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CEI/FirstEnergy Tree Trimming and Removal Policy in Shaker Heights

As CEI/First Energy (CEI) upgrades the City's electrical lines, it has agreed with City requests that tree crews abide by the following guidelines. No trees will be removed from private property until the steps outlined below have been taken:

1. CEI has talked personally with the resident; *and*
2. Either the tree must be removed for safety purposes (e.g. too close to pole so that access is blocked, or that the tree must be so severely trimmed for safety that it will be destroyed), *or* the resident agrees in writing to have the tree removed; *and*
3. The tree to be removed has been marked with paint so the resident knows exactly which tree is to be removed. (The full policy is available at shakeronline.com.)

Approximately two weeks before any work begins, residents will receive personal contact or a door hanger that includes the name and telephone number of the tree contractor. If a resident calls the contractor and does not receive a timely or satisfactory response, the resident should call CEI customer service, 800-589-3101. CEI will immediately direct all such calls to an operator.

Also available at shakeronline.com is a memo from the City to CEI confirming this agreement.

Shaker Night is First Neighborhood Night

The Cleveland Play House has selected Shaker Heights for the first of its Neighborhood Nights, reconnecting the theatre with Greater Cleveland communities. On March 25, Shaker residents are invited to attend a reception and a specially priced performance of Lisa Kron's comedy, *Well*.

Well, a one-act play, is equal parts moving, absurd, and hilarious. One of the two main characters was an activist who helped integrate her community – a theme that speaks directly to Shaker's own history.

Discounted tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for children ages 10 to 17 (not appropriate for children under 10) and includes the performance (matinee or evening), reception, and parking. To purchase tickets, call the Play House, 795-7000, and mention discount code: SHAKER.

Transportation for senior adults is available upon request. See page 71.

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This seminar is jointly sponsored by the Shaker office of Re/Max HomeSource and the City of Shaker Heights.

It is the second in a series with Shaker realty offices. Watch for the third workshop later this spring.

WHO: Prospective buyers (adults only, please)
WHAT: First time Homebuyers Seminar
WHEN: Saturday, March 25, 2006
10 a.m.-noon
WHERE: Shaker Community Building
3450 Lee Road
Admission is free of charge.

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Memorial Day

Flag-Bearers: Report for Duty

Shaker is planning its annual salute to America's fallen heroes on May 29. A memorial ceremony at the flagpole in front of City Hall will be followed by the traditional parade.

If you know a serviceman or woman willing to carry the flag for his or her branch of the service, in uniform, please pass the word. Flag bearers volunteering to carry an Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, or Navy flag, call Sandra Blue 491-1354.

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2005 Election Results



Lynn Ruffner and Rob Zimmerman are Shaker's newest council members, elected to a four year term which began January 1.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Award Presentation

Accepting the MLK, Jr. Award for Human Relations for Youth Ending Hunger/Interact are club officers (from left) Representative, Kate O'Gorman; Secretary, Luisana Rojas-Rodriguez; Treasurer, Allison Tillman; VP, Leslie Johns; and President, Shaina Pollard.



Wi-Fi Comes to Shaker

Waiting for your skater to finish her lesson? Pull up a chair, get yourself a hot cup of coffee and surf the web! Looking forward to a cool ice cream and a bit of a sit-down over at Baskin-Robbins this summer? That's right, bring your PDA and check your email!

Internet access is now available at Thornton Park, common areas among the shops located on the north side of Chagrin in Shaker Town Center, and in City Hall Council Chambers. The wireless access was installed in January and can be accessed through any device (computer, PDA or cell phone) with wireless capability.

Plan Ahead: Porch Railings Required by January 1, 2007

An ordinance passed by Council in 2000 requires perimeter railings on all porches, decks or flat roofs accessible by a door effective January 1, 2007.

The ordinance was the result of both architectural and safety concerns. It was presented to and discussed with the public on several occasions prior to enactment. The ordinance brings the City into compliance with the State Building Code, which requires a railing where there is a door and access to a flat roof.

The railing is an architectural trim detail seen throughout the community. Over time many railings have deteriorated and been removed. The Architectural Board of Review approved several designs for replacement railings. Copies of the approved designs are available in the Planning Department at City Hall, and may be included with replacement proposals.

The installation of such railings requires a Building Permit before any work is started. A penalty fee is charged for work completed without a permit. Please contact the Building Department at 491-1460 for questions regarding permitting and construction details.

Railing replacement procedures:

- Bring a color photograph of existing conditions to the Planning Department for staff review.
 - Railings may be constructed of only the following: cedar, cypress or redwood; treated lumber is an unacceptable exterior trim material.
 - Any proposals for materials other than those listed above require review by the Planning Department, and may be subject to review and approval by the Architectural Board of Review.
- The minimum requirements:
- Minimum 36" from deck to the top rail.
 - Minimum 42" from deck to post top.
 - Spindles are to be placed no more than 4" apart.
 - The installation of a post cap is required. Please submit a cap detail if it does not match the drawing.

- Railings must be painted or opaque stained complimentary or matching the house or trim color.

Please contact the Planning Department at 491-1430 for questions concerning design, materials, and finish.



Re-accreditation for Police and Fire Departments

They've done it again! The Shaker Heights Police Department was awarded reaccreditation status by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) in January. It was the first department in Northern Ohio to receive accreditation from CALEA in 1989, and has been awarded reaccreditation each time it reapplied. The process involves rigorous on-site inspection of every function of the department.

The Shaker Heights Fire Department was also evaluated recently by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI). A recommendation for re-accreditation was made to the CFAI board, which typically follows the assessor's evaluation. Final approval will be granted in March.

In 2000, Shaker's Fire Department became the first and only department in Ohio to be awarded Accredited Agency status. Accreditation identifies and acknowledges departments that provide viable, cost-effective and well-managed services to their communities.

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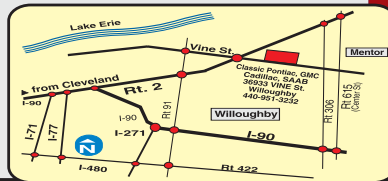
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Business News

50-acre Warrensville/Van Aken Commercial Redevelopment in Motion

City Council has designated a 50-acre area in the Warrensville/Van Aken (WvA) commercial district as the focus of the City's next redevelopment plans. Following the path set forth in the 2001 Strategic Investment Plan (SIP), WvA is phase II in the City's ongoing reinvestment efforts to improve its commercial districts, increase housing options, and strengthen the tax base. Phase I included improvements and additions to the Shaker Town Center area, (including the new Avalon Station lofts and town homes) and the new condos and town homes at Sussex Courts and South Park Row.

The resolution invites developers from across the country, who have created exciting mixed-use projects elsewhere, to look at what is available here and share their visions with the City. Since the centerpiece of the site, the OfficeMax campus, is for sale along with several other commercial properties, this is an opportune time to solicit investor interest. Response to an ad placed in the industry-leading publication, *Urban Land*, is already strong.

Interested parties note that in addition to Shaker's national reputation, other attractive features of this area include: its demographics - especially the density and significant income - of households within a three-mile radius; its position at a major, well-known crossroads; its role as a major mass transit transfer point and light rail terminus; its location near public and private golf courses and public park land; its walking distance from a dense residential district of mid-rise apartments and condos; and its significant daytime office population with growth potential. This will be a 5-10 year project.

Watch for more details about the process as it moves forward, including public input, in the July issue of *Shaker Life*.

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Community Life & Health Committee

Donna Alexander and **George George. Laura Holmes**, advisor.

Finance Committee

Matthew Cenedella,
Robin Johnson, **Marty Kolb**, and
Linda Lalley.

Neighborhood Revitalization Committee

Marguerite Bibb, **J. Philip Calabrese**,
Matthew Lehman, and
Julie McGovern Voyzey.

Safety & Public Works Committee

Steve Harris, **Timothy Lanese**,
and **Gregory Phillips**.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

Architectural Board of Review

Amy Dibner and **James Neville**;
alternates **Richard Bauschard**,
Marc Ciccarella, **Richard Cowan**,
and **Sandra Madison**.

Board of Appeals

Patricia Burgess, **John Fahsbender**,
James Karlovac, and **Gloria Sturghill**.

City Planning Commission/

Board of Zoning Appeals

David Bergholz, **David Hartt**,
and **Kevin Madison**.

Civil Service Commission

Emma Benning, **Heidi Makela**,
and **Robert Windle**.

Fair Housing Review Board

Jim Cullen, **Stephanie Turner**, and
Reginald Williams.

Housing Advisory Board

Gary Gross, **Stephanie Turner**,
and **Myra White**.

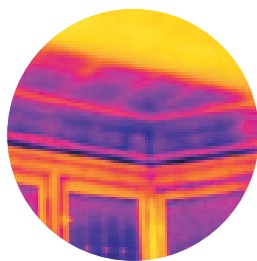
Human Relations Commission

Rick Horvath, **Gerald Jackson**,
Andrena Jones Sharp, and
Natalie Isavrin-Love.

Landmark Commission

Tim Myrick, **Randall Von Ryan**,
Irwin Lowenstein, **Sarah Beimers**,
and **Nancy Kennedy**.

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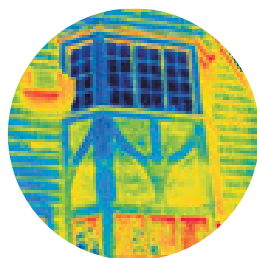
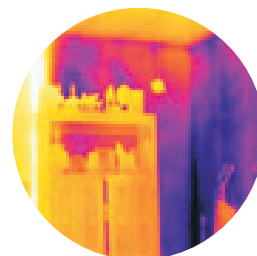


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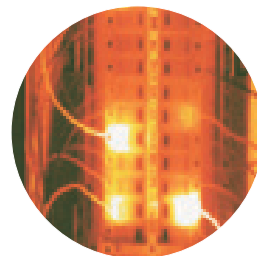


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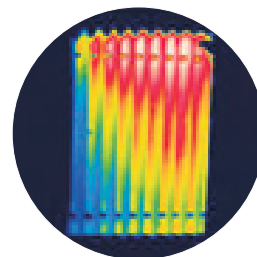


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- Shaker Heights High School graduates **Rob Emrich** and **Matt Youngner**, profiled in the September/October, 2003 Shaker Life magazine, founded *Road of Life*, an organization that provides cancer prevention education to children. Emrich and Youngner first achieved notoriety by organizing the 2003 Bicentennial Walk, in which Emrich walked from Cincinnati to Cleveland to raise awareness and money for cancer research and prevention. They now plan to take their original cancer prevention curriculum nationwide within a year. But, says Youngner, the organization has not forgotten the roots of its success: "We have always enjoyed enormous support from people in Shaker Heights, and it will be a huge landmark for our expansion that we will be able to bring our programs home."

Geraniums in Bloom

A 27-year Shaker Heights tradition – the Shaker Heights High School PTO Geranium Sale – features flowers from Merkel's of Mentor. Beautify your home and garden with geranium and New Guinea impatiens flats (six pots per flat); hanging baskets of either geraniums, New Guinea impatiens, or petunias; and spikes and vinca vines and fountain grass patio pots, already planted.

Orders must be placed in advance. Forms are available at shaker.org/parents/pto. Pick-up is at the high school on Friday, May 19 from 5 to 8 p.m. in the South Gym, and Saturday, May 20 from 8 a. m. until noon in the South Gym. Call Holly Wang at 991-8248 with questions. This is the year's major fundraiser for the SHHS PTO.



A Spring Ice Spectacular Not to be Missed

Your community's newly packaged ice show will be long on high-tech, professional quality lighting and production



values. A fast-paced and exciting show, *America the Beautiful* will feature over 150 participants of Shaker's Learn-to-Skate program, the Shaker Figure Skating Club (SFSC) and the United States Figure Skating Association (USFSA) in a travelogue of the United States.

Show will be held **May 5 and 6**, and ticket sales begin in April. Buy early - the best seats go quickly! Watch the City's website, shakeronline.com for box office dates and hours and ticket prices.

Field Hockey Team Looking to Ink a Deal

Hockey players have goals - this summer it's a trip to Holland to compete in a field hockey tournament. The Shaker Heights Varsity Field Hockey team is working with FundingFactory® Recycling Program to recycle ink jet and laser print cartridges and cell phones to earn cash.

To lend a hand to this environmentally oriented project, bring your cartridge and cell phone discards to drop-offs located at Thornton Park, 20701 Farnsleigh or the Shaker Community Building, 3450 Lee Road. For more information, call Leslye Arian at 991-1860.



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Computer Round-Up in April

Cool new computers run circles around older equipment, but that doesn't mean you should toss the dinosaurs. Residents may recycle old computer equipment by bringing it to the Shaker Heights Public Works Service Yard at 15600 Chagrin Boulevard on April 15, 16, 22 and 23 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The following items are acceptable: computers, monitors, keyboards, software, printers, modems, and cell phones.

Give the Gift of Shaker Life

Shaker Life magazine is now available by subscription to non-residents. A one-year, non-refundable subscription costs \$21 (cash or check). To inquire about subscribing or giving a subscription, contact Kim Golem, 216-491-1419.



Top Seasonal Reminders

- Spring is here! Time for yard clean-ups. During the month of April, you (or your landscaper) may place leaves, grass clippings, hedge trimming, and garden waste on tree lawns, not in the street, for pickup. (Grass clippings and leaves must be kept separate from brush.) To be sure your pick-up is prompt and efficient, visit the City website, shakeronline.com for guidelines about yard waste disposal.

- Beginning May 1, grass clippings, leaves and other yard waste must be placed in specially marked bags (with the Shaker logo) and placed with rubbish in the rear yard for regular collection. Also beginning May 1, only brush will be picked up from the tree lawn. Be sure your landscaper is also aware of these restrictions.

- When using Shaker grass bags, remember to put out your door hanger as a signal to grass crews. There is a 40-pound weight limit per bag. Yard waste bags are available at City Hall, Thornton Park, the Service Center, and from local merchants for \$1 each. The price includes the cost of the bag and the collection and disposal of the material at a commercial composting site. At no time may leaves, grass, rubbish or brush be placed on center strips, park areas or in the street.

And Don't Forget...

BICYCLE LICENSES: Licenses will be sold from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday March 18, and April 8 in the Police Department lobby, 3355 Lee Road. Cost is \$5 (re-issued licenses are 50 cents); please bring the owner's Social Security number, which will be recorded on the application. For children, a parent's number can be used.

BLOCK PARTY REQUESTS: Register at least two weeks in advance to close streets for block parties, races or parades. For more details and to send an online email registration (preferred), visit the City website, shakeronline.com.

GRASS ORDINANCE: Grass may not be taller than 6 inches. Tall grass and weeds which are spreading or maturing seeds, or are about to do so, including ragweed, goldenrod, poison ivy, or poison oak are declared nuisances.

SEWER BACKUP PREVENTION: Do not flush paper towels or commercial wipes (baby, household, automotive, etc.) down toilets; do not wash grease down sinks or toilets - put into a container, allow to harden, then include with trash. Do not place trash, debris or grass clippings in sewers located along street curbs.

LANDSCAPER REGISTRATION:

Landscapers, tree maintenance and removal contractors must register with the Building Dept. (\$100 fee).





Neighborhood Grant Program

Applications for the 2006 Neighborhood Grant program are now available at City Hall and at the Shaker Community Building, 3450 Lee Road, as well as on the City website, shakeronline.com. Projects that address the goal of improving housing stock will receive priority in the award process.

The 2005 Neighborhood Grant program awarded five grants to neighborhood groups whose projects met the goals of improving the housing stock of the community, or improving public places. The grants were awarded in April 2005; project work was completed during the summer and fall months.

The deadline for 2006 applications is March 31 at 12 noon. For more information, call Jacqueline Patterson Mansion at 491-1333.

Homeowner Tip:

Start planning annual home improvement projects by contacting contractors now, before they are too busy to return your calls. City Rehab Specialists are available at 491-1370 to help you plan your project, or visit the Resource Center in the Shaker Community Building for ideas.

New Program Benefits Two-Family Property Owners

The City encourages responsible management and reinvestment in its two-family houses, an important segment of Shaker's homes. A new program will offer financial incentives for home improvement to new or existing owner-occupants who complete City sponsored landlord training. The training will cover everything from tenant screening and

REAL NUMBERS

Housing transfers between June 16, and July 31, 2005 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.

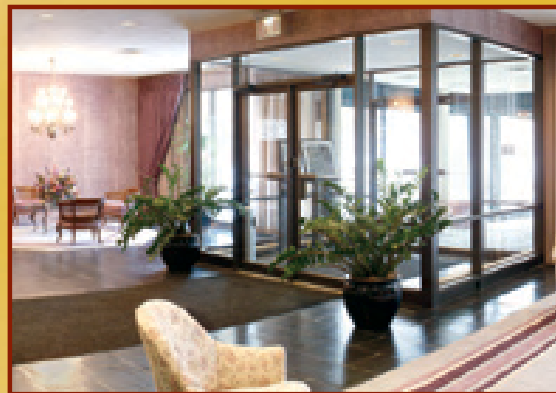
ADDRESS	2005 SALE PRICE	PRIOR SALE PRICE	ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST
3710 AVALON RD	\$113,000	\$132,750 (1999)	\$ 6,500 (1940)
2865 BRIGHTON RD	\$515,000	\$360,000 (2000)	\$ 9,000 (1918)
2885 CARLTON RD	\$445,000	\$357,500 (1995)	\$ 21,000 (1928)
3119 CHADBOURNE RD	\$275,000	\$250,000 (2001)	\$ 12,000 (1924)
3333 CLAYTON BLVD	\$272,500	\$143,334 (2003)	\$ 17,000 (1929)
2703 COVENTRY RD	\$335,000	\$190,000 (2004)	\$ 30,000 (1950)
2851 COVENTRY RD	\$329,900	\$297,000 (2002)	\$ 20,000 (1919)
3345 DALEFORD RD	\$316,000	\$280,000 (2004)	\$ 16,000 (1929)
14303 DREXMORE RD	\$313,900	\$195,000 (1997)	\$ 15,000 (1924)
23547 DUFFIELD RD	\$286,500	\$250,000 (1997)	\$ 12,000 (1947)
23934 DUFFIELD RD	\$210,000	\$165,000 (1997)	\$ 19,000 (1953)
2903 EATON RD	\$565,000	\$255,000 (1996)	\$ 22,000 (1925)
3140 FALMOUTH RD	\$620,000	\$370,000 (1998)	\$ 25,000 (1927)
16101 FERNWAY RD	\$255,000	\$222,000 (2002)	\$ 10,000 (1924)
2942 FONTENAY RD	\$970,000	\$625,000 (1998)	\$ 30,000 (1927)
3705 GLENCAIRN RD	\$178,000	\$140,000 (2000)	\$ 11,000 (1938)
2919 GLENMORE RD	\$310,000	\$200,000 (2004)	\$ 22,000 (1948)
3647 GRIDLEY RD	\$182,000	\$168,000 (2000)	\$ 12,000 (1947)
23850 HAZELMERE RD	\$281,500	\$259,000 (1998)	\$ 45,000 (1956)
2555 KENDALL RD	\$160,000	\$100,000 (2003)	\$ 4,200 (1916)
3279 KENMORE RD	\$319,500	\$205,000 (1998)	\$ 7,500 (1923)
3316 KENMORE RD	\$295,000	\$186,000 (1999)	\$ 11,000 (1924)
2730 LONDON RD	\$730,000	\$655,000 (2002)	\$ 55,000 (1953)
3614 LYNNFIELD RD	\$188,000	\$187,000 (2000)	\$ 12,000 (1928)
3686 LYNNFIELD RD	\$210,000	\$172,500 (2001)	\$ 15,000 (1929)
2924 MANCHESTER RD	\$585,000	\$449,000 (1999)	\$ 25,000 (1924)
18328 NEWELL RD	\$227,500	\$182,500 (2001)	\$ 12,000 (1928)
2680 ROCHESTER RD	\$355,000	\$253,000 (2001)	\$ 40,000 (1956)
2737 ROCHESTER RD	\$355,000	\$280,000 (2001)	\$ 30,000 (1951)
22650 RYE RD	\$256,000	\$244,900 (2002)	\$ 32,000 (1950)
18700 S PARK BLVD	\$760,000	\$447,500 (1997)	N/A
16725 SCOTTSDALE BL	\$151,000	\$115,500 (2000)	\$ 18,000 (1957)
18131 SCOTTSDALE BL	\$184,000	\$157,000 (1999)	\$ 12,000 (1931)
24200 SHAKER BLVD	\$275,000	\$330,000 (2002)	\$ 40,000 (1961)
3214 SOMERSET RD	\$236,000	\$155,000 (1999)	\$ 30,000 (1956)
3364 STOCKHOLM RD	\$382,000	\$349,900 (2003)	\$ 10,000 (1924)
3702 STRANDHILL RD	\$125,000	\$ 85,000 (1998)	\$ 10,000 (1945)

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3658 STRATHAVON RD	\$200,000	\$ 80,000 (1999)	\$ 12,000 (1927)
3620 TOLLAND RD	\$219,000	\$147,000 (1998)	\$ 8,500 (1929)
3715 TRAYNHAM RD	\$249,000	\$215,000 (2002)	\$ 10,000 (1939)
20749 UNIVERSITY BL	\$513,000	\$320,000 (1998)	\$ 35,000 (1958)
3018 WARR. CTR RD	\$230,000	\$220,000 (1999)	\$ 35,000 (1955)
2884 WARRINGTON RD	\$242,000	\$210,000 (1999)	\$ 8,000 (1918)
2901 WARRINGTON RD	\$257,000	\$245,000 (2004)	\$ 8,200 (1916)
3706 WINCHELL RD	\$160,000	\$146,500 (2001)	\$ 18,500 (1952)

Information source: First American Real Estate Solutions

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property management to fair housing and financial planning. For more information, call Jacqueline Patterson-Mansion, Department of Neighborhood Revitalization, at 491-1333.

Landlord Tip:

Be consistent in screening and interviewing techniques! You don't want to give the impression that you have given a tenant preferential treatment. For example, if you ask a prospective tenant to show you a driver's license, make sure you ask all prospects to do so.

Landlord Quiz Part I

(Not to be construed as legal information; for informational purposes only. Consult an attorney for specific legal questions.)

If tenant is late with rent, you can charge late fees if

- a) payment is more than five days late.
- b) payment is with an insufficient check.
- c) lease contains a provision regarding late fees.

Which criterion is most important to qualify a potential tenant?

- a) Appearance and demeanor.
- b) Vehicle prospect drives.
- c) Credit and verified references.
- d) First impressions.

(Questions/answers/scores at shakeronline.com/dept/revite/LandlordConnection.asp.)

Landlord Training 2006

The Neighborhood Revitalization Department will soon introduce a comprehensive training program for land-

lords. New buyers and current owners will be eligible for the affordably priced training, which will provide current and essential information for successful property management. Learn more about the Ohio Landlord-Tenant law, fair housing, how to minimize risk, and basic home improvement tips.

Certified Shaker Properties

Certified Shaker is a program that recognizes rental properties that meet or exceed the City of Shaker Heights' standards of excellence, and encourages rental property owners to make their properties the best they can be.

Congratulations to the new Certified Shaker property owners, listed below. These listings represent some of the best rental properties the City has to offer. For a complete list of certified properties and to find out about vacancies, call 491-1332 or check the City's website, shakeronline.com. To learn more about becoming certified, call 491-1370.

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 3686 Lynnfield Road (Diane Bradford)
 18328 Newell Road (George Saadey)
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Library's "Healthy, Wealthy & Wise" programming features an insurance talk, a networking fair, and Civil War slide presentation.

Healthy – *The Insurance Industry & Women's Changing Health Needs*

Heather Campbell of Structured Employment Benefits of Ohio will speak on the changing health insurance industry and women's health issues at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 9 at the Main Library. Find out about insurance benefits as they apply to women's health issues.

Wealthy – *Networking Fair: Is Direct Sales for You?*

Wednesday, April 26, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., residents are invited to a Networking Fair on the second floor of the Main Library. Members of the Direct Sales Association, including representatives from The Pampered Chef, Avon, Bead Retreat, At Home America, Do-Re-Mi and You, PartyLite, Wild Tree Herb, and more, will speak informally about their products and be available to talk to individuals about sales and income producing opportunities.

Wise – *Clevelanders and the Civil War*

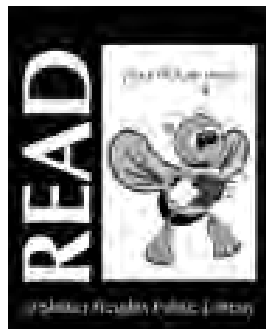
Tuesday, April 25, 7:30 p.m. at Bertram Woods Branch, Marjorie Wilson will present a slide lecture about the Civil War era citizens who are buried at Lake View Cemetery. Beginning at the end with a picture of the gravesite, Wilson tells the interesting stories of Clevelanders in the Civil War.

For the past five years, Wilson has been an interpretative guide at the Garfield Memorial, where she is also a docent

leading tours of Lake View Cemetery. Wilson's presentation is a result of her interest in Lake View Cemetery and encouragement from members of the Northeast Ohio Civil War Round Table.

Become a Poster Child: *Help the Library Celebrate National Library Week!*

The library will celebrate National Library Week April 2-8, by creating 11-by-17-inch "Read" posters with residents' pictures. Help the library by signing up for a time to have your picture taken and added to a Read poster.



Photographs will be taken the week of March 13-17. All ages are welcome and friends and families can

choose to be photographed as a group. Sign up for a time to be photographed at the Information Desks at either library. For more information, please call the PR Department at 367-3005.

Spring Book Discussions at Main Library

How often have you read a book and had no one to discuss it with? Consider joining one of the library's many book discussion groups.

If mysteries thrill you, join the 7:30 p.m. Tuesday March 14 discussion of *Cypress Grove*, James Sallis' book on a bizarre ritual killing. Come back at 7:30 p.m. April 11 to talk about *Don't Look Back*, Karin Fossum's thriller that probes into the relationships and secrets from the victim's life.

If business is your bag, read *The Rise of the Creative Class* by Richard Florida and discuss it at 7:30 p.m. April 12 at the Main Library.

Saturday, March 11, 2 p.m., discuss *When Love Calls, You Better Answer*, by Bertice Berry.

Saturday, April 8, 2 p.m., residents can discuss *The Rapture of Canaan*, Sheri Reynolds' book about what happens after a prayer partner becomes pregnant.

Tuesday morning book discussions are held at 10 a.m. at Main Library. March 14 readers will discuss *The Jane Austen Book Club* by Karen Fowler and on April 11, share the heart-warming and humorous writing in Frank McCourt's *Teacher Man*.

Tuesday evening book discussions are fine options for those who work. 7:30 p.m. March 28, discuss the complex friendship in *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini and on April 25, talk about the sci-fi love story, *The Time Traveler's Wife* by Audrey Niffenegger.

Take time to read and make a date to discuss the book with others. For more information or for a list of book discussion books to borrow for your book group, call the Main Library Fiction Desk.

Poetry Not in the Woods Programs in March and April

Poetry Not in the Woods, one of the longest running poetry series in Northeast Ohio, continues this spring. Residents can meet a variety of poets and hear their original work. At 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 29, the program will feature poets John Panza, Max Stark and r.a. washington.

John Panza is an assistant professor of English at Cuyahoga Community College's Eastern Campus, where he

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PLAY AND LEARN BABIES AT MAIN LIBRARY

Free drop-in, literacy-based activities especially for babies and their parents or caregivers co-sponsored with Shaker Family Center.

10 a.m.-noon Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays. 6-8 p.m. Thursdays

BOOK BABIES

Stories, songs, games, and rhymes for one-year-olds with an adult.

BABIES 12-18 MONTHS

(must be 12 mos. by March 1)

Spring Session: March 14-May 11

9:30 a.m. Tuesdays at

Woods Branch

9:30 a.m. Wednesdays at

Main Library

BABIES 18-24 MONTHS

(must be 18 mos. by March 1)

Spring Session: March 14-May 11

10:30 a.m. Tuesdays at

Woods Branch

10:30 a.m. Wednesdays at

Main Library

In-person registration began in February; please call the library where your child will attend to inquire about openings.

TODDLERS

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

Spring Session: March 13-May 11

(must be 2 yrs. old by March 1)

10 a.m. Mondays or Wednesdays at

Woods Branch

10 a.m. Tuesdays or Thursdays at

Main Library

In-person registration began in February; call the library where your child will attend to inquire about openings.

PRESCHOOL STORIES

Stories, rhymes and fun for 3-, 4-, & 5-year-olds.

10 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. Mondays at

Main Library

1:30 p.m. Tuesdays or 10 a.m.

Thursdays at **Woods Branch**

No registration is required; however groups are asked to make special arrangements.

PAJAMA STORIES AT

WOODS BRANCH

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

7:15 p.m. Mondays, March 20 & April 17

Registration begins 2 weeks before each program.

EVENING PRESCHOOL STORYTIME AT BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH

Stories, songs and crafts for 3-, 4-, & 5-year-olds.

7 p.m. Thursdays, March 2 & March 30

Registration begins 2 weeks before each program.

MAKE-IT-TAKE-IT WEEKS AT WOODS BRANCH

March 13-18:

Make a shamrock puppy.

April 10-15: Make a spring decoration.

