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## Spring inspires new projects

Spring is around the corner, the evenings are getting lighter and it won't be long before the first buds appear and birds return from their winter quarters. And when nature stirs from its winter sleep, it's often time for us humans to start thinking about our own nests again. Whether simply cleaning the house after cocooning all winter or making more ambitious plans for your home, spring is always an inspiring time to begin.

Speaking of projects, if you've noticed that your corner of Shaker has been looking brighter over the past year, you may have your neighbors to thank. All over town, groups have been taking advantage of the City's Neighborhood Grant Program and putting funds and volunteers together to create community gardens at schools, churches and Thornton Park and make improvements in their neighborhoods. If you have an idea for a project, this year's deadline is March 31 (see story, right).

Looking ahead to this summer, Cleveland will become the first American city to host the International Children's Games and Shaker High's tennis courts have been offered for use. In keeping with this international spirit, and to celebrate Shaker's own cosmopolitan community, the City's annual Memorial Day Parade will have an international focus. All Shaker groups are invited to participate and prizes will be given to the best floats.

Have fun with whatever projects you undertake and enjoy this issue!

*Felicity Hill*

## Meet the Mayor & Council *for March Coffees*

Residents are invited to meet Mayor Judith Rawson and Council members Brian Gleisser, Laura Holmes, Kenneth Kovach, Earl Leiken, Nancy Moore, Brian Parker and Earl Williams at four informal coffee and chats this March. Discuss new projects such as the Shaker Towne Centre redevelopment, plans for expanded recreation and other town topics. Meet your elected representatives at the following Shaker locations:

6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Monday March 15, *Arabica*, 20630 N. Park Blvd.

1:30 – 2:30 p.m., Tuesday March 16, *Kokopelli*, 3427 Lee Road

7:30 – 8:30 a.m., Thursday March 18, *Starbucks*, 3470 Warrensville Ctr. Road

7:30 – 8:30 a.m., Friday March 19, *J. Pistone*, 3245 Warrensville Ctr. Road

## Neighborhood Grants Give Community *a New Look*

The City is gearing up for its third successive year of awarding grants to groups wanting to improve their neighborhoods.

In each of the past two years, \$15,000 of funds have been awarded for neighborhood improvement projects. The maximum grant amount is \$3,000.

The projects, awarded by a citizen panel, are chosen based on the level of resident participation, benefits to the community and financial matches, said Neighborhood Coordinator Gail Gibson.

"The grants have helped a variety of programs. Some of the funds went to projects that stood alone, such as the gardens at Thornton Park and St. Peter's Church and the playground landscaping at Fernway School," she said. "Other grants provided small but critical funding to larger-scale projects, such as the Shaker Family Center's neighborhood gathering space and the Lomond, Onaway, Woodbury and Shaker Middle schools' landscaping."

In 2002, members of the Sussex Community Association used their grant to replace fourteen security doors with new storm doors. In 2003, the effort was expanded to include five new residents and fifteen other residents replaced doors at their own cost.

Other groups used the funds to benefit public spaces. Last year, neighbors of Heights Christian Church landscaped its green spaces facing Van Aken Boulevard. "This was a wonderful chance for us to undertake a project that has been on our minds for many years," said volunteer Donita Singerman.

Of the twelve projects completed, eight improved neighborhood focal points and gathering places, and all strengthened the sense of pride here, Gibson said. Along with City funding, complementary funds from private donors and other sources, such as the Shaker Public Schools, have generated some \$115,000 in improvements. The program is also instrumental in bringing neighbors together. Over the past two years, volunteers have clocked more than 3,000 hours and agree the rewards are well worth it.



Volunteer landscapers of all ages created new school gardens.

"People are slowing down to look at the new garden. The neighborhood is a much better place with the flowers," said Thornton Park-area resident Jane Reynolds.

Grants are open to any neighborhood group – official or unofficial – including neighborhood associations, PTO organizations, 501(c)3 groups, Leadership Shaker alumni, groups from religious institutions, scout groups and others. Any group of five individuals from separate households may join together and apply. The deadline for 2004 is March 31 and awards will be announced in April.

For further information, call Gail Gibson at 491-1331, or visit [www.shakeronline.com](http://www.shakeronline.com).

## Homes and Neighborhoods

### City Offers Choice In Tree Lawn Plantings

Residents receiving City-planted trees this spring will now be offered a variety of choices.

The upgrades, costing \$250, will enable residents to choose from a range of seedling sizes as well as species, depending upon location. According to City Forestry Superintendent Pat Neville, the list will include red sunset maples, Patmore green ashes, red oaks, Cleveland select pears, green spire lindens and homestead elms. Checks made payable to the City of Shaker Heights should be sent to: Forestry Superintendent, Shaker Heights Public Works Department, 15600 Chagrin Blvd., Shaker Heights, OH 44120. For more information, call Public Works at 491-1490.

### Free Home Workshops Offered

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**NEIGHBORHOOD GRANTS INFORMATION SESSION** Find out how to bring your group's neighborhood project to reality. 7.30 - 9 p.m., March 18. (The grant application deadline is March 31).

### Spring Farmers Market Opens April 17

The North Union Farmers Market opens Saturday, April 17 at Shaker Square and will continue every Saturday, rain or shine, from 8 a.m. until noon through the rest of the year.

Following the traditional blessing, Opening Day includes events such as sheep shearing and chef demonstrations. The celebrations continue on April 19 with "Let's Get Fresh" from 6 to 9 p.m. at *fire* restaurant, an event featuring fresh local cuisine served by Northeast Ohio's premier chefs.

The first offerings of the season include asparagus, lettuces and spring greens, mushrooms, organic meats and fresh dairy products, fresh-baked breads and pastries, maple syrup, organic wine, and locally made arts and crafts.

The indoor winter market at the Square's Joseph Beth Booksellers, held Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon, continues through March 20.

For more information, call Donita Anderson, market manager, 751-7656.

*Note:* The Board would like to honor the significant contributions made by Market co-founder and first Board President Mary Holmes. Mary devoted endless hours, over an eight-year period, to help make the market the success it is today.



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All workshops are free and held at the Community Building, 3450 Lee Rd. For reservations and information, call the Neighborhood Revitalization Department, 491-1370.

#### CLEVELAND RESTORATION SOCIETY OFFERS HERITAGE HOME LOANS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

If your home was built before 1950 and retains most of its original materials and features, such as wood siding, windows and porches (or you would like to re-establish historic features), you may be eli-



gible for help from the County's Heritage Home Loan program.

The program, run in conjunction with the Cleveland Restoration Society, offers owners of older and historic homes a Keybank home improvement loan with an interest rate of 3.5 percent as well as expert assistance. For interior and exterior improvements, homes must be valued at \$500,000 or under; homes valued between \$500,000 and \$750,000 are eligible for help with exterior improvements only. Single-family, two-family, and three-family homes are eligible and there is no maximum on borrower's income. Minimum loan amounts are \$3,000 for a term of up to 10 years.

The CRS also offers free technical assistance consulting services to any eligible resident. Assistance includes a site visit, home maintenance advice, use of historic colors, and a review of contractor estimates. Additional assistance is available for loan program participants.

For more information, call Sara Wolfe, Preservation Programs Associate, 426-3116.

**COMPUTER ROUND-UP IS APRIL 3 & 4**  
Do you have any defunct computers, keyboards, monitors and other items needing safe disposal? The City is conducting a Computer Round-Up at the Service Center on 15600 Chagrin Blvd. Bring along your old computers as well as software, printers, modems and cell phones between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Free.

**RESERVE-A-TRUCK BEGINS IN APRIL**  
From April through September, residents tackling major home and garage clean-ups can rent an open dump truck for an entire weekend through the City's Reserve-a-Truck program.

For a charge of \$50, a truck will be parked and locked on a resident's driveway from 4 p.m. Friday through 8 a.m. Monday. Building materials such as plaster, lumber and roofing are not permitted.

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The following rental properties have been "certified" as meeting the standards set by the City's Department of Neighborhood Revitalization. Owners are listed in parentheses. (Please note that apartments are certified based on common areas, not on individual units.) Availability changes daily; to find out if there are vacancies, call the Neighborhood Revitalization Department at 491-1370 or check the City's web site, *www.shakeronline.com*.

### ***Rental Homes***

3324 Aberdeen Road (*Karen Miner*)  
 3138 Albion Road (*Laura Rose*)  
 3597 Avalon Road (*Robert Stovall*)  
 3261 Braemar Road (*Glen Lair*)  
 3362 Chalfant Road (*Heather Chapman*)  
 17625 Chagrin Blvd (*Connie Pinkley*)  
 3529 Daleford Road (*John Schloss*)  
 3300 Elsmere Road (*Mike Reilly*)  
 3455 Glencairn Road (*Margaret Walton*)  
 3665 Glencairn Road (*Eric Ozan*)  
 3561 Gridley Road (*Terri Stone*)  
 3559 Gridley Road (*Bruce Altchouler*)  
 3610 Gridley Road (*Harold Spivack*)  
 3618 Gridley Road (*Cyril Weathers*)  
 3545 Gridley Road (*Deborah Goshien*)  
 3622 Gridley Road (*Constance F. Speed*)  
 2928 Huntington Road (*Angela Binger*)  
 3647 Latimore Road (*Norman Sigel*)  
 3664 Latimore Road (*Josh Lovinger*)  
 3711 Latimore Road  
     (*Robin Grant-Hughes*)  
 3716 Latimore Road (*Bernice Levine*)  
 3673 Lynnfield Road (*Pam Cleverly*)  
 3686 Lynnfield Road (*Robert McMahon*)  
 3658 Lynnfield Road (*Liz Sargent*)  
 2840 Ludlow Road (*Charles Richards*)  
 2879 Ludlow Road (*David Kramer*)  
 18327 Newell Road (*Marc Rossen*)  
 18406 Newell Road (*Deborah Goshien*)  
 18419 Newell Road (*Helen Kubach*)  
 3525 Normandy Road (*Robert Jacobs*)  
 3598 Palmerston Road (*Ellen Roberts*)  
 3584 Palmerston Road (*Paul Landis*)  
 16500 Parkland Drive Carriage House  
     (*Rita Bryce*)



## REAL NUMBERS

Housing transfers between June 1 and June 30, 2003, appear below. The 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	2003 SALE PRICE	PRIOR SALE PRICE	ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST
16303 Aldersyde Dr.	\$390,000	\$310,000 (1998)	\$15,000 (1920)
16910 Aldersyde Dr.	\$443,000	\$320,000 (1997)	\$11,000 (1919)
2684 Ashley Road	\$685,000	\$634,500 (2002)	\$17,000 (1936)
2785 Attleboro Road	\$505,000	\$307,000 (1996)	\$35,000 (1952)
3266 Avalon Road	\$226,000	\$182,000 (1997)	\$ 8,600 (1923)
22629 Byron Road	\$235,000	\$202,000 (1994)	Unavailable
21226 Byron Road	\$350,000	\$251,000 (1994)	\$19,000 (1932)
3266 Chadbourne Road	\$269,000	\$205,000 (2000)	\$10,500 (1924)
3282 Chalfant Road	\$231,600	\$172,000 (1999)	\$ 9,500 (1923)
3289 Chalfant Road	\$277,500	\$119,000 (1994)	\$13,000 (1924)
3538 Daleford Road	\$134,000	\$ 80,000 (2001)	\$10,000 (1924)
3279 Dorchester Road	\$268,000	\$182,000 (1995)	\$11,000 (1923)
3285 Elsmere Road	\$220,000	\$174,900 (1998)	\$12,000 (1924)
24000 Hazelmere Road	\$217,500	\$185,000 (2000)	\$23,500 (1951)
16824 Holbrook Road	\$279,900	\$199,900 (1996)	\$10,000 (1927)
2911 Lee Road	\$199,500	\$175,000 (2003)	\$45,000 (1975)
3546 Ludgate Road	\$143,000	\$ 97,000 (1998)	\$ 6,000 (1923)
3654 Ludgate Road	\$75,000	\$ 70,000 (2002)	\$ 6,000 (1925)
2966 Manchester Road	\$540,000	\$322,000 (1996)	\$24,000 (1928)
22400 McCauley Road	\$750,000	\$510,000 (1998)	\$30,000 (1930)
3425 Milverton Road	\$121,000	\$ 85,000 (1998)	\$ 6,000 (1921)
3635 Rolliston Road	\$168,000	\$102,000 (1996)	\$11,000 (1926)
18306 Scottsdale Blvd.	\$198,000	\$103,000 (1995)	Unavailable
14518 Shaker Blvd.	\$510,000	\$469,000 (2001)	\$32,000 (1928)
3526 Stoer Road	\$137,000	\$ 70,000 (1994)	\$ 8,000 (1941)
3711 Sutherland Road	\$210,000	\$204,000 (1999)	Unavailable
3615 Townley Road	\$173,400	\$137,500 (1994)	\$ 9,000 (1929)
3674 Traver Road	\$187,000	\$172,900 (1999)	\$ 9,500 (1928)
3090 Warrington Road	\$190,000	\$137,000 (1998)	\$ 8,500 (1922)
2909 Weymouth Road	\$339,900	\$258,400 (1999)	Unavailable
3574 Winchell Road	\$194,000	\$149,000 (1999)	\$11,500 (1929)
18529 Winslow Road	\$205,000	\$105,000 (1996)	\$16,500 (1927)

Information source: First American Real Estate Solutions

3643 Riedham Road (*Robert McMahon*)  
 15804 Scottsdale Blvd (*Andrea L. Beight*)  
 17918 Scottsdale Blvd (*John Franks*)  
 14600 South Woodland Road  
     (*Thomas Chelimsky*)  
 22455 South Woodland Road (*Leo Krulitz*)  
 3560 Tolland Road (*Terri Stone*)  
 2865 Weymouth Road (*Robert Burger*)  
 3701 Winchell Road (*Sue Stanton*)  
 3629 Winchell Road  
     (*Mr. & Mrs. Augustine Ponce de Leon*)

3566 Winchell Road (*Henry Hwang*)  
 3697 Winchell Road (*Terri Stone*)  
 19809 Winslow Road (*Nick Palumbo*)  
 19615 Winslow Road (*Emilie Barnett*)  
 19621 Winslow Road (*Sandra M. Jones*)  
 19606 Winslow Road (*Carole Lindow*)  
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18920 Winslow Road (*Julie Snipes*)  
18708 Winslow Road (*Susan Severy*)  
18419 Winslow Road (*David Chrien*)  
18428 Winslow Road (*Joe Beatrice*)  
18409 Winslow Road (*Maureen Glasper*)  
17928 Winslow Road  
(*Mari Lynne & James Patterson*)  
17601 Winslow Road (*Robert A. Cugini II*)

## Apartments

Carlton, 2800 Van Aken Blvd.  
(*Charles Pinkney*)  
Cormere Place, 2661 North Moreland Blvd.  
(*Michael Montlack*)  
Fairhill Apartments, 12700 Fairhill Road  
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Fairhill Place, 13660 Fairhill Road  
(*Ken Montlack*)  
Shaker Lakes Apartments, 2590 North Moreland Blvd.  
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Shaker Park East, 2540 North Moreland Blvd.  
(*David Goodman*)  
Shaker Park Manor, 19220 Van Aken Blvd.  
(*Michael Montlack*)  
Shaker Terrace, 19806 Van Aken Blvd.  
(*Thomas Gerson*)  
The Ambassador, 13700 Fairhill Road  
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The Blair House, 19601 Van Aken Blvd.  
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The Continental Luxury Apartments, 3341-3351 Warrensville Center Road  
(*Alan Pearlman*)  
The Greenbriar, 17100 Van Aken Blvd.  
(*Michael Montlack*)  
The Waterford, 19250 Van Aken Blvd.  
(*Howard Lake*)  
The Monty, 2641 North Moreland Blvd.  
(*Michael Montlack*)  
The Morlee Apartments, 15810 Van Aken Blvd.  
(*Michael Montlack*)  
North Moreland Gardens, 2626 North Moreland Blvd.  
(*Sylvia Kugelman*)  
The Oxford House, 15515 Van Aken Blvd.  
(*Edward Mehler*)  
The South Shaker, 15700 Van Aken Blvd.  
(*Robert Hart*)  
The Van Lee, 15836 Van Aken Blvd.  
(*Lovelene B. Onutz*)



## Business News

Vendors in the **Van Aken Shopping District** (including those in Shaker Plaza, Van Aken Center, the Chandler & Rudd strip, and neighboring businesses) have created a merchants association. Their first effort, a holiday coupon book distributed to 5,000 Shaker homes, attracted many new shoppers. Future plans include marketing campaigns, ongoing communication with the City and creating a new name for the district. For information, call Tom Reynolds of Trooper's Antique Garden, 751-4000, or Rachel Perry, City Economic Development Specialist, 491-1336.

Over the past eight years, Shaker Heights has become home to over 300 **home-based businesses**. For information on starting a work-from-home enterprise, contact Rachel Perry, Economic Development Specialist, at 491-1336.

To add your Shaker business to a new **on-line business directory**, please e-mail your company's information to shakerworks@aol.com. For more information on Shaker Works, an organization for local businesses, contact Laurey Banker at 752-5648.

## City Plans Gas Aggregation Program

Shaker has begun implementing its natural gas aggregation program, voter-approved in November, and hopes to provide lower rates by spring 2004, said Chief Counsel William Gruber.

Under an aggregation program, Shaker residents could save money on their gas bills through a bulk-purchase agreement between the City and a natural gas supplier.

"Over the next few months, the City will seek proposals from all suppliers of natural gas, including the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC), to determine the best prices and terms of service," Gruber said. The City is already a member of NOPEC as part of



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its 2-year-old electric power aggregation program.

Once the City finds a supplier, Ohio law requires the drafting of a Plan of Operation and Governance for the aggregation and two public hearings to discuss it. City Council and the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) must approve the Plan.

"If the City does not join NOPEC's natural gas aggregation, it must apply to the PUCO for certification as an aggregator," Gruber said. "After these steps, the supplier selected by the City would send notices to eligible customers."

The aggregation would include all eligible Shaker residents and businesses unless they choose to "opt out" of the program. Ohio law limits eligibility for participation in a community aggregation program. Customers who have already contracted with an alternative supplier, residents on the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP), and customers with delinquent gas accounts are not eligible.

The City will negotiate with its chosen supplier for provisions allowing customers to join the aggregation after existing contracts expire or when they pay any delinquencies. The Plan of Operation and Governance will detail those guidelines.

Gruber said the entire process depends on whether the City can find a supplier offering gas at the right price. "If the City does not find a price that guarantees a savings, the City may decide that, for now, it will not establish an aggregation."

Should the measure pan out, customers won't experience any complications in service, he added. "In a City gas aggregation program, customers in the City would not notice any change in how their gas service is provided. Even when customers buy their supply of gas from an alternative supplier, Dominion East Ohio Gas still provides the distribution of the gas, the billing and collection, and the maintenance and repair of gas lines."

For more information on gas aggregation, visit [www.puc.state.oh.us](http://www.puc.state.oh.us). For info on NOPEC, visit [www.noppecinfo.org](http://www.noppecinfo.org).



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## Q & A: Front Door Replacement

*The front door is often the focal point of a residential façade and many Shaker Heights homes have distinctive entry ways. To help preserve the beauty and character of your front entrance, Stacey Pfau of the Planning Department offers the following tips on door replacement. For more information, contact Stacey on 491-1433.*

**Q** DO I NEED A PERMIT TO REPLACE A FRONT DOOR? IF SO, WHERE DO I APPLY?

**A** Replacing a front door does not require a building permit, however, it does require Planning Department approval. All that is needed is an Architectural Board of Review (ABR) application, a picture of the current door, and a picture or manufacturer's cut sheet of the door the owner is proposing to install.

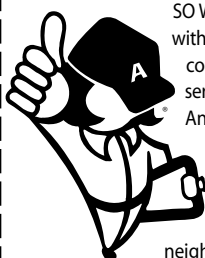
**Q** IF I'M REPLACING AN EXISTING DOOR WITH ONE THAT IS IDENTICAL, WOULD I NEED APPROVAL?

**A** The City's ABR Design Guidelines state: "Replacement windows and doors which replicate the size, style, color, and appearance of existing windows and doors are permitted and may be reviewed and approved by Planning Department staff." However, any variation may require an appearance before the Architectural Board of Review.

**Q** WHEN REPAINTING MY FRONT DOOR, WHAT COLORS SHOULD I USE?

**A** The owner may paint the door whatever color he or she may like, however, it is recommended that the chosen color complements the existing color scheme and style of the house. Homeowners may refer to the Shaker Village Colors publication, available in the

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Planning Department. This book illustrates color schemes for varying house styles. Information is also in the ABR's Design Guidelines and the Landmark Commission offers great advice on design issues as well as maintenance and repair.

**Q** WHAT DOORS ARE APPROPRIATE FOR SPECIFIC ARCHITECTURAL STYLES? WHAT ABOUT HISTORIC HOMES?

**A** Homeowners should stop by the Planning Department with a picture of the home and the current door on the house for further advice regarding the appropriate style; we have several publications available. For historic homes, the Landmark Commission Guidelines state that whenever possible, retain the original door, trim, fixtures, and porch structure on your home's front entrance. This may require special repairs to your current door; many doors in Shaker Heights were custom fabricated and would be

difficult to replace. If a replacement is necessary, it should match the original in material, size, and style. The new door should also have the same series of panels and windows and a frame of the same dimensions.

**Q** ARE THERE ANY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FOR REPLACING DOORS OR STORM DOORS?

**A** There are two loan programs available for assisting homeowners in home repairs and/or maintenance. One is a county program called the HELP Loan Program, and the other is the Cleveland Restoration Society's Heritage Home Loan Program, which is geared more toward projects aimed at following specific historic preservation guidelines. For more information, contact the Neighborhood Revitalization Department, 491-1370, or the Cleveland Restoration Society, 426-3116.

## Paul Newman, Shaker alumni contribute to Woodbury Playground Project

Hollywood actor and Shaker alumnus Paul Newman is the latest contributor to the fundraising project for two new cutting-edge playgrounds at Woodbury Elementary School.

Newman's Own, the actor's non-profit food company, has donated \$10,000. In addition, Abe Miller, a Director of the Dr. Ruth Ratner-Miller Philanthropic Fund along with his siblings and fellow alumni Aaron, Richard and Gaby, said news of the effort struck a chord of competitive school spirit among them.

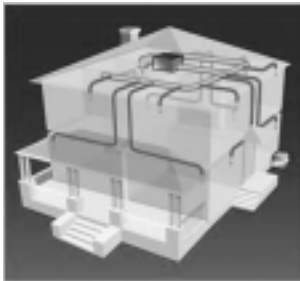
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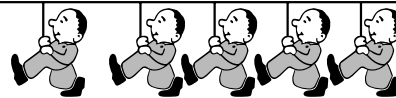
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might be interesting and exciting to issue a challenge to fellow alumni to at least match our contribution."

In addition to seeking donations, other fundraising efforts are underway to cover the balance of landscaping and playground installation costs, said Gina Henderson of Woodbury's Landscape and Outdoor Learning Area (LOLA) Committee. LOLA is selling *Shaker Shapes Up!* T-shirts for \$15 and, for a limited time, is offering personalized pavers to those who contribute at least \$250.

The committee has also received grants of \$5,000 from the Shaker PTO Council and \$6,000 from the Shaker Heights City School District to help meet the estimated \$130,000 cost.

Shaker School Board representative David Puffer said significant planning and consensus have gone into the grounds design. The project is a combined effort, with residents and City and school officials joining landscapers McKnight & Associates and playground manufacturers Kompan at the table. The

project marks the first playground for fifth- and sixth-grade Woodbury, which served as a junior high until 1985.

Construction will begin this spring and should be completed by August. To make donations, please contact Henderson at 921-4644, e-mail [rafoxhend@earthlink.net](mailto:rafoxhend@earthlink.net), or visit LOLA's web link at [www.shaker.org/pto/lola.htm](http://www.shaker.org/pto/lola.htm).

## Shaker Shorts

The Police Department has received a **\$9,400 federal grant** that will be used to fund **playground monitors** at the Around the World Playground, adjacent to Main Library. The City's Law Enforcement Trust Fund provided a match of \$1,044. The Playground re-opens April 1.

The City has won a **\$2,500 grant** from Ohio Parents for Drug-Free Youth for its "Parents who Host, Lose

the Most" campaign. The grant will be used to educate parents and students about their legal responsibilities during the prom and graduation season.

Work has begun on the \$2.9 million **City Waterline Improvement Project**. The project, which will be undertaken in two phases, involves the replacement of waterlines on Chadbourne, Torrington and Shelburne roads and Fairmount and Shaker boulevards.

The Shaker Heights **Municipal Court** is now **online**. Visit [www.shaker-heightscourt.org](http://www.shaker-heightscourt.org) for information about waiverable tickets, court personnel, jury duty, cost schedules, sample forms and answers to frequently asked questions. Dockets and court rules will be available in the near future.

**Road Safety** is the focus of World Health Day on April 7. For more information, or to participate, visit

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Cleveland becomes the first U.S. city to host the **International Children's Games** this July. John Carroll University is hosting some competitions and Shaker Heights High School tennis courts may also be used. Approximately 4,000 athletes, ages 13 – 15, from more than 40 countries are expected to attend the games.

The City's **Memorial Day Parade** on May 31 will have a global focus. Neighborhood associations, international families' clubs, scout groups and other organizations are invited to participate; prizes will be awarded for the best floats. For more information, visit the City website or Thornton Park or call Sandra Blue, Events Coordinator, 491-1354.

## Reminders

- **TEMPORARY SIGN ORDINANCE:** All temporary signs in residential districts, including 'For Sale by Owner' and political signs, must be removed or replaced after 45 days. Signs may not be located in, or obstruct, the public right of way. They must be placed at least 20 feet from the nearest sidewalk.
- **BICYCLE ORDINANCE:** Police will be enforcing bicycle laws. Bicycles must be licensed and locked when not in use and riders must wear helmets. Helmets are available for purchase for \$10 at Thornton Park and the Health Department.

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- **SMOKE DETECTORS:** All Shaker Heights residents are required to have a minimum of 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.
- **FIRE HYDRANTS:** Hydrant flushing will take place from April 12 to 24. Signs listing specific days will be posted before flushing begins.
- **FIRE SAFETY:** The Fire Department offers free home safety inspections throughout the year. Using a "Home Fire Safety Checklist," two firefighters inspect dwellings from top to bottom. Among the hazards they look for are faulty or inadequate electrical wiring, improper storage of paints, thinners and other combustible liquids, and unsafe heating and cooking areas. To make an appointment, call 491-1215 between 8.30 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.
- **CHILD CAR SEATS:** Is your child buckled up safely? The Fire Department offers free safety checks. Call Jan Hetzel at 491-1200 for information or to make an appointment.
- **HEALTH SERVICES:** Blood pressure screening for City residents is available on Mondays from 2 to 3:30 p.m. and Wednesdays from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Blood pressure clinics are held at the Health Department (16500 Chagrin Blvd., second floor), are free, and no appointment is necessary.

Immunizations for children and adults and screenings for glucose and cholesterol are also available by appointment. For fees and info, call 491-1480.

- **CONTRACTORS:** While the City cannot recommend contractors, lists of registered contractors are available. Updated listings can be viewed on [www.shakeronline.com](http://www.shakeronline.com).
- **DOGS:** Dogs are not permitted to run at large, and owners are required to immediately remove all waste deposited by their dogs on public or private property that is not their own. Dog waste must not be put in City waterways, sewers or on the curbside, as it poses a health hazard. Nuisance dogs should be reported to the Animal Warden, 491-1490.
- **LOST PETS:** If you have lost a pet or wish to adopt one, please call or visit the Animal Shelter, located within the Service Department at 15800 Lee Rd. Shelter hours are Monday - Sunday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call the Public Works Department at 491-1490 (afterhours or emergencies, call 491-1499) or to speak with a volunteer, call 378-1312. Adoption fees are \$35 for cats, \$45 for dogs. (*Note:* The Shelter does not accept donations of unwanted animals).
- **WOOD CHIPS:** Wood chips are available spring through fall every Saturday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the visitor's parking lot at the Service Center, free of charge and in any amount. Residents must bring their own containers and shovels. Wood chips are also available year round at the Canoe Club on South Park Blvd.
- **NOISE:** The playing of radios, television sets, musical instruments and similar devices is prohibited between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. weekdays and 11 p.m. and 9 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays if they create a noise disturbance across a residential real property boundary.

## Moving Toward the "Beloved Community" *Residents honor activist, discuss unity at MLK celebration*

Since his rise to prominence more than 40 years ago, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. has become a larger-than-life figure, a symbol of America's civil rights movement and integration. The Rev. Dr. Joan Brown Campbell, a personal acquaintance of King's, wishes people would simply remember and celebrate the man. "Remember Dr. King the human being, not Martin Luther King the saint. He was a human being, warts and all, and rose above his doubts, as we all should do."

Campbell was honored January 22 at the City's 2004 MLK Celebration, "Working Toward the Beloved Community." The event, held at the Middle School, included the High School Jazz Combo, readings of King's speeches by Cleveland State University faculty member Prester Prickett, a video by Peter Gould and a panel discussion. Campbell's record of involvement in race relations includes working for the Carl B. Stokes mayoral campaign, serving as an honorary election monitor for the election of Nelson Mandela in South Africa and holding a lifelong membership in the NAACP. Most notable for this occasion was her personal relationship with King. She recalled King visiting Heights Christian Church in the Sixties, a move that was not entirely popular with some members. "When Dr. King came to Heights Christian Church it was not the easiest encounter that anyone of us ever had," she said. "There's a plaque in the back of the church stating that Martin Luther King once stood on these steps. Many of the people that didn't want him to be there have since come back to the church to apologize and say they were wrong." Since those days, Shaker Heights has become "one of the best, strongest, most peacefully integrated of communities," she added.

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The video and panel discussion focused on residents' views of integration in the community. Most felt that King's vision of the "Beloved Community" is still relevant today and provides the inspiration to keep moving forward, beyond looking at integration as just numbers. Resident Connie Schultz, a columnist for *The Plain Dealer*, felt "people of all ages and races need to be breaking bread together and sitting together at the high school cafeteria." Panelist Robin Johnson echoed Schultz, stating the "need to bring another culture to the dining table."



Panelists Connie Schultz (left) and Robin Johnson.

The High School is far ahead of others when it comes to race relations, student panelist Ed Gisemba told the audience. He said the school "does what other schools don't do," including minority achievement programs and a Student Group on Race Relations (SGORR). All students are encouraged to achieve academically, he said. Panelist Gigi Benjamin said residents should be vigilant about the effort to integrate. "The enemy of growth in this area is complacency," she said. "We talk about race as part of this community. It is a constant, pleasant effort that we need to put forward."

Committee member Diane Phillips-Leatherberry, who took part in the civil rights movement in the Sixties, said she was moved by the openness of the discussion. "It is the notion that a bunch of people can talk about race comfortably," she said. "That is very rare everywhere else, but it is not rare in Shaker Heights." She began working on the Committee "a

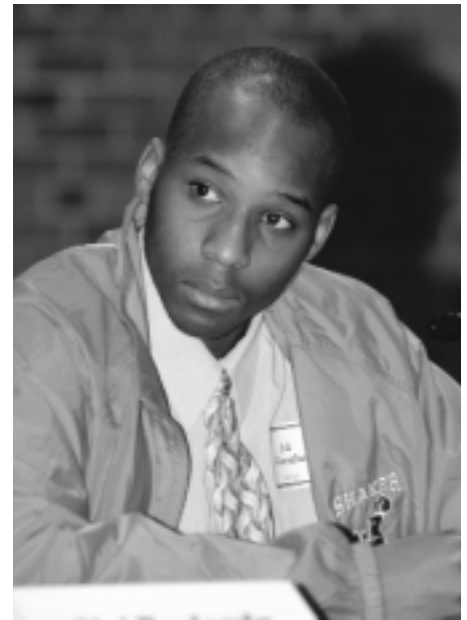
long time ago" after the president at her temple requested she join to represent the Jewish segment of the community. She said the event began as a simple ceremony with an award and a speaker, but has evolved over the years to include more. Quata Zehe, a committee member for two years, noted the event has "a lot of tradition." Zehe said she became involved because "it is an interesting process from start to finish. I agree with keeping Martin Luther King's message alive, and encouraging people to think about what his message was." The event is a representation of several different groups, from the musicians to the Human Relations Commission. The Library was also involved, recognizing the winners of its Martin Luther King Student Writing Contest.

All in all, the event went very well, Zehe said, with one exception. "The weather didn't help," she said. "But that's January. You can't determine when the next clipper is going to come through." Phillips-Leatherberry said a snowstorm on the night of the event is par for the course. "It is a shame we don't have more people come," she said. "We always have the event the Thursday after MLK Day and there is always a blizzard." She added that this year, a column by Schultz that ran in *The Plain Dealer* a few days after the event stirred interest. "A bunch of people came up to me after and said that having read Connie's article, they wish they had come out," she said. "Mainly because of what I said before – that in Shaker you have a bunch of people discussing race comfortably."

– Katherine Carter



MLK Award recipient Rev. Dr. Joan Brown Campbell (left) with Mayor Judy Rawson.



Student panelist Ed Gisemba.

The High School Jazz Combo.



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# YOUNG

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According to nine-year-old *Boulevard Times* reporter Jessica Garson, Shaker Heights is home to the school newspaper that she thinks is “the best in the Western hemisphere!” Jessica’s enthusiasm perhaps is not without grounds: *The Boulevard Times* took the 2003 Student Publishing Award for best elementary school paper in the Midwest — and it was only two-years old.

The newspaper was born when Diane Solov, a reporter for *The Plain Dealer*, who had worked on a student-produced newspaper previously, moved to Shaker. Soon made chair of Boulevard’s Communications Committee, she was given charge of the school’s publication. Originally called *Patchwork*, *The Boulevard Times*’ precursor was what its name suggested: an informative missive composed of PTO announcements and occasional pieces by students.

Although her previous experience had been with older students, Solov and another *Plain Dealer*-affiliated parent, Clara Roberts, proposed the idea of a student-run paper to Boulevard’s principal, Rebecca Kimberly.

The idea, soon approved, spread through word of mouth and the school’s *Friday Flyer*, its weekly bulletin for parents. Meanwhile, Roberts and Solov went from class to class talking about newspaper reporting and answering students’ questions. At the first meeting, Solov and four other parents found themselves jam-packed in an art room full of potential young journalists, courtesy of parents determined to have the children participate despite the early hour. Parent involvement in Shaker, Solov soon discovered, is an integral part of the schools’ culture. While a few of the parents are writers themselves, most represent other occupations: accountants, stay-at-home moms, executives, and attorneys.

“The parents really go out of their way to make it all happen,” Solov confirmed.

The parents role in “making it happen” includes helping set up interviews, editing drafts at home, helping the kids stay on schedule and getting them to meetings. After the student deadline, parents convene to discuss the stories



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*The Boulevard Times* get a taste of the real world



Fourth-grader and budding journalist Roger Zou reviews his peers' contributions from cover to cover.





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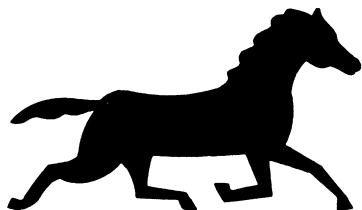
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and what photos and art may be needed. Finally, comes the time-intensive process of laying out the paper using a Microsoft Publisher template. The paper was going to be mimeographed until parent Jeff Karlovec, a professional publisher, offered to print it, eight pages in two-color, free of charge.

Fourth-grade teacher Mark Austin said he is giving a high compliment to parents when he likens the newspaper's appearance every few months to something like a miracle. The newspaper production leaves him and other teachers "free to do what they have to do and the children have the experience over and above the classroom."

That high energy, can-do spirit has carried through to this year's parent team who are managing *The Boulevard Times* as it heads into its third season. Jayne Eiben and Kurt Miller each have sons who have been with the paper for two years. For Eiben, a former teacher and freelance writer, getting involved with the newspaper was a natural outgrowth of being comfortable with large groups of children and experiencing what she calls the "one of the great thrills of my adult life:" seeing her name in print. "Other volunteer opportunities don't move me the way *this* moves me. The kids pick up on it."

For Kurt Miller, the motivating factor was to help give his son's writing a boost. "I encouraged him to write for the newspaper and felt I could be his support and a role model at the same time."

From the parents' perspective, children derive many benefits from participating in the newspaper. Clara Roberts sees the experience as a means of making students more adept at writing and communication as well as finding a wider audience for their work. "We think one way to encourage students to read magazines and other publications is by getting them to produce one of their own," Roberts commented. Eiben agrees it prompts the children to "look at the world differently."

Currently, the newspaper is planned and produced at six after-school meetings, two for each of the three issues. Each reporter is furnished with a folder and official reporter's notepad and pen-



From left, fourth-graders Andre Roberts, Thomas Greenhalgh-Miller and Joan Thompson discuss their story ideas for an upcoming issue of *The Boulevard Times*.

cil. Everyone is asked to bring story ideas ranging from front-page national news, school news or sports to local government, human interest, holidays and arts. After a snack, a brief lesson follows about where news comes from, the different sections of a newspaper, perhaps a short video of how a “real” one operates, or maybe a guest speaker is brought in. Ideas are then called out and assigned with a deadline for the first draft.

Next, the children edit each other’s work while the parents volunteer suggestions to shape the stories or ideas for replacing ones that didn’t work out. A week later, the stories are turned in.

Other than parent prompting, the third and fourth-graders list their own reasons for being involved.

“It’s really fun to write articles and see my name in print,” said Joan Thompson.

“I like writing,” Arlise Robinson joined in. “When I grow up I want to be editor of a magazine or a writer.”

For Theo Eiben, the variety is the



Parent volunteers Jayne Eiben and Kurt Miller review the latest issue of the student-produced newspaper.

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kicker. "I like to look at the games and articles and how well it's put together. My mom did a good job and so did everyone else who helped out."

As well as stories, the students produce their own surveys, which expand the learning experience to include math.

Thomas Miller said his ideas are often a result of what's happening in school. "I got my homework survey idea because a teacher was saying, 'Are students getting too much homework or not enough homework?' So now I'm trying to figure that one out.

"I like working with my Dad," he added. "He helped me out with the survey this time. I got a lot of information and it took time to get it all sorted."

Asked to reflect on some of the things they have learned through the newspaper, Andre Roberts zeroed in on one of the most important: Accuracy. "I learned that whoever is typing or writing the story may make mistakes," he said.

"I think of what other people have done in the past and then think of something in the same category," said Grace Gerhart. "Last year someone did an interview with Cleveland's mayor. And so I did one with Shaker's mayor."

Perhaps it's not surprising the newspaper won an award. It came about when teacher Stephanie Eagleton was using *Time for Kids* magazine in her second grade class and chanced upon the announcement of awards for a student publication. The awards, established by the Association of Education Publishers in 1998, provide a platform for national recognition of excellence in student publishing. In addition to believing in the high quality of *The Boulevard Times*, Eagleton wanted to see the students' efforts commended.

"We hear so much in the news about kids getting into trouble," she said, "and here are kids giving up their free time after school and recess to produce the newspaper."

Eagleton submitted three copies of the December 2002 issue and forgot about it until a letter arrived announcing the school, as a regional winner, had won an award, \$250 in classroom prod-



ucts and certificates for each student participant.

So what is in the future for *The Boulevard Times*? Will the parents be able to maintain the momentum behind it? While publisher Jeff Karlovec began helping two years ago when his twins were in fourth grade, now he has to wait for his first-grader to bud into a third-grade journalist. But there's no hint of resignation in his laugh. "I guess I'll be doing it for a few more years."

"We were committed to keeping it alive because the parents who started it had children who have moved on," says Eiben. "The paper is a reflection of the community. The torch keeps getting passed. It will keep going."

*Dale Callender Aggor writes for The School Review.*



Boulevard Elementary's newspaper has received national recognition.



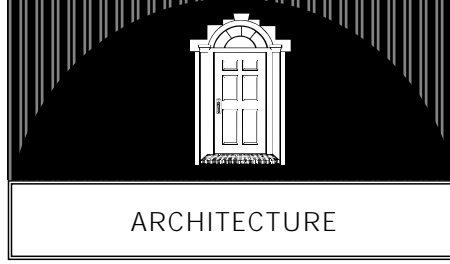
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# Award-Winning Additions

*Updates complement  
three historic Shaker  
homes and  
win accolades*

BY LINDA TUTHILL



Each year the Shaker Heights Landmark Commission presents Preservation Awards for home-enhancing architecturally appropriate additions. In 2003, three Shaker families were among those winning top honors for their diverse home projects. For Sandy and Harry Holmes, the award recognized a totally rebuilt garage that complements the picturesque architecture of their stone and frame colonial, while Pat and Jim Neville tackled a large-scale change to their Onaway Tudor, installing an elevator and ramp for their daughter, building a wraparound porch, and renovating their kitchen. For Vicki and Jim Bell, an airy English conservatory at the back of their home more than met the Landmark Commission's standards.

At Sandy and Harry Holmes's home, all the action occurred outside. Replacing a decrepit garage with a new one consistent with their 1928 Munroe Copper-designed home earned them their Preservation Award. On moving in thirteen years ago, the old detached garage stood in

their back yard with a "very small one car garage" attached to the house. "You had to go back outside to enter the house," Sandy says. She describes the original kitchen as "really weird" with four tiny rooms. When they remodeled the kitchen, they incorporated the space from the attached garage, creating an inviting kitchen/family room.

Sandy had her eye on their home long before they bought it, while living on Daleford Road. It was when she was taking her morning walk that she saw the house that made her heart go pitty pat. "I immediately wrote a letter to the owner, Edith Wiley," Sandy recalls. Although Edith called her back to say "we're not going anywhere," she promised to keep Sandy in mind. "I spent the next three years looking and didn't find anything." Then, in a casual conversation with the Wileys' neighbor, Sandy learned they were discussing a move. Wasting no time, she called to say she was still keen on the home. Edith confessed, "I have been looking everywhere for your letter as I forgot your last name." Negotiations began and Sandy's dream home soon belonged to her, Harry and their now grown daughters, Megan and Schuyler. Another example of Shaker ties occurred years later when Megan married Schuyler's swimming coach, Rod Sellinger, a former second-grade teacher at Boulevard.

Sandy relishes her Shaker connections. Neighbors down the street found an original ad for the house and brought it to them. It touted a "slag driveway" and also showed the now stately trees as saplings. Respect for interconnectedness also plays a role in Sandy's job as

A pretty walkway connects the Holmes's house with their new garage. It was remodeled to complement their home and incorporates motifs, latticework and the cupola from the original building.

associate director for the Cleveland branch of the National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ), an organization dedicated to fighting "bias, bigotry and racism." Based on the

same concept as SGORR (Student Group on Race Relations), NCCJ "wants to reach every middle school and high school in northeast Ohio," she says. "Lots of Shaker people are involved. It's a good fit."

Explaining the need to replace their garage, Sandy describes the old one as "leaning severely. It had no foundation and was built on a slab." Contractors who looked at the tottering building advised them "to knock it down." They hired Chuck Fazio as a design architect and Frank Turk as a contractor. Although it was somewhat tempting to choose a three-car garage, they decided to stay with a two-car model which doesn't crowd their



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neighbors or encroach on the green space. They turned their thumbs down on the notion of installing a circular drive their lot could accommodate because it required cutting down a beautiful tree.

Equipped with a new foundation, cement floor and wood siding cut to match the house, the new garage allows them "to open both car doors and not hit each other." Ample space for Harry's work bench and tools gives the building multi-purpose appeal. In addition to improved parking space, the new garage has a small room at the back replacing the lean-to used for storage on the old garage. The added room is a great place to store their pool furniture. Sandy chuckles over the fact she didn't know the house had a pool when they decided to buy it.

While the rebuilt garage is definitely more convenient, care was taken to ensure it complemented their home. Retaining a latticed wooden portico that shelters the walkway from house to garage adds a quaint touch. A wooden window frame with a sunburst motif, salvaged from the old garage, is incorporated above the new garage's west facing window. A distinctive cupola which adorned the old building now crowns the new. At the very top a weathervane twirls in the breeze, a gift from Sandy to Harry, who runs Morrison Products, Inc., manufacturers of fans and blowers. "I'm in the air moving business," says Harry. "For this weathervane, there's another guy up there blowing the wind!"

After looking at numerous other houses, Pat and Jim Neville decided to remain in the 1933 Tudor they've called home since 1987. They had been searching the market in hope of finding a house that would provide increased accessibility for their disabled daughter, Lisa, the oldest of three children. "She had a brain tumor when she was 11," Pat says. "It left her with extremely poor balance." Despite being a wheelchair user and having hearing and vision difficulties, Lisa returned to school assisted by an aide who attended classes with her. When she graduated from Shaker High in 1998, she walked across the stage with help and received, Pat says, "a standing ovation from the kids." Pat and Jim found Shaker Schools "very supportive" in procuring services, willing, for instance, to switch a





The Bells' four-season conservatory, imported from England, creates a perfect outdoorsy dining space with access to a terrace and porch.

class from the second to the first floor in order for Lisa to attend. Pat's connections to Shaker Schools are ongoing; she serves as the senior administrative secretary in the curriculum office under Dr. James Paces. An architect with Christian and Klopfer, Inc., Jim Neville also has professional ties to Shaker High, since he designed the new front entrance.

Lisa's workdays take her to "a workshop at United Cerebral Palsy," Jim says. She has also volunteered at Dancing Wheels, a dance company for both the able-bodied and disabled with studios in Masonic Auditorium, and currently takes an art therapy class at the Fairhill Institute.

Before the back of the Nevilles' house was restructured, Lisa came downstairs in the morning and seldom returned to her third floor bedroom until bedtime. That meant spending her days in heavy traffic areas with "no private space," Jim says. Using his architectural expertise, he first developed "a nice plan for a bedroom addition on the first floor." Then he realized how isolated a first-floor bedroom would be.

When they reconsidered "we realized the first floor could stay the way it is. We developed a plan with an elevator and a fully accessible bathroom." An existing porch, which enabled installation, was exchanged for a new wraparound one at



the back of the house, something Pat had always wanted. A sunny three-season room with screened windows, the porch expands the family's downstairs living perfectly. "It gets shade at the end of the day. It gets morning sun. It's very comfortable," remarks Jim. Since none of the windows face west, it seldom rains in.

The elevator, which contains a tele-

phone, provides Lisa access to the basement, first and second floors, giving her the freedom she needed. "She can take the elevator to the basement and watch TV," Pat says. A ride upstairs takes her to her bedroom and adjoining bathroom, all designed with her specific needs in mind.

At the back of the house, the Nevilles added a wheelchair ramp which blends

easily into the new kitchen, porch and deck. "The whole idea was to incorporate the ramp as a design element. The ramp has made it possible for Lisa to get into the van (that takes her to her job). With the help of landscape architect and friend Jim McKnight, the Nevilles beautified their backyard with a decorative pool and added landscaping that turns the ramp into part of the garden in summertime.

At the beginning of this project, which essentially meant tearing off the whole back of the house, Jim worked on the house evenings and weekends. "Every evening" he recalls. "I did all the carpentry and electrical work." For the Nevilles, tackling the Herculean task paid off in creating a home that in Pat's words, is "user friendly" for every family member.

Of the three families, Jim and Vicki Bell have occupied their home the shortest length of time. When they returned to the Cleveland area in 1998 after a stint in Louisville, Kentucky, the Bells faced a decision. Would they stay closer to the city, where Jim, an execu-

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tive vice president for National City Bank, had an office? Or would they move out east necessitating a long commute? In Louisville, Jim could get from home to his desk in six minutes, a situation he favored. They decided to look in Shaker, but in 1998 found there weren't many houses on the market. Eventually, a Tudor revival residence with stone mullioned windows and peaked gables caught their fancy. Designed by architect Monroe Deane, the home was built in 1935-36. Jim got a reasonable commute and their daughters, Maggie and Mimi found private schools close by.

After living in their new home for a year, they tackled the kitchen, which was serviceable but had, according to Vicki, become "tired" and looked dated. They considered a kitchen/family room. "But I knew what I really wanted was a con-

servatory," Vicki says. "We had reached a point in our family's life, in the ages of our children, where we were beyond a family room. They didn't want to be with me all the time and I didn't like their television choices." Since the house had a lovely living room and dining room, it seemed counterproductive to include a family room with the new kitchen. "I wanted a space that would be additive rather than replacing the spaces we already have," Vicki explains. "And then the Cleveland winters being what they are, I wanted something that would be of value in the wintertime." When they remodeled the kitchen, they took pains to incorporate motifs from the home's more formal areas. Tudor arches resembling the ones in the foyer appear on the base of the granite-topped island. Vicki also made sure that the kitchen



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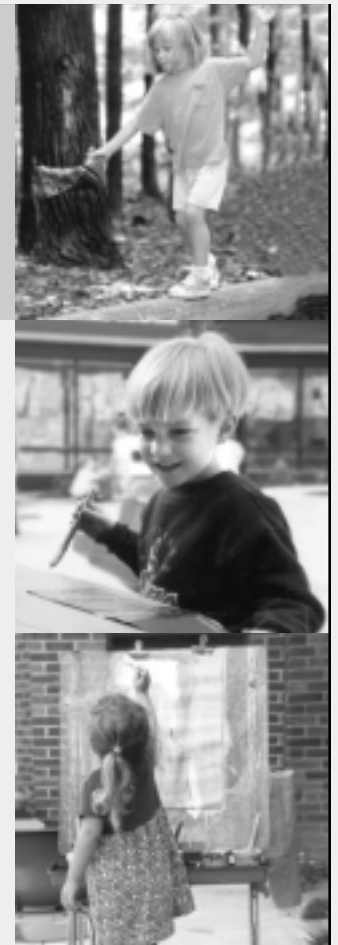
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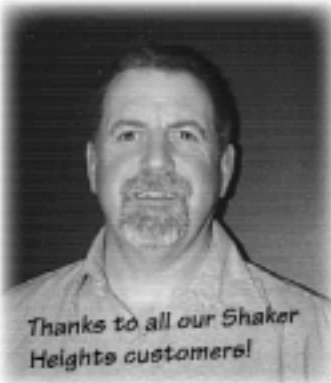
could “grow” a conservatory when they were ready to order one.

Vicki discovered that home decorating magazines often feature conservatories. “I thought it would be so pretty on this house with its very tailored look to have an English conservatory.” The Bells chose an Amdega Conservatory, made in England and imported to the U.S., because she appreciated details such as the reeding on the delicately machined wood panels. The glass comes in modules. “You can have either a full- or a half-length panel,” she says. Besides walls of glass, the conservatory has two French doors, one adjoining the parking area and the other leading to a terrace that connects with an inviting open air porch. To install a conservatory and terrace, the Bells removed “a very large deck. It was a nice deck,” Vicki says, “but it didn’t really keep with the house. You don’t think of Tudor houses as having decks, so that’s what we replaced.”

A delightful spot to doze in the sun, the conservatory also serves as an area for family meals. She’s especially glad to have this indoor dining space with outdoor ambience because they outgrew the kitchen island. “My children kept growing. Somehow four sets of broad shoulders didn’t fit the island anymore. It feels different out here, without the constraint of eating in the dining room.”

Although the conservatory comes in pre-fabricated sections, the Bells used the services of architect Dick Kawalek and project director Mike Rainey from Eggert Construction to prepare the space. A crew from Eggert built a base from the ground up to the knee wall, which is the sill at the bottom of the glass.

A slate floor heated with a radiant pad makes winter mornings cozy. “It has a setback thermostat. It takes the edge off the cold on a winter day.” Last winter Vicki put Christmas lights on the rod that supports the roof. “Before I knew it the mandevilla (a flowering vine) had grown over the Christmas lights, so the lights are a permanent fixture now.” On the floor, pots of hibiscus brighten their surroundings. To help air circulate “there are roof vents just like in a greenhouse. If it’s 80



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The Nevilles also remodeled their first floor, creating a sunny wraparound porch.

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degrees and really sunny, I put on the air conditioning." Reflective blinds on the windows also help the room stay comfortable when the sun shines and outdoor temperature rises.

A sandstone terrace extending from the conservatory to the covered porch at the back of the house provides an integrated exterior space designed by Shakerite Ann Cicarella of Cicarella Landscape Design. "The decking didn't really tie in with the covered porch. She did a nice job of blending the new terrace to the existing porch so it makes a logical flow," remarks Vicki. "It's pretty four seasons of the year. With the boxwood, it's green all winter. When you're sitting at the table in the winter, you have the brick, the greenery, the sundial. And there's visual interest in the parterres." (A parterre is a level space in a garden occupied by an ornamental arrangement of flower beds.) Vicki credits Ann with centering a parterre beyond the covered porch's arch so that people seated in the living room have a view of the ornamental garden. Spring brings a profusion of lilacs, daffodils and tulips. In summer

Vicki switches to pink and white impatiens. The funky light fixture hanging from the covered porch dates back to the home's beginning. Vicki is determined to preserve the light and the bird's nest in its hanging shade. On nights when the conservatory heats up, the porch is usually comfortable and even provides a view of Shaker's July 4th fireworks. Linking the new conservatory with the 30's style covered porch has given the Bells' backyard an English flavor as well as spaces that promote relaxation during all seasons.

Each award-winning project, different in purpose and scope, reflects attention to details that retain a home's character. Since the three homes date from the late twenties to mid thirties, the 2003 awards also demonstrate the adaptability of Shaker's earlier architecture to the needs of today's families.

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# One for the Highway

## Shaker Man rediscovers the all-American vacation

BY JOHN R. BRANDT,

Illustrated by BettyAnne Greene

Nothing gets the Shaker Male's blood flowing faster than the prospect of a Road Trip. Conjuring images of Jack Kerouac, all-night drives and the unlimited vistas of his youth, Shaker Man proclaims that the family's spring vacation will be like an ode to adventure, a rambunctious poem to the open road, a love letter to late night lattes—

"Love letters to late-night lattes?" his spouse asks.

"It's alliteration," he says. "Very beat generation."

"It's a litter bit crazy, if you ask me."

"O ye small-souled travelers," he says, "Ye minions of mediocrity—"

"Just get your beater tuned-up, Mr. Poet Snoreate," Ms. Shaker Man says. "We leave in a week."

So Shaker Man focuses on the three keys to the Road Trip, namely:

**Entertainment:** No Road Trip is complete without entertainment, or at least hasn't been ever since Shaker Man's infant son once screamed for eight hours straight on a drive to Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

"Don't we have some Benadryl?" Shaker Man had asked in desperation. "Just to calm him down?"

"If we did," his wife replied through clenched teeth, "I would have taken it myself."

An emergency visit to a roadside Wal-Mart—complete with Shaker Man throwing \$20 bills at a surprised electronics clerk as he scooped up a 12-volt VCR and every children's video tape

in the store—saved the day and Ms. Shaker Man's sanity.

Now, however, things are different; Shaker Man's son is seven, and able to go entire seconds in a car filled with DVDs, Gameboys, cassettes, books, and toys without announcing, "I'm bored." At the same time, his 11-year-old daughter—usually so absorbed by reading she can't hear phrases such as "For the Third Time, Set the Table for Dinner NOW!"—can last as long as five minutes in a van before shrieking, "Dad, he's *bothering* me."

"What's he doing?"

"He's making noises while I read."

"Don't make noises while she reads."

"But I'm playing with [Unbelievably Annoying Television Superhero]," says Seven. "It's *my* car, too, you know."

"He's right," says Shaker Man. "Just ignore him."

"But *Dad*—"

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"NO MORE BUTS!"

Giggles from the back seat.

"WHAT'S SO FUNNY?"

Says Seven: "You said, 'Butts.'"

"AARGH—"

**Food:** For Shaker Man, part of the allure of the open road is the guilt-free consumption of all the food he loves but knows will kill him: Cheeseburgers, fries, coffee with cream, fries with cheese, Krispy Kremes, Milky Way bars, fries with chili and cheese . . .

"It's like a cholesterol holiday," his wife said on their last trip, surveying with horror a backseat wasteland of fast-food bags, Styrofoam cups, stray French fries and candy wrappers. "We're not doing this again."

"What do you mean?" asked Shaker Man, a half-finished creamstick held between thumb and forefinger like a fine cigar.

"We're going to eat healthy."

"You wouldn't."

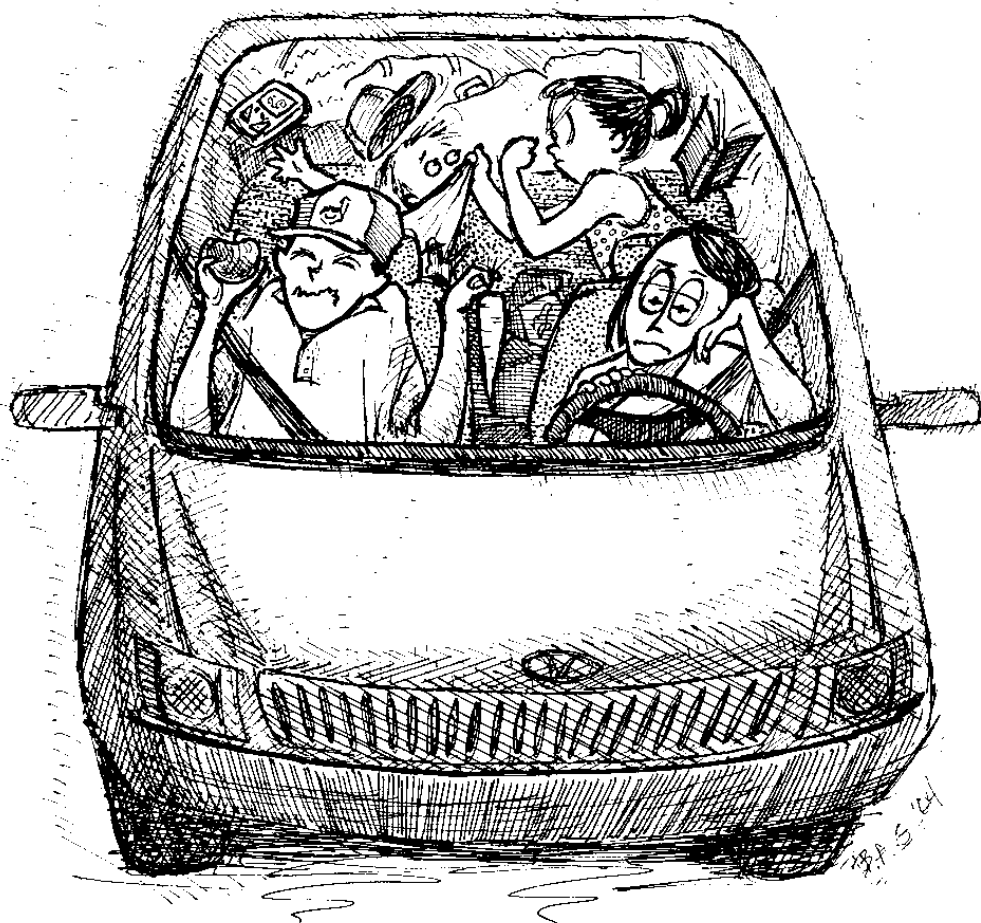
"It's for your own good."

"You know what they say about vegetarians, don't you?"

"I'm sure you'll tell me."

"They don't *actually* live any longer. It just *seems* that way."

"I'll mention that during your bypass surgery."



And so it comes to pass that for this Road Trip, a cooler is bought and provisioned with grapes and apples and bananas and mozzarella sticks and low-fat pretzels. The lunch menu includes pre-made PBJs and a turkey sandwich for Shaker Man (whole-grain, light mayonnaise, no bacon). Water—a substance that seems to Shaker Man to have come from Mars, having no fizz, sugar, creamer, alcohol or taste to it—is the drink of the day.

“Don’t you feel better?” asks Ms. Shaker Man, two hours into the trip.

“Like a new man,” Shaker Man says.

“I told you—

“And you were right. I used to be fat and happy, with a caffeine buzz and high hopes for a donut at the next exit. But now, thanks to our new diet, I’m just fat and cranky.”

“And healthy—”

“—And drowsy.”

“Just think how you’ll feel tomorrow.”

“I’m going to feel like eating a bucket of fried chicken.”

**Driving:** All this travail pales, of course, next to the stress of actually driving. Early in their marriage, when Shaker Man used to drive on Road Trips, a bored Ms. Shaker Man used to

offer helpful pointers every mile or so, phrases such as *Watch Out!* or *You’re too close!* or the ever popular *Why don’t you pass/let him pass/WHAT ARE YOU DOING?* All accompanied by rapid foot actions as Ms. Shaker Man reached repeatedly for an imaginary brake pedal.

So complete was Shaker Man’s subsequent retirement from automotive navigation that once, when Seven was just a toddler, he saw a neighboring father behind the wheel and asked: “Daddy, why is Mr. X driving?”

Unfortunately for Shaker Man, however, it turns out that the requirements for passengers are no less stringent than those for drivers. In the first hour of the Road Trip, he learns – through sighs, Tsks and certain non-verbal clues (i.e., elbows)—that:

Reading is not allowed, if driver cannot read, too;

Working on a laptop computer is not allowed, if driver cannot direct Web searches; and

Playing games on a PDA or other electronic device is not allowed, on general principle.

In fact, the only permissible front-seat passenger activity is, apparently, talking to the driver. Which Shaker Man tries:

“So what are you thinking about,” he says, surrendering at last and tossing news-

paper, computer and PDA under his seat.

“Nothing.”

“You must be thinking something.”

Long pause. “No.”

“So what do you want to talk about?”

Longer pause. “I don’t know.”

“But you said I couldn’t read or work or play, because you wanted to talk.” Longest pause. “I know,” she sighs, “but I’m bored. You think up what we’re going to talk about.”

“But why can’t you—”

“Because I’m driving.”

“But you won’t let me drive—”

“That’s right—”

“But that’s not fair—”

“OK, OK, no more ‘buts,’ please.”

New giggles from the back seat.

“What’s so funny?” asks Shaker Man.

“Mom said ‘Butts—”

“AARGH—”

*John R. Brandt takes to the open road from a home in the Boulevard area, shared with wife Lana, daughter Emma and son Aidan.*



## Hitsinder Gurm: *Caring Cardiologist*

It was the opportunity to work at the world-famous Cleveland Clinic that first lured Hitsinder Gurm and his family to the United States. But it was Shaker Heights' trees that rooted the family here firmly. Gurm, a native of the Punjab region of India, studied medicine in England but always had his eyes set on The Cleveland Clinic. When he was offered a residency, the move was a no-brainer. One look at the stately trees of Shaker Heights, and Gurm and his wife, Roopa, knew exactly where they wanted to live.

"I like the trees, they are really pretty. I think it's something we take for granted," he says. "I am a lover of Shaker Heights, but my wife is the fanatic." Roopa, a pharmacologist by training and now a full-time mom, is active at many Lomond School activities.

Gurm claims that not only was his first day in town the coldest day of his *entire* life, he first had to battle some negative preconceptions about the United States.

"Really, the first day I was here in January 1995 it was way below freezing. I could hardly believe it," he says. "I also had this image of the United States as being riddled with crime. When we were in England, a colleague in Chicago asked me why I didn't move here because the opportunities were so much better. I said I had a wife who was expecting and I had to consider my family's safety. Now, having experienced it, I know that I feel safer here than in most other places in the world."

Because he and his family felt so welcome and safe in Shaker Heights, Gurm was able to concentrate on being chief resident of internal medicine at the Clinic, then learning cardiology and finally, interventional cardiology, where he is learning to "find and fix" blockages in arteries. His father, a farmer in India, jokes that his son is finally running out of degrees to seek. Gurm is the first physician in his family.

"Practicing medicine is a privilege, it's not just a job," he says. "Sometimes it's easy to feel that we don't make that much of a difference in the larger picture. But I find that just taking the time to talk to patients, relating to



GURM APPRECIATES SHAKER'S DIVERSE, COSMOPOLITAN COMMUNITY. AT A RECENT PARTY HE MET PEOPLE FROM PARTS OF THE WORLD HE MAY NEVER SEE. "IT WAS AT A GERMAN FAMILY'S HOUSE AND THERE WERE PEOPLE FROM CAMEROON AND FRANCE AND TONGA—PEOPLE I NEVER DREAMED I WOULD MEET."

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## Susan Shurin: *Inspiring Professor*

Teaching is like breathing to Susan B. Shurin, professor of pediatrics and oncology at the Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. In fact, someone once told her that he thought he couldn't pay her *not* to teach. So when she accepted a new position at the university about a year and a half ago, Shurin made sure she could still keep her hand in teaching. That extra effort may have helped her snag the 2003 Kaiser Permanente Award for Excellence in teaching of medical students.

"I've been nominated every year I've been here," she says. "I always say that being nominated is as good as getting it. But this year, I got it!"

Maybe the judges noted that she insisted on teaching despite juggling a full-time job as vice-president and secretary. Or it could be that they noted she always signs up for the first five weeks of continuous call with each new rotation. Although that's a particularly demanding time to be the attending physician, that's when Shurin knows she's getting her students when they are still fresh.

"So much of their attitudes are formed early in their experience," Shurin says. "A lot of patterns are set early on. So modeling at that time is a huge responsibility. Now I love the science behind what I do—you could get me going on red cell membranes for a long time—but I also love helping these bright, motivated young adults become strong professionals. It's an incredible privilege."

Shurin is especially keen to show the residents how to approach their patients and their patients' parents. She urges them not to speak in "medical-ese" and not to give them too much information at first. "Once they hear that their child has cancer, they're not going to absorb a lot after that," she says. Shurin leads "dry runs" in her office where residents practice their delivery on her. She also models good bedside behavior. "You don't want them to barge in in the middle of the night and turn on all the lights and start talking. I want them to be gentle and kind, and they need to learn that early."

Shurin's first teacher of bedside manners was her grandfather, a pediatrician, who would take her with him on house calls when she was growing up in St. Louis. "I've also been incredibly privileged to have some fantastic teachers along the way. They modeled great behavior and they taught me how to think. A computer has



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## Gurm

them on a one-to-one basis is rewarding in itself. I think that when you are a student you are rushed, and the human part of medicine is easy to miss. But dealing with people is the most gratifying part."

As much as Gurm enjoys dealing with people and learning, learning, he also sees himself in an academic position someday. He feels that the United States is the best place in the world for research and intellectual gain. "America truly attracts the best minds," he says. "The atmosphere here is more collegial, there is a flow of ideas between senior and junior colleagues. It is truly a free-thinking environment. The opportunities for top-level research simply do not exist many places outside of the United States and you find that research sustains you and you thrive on it—it's an addiction."

When Gurm does have free time, he spends it with his family and friends. He's also a fan of Shaker Library's foreign films (particularly by Japanese director Akira Kurosawa) and also likes to relax with a good book, citing Milan Kundera, Salman Rushdie and Arundhati Roy (*The God of Small Things*) as his favorite authors.

And Gurm, a regular at Lomond's International Families program, appreciates Shaker's diverse, cosmopolitan community. At a recent party he met people from parts of the world he may well never see. "It was at a German family's house and there were people from Cameroon and France and Tonga—people I never dreamed I would meet. This is truly an American asset. We know people from Lomond who were born in Switzerland or adopted children from Korea, or who are Italian-American or who were posted to Spain."

Maybe that's why the Gurms, and their daughters, Azba, 9, and Zoya, 5, feel that Shaker Heights is home. Their years in England and their place of origin in India don't set them so far apart from many of the people they meet at school, at work, and in the neighborhood.



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information, but it takes a person to pick up on non-verbal cues and really get to know someone. You can't change a diagnosis, but you can change the experience so that a family is not totally devastated."

Shurin's new position is acting as liaison between the university's trustees and the new president, Shaker resident Edward Hundert. The aim is to make Case a peer of the Ivy League schools with a reputation that goes well beyond Cleveland. Part of that will be increasing available research and writing time for professors. "Here's where I get to think like a faculty member," she says. "If we want to increase our publication rates and quality presentations, then we have to provide the support for the faculty. You can't be writing when you have to spend your time in the Xerox room before class.

"My background is Harvard, and there students barely register on the faculty's screen. The faculty is busy generating new ideas which, in turn, brings in outside funding. Yes, they are valued for their teaching, but they are also valued for their output of scholarship. A truly great university is driven by the entrepreneurial spirit and revolutionary ideas of the faculty. They should be out there creating new things and challenging traditional thought. That's what they're supposed to do!"

Shurin has been with the university for more than 26 years. That's the longest she's lived in any one place. Her son, Jonathan, is a Shaker grad who went on to earn his PhD in zoology. She must have passed the teaching genes on to him. "He is an inspired teacher," she says. "I got to go out to the University of Santa Barbara and see him with his students. It was very rewarding."

Just as she took her cue from her pediatrician grandfather, Shurin's son must have taken his cue from his mother, the prize-winning teacher. It's good to have someone in the family to look up to.



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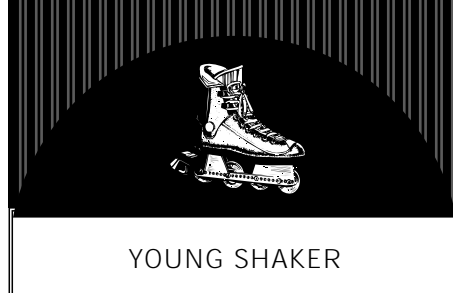
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# The Music Makers



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BY AMY GARVEY





Some kids get together and shoot hoops. Some kids get together and play video games. And some kids get together and make music. Shaker High School's music department is churning out batches of musically talented teenagers who aren't content to just make music in class. They find like-minded friends to "play" with. And some of them are so good that they're performing in public long before they can even drive themselves to the site!

Morissa Freiberg was a windfall for the band Perfunktory. Not only could the classically trained cellist play bass guitar, she's a senior and has a driver's license. Founding members Jackson Richards and Max Gardner are sophomores. Saxophonist Casey Reese is a junior. If they ever hoped to get out of Jackson's basement (he's the drummer) they needed wheels.

Jackson says, "Max and I have been friends forever – since preschool, really. I started playing keyboard as a fifth-grader and we played together. We started writing music for this band in winter 2001. We needed a saxophone for one song, and we knew Casey from school. So he came down and started playing in October 2002 and now he plays all the time. We met Morissa through mutual friends and learned she played the bass when we needed a bass player."

Morissa says, "I've been playing cello

for almost nine years. In eighth grade, my mother decided I should learn to play the bass so she bought me one. She's really cool. And sometimes I'll play cello in some songs."

The four teenagers have diverse tastes in music. Jackson is a bit of a Grateful Dead fan, Max is into metal, Casey listens to rap and Morissa likes Tori Amos and Ani DiFranco. Not surprisingly, their music is a funky combination of all these influences. "That's what I think's cool about us. We mix elements of jam and metal and funk," Jackson says. The band got its name when "perfunctory" was a vocabulary word in school.

Lead guitarist Max does most of the composing for the band. However, he doesn't write anything down. "I don't know how to write music," he admits. "And my music-reading skills aren't so sharp." So when he comes up with something that sounds good to him, he brings it to the rest of the group. They listen and join in with Jackson and Max sharing the vocals. It's all done by ear.

The results are impressive. It's jazzy, bluesy, funky foot-tapping stuff that's sure to be popular. Perfunktory has already played at Phantasy Night Club and The Pit. They plan to have a CD out soon. The only thing holding up their careers is that now they need someone to book shows for them, Max says.

That "graduating-from-high-school-thing" might be a bit in the way as well. Then there are the various part-time jobs, summer camps and academic demands to work around. These music-lovers also play with other groups. Jackson is in Shaker High's Jazz, Concert and Marching Bands. Max is also a Jazz Band member. Morissa belongs to the Contemporary Youth Orchestra.

"We're all serious musicians," Jackson says. "We'll play for free, we just like to play!"

To find out the group's concert schedule, check out their website, [www.perfunktory.8m.com](http://www.perfunktory.8m.com).

The trio of Samantha Flowers, Aaron Stephens and James Quarles has already performed at the local clubs Rhythm Room, Spy Bar and Kilimanjaro. The group took first place in the Spring 2003 Cleveland State University talent show and performed for record company representatives in Chicago this summer. They even have an international representative.

Their fellow students might know them better as LMNTL (Mom and Dad—it sounds like elemental). They rap, they sing, they dance, they joke—they are born entertainers—but they still have to tell their moms that they've done their homework.

At a moment's notice, Aaron is beat-

Perfunktory, consisting of bassists Morissa Freiberg and Max Gardner, drummer Jackson Richards and saxophonist Casey Reese, creates a brand of rock that's a hit on the local teen band circuit.



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ing a rhythm, James is, well, sounding like he's playing a horn and Samantha breaks into a rap. Even without microphones, everything comes through loud and clear. "That's the lunch table thing," Aaron says. "Our teachers weren't really excited about it. Except our math teacher. He raps himself."

THEIR PARENTS ARE PROUD AND SUPPORTIVE—THEY HAVE TO BE, SINCE THE TRIO NEEDED RIDES ALL OVER TOWN BEFORE THEY COULD DRIVE.

Samantha, a.k.a. Shorte, explains that she has known Aaron forever. "He's my godbrother," she says. "He introduced me to James and when James found out I rapped, it just all came together." James, a.k.a. Kain'n, recalls, "We were in eighth grade when I met Shorte. We listened to her and said, 'This is good.' Aaron acts as producer, making the beats, while James and Samantha write and rap. 'James and I will come up with some ideas and we go back and forth and you just put in whatever verse you have,'" she says.

Aaron, a.k.a. Krusial, can be credited with introducing the group to its international agent, Thione Niang. As Aaron's addiction to making music grew, his grades fell. His mother, Michele DeVaughn, stepped in and hooked him up with Niang for tutoring. As well as offering academic support, Niang is using his connections in Paris, Italy and England to introduce the group to the international scene. Niang says, "We want them to be worldwide."

Any international tour will have to be booked around the school year, though. All three students know that college is in their future. For seniors Aaron and James, the pressure is on already. A year younger, Samantha has a little more time. Their LMNTL experiences will make for eye-catching college essays, though, and they can even throw in a CD. All three intend to be connected to the music industry in some way all of their lives.

Their parents are proud and supportive—they have to be, since the trio needed rides all over town before they could drive. DeVaughn says, "Although it's demanding, I like it because that means



The members of LMNTL are taking their original rap global. From left, James "Kain'n" Quarles, Samantha "Shorte" Flowers and Aaron "Krusial" Stephens.



CUDA, which plays ska music, a blend of reggae and jazz, consists of lead Reid Curry (front) and, from left, Brandon Hemmelgarn, Lance Ballard, Will Dudley and Robby Barnett.

Aaron doesn't have too much extra time on his hands to get into trouble. It's a very positive thing for them. All of their songs have positive messages. There's no cursing. They're about something that's going on in life. And, as long as they keep it positive, I think it's great." Debra Quarles, James' mother and one

of the group's manager, admits, "I've been this road before. I have another son who's into music, too, so I know how to make sure the homework gets done and the extracurricular activities are kept up. If we have to declare a study night as a group, I'll be glad to be there!"

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Some Shaker students are into 'skanking.' Don't panic. Skanking is dancing, as in "I wanna skank my troubles away." At least that's how members of Shaker High's ska band, CUDA, describe it.

Lead singer Reid Curry says, "Ska is older than reggae; it was the first big Jamaican musical style. We gravitated towards it because it's happy music and fun to play. There's lots of jazz in it. Besides, you can't have sax and trombone in rock n' roll!"

The horn-heavy group includes saxophonist Robby Barnett, guitarist Will Dudley, drummer Lance Ballard and trombonist Brandon Hemmelgarn. They've known each other since seventh grade and have been playing together for a year. But they say they still don't know what their band's name means. "It's a completely random name," Reid laughs. "We have no idea what it means. People submit their ideas to the website."

Between school activities, CUDA has performed at The Pit, Peabody's and the Rhythm Room. Robby admits they're not quite famous yet. "We've opened for bands that open for other people," he says. "But we seem to have good stage presence!" Reid adds that even the biggest ska artists aren't famous, nor do they seek to be. For ska followers, it's all about the music, not celebrity.

The group gelled when its members realized they all played instruments and liked to listen to the same music. Though CUDA plays a few cover songs, they prefer to get together and write their own. Often, one person brings in an idea, and everyone contributes to it. The hard part is getting everyone together for their standard two- or three-hour practice. In contrast, their performances, usually only last a half-hour.

Reid's mom, Sandy Curry, who hosts the band's practices in her Sussex home, doesn't mind a bit. "They are a great bunch of kids and we love having them here. I actually like this music. My husband, Rob, and I have always liked reggae. I like the timing, the way they change the rhythm throughout. It's great fun."

To find out what CUDA is up to, check out their website, [www.cudaska.com](http://www.cudaska.com).







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The program features Boulevard Theatre actors and actresses performing humorous vignettes and monologues. Tickets are available beginning March 1

at the Circulation Desks at both libraries. For more information, please call the library at 991-2030.

### Library and City Sponsor 10th Annual Teen Job Fair

The Library and City are cosponsoring the 10th Annual Teen Job Fair for youth ages 16 and older from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 11 at Main Library.

Prior to the Job Fair, teens will have two opportunities to attend *Tips for Teens Workshops* led by staff from Youth Opportunities Unlimited, where they can pick up tips on interviewing and the importance of making a good first impression.

*Tips for Teens Workshops* are offered at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 4 at Woods



Shaker resident Johnine Byrne (pictured) won Best of Show for her acrylic painting, *Lanterns*, in the 5th Annual Barbara Luton Art Competition, funded by Friends of the Shaker Library.

The Juror for this year's competition was Shaker resident Joanne R. Cohen of JRC Art Advisory, who has curated art shows for the Cleveland Foundation and will help jury the Cleveland Arts Prize for the next three years.

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Branch and at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 9 at Main Library. Participants in the *Tips for Teens Workshops* will gain priority entrance to the Job Fair on March 11.

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### Computer Center Closed through April 4

During the month of March through April 4, the Main Library Computer Center will be closed for library training. During that time the Training Lab will be open to the public. Residents who wish to schedule computer time should call 991-2030 Ext. 3187 to reserve their times. The Computer Center will re-open for normal public use at 1 p.m., Monday April 5.

### Women of Mystery Film and Panel Discussion

Mystery fans and aspiring authors are invited to a film and panel discussion about women writers of crime fiction at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 7 at Main Library.

Watch the 53-minute documentary, *Women of Mystery*, which profiles authors Sara Paretsky, Sue Grafton and Marcia Muller.

A panel discussion following the movie will feature three local women of mystery, including **JoAnn Vicarel**, librarian and author of *A Reader's Guide to the Police Procedural*; Edgar Award-winning novelist **Teri White** and retired Cleveland police lieutenant **Lucie J. Duvall**, the first woman to run a vice unit in the country and subject of the book *Working Vice: The Gritty True Story of Lt. Lucie J. Duvall*.

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Writing activities for children in grades 2 – 5.

Spring Session: March 10 – May 5, 2004. (There will be no program on March 31.)

4:15 p.m. Wednesdays

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Spring Session: March 18 – May 6

4:15 p.m. Thursdays

Registration began February 26.

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A reading-centered book club for children in grades 3 & 4.

Spring Session: March 16 – May 4

4:15 p.m. Tuesdays

Registration began February 24.

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Women's Orchestra, directed by Robert Cronquist, will perform at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 15 at the Main Library.

Founded in 1935 to provide performance opportunities for women, The Cleveland Women's Orchestra is the oldest of the many women's orchestras that flourished during the early part of the century.

Residents who seek quiet study or research assistance the evening of March 15 may wish to use the Woods Branch.

### Memoir Writing Program Offered at Woods Branch

The Library and the Poets' & Writers' League of Greater Cleveland will present "*Writing Memoirs: The Basics*" at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 20 at Bertram Woods Branch. The program will address the basic components of writing memoirs and is designed to encourage residents to consider writing their own personal stories.

A portion of the program will focus on the many resources available at the library for writers and researchers. This program is free and residents of all ages are encouraged to attend; no previous writing experience is necessary. Please call Woods Information Desk at 991-2421 for reservations.

### 6th Annual MLK Writing Contest Winners Announced

Winners of the 6th annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Student Writing Contest were honored at a January reception.

Winners in grades 3 & 4 were: First Place, **Eli Millette**, Lomond School 3rd grade; Second Place: **Hannah Chelimsky**, Onaway School, 4th grade; Third Place: **Asia Blue**, Lomond School, 3rd grade. Winners in grades 5 & 6 were: First Place: **Cecelia Mercer**, Woodbury School, 5th grade; Second Place: **Kevin Verne**, Woodbury School, 6th grade; Third Place: **Callum Orr**, Woodbury School, 6th grade. Winners in grades 7 & 8 were: First Place: **Santia Prater**, Shaker Middle School, 8th grade; Second Place: **Robert Owen**, Shaker Middle School, 8th grade; Third Place: **Crystal Wood**, Shaker Middle School, 8th grade.

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test were coordinated by Cheryl Darden and included Mary Tinsley, Linda Edwards, Lisa Banks and Cheryl Safold. All participants' work was printed on the back of bookmarks distributed by the library during Black History Month.

### Library Hires Teen Librarian

The library has hired Audrey Leventhal to serve as Teen Librarian. Leventhal received her M.L.I.S degree in May 2003 from Kent State University, where she received a Drew Carey Scholarship. She has 20 years of volunteer experience working with youth in the Cleveland Heights and Beachwood public schools and most recently worked at our neighboring Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library. Prior to attending library school, Audrey worked as an advertising/marketing copywriter for area agencies.

### Winning Art on Display through March 7

The winning artwork in the Fifth Annual Barbara Luton Art competition will be on display through March 9 on the second floor of the Main Library.

### Poetry Not in the Woods and Open Mic Night

The library's poetry series continues at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 25 at Main Library with readings by *UrbanDialect* cofounder Daniel Gray-Kontar, Cleveland emcee and hip-hop performer Q-Nice, and poet Jim Lang.

In celebration of National Poetry Month the library will offer two special programs. 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 7 step up to the *Open Mic* at Main Library moderated by veteran poetry slam competitor, audio artist and A-V librarian Kristen Drake. Bring 5 minutes of original material and sign up for a stint behind the microphone. Registration begins March 1 by calling 991-2030.

At 7 p.m. Thursday, April 29 enjoy a unique poetry and dance collaboration featuring Cincinnati poet F. Keith Wahle, dancer Judith Mikita and Case assistant professor Thomas Sayers Ellis. at the Main Library.

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*Mrs. Lincoln and Mrs. Keckly: The Remarkable Story of the Friendship Between a First Lady and a Former Slave* by Jennifer Fleischer (2003)

This dual biography provides an intimate look at the relationship between the often-maligned Mary Todd Lincoln, and her former slave and dressmaker, Elizabeth Keckly. Set against the racial tensions of Reconstruction-Era America, the dynamics of their personal friendship are riveting.

*Madam Secretary: A Memoir* by Madeleine Albright (2003)

This well written, engaging memoir provides an unusually candid account of Albright's struggles as a wife, mother and tireless promoter of global humanitarianism.

*Mayada, Daughter of Iraq: One Woman's Survival Under Saddam Hussein* by Jean Sasson (2003)

Concepts of repression and courage take on new meaning when Mayada, a formerly honored and distinguished Iraqi woman, finds herself a prisoner of Saddam Hussein. Sasson also wrote *Princess: A True Story of Life Behind the Veil in Saudi Arabia*.

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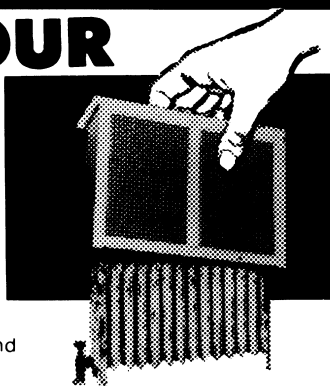
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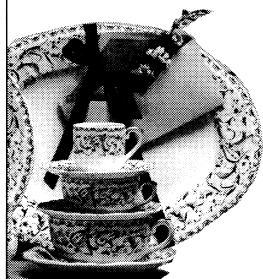
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*My Invented Country: A Nostalgic Journey Through Chile* by Isabel Allende (2003)  
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*Somebody's Someone: A Memoir* by Regina Louise (2003)  
Written in the vernacular, Regina Louise tells the story of her life in the social welfare system. Her struggles and eventual success in becoming "somebody's someone" are cause for cheering.

*Sweet Caroline: Last Child of Camelot* by Christopher Anderson (2003)  
The author of several books about the Kennedy family writes a moving and intimate portrait of Caroline Kennedy, the woman all America views as 'their child.'

## Book Discussions

### MARCH

- 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 9 at Main Library: *Montana 1948* by Larry Watson  
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 9 at Main Library: *The Terra-Cotta Dog* by Andrea Camilleri  
2 p.m. Saturday, March 13 at Main Library: *Big Stone Gap* by Adriana Trigiani  
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 17 at Main Library: *The Prize Winner of Defiance Ohio* by Terry Ryan  
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 23 at Main Library: *Vanity Fair* by William Makepeace Thackeray

### APRIL

- 2 p.m. Saturday, April 10 at Main Library: *The Flamingo Rising* by Larry Baker  
10 a.m. Tuesday, April 13 at Main Library: *Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight: An African Childhood* by Alexandra Fuller  
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 13 at Main Library: *Wet Grave* by Barbara Hambly

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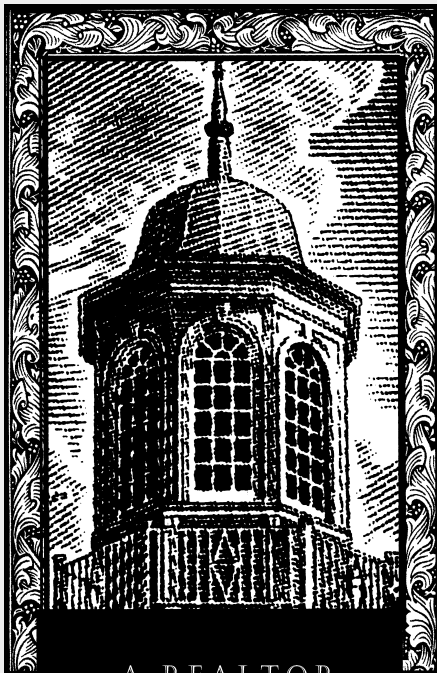
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3 p.m. Thursday, April 8 at Woods Branch: *The Last Girls* by Lee Smith  
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 21 at Main Library: *April 1865: The Month That Saved America* by Jay Winik  
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 27 at Main Library: *The Cider House Rules* by John Irving

In addition to book discussions, the library offers two *Recent & Recommended* book talks at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 10 and at 3 p.m. Thursday March 11 at Woods Branch, when librarians offer reading suggestions of new or over-looked fiction. All programs are free; however, registration is requested at the library where you will attend.

### Sunday Movie Series

The library continues its Sunday Movie series with films followed by discussion with a guest speaker. 2 p.m. Sunday, March 21 watch the film *Stranger Than Paradise*, written and directed by former Shaker resident Jim Jarmusch. The black-and-white film offers a glimpse into the aimless lives of three people. Following the film, *Plain Dealer* film critic and Shaker resident **Joanna Connors** will talk about reviewing films and field questions from the audience.

2 p.m. Sunday, April 18, watch the movie *Slam* followed by a discussion with Slam Poet **Kelly Harris**, a member of the 2003 Cleveland Slam poetry team. Harris is a graduate student at Kent State University and has published two chapbooks of poetry.

### Woods Branch Programs Include Levity in the Library and Memory Circle Poetry

Join friends and neighbors for an evening of fun at Woods Branch Library when the library presents *Levity in the Library* at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 1. No fooling!

Adults and children are encouraged to bring a favorite joke or silly riddle and share it with the audience. Members of Eastside Toastmasters will provide pointers on public speaking and teach attendees how to deliver punch lines effectively.

7 p.m. Thursday, April 15, share your favorite poem with others. Adults

and children can read and recite poetry in the library's "memory circle."

To reserve your place behind the microphone, please call 991-2421.

### Footnotes

The **Library Board** meets at 6:30 p.m. Mondays, March 8 in the Woods Branch Community Room and April 12 in the Main Library Boardroom.

The Red Cross **Bloodmobile** will be at the Main Library from 2 – 7 p.m. Monday, March 8 in Community Rooms E & F for residents who wish to donate blood.

BOTH LIBRARIES WILL BE CLOSED FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 12 FOR STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. THEY WILL RE-OPEN FROM 1 – 6 P.M. MAIN LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED SUNDAY, APRIL 11 FOR EASTER.

### Friends Sponsor Drive-By Book Drop and Spring Book Sale

Spring cleaning? Friends of the Library are seeking gently-used books for their Spring Book Sale. To make it easy for residents to donate books, they will be at the Main Library Saturday, April 3 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to help unload books and provide receipts for tax purposes.

The Friends' Spring Book Sale will be held from April 22 to 25 on the second floor of the Main Library. The Friends' Preview Night will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 22. The sale opens to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 23; and Saturday, April 24. Sunday, April 25 hours are 1 to 3 p.m. Friends will sell bags of books for \$5.

Residents who would like to help set up before and volunteer during the Book Sale should call the library and leave their name and telephone number.



# 2004 Shaker Summer Camp Guide

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FUNDAY: JUNE 11, 14-18; TWO-WEEK  
SESSIONS FROM JUNE 21 - AUG. 13.

### **Teens Learning to Connect (TLC)**

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9 A.M. TO 3 P.M., JULY 6-23.

### **KidzArt Camp**

GRADES 1-5

Jewelry-making, macramé, collage designs, origami and more.

9 A.M. TO NOON, JUNE 28 TO JULY .

### **Band Camp**

GRADES 6-8

Small group instruction, music theory and exposure to various musical styles, including jazz.

TWO-WEEK MORNING AND AFTERNOON  
SESSIONS HELD 9-11:30 A.M. AND 12:30-  
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### **Theatre Camp: Shaker Summer Theater**

GRADES 5-11

Acting, directing, dance, music and design lessons culminate in a non-musi-



cal production. Everyone has the opportunity to be in the spotlight. Also includes swimming. Before & after care available.

9 A.M. TO 3 P.M., JUNE 14-JULY 2.

### **Theatre Camp: Shaker on Stage**

GRADES 3-10

Learn drama and movement; participate in a staged musical production. Before & after care available.

9 A.M. TO 3 P.M., JULY 6 -23.

### **Aquatics: Junior Lifeguard Training Camp (Ellis & Associates)**

12-14 YEARS.

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10-11:30 A.M., JULY 12-30.

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GRADES 3-6; PEE WEE, GRADES K-  
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GRADES 6-8

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GRADES 1-8.

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PREK-4 (CO-ED).

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AUG. 2 - 27, WEEKDAYS FROM 8 A.M. TO

6 P.M.; VARIOUS OPTIONS.

**Tennis Camps**

INTRO, GRADES 4-8;

INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED, GRADES 5-

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JUNE 14 - JULY 30. 9 A.M. VARIOUS

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9.30 - 11 A.M. OR 1-3 P.M., JUNE 14 -

AUG. 6.

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## Events *for* March

**2 Environmental Brown Bag Lunch, H2Ohio: Water and Economic Development**, NOON – 1 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Dave Nash will talk about H2Ohio, a broad-based partnership launching a regional initiative to promote economic development while preserving our most valuable natural asset – water. Free. INFO: 321-5935.

**2 Smart Marketing of Rental Properties**, 7 P.M., COMMUNITY BUILDING. *Lessee fair!* Learn how to promote your rental property to potential tenants. INFO: 491-1370.

**2 Band Concert**, 7:30 P.M., SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL. Shaker High's band of renown previews their band contest form.

**2 Shaker Sports Boosters**, 7:30 P.M., SHAKER HIGH TEACHERS' LOUNGE. Parent promoters of all sports meet to plan. INFO: JOANNE WEISS, 283-0772 OR JANE GLADDEN, 378-0613.

**4 Movies at Main**, 6:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Watch the hilarious comedy *Duplex*, starring Ben Stiller and Drew Barrymore. Rated PG-13. INFO: 991-2030.

**4 Tips for Teens Workshop**, 7:30 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. Staff from Youth Opportunities Unlimited will teach how to put your best foot forward and land your first job. Teens attending receive priority admission to the Job Fair on March 11. INFO: 991-2421.

**4 – 7 Once Upon A Mattress**, 7 P.M., LAUREL SCHOOL, ONE LYMAN CIRCLE. Students perform this musical fairy tale spoof. TICKETS & INFO: 464-1441.

**5 First Friday Movie**, 1 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Watch *The Fighting Temptations* starring Cuba Gooding, Jr. INFO: 991-2030.

**6 Shaker Youth Baseball League Registration**, 9 A.M. – 3 P.M., THORNTON PARK. Swing into spring for the boys and girls of summer in grades 3 – 10. Fees: \$90/player with a family cap at \$225 plus a \$30 pay-to-play fee to the city. Managers and coaches

### Ongoing Activities

**Thru March 7: Art Exhibit**, MAIN LIBRARY. View the art juried into the Fifth Annual Barbara Luton Art Competition. INFO: 991-2030.

**March 1 – April 18: Exhibit**. SHAKER HISTORICAL MUSEUM. View *Women's Work*, an exhibit of sewing boxes, baskets, accessories and textiles. \$2/adults; \$1/children ages 6 – 18. INFO: 921-1201.

**Tuesdays & Fridays thru April 12: AARP Tax Assistance**, 9 A.M. – 4 P.M. SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. IRS-trained tax consultants for middle and low-income taxpayers in the 60+ set. TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT, CALL: 491-1360.

are welcome! INFO: 556-5708 OR VISIT THE WEB SITE AT [WWW.SYBL.COM](http://WWW.SYBL.COM).

**6 A Night for the Red and White**, 7:30 P.M., INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL, 9801 CARNEGIE AVE. Black-tie block party to raise funds for Shaker Schools. *Celebrate the schools; help keep technology keen! Wear your red and black to the benefit scene!* Annie Hubbard, Kelly Licina, Susan Hughes and Jennifer Wright have been busy planning a festive night. TICKETS & INFO: CHRISTINE AUGINAS, 295-4325.

**7 Women of Mystery**, 2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Watch the documentary about women mystery writers followed by a panel discussion featuring Edgar Award-winning novelist Teri White, librarian and *A Reader's Guide to the Police Procedural* author JoAnn Vicarel and retired Cleveland police lieutenant and first woman to run a vice unit, Lucie J. Duvall. INFO: 991-2030.

**8 Red Cross Bloodmobile**, 2 – 7 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. No appointment needed. INFO: 991-2030.

### Destinations...

**BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH LIBRARY**  
20600 Fayette Road

**MAIN LIBRARY**  
16500 Van Aken Boulevard

**THE NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES**  
2600 South Park Boulevard

**SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING**  
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3450 Lee Road

**SHAKER FAMILY CENTER**  
19824 Sussex Road

**SHAKER HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL**  
15911 Aldersyde Drive

**SHAKER HISTORICAL MUSEUM**  
16740 South Park Boulevard

**SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
20600 Shaker Boulevard

**THORNTON PARK**  
20701 Farnsleigh Road

**9 Tips for Teens Workshop**, 7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Staff from Youth Opportunities Unlimited will teach how to put your best foot forward and land your first job. Teens attending receive priority admission to the Job Fair on March 11. INFO: 991-2421.

**9 Book Discussion**, 10 A.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Discuss Larry Watson's coming-of-age story *Montana 1948*. INFO: 991-2030.

**10 Recent & Recommended Book Talk**, 7 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. Librarians suggest new or overlooked books to read. Program repeats at 3 p.m. March 11. INFO: 991-2421.

**11 Photography Club Meeting**, 6 - 8 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Field photography! Join a club for nature enthusiasts. Photo club meets the second Thursday of every month. INFO: ROBERT SCHEPENS AT TEMPHIRES@EARTHLINK.NET OR STEFANIE LADER AT LADER@SHAKERLAKES.ORG 321-5935, EXT. 228.

**11 Teen Job Fair**, 7 - 8:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Teens ages 16 & up are invited to meet potential employers for summer or seasonal employment. INFO: AUDREY LEVENTHAL, 991-2030.

**12 Spring Musical**, 7:30 P.M., SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL, 20600 SHAKER BLVD. Saturday matinee on March 13 at 2 p.m. TICKETS & INFO: 295-4100.

**13 Annual Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction**, 9 - 11 A.M., THE COOPERATIVE NURSERY SCHOOL AT HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 17300 VAN AKEN BLVD. Flip for pancakes, sausages, juice and coffee and silent auction items! Tickets: \$5/adults; \$2/child; \$14/family max. INFO: ROBYNNE MCKEE, 491-8744 OR [www.geocities.com/cnshcc/preschool.html](http://www.geocities.com/cnshcc/preschool.html).

**13 Laurel School Admission Office Tours**, 9 A.M. - NOON. LAUREL SCHOOL. Drop-in school tours; no reservations needed. INFO: 464-0946.

**13 Book Discussion**, 2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Discuss *Big Stone Gap* by Adriana Trigiani. INFO: 991-2030.

**15 Cleveland Women's Orchestra**, 7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. The library celebrates Women's History Month with a performance by the oldest women's orchestra in America. INFO: 991-2030.

**15 Coffee with Mayor & Council**, ARABICA, 20630 N. PARK BLVD. 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

**16 Coffee with Mayor & Council**, KOKOPELLI, 3427 LEE RD. 1:30 - 2:30 P.M.

**17 Book Discussion**, 7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Discuss Terry Ryan's loving tribute to her remarkable mother *The Prize Winner of Defiance Ohio: How My Mother Raised 10 Kids on 25 Words or Less*. INFO: 991-2030.

**17 & 18 New Stages XXII**, 8 P.M., SHAKER HIGH, 15911 ALDERSYDE DRIVE. Festival of new plays written, directed, managed & acted by students. Shows on March 19 & 20 at 7:15 p.m. & 9 p.m. Tickets: \$10/adults; \$5/students & seniors. INFO: 295-4287.

**18 Coffee with Mayor & Council**, STARBUCKS, 3470 WARRENSVILLE CENTER RD. 7:30 - 8:30 A.M.

**18 Down to Earth: Nature's Role in U.S. History**, 9:30 TO 11 A.M., NATURE CENTER. Friends of the Nature Center sponsor Case History Professor Ted Steinberg's discussion and slide show about our evolving landscape. INFO: 321-5935.

**18 Health Roundtable**, 11:30 A.M., SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. City Nurse Sandi Hurley moderates healthy talks and brown bag lunch for seniors. INFO: 491-1481.

**18 Northeast Ohio College Fair**, 7 P.M., CLEVELAND HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL, 13263 CEDAR RD. Opportunity for college-bound co-eds to meet many representatives from colleges and explore educational options. INFO: LYNN ROETH, 371-7149.

**18 Neighborhood Grants Information Session**, 7:30 - 9:00 P.M., SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. Learn how your group can apply for neighborhood project funding. INFO: GAIL GIBSON, 491-1331, EMAIL: GAIL.GIBSON@CI.SHAKER-HEIGHTS.OH.US

**19 Coffee with Mayor & Council**, J. PISTONE, 3245 WARRENSVILLE CTR. ROAD. 7:30 - 8:30 A.M.

**20 Writing Memoirs: The Basics**, 2 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. *A memorable afternoon!* Poets' and Writers' League of Greater Cleveland promote memoir writing and help members prepare their personal stories. Library staff provides info on resources available. INFO: 991-2421.

**21 Stranger Than Paradise with Joanna Connors**, 2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Watch the film *Stranger Than Paradise* and discuss it afterward with *Plain Dealer* film critic and Shaker resident Joanna Connors. INFO: 991-2030.

## Ongoing Family Activities

**Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays: Play and Learn Station and Play and Learn Babies**, 10 A.M. - NOON, MAIN LIBRARY SECOND FLOOR. Free, drop-in, literacy-based play for parents and caregivers with children up to 5 years old co-sponsored by Shaker Library and Shaker Family Center. Evening hours on Thursdays from 6 - 8 p.m. INFO: 991-2030 OR 921-2023.

**Mondays & Wednesdays: Patricia S. Mearns Family Playroom**, 9:30 A.M. - NOON AND 4 - 6 P.M.

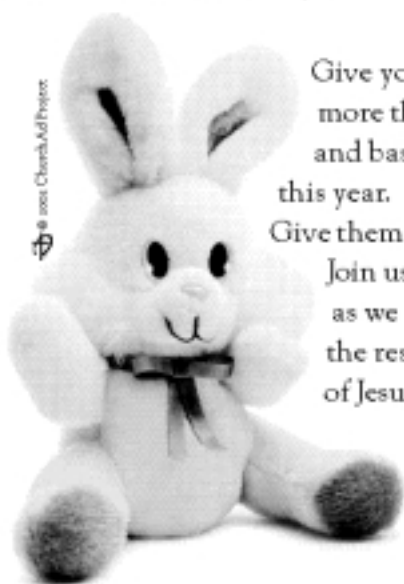
FRIDAYS, 4 - 6 P.M. SHAKER FAMILY CENTER, 19824 SUSSEX RD. Indoor fun for families with children from ages birth to 3. Thursdays 9:30 a.m. - noon for families with babies from birth to 12 months and 4 - 6 p.m. for families with babies 13 - 24 months. FEES & INFO: 921-2023.

**Saturdays Open Gym**, 10 A.M. - NOON. Indoor antics for tots. Gym passes available. INFO: 921-2023.

Christ Church  
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Monday, April 5  
Evening Prayer - 7 P.M.  
Wednesday, April 7  
Evening Prayer - 7 P.M.  
Maundy Thursday, April 8  
Liturgy for Maundy  
Thursday with  
foot washing - 7 P.M.  
Good Friday, April 9  
Proper Liturgy of  
Good Friday - noon  
Stations of the Cross - 3 P.M.  
Commemoration of the  
Burial of Our Lord  
Jesus Christ - 7 P.M.  
Holy Saturday, April 10  
Great Vigil of Easter - 8 P.M.  
Sunday of the Resurrection,  
(Easter) April 11  
Eucharist - 8 A.M.  
Festival Eucharist - 10:30 A.M.

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**23 The DaVinci Code**, 7:30 P.M.,  
MAIN LIBRARY. JCU Professor John Kelly  
looks at the facts behind the fiction of  
Dan Brown's novel. INFO: 991-2030.

**23 Nature Reads**, 6 TO 7:30 P.M.,  
NATURE CENTER. Bring a brown bag sup-  
per and discuss Henry Beston's classic of  
nature writing, *The Outermost House: A Year  
of Life on the Great Beach of Cape Cod*. INFO:  
CALL LESLIE KREBS, 321-5935, EXT. 226.

**23 Movies at Main**, 6:30 P.M., MAIN  
LIBRARY. Watch the uplifting chick flick  
*Mona Lisa Smile* starring Julia Roberts and  
set on the beautiful Wellesley College  
campus. Rated PG-13. INFO: 991-2030.

**23 Book Discussion**, 7:30 P.M.,  
MAIN LIBRARY. Discuss *Vanity Fair* by  
William Makepeace Thackeray. INFO: 991-  
2030.

## Healthful Opportunities

**Mondays & Wednesdays: Blood  
Pressure Screening**, 2ND FLOOR  
BENJAMIN ROSE BUILDING, 16500 CHAGRIN  
BLVD. Mondays 2 - 3:30 p.m.; Wednesdays  
9 - 10:30 a.m. INFO: 491-1481.

**Sundays: Recovery, Inc.**, 2 P.M., SOM-  
ERSET POINT RETIREMENT COMMUNITY,  
3550 NORTHFIELD RD. Self-help mental  
health group. INFO: NATALIE SILVERBERG,  
595-9276 OR [WWW.RECOVERY-INC.ORG](http://WWW.RECOVERY-INC.ORG)

**23 Mother-Daughter Book Club**,  
7:30 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH.  
Book club for girls in grades 4 - 6 and  
their mothers. Read and discuss *Everything  
on a Waffle* by Polly Horvath. Register and  
pick up books beginning March 2. INFO:  
991-2421.

**25 Poetry Not in the Woods**, 7  
P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Poets including  
Daniel Gray-Kontar, Q-Nice and Jim  
Lang read. INFO: 991-2030.

**27 Basic Landscaping Design**  
10:00 A.M. - NOON, SHAKER COMMUNITY  
BUILDING (Note change in date from March  
20). Landscape architect Kathy Jankowski  
of Knight and Stolar will teach how to  
evaluate landscaping, what kind of plants

to consider and show examples of successful renovations. Q & A session follows.  
Free. INFO: 491-1370.

**28 Heights Chamber Orchestra,**  
7:30 P.M., 3630 FAIRMOUNT BLVD. Randall  
Fusco conducts works by Wagner, Mozart  
and Schubert. HCO is comprised of profes-  
sional and amateur musicians who live in  
Cleveland's eastern suburbs. INFO: SUSAN  
BLACKWELL, EMAIL: SUSANMBLACKWELL@-  
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**29 – APRIL 2 Spring Break,**  
SHAKER SCHOOLS CLOSED.

**31 Neighborhood Grants Applica-  
tion Deadline,** 5 P.M., SHAKER  
COMMUNITY BUILDING. INFO: 491-1331.

## for April

**1 Spring Flower Show,** 2 – 4 P.M.,  
SOMERSET POINTE RETIREMENT, 3550  
NORTHFIELD RD. Stop and smell the flowers  
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**1 Levity in the Library,** 7 P.M.,  
BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. The joke's on  
the library when it welcomes adults and  
children to share their favorite jokes or  
shaggy dog stories. Eastside Toastmasters  
will be on hand to help add punch to the  
punch lines. INFO: 991-2421.

**1 Movies at Main,** 6:30 P.M., MAIN  
LIBRARY. Watch the drama *Magdalene Sisters*.  
Rated R. INFO: 991-2030.

**2 First Friday Film,** 1 P.M., MAIN  
LIBRARY. Watch *Out of Time*. INFO: 991-  
2030.

**3 Drive-by Book Drop,** 10 A.M. – 3  
P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Friends of the Library  
will help unload your gently used books and  
provide a receipt for tax purposes. Drop off  
in the staff parking lot on Van Aken Boule-  
vard. INFO: 991-2030.

**6 Safety Town Registration  
Begins,** 9 A.M., THORNTON PARK. In-per-  
son registration for 2-week safety skills  
sessions (June 14-25, June 28-July 9, July  
12-23 or July 26-August 6) for children  
entering kindergarten in the fall. *Children  
must be 5 by October 2004.* \$65/child. INFO:  
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## 6 Environmental Town Hall

**Brown Bag Lunch Series, NOON TO 1 P.M., NATURE CENTER.** Luncheon topic is *Blowing in the Wind: Wind Power*. How feasible is wind power in Northeast Ohio? Who is working to find out and what is the potential for generating significant energy from this renewable resource? INFO: 321-5935.

**7 Open Mic Poetry, 7 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY.** Audio artist and veteran poetry slam competitor Kristen Drake moderates an open mic for community members to read favorite or original poetry. CALL 991-2030 BEGINNING MARCH 1 TO REGISTER.

**8 Book Discussion, 3 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH.** Discuss *The Last Girls*, Lee Smith's story of four college friends. INFO: 991-2421.

**8 Photography Club Meeting, 6 - 8 P.M., NATURE CENTER.** All nature photographers welcome. INFO: ROBERT SCHEPENS AT TEMPHIRES@EARTHLINK.NET OR CALL STEFANIE LADER AT LADER@SHAKER-LAKES.ORG, OR 321-5935, EXT. 228.

**10 Book Discussion, 2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY.** Discuss *The Flamingo Rising* by Larry Baker. INFO: 991-2030.

**13 Book Discussion, 10 A.M., MAIN LIBRARY.** Discuss *Don't Let's Go to the Dogs Tonight* by Alexandra Fuller. INFO: 991-2030.

**13 Mystery Book Discussion, 7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY.** Discuss *Wet Grave* by Barbara Hambly. INFO: 991-2030.

**15 Soil, Water, Conservation and You with Todd Hauser, 9:30 - 11 A.M., NATURE CENTER.** Come and discuss these important earth matters. INFO: 321-5935.

**15 Movies at Main, 6:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY.** Watch the action in *Kill Bill*. Rated R. INFO: 991-2030.

**15 Memory Circle Poetry, 7 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH.** Share a rhyme, limerick, sonnet or verse. Celebrate National Poetry Month in the library's poetry circle when adults and children recite their favorites. INFO: 991-2421.

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**17 Laurel School Admission Office Informal Tours**, 9 A.M. – NOON. LAUREL SCHOOL. No reservations necessary. INFO: 464-0946.

## Enterprising Activities

**Thru March 16: Girl Scout Cookie Sale.** To find a troop selling the perennial favorites of Trefoils, Thin Mints and Samoas at \$3 a box, call 481-1313.

**Thru April 30: Shaker High PTO Geranium Sale.** Prepaid order forms for geraniums New Guinea impatiens, petunias, vinca vines and spikes are available at the schools and the libraries. For an extra \$5, delivery is available. FOR MORE BLOOMING INFORMATION, CALL DEBBIE WHITE, 752-9130.

**17 North Union Farmers Market Opening**, 8 A.M. – NOON, SHAKER SQUARE. Begin with the blessing and annual sheep shearing; then shop the stalls for fresh and local seasonal produce, including asparagus, lettuces and spring greens, ramps, mushrooms, organic meats, apples, cheeses and local dairy products. The Chef at the Market returns with local chefs and fine cooks offering ways to cook seasonal produce. INFO: DONITA ANDERSON, 751-7656.

**17 Certified Shaker Tour**, 10 A.M. – NOON, COMMUNITY BUILDING. Tour Shaker's best rental properties and speak to the owners about their "certifiable" experiences. INFO: 491-1370.

**17 An Evening of Literary Laughter**, 7 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. *Laugh out loud in the library!* Enjoy humorous monologues and vignettes performed by Boulevard Theatre members in a mutually beneficial evening for the Friends of Boulevard Theatre and the Shaker Library Endowment Fund. \$20/person; \$35/couple. TICKETS & INFO: 991-2030.

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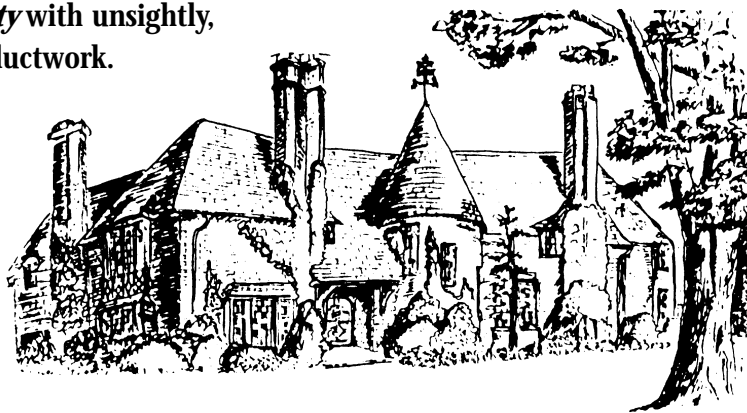
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**18 Slam with Kelly Harris, 2 P.M.,**  
**MAIN LIBRARY.** Watch the film *Slam* and discuss it afterward with Cleveland Slam Poetry member Kelly Harris. INFO: 991-2030.

**19 Let's Get Fresh!, 6 – 9 P.M., fire**  
**RESTAURANT AT SHAKER SQUARE.** *Beetroot to local farmers!* Enjoy a tasteful benefit that brings the farm to the table as local chefs prepare recipes using local produce. TICKETS: \$60/PERSON. INFO: JOY GRIFFITH, 321-6178.

**20 Exhibit.** SHAKER HISTORICAL MUSEUM. View *Simple Gifts – Building a Museum Collection*, an exhibit of Shaker furniture and other artifacts donated by generous friends. Tickets: \$2/adults; \$1/children ages 6 – 18. INFO: 921-1201.

## Ongoing Senior Activities

**2nd & 4th Mondays: Low Vision Support Group, 11:00 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.,** SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. For Shaker's senior residents! Transportation available by calling Adult & Senior Services at 491-1348.

**Wednesdays: Coffee & Conversation, 10 – 11:15 A.M.,** SHAKER COMMUNITY BLDG. INFO: 491-1360.

**1st Thursdays: Podiatry Care for Seniors, 8:30 A.M.,** SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. Dr. Jerome Privitera, DPM offers simple foot care services, on a first-come first-served basis. \$10/person.

**Thursdays: Open Bridge & Board Games, 1 - 4 P.M.** SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. Bored? Try board games with friends. Play bridge, checkers, Monopoly or Scrabble. \$1/person.

**4th Fridays: Seniors Hearing Loss Support Group, 10 - 11 A.M.** SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. Former CWRU audiologist and pathologist Ray LeZak leads informative and insightful round table discussions on hearing loss. Learn about the latest adaptive devices, as well as ways to anticipate and treat hearing loss.

**21 Book Discussion, 7:30 P.M., MAIN**  
**LIBRARY.** Read and discuss Jay Winik's *April 1865: The Month that Saved America*. INFO: 991-2030.

**22 Senior Health Roundtable, 11:30 A.M.,** SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. City Nurse Sandi Hurley moderates healthy talks and brown bag lunch for seniors. INFO: 491-1481.

## SIGNATURE EVENTS IN UNIVERSITY CIRCLE & BEYOND

**THRU APRIL 25 Spencer Tunick: Manmade and Natural Exhibit,** MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART, 8501 CARNEGIE AVE. *Latest nudes: read all about it!* Nudes in public places features 11 large-scale photographs from recent installations around the world, including a photo of nudes in Cleveland. Will you uncover your neighbors? TICKETS & INFO: 421-8671

**WEDNESDAYS, March 3, 17, 24, 31 and April 7, 21, 28: Midday Music, 12:30 P.M., CIM, 11021 EAST BLVD.** Conservatory students perform a free, 45-minute program. INFO: 791-5000.

**Mar. 4 Guitars International Weekend, 8 P.M., CIM.** Begin the weekend with a concert by Jason Vieaux. For more info on activities, call 752-7502 or to the web at [www.guitarsint.com](http://www.guitarsint.com).

**Mar. 4 Chamber Music Master Class, 7 P.M., CIM.** CIM's Quartet-in-Residence (Cavani String Quartet with Merry Peckham on cello) coaches student ensembles in a session open to the public. FREE. INFO: 791-5000.

**Mar. 7 Ensemble Ciaramella Purim Carnavale, 2:30 P.M., CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART, 11150 EAST BLVD.** Enjoy a theatrical extravaganza based on the first Hebrew play, *A Comedy of Betrothal*, by Leone de Sommi and directed by Anna Levenstein. \$15/person. INFO: 421-7350

**MARCH 12-28 Orchid Mania,** CLEVELAND BOTANICAL GARDEN, 11030 EAST BLVD. Includes the works of Shaker artist Chaim Kirkell. INFO: 721-1600.

**Mar. 14 Sunday Afternoons for Writers & Readers, 2 P.M., CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY, 325 SUPERIOR AVE.** Meet American cinema icon Peter Bogdanovich. INFO: 623-2800.

**Mar. 30 Pianofest, 7:30 P.M., CIM.** Student performances enhanced by faculty commentary bring great piano literature to life. Reception follows. Tickets: \$4/adults; students free. INFO: 791-5000.

**APR. 18 Sunday Afternoons for Writers & Readers, 2 P.M., CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY, 325 SUPERIOR AVE.** Meet media personality and cultural icon Tony Brown. INFO: 623-2800.

**APRIL 25 Circle of Masks Festival,** CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART.

**Coming this May!** CLEVELAND PUBLIC THEATRE AND GREAT LAKES THEATER FESTIVAL PRESENT PERFORMANCES & A TALK-BACK SERIES ON NICKEL AND DIMED, A PLAY BASED ON THE BOOK *Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America* by essayist and cultural critic Barbara Ehrenreich.

**22 – 25 Used Book Sale**, 6:30 – 8:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Friends of the Shaker Library sell used books at bargain process. Thursday evening Preview is for Friends' members; however, non-members can join at the door. Sale opens to the public from 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. April 23 & 24; on April 25 from 1 – 3 p.m. buy bags of books for \$5. INFO: 991-2030.

**24 Giant Garage Sale**, 9 A.M. - 3 P.M., HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 17300 VAN AKEN BLVD. Shop from more than 50 tables of treasures. For neighbors with wares to sell, table rental is \$25. INFO: 561-4800.

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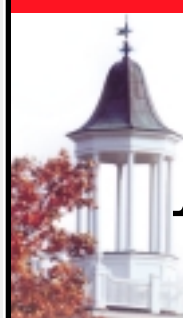
**24 Clean Up Around Shaker Lakes & Pull Invasive Species at the Nature Center**, 10 A.M. – NOON, NATURE CENTER. Join others to *spruce up* the environment! Dress for the weather (rain or shine) and bring drinking water, gloves and good humor. SIGN UP & INFO: LESLIE KREBS AT 321-5935, EXT. 226.

**25 Interfaith and Community Clean-Up at Forest Hill Park**, 1 TO 4 P.M. MEET AT THE SHELTER, northeast of the ball fields and help clean up the park. Parking available off Forest Hill Boulevard. SIGN-UP & INFO: LESLIE KREBS, 321-5935, EXT. 226.

**27 Nature Reads**, 6 -7:30 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Bring a brown bag supper and discuss this month's book selection. INFO: 321-5935, EXT. 226.

**27 Book Discussion**, 7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Discuss *The Cider House Rules* by John Irving. INFO: 991-2030.

**28 Beam Invitational Art Opening & Concert**, 7 P.M., LAUREL SCHOOL. Juried art show reception features work of Laurel Juniors and Seniors followed by the Upper School Spring Concert at 8 p.m. INFO: 464-1441.



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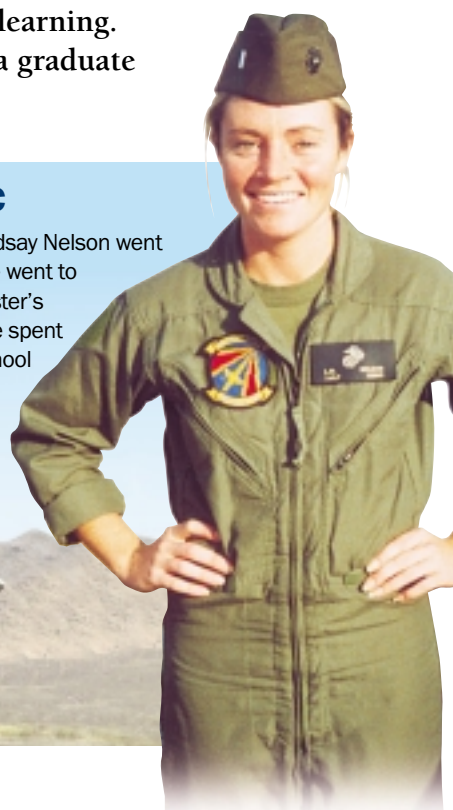
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**29 – MAY 1 Spring Ensemble Show, 8 P.M., SHAKER HIGH.** Movement, theatre, dance & music performed by Shaker Theatre students. Free Senior Adult Preview on April 28 at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$10/adults; \$5/students & seniors. INFO: 295-4287.

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