World War II Memorial* by Ted and Lola Schaefer. Heinemann Library, 2006. Even the youngest children can gain basic knowledge about World War II and the memorial that commemorates the brave soldiers who served their country.

*Remembering Korea: The Korean War Veterans Memorial* by Brent Ashabanner. Twenty-First Century Books, 2001. Black-and-white and color photographs illustrate this book, which includes a chapter on the Korean War, also known as "America's Forgotten War," and the memorial to those who fought, which stands as a poignant reminder.



*Vietnam Veterans Memorial* by Natalie M. Rosinsky. Compass Point Books, 2007. This book focuses on the design, construction, and the controversial story of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, also known as The Wall, including brief background information about the Vietnam War.

*The War to End All Wars: World War I* by Russell Freedman. Clarion Books, 2010. This authoritative account of the Great War is accompanied by a wealth of black-and-white photographs.

## Letters from the Homefront

The Library celebrates Veterans Day with a Letters-from-the-Homefront letter-writing campaign from November 8-14. Veterans' appreciation tables, equipped with paper, envelopes, pens, and crayons, will be set up at both libraries where residents can express their gratitude to our servicemen and women.

The Library will gather the letters and with the help of the Mission Continues, an organization founded by Eric Greitens, Senior Fellow at the University of Missouri's Truman School of Public Affairs (and nephew of Shaker Library's teen librarian Audrey Jacobs), will send the letters to military personnel overseas.

All letter writers will receive a red paper poppy as a thank you.

## Database of Note

Nagging questions? There are millions of answers online, but the Library can help you find the right ones. Use the Library's helpful databases, which can be accessed in the Library or from home by using your Library card.

If you are interested in researching your family tree, HeritageQuest Online allows you to search a variety of sources, including U.S. Census records from 1790 to 1930, books, periodical indexes, and Revolutionary War files. HeritageQuest's search screens are simple and uncluttered, and U.S. Census searching pro-

vides an advanced search feature that lets users narrow their searches. The resulting records are images of the original Census forms.

## Friends Elect Officers and Seek Members

At its July 13 annual meeting, Friends of the Shaker Library elected the following officers for the 2010-2011 term: Sharon Heslin, president, Stephanie Jonas, vice president/volunteers, Tim Burke, vice president/book sales, Martha Sivertson, treasurer, Kelly Baylog, corresponding secretary, and Joyce Chappelle, recording secretary.

Now in its 30th year, Friends continues its ambitious membership campaign to raise \$30,000. A large striker sign stands at each Library to measure the campaign's progress. Membership has its rewards. Many local merchants offer discounts to members. These include A. J. Heil, Al Nola, Balloon Crew, Center Heights Service, Chagrin Chiropractic, Good Nature, J. Pistone, Loganberry Books, Multitudes Int'l Salon, Pearl of the Orient, Shaker Animal Clinic, Shaker Auto Hospital, and Shaker Heights Hardware.

## Friends Fall Book Sale

Due to the Main Library renovation project, Friends will hold its Fall Book Sale a bit early this year. Volunteers have worked throughout the summer to organize a huge sale of gently used books on the second floor of the Main Library.

The sale begins with a Members Preview Sale from 4-8 pm Thursday, October 7. Friends' members get first dibs on a wide selection of books. Non-members may join at the door. The sale continues from 9 am to 4 pm Friday, October 8 and Saturday, October 9, and ends with the popular Bag Sale from 1-3 pm Sunday, October 10 when all bags of hardback books sell for \$5 and a bag of paperbacks sells for \$3.

For more information or to volunteer

for the sale, sign up on the volunteer forms available at the circulations desks at both Libraries.


## What's it Worth?

Wondering what that old mantel clock would fetch at auction? The value of a collectible depends on its availability, its condition, and the current market for a particular item.

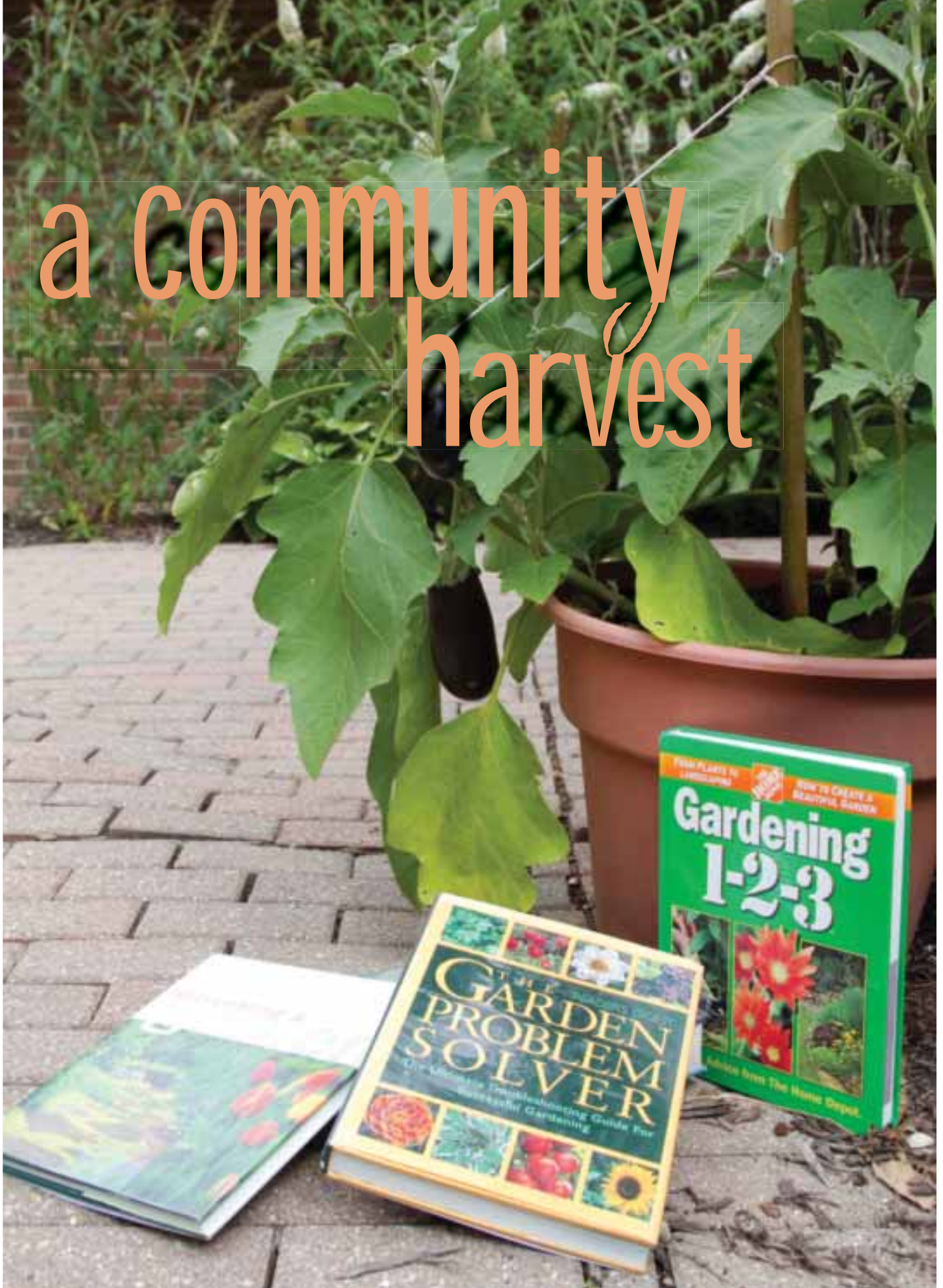
Friends of the Shaker Library is sponsoring an antiques appraisal evening from 6 to 8:30 pm Thursday, November 4 at Main Library. Experts, including Bridget McWilliams of Wolf's Gallery on Larchmere Road, will be on hand to appraise items and to tell residents what their treasures are worth.

If items are too large to carry into the Library, residents should bring clear photographs of their items noting any special markings. Appraisals will cost a small fee. Watch the Friends' bulletin board at both agencies for more details on this event.

## End Notes

- Sunday hours resume October 3 when Main Library opens from 1-5 pm
- The Library Board meets at 6:30 pm Tuesday, October 12 in the Main Library Board Room and at 6:30 pm Tuesday, November 9 in the Dietz Room at Woods Branch.
- Friends of the Shaker Library meets at 7 pm Tuesdays, October 19 and November 16 at Main Library.
- Both libraries will be closed for Thanksgiving, November 25 through November 27. (November 26 is an unpaid Furlough Day.)
- Brondy Shanker leads English in Action, a class for those who wish to learn to speak and read English, at 7 pm Tuesdays at Main Library.
- GameGirlz, video game playing sessions for girls from 2 to 92, is held from 4-5:30 pm Thursdays, October 28 and November 18 at Main Library. 

# a community harvest







BY THE EDITORS  
PHOTOS BY ALEX RIVERA

**Shaker resident** Cissy Holmes, pictured above, collects basil at the First Unitarian Church of Cleveland's community garden. The garden was partially funded by the Shaker Heights Public Library, which received a grant from the State Library of Ohio to help local community gardens prosper.

**The Community Gardens of Shaker Heights** ([gardensofshaker.org](http://gardensofshaker.org)) also received funding from the Library. CGSH was formed this year by a group of Shaker residents who started two gardens, one on Rolliston Road on City-owned property, and one on private land on Cheshire Road in the Larchmere neighborhood. Justin Evans, on the opposite page, works in the Rolliston garden.

Community vegetable gardens sprouted all over Shaker Heights this year. It seemed like everybody got down and dirty: Churches, schools, the library, and the City itself, growing tomatoes, bell peppers, mountains of basil and oregano, summer squash, zucchini, broccoli, cucumbers, eggplant... anything with a stalk or stem that can be sautéed or put into salsa, pesto, or marinara sauce.

"It would be hard to say anything that is not in favor of community gardening," says Donita Anderson, executive director of the North Union Farmers Market (NUFM), a non-profit organization at Shaker Square that operates half a dozen high-quality farmers markets: Chagrin Falls, Lakewood, Crocker Park, Cleveland State University, the Cleveland Clinic, and of course the flagship market at Shaker Square.

The impetus behind Shaker's community gardening movement comes from exactly what the NUFM stands for: eating fresh, locally grown food. (Each NUFM vendor has to be certified, which means a NUFM representative inspects their farm. They must show lease or ownership records, seed receipts, the number of acres under production, site location, and approximate harvest.)

"Growing your own food and flowers is a big undertaking that deserves winter planning time," Donita says. "Picking out seeds with children when it is still cold out is a great activity, and reveals the promise of summer."

Shaker Life photographer Alex Rivera captured these images of Shaker community gardens at their peak, right before final harvest. How well we remember.









**Right:** Lynn Miller, branch manager of the Shaker Library's Bertram Woods branch, relaxes in the Bertram Woods community garden. **Above:** Dominic Liberatore works in the Rolliston garden, while Janet Alter, opposite page, tends to the Cheshire operation in Larchmere. The Cuyahoga County office of The Ohio State University's Extension program contributed money to the Cheshire Road operation.







## What Makes A Great Home Garden? (A lot of hard work)

BY DONITA ANDERSON, Executive Director, North Union Farmers Market

To me, the most important part of community gardening is being a good steward of the soil.

Without good soil, the product will not be of the highest quality. A definitive soil test is very important. The test needs to look at the balance of minerals. Moreover, any contaminants would ruin the garden, so soil must be tested for lead and a whole host of other contaminants.

If the soil is contaminated it must be remediated before growing anything. This is a huge undertaking, so it might be better for the home gardener to use pots or raised beds. Still, the soil needs to be the highest quality.

After the soil has been dealt with, the planning and the fun begin. I recommend the book *Square Foot Gardening* by Mel Bartholomew.

We had all the old soil removed from our postage-stamp backyard in Shaker Heights and replaced with organic soil. We have blackberries, raspberries, four cherry trees, three plum trees, three fig trees, and an apricot tree. When the kids were little we grew over a hundred corn stalks, melons, tomatoes, and lots of flowers. It was an enjoyable family activity. I wish all gardeners the same happiness.





**In the kitchen** at the First Unitarian Church of Cleveland, Paul McClain gets ready to turn basil from the garden into pesto, accompanied by homemade ciabatta bread. Below, Carol Gay is hard at work in the garden itself.





# The Great Window Debate





**Restore or replace?** Herein, a guide to help Shaker homeowners with their windows dilemmas. (Though sometimes restoration is the only choice.)

**BY NANCY O'CONNOR**

**PHOTOS BY GREEN STREET STUDIO**

The original windows in a Shaker Heights home built during the first half of the last century are an integral part of the home's design, and are usually crafted from high-quality, durable lumber, adding immensely to the architectural character of the home.

But that doesn't stop expensive heat from escaping through the single panes of glass, sash cords from breaking, glazing from crumbling, or paint from chipping off warped and rotted sashes and sills.

Faced with the dilemma of what to do about window woes, homeowners can find themselves smack in the middle of two heated debates: "repair versus replace" and "wood versus vinyl."

Those on both sides of the issues have good points to make. Repairing and restoring original windows preserves the home's integrity and diverts materials from the nation's overloaded landfills. On the other hand, new wood and vinyl windows are typically very energy-efficient, and high-end models replicate older window designs. Moreover, vinyl requires very little maintenance.

Thanks to some local people who specialize in window restoration and others that sell top-quality new wood and vinyl windows, it's possible



## City Rules & Regs

Whether you're leaning toward restoration or replacement, your first step is to contact the Shaker Heights Planning Department to find out what permits and approvals you may need for any window project.

"The City encourages window repair instead of replacement whenever possible, and wood over vinyl," says Senior Planner Ann Klavora. The character and quality of the City's housing stock greatly impacts the community's overall appeal and property values. Klavora also notes, "If the home is located in a local historic district, such as the Winslow Road area or around Shaker Square – or if it is individually listed as a landmark – the Landmark Commission Window Guidelines require that new replacement windows match the original materials, typically wood."

Planning staff can offer information and guidance, a list of approved contractors, free copies of The Homeowners' Guide to Preservation and Maintenance (also available at [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com)), and details on what permits the homeowners need to proceed with a major window project.

Moreover, all exterior home improvements, including windows, need to comply with Architectural Board of Review (ABR) and/or Landmark Commission regulations. If windows must be replaced, the ABR and Landmark Commission will want new windows to replicate the style, proportions, and glazing pattern of the existing windows. Most projects will also require a building permit.

Residents can find information on the City's website at [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com).



SEVENTH SEASON

2010  
2011

### THE 2010-11 WILLIAM N. SKIRBALL WRITERS CENTER STAGE PROGRAM

IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION  
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

The William N. Skirball Writers Center Stage Program brings some of the literary world's finest authors, journalists and storytellers to the Ohio Theatre for an entertaining evening of profound insights and fascinating discussion.

For tickets, call **216.241.6000** or visit [PlayhouseSquare.org/writerscenterstage](http://PlayhouseSquare.org/writerscenterstage).  PlayhouseSquare

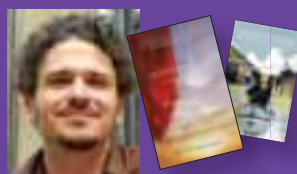
#### Jeannette Walls

Tuesday, October 26, 2010



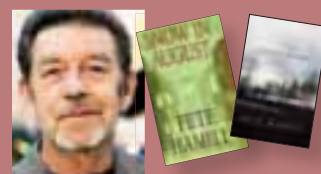
#### Dave Eggers

Tuesday, March 29, 2011



#### Pete Hamill

Tuesday, April 26, 2011



All programs will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Ohio Theatre at PlayhouseSquare; 1511 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, OH. Each show will be followed by a Q&A and book signing.

The funds raised by this series help support critical library programs for all ages.



Cuyahoga County Public Library  
Foundation





**Opposite page:** Elaine Stevens and Shaker-based window restoration contractor Igor Rae in the Stevens' historic 1913 home, which is pictured above. Elaine and her husband Lou have been restoring all 45 double-hung windows.

for everyone to win. As these Shaker residents, contractors, and window dealers can attest, there is indeed such a thing as energy-efficient historic wood window restoration. And yes, you can find high-quality new windows that complement your home's design – and fit your budget.

## Restoration, or...

"Nothing lasts forever." You'll have a hard time convincing preservationist Kathleen Crowther or contractor Igor Rae of that, especially if you're talking windows.

"Most people do not realize that windows are important to the historic integrity and overall curb appeal of a home, and they can also usually be repaired for a fraction of the cost of replacements," says Crowther, a Shaker resident who has served as executive director of the Cleveland Restoration Society (CRS) for more than 20 years. CRS offers homeowners technical assistance, educational workshops, resources for restoration materials and treatments, and a low-interest loan product to finance rehabilitation projects (see sidebar).

"In fact, the biggest issue that we encounter with homeowners in Shaker is drafty old windows," says Crowther, who lives in one of Shaker's oldest homes, which was built in the 1880s and expanded in the 1920s.

"We restored all of our wood windows," she says. "We mostly re-roped and adjusted for a proper fit. We also installed exterior storm windows for energy conservation."



Minor carpentry repairs to an old wood window, in combination with a good aluminum storm window, can cut down on heat loss significantly, she promises. "At CRS, we hate to see money being wasted on replacement windows unnecessarily, and are happy to provide helpful information on repair versus replacement to any inquiring homeowner."

Igor Rae, who runs his Allied Remodeling and Window Restoration businesses from his Shaker Heights home, is likewise passionate about preserving a home's original features, and operates with a sharp eye on staying green.

He says the biggest hazard to windows is water. "But almost anything can be repaired. Many times, we get called out to replace a window, but once we inform homeowners that the window is actually structurally sound and just in need of some repair, they go that route."

In addition to doing repair work on wood, leaded, and stained glass windows, Rae offers a unique service that involves

a thermal upgrading of the glass in older windows. The process, he says, "makes the older window as energy-efficient as a new one." He replaces the original single panes of glass with double-pane glass with argon gas between them to add insulation. Because the new glass makes the window heavier than before, Rae replaces the counter weight-rope system with a hidden spring-loaded one. He also re-weather strips and adds insulation to the cavities where the counter weights were once housed. The cost to restore an older window, he says, "can run 15-20 percent less than replacing with a new wood window that costs \$1,000 and more, and you can achieve the same energy efficiency."

The process lets the homeowner preserve 50 percent of the window's original materials and its overall appearance. Plus, Rae adds, "we put nothing in the landfill. We reuse and repurpose even the weights and glass we've removed."

Among Rae's regular customers opting for the thermal window upgrade are Lou





**This page and opposite:** The sunroom on this gracious South Park Boulevard home has been beautified with contemporary wooden windows.

and Elaine Stevens, who have steadily been restoring the 45 double-hung wood windows in their 1913 Shaker Heights home, one floor at a time.

"The windows were loose, the sash cords kept breaking, and we were losing a lot of heat through them," Lou says of his pre-restoration windows. Restoring turned out to be slightly less expensive than buying new, he found, "but the real beauty is you get to maintain the same appearance and the functionality goes through the roof."

The windows now glide up and down smoothly, tilt out for easier cleaning, and leaking air problems are virtually eliminated because the windows now fit in their frames.

The insulation value has been "tremendous," Lou says. "We used to need two radiators in the sunroom, now we need just one. In other rooms, we're not even using the storm windows anymore."

## ...Replacement?

Dave Schiever fully appreciates preservation efforts, but also fully understands that "even the preservation-minded have to pay heat bills, and energy costs keep rising. Energy efficiency is a paramount focus for many businesses today, including window manufacturers."

The Shaker resident recently became vice president of marketing for Regency Window Company, which has serviced Shaker homeowners for more than 40 years.

The home Schiever shares with his partner, Michelle, was built in the early 1920s. "All 52 windows are original. But there are cases when new

*continued on page 54*



## Call On the Cleveland Restoration Society for Help

Because the City of Shaker Heights is a member community of the Cleveland Restoration Society (CRS), residents can take advantage of numerous free services provided by the organization.

"Our tech staff is happy to conduct a home site visit, during which they can discuss any maintenance or preservation issues that the homeowner may be concerned with, and also point out any other problem areas that might come to their attention," says executive director and Shaker resident Kathleen Crowther.

"We can also provide informative resources to help find local contractors, research period-appropriate finishes, or ways to increase your home's energy efficiency."

Shaker Heights has also partnered with CRS to offer low-interest home repair and renovation loans for homeowners of properties built before 1961. The Heritage Home Program, financed through KeyBank, currently offers a fixed interest rate of 3.5 percent for seven and 10 years. Since 2001, 86 Shaker Heights homeowners have reinvested \$2,860,274 into their homes through the Heritage Home Program.

One of those loan recipients is Kathleen Trudick, who purchased a two-family home in the Winslow Road

Historic District in 2008 as a rental property. Built in 1928, the Tudor-style home had a variety of violations that she had to repair, including rotting sashes that were not functioning or locking correctly on the majority of the home's windows.

"I wanted to restore the home right, from top to bottom," she says. "It's too beautiful a home to not do it right."

Trudick used the Heritage Home Program loan to have the windows repaired and repainted, and to fund a new driveway, mechanical upgrades, exterior painting, roof tear-off, and general interior updating.

"Most Shaker homeowners are cognizant of the Van Sweringen legacy and its emphasis on combining natural beauty with traditional architectural styles," Crowther says. "As a result, they tend to be sensitive to maintaining character-defining features of their historic homes. We were thrilled to see Kathleen save money on her rehab, increase her home's energy efficiency, and maintain its historic character."

To learn more about the Heritage Home Program, contact Jamie Bertram at (216) 426-3106 or email [jbertram@clevelandrestoration.org](mailto:jbertram@clevelandrestoration.org).





Beautiful architectural details are a big part of what draws us to live in our wonderful Shaker Heights neighborhoods; however, our attractive homes often contain lead hazards that require lead-safe renovation or abatement.

Crafthouse Properties, LLC, is a licensed lead-abatement contracting company. We also have the new EPA lead-safe firm certification for conducting renovation, repair, and painting activities in housing constructed before 1978 and child-occupied facilities.

If you have questions or concerns about lead hazards in your home or business, call **Dulcey Barr at (216) 235-5241 for a no-cost consultation.**





# fall fresh

Fall is a season of bounty, celebration – and, in Shaker Heights, lawn and garden winterization. Contractors who routinely work in Shaker offer here a number of helpful tips for keeping our homes beautiful.

BY RITA KUEBER

PHOTO BY MARC GOLUB

There are just some things that say “autumn.” Leaves, of course. Soaring blue skies, a touch of cool rain, and a nip in the air, all a relief after summer’s heat. And the sights and sounds of fall cleanups. A cleanup is essential for the health and beauty of any suburban landscape. At minimum, homeowners should rake up all leaves and dead plant material, and remove it from the lawn and flowerbeds.

But beyond that, to give any house great curb appeal, Arthur Richwine, manager of Bremec Garden Center in Cleveland Heights, recommends colorful fall plantings.

While Bremec Greenhouses & Nursery has been in business for 23 years, the Heights store has been open for two. The business, based in Chesterland, also provides maintenance and landscape design services.

Richwine recommends flowering kale, asters, fall-blooming anemones, Autumn Joy sedum, pansies, and mums. “Fall pansies will bloom all winter as long as they’re not covered with snow,” he says. For the mums, he recommends “roughing up” the ball to loosen the roots and then adding extra mulch around the crown to keep the plant warm. “Mums add fantastic color to any outdoor space,” Richwine says, “especially in fall.” This is also the best time to plant bulbs such as daffodils and tulips, for an awesome springtime display.

Jim Freireich, owner of Eastside Landscaping, agrees that the most important task for fall is clearing the leaves from the lawn and flower beds. He also recommends cutting back perennials, aerating the lawn, and giving it a dose of slow-release fertilizer. The 25-year-old business with its 30 employees handles landscaping maintenance, outdoor construction, and snow plowing in Shaker Heights and neighboring suburbs.

“Fall fertilization gives the lawn that last feed, takes it through the winter and sets up healthy growth for spring,” Freireich says. Properly applied slow-release fertilizer



**Monty's Roofing**  
 Family operated for 27 years. Deal direct with the owner.  
 We specialize in complicated roofs and solve leaks.



Licensed, Bonded, & Insured • Repairs & New Installation • Copper Gutters & Repairs • Slate, Tile, Shakes, & Shingles • Standing seam & Flat Copper Roofs •  
 Certainteed Select Shingle Master Certified Company • Owen Corning Preferred Contractor • Ecostar Gold-Star Applicator  
 Call (216) 433-7222

**STUDIO J**  
**Academy of Dance**

Ballet Tap Jazz Hip Hop Lyrical Pilates Pointe  
 Announcing Our New State Of The Art Facility  
 23945 Mercantile Rd. Suite M  
 216-292-2720  
 Register Online at [www.studiojdance.com](http://www.studiojdance.com)

Fences of **Beauty & Quality** CEDAR FENCE EXPERTS



► Ornamental Aluminum  
 ► Picket ► Privacy  
 ► Board on Board ► Vinyl

**ACME**  
 FENCE & LUMBER  
 EST. 1992

216-529-0456

**Before After**



**Custom Restoration**

- Historical Restoration
- Window Repair & Upgrades
- Custom Made Curved/Bent Glass
- Plaster Repair
- Leaded & Stained Glass Repair
- General Carpentry

**WINDOW RESTORATIONS**  
[www.WindowRestorations.net](http://www.WindowRestorations.net)  
[www.TrimMasters.net](http://www.TrimMasters.net)  
 (216) 324-3738



helps build up the lawn's root system. "We recommend yearly aeration to our clients," he says. The company uses a walk-behind machine that digs up and distributes one- to two-inch plugs over the lawn.

"It does look like some geese went crazy on the lawn, but the plugs break down over a short period of time. Aerating thins out the root system, allows air, moisture, and fertilizer to get into the lawn and promotes more root growth," he explains.

One additional reminder Freireich offers is to put all outdoor obstacles away for winter, especially anything in the path of a snowplow.

Herrick Mann started H.A.M. Landscaping cutting grass for his neighbors on Palmerston Road while he was in junior high school. Forty years later, with a degree in Horticulture from The Ohio State University and a team of 25 people on his payroll, Mann still cuts grass, but also designs landscapes and handles stone and plant installations. He specializes in the bigger, older homes that range from 60 to 120 years old.

"If the homeowner wants a new stone installation, our goal is to make it look like the original," he says. He also works with plants that were popular a generation or two ago, especially yew, hydrangea, and mock orange.

With winter on the way, Mann's number-one recommendation is to get the leaves off the lawn. "Clean the lawn and get it cut a little shorter than usual," he says. "And keep watering. Plants and lawns still need water going into fall and winter, even if it's cool."

He also suggests cutting roses and hydrangea to 18 inches, but leaving ornamental grasses up if they're not breaking apart. "I have clients who keep these grasses up high and full all winter," he says.

One of Mann's concerns no matter what the season is protecting trees. "The bark of a tree is like your skin," he says. "Put a

*continued on page 52*



## Winter Safety Tips

From the **SHAKER HEIGHTS FIRE DEPARTMENT** 17000 CHAGRIN BLVD. • 216-491-1200 • [shakeronline.com/dept/fire](http://shakeronline.com/dept/fire)



### Wood Burning Stoves and Fireplaces

Wood burning stoves should have at least a 36-inch clearance from combustible surfaces, as well as good floor support and protection. They should be Underwriters Laboratory listed.

- The chimney or stovepipe should be cleaned and inspected at the beginning of the heating season.

- Keep a metal or glass screen in front of the fireplace opening.

- Creosote (soot) is a by-product of wood burning. To reduce soot build-up in your chimney, burn only dry, seasoned wood and avoid slow-burning, smoky fires.

- Never use flammable liquids to light or accelerate a fire.

- Never store flammable liquids in an area where a stove is

being used.

- Never burn trash, large amounts of paper, or small twigs. Paper especially can ignite the soot in your chimney.

- Never leave small children in a room where a wood burning stove is in use.

- Never burn charcoal indoors. It gives off carbon monoxide.

- Never go to sleep before the fire is extinguished.

- Never close your damper with hot ashes in the fireplace. A closed damper will allow the fire to heat up.

- If you use synthetic logs, follow the instructions on the package. Never break a synthetic log apart or use more than one log at a time. These logs burn unevenly, releasing higher levels of carbon

monoxide into your home.

- Ashes might contain bits of unburned wood and hot embers. Ashes from fireplaces and wood stoves should always be disposed in a metal container with a tight lid.

### Furnaces

Have the furnace professionally inspected and cleaned prior to the heating season.

- Inspect the chimney line, ceiling, and walls near your furnace. If there is excessive heat or discoloration, more clearance or pipe insulation might be required.

- Inspect the flue pipe and pipe seams. Make sure that they are supported properly and free of holes and cracks. Soot along or around the seams may be an indicator of a leak.

- Never attempt to make any repairs yourself. Leave these to qualified specialists.

### Portable Heating Devices

The fire department does not recommend the use of portable heaters due to the safety risks they pose. Kerosene heaters pose the greatest risk. However, people use portable heaters because they can make a room comfortable while reducing the cost to warm an entire house. Keep portable heating devices at least three feet from any combustibles, such as furniture and drapes. Self-contained liquefied petroleum heaters are extremely dangerous and prohibited.

### Propane Gas Heaters

- Do not use large gas heaters in smaller rooms with limited ventilation.

- Always have ventless gas heaters installed by a professional.



We didn't invent the term  
"experiential learning."  
We're reinventing it.

Hawken's Readiness Initiative transforms learning and engages students. Our Gries Center in University Circle provides hands-on, real-world experience in Cleveland's research and cultural center. Tablet computers for every middle school student link teachers, students and achievement. Innovative scheduling creates 3-week intensives for deep-dive learning. Come see the difference that makes *all* the difference.

Get Ready. | [HAWKEN.EDU](http://HAWKEN.EDU)

**OPEN HOUSE Sunday, October 17, 2010**

Begins at 1:00 p.m. | RSVP today.

[admissions@hawken.edu](mailto:admissions@hawken.edu)

**Preschool to Grade 8**

Lyndhurst Campus  
440.423.2950

**Grades 9 to 12**

Gates Mills Campus  
440.423.2955



Remodeler of the Year by the  
US Commerce Association.

**GEROME'S** SINCE 1952  
KITCHEN & BATH DESIGN CENTER  
We do the Complete Job!  
• Free Estimates • Senior Discount  
• Financing Available  
[www.geromes.com](http://www.geromes.com)

Visit Our Showroom At:  
5576 MAYFIELD  
EAST 440-473-1900  
Showroom Hrs: Mon.-Fri. 9-5  
Sat. & Eves. by Appt. WEST 440-237-7111

THE BOLD LOOK OF KOHLER  
NKBA



**RUFFING MONTESSORI SCHOOL**

**Open House**  
November 7  
2pm-4pm  
Toddler through  
8th Grade

Contact the Admissions Office to schedule a personal tour and classroom observation.

3380 Fairmount Blvd. | Cleveland Heights, OH 44118  
[www.ruffingmontessori.net](http://www.ruffingmontessori.net) | 216.321.7571

*Kerosene Heaters* (Make sure the unit has an Underwriters Laboratory listing.)

- Never refuel the heater when it is burning or still hot. Always refuel the heater outside. Never use any fuel other than kerosene.
- Never store kerosene in a container that has been used for gasoline or any other liquid.

#### *Electric Heaters*

- Plug directly into a properly functioning wall outlet.
- Place heater so it cannot be knocked over.
- Review operating and safety instructions in the original package, and closely follow the safety warnings printed on the heater.

#### **Smoke Detectors**

• Smoke detectors are required on every level of the home and outside each sleeping area. In addition, install a carbon monoxide detector. Test your detectors monthly. Change batteries in battery-operated detectors at least yearly or whenever a detector “chirps” to signal low power.

- Never “borrow” a smoke detector’s battery for another use.

#### **OTHER WINTER FIRE SAFETY TIPS**

- Never use an oven or range as a supplemental heating device.
- Do not overload extension cords with multiple appliances.
- Thaw frozen water pipes with hot water or a hair dryer. Do not use an open flame.

#### **Tips to Prevent Frozen Water Lines**

Water supply pipes in unheated interior areas (crawl spaces, attics, garages, and kitchen cabinets mounted along exterior walls) are susceptible to freezing. Pipes inside exterior walls are also susceptible, especially in older homes that have little or no insulation. Remember that both hot and cold water lines can freeze.

#### **Short-term Recommendations**

- Identify unheated areas where water supply lines are located.
- Open kitchen or bathroom cabinets below

*continued on page 51*



# great shaker homes

BY RORY O'CONNOR

PHOTOS BY GREEN STREET STUDIO

It is perhaps the most famous house in Shaker Heights: the palatial South Park Boulevard house colloquially known as the Van Sweringen Mansion, after its builders and first owners.

Today it's the home of Dr. Andrew and Robin Schachat. The Schachats bought the house in 2006, when they relocated from Baltimore. Dr. Schachat is the vice chairman for clinical affairs at the Cole Eye Institute at the Cleveland Clinic and editor-in-chief of Ophthalmology, the Journal of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Robin is a landscape designer and a board member of the Shaker Historical Society and Museum. (See accompanying photo essay on the century home that houses the society and museum.)

Brothers Oris and Mantis Van Sweringen, who developed Shaker Heights, acquired the parcel in 1905 when they bought the site of the North Union Shaker village, whose epicenter was at Lee Road and Shaker Boulevard. Construction on the house was completed in 1909. The Vans lived there with their two sisters until 1924, when they moved to Hunting Valley.

The original estate was twice the size as now; the property encompassed all the land between South Park and Shaker boulevards, and included a large house for the Van's chauffeur and his family – a home that is still standing and occupied, now separated from the “main house” by a high stone wall.

Even as the grounds shrunk, other amenities were added by one or another of the home's eight owners over the years, such as a swimming pool and an enormous Florida room overlooking the pool. Still, the spirit of the house, with its Tudor bones and great age, seems to resist modernization. There's no getting around its evocation of Old World aristocracy, as these images of its dining room (this page) and living room (next pages) attest.

“We've been here four years, but we still have to pinch ourselves,” Robin says. “Pulling into the driveway at night and looking up at this house – we just break into giggles. It's absolutely a dream.”

## Absolutely a Dream



*Visit [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com) to see more images of this great Shaker home.*









# A Hundred Years And Counting

PHOTOS BY JANET CENTURY

The house at 16740 South Park Boulevard that is home to the Shaker Historical Society and Museum is 100 years old this year. It was designed by architect Daniel A. Reamer and built for Louis and Blanche Myers two years before Shaker Village was incorporated.

Louis Myers worked for the men who developed the village, later to be named Shaker Heights – Oris and Mantis Van Sweringen. The brothers lived in their own stately South Park abode just a short distance away. (See accompanying photo feature.)

Frank Myers, Louis and Blanche's son, donated the house to the Ohio Historical Society in Columbus in 1968. The OHS in turn has allowed the Shaker Historical Society to use it as its museum. The grounds extend all the way between South Park and Shaker boulevards, and include a garage and some apple trees, and a large wooded expanse of ivy and enormous mature trees, mostly black walnut and osage-orange. Foxes, deer, and groundhogs populate the woods.

This was the eastern edge of the original colony established by the North Union Community of the United Society of Believers – aka the Shakers – in 1822, on the site of their apple orchard. When the colony shut down in 1889, its accoutrements – furniture, farm tools, kitchen items, artwork, even clothing – were auctioned off.

When the museum was established in 1947, many of the items began trickling back in, donated by the families of people who purchased them at auction. The permanent collection was established in 1956. Today there are some 1,800 items. About five percent of them are on display at any given time.









**Both the** North Union Shakers and the Van Sweringen brothers are represented at the Shaker Historical Society and Museum, offering a sweeping look at the history of Shaker Heights. **Previous pages:** Some of Oris and Mantis's office furniture is on display in one of the museum's two main rooms. **This page, clockwise from top:** The museum's exterior photographed from the driveway; Ann Cicarella, president of the museum's board and its temporary director; a scale model of downtown Cleveland's historic Terminal Tower, which was built by the Van Sweringens. *More images at [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com).*



# Here now The All New 5-Series

Classic BMW

DriveClassicBMW.com  
(888) 319-8586



The Ultimate  
Driving Machine

Classic BMW would like to thank you for your business for over 25 years. In January 2009, we moved into a brand new facility conveniently located at the corner of Som Center Rd. & I-90. Classic BMW is now just a 10 minute drive north from Chagrin Blvd. In addition to Complimentary pickup & delivery valet service, we include a hand-detailed car wash at anytime for any occasion. Please come see us and experience an outstanding level of service that you'd expect as a BMW owner.



## The All New 2011 BMW 5 Series

### Settle for more.

The 5 Series legacy is one of incredible performance, timeless style, and countless innovations.



- Pickup & delivery valet service
- Just 10 minutes from Chagrin
- Saturday service hrs. 8-1pm
- Sunday sales hrs. 12-4pm

---

Special lease and finance rates are available for new BMW's through BMW Financial Services.

---



## Classic BMW

2571 SOM Center Road in Willoughby Hills

Call **1-888-319-8586** for details. • DriveClassicBMW.com

# Never Too Young To Care



Elementary students in the Shaker School District show us how to reach out to others, locally and around the world. BY DIANA SIMEON PHOTOS BY COLLEEN MCCREARY

Each spring, residents around Lomond Elementary School look forward to a special treat: a May Day basket handmade by Lomond's first and fourth graders. It's a project that teachers Michell Rucinski and Donita Singerman have collaborated on for many years.

"The kids make the baskets out of paper plates and construction paper," explains Rucinski. "Then they attach a poem about spring and, as close to May 1st as we can, we walk up and down the streets around our school and the kids hang them on the residents' doors."

The May Day baskets are just one of the many ways that Shaker's youngest students are learning the value of community service. Indeed, spend time in Shaker's elementary schools and you will find the spirit of service is thriving. In dozens of projects across the District, elementary students are reaching out to others, in

their own schools and neighborhoods, in the region, and even around the world.

"We want to teach them to give back," says Lomond School principal Susan Alig. A couple of years ago, Alig asked her staff to think of ways to integrate service into the classroom. She explains: "It could even be something just in the building – like if a class wants to take care of our lost-and-found, then that's going to be their service project."

Alig and the other elementary school principals point out that service dovetails with concepts promoted in the International Baccalaureate program, which Shaker is implementing throughout its schools. In fact, at the High School, International Baccalaureate students will perform up to 50 hours of community service before graduation.

"International Baccalaureate has a community orientation – caring for people out-

side of yourself, being able to empathize, to understand a need, and to respond to it appropriately," says Onaway Elementary School principal Lynn Cowen.

## Global Projects

A wonderful example of Shaker's elementary students jumping into action to help others, in some cases quite literally, was in the aftermath of the devastating earthquake in Haiti. Just weeks after the tragedy, students at Mercer Elementary School had organized a Hop for Haiti marathon. During the weeklong event, Mercer's students jumped rope in gym class in return for pledges from friends and family. Meanwhile, at Lomond, more than 65 students in the Jump Rope Club also got pledges from friends and family, then laced up their sneakers for their own one-day marathon.





All together, Mercer and Lomond's students jumped their way to more than \$5,000, which was donated to the American Red Cross.

At Onaway, the Service Corps, a score of fourth graders who undertake several service projects a year, held a Coins for Haiti drive. Over at Boulevard, the fourth-graders convinced music teacher Lisa Cameron to turn an upcoming assembly into a benefit for Haiti. And Fernway Elementary School's fourth-graders made pins to sell at the school's annual Pancake Breakfast.

All told, Shaker's K-4 students raised well over \$8,000 for relief efforts in the Caribbean nation.

"The most rewarding community service events are the ones driven by the students," says Fernway principal Christopher Hayward.

Mercer principal J. Lindsay Florence agrees, noting that the idea for Mercer's Hop for Haiti came from a discussion in teacher Noel Polantz's second-grade class, which had recently read a book about

earthquakes. "When our kids come to us and say 'I would like to do something,' we are really open to listening and trying to do something. I think kids, especially at this age level, are caring and sympathetic to what's going on," says Florence. To that end, Mercer established its own student Service Corps two years ago.

In perhaps the most broad-based international service project to date, this August Boulevard rolled out a school-wide Pennies for Peace campaign. Pennies for Peace is a service-learning program developed by Greg Mortenson, author of *Three Cups of Tea*, a best-selling book about his experiences building schools in the most remote areas of Pakistan. In the Pennies for Peace program, students learn about the culture of this region and collect pennies, which are in turn used to help open schools in Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Other elementary schools in the District have raised money for Pennies for Peace, including Fernway and Mercer, but Boulevard plans to make it a centerpiece of its entire year. The staff of Boulevard



**Opposite page:** Boulevard teacher Carmen Chung reads *Listen to the Wind* to her first-grade students at the start of the schools's Pennies for Peace campaign. **Above:** Last June, Patsy Bannon's fourth-grade class at Lomond presented a mural to the Shaker Heights Police Department as a thank you for its efforts in keeping the community safe.



**Above right:** Students at Onaway held a bake sale last February to raise funds to benefit Haiti.

will read Mortenson's book, and teachers will read the accompanying picture book, *Listen to the Wind*, to their students and integrate other curriculum materials from the program. Students will contribute pennies to jars in their classrooms, while a display in Boulevard's front hall will track the campaign's progress.

"If a student can bring in a penny and know they have helped a child learn to read and write, that is very powerful," says Boulevard Principal Colleen Longo.

"What we want kids to realize is that one small action can make a massive difference in someone else's life. We want them to feel empowered that they can make a positive difference in the world," she says.

### Reaching Out at Home

To be sure, the outpouring of student support for disasters such as Haiti (or as in the past, Hurricane Katrina and the attacks of September 11) is remarkable. But equally inspiring is the year-in and year-out work Shaker's elementary students do on behalf of the local community. A sampling:

- **Helping the hungry.** Each year, Onaway's Service Corps bakes cookies for a Thanksgiving dinner for the homeless at Cleveland's House of Blues and decorates

placemats for Shaker High's Youth Ending Hunger spaghetti dinner fundraiser. Mercer's Service Corps also provides decorations for the Youth Ending Hunger event and runs its own canned food drive. Students at Fernway collect food for the Cleveland Food Bank.

- **Providing basic necessities.** At Lomond throughout the year, students bring in toiletries, which are donated to local social service agencies, including Cleveland's New Life Community. Onaway's students have collected coats for a West Side shelter.

- **Remembering the sick and lonely.** At Boulevard, second-grade students make fleece blankets for children at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital. And during the holidays, students across the District make cards for shut-ins and correspond with troops in Afghanistan and Iraq.

- **Keeping Shaker beautiful.** During Fernway's annual Community Service event, students clean and beautify the school's neighborhood through trash pick-ups and other projects. Mercer also holds a neighborhood Earth Day clean-up. Last spring, Onaway's Service Corps helped the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes put native plants at the Rapid station at

South Park and Shaker boulevards (see Shaker Life, August-September 2010).

"These are ways for the kids to learn to become a little more selfless and to think about the world outside their own backyards," says Mercer PTO President Theresa Szoke.

"Kids will be more apt to do something like that in the future and have a commitment to service in their lives," says Martha Mahoney, a parent coordinator of the Onaway Service Corps. "It's a positive experience, and they feel good about themselves."

Perhaps the most touching projects have grown out of extraordinary events experienced by a school's own community. In 2007, a fire took the life of Lomond student Imose Ikpia. To thank the Shaker Heights Fire Department for its efforts, Patsy Bannon's fourth-grade class hit on the idea of making a mural with the help of art teacher Jill Schumacher.

The project took three months, and today the mural hangs in the fire station on Chagrin Boulevard. Last year, Bannon, a longtime Shaker resident, took the project a step further and created a mural for the Shaker Heights Police Department.

"The idea was to make the students aware of the fact that a whole lot of people work to make the community what it is," says Bannon – "and to thank those people."





## Winter Tips

*continued from page 40*

sinks to allow warmer air to circulate around water lines.

- Turn both hot and cold water valves on to allow a small trickle.
- Don't close off areas of the home that may have water supply lines in order to conserve heat.
- Do not set the thermostat below 55 degrees at night or if you will be away from home for an extended period. It is also advisable to have someone occasionally check the home while you are gone.

### Long-term Remedies

- Insulate unheated areas such as attics, crawl spaces, and exterior walls.
- Install insulation around water supply lines.
- Consider having a certified plumber relocate pipes away from unheated areas.

### Additional Winter Tips From the NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION DEPARTMENT

3450 LEE ROAD • (216) 491-1370  
[shakeronline.com/dept/revite](http://shakeronline.com/dept/revite)

- Clean your gutters. Clogged gutters can lead to water intrusion.
- Protect your air conditioner. Cover it, and turn off the water flow to the compressor.
- Turn off outdoor faucets. Drain garden hoses and disconnect the nozzles and spray handles.
- Close attic windows.
- Open draperies and shades on south-facing windows during the day to allow the sunlight to enter your home.
- Wrap your hot water heater with a thermal insulating blanket. The hot water heater is usually the least-efficient appliance. This is an inexpensive task that most homeowners can do themselves.

• Install a programmable thermostat. You can create a heating schedule for your home with this simple control.

• Bleed radiator valves. Slightly open each valve until water appears and then close it again.

• Have a professional energy audit.

### Dealing With Drafts

The biggest leaks are in attics and basements. If the audit finds that you need insulation, hire a professional to install it.

Cold air seeps in through electrical outlets and light switches on outside walls. Purchase pads that are Underwriters Laboratory listed and place them between the plate and the electrical mechanism to retard cold air.

Caulk around windows and door jams, and minimize the use of your fireplace.

Use kitchen exhaust wisely. The exhaust can rapidly pull warm air out of the house.

Use your storm windows, and use door sweeps and weather stripping.

### Professional Home Insulation

When you insulate with cellulose, the effects of weather, the neighbor's children or your utility bill won't worry you. That's because the cellulose seal is seamless, your family is fully protected from weather and sound infiltration in every nook and cranny of your home.



Cellulose insulation is a tough fire blocker. In the manufacturing process, it's treated with specially engineered and highly effective fire retardant chemicals, making it a tough fire blocker.

### House Diagnostics



We offer house diagnostics, which includes complete home and building performance and inspection.

#### Thermal Imaging

Thermal imaging inspections provide a picture of a specific condition of a home or building. Infrared cameras locate anomalies from moisture or water damage, roof leaks, and window leakage. Infrared scans can locate missing or deficient insulation.

### Go Green

Cellulose is manufactured with up to 85% recycled newspaper making our manufacturing process greener. Greenhouse gases (which are released as newspaper decomposes) are prevented from being released in the air, a cause of global warming. Our installation process is cleaner because there is no jobsite waste.

Cellulose-insulated buildings may use 20% to 30% less energy than buildings with fiberglass, even if the R-value of the insulation in the walls and ceilings is identical. This is because of the capacity of cellulose to stop air infiltration.

**Ask about a 30% Tax credit (up to \$1500) to insulate your home**



## Insulation Systems

440.975.1122

[www.insulationsystems.net](http://www.insulationsystems.net)

**PROVIDING EXPERT SERVICE,  
INSTALLATIONS & GREAT SAVINGS  
IN SHAKER HEIGHTS...TODAY!**



**Smylie one**



Heating Cooling Plumbing Electrical

**440-449-HEAT (4328)**



"The Smylie One Comfort Team"

FINANCING AVAILABLE [smylieone.com](http://smylieone.com) FREE ESTIMATES

**PRO-MAX HEATING**  
Tune-Up & Safety Inspection  
On Furnaces & Boilers

**SAVE \$15**

All Gas Boilers Now Only \$90.00

All Gas Furnaces Now Only \$74.95

**WINTER  
BOILER Sale...**

**Wm WEIL-McLAIN**

**98% Efficiency**  
in low temperature applications



*Ultra*  
with PhD PRECISION HYDROLOGIC DATA technology



Tax Credit Expires 12/31/10

[www.smylieone.com](http://www.smylieone.com)



OH LIC #18265 Residential • Commercial LICENSED • BONDED • INSURED

Not valid on prior sales. No other discounts apply. Expires 12/31/10

## Fall Fresh

*continued from page 38*

bed around your tree so there's an obvious border for a lawnmower or a snowplow. Maintain the bed or mulch around your trees to protect them through all the seasons." If using mulch, be sure to leave two inches at the base of the trunk. Mounding mulch into a "volcano" around the trunk can prevent air and water from reaching the roots, causing root stress.

A potential problem with gates and fences usually can't be seen with the naked eye. It's the water table in your yard and driveway, and even a slight misalignment, over time, could cause big damage, says Karen Henry. She and her husband John are co-owners of Henry Fence, now in its 15th season.

"Check that hinges and latches are working properly," Henry says. "Older fences especially wear unevenly, because the driveway tends to sink down in summer heat and heave up in winter cold." She explains how the gate may begin to rub on the concrete or asphalt. The misalignment affects the latch. If the gate doesn't catch properly, a big gust of winter wind can tear the gate off the fence. "Small repairs at the beginning of winter can help prevent major wind damage," she says.

Once winter is in full force, "try to have your snow plow guy avoid piling the snow against the fence," Henry says. "It puts pressure on the posts of wooden fences. If your fence is chain link, the snow bends it out of shape. In spring, you'll see a definite lean, a situation that can easily be averted." She also recommends going to the City for a list of reliable, registered operators.

Anthony Di Francesco of Anthony Di Francesco & Sons works on walls, steps, patios, and other masonry jobs. His watchword for the fall season is

*Your Neighbor's Home  
Has Been On The  
Market How Long?*

Have the birds  
in their yard  
taken roost on  
their sign?

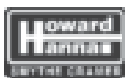


Weeks passing can turn into months. Your neighbor's home isn't being shown to qualified buyers, and the only time they hear from their salesperson is to reduce the price again. Would you be upset if it were your home?

If not, I'm probably not the right REALTOR® for you. When it's time to move and you want results, we should talk.

**Tom  
FUERST**

216.348.1867  
216.751.8550



[realtor.com/cleveland/tomfuerst](http://realtor.com/cleveland/tomfuerst)

**外賣**  
*The Best  
Take Out...*

- Award winning Asian cuisine
- Earn Pearl Dollars every time using your Pearl Bag
- Efficient & knowledgeable staff
- Your orders are always triple checked
- Microwavable containers
- 31 years in Shaker Heights

**珠玉東方**  
**Pearl of the Orient**

It's All About Good Taste

Van Aken Center  
20121 Van Aken Blvd., Shaker Heights  
216.751.8181  
[www.pearl-east.com](http://www.pearl-east.com)



prevention.

"Water is a very destructive force," DiFrancesco says. "The homeowner needs to work at not letting it into the house – from anywhere." In rapid succession he mentions tuck pointing the foundation and chimney, as well as checking the chimney flashing.

"Take a look at the brickwork. If there are gaps or mortar is falling out, take care of it, because once the gap is exposed to the weather, you have a much bigger problem."

He recommends inspecting all concrete and stone before bad weather sets in, although he can continue to lay brick into December, as long as temperatures stay in the mid-40s. "Look at the steps. Is there a gap? Are the steps leaning? Has anything buckled? Take care of it before the winter," he says.

"If you have a pond, you should cover it, but the beauty of masonry is that you don't have to do anything to it – weather enhances the beauty of the stones over time."


DiFrancesco is adamant that homeowners not use salt on stone or concrete driveways and walkways. He recommends calcium chloride ("Ice Melt") instead. It's not only easier on the stone and concrete, but better for the environment. His admiration for the craftsmen who built Shaker Heights' walls, foundations, and other stonework is evident by the care he takes with his repairs.

"If the stone is good, I can reuse it, and the repair looks like a restoration job. When they built these houses, the masons really cared about what they were doing," he says.

"People here don't really own their houses – they are stewards of them," he adds. "That's the beauty of Shaker Heights."



Gilmour Academy  
**FAMILY  
OPEN HOUSE**  
Preschool - Grade 12  
October 14 • 6:30 p.m.  
November 21 • 11:00 a.m.

*Infinite possibilities*   
Catholic. Independent. Co-ed.  
440-473-8165 • [www.gilmour.org](http://www.gilmour.org)



**Mary Lou: A Step Above the Rest**  
Why should you care that for the past 20 years I have been in the Top 1% within the finest real estate company in Northeast Ohio? ***Because supremely satisfied buyers and sellers put me there!*** Those I have helped in the past will be thrilled to tell you why I should be the one to help you with your real estate needs today and tomorrow.  
*Please call me for references.*

MARY LOU  
McHENRY  
"A Step Above"

  
VM:216.999.8411  
Off:216.751.8550  
website:[maryloumchenry.com](http://maryloumchenry.com)  
email:[mlmsmythecramer@aol.com](mailto:mlmsmythecramer@aol.com)



**LALLY Roofing**.COM  
440-439-7900  
"Shaker Resident"

Our 36th Year

Flat Roof, Railings & Garage Restoration Experts  
**SLATE | TILE | WOOD SHAKE**

**TAX  
CREDIT  
COUNTDOWN!**

**Time Runs Out  
12/31/2010**

Up to \$1,500 Tax Credits on

**HIGH-EFFICIENCY FURNACES,  
BOILERS, WATER HEATERS AND  
AIR CONDITIONERS**

**GORJANC**  
COMFORT SERVICES  
HEATING - COOLING - PLUMBING

**440-449-4411**  
www.gorjanc.com



We Service All  
Makes and Models

**FREE Estimates**  
on New Equipment

**FREE 2nd Opinion**  
on Cracked Heat Exchangers  
or Water Heaters

**CLEVELAND WINTERS  
DO THE MOST DAMAGE!**

**A FRIENDLY REMINDER  
YOU MIGHT NEED SOME  
MAINTENANCE.**



**HOMESTEAD**

ROOFING

**SLATE AND TILE  
ROOF RESTORATION**

33 YEARS IN SHAKER  
EXPERT SERVICE  
SLATE REPAIRS  
TILE REPAIRS  
GUTTER REPAIR  
ICE DAMAGE

FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED  
**216-382-7677**  
500 SOUTH GREEN ROAD  
SOUTH EUCLID, OHIO 44121

HOMESTEAD-ROOFING.COM

FREE ESTIMATES  
COPPER WORK  
FLASHING  
DOWNSPOUTS  
SNOW GUARDS  
HEAT CABLES

## Window Debate

*continued from page 34*



windows make sense. You have to make the decision that is right for you as a homeowner."

Regency offers many viable vinyl and wood options from eight manufacturers, from high-end options to those "for folks on a budget," he says. "Our goal is to help a customer select windows that are architecturally appropriate, will deliver decades of performance and beauty, and will improve the energy efficiency."

Poor air sealing and maintenance are the most common problems his company sees. "And, unfortunately, we also see good a deal of poor craftsmanship from previously performed work. Many of the projects that we have worked on in Shaker have actually been to replace cheap, poorly constructed windows that were installed fewer than 20 years ago." In many of these instances, the best solution is to make the necessary repairs and replace the prior windows.

In other cases, "homeowners are looking for aesthetically appealing, architecturally appropriate windows that are easier to care for and use," he says. "Regency Window offers a variety of high-quality vinyl and wood replacement windows that meet the requirements of the City of Shaker Heights."

Customers also appreciate that the company recycles old windows and frames, and has recycled over 300,000 pounds of glass since 2009, which is then processed locally and eventually converted into fiberglass insulation.





Please send calendar submissions and  
deadline inquiries to [shakerdates@aol.com](mailto:shakerdates@aol.com)

## Ongoing Activities for Families

**MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS: Parent and Child Play Sessions,** THE PATRICIA S. MEARN'S FAMILY PLAYROOM AT SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Parents and caregivers with children ages birth to 5 years old can play, make friends, and network Monday, Wednesday & Friday 9:30 am-noon OR Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 4-6 pm. Membership includes use of gym and muscle room during specific hours. FEES & INFO: 216-921-2023.

**TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & SATURDAYS: Play and Learn Station, 10 AM-NOON,** MAIN LIBRARY. Free, drop-in, literacy-based play for parents and caregivers with children birth to age 5 co-sponsored by Shaker Library and Family Connections. Evening hours: 6-8 pm Tuesdays. INFO: 216-921-2023 OR 216-991-2030.

**WEDNESDAYS: Play and Learn Station for Home Day Care Providers, 10 AM-NOON,** MAIN LIBRARY. Free, drop-in literacy play sessions just for home day care providers and their children birth to age 5, co-spon-

sored by Shaker Library and Family Connections. INFO: 216-921-2023 OR 216-991-2030.

**FRIDAYS: Family Fun Fridays for Families Raising Children 3-5 with Special Needs, 1-3 PM,** PLAY AND LEARN STATION AT MAIN LIBRARY. *(October 1 & 8 sessions will be held at Shaker Family Center.)* Free, drop-in, facilitated playgroup for parents with children ages 3-5 with special needs. Special activities held on second, third, and fourth Friday of the month. INFO: 216-921-2023.

**SATURDAYS: Make Room for Daddy, for Families Raising Children 3-5 with Special Needs, TWO SATURDAYS PER MONTH** (check Family Connections' website for specific dates), **10 AM-NOON,** THE PATRICIA S. MEARN'S FAMILY PLAYROOM AT SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Free, drop-in, facilitated playgroup for fathers with children ages 3-5 with special needs. Grandfathers or siblings under 5 are welcome. INFO: 216-921-2023.

**DECEMBER 6 & 7: Toy Donation Drop Off, 9 AM-5 PM,** FAMILY CONNECTIONS AT SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Just in time for the holidays! Round up those seldom-used toys and donate them to Family Connections then come back and buy like-new ones December 8 & 9. INFO: 216-921-2023.

## Ongoing Activities for Adults

**TUESDAYS: Stone Oven Days, 2267 LEE RD.** The Stone Oven donates a percentage of the day's sales to the Nature Center programs. *Dine and donate!* Enjoy a great meal and support the Nature Center. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR [www.shakerlakes.org](http://www.shakerlakes.org).

**TUESDAYS: English in Action, 7-8:45 PM,** MAIN LIBRARY, 16500 VAN AKEN BLVD. Free program for those seeking to learn to read and speak English. INFO: BRONDY SHANKER, 216-561-1803.

*Calendar listings were correct at press time, but please call ahead to confirm.*

## Destinations...

**BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH LIBRARY**  
20600 Fayette Road  
216-991-2421

**MAIN LIBRARY**  
16500 Van Aken Boulevard  
216-991-2030

**THE NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES**  
2600 South Park Boulevard  
216-321-5935

**STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES  
COMMUNITY BUILDING /  
COMMUNITY COLONNADE**  
3450 Lee Road  
216-491-1360

**FAMILY CONNECTIONS AT  
SHAKER FAMILY CENTER**  
19824 Sussex Road  
216-921-2023

**SHAKER HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL**  
15911 Aldersyde Drive  
216-295-4200

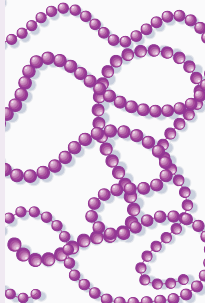


**SHAKER HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
& MUSEUM**  
16740 South Park Boulevard  
216-921-1201

**SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
20600 Shaker Boulevard  
216-295-4100

**THORNTON PARK**  
3301 Warrensville Center Road  
216-491-1295

# October

## highlights

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Lois Becker's Fall Jewelry Show 10/1-3 (pg. 58) ◀	2 Nature Center Hike & Run 9 am. (pg. 58)  Groovin' at Gruber's Gallery-Opening Gala 6-8 pm, Shaker Historical Society & Museum. (pg. 59)
3 Play Acts... To Go! 3 pm, Tubbs Jones Community Bldg. (pg. 59)	4 Parent and Child Play Sessions Ongoing. Shaker Family Center. (pg. 55)	5 Job Hunting: Getting Your Foot in the Door 2 pm, Main Library. (pg. 59)	6	7 Friends of the Shaker Library Book Sale 10/7-10 4-8 pm, Main Library. (pg. 60)  Building Doctor Clinic 7 pm, Tubbs Jones Comm. Bldg. (pg. 60)		9 ◀ Firehouse Open House 1 pm. (pg. 60)  Fund for the Future of Shaker Heights Cocktail Reception Benefit 5 pm. (pg. 60)
10 Writers & Readers: Sapphire 2 pm, Cleveland Public Library. (pg. 65)	11 Tour Your Schools Day  Band Boosters Meeting 7:30 pm, High School. (pg. 60)	12 Babes in Nature-Lonely Leaves 10 am, Nature Center. (pg. 60)  Educator Open House 4 pm, Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. (pg. 65)	13 Fall Choir Concert 7:30 pm, High School.  Cleveland Archaeological Society Lecture, 7:30 pm, Cleveland Museum of Natural History. (pg. 65)	14 Knit Night 7 pm, Bertram Woods Branch. (pg. 60)  Gene's Jazz Hot in Concert 7 pm, Loganberry Books. (pg. 60)	15 Parent and Child Play Sessions Ongoing. Shaker Family Center. (pg. 55)	16 North Union Farmers Market Ongoing. 8 am, Shaker Square. (pg. 58)
17 Cleveland Heights and Shaker Heights: Inner-Ring Shifts and Comparisons 9:30 am, First Unitarian Church. (pg. 60)	18	19 Sports Boosters Meeting 7:30 pm, High School. (pg. 62) 	20 Fall Orchestra Concert 7:30 pm, High School.	21 Play and Learn Station Ongoing. 10 am, Main Library. (pg. 55)	22 Senior Adult Health Fair & Expo 10 am, Tubbs Jones Comm. Bldg. (pg. 62)	23 Free Family Flick "How to Train Your Dragon," 2 pm, Main Library (pg. 62)
24 Jazz with Shari Hunter 2 pm, Main Library. (pg. 62) ..... 31	25	26 William N. Skirball Writers Center Stage 7:30 pm, Ohio Theatre. (pg. 66)	27 Halloween Ball & Luncheon for Seniors 50 and Over 12:30 pm, Tubbs Jones Comm. Bldg. (pg. 62)	28 Poetry Back in the Woods 7 pm, Bertram Woods Branch. (pg. 62)	29	30 Play and Learn Station Ongoing. 10 am, Main Library. (pg. 55)



# November

## highlights

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Parent and Child Play Sessions Ongoing. Shaker Family Center. (pg. 55)	2 <b>ELECTION DAY</b>	3 Fund-raising Breakfast 7:30 am, Family Connections at Shaker Family Center. (pg. 62)	4 What's it Worth? 5 pm, Main Library. (pg. 63)  YEH Spaghetti Dinner 6 pm, High School. (pg. 63)	5 Fall Play 11/5-6 7 pm, Middle School. (pg. 63)	6 Hike with a Friend Ongoing. 3:30 pm, Nature Center. (pg. 58)
7 Writers & Readers with Jonathan Franzen 2 pm, Cleveland Public Library. (pg. 66)	8 Band Boosters Meeting 7:30 pm, High School. (pg. 64)	9 Babes in Nature: Barking Trees 10 am, Nature Center. (pg. 64)  Orchestra Concert 7 pm, Middle School. (pg. 64)	10 Parent and Child Play Sessions Ongoing. Shaker Family Center. (pg. 55)	11 Knit Night 7 pm, Bertram Woods Branch. (pg. 64)  Band Concert 7 pm, Middle School. (pg. 64)	12 Family Fun Fridays for Children with Special Needs Ongoing. 1 pm, Main Library. (pg. 55)	13
14	15 Parent and Child Play Sessions Ongoing. Shaker Family Center. (pg. 55)	16 Stone Oven Days Ongoing. (pg. 55)	17	18 Native American Harvest Celebration 6 pm, Nature Center. (pg. 65)  Choral Concert 7 pm, Middle School. (pg. 65)	19 DJ Skate 7:45 pm, Thornton Park. (pg. 65) 	20 North Union Farmers Market Ongoing. 8 am, Shaker Square. (pg. 58)
21	22	23 English in Action Ongoing. 7 pm, Main Library. (pg. 55)	24	25 Thanksgiving at the Zoo 10 am, Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. (pg. 66)  Fleet Feet Turkey Trot 7:30 am, Cleveland Convention Center. (pg. 66)	26 Larchmere Boulevard Holiday Stroll 11/26-27 10 am. (pg. 65)	27 Hike with a Friend Ongoing. 3:30 pm, Nature Center. (pg. 58)
28	29	30 				



Air Condition your vintage home without destroying its architectural integrity.



-P.K. Wadsworth Heating & Cooling is a family owned business since 1936  
-We have completed hundreds of Unico installations in the Heights area  
-We are the 2007 Unico contractor of the year

State License # 19664

**BREMEC**  
*on the Heights*  
Garden Center



*Holiday Magic!*

**13410 Cedar Road  
Cleveland Heights 44118**

**216-932-0039  
www.bremec.com**

## CLEVELAND CITY DANCE



Enjoy quality and patient dance instruction for ages 2 ½ & up in ballet, jazz, tap, hip-hop, Graham-based modern, Flamenco, musical theater, lyrical & more.

Morning & Evening Classes  
Children & Adult Classes Available

**Bring in this ad for a \$40 discount toward full semester tuition – expires 10/20/10**

Visit our website or call for information about our Thanksgiving weekend open house, and our December 4 & 5 "Nutcracker and Winter Wonderland" performance at Tri-C East.

For a complete class schedule & scholarships call 216-295-222 or visit [Clevelandcitydance.com](http://Clevelandcitydance.com) 13108 Shaker Square, Cleveland, Oh 44120

**2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAYS:** Coffee, Cookies and Conversation for Seniors 50+, 10-11 AM, STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES COMMUNITY BUILDING, 3450 LEE RD. Enjoy socializing with friends over coffee and pastries and listen to a featured speaker. Judson Lectures: *How Exercise Slows Down the Onset of Alzheimer's Disease* on October 13 and *Fall Prevention* on November 10. Free. INFO: 216-491-1360.

**SATURDAYS:** North Union Farmers Market, 8 AM-NOON, SHAKER SQUARE. Families, foodies, and farmers collide in a *productive* way. Buy fresh and local and mingle with friends at the outdoor market. INFO: 216-751-7656.

**SATURDAYS:** Hike with a Friend, 3:30 PM, NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES. Bring a friend or hike with a new one and share your favorite spots around the Shaker Parklands. Free. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR [www.shakerlakes.org](http://www.shakerlakes.org).

## Events for *October*

*October 1-3:* Lois Becker's Fall Jewelry Show, 2951 DRUMMOND RD. Hundreds of one-of-a-kind unique hand-made pins, earrings, bracelets, necklaces, and decorative vests at prices ranging from \$25 to \$225. Services include switching earrings from pierced to clip, shortening or lengthening necklaces, and creating custom necklaces for any outfit. Cash or checks only. INFO: 216-921-3083.

*October 2:* Nature Center Hike & Run, 9 AM, NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES. 5-K race, a 12-mile hike to Dike 14, a one-mile hike for families and optional leashed pets, or a two-mile Doan Brook Gorge hike. Scout troops are welcome! Hikes begin at 9 am and the 5K race follows at 9:15



am. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR [WWW.shakerlakes.org](http://WWW.shakerlakes.org).

**October 2: Shaker High Homecoming Game, 2 PM**, RUSSELL H. RUPP FIELD, Shaker vs. Cleveland Heights. Homecoming Dance follows from 8-11 pm.

**October 2: Groovin' at Gruber's: Revisiting Elegant Dining in Shaker Heights Gallery-Opening Gala, 6-8 PM**, THE SHAKER HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM. Relive the Gruber's dining experience in a dining room re-created with some of the restaurant's original artifacts. From 1947-61, Gruber's Restaurant reigned as the epitome of refined, elegant dining, with a tuxedo-garbed greeter and continental cuisine. Sample a savory selection of Gruber's specialties, including sauerkraut balls, baked Alaska, and shrimp cocktail while

enjoying the music of the era: Frank Sinatra, Perry Como, Tony Bennett, and Nat King Cole. Reconnect with friends, neighbors, and Gruber family members for an evening of merry reminiscing. \$40/person. INFO: 216-921-1201. The exhibit runs through January 3.

**October 3: Inside the November Election: Candidates for County Executive, 9:30-10:45 AM**, FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH, 21600 SHAKER BLVD. *Ready to Vote in November?* Join the winning candidate from the Democratic and Republican September primaries and major Independent and Green Party candidates in a discussion moderated by Judy Rawson, former Shaker Heights mayor and one of the framers of the new Cuyahoga County Charter. Free. INFO: 216-721-2320.

**October 3: Play Acts...To Go!, 3 PM**, STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES COMMUNITY BUILDING. Enjoy a free afternoon performance by the Wake Up and Live Actors' Studio. INFO: 216-491-1360.

**October 3: Family Fall Funfest, NOON-5 PM**, FAMILY CONNECTIONS AT SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Fun family event includes games, inflatables, rocket car rides, pony rides and petting zoo, free hands-on activities, food, and more! Pre-sale tickets available thru October 1. INFO: 216-921-2023.

**October 5: Job Hunting: Getting Your Foot in the Door, 2 PM**, MAIN LIBRARY. Giannoula Regan, a recruiter from the Cleveland Chapter of the Society of Human Resources Management, offers advice on networking and how to write cover let-



## MASONRY CRAFTSMAN

- Fireplaces
- Brick & Stone Work
- Walkways
- Chimneys
- Steps
- Foundations
- Driveways
- Concrete
- Architectural services
- Drywall Restoration
- Additions
- Interior Painting
- Bath
- Kitchen
- Basement



**DiFrancesco & Sons, Inc.**

Masonry & Building Contractors

TEL: 216-691-6317

ters and resumes. INFO: 216-991-2030.

**October 7-10: Friends of the Shaker Library Book Sale, 4-8 PM, MAIN LIBRARY.** The big book sale begins with a Friends Preview Night. (*If you are not a Friend, you can join at the door.*) The sale continues from 9 am-4 pm Friday, October 8 and Saturday, October 9. The Best Bag Sale ever is held from 1-3 pm Sunday, October 10 when all bags of books cost \$5. INFO: 216-991-2030.

**October 7: Composting Workshop, 7-8 PM, NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES.** Kathy Rocco of the Solid Waste District leads a free workshop. Participants can purchase or order a compost bin or compost digester for \$55. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR [www.shakerlakes.org](http://www.shakerlakes.org).

**October 7: Building Doctor Clinic, 7-9 PM, STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES COMMUNITY BUILDING.** Ohio Historic Preservation Office experts on old-building maintenance and repair offer information on caring for older buildings. Topics include peeling paint, failing plaster, wet basements, damaged wood, window repair, and much more. Registration is required. INFO: 216-491-1436 OR [ann.klavora@shakeronline.com](mailto:ann.klavora@shakeronline.com) OR [www.building-doctor.org](http://www.building-doctor.org).

**October 8: Building Doctor Site Visits, 9 AM-2 PM.** *The building doctor is in!* Ohio Historic Preservation Office experts visit buildings built before 1955 to examine problems and prescribe cures. Consultations are free, but the number is limited. Register early to reserve your spot. INFO: 216-491-1436 OR [ann.klavora@shakeronline.com](mailto:ann.klavora@shakeronline.com). *Building Doctor programs cosponsored by the City of Shaker Heights, Fund for the Future of Shaker Heights, Shaker Heights Public Library, and The Shaker Historical*

*Society & Museum.*

**October 9: Photography Hike in the Doan Brook Gorge, 9 AM-NOON, NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES.** Bring your own camera equipment and explore the gorge with award-winning, local photographer David Perelman-Hall. Learn new photographic techniques while enjoying the fall colors. Then return at 7 pm October 13 to view and critique photos from the hike. \$10/person. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR [www.shakerlakes.org](http://www.shakerlakes.org).

**October 9: Adoption & Foster Care Second Saturday Luncheon, NOON-2 PM, BELLEFAIRE JEWISH CHILDREN'S BUREAU, 22001 FAIRMOUNT BLVD.** Explore foster care and adoption. Come for a free, relaxed lunch and informational conversations with Bellefaire families. Meet and talk with current foster parents and Bellefaire JCB professionals. RSVP TO KAREN: 216-320-8589.

**October 9: Firehouse Open House, 1-3 PM, 17000 CHAGRIN BLVD.** Enjoy refreshments, kids' activities, station and fire truck tours, fire safety trailer, fire extinguisher demo, and hands-on practice, plus review of home escape plans, proper installation of smoke detectors, and fire-safety related information. Don't forget to bring a camera – there'll be plenty of firehouse photo ops! INFO: 216-491-1200.

**October 9: Fund for the Future of Shaker Heights Cocktail Reception Benefit, 5-7 PM, 19701 SHAKER BLVD.** INFO: 216-491-1457

**October 11: Tour Your Schools Day.** *Get your learn on!* Come back to school to see what's new.

**October 11: Alumni Association Hall of Fame Assembly, 9 AM, SHAKER**

HIGH SCHOOL. Shaker High's graduates of distinction speak to current students.

**October 11: Band Boosters Meeting, 7:30 PM, SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL.** Parents drum up support for Shaker's bands. INFO: HOLLY WANG, 216-991-8248 OR [holly95@gmail.com](mailto:holly95@gmail.com).

**October 12: Babes in Nature – Lovely Leaves, 10-10:45 AM, NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES.** You're never too young to learn about nature. A variety of sensory experiences introduce babies, ages 2 months to 2 years and their caregivers, to the natural world. \$5/members, \$7/non-members. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR [WWW.shakerlakes.org](http://WWW.shakerlakes.org).

**October 13: Fall Choir Concert, 7:30 PM, SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL.**

**October 14: Knit Night, 7 PM, BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH.** Bring a knitting project and get or give help at this popular evening program moderated by experienced knitter Fern Braverman. INFO: 216-991-2421.

**October 14: Gene's Jazz Hot in Concert, 7 PM, LOGANBERRY BOOKS, 13015 LARCHMERE BLVD.** Hot jazz amid cool books. Donations accepted. INFO: 216-795-9800.

**October 17: Cleveland Heights and Shaker Heights: Inner-Ring Shifts and Comparisons, 9:30-10:45 AM, FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH, 21600 SHAKER BLVD.** How do Cleveland's inner ring suburbs compare to others nationally? How successful have our private and public attempts at suburban integration, housing, and quality of life been? Dr. Dennis Keating, CSU professor and author will speak. INFO: 216-721-2320.



# Dureiko DESIGN/BUILD Construction

*Understanding the value of detail & quality*

216/321.9555 [dureiko.com](http://dureiko.com)

**NKBA** The Finest  
Professionals  
in the Kitchen  
& Bath Industry  
National Kitchen & Bath Association<sup>SM</sup>

**ADDITIONS/KITCHENS/BATHS/WHOLE HOUSE REMODELS/WINE ROOMS/BASEMENTS**

For more information about how Dureiko Construction can design/build your next project, give us a call or visit us on the web.

## MISCONCEPTIONS OF A REMODELING PROJECT

### **It will be too messy to live through!**

There will be some dust but Dureiko construction uses innovative products before, during and after the construction process to eliminate as much dust and dirt as possible. We use floor protection/dust walls/tack mats for foot traffic along with HEPA vacuum cleaners and air cleaners. *For an example of how we set-up for and maintain dust protection on a jobsite check out the video on our website. On our home page ([www.dureiko.com](http://www.dureiko.com)) click on the "What to Expect Button" and view the "Dust and Dirt Protection."*

### **We won't be able to live through all the chaos!**

There will be some disruption but at Dureiko Construction we pride ourselves on systems and procedures that promote organization and alleviate as much disruption as possible so your family can actually live and function normally. Whether your project starts in spring, summer, fall, winter or through a holiday, Dureiko Construction will make your life and project run smoothly. *For an example, check out the "Temporary Kitchen Setup" video on our website. On our Home page ([www.dureiko.com](http://www.dureiko.com)) click on the "What to Expect" button.*

### **It will not be completed on time!**

Every construction project should run smoothly and on time, if it is planned and organized correctly. At Dureiko Construction we strive for organization at all times. Through the systems we have created and continue to upgrade we are able to control and organize every aspect of a project. When we have control and organization we are able to deliver your project on time! *For an example of an onsite organization technique we use visit our home page at ([www.dureiko.com](http://www.dureiko.com)) click on the "What to Expect" button and view the "job desk" video.*

**To find out more call us at 216/321.9555,  
or visit us on the web at [dureiko.com](http://dureiko.com)**



**BEFORE**



**BEFORE**



**October 18:** **Big/Little: Fall Leaf Bonanza, 10-11:30 AM**, NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES. *Red, orange, yellow, brown...all the leaves are falling down!* Explore the nature center and enjoy the colorful season of fall. \$8/members, \$12/non-members. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR [www.shakerlakes.org](http://www.shakerlakes.org).

**October 19:** **Job Hunting: Interviewing Strategies, 2 PM**, MAIN LIBRARY. Giannoula Regan, a recruiter from the Cleveland Chapter of the Society of Human Resources Management, offers advice on preparation, etiquette, and body language for applicants in job interview situations. She will also discuss the type of interview questions applicants should and shouldn't ask. INFO: 216-991-2030.

**October 19:** **Sports Boosters Meeting, 7:30 PM**, SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL. Shaker parents meet to support all Shaker sports. INFO: NANCY LONGMAN, 216-932-9462 OR [longmanoh@wowway.com](mailto:longmanoh@wowway.com).

**October 20:** **Fall Orchestra Concert, 7:30 PM**, SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL.

**October 22:** **Senior Adult Health Fair & Expo, 10 AM-2 PM**, STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES COMMUNITY BUILDING. The City and Sunrise Senior Living present a health fair for seniors and senior caregivers. Local hospitals, health care agencies, and businesses offer tips on health and wellness and suggest ways to improve the quality of life. Information on independent and assisted living options available. INFO: 216-491-1360.

**October 23:** **Free Family Flick, 2-4 PM**, MAIN LIBRARY. Watch the family film, *How to Train Your Dragon*,

thanks to Friends of the Shaker Library. INFO: 216-991-2030.

**October 24:** **Jazz with Shari Hunter, 2-3 PM**, MAIN LIBRARY. Shaker vocalist performs jazz on the main floor. INFO: 216-991-2030.

**October 27:** **Halloween Ball & Luncheon for Seniors 50 and Over, 12:30-2 PM**, STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES COMMUNITY BUILDING. Don't miss this annual luncheon event. Attendees in costume can win a prize. \$7/person due by October 18. INFO: 216-491-1360.

**October 27:** **Raising Resilient and Optimistic Kids and Teens, 7:30 PM**, UNIVERSITY SCHOOL, CONWAY HALL AUDITORIUM, 20701 BRANTLEY RD. Dr. Wendy Mogel, clinical psychologist, parenting expert, and best-selling author of *The Blessing of a Skinned Knee*, begins US's 2010-2011 Distinguished Speaker Series. Mogel's new book on raising teenagers is called *The Blessing of a B Minus*. Following her talk, copies of her books will be available for sale and signing. INFO & REGISTRATION: [WWW.us.edu](http://WWW.us.edu).

**October 28:** **Poetry Back in the Woods, 7 PM**, BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. Enjoy poetry read by regional poets Sara Holbrook and Michael Salinger. INFO: 216-991-2421.

**October 29:** **PipeScreams VIII, 7 PM**, PLYMOUTH CHURCH, 2860 COVENTRY RD. A program for younger children to meet the King of Instruments – the organ. Come back at 11 pm when organists James Riggs and Todd Wilson will play solos and duets accompanied by a clip from *Phantom of the Opera*. Both events are free. INFO: 216-921-3510.

## Howl-o-ween Activities

**OCTOBER 9:** **Pumpkinfest, 11 AM-1 PM**, ONAWAY SCHOOL

**OCTOBER 9:** **Fall Festival, 1 PM**, FERNWAY SCHOOL

**OCTOBER 15:** **Fall Festival, 6-8 PM**, MERCER SCHOOL

**OCTOBER 16:** **Pumpkin Affair, 11 AM**, LOMOND SCHOOL

**OCTOBER 22:** **Pumpkin Sale, 3 PM**, ONAWAY SCHOOL

**OCTOBER 25:** **Family Storytelling, 7 PM**, MAIN LIBRARY. Come in costume to hear some not-so-scary stories and end the night with a treat! INFO: 216-991-2030.

**OCTOBER 29:** **Elementary School Halloween Parades, 2:30 PM**

**OCTOBER 31:** **Halloween, 6-7:30 PM**, Trick or treat on Shaker streets.

**October 31:** **Regional Prosperity Initiative (RPI): A 16-County Reality?** With 4.1 million people, a \$170-billion economy, and the resources of a small country, how can Northeast Ohio communities cooperate? Land-use planning, taxes, transportation, and cost of government are on the agenda. What's at stake in our individual communities? Learn more from Bruce Akers, Pepper Pike mayor and co-chair of RPI will speak. INFO: 216-721-2320.

## Events for November

**November 2:** Election Day



## out & about

**November 2:** Professional Day. No school for Shaker schools grades K-12.

**November 2, 12 & 15:**

**Fundaze, 7 AM-6:30 PM,** WOODBURY SCHOOL, 15400 S. WOODLAND RD. When school's out, fun's in! All day child-care includes fun-filled themes and projects, swimming, or field trips. Payments must be made at Thornton Park and pre-registration is required.

INFO: 216-491-1295.

**November 3:** Fund-raising Breakfast, 7:30 AM, FAMILY CONNECTIONS AT SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Breakfast bites to benefit little tykes.

INFO: 216-921-2023.


**November 4:** What's it Worth?, 5-8:30 PM, MAIN LIBRARY. Friends of the Shaker Library sponsors an antiques appraisal evening. Find out what your treasures are worth. Limit: 3 items. INFO: 216-991-2030.

**November 4:** YEH Spaghetti Dinner, 6 PM, SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL. Shaker High's Youth Ending Hunger club members use their *noodles* to sponsor a dinner to benefit their cause. INFO: 216-295-4205.

**November 4:** Women's Fall Athletic Awards, 6:30 PM, SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL. High-spirited celebration for good sports.

**November 4:** Loganberry Books Annex Gallery, 13015 LARCHMERE BLVD. *Death and Rebirth of the Midwest Industrial City*, urban photography by Lauren Pacini. INFO: 216-795-9800. Through November 29.

**November 5 & 6:** Fall Play, 7 PM, SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL. SMS thespians take to the stage. 2 pm Saturday matinee. INFO: 216-295-4100.



**EASTSIDE LANDSCAPING**  
216.381.0070  
www.eastside-landscaping.com

**Fall is a Great Time For Landscape Renovations**  
Creative Designs and Plantings  
Custom Stone Patios and Masonry Construction

*Creating and Maintaining Beautiful Shaker Landscapes for 25 years*

**Save \$50**  
On a Heating Tune-Up/Safety Inspection  
Now \$104

Mention this discount when scheduling. Standard tune-up allows for 45 minutes of labor; parts and labor for repairs additional. Coupon must be presented to technician. Coupon valid during normal working hours M-F 8:00-3:30. Not valid with any other discount. Pricing based on single system. Expires 12/31/10



Bill H.

**Specializing in Steam and Hot Water Systems**

**VERNE & ELLSWORTH HANN INC.**

Bonded • Insured  
OH LIC #24462

2277 Lee Road  
Cleveland Heights, OH 44118  
Hannheatingcooling.com  
**Call 216-932-9755**

HEATING / COOLING / PLUMBING / BOILERS

## ☀ out & about

*Saint Jon Co.* 

**PAINTING SPECIALISTS**  
*Quality Decorating for 30 Years*  
 Interior & Exterior  
 Historical Restoration  
 Faux Finish & Plaster Repair  
 Fully Insured / References Available  
**440-735-1500**

INVITATIONS & STATIONERY  
 For Every Occasion

*the a. l. wain company*

BY APPOINTMENT - 216.751.2999  
 (RIGHT IN SHAKER HEIGHTS!)  
 ask for Amy - [www.alwain.com](http://www.alwain.com)

**ELECTRICIANS**  
 Residential • Commercial  
**440-543-1153**  
[CloverElectric.com](http://CloverElectric.com)

Call 24/7 for Emergency

- Power Outages
- Flickering Lights
- Other Safety Concerns
- Interior & Exterior Lighting
- Communication/Data Lines
- Service/Panel Upgrade
- Security Lighting
- Generators

  
 Clover ELECTRIC INC.  
 Wired For Service. Grounded In Safety.

Most major credit cards accepted! Bonded & Insured | License #19887

r.e.model r.e.novate r.e.storage r.e.place  
 r.e.new r.e.pair r.e.furnish r.e.refill r.e.vive

**R.E. MAJER CO.**  
 EST. 1946

- Interior & Exterior Renovations
- Window Replacement
- Kitchen & Baths
- Slate & Tile Roof Repairs
- Masonry Repair

**216-721-2600**   
 "INVEST IN YOUR NEST"

r.e.place r.e.new r.e.pair r.e.furnish r.e.refill r.e.vive  
 r.e.model r.e.novate r.e.storage

**November 7:** Daylight Savings Time Ends. Time *is* on your side. Turn your clocks back one hour. Change the batteries in your smoke detectors.

**November 7:** Macroeconomic Policy Choices: Can We Return to the Sensible Middle?, 9:30-10:45 AM, FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH, 21600 SHAKER BLVD. Public spending by federal, state, and local authorities was 35 percent of the Gross Domestic Product before the recession, and the Congressional Budget Office says it could be 60 percent by the end of the year. How long can this go on? What's the local picture? Economist Ned Hill, professor and dean of CSU's Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs and Fellow at the Brookings Institution will speak. Free. INFO: 216-721-2320.

**November 8:** Band Boosters Meeting, 7:30 PM, SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL. Parents drum up support for Shaker's bands. INFO: HOLLY WANG, 216-991-8248 OR [holly95@gmail.com](mailto:holly95@gmail.com).

**November 9:** Babes in Nature: Barking Trees, 10-10:45 AM, NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES. You're never too young to start learning about nature. Explore a variety of sensory experiences to introduce babies, age 2 months to 2 years, and their caregivers to the natural world. \$5 members, \$7 non-members. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR [www.shakerlakes.org](http://www.shakerlakes.org).

**November 9:** Job Hunting: Behavioral Interviewing Strategies, 2 PM, MAIN LIBRARY. Giannoula Regan, a recruiter from the Cleveland Chapter of the Society of Human Resources Management, offers situational advice for applicants to apply during a behavioral interview, which emphasizes past performance and behaviors. INFO: 216-991-2030.

**November 9:** Orchestra Concert, 7 PM, SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL. Middle school students perform. INFO: 216-295-4100.

**November 10:** Men's Fall Athletic Awards, 6:30 PM, SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL. INFO: 216-295-4331.

**November 11:** Fall Band Concert, 7 PM, SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL. Middle school students perform. INFO: 216-295-4100.

**November 11:** Gene's Jazz Hot in Concert, 7 PM, LOGANBERRY BOOKS, 13015 LARCHMERE BLVD. Popular evening of jazzy music. Donations accepted. INFO: 216-795-9800.

**November 11:** Knit Night, 7 PM, BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. Bring a knitting project and get or give help at this popular evening program moderated by experienced knitter, Fern Braverman. INFO: 216-991-2421.

**November 12:** Conference Day. No school for Shaker Schools K-12.

**November 13:** ACT Practice Test, 9:15 AM, MAIN LIBRARY. Free practice test administered by the Princeton Review with a follow-up strategy session on November 20. INFO: 216-991-2030.

**November 13:** Adoption & Foster Care Second Saturday Luncheon, NOON-2 PM, BELLEFAIRE JEWISH CHILDREN'S BUREAU 22001 FAIRMOUNT BLVD. Explore foster care and adoption. Come for a free, relaxed lunch and informational conversations with Bellefaire families. Meet and talk with current foster parents and Bellefaire JCB professionals. RSVP TO KAREN: 216-320-8589.



**November 15:** Conference Day. No school for Shaker Schools grades K-8.

**November 15:** Big/Little: Bushy Tailed Adventures, 10-11:30 AM, NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES. Ever wonder how squirrels prepare for winter? Shake those bushy tails for an adventure of nutty proportions! \$8 members, \$12 non-members. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR WWW.shakerlakes.org.

**November 15:** Pajama Stories, 7:15 PM, BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. Take a break from the old routine and bring the kids in their PJs to enjoy stories before bedtime. INFO: 216-991-2421.

**November 18:** Native American Harvest Celebration, 6-7:30 PM, NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES. Join Rebecca Simms and her family, members of the Lumbee Southeastern tribe, who will tell true tales of Thanksgiving. Come hungry to sample a traditional dinner and enjoy traditional dances, including the hoop dance! The Simmses demonstrate how Native Americans created tools from nature and how they made their clothes. Pre-register by November 4. \$5/child members & \$8/adult members; \$6/child non-members & 10/adult non-members. INFO: 216-321-5935 OR WWW.shakerlakes.org.

**November 18:** Choral Concert, 7 PM, SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL. Middle School students raise their voices in song. INFO: 216-295-4100.

**November 18:** Poetry Back in the Woods, 7 PM, BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. Featured poets include Kent State University professor Maj Ragain and Tim Joyce. INFO: 216-991-2421.

**November 19:** DJ Skate, 7:45-9 PM, THORNTON PARK ICE ARENA. Skate to the beat and *edge out* the competition at Friday night skate. FEES & INFO: 216-491-1295.

**November 24-26:** Shaker Schools closed for Thanksgiving recess.

**November 25:** Thanksgiving. Schools, city offices and libraries closed.

**November 26:** Shaker Libraries CLOSED. Staff takes an unpaid Furlough Day.

**November 26 & 27:** Larchmere Boulevard Holiday Stroll, 10 AM-8 PM, LARCHMERE BLVD. The mall alternative is open for business. Stroll and find a unique gift for giving.

## In the Circle and Beyond

**OCTOBER 2:** Pre-K Music Education, 10:30-11 AM, CHURCH OF THE COVENANT, 11205 EUCLID AVE. Bring kids ages 3-6 years for free pre-k music education that incorporates hand bells, rhythm instruments, and singing in a vibrant educational experience. Classes continue through November 20. INFO: JONATHAN MOYER, 216-421-0482 X 231 OR jonathanwmoyer@gmail.com.

**OCTOBER 7:** Loganberry Books Annex Gallery, 13015 LARCHMERE BLVD. Japanese Nature Photography by Yoshida. INFO: 216-795-9800. Through November 11.

**OCTOBER 10:** Writers & Readers: Sapphire, 2 PM, CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY, 325 SUPERIOR AVE. Meet the author of *Push*, which became the award-winning film, *Precious*. Free. INFO: 216-623-2800.



Your Complete Tree Care Specialists

Fully Insured • Free Estimates

216-932-9901

- Complete Tree Maintenance Program
- Certified Arborists on Staff
- Tree Removal
- Tree Trimming
- 168'30 Ton Crane
- 75' Bucket Trucks
- Deep Root Fertilization
- 24 Hour Emergency
- Stump Grinding
- Tree Moving



Dunham Tavern Museum

## 115th Antiques Show

Over 50 booths offer a diverse array of quality antiques from fine furniture to decorative arts.

Featuring glass grinding, silver restoration and a silent auction to benefit Dunham Tavern Museum

**November 27 & 28, 2010**

Saturday: 11-5pm  
Sunday: 11-4pm

The Lillian and Betty Ratner School  
27575 Shaker Blvd.  
Pepper Pike, OH 44124

\$10 admission is good both days!

Exclusive Preview  
Saturday 9:30-11am  
\$20 per person

For dealer information and general questions, please call 216-431-1060 or email us at [dunhamtavern@sbeglobal.net](mailto:dunhamtavern@sbeglobal.net).

## ☀ out & about

**MOTORCARS**  
Serving The Heights

Please Ask for: **Burt Weiss**  
"Your Honda-Toyota Helper"

**20 years at Motorcars**  
Shaker Hts. resident for 52 yrs.  
(SHHS class of '50)

Children and Grandchildren attend(ed)  
Shaker Schools

---

**Be Sure To Ask About Our Customers For Life Program**

We now reward our customers  
With benefits such as:

- Free Powertrain Guarantee
- Oil Changes for Life
- Free Car Washes
- Free Service Rental

---

**Sales • Leasing • Used • Service**  
**2953 Mayfield Road**  
**216-932-2400 x266**  
burtweiss@motorcarshonda.com  
bobandrasko@motorcarshonda.com



SHOWROOM HOURS  
MON - THURS 9:00am - 5:00pm  
FRI & SAT 9:00am - 5:00pm  
SUNDAY 10:00am - 5:00pm

The CIM Opera Theater presents Handel's

# Xerxes

November 17 - 20 in Kulas Hall

Tickets \$15 adults; \$10 students, seniors and groups of 10 or more.

Call 216.791.5000 or visit cim.edu



**cim**  
CLEVELAND INSTITUTE OF MUSIC

**OCTOBER 12: Educator Open House, 4-7 PM, CLEVELAND METROPARKS ZOO, 3900 WILDLIFE WAY.** Free VIP educator evening showcases all the programs the Zoo offers. Hands-on demos, animal encounters, complimentary hors d'oeuvres, and door prizes make this a not-to-miss event. Conservation education staff will be on hand to answer questions. INFO: 216-635-3391.

**OCTOBER 13: Cleveland Archaeological Society Lecture, 7:30 PM, CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, 1 WADE OVAL.** Dr. Jarrod Burkes of Ohio Valley Archaeology presents Rediscovering Ohio's Small Earthwork Sites Using Geophysical Survey and LiDAR: The WOW Factor. A reception follows the lecture. Free. INFO: 216-231-4600 OR WWW.case.edu/artsci/clsc/casmmain.html.

**OCTOBER 16-23: Cleveland Beer Week.** Beer tastings, events, activities, and entertainment staged at bars, taverns, restaurants, groceries, and specialty beverage stores throughout Cleveland and Cuyahoga County.

**OCTOBER 21-24 & 28-31: Boo at the Zoo, 6-9 PM, CLEVELAND METROPARKS ZOO, 3900 WILDLIFE WAY.** Scare-free fun for the younger crowd. Happy haunts include: The Creepy Crawly Critter Animal Show, the Monster Mash Dance Party, the Not-So-Haunted Greenhouse, the Jack-O-Lantern Express Train Ride, the Halloween Hay Maze, puppet shows, magic shows, jugglers, stilt walkers, and much more. Every child scores a treat bag. Come in costume if you wish. TICKETS & INFO: 216-661-6500.

**OCTOBER 22: Family Full Moon & Four-legged Friends Hike, 5:30-7:30 PM, LAKE VIEW CEMETERY, 12316 EUCLID AVENUE.** Take a moonlit hike and


explore the cemetery in search of four-legged nocturnal animals. This family program is a great non-scary alternative for Halloween. \$6/person. INFO: 216-421-2665 OR WWW.lakeviewcemetery.org.

**OCTOBER 26: William N. Skirball Writers Center Stage, 7:30 PM, OHIO THEATRE.** Jeannette Walls, author of the memoir *The Glass Castle*, a New York Times bestseller for more than three years. Walls' latest book, *Half Broke Horses: A True Life Novel*, became an instant bestseller when it was released last fall. \$30/person. INFO: 216-749-9338.

**NOVEMBER 7: Writers & Readers with Jonathan Franzen, 2 PM, CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY, 325 SUPERIOR AVE.** Meet Jonathan Franzen, author of *Freedom*, his first novel since his extraordinary bestseller, *The Corrections*. Free. INFO: 216-623-2800.

**NOVEMBER 10: Cleveland Archaeology Society Lecture, 7:30 PM, CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, 1 WADE OVAL.** Dr. Barbara Tsakirgis, Vanderbilt University Professor of classical archaeology and expert on ancient architecture, will speak about the Greek house. A reception follows the lecture. Free. INFO: 216-231-4600 OR WWW.case.edu/artsci/clsc/casmmain.html.

**NOVEMBER 25: Thanksgiving at the Zoo, 10 AM-5 PM, 3900 WILDLIFE WAY.** While the bird is cooking, visit the wildlife and get some exercise before enjoying all the fixings. FREE.

**NOVEMBER 25: Fleet Feet Turkey Trot, 7:30 AM, CLEVELAND CONVENTION CENTER, 500 LAKESIDE AVE.** 5-mile and 1-mile fun run. Get a long-sleeved T-shirt and bragging rights at the Thanksgiving dinner table. 



# advertiser index

## Antiques Show

**Dunham Tavern Museum** p. 65  
216-431-1060

## Automobiles

**Classic BMW** p. 47  
888-319-8586  
[www.driveclassicbmw.com](http://www.driveclassicbmw.com)

**Burt Weiss** p. 66  
216-932-2400 x266  
[www.motorcarshonda.com](http://www.motorcarshonda.com)

## Builder/Construction/ Home Remodeling & Repairs

**Acme Fence & Lumber** p. 38  
216-529-0456

**Calvetta Bros.  
Floor Show** p. 10  
Bedford Hts. 216-662-5550  
Mentor 440-255-4068  
North Royalton  
440-877-2100  
Macedonia 330-467-2100  
[www.calvettabrothers.com](http://www.calvettabrothers.com)

**Clover Electric Inc.** p. 64  
440-543-1153  
[www.cloverelectric.com](http://www.cloverelectric.com)

**Crafthouse Properties** p. 36  
216-235-5241  
[www.southpointehospital.org](http://www.southpointehospital.org)

**DiFrancesco & Sons** p. 59  
216-691-6317

**Dureiko Construction**  
p. 61  
216-321-9555  
[www.dureiko.com](http://www.dureiko.com)

**Gerome's  
Kitchens & Baths** p. 40  
440-473-1900  
[www.geromes.com](http://www.geromes.com)

**Gorjanc** p. 54  
440-449-4411  
[www.gorjanc.com](http://www.gorjanc.com)

**Henry Fence** p. 19  
440-951-9009  
[www.henryfence.com](http://www.henryfence.com)

**Homestead Roofing** p. 54  
216-382-7677  
[www.homestead-roofing.com](http://www.homestead-roofing.com)

**Insulation Systems** p. 51  
440-975-1122  
[www.insulationsystems.net](http://www.insulationsystems.net)

**Karlovec & Company** p. 14  
216-767-1887  
[www.karlovec.com](http://www.karlovec.com)

**Lally Roofing** p. 53  
440-439-7900  
[www.lallyroofing.com](http://www.lallyroofing.com)

**Monty's Roofing** p. 38  
216-433-7222

**Osborn Plumbing/  
Heating/Pumps** p. 5  
440-564-1433

**P.K. Wadsworth Heating  
& Cooling, Inc** p. 58  
440-248-2110  
[www.pkwadsworth.com](http://www.pkwadsworth.com)

**R.E. Majer Co** p. 64  
216-721-2600

**Smylie One Heating,  
Cooling, Plumbing Co** p. 52  
440-449-HEAT (4328)  
[www.smylieone.com](http://www.smylieone.com)

**Somrak Kitchens** p. 20  
216-464-6500 East  
440-808-6088 West  
[www.somrakkitchens.com](http://www.somrakkitchens.com)

**Verne & Ellsworth  
Hann Inc** p. 63  
216-932-9755  
[www.hannheatingcooling.com](http://www.hannheatingcooling.com)

**Volpe Millwork, Inc** p. 5  
216-581-0200  
[www.volpemillworkinc.com](http://www.volpemillworkinc.com)

**Window Restorations** p. 38  
216-324-3738  
[www.windowrestorations.net](http://www.windowrestorations.net)  
[www.trimmasters.net](http://www.trimmasters.net)

## Dance

**Cleveland City Dance** p. 58  
216-295-2222  
[www.clevelandcitydance.com](http://www.clevelandcitydance.com)

**Studio J Academy  
of Dance** p. 38  
216-292-2720  
[www.studiojdance.com](http://www.studiojdance.com)

## Education

**Gilmour Academy** p. 53  
440-473-8165  
[www.gilmour.org](http://www.gilmour.org)

**Hathaway Brown** p. 19  
216-320-8767  
[www.hb.edu](http://www.hb.edu)

**Hawken School** p. 39  
440-423-2950 (Pre K-8)  
440-423-2955 (9-12)  
[www.hawken.edu](http://www.hawken.edu)

**Laurel School** p. 12  
216-464-0946  
[www.laurelschool.org](http://www.laurelschool.org)

**Ruffing Montessori School** p. 40  
216-321-7571  
[www.ruffingmontessori.net](http://www.ruffingmontessori.net)

**Invitations & Stationery**  
**The A.L. Wain Company** p. 66  
216-751-2999  
[www.alwain.com](http://www.alwain.com)

**Landscaping /  
Construction/Tree Service**  
**Bremec on the Heights  
Garden Center** p. 58  
216-932-0039  
[www.bremec.com](http://www.bremec.com)

**Eastside Landscaping** p. 63  
216-381-0070  
[www.eastside-landscaping.com](http://www.eastside-landscaping.com)

**Van Curen  
Tree Service** p. 65  
216-932-9901

**Medical**  
**South Pointe Hospital** p. 18  
216-491-7111  
[www.southpointehospital.org](http://www.southpointehospital.org)

**Painters**  
**Saint Jon Co.** p. 64  
440-735-1500

**Performance**  
**Cleveland Institute of Music**  
pages 5 & 66  
216-791-5000  
[www.cim.edu](http://www.cim.edu)

**Cuyahoga County Public Library  
Foundation** p. 31  
216-241-6000  
[www.playhousesquare.org/writerscenterstage](http://www.playhousesquare.org/writerscenterstage)

## Real Estate/ Relocation

**Tom Fuerst** p. 52  
Howard Hanna  
216-348-1867  
216-751-8550

**Fund for the Future of  
Shaker Heights** p. 2  
216-491-1457  
[www.shakeronline.com/about/incentive/FundfortheFutureofShakerHeights.asp](http://www.shakeronline.com/about/incentive/FundfortheFutureofShakerHeights.asp)

**Howard Hanna** p. 5  
Shaker Heights office  
216-751-8550  
[www.howardhanna.com](http://www.howardhanna.com)

**Judson**  
back cover  
216-791-2004  
[www.judsonsmartliving.org](http://www.judsonsmartliving.org)

**Kendal** inside back cover  
877-284-6639  
[www.kendalathome.org](http://www.kendalathome.org)  
800-548-9469  
[www.kao.kendal.org](http://www.kao.kendal.org)

**McGregor** inside front cover  
216-851-8200  
[www.mcgregoramasa.org](http://www.mcgregoramasa.org)

**Mary Lou McHenry** p. 53  
216-999-8411  
216-751-8550  
[www.maryloumchenry.com](http://www.maryloumchenry.com)

**Restaurants**  
**Pearl of the Orient** p. 52  
216-751-8181  
[www.pearl-east.com](http://www.pearl-east.com)

Don't miss  
a thing

Subscribe to  
**Mayor Earl M. Leiken's  
Monthly Updates**

Visit [shakeronline.com](http://shakeronline.com) and  
add yourself to the list(s) of  
your choice.

## Scents and Sensibility: A Shaker Reverie

BY BETH FRIEDMAN-ROMELL

Who hasn't found her or himself transported back to another time and place by catching a whiff of a beloved scent? Maybe for you it's freshly cut grass or piping hot baked bread. For me, there are certain wonderful aromas that instantly trigger fond memories of my favorite childhood Shaker locales.

The highlight of my mother's weekly trips to Heinen's was being wheeled down the fresh-ground coffee aisle in her cart. Long before Starbucks was anything but a Melville character, Heinen's was offering customers roasted coffee beans you could grind yourself in the store. I eagerly awaited the moment when Mom let me sniff the bag before sealing it up (which might explain my life-long addiction to a hot cup of joe). I'd inhale the rich, dark scent from my perch in the cart, swooning with pleasure as I gazed up at the ceiling.

Heinen's fried chicken, which we were treated to only occasionally, was almost as wonderful as the coffee. I breathed deeply each time we passed the heated display case on our way to redeem deposit bottles for five cents each. Next came the welcome wheatiness of the bakery, where then, as now, little ones were rewarded for cuteness with

a sample cookie.

Of an entirely different character were the smells of Shaker Heights Hardware, which in my youth shared a common firewall with the Lee Road Heinen's. In my family, it was simply known as The Hardware Store, and it was owned by my great-uncle, Irv Glaser, who co-developed the original retail at Chagrin Boulevard and Lee Road with Joe Heinen.

The Hardware Store was a fabulous place of adventure. I felt like a V.I.P., coming in with Mom through the back entrance, where the aromas of rubber, WD-40, and burnt-out electrical components confronted my nostrils. Here was the mysterious back room, where appliances were repaired (people used to fix things instead of throwing them out) and new merchandise magically appeared on a conveyor from the bowels of the basement. A narrow passage led to the main floor proper, which offered a heady bouquet of lawn products, with undertones of vulcanized tires and vinyl porch furniture. Exquisite!

Shaker Heights Hardware provided many of my relatives with summertime or permanent employment. My brother was the Light Bulb King, my sister a

Baroness of Billing, and assorted members of the royal family worked various departments, according to their genders and temperaments. My grandmother, Helen, was Mistress of the Back Desk, where I got to play with the rubber-stamp to my heart's content.

Aunt Alice could be found at the top of the staircase. To the right was an open balcony where large appliances were displayed. To the left were the bookkeeping offices. The smells of ink, manila file folders, and coffee, and the clatter of typewriters greeted me as I climbed on Aunt Alice's lap for a good game of "Office." I kept that place going, let me tell you.

On rare occasions, I entered the inner sanctum of Uncle Irv's office, where a cool and pungent leather chair begged a little girl to spin around. I could also gaze between the blinds of an internal window, which overlooked the main sales floor, where one could keep an eye on all those light bulbs, nieces, and nephews.

Though no longer staffed by my family, Shaker Hardware still smells pretty much like it did back in the day. But why is it so much smaller now?





*"If you don't stop...  
you don't have to stop."*

Staying fit through dance has allowed Nancy to maintain her physical independence through the years. "I like independence in every sense of the word... [it] is one of the common threads between dancing and Kendal at Home."

Wherever you call home, Kendal gives you the independence you need to live the life you want.



# KENDAL®

Be part of our community wherever you live.

Kendal at Home  
1-877-284-6639  
[www.kendalathome.org](http://www.kendalathome.org)

Kendal at Oberlin  
1-800-548-9469  
[www.kao.kendal.org](http://www.kao.kendal.org)

*Together, transforming the experience of aging.™*





PRSRT STD  
US POSTAGE  
**PAID**  
CLEVELAND, OHIO  
PERMIT NO. 1298



# We have walked the walk.

**Judson, the trusted name serving older adults for more than 100 years.**

Beginning in 1906 and continuing today, Judson is the trusted name in fulfilling the lifestyle needs of older adults in Northern Ohio. We have worked hard to build a trustworthy organization. One that is rooted in our commitment to do what is right, being fiscally

responsible and having great people delivering the very best in programs and services — this is why our residents are proud to call Judson home. We invite you to walk with us. Call us at 216-791-2004 or visit us online at [www.judsonsmartliving.org](http://www.judsonsmartliving.org).



*Judson Manor*

*Judson Park*

*South Franklin Circle*

*Smart Living™ at Home*