AFTERSCHOOL AUTHORS AT WOODS BRANCH

Fun creative writing workshops and publication of a group anthology for children in grades 2-5.

Spring Session: March 15-May 3

4:15 p.m. Wednesdays

Registration begins March 1.

BOOK BUGS AT MAIN LIBRARY

Poetry, stories, writing, and fun for children in grades K-3.

Spring Session: March 16-May 4

4:15 p.m. Thursdays

Registration begins March 2.

SPRING BREAK – No programs the week of April 10.

FAMILY PROGRAM AT BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH

Laura Ingalls Wilder

7-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 7

Step back in time with performer, Judy Green, and watch the *Little House* stories by Laura Ingalls Wilder come to life. This program is geared for “children” ages 6 to adult. *Registration began in February; call the Woods Branch Children’s Desk to register.*

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Kids Corner

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School Age Specials at Main Library for Students in Grades K-4

GO FLY A KITE!

4:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 19

Come to a kite-making workshop with Bob Lockhart, of the Ohio Society for the Elevation of Kites. After the kites are completed, join us to fly them. Registration begins Wednesday, April 5; call the Main Library Children's Desk.

TWO WHEELS, MANY SPOKES

4:15 p.m. Wednesday, May 3

Learn safe and fun biking skills from Bicycle Boulevard's Frank Hall. Registration begins Wednesday, April 19 at the Main Library Children's Desk.

teaches poetry, writing and humanities and serves as Tri C East's honors coordinator. He co-directs East's Annual Local Poetry Dialogue, which features local and regional poets reading and discussing their work and has appeared on George Bilgere's WordPlay radio show several times. He is published in Whiskey Island and recently served on the Heights Arts' Poet Laureate Commission. He also plays drums in the noise rock band, Humphry Clinker.

Max Stark was born in Lucca, Italy to an Italian Catholic mother and American Jewish father, but was raised in Cleveland, Ohio. He earned a B.S. degree from Miami University and taught high school history and coached football in Ohio and Colorado. He earned his master's degree in English from Cleveland State University with a concentration in poetry. He served as an adjunct faculty member at CWRU, teaching strategic

planning and organizational development and completed postgraduate training in Organization and Systems Development at the Gestalt Institute of Cleveland. He has been writing poetry for 30 years. A number of his poems have been published in U.S. journals and have been part of stage performances at the Cleveland Play House. In addition, he has studied improvisational acting and has produced multicultural theater.

r.a. washington lives in the historic Tremont area and is the author of six books of poetry, including *Baldwin Notes*, and three novels. His most recent book, *Huebris*, is published on Cleveland-based Publish Or Perish Press. He is editor of an arts zine, *Fairtrade, A Journal for Progressive World Art*, and is an Artist Educator/Curricula Writer for Progressive Arts Alliance in Cleveland. He runs a co-op book and music store entitled Viva Libre, which is located in the Inside Outside



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Monday, April 24, 7 p.m., hear poets Joshua Gage, Fred Wright and Gina Tabasso.

Joshua Gage officially took the monastic vow of poetry last year with the publication of his chapbook, *Deep Cleveland Lenten Blues*. A member of the Deep Cleveland Tribe of Poetry, Gage can be found in his purple bathrobe on the second Friday of every month at Borders Books in Strongsville, hosting or supporting the Deep Cleveland Poetry Hour. He teaches at Tri-C West, and is currently pursuing a master's degree in Creative Writing from the Low-Residency Program at the Jack Kerouac School of Disembodied Poetics at Naropa University.

Gina M. Tabasso has an M.A. in English and is the Associate Editor of *Grasslands*

Review. She has won numerous awards and has been published in *Mangrove*, *The Common Review*, *Upstairs at Duroc*, *The MacGuffin*, *Mid-American Review*, *Slant*, *Blue Mesa Review*, *Pavement Saw*, and many others. Gina earns her living as a group managing editor for three machinist and welding trade magazines. She loves to ride her thoroughbred horse and to belly dance.

Fred Wright is an assistant professor of English at Ursuline College. He writes under the pen name of Wred Fright and his fiction leans to the humorous, as evidenced by his first novel *The Pornographic Flabbergasted Emus* (ULA Press, 2006), about a hapless garage rock band. He is a member of the Underground Literary Alliance, an organization of zine writers. He has written for the *Cleveland Free Times*, *Cleveland Scene*, *Zine World*, *Go Metric*, and *Fightin' Fun Comics*. Dr. Wright's stories can be found in the anthologies *Punch*

and *Pie* (Gorsky Press, 2003) and *The Bukowski Hangover Project* (Poison Candy/Sisyphus Press, 2003). His website is www.wredfright.com – and he loves libraries.

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Winners in the 8th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Student Writing Contest

GRADES 3 & 4

1ST PLACE: Brooke Wallace,
Lomond Elementary School, 3rd grade
2ND PLACE: Zaylon Green,
Onaway Elementary School, 4th grade
3RD PLACE: Tyler Traylor,
Lomond Elementary School, 3rd grade

GRADES 5 & 6

1ST PLACE: Kirby Rayburn,
Woodbury Elementary School, 6th grade
2ND PLACE: Lukun Zhang,
Woodbury Elementary School, 6th grade

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3RD PLACE: Kevin O'Connor,
Woodbury Elementary School, 5th grade

GRADES 7 & 8

1ST PLACE: Lizzie Stotter,
Shaker Middle School, 7th grade

2ND PLACE: Miriam Chelimsky,
Shaker Middle School, 8th grade

3RD PLACE: Griffin Pritchard,
University School, 8th grade

Special thanks to the 2006 judges: Cheryl Darden, Gloria Berry, Lizzie Phillips, and Michael Parks

Teen corner

WRITING WAYS

4-5:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 2

Final writing workshop for teens ages 12-16, who previously registered for the 6-part series.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (T.A.B.)

Meetings at Main Library Teen Center
7:30-8:15 p.m.

Tuesday, March 14

5:30-8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 4

All members will help at the Teen Volunteer Fair.

TEEN VOLUNTEER FAIR AT MAIN LIBRARY

6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 4

Meet representatives from many area organizations, who are seeking teen volunteers just like you! Pick up application information, talk to representatives, and get lots of fun freebies.

Library Sponsors *Second Annual Teen Volunteer Fair April 4*

Teens ages 12 to 18 are invited to the Main Library from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 4 for the Second Annual Teen Volunteer Fair. Parents are welcome, too.

Participants can meet and talk with volunteer coordinators, pick up volun-

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teer applications, and get lots of fun freebies! Teens seeking volunteer positions will find a variety of interesting opportunities. A sampling of agencies invited include The Cleveland Orchestra, The Cleveland Museum of Natural History, Menorah Park Center for Senior Living, University Hospitals of Cleveland, Inc., The Cleveland Botanical Garden, South Pointe Hospital, Judson at University Circle, Bellefaire JCB, Western Reserve Historical Society, Hospice House of the Western Reserve, The McGregor Home, The Free Clinic, Montefiore, and Shaker Library's Teen Advisory Board (T.A.B.).

For more information, please call Young Adult librarian Audrey Leventhal at 991-2030 ext. 3186.

Library Seeks Entries for 7th Annual Barbara Luton Art Competition

The Library seeks entries for its 7th Annual juried Art Competition from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, March 10 and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 11. Entries will be accepted in the Main Library Boardroom.

The competition is open to all visual artists, 18 years of age and older. All works must be original, two-dimensional, appropriately framed with a wire attached for hanging. Work not suitably framed will not be considered. The final decision in all cases rests with the jury. The non-refundable entry fee is \$20 for up to two entries. Checks should be made payable to Shaker Heights Public Library.

The winning entry will be purchased for the library's permanent art collection for an amount not to exceed \$1,000. Pieces exhibited must be for sale and 15 percent of sales made during and one month following the exhibit will be donated to the Barbara Luton Art Fund. There is also a First Place cash prize of \$200, a Second Place cash prize of \$100, and a Third Place cash prize of \$50. Applications are available at the Information Desks at both libraries or at www.shakerlibrary.org.

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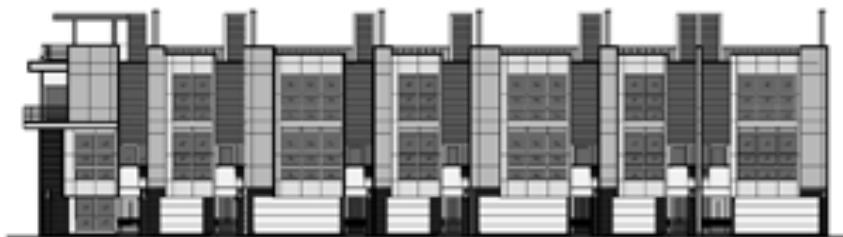


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The Gallery-Opening Reception and Awards Ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 26. The exhibit will be on display through May 5.

the Bookshelf

Books for the Rest of Your Life

Age-Proof Your Mind: Detect, Delay and Prevent Memory Loss — Before It's Too Late by Zaldy S. Tan, MD, MPH. Warner Books, 2005.

Director of the Memory Clinic at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and Harvard Medical School Division on Aging offers suggestions to help identify memory problems and suggests ways to keep your brain healthy.

Bill Frank's Forever Young: 100 Age-Erasing Techniques by Bill Frank. HarperCollins, 2003.

A Columbus, Ohio-born anti-aging guru offers tips on how to remain active, healthy, and fit in the latest stages of life.

The Blackberry Tea Club: Women in Their Glory Years by Barbara Herrick. Conari Press, 2004.

This brief, 154-page book of essays and poetry is affirming reading for women in their "glory years."

The Creative Age: Awakening Human Potential in the Second Half of Life by Gene D. Cohen, MD, PHD. Avon Books.

A psychiatry professor and international authority on aging and creativity writes about the powerful combination of experience and creativity in the second half of life and cites examples including Laura Ingalls Wilder, who wrote *Little House on the Prairie* at the age of 68.

Finding Meaning in the Second Half of Life: How to Finally, Really Grow Up by James Hollis, Ph.D. Gotham Books, 2005.

A Jungian analyst cites case studies and offers advice for those adults whose lives and jobs haven't brought them the fulfillment they expected.

For My Next Act...Women Scripting Life After Fifty by Karen Baar. Rodale, 2004.

A 1970s feminist looks at life before and after 50, recounting her own personal experiences and those of other women who made significant life changes after the age of 50.

Lilias! Yoga Gets Better with Age

by Lilias Folan. Rodale, 2005.

America's favorite yoga teacher explains the basics of "yin" yoga and teaches the safe way to stretch and strengthen using yoga.

On Your Own: A Widow's Passage to Emotional & Financial Well-Being by Alexandra Armstrong, CFP, CMFC and Mary R. Donahue, Ph.D. Dearborn, 2000.

A financial advisor and a psychologist team up to offer helpful suggestions to get through the grieving process and to reach emotional and financial health.

Retire Early? Make the Smart Choices by Steven Silbiger. Collins, 2005.

A CPA outlines the necessary steps to take and the mistakes to avoid for a successful early retirement.

Retirement Places Rated: What You Need to Know to Plan the Retirement You Deserve, 6th edition by David Savageau. Wiley Publishing, Inc., 2004.

This helpful resource provides overviews of more than 200 retirement areas in more than 40 states.

The Seasoned Traveler: A Guide for Baby Boomers and Beyond by George Bauer. Insiders Guide, 2006.

This companion to the public TV series offers travel tips for those over 50 with suggestions of where to go and what to see.

Unbelievably Good Deals and Great Adventures That You Absolutely Can't Get Unless You're Over 50 by Joan Rattner Heilman. McGraw-Hill, 2005.

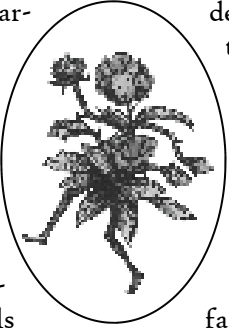
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Main Library Offers Free Flicks in March

Thanks to generous underwriting from the Friends of the Shaker Library, which pays the public performance rights to show films, the library can show new releases free. Movies begin promptly at 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, the revolutionary Broadway musical *Rent*, comes to the library's big screen in Columbia Pictures PG-13 rated film. Rosario Dawson, Taye Diggs, Wilson Jermaine Heredia and Jesse L. Martin star as a ragtag group of bohemians struggling with AIDS, poverty, drugs, illness – and just trying to pay the rent.

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, watch *Good Night, and Good Luck*. George Clooney directs and David Strathairn and Patricia

Clarkson star in this PG-rated drama about CBS anchorman Edward R. Murrow's conflict with Senator Joseph McCarthy and his communist witch-hunts.

Library Begins Series of CelebASIANS with Program on India

In March, the library will begin a series of celebrations focusing on countries in Asia, including India, China, Vietnam and Japan. The series begins 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 18 with the *celebASIAN: Passport to India*.

Discover India at this family program featuring a presentation on the country and culture, as well as performances highlighting Indian music and dance. Enjoy sampling tea and snack on Punjabi Mix, a spicy Indian snack.

Siva Pennathur and Dr. Ramasamy Sakthivel provide information about the country and the culture of India, past and

present, and include a little history and culture and their comments about the Indian experience of living in America.

Vocalist Shuruti Raghavan Ervin performs classical Indian music; violinist Anitha Sakthivel plays Indian Carnatic music, the classical music of India based on Hindu traditions, and Akila Raghavan performs the classical dance of India—The Bharata Natyam.

The program is free and reservations are requested by calling the Main Library at 991-2030 beginning March 4.

Library Offers Free Computer Classes

The Library offers a variety of classes to teach residents computer skills or to train them in specific software applications. Classes range from teaching basic mouse skills to instruction on how to use Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint software and how to build a web page.



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Got a Library Card?

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To prevent loss of library material and to protect cardholders from fraudulent use of library card, the library

requires that everyone use library cards or a valid form of identification each time materials are borrowed.

Friends of the Shaker

Library Sponsors a

Bonanza of a Spring Book Sale

Friends of the Library hold their Spring Used Book Sale Thursday, April 20 through Sunday, April 23 on the second floor of the Main Library. Thousands of books have been sorted into categories and will be available for sale at bargain prices.

While Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library is being renovated, Shaker Library has been the recipient of thousands of books from their customers. The Spring Sale is undoubtedly the Friends largest sale to date.

Friends' members get first dibs on the books at the Friends Preview Night from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, April 20. Non-members may join at the door for a small fee.

The sale resumes 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 21 and Saturday, April 22. From 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday, April 23, the Friends will hold a Bag Sale, at which time items in the Specials Room are marked down to half price and all bags of books cost \$5.

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Friends welcomes help Monday, April 17 through Wednesday, April 19 to help set up for the huge sale. Volunteers are also needed to help pack up the books at the end of the sale on Sunday afternoon. Interested scout troops or high school students seeking community service hours can call the library at 991-2030 to volunteer.

Endnotes

- The Library Board of Trustees meets at 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 13 in the Bertram Woods Community Room and Monday, April 10 in the Main Library Boardroom.
- Friends of the Shaker Library meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 in Main Library Community Room G.
- Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the Main Library from 2-7 p.m. Monday, April 10. For information on how to donate blood, call 1-800-GIVE LIFE.

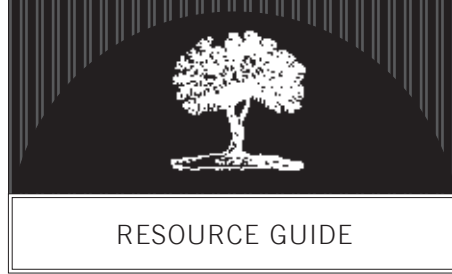


- Knit Nights, moderated by library staff member and experienced knitter Fern Braverman, continue from 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, March 16, 23, and April 6 and 20 at Woods Branch. Bring a knitting project and get or give help.

Both libraries will be closed the morning of Friday, March 10 for Staff Professional Day. They will re-open from 1-6 p.m.

Main Library is closed Easter Sunday, April 16.





Shaker Home Resource Guide

Along with top-quality education, Shaker Heights is defined by idyllic tree-lined neighborhoods and well-kept homes. Potential homeowners and renters who visit for the first time are always impressed by the attention to detail evident in Shaker's residential real estate.

Along with the pleasure of living in one of the City's famously beautiful homes comes the hard but gratifying work of maintenance. The City, often in partnership with other organizations and local banks, offers a significant number of programs to help homeowners and potential homeowners keep Shaker Heights' neighborhoods beautiful.

Relocation

Judy Steehler 491-1337
Betsy Williams 491-3196

Shaker's relocation service is part of the Communications & Outreach Department. Community information specialist Judy Steehler and her colleague Betsy Williams work with realtors to make moving to Shaker Heights as hassle-free as possible. Steehler and Williams and their trained volunteers also work directly with some 200 prospective home buyers and renters a year. On average, 44 percent of those 200 prospects buy or rent in Shaker.

Shaker's outreach specialists also direct long-distance visitors to the Relocation section of the City's website for a cyber City tour and streaming video. Prospects looking for realtor help also find it on the web under the Top-selling Agent section; ten-

ants looking for the best rental properties Shaker has to offer can preview Certified Shaker properties on the website.



Rental

Certified Shaker 491-1333

Certified Shaker assists renters by pointing them to the best rental properties in the City. Owners of rental property that has been certified receive free marketing assistance, including promotion at *shakeronline.com* and in Shaker Life magazine. City staffers show rental units to out-of-town prospects.

The City offers all rental property owners discounted tenant screening services, and free technical and decorating assistance to maximize the potential of their rental units. A new landlord training program will begin this year.

Beautification & Restoration

Housing Rehab Specialists
Wesley Walker 491-1356
James Bell 491-1371

Two rehab specialists and a Resource Center located at 3450 Lee Road provide free technical and financial assistance to homeowners. The Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Services include:

- Building code and permit information.
- Housing preservation information.
- Information on roofing, windows, masonry, painting, electrical, and landscaping.
- Technical magazines and videos, and construction cost estimating calculators.

In addition, a popular web resource is a list of contractors registered with the City. The list includes general contractors, masons, plumbers, electricians, painters, sewer contractors, HVAC, asphalt and concrete contractors, and landscapers. The list is updated monthly.

Planning Department

491-1433

The Planning Department, located at City Hall, 3400 Lee Road, offers information on specialty contractors and building design guidelines. It has various helpful publications as well as information on landmarks and the City's Architectural Board of Review. The department supplies zoning information on popular

housing upgrades such as additions, air conditioning, fences, and inground pools. Home businesses are allowed in Shaker - guidelines are available from Planning and online.

Specialty Contractors

- Wood roofs.
- Slate roofs.
- Tile roofs.
- Stucco repair.
- Wood siding repair.
- Window restorations – lead and wood.
- New wood windows.
- Cleaning of historic masonry.

Design Guidelines

- Architectural Board of Review design guidelines (online).
- Landmark Commission design guidelines.
- Window standards (available online).
- Single-family infill housing design guidelines.
- The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

Publications

- Shaker Heights Fences.
- Shaker Heights Commercial Design Guidelines
- The Van Sweringen Influence, Shaker Heights.
- Shaker Village Colors.

Landmarks & the Architectural Board of Review

The Planning Department has a list of local Landmark properties, properties within the local Shaker Square Historic District, maps of the local historic district and National Register District within the City, and procedures for designating landmarks or applying for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Information pertaining to the Architectural Board of Review also is in the Planning Department. This includes technical assistance on any exterior change to a property, procedures for applying to the ABR, sample drawings, and zoning considerations.

Zoning

- Fence, garage, pool, air conditioning regulations (online).
- Home occupations (online).

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland, 458-4663 ext. 19, provides free homeownership education, including the counseling, services and training needed to purchase, rehabilitate, and maintain a home. Those who have become delinquent on their mortgage payments get help from NHS counselors who assess current financial situation and develop a suitable plan of action.

Housing Inspection

491-1370

Inspections are conducted on a regular basis to ensure that residential properties are maintained to high community standards.

Rental properties receive an interior/exterior inspection every three years and exterior inspections of owner-occupied properties are made every five years. Complaint inspections are conducted on an as-needed basis.

Owners of rental property must annually obtain a certificate of occupancy.

Sellers are required to obtain a point-of-sale inspection and to present that report to any prospective buyer before entering into a purchase agreement. If all violations listed on a point of sale inspection are not corrected prior to transfer of title, an escrow account must be established and funds equal to 150 percent of the estimated cost of repairs must be held in escrow. Funds are released from escrow when the City verifies correction of violations.

The City offers a number of grant programs to help correct code violations. These include a free paint program and an exterior maintenance program that are offered to income-qualified owner occupants living south of Van Aken; a Go Green program can help improve energy efficiency; and a senior program helps residents 62 and older with grants of up to \$2000, depending on household income.

Home-based Business Opportunities

Shaker has 1,503 two-family homes, or "doubles," which represent about 12 percent of the City's housing stock. Many home buyers and small business owners are transforming Shaker's two-family homes into exceptional investments as convenient workplaces. While concentrat-

ed in the Lomond, Fernway, and Moreland neighborhoods, two-families are in virtually every area of the City. Winslow Road consists entirely of two-family homes.

Running a business from a two-family may have tax advantages. Check with an accountant to find out how this might work.

Well-maintained two-family homes see \$750 to \$950 in monthly rent for first-floor units, and between \$1,100 and \$1,500 for upper units. In many cases rent covers the mortgage on a two-family home.

Financing

Fund for the Future of Shaker Heights 491-1457

The Fund for the Future provides low-interest loans to home buyers who will help sustain Shaker's racially diverse neighborhoods. The loans are for down payment assistance.

The following requirements and loan features apply only to existing single-family and two-family homes.

- The home must be in a neighborhood where the purchase will enhance the neighborhood's racial diversity.
- The home must be owner-occupied.
- The purchaser must contribute a minimum of 5 percent of the down payment.
- The Fund will match up to 10 percent of the purchase price to a maximum of \$12,000.
- The interest on the loan is half of what National City Bank charges for a 30-year 0-point fixed mortgage.
- The loan is repaid over seven years, with no prepayment penalty.

Loans on newly constructed single-family homes are repaid over 10 years. A minimum three percent of the down payment must be provided by the borrower.

Prospective borrowers must apply in person, by appointment. Documents necessary for the meeting include a signed purchase agreement, a first-mortgage lender application, and a legal description of the property.

First-time Fund for the Future borrowers also are eligible for grants for home improvements.



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for more home resource info.

Purchase/Refinance and Rehab Loans also are available through the City. When investing in an older home, new home owners often need to make an initial investment for both the purchase and for renovation. Owner-occupants can borrow up to 90 percent of the combined cost of purchasing and upgrading a single- or two-family property within the city, and receive a grant of up to 10 percent of the cost of remodeling work. 491-1370.

The Heritage Home Loan Program, administered by the Cleveland Restoration Society, provides technical assistance and home improvement loans for single and two family houses that are at least 50 years old.

There are no income restrictions and projects can include anything from new roofs, painting, landscaping, porch repair, additions, window repair, driveways, storm windows, and kitchen and bath renovations. Loans range from \$3,000 to \$150,000. The terms include a 3.5 percent home improvement loan over 10 years. 216-426-3106

The Home Enhancement Loan Program (HELP) offers a loan for a five-year period at three percent below market rate, which can be used for correcting code violations, making upgrades, or for maintenance. 491-1370.

Fifth Third Bank offers Shaker residents a 15-year loan of up to \$30,000 at a five percent interest rate. Loans can be used to correct exterior or interior code violations, carry out exterior enhancements, or to upgrade mechanical systems. 491-1370.

Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland offers a second mortgage program for home repairs. The program comes with more technical assistance than an average bank loan. NHS provides budget counseling, help with the estimates, itemizes and bids the project out to qualified contractors, and provides construction management. Neighborhood Housing Services, 458-4663 ext. 24.



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TYPE OF WORK	BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED	ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW	ZONING APPROVAL REQUIRED
Air Conditioners	Yes	No	Yes
Awnings	Yes	Yes	May be needed
Boiler	Yes	No	No
Building (new construction)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Chimney Replacement/Repair	Yes	May be needed	No
Ceiling Fans	Yes	No	No
Decks	Yes	Yes	Yes
Demolition	Yes	May be needed	May be needed
Drains: Floor, Sewer and Yard	Yes	No	No
Driveway Aprons	Yes	No	No
Driveway Replacement	Yes	No	May be needed
Driveway Resurfacing	Yes	No	No
Exterior Door Alteration/Replacement			
House and garage	Yes	Yes	No
Ductwork	Yes	No	No
Electrical (any new wiring)	Yes	No	No
Factory Built Fireplace/Stove	Yes	May be needed	May be needed
Fences	Yes	May be needed	Yes
Fire Damage	Yes	May be needed	No
Freestanding Masonry Walls	Yes	Yes	Yes
Furnace	Yes	No	No
Garage Floors	Yes	No	No
Garages-New	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gaslines	Yes	No	No
Glass Block Windows	Yes	Yes	No
Gutters and Downspouts	No	May be needed	No
Handicapped Accessibility	Yes	May be needed	May be needed
Hot Water Tank	Yes	No	No
Interior Remodel	Yes	No	No
Landscaping	No	No	No
Painting-Exterior	No	No	No
Paint Removal	Yes	No	No
Patios	Yes	No	Yes
Porch Repairs-Structural	Yes	May be needed	No
Porch Replacement	Yes	Yes	Yes
Porch Enclosure	Yes	Yes	Yes
Play House	Yes	Yes	Yes
Plumbing (any new plumbing)	Yes	No	No
Porch Railings	Yes	May be needed	No
Re-Siding	Yes	Yes	No
Roofs/Re-roofing	Yes	Yes	No
Room Additions	Yes	Yes	Yes
Satellite Dishes (over 18")	Yes	No	Yes
Sewer Repair/Replace			
(Cleaning-May Be Needed)	Yes	No	No
Sidewalks-Private	Yes	No	No
Sidewalks-Public	Yes	No	No
Skylights	Yes	Yes	No
Sprinkler System	Yes	No	No
Steps-Replacement	Yes	Yes	No
Steps-Repair	No	No	No
Storage Shed	Yes	Yes	Yes
Storm Windows	No	No	No
Swimming Pools	Yes	No	Yes
Tuckpointing*	No	No	No
*new mortar must match existing mortar in color, composition, and profile			
Waterproofing Foundations	Yes	No	No
Window Replacement	Yes	Yes	No

This is not a complete list of projects.

To determine if Architectural Board of Review approval is required for a project, please call 491-1430.

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Shaker Home Landscaping

Landscaping and real estate pros explain how to get the most out of your yard, whether you are planning to enjoy it yourself or put your home on the market.

Maybe you've seen a yard like this on the way to work, shopping, or school. Maybe you even pull into its driveway every night: Well-kept, but a bit...tired. The pachysandra is staging a hostile takeover of the anemic lawn. The sandstone walk leading to the front door is buckling here, crumbling there. Overgrown yew bushes and rhododendron are crushed up against the house, obscuring the first-floor windows in a relentless climb to the second floor. Under the corner oak, whose roots are undermining the home's foundation,

a few leaves cling stubbornly to scraggly, winter-burned azaleas. In the back, a rusty chain-link fence bounds a hard-packed, poorly drained patch of weed-choked grass that floods each spring. Misplaced conifers, recently beheaded by the electric company, mark the property line.

This yard was lovely in its heyday, but after 60 or 80 years, it's time for a make-over.

Fortunately, there are landscaping solutions to fit everyone's time, budget, and personal taste. From the simple addition of some flowering plants and shrubs, to a full-scale new design and installation, owners of historic Shaker Heights houses can enhance the enjoyment, value, and curb appeal of their homes.

Area landscape and real estate professionals say many of their Shaker clients have faced yard problems exactly like those described above. Here are some of their solutions.

Out: Boring, overgrown plants near the home's foundation (yews, rhododendrons, etc.).

In: A variety of properly pruned evergreen and deciduous shrubs and trees, in beds located throughout the property.

Often plants are put in without consideration for their mature size, explains Jim Freireich of Eastside Landscaping. "Then what you see is the landscape, and not the architecture of the house. Ideally, you want the landscape to complement the house, not overtake it."

Sometimes the best solution is to remove everything and start over, especially if plants are unhealthy or weather-damaged. Landscapers agree that old yew shrubs that have become too massive or sport the sculpted "bowling ball" look should be rejuvenated or replaced.

what's out, what's in

by BETH FRIEDMAN-ROMMEL

A whimsical landscape in the Mercer neighborhood features sculptures of beneficial insects. PHOTO BY MARC GOLUB



Resources

Anchor Landscaping

Sean and Marty McGuan
244-5727

Eastside Landscaping

Jim Freireich
381-0070

Good Nature Organic Lawn Care

Alec McClellan
351-9830

The Pattie Group

Joshua Tooker
440-338-1288

The Plant Manager

Judith Siegel
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Peace of Nature

Jen Braman
990-3229

Cleveland Restoration Society Heritage Home Program

(exterior improvement loans and
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Jim Storer 524-6580 X 11

In other cases, says Anchor Landscaping's Sean McGuan, plants may be cut back, or moved to a better spot.

Shaker resident Judith Siegel, owner of The Plant Manager, often recommends compact or dwarf varieties of tried-and-true favorites that will stay the right size and shape under a front bay window without pruning. She cautions homeowners always to remember the scale of the home and property. "A two- or three-foot shrub on a 40- or 50-foot setback looks like you haven't done anything."

Out: Laissez-faire maintenance.

In: Cutting grass, raking leaves, edging beds, and pulling weeds.

The most dazzling design will have no impact if the yard is not maintained. This is especially important when putting your home on the market, according to savvy Shaker home sales experts.

Karen Tucker of RE/MAX HomeSource says these simple chores "give a fresh, clean, visual impression. Buyers will have a positive mindset as they go through the door."

Moreover, an untidy yard may discourage buyers from even setting foot on the property, warns Cathy LeSueur of Howard Hanna Smythe Cramer. "If it's overgrown, they will assume that that's how the house is maintained."

From a financial standpoint, these realtors agree that landscaping changes should

be done for the enjoyment of the current owners, rather than as an investment. "Any project that's going to allow the yard to be utilized, such as a patio or a nice play area, yes, you might get your money out," advises Liz Nuechterlein of Realty One Real Living. "But do these things for you and your family to enjoy while you're there."

LeSueur says certain landscaping, such as eliminating grass, may actually deter some buyers, "You'll lose buyers who have small children if you don't have grass," she believes.

On the other hand, she says that lighting and irrigation systems often are attractive to buyers of larger properties.

Out: Broken, buried, missing, or insufficient hardscape.

In: Patios, porches, curved walkways, raised beds, walls and fences in stone, brick, wood, and other natural materials.

Most landscapers working in Shaker Heights like to use existing and/or reclaimed sandstone – the "homeowner's gold lurking behind everybody's garage," as Marty McGuan of Anchor laughingly puts it.

Many other natural materials are available to add shape, color, and texture to the hardscape, while remaining in keeping with Shaker's architectural styles, says Jim Freireich.

"The sky's the limit," he says, when it comes to creating outdoor rooms, including kitchens, spas, putting greens, or even a bocce court. Lighting adds a dramatic nighttime touch.

Often the pros are called in to correct serious defects, such as drainage problems, sunken patios, and dangerously uneven steps or walkways. Sometimes they like to throw in a few curves while they're at it, in contrast to the formal English-garden symmetry of yesteryear.

Shaggy, unkempt evergreens gone wild around the home's foundation are out. Neatly pruned shrubs and trees in beds located throughout the property are in.

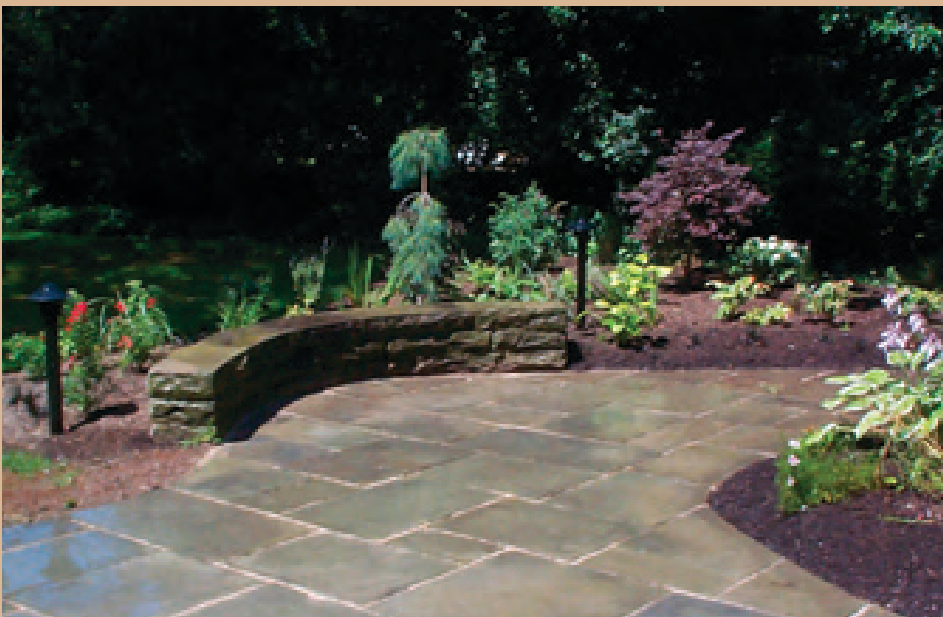


PHOTO COURTESY ANCHOR LANDSCAPING

Out: Incorrectly planted trees and shrubs.

In: Location, location, location.

That means planting the right plant in the right spot to meet its soil, water, and light requirements. Following this guideline will result in a lower-maintenance yard.

“After three years, the plants should be established enough so they can thrive with what nature provides,” says Sean McGuan.

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Shaker Home Landscaping

Restored To Glory, DIY Style

BY BETH FRIEDMAN-ROMMEL



PHOTOS BY MARC GOLUB



When the Weiss family moved into their 1931 Ingraham French Normandy home in March of 2004, “it needed work inside and out,” Erica recalls. The front yard featured the ubiquitous enormous yew bushes and a few rhododendrons thrown in, along with some nice mature trees. The back suffered from a collapsing brick porch, soil erosion, and the twin eyesores of an ugly fence and low-hanging power lines.

Erica began in back by having the power lines buried and planting a line of blue spruces along the fence. She also hired contractors to “clean out and level the back.” They discovered the ruins of a beautiful sandstone patio buried underneath the brush.

They reused the stone to build two new patios. While she has not finalized plans for the backyard yet, a new porch, retaining wall, and water feature are on her wish list. She also dreams of perennial beds and a vegetable garden, once she finds a suitably sunny spot.

Erica, an artist by profession (see *Shaker Life*, January/February 2006), also envisioned a colorful and textured front yard. Unfortunately, they lost three huge trees in the winter storms. Then her husband David “went wild with a chain saw one day” and cut up the overgrown shrubbery. After hiring landscapers to rip out the roots and prepare planting beds, Erica had the blank palate she desired.

With help from her mother and a lot of gardening books, Erica came up with a simple design emphasizing color and four-season interest.

“We decided to frame the house a little bit and show off the windows. We planted a larger-size weeping cherry, with evergreens and miniature holly around it. Then there’s Korean viburnum that smells wonderful – we’ll have a lot of white and whitish pink flowers in the spring.”

For fall color, Erica chose Japanese maples with bright red leaves.

It’s obviously a work in progress, but Erica is very happy with the results so far.

On the other hand, Scott and Celeste Gordon’s cozy wood-and-stone colonial in Sussex came with an almost unheard-of bonus – the plans for the original landscape design.

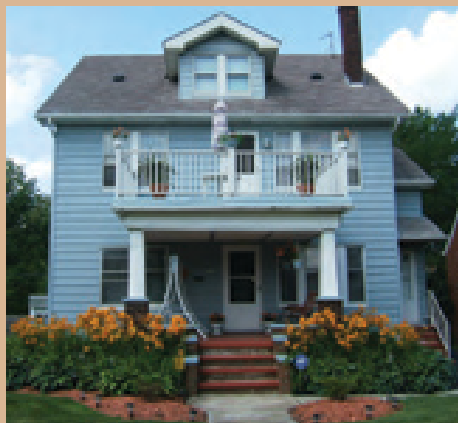
Built in 1934, the house was extravagantly landscaped. When the Gordons took possession four years ago, the plant material was completely overgrown and obscuring what remained of the hard-scape.

Scott began digging around, and thus began a restoration odyssey.

“Much to my surprise, I found the original remnants of the stone walls buried in there. Some were too wrapped in roots, but I was able to pull up lots of the stone.”

This page: Weiss house (top), Gordon house. **Opposite page:** “Stars of Shaker” landscaping award nominee.

"A garden is better than a mirror for revealing yourself." —Anon.



Since then Scott has enjoyed bringing the front and back yards "back to spec," with charming results. He's used most of the same perennials, added an herb garden, and recycled the stone, but admits to a bit of "poetic license" here and there when it comes to curved retaining walls and adding a swing to the backyard arbor.

That goes for the brick and stone patio too, which "looks like it's been there 50 years," even though it wasn't on the original plan. Scott collected the materials entirely from demolition and construction sites. It took two years to collect them, and has become a bit of an obsession.

"I found out there's a bricker club where you can exchange bricks, but you're not allowed to buy them. One brick came from the patio of the home my wife grew up in, which was originally from the Chicago Centennial of 1893. I also got a unique yellow brick from the chimney of my first house." The collection includes bricks from towns all over Ohio, Kentucky, and Michigan.

"Thank God I'm not paying ten bucks a brick on e-bay...yet," he remarks.

It's been a labor of love for Scott, who has done all the planning and almost all the work himself. "I'm fortunate, because our house is pretty picturesque, and had a lot of nice features to start with."



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LOCAL LEGENDS

the art *of* persistence

Rose Wong, mistress of Pearl of the Orient, has been way up, way down, bloodied and bowed, and has recovered and prevailed. In short, she's a classic American success story.

BY SUE STARRETT

Building A Restaurant

She left Hong Kong for Iowa in 1971, with two suitcases and \$400. She was headed for Ottumwa Heights College, where her older sister Margaret had enrolled. Rose Wong devoted every minute to her studies, or to the jobs she held to help with expenses.

Twice she applied to the convent, but was not accepted because she wasn't a citizen. Instead, she earned bachelor's and master's degrees in graphic design at the University of Iowa, in pursuit of her calling to be an artist. She entered the University's Master of Fine Arts and continued working as a waitress to pay the bills.

In the meantime Margaret had moved to Cleveland to work at a law firm and conceived the idea of opening a restaurant. While Rose at first declined her sister's invitation to run the restaurant, she did agree to design it.

Two months into construction, all the money had been spent.

Margaret insisted that Rose buy a skirt and learn to walk in high heels in preparation for asking a bank officer for a loan.

"I couldn't talk to people without looking at the floor," Rose says. No loans were forthcoming.

Forest City Enterprises managed the Shaker Heights property where the restaurant, Pearl of the Orient, was to be located, so Rose and Margaret boldly turned to the company's leader for guidance — Albert Ratner, perhaps Cleveland's most powerful business figure.

"The Ratner family saved us. I told them 'I will succeed' because there was no doubt in my mind. I had no other choice. In our family, we do what we have to do; we keep at it!"

Ratner helped them secure the bank loans and the construction proceeded. In 1978 Pearl of the Orient opened at Van Aken Center as the first Northern Chinese and Szechuan restaurant in Cleveland. Twenty-five-year-old Rose Wong was in charge.

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"From nothing I built a restaurant. From a restaurant I built a name."

Rose Wong, *Confessions of a Restaurateur*, 1992



Rose Wong at Pearl of the Orient, JANUARY 2006. PHOTO BY MARC GOLUB

CSI: Woodbury



Candace Sheffler's class in forensic science teaches young students that there are no answer keys in real life.

BY JAYNE EIBEN

PHOTOS BY KEVIN REEVES

On a clear Tuesday morning after a long Labor Day weekend, the sixth grade students in Candace Sheffler's second-period science class settle into their seats at Woodbury School. Sheffler is the sort of teacher kids respond to and love – young, attractive, warm, and enthusiastic while also smart and genuine. But even she's having trouble enlivening this post-holiday bunch.

She explains to the class they'll be starting a new unit about the scientific process, DNA, and forensics. The class sits passively. One boy mumbles to himself that it sounds boring.

Sheffler takes the apathetic response in stride. She knows from experience that within minutes this group will be fully engaged.

The class walks into the science lab next door where they discover a yellow caution tape partitioning off a 12-by-14 foot "crime scene," complete with the outline of a human body, footprints, half-filled cups of Diet Pepsi, thumb tacks, guitar picks, and other scattered evidence.

The students' eyes brighten and backs straighten, and suddenly the holiday weekend seems long past. The children immediately grasp that it will be their job over the next several class periods to solve a fictional crime. Who has time for daydreaming about summer when there's a crime to solve?

Sheffler has taught this class for several years. She found it in a teachers' guide called Mystery Festival, offering crime-solving activities as teaching tools. Every year she hesitates before including it in her curriculum. Does she really want to give up half of Labor Day setting up the crime scene and work late into the night preparing labs to test the evidence? But her hesitation does not last for more than a moment.

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The Woodbury "Crime Scene."

Thornton Park



The Long View

The Thornton Park Master Plan (Draft) redesigns the 13 acre park to address some of the needs identified in the Assessment. It is a guide for redevelopment, and allows the proposed changes to occur in one or more phases.

The estimated cost to implement the entire Thornton Park Plan is \$4.5 million, excluding the cost of the pool.

Master Plan Design (Draft) Recommendations

Most improvements and activities are located in the center of the park, leaving the periphery for activities such as walking, picnicking, and sledding. Space has been reserved to reinforce existing buffers and to create new buffers between the park and its neighbors.



Draft Master Plan

Shaker Heights City Council is expected to choose a pool renovation plan in mid-March. Look for the first signs of construction in late summer/early fall of this year. A newly renovated pool will reopen in summer 2007.

What's it All About?

In 2004, the City undertook the Recreation and Leisure Assessment. Its purpose was to convene a broad community conversation about ways to enhance all aspects of recreation and leisure amenities within the City and to develop a plan to address those needs.

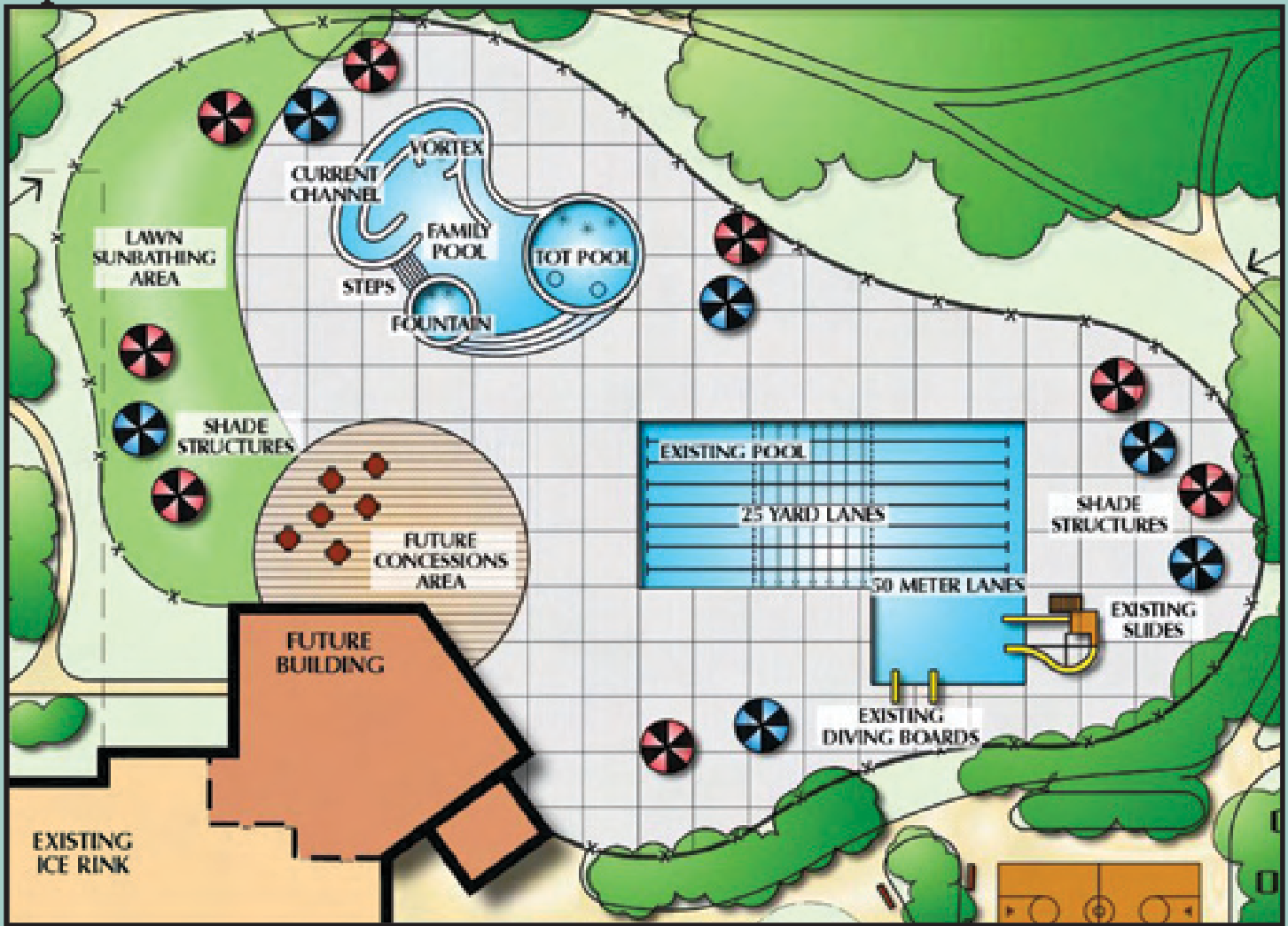
In 2005, after 16 meetings (including three large public meetings) in which over 500 people participated, and following deliberation by a citizen task force, the process was completed. The top three priorities that emerged included:

1. Improve/repair fields
2. Improve the pool
3. Add/link trails

The Recreation and Leisure Assessment made specific recommendations for a multi-purpose park at Thornton. It called for a long-term Thornton Park Plan (**see plan at left**) to transform the park into a diversified and attractive multi-purpose facility. It also called for repair and improvement of the pool; redesign of vehicle access, parking, landscaping, and buffering; adding basketball and skateboard facilities; and connection to a trail system. A medium-term goal was to explore the potential for adding a second ice rink.

- Several items remain largely unchanged, notably location of the ice rink and 50 meter pool.
- The pool is the centerpiece and focal point, regardless of redesign option (**see following pages**).
- The primary entrance to the park is moved to Warrensville Center Rd.
- Parking is moved to areas directly adjacent to Warrensville Center and Farnseigh roads. Two paved lots accommodate the same number of cars as the current lot and a grassy parking area absorbs overflow.
- A 2/3-mile gravel walking path system winds through the park, connecting park amenities, and providing access to Warrensville Center and Farnseigh roads and beyond into the community.
- A building addition to the existing ice rink houses a new entrance/lobby for both the rink and the pool. It contains a new concession area, restrooms, and pool equipment. Space is reserved next to the existing ice rink for a second sheet of ice.
- A new playground area, basketball court, and picnic area are added along the west side of the park. An enhanced sledding hill slopes down from the picnic area to Farnseigh Rd.
- A skate park is built into the area on top of the old sledding hill, directly south of the pool. Landscaping and earth mounding are used to provide buffering around the skate park.
- A new picnic pavilion is located near two existing tennis courts. The picnic area is accessible from the walking path.

Option A



The Short View

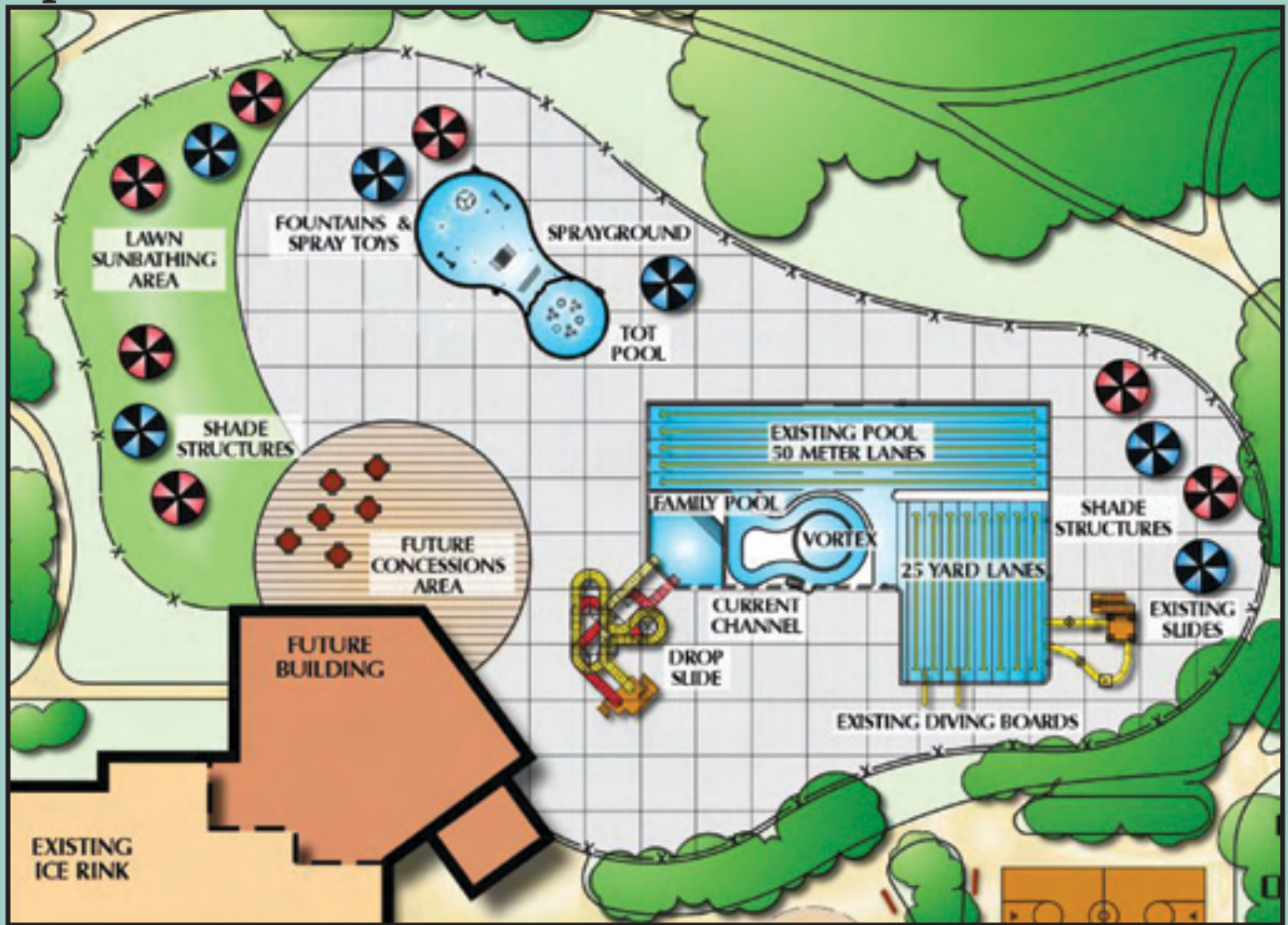
Pool Design Options

All pool design options maintain the current location of the existing competitive pool. The deck area surrounding the pool is slightly enlarged and a grassy lawn sunbathing area is added. Additional shade structures provide relief from the sun in a variety of locations around the pool. A chair lift for the disabled and new ladders provide safe and easy access to the competitive pool.

Pool Option A Design Features

- Estimated cost of \$3.3 million
- Estimated lifespan: Repair of existing pool: 15 years;
New family pool: 30 years
- Repair of the existing 50-meter competitive pool (maintains existing 50-meter and 25-yard lanes).
- Addition of a new family pool with several leisure/play features, including:
 - Tot pool
 - Fountain
 - Current channel for water walking

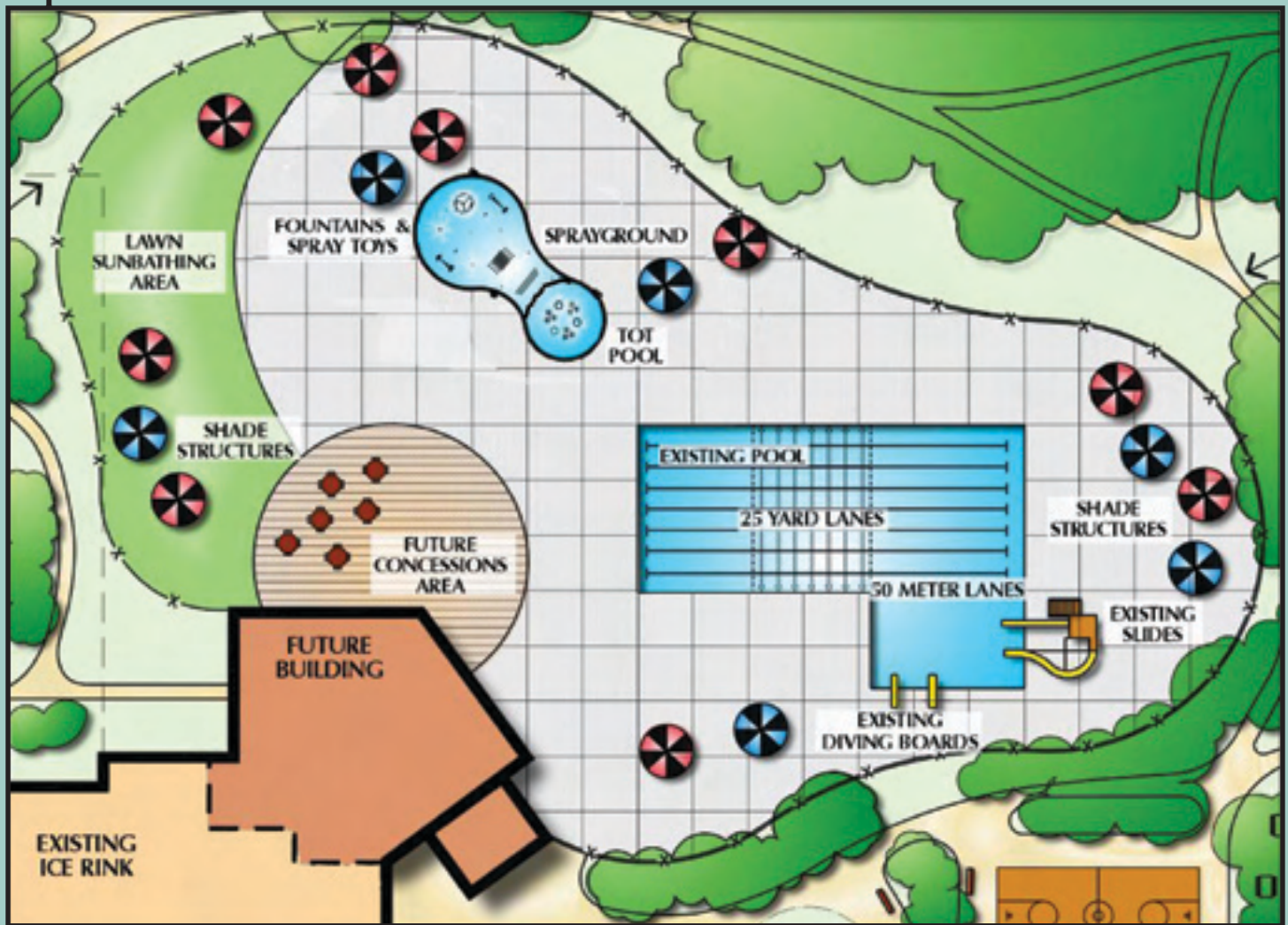
Option B



Pool Option B Design Features

- Estimated cost of \$2.3 million
- Estimated lifespan: repair of existing pool: 15 years;
New sprayground: 30 years
- Repair of the existing 50-meter competitive pool.
- Addition of several family leisure/play features to the existing competitive pool, including:
 - A bulkhead to allow simultaneous use of 25-yard lanes and 50-meter lanes
 - Two slides
 - Current channel for water walking
 - Underwater bench
- Addition of a sprayground (water playground) with children's play features, including:
 - Tot pool
 - Fountains
 - Water toys

Option C



Pool Option C Design Features

- Estimated cost of \$1.5 million
- Estimated lifespan: Repair of existing pool: 15 years; New sprayground: 30 years
- Repair of the existing 50-meter competitive pool (maintains existing 50-meter and 25-yard lanes).
- Addition of a sprayground (water playground) with children's play features, including:
 - Tot pool
 - Fountains
 - Water toys

❁ And the Winner is...

Be the first to find out which option Council has chosen! Visit shakeronline.com and sign up for the email subscriber list, "News About Thornton Park Redevelopment." The first email you receive will announce which option has been selected.



RECREATION & LEISURE

REGISTRATION

Many classes fill quickly. Early registration is encouraged. Registration ends and classes close two business days prior to the first day of class.

REGISTRATION FOR SPRING/ SUMMER CLASSES BEGINS TUESDAY, MARCH 7.

Registration hours:

Thornton Park

M 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

TU-F 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

SA 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Shaker Community Building

M-F 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Call 491-1295 or 491-1360 and have credit card ready. Mastercard and Visa accepted.

MAIL-IN, FAX and ONLINE registration also accepted. Checks are payable to City of Shaker Heights. \$15 charge for all returned checks.

Mail to: City of Shaker Heights
20701 Farnsleigh Road
Shaker Heights 44122

Fax #: 991-4219 (24 hrs/day)

Online: shakeronline.com (24 hrs/day)

Classes with fewer than the required number of participants at the first class may be cancelled. A full refund or credit will be granted for classes cancelled by the City.

Refunds for withdrawal from a class or program will be granted before the second session except for injury or illness. (A doctor's letter will be required.) In the case of trips, money is refunded only if the space can be filled and if the cancellation is received at least 24 hours in advance.

Refund claim forms must be presented within 30 days of withdrawal. Special programs such as childcare, camps, and one-nighters are handled on a case-by-case basis. There are no refunds for materials purchased. Program locations and/or personnel are subject to change.

There is a \$10 processing fee for refund requests, with the following exceptions:

- Adult 50+ programs, \$5
- Camps, Summer Figure Skating School, Summer Hockey School, Fall/Winter Hockey (except Mighty Mites), \$25

Please allow 4-6 weeks for refunds to be processed.

Non-Endorsement Policy

The City does not necessarily endorse the opinions or business affiliations of the individuals who teach its classes and programs.

Disability Policy

The City is committed to providing access to recreational programming for all residents. If you or a member of your family has a special need, please call 491-1295 to be connected to the appropriate Program Coordinator.

YOUTH

Enrichment & Leisure

Dino Math *New!

(Ages 3-6)

Penni Rubin

This Wonderlab workshop explores everyday activities to strengthen math skills. Discovery stations feature dinosaur-related surprises. Fee covers one child, one parent and all materials.

Middle School Cafeteria

Thursday, May 11

7-8 p.m.

res\$15 nres\$20

res\$5 nres\$6 (ea. add'l. person)

Sound-off Science *New!

(Ages 3-6)

Penni Rubin

Discover how sound is created using musical instruments. Each child will make an instrument to take home. Fee covers one child, one parent and all materials.

Middle School Cafeteria

Thursday, May 18

7-8 p.m.

res\$17 nres\$22

res\$7 nres\$8 (ea. add'l. person)

Chess/Checkers

(Grades 1-6)

Eric Newberry

Game tactics covered. The first 15 minutes of each session are devoted to checkers. If possible, please bring a chess and/or checker set and board to class. Participants should know names of pieces and how they move.

Woodbury School, Room 114

April 23-May 21

5 weeks

SU 4:15-5:15 p.m.

res\$55 nres\$70

Computer Camps:

Build and Repair Computers

(Ages 10-14)

Jordan Team Computing

Learn the purpose of computer hardware fundamentals while taking apart a working computer. To keep the computer, additional lab fee of \$50 payable to instructor.

Beachwood High School

25100 Fairmount Blvd.

M-F 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

001 June 26-30

002 July 17-21

003 August 21-25 (Location: TBD)

res\$299 nres\$329

Computer Camps: Robotics in Action

(Ages 10-14)

Jordan Team Computing

Introduction to building robots. Learn mechanical design, construction, programming and teamwork skills. \$50 lab fee payable to instructor.

Beachwood High School

25100 Fairmount Blvd.

M-F 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

001 June 12-16

002 July 10-14

res\$299 nres\$329

Digital Video Productions *New!

(Ages 10-14)

Jordan Team Computing

Students learn to create, produce and shoot an original movie using a digital camera. Each participant is given a DVD of the final product. \$50 lab fee payable to instructor.

Beachwood High School

25100 Fairmount Blvd.

July 31-August 4

M-F 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

res\$299 nres\$329

Digital Garage Band *New!

(Ages 10-14)

Jordan Team Computing

Students learn to create their own composition. A digital keyboard is used to create sounds of every popular instrument. Compositions are burned to CD for each participant to take home. \$50 lab fee payable to instructor.

Beachwood High School

25100 Fairmount Blvd.

August 7-11

M-F 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

res\$299 nres\$329

Driver Education

(Grades 10+)

Instruction is offered beginning late March. Information: 491-2595, Kevin Crowe after March 6.

It's A Party!

(Ages 5-12)

Enjoy a birthday party package. Selected dates for pool parties. A minimum of one month's advance notice required. INFO: 491-2595, Kevin Crowe. Ice skating parties: 491-2590, Dawn Clark.

Magic Club

(Grades 1-4)

Brad Schreiber

Professional children's magician teaches tricks, history and development of magic.

Onaway School, Multi-purpose Room

April 18-May 16

5 weeks

TU 4:30-5:30 p.m.

res\$45 nres\$60

Shaker Community Building

June 24-July 22

5 weeks

SA 12:15-1:15 p.m.

res\$45 nres\$60

Safety Town

(Ages 5-6)

Safety Town graduates get a head start on kindergarten. Safety skills taught with assistance from the Shaker Heights Police and Fire Departments. Space is limited. Participants must be entering kindergarten by September 2006. Cost includes a \$10 materials fee. No class July 4.

REGISTRATION (in person only)

Shaker School District residents:

April 3-May 5

Open registration: May 8-June 16

Shaker Family Center

M-F, 2 weeks/session

June 26-July 7

001 9:30-11:30 a.m.

002 1-3 p.m.

July 10-21

003 9:30-11:30 a.m.

004 1-3 p.m.

July 24-August 4

005 9:30-11:30 a.m.

006 1-3 p.m.

res\$70 nres\$90

Fundaze

When school is out, fun is in!

Grades K-8 7 a.m.-6:30 pm

Spring Break: April 10-14

Pre-camp: June 9, 12-16

res\$32/day early registration

nres\$42/day early registration

res\$42/day late registration

nres\$52/day late registration

School Age Care

(Grades K-6)

Before/after school program provides enrichment activities to children in their schools; safe, supervised places to spend time with friends, learn new skills and develop resourcefulness. Program options: Personal Safety Awareness, sports, homework, fine arts, literacy, science, math, field trips and more. Onaway site offers school age care for children with special needs.

Before school: 7-9:15 a.m.

After school: 3:20-6:30 p.m.

FEES

(10% discount for each additional full-time child)

BEFORE SCHOOL:

\$131/month

\$89/March

\$8/day

AFTER SCHOOL:

\$152/month

\$100/March

\$13/day

All payments made at Thornton Park, by phone or FAX 991-4219, using MasterCard or Visa. Payments not accepted at child care sites. No drop-in; pre-registration required. Fees due first of the month. \$25 late fee if unpaid after 6th of each month. No June payment for full-time students enrolled in September and attending all year. INFO: 491-2583, Rhonda Miller, SAC Coordinator.

Fine & Performing Arts

Ballet Basics

(Ages 5-6)

Pia Alesci

Fundamentals of classical ballet. No experience necessary. Plain leotards, tights and ballet shoes required. No class April 12.

Thornton Park Community Room

March 29-May 24

8 weeks

W 4:15-5:15 p.m.

res\$65 nres\$85

Ballet for Figure Skaters

(Ages 6+)

Jennifer Martino

Strength, flexibility and artistry are the focus of this class designed for low-level skaters and Learn-to-Skate participants. Improved on-ice technique and performance are the primary goals of this off-ice class. No class on April 14 and May 5.

Thornton Park Community Room

March 31-May 19

6 weeks

F 6:15-7 p.m.

res\$60 nres\$75

Ballet: Fairy Tales

(Ages 3-4)

Jennifer Martino

Fairy tales brought to life through the magic of movement, dance and storytelling. No prior experience necessary. Leotards, tights and ballet shoes required. Participants must be toilet-trained.

Thornton Park Community Room

April 3-May 8

6 weeks

M 2:30-3:05 p.m.

res\$50 nres\$65

Ballet for Preschoolers

(Ages 3-4)

Pia Alesci

Play-based introduction to basic ballet positions and movement. Body awareness and coordination skills are primary focus. Children also develop social skills as they prepare to enter kindergarten. Plain leotards, tights and ballet shoes are required. Participants must be toilet-trained. No class on April 13.

Thornton Park Community Room

8 weeks TH

March 30-May 25

Level I 1:00-1:45 p.m.

Level II 2:00-2:45 p.m.

(Prerequisite: Level I completed)

res\$60 nres\$80

Theatre Workshop for Youth

(Grades 1-4)

Brad Schreiber

Principles of acting, singing and dance taught by performer and educator. Half-hour performance at last class.

5 weeks

Boulevard School, Multi-purpose Room

April 17-May 15

001 M 3:45*-4:30 p.m.

Onaway School, Multi-purpose Room

April 18-May 16

002 TU 3:45*-4:30 p.m.

Fernway School Art Room

April 19-May 17

003 W 3:45*-4:30 p.m.

*Report at 3:30 p.m.

Shaker Community Building

June 24-July 22

004 SA 11 a.m.-Noon

res\$45 nres\$60

Sports & Fitness

Art of Self-Defense

(Ages 7+ with adult)

Master Mark Siwinski

Tai Shin Doh/Tai Shin Jitsu/Hopkido

Karate

Instruction for both participants. Belt advancement available but not mandatory. Uniforms not required. One fee covers both adult and child. No class on April 13.

Middle School East Gym

TH 7:45-9:15 p.m.

001 April 6-June 8

9 weeks

res\$90 nres\$110

002 June 22-July 27

6 weeks

res\$70 nres\$85

Baseball: 45-Minute Workout

(Ages 7-8)

Informal instruction emphasizing base running, throwing, catching, fielding and hitting. Bring a bat and glove.

Thornton Park Tennis Courts

April 16-May 7

4 weeks

SU 3:30-4:15 p.m.

res\$30 nres\$40

Baseball: Jr. Raider Rookie

Instructional Clinic

(Ages 8-10)

Fundamentals of hitting, fielding and situational play are covered in clinic. Bring own bat and glove. No class Apr. 16.

Ludlow Ballfield

April 8-May 7

4 weeks

SU 3:30-5 p.m.

res\$40 nres\$50

Baseball: Mom and Tot T-Ball Clinic

(Age 5 & 6)

Help your child learn proper throwing, catching, fielding, and hitting skills. Parents and players should bring own gloves.

Middle School East Gym

Sunday, May 21

1-2:30 p.m.

res\$35 nres\$45

Baseball: Parent Pitch League

(7 & 8 yr. old division)

Parents pitch to players. T-shirts provided (give t-shirt size at registration). No team or coach request. Volunteer coaches needed. All players must complete registration form. Bring glove; may use own bat. Time/location subject to change. No class July 1.

Shaker Family Center Field &

Shaker Town Center/Ludlow Ballfield

June 3-July 22

7 weeks

SA 8 a.m.-Noon

001 Age 7

002 Age 8

res\$70 nres\$90

After April 30:

res\$80 nres\$90

Baseball: Shaker Youth Baseball League, Inc. (SYBL)

REGISTRATION DAY: Saturday, March 11
Thornton Park
9 a.m.-3 p.m.

SYBL is a recreational summer program for Shaker Heights School district residents currently in grades 3-10 (cannot turn 17 before August 1, 2006). Season runs May through July. Tryouts to evaluate players held in April.

Registration fee is \$90 per player with a family maximum of \$225 (payable to Shaker Youth Baseball). A separate fee of \$25 per player for use and maintenance of the fields is payable to the City of Shaker Heights.

If you are interested in managing or assisting in coaching a team, please contact SYBL. Coaching clinics are provided to support coaching quality. In accordance with policy, managers and coaches must agree to a confidential background check including fingerprinting.

Information on SYBL or travel teams:
556-5708 or www.sybl.com.

Don't let your favorite class get cancelled by waiting until the last minute to register. At some point a decision is made whether to cancel a program due to low enrollment. Registering late may mean you missed your chance and the class has already been cancelled.
Register today!

Baseball: T-Ball League

(Co-ed, Ages 5-6)

The entry level for this instructional league. Teams formed and t-shirts provided (give t-shirt size at registration). No team or coach request. Volunteer coaches needed. All players must complete registration form. Bring glove; may use own bat. Time/location subject to change. No class July 1.

Shaker Family Center Field & Shaker Town Center/Ludlow Ballfield

June 3-July 22

7 weeks

SA Noon-4 p.m.

res\$70 nres\$90

After April 30:

res\$80 nres\$90

Baseball: Tiny T-Ball League

(Age 4)

An informal, instructional introduction to baseball. Parents are encouraged to participate. Volunteer coaches are needed. (Give t-shirt size at registration.) Children must be 4 years of age to register. Register early, limited enrollment. All players must complete registration form. Bring glove; may use own bat. Time/location subject to change. No class July 2.

Shaker Family Center Field

June 4-July 23

7 weeks

SU 1-4 p.m.

res\$70 nres\$90

After April 30:

res\$80 nres\$100

Basketball: Bitty Basketball

(Co-ed, 4 years old)

Learn ball handling and passing in this introductory class. No class April 15.

Woodbury School West Gym

SA 1-1:45 p.m.

4 weeks

001 April 8-May 6

002 May 20-June 10

res\$45 nres\$55

Basketball: Fundamentals of Passing, Dribbling and Shooting

(Ages 7-12)

Carlton Mitchell

Learn basics then apply them on the court. No class July 2.

Woodbury School Upper Gym

5 weeks

SU 1-2 p.m.

001 April 23-May 21

002 June 4-July 9

res\$45 nres\$60

Basketball: Jr. NBA/Jr. WNBA

Pee Wee Instructional

(Co-ed; Ages 5-9)

Denise Duncan & Dave Oliver

Basics taught through drills and activities. Introduction to fundamental skills. Youth size basketballs used. Children must be at least 5 years old to register. Schedule is subject to change. Limited enrollment. No team request. All players must complete registration form. No class July 1.

Woodbury School Main Gym

7 weeks

SA

April 22-June 3

001 Girls Gr. 1-2 9-10 a.m.

002 Boys 5-6 report 10 a.m. April 22

003 Boys 7-8 report 11 a.m. April 22

June 10-July 29

004 Girls Gr. 1-2 9-10 a.m.

005 Boys 5-6 report 10 a.m. June 17

006 Boys 7-8 report 11 a.m. June 17

res\$70 nres\$90

Basketball: Jr. NBA/WNBA

Youth Leagues

(Boys & Girls, Grades 3-8)

Skill development, sportsmanship, teamwork and rules of the game. Volunteer coaches needed. Teams selected via draft; no team request. Practices arranged by coaches. Players receive NBA-replica jerseys. (Give adult size at registration.) All players must complete registration form. Time/location subject to change. No class July 1.

June 3-July 22

8 weeks SA

Woodbury School Main Gym

Boys

001 Gr. 3-4 2-4 p.m.

002 Gr. 5-6 4-6 p.m.

003 Gr. 7-8 6-7 p.m.

Middle School East Gym

Girls (all girls report at 1 p.m.)

004 Gr. 3-4 1-2:30 p.m.

005 Gr. 5-8 2:30-4 p.m.

res\$65 nres\$80

Taekwondo

Strengthen your Mind
Body
Spirit
Emotion.

Little Tigers Program
Ages 5-7
Mon./Wed. 6:00 - 6:30pm

Adults, Teens, Children and Families
Ages 8 and up
Mon./Wed. 6:45 - 8:00pm
Sat. 11:00am - 12:15pm

Tough To The Maxx Program
Mon./Wed. 8:00 - 8:45pm

Instructor: Master James Cahn,
7th Dan Black Belt, Over 30 years
experience, has produced over 35 black
belts.

Be "THE REAL DEAL"
1. Highest level of conditioning and strength training.
2. Highest level of skills application.
3. Highest level of martial arts artistic performance.

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**Basketball: Jr. WNBA Spring
Girls Basketball Camp**
(Grades 3-6)

Fundamentals of dribbling, shooting and passing and game situations are taught in this one week camp. Camp uses drills, contests and scrimmages to better understand play of the game.

Middle School
April 10-14
M-F 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
res\$35 nres\$45

Basketball: Spring Break
(Grades 7-9)

All participants must register at Thornton Park. No drop-ins.

Middle School
April 10-14
M-F 1-3 p.m.
\$5/day
\$20 pass/week

Fencing

(Ages 6-14)
William Reith

Learn fundamentals and build confidence.

High School Fencing Room
4-5:30 p.m.
8 weeks

001 M April 3-May 22
002 TU April 4-May 23
003 TH April 6-May 25
res\$90 nres\$105

6 weeks
004 TU June 13-July 18
005 TH June 15-July 20
res\$70 nres\$85

Fencing: First Time

(Ages 6-14)
William Reith

Footwork, tactics and weapon technique for the beginner.

High School Fencing Room
SA Noon-1 p.m.
001 April 8-May 27
8 weeks
res\$90 nres\$105

002 June 17-July 22
6 weeks
res\$70 nres\$85

Fencing: Parent & Child
(Ages 6-14)
William Reith

Quality time activity to share with a child. Fee covers parent and one child. No class July 1.

High School Fencing Room
001 April 8-May 27
8 weeks
SA 1-2 p.m.
res\$100 nres\$120
002 June 17-July 29

6 weeks
SA Noon-1 p.m.
res\$80 nres\$95

Field Hockey: Introduction
(Girls, Grades 3-6)

Fundamentals of field hockey through live play. Sticks are provided; mouthguards and shin guards are required. For beginners or as a refresher. All players must complete registration form.

Thornton Park
April 22-May 13
4 weeks
SA
001 Gr. 3-4 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
002 Gr. 5-6 1-3 p.m.
res\$55 nres\$65

Football: NFL/Nike Youth Flag
(Co-ed Grades 1-6)

Program encourages teamwork, respect for others and fair play. NFL registration form must be completed prior to season. All players need mouthguards.

Shaker Towe Center
April 8-May 13
6 weeks
SA
001 Gr. 1-2 9-10 a.m.
002 Gr 3-4 10-11a.m.
003 Gr. 5-6 11 a.m.-Noon
res\$45 nres\$55

Golf: Instruction Youth
(Age 10-17)

Individual instruction for all levels. Weekly charge for bucket of balls: \$5.75 (large) or \$4.75 (medium).

Driving Range
Harvard & Green
5 weeks
SA 10-11 a.m.

001 April 22-May 20
002 June 17-July 15
res\$65 nres\$85

Golf: Junior Learn to Play
(Ages 8-12)
Mike McCon

Learn the game of a lifetime at an early age. Sessions cover grip, stance, posture; fundamentals of the swing; iron and wood play; short game-chipping and putting and Fun Day (long drive and putting contests). No class April 13, 15.

The Golf Dome
8198 E. Washington St. Chagrin Falls
April 6-May 20
6 weeks
001 TH 5-6 p.m.
002 SA 2-3 p.m.
res\$95 nres\$115

Golf: Tiger Cubs

(Ages 5-7)
Mike McCon & Mike Arnoff

Introduction to fundamentals with emphasis on hand-eye coordination and having fun! No class April 14.

The Golf Dome
8198 E. Washington St., Chagrin Falls
April 7-May 19
6 weeks
F 5-5:30 p.m.
res\$56 nres\$66

Ice Hockey: 2005-06 Fall/Winter Youth
Registration begins in April and space is limited. INFO: 491-2581.

Ice Hockey: Raider Hockey Camp

Co-ed full day camp for Mites and Squirts, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mighty Mites, PeeWees and Bantams have evening sessions during the week. Top quality national and local coaches provide expert instruction. Adults and high school hockey players are available to assist instructors and supervise campers on and off the ice. INFO: 491-2581.

Thornton Park Ice Arena
August 14-18

Ice Hockey: Summer Weekend

Specialty Clinic Series

(Mites through High School)

Clinics are offered Friday through Sunday starting the week of June 19. Develop offensive, defensive or individual skills. INFO: 491-2581.

Ice Skating: Elite Figure Skating Camp

Designed for the *serious competitive* figure skater, including: on-ice sessions for freestyle and moves in the field, on-ice clinics, off-ice jump and conditioning classes, yoga, Pilates and ballet. Thornton Park also offers an array of off-ice activities such as swimming, tennis, volleyball and games. Skaters must be 7 years old to participate. INFO: 295-3461.

Thornton Park Ice Arena
M-F June 12-August 11
8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. daily

Ice Skating: Shaker Figure Skating Club (SFSC)

Serious and competitive figure skaters participate in SFSC, a member of the United States Figure Skating Association (USFSA). INFO: jpetkovic@aol.com, Lynne Petkovic.

Ice Skating: Learn-to-Skate

Registration ends 2 business days prior to the first class. Those registering after the deadline will be charged a \$10 late fee. All skaters please arrive 15 minutes early on the first day of class to pick up your name tag and class assignment. New/beginning skaters will have an orientation by the entrance to the ice rink. Skate and helmet rentals extra, if needed. If there are fewer than 3 skaters in a level, class may be cancelled, or levels combined. INFO: 295-3461, Erin M. Schopf, Learn-to-Skate Coordinator.

Thornton Park Ice Arena

SPRING SESSION: March 6-April 29

REGISTRATION

Shaker Residents – January 25

Non-Resident – February 8

LEARN-TO-SKATE FEES

res\$40/with pass; \$50/without pass

nres\$60/with pass; \$70/without pass

SUMMER SESSION: July 17-August 9

REGISTRATION

Shaker Residents – May 3

Non-Residents – May 17

LEARN-TO-SKATE FEES (4 weeks)

res\$20/with pass; \$30/without pass

nres\$40/with pass; \$50/without pass

Clothing Suggestions

A knit stocking cap, gloves or mittens and snowpants are recommended for Tots and Basic I students. All skaters should wear one pair of socks or tights. Bike or hockey helmets may also be worn.

Skill Level Information

Basic 1-7 & Freestyle 1-6
(Ages 6-15)

Group instruction for the beginning to advanced skater. Hockey skates may be worn for Basic 1-4. Figure skates only for Basic 5-7 and Freestyle.

POWER HOCKEY

(Ages 6+)

For the hockey skater looking to improve skating technique and skill. Emphasis is on forward skating stride and edges. Prerequisite: completed Basic 2.

TOT SNOWPLOW SAM 1-3 (Tot SPS)

(Ages 3-5)

Beginners should start with SPS 1. SPS 2 and SPS 3 are a progression of more advanced skills for the beginner ages 5 and under.

TOT BASIC 2-5

(Ages 3-5)

For advanced tot skaters. Same as basic skills taught to older skaters.

TOT HOCKEY SKILLS

(Ages 3-5)

Basic skating and power skating skills for the hockey player under age 6. Prerequisite: completed SPS 3.

ADULT

(Ages 16+)

For beginners to advanced adult skaters who would like to learn the basics or work on improving skills in a group setting. Hockey or figure skates.

Class Schedule

MONDAYS

1:15-1:45 p.m. Tot SPS 1-2

1:45-2:15 p.m. Tot SPS 1-3

Tot Basic 2

5-5:30 p.m. Tot SPS 1-3

Tot Basic 2

Basic 5-7

Power Hockey

5:30-6 p.m. Basic 1-4, Freestyle

TUESDAYS

9:30-10 a.m.

Tot SPS 1-2

10-10:30 a.m.

Tot SPS 3

Tot Basic 2, Adults

2-2:30 p.m.

Tot SPS 1-2

2:30-3 p.m.

Tot SPS 1-3

Tot Basic 2, Adults

THURSDAYS

2-2:30 p.m.

Tot SPS 1-3

Tot Basic 1-2

2:30-3 p.m.

Tot SPS 1-3

Tot Basic 1-2

4:30-5 p.m.

Tot SPS 1-3

Tot Basic 1-2

5-5:30 p.m.

Power Hockey

5:30-6 p.m.

Basic 1-4

Tot SPS 1-3

Tot Basic 1-2

Basic 5-7

6-6:30 p.m.

Freestyle (Half Ice*)

*new

FRIDAYS

1:15-1:45 p.m.

Tot SPS 1-3

Tot Basic 2

SATURDAYS

1:15-1:45 p.m.

Tot SPS 1-3

Tot Basic 2

Basic 6-7, Freestyle

1:45-2:15 p.m.

Basic 1-5, Adults

Class Schedule – Summer

MONDAY/WEDNESDAY (4-week session)

5:15-5:45 p.m.

All levels offered

5:45-6:15 p.m.

All levels offered

Karate Intro

(Ages 7+)

Master Mark Siwinski

Tai Shin Doh/Tai Shin Jitsu/Hopkido

Karate

Co-ed introduction to self-defense using Karate, Ju Jitsu and Aikido. Students develop coordination, self-confidence, self-discipline and improved physical fitness. Belt promotions available, but not mandatory.

Middle School East Gym

April 8-June 3

9 weeks

SA 9:15-10:45 a.m.

res\$75 **nres**\$95

Lacrosse: Skills & Drills Intro

(Grades 4-6)

Introduction to lacrosse. No team play. Players provide own sticks. All players must complete registration form.

Thornton Park

April 22-May 27

6 weeks SA

001 Intro 9-10 a.m.

002 Int. 10-11 a.m.

res\$45 nres\$60

Lifeguard Certification

(Ages 15+)

American Red Cross

Prepares students for the rigors of lifeguarding. Material covered meets current Emergency Cardiovascular Care guidelines. Prerequisites: able to tread water for 2 minutes with arms folded across chest; swim 500 yards continuously using front crawl, breaststroke and side stroke for 100 yards each; submerge at least 7 feet, retrieve a 10-lb. object and return to the surface.

Middle School Pool

April 23-June 4

7 weeks

SU 1-6 p.m.

res\$215 nres\$240

Soccer: Hot Shot League

(Co-Ed Grade 1-2)

Skill development and game principles taught. Practice sessions conducted on weekday evenings and/or Sundays prior to game time. All players must complete registration form.

Boulevard School Back Field

6 weeks

SU 1:30-3:30 p.m. (1-hr. sessions)

001 April 23-May 28

002 June 11-July 16

res\$65 nres\$85

Soccer: Training and Scrimmages

(Grades K-1)

Shaker Youth Soccer Association

Class consists of 40 minutes of training and 30 minutes of scrimmages.

Middle School Lower Field

April 8-May 20

7 weeks

SA Noon-1:15 p.m.

res\$70

Softball: Competitive Fast-Pitch Leagues

(Girls, Ages 13-18)

Girls 13-14 interested in trying out for fast pitch this summer may begin sign-ups in the Thornton Park lobby on Saturday, March 4 or see coach Tim Richards at the middle school. High school varsity players 15-18 may see coach Sue Trizzino for further details.

Softball League

(Girls, Ages 8-13)

Evaluations are held indoors at the middle school, April 15 or the 8-10 division and April 22 for the 11-13 division. Uniforms and umpires provided. Volunteer coaches needed. All skill levels. No team or coach request. All players must complete registration form. Bring glove; may use own bat.

Mercer Field

June-August

001 Elementary (ages 8-10)

002 Junior (ages 11-13)

EARLY REGISTRATION: March 5, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Thornton Park

res\$80 nres\$95

After March 21:

res\$90 nres\$110

Superb Swimmers

(Ages 9 mos.-3 years)

Learn how to introduce a young child to the water. Adult must join child in pool.

Woodbury School Pool

April 22-May 27

6 weeks

SA

001 10:30-11 a.m.

002 11:05-11:35 a.m.

res\$60 nres\$75

Swimming: Competitive

(Ages 6-16)

Eric Peterson, Head Coach,
Shaker Sharks

Improve techniques in starts, turns and strokes. Minimum requirement: must be able to swim one pool length non-stop. Residents only.

Thornton Park Pool

June 12-July 21

6 weeks M-F

001 9-9:45 a.m.

002 9:45-10:30 a.m.

Advanced competitive swimmers:

003 7:15-8:45 a.m.

res\$40

Swimming Lessons

(Grades K-6)

Lessons offered at beginner and advanced beginner levels. Participants must be 48" tall or have certification from previous water instruction. Parents may observe first and last classes. Bring suit and towel.

Woodbury School Pool

April 22-May 27

6 weeks

001 SA 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

002 SA 1-1:45 p.m.

003 SA 1:45-2:30 p.m.

res\$65 nres\$85

Swimming: Jeff Ellis Learn-to-Swim *New!

New this summer is a streamlined, comprehensive learn to swim program offered by Jeff Ellis Swimming. Jeff Ellis swimming classes are creatively designed to enhance student learning in a challenging and fun environment. Residents only. INFO: 491-2594, Pam Quinn.

All Learn-to-Swim classes are held at Thornton Park Pool.

REGISTRATION & SESSION DATES:

REGISTRATION: May 16-27

Session I: June 19-30

REGISTRATION: May 30-June 10

Session II: July 10-21

REGISTRATION: June 27-July 8

Session III: July 24-August 4

Learn-to-Swim: Superb Swimmers

(Parent/Child)

A parent/child water adjustment class for children ages 6 months to 36 months. No lessons on July 1.

June 17-July 29

SA

6-12 months 11:30-noon

12-24 months 11-11:30 a.m.

24-36 months 10:30-11 a.m.

res\$30/passholder

res\$45/non-passholder

Learn to Swim: Tadpoles

(Ages 3-5)

A parent/child program for children. This is instructor guided and child progresses through parental support and skill development. Children must be acclimated to water. No lesson on July 1.

June 17-July 29

SA 10-10:30 a.m.

res\$30/passholder

res\$45/non-passholder

Learn-to-Swim: Starfish

(Beginner Level I)

(5-6 years)

Children develop skills of floating, gliding, rhythmic breathing, front crawl stroke, kicking, rear elementary back-stroke and safety skills. Skill exam is performed in deep water by swimming 20 yards.

M-F

9-9:30 a.m.

5-5:30 p.m.

9:30-10 a.m.

5:30-6 p.m.

10:30-11 a.m.

6-6:30 p.m.

11:15-11:45 a.m.

6:30-7 p.m.

res\$35/passholder

res\$50/non-passholder

Learn-to-Swim: Rainbow Fish

(Intermediate Level II)

(6-10 years)

Children develop skills of front crawl, rear crawl, breast stroke, side stroke, butterfly, front dive and safety skills. Skill exam is performed in deep water by swimming 50 yards without resting.

M-F

9-9:30 a.m.

5-5:30 p.m.

9:30-10 a.m.

5:30-6 p.m.

10:30-11 a.m.

6-6:30 p.m.

11:15-11:45 a.m.

6:30-7 p.m.

res\$35/passholder

res\$50/non-passholder

Learn-to-Swim: Sun Fish

(Advanced Level III)

(8-12 years)

Swimmer meets proficiencies in front crawl, rear crawl, breast stroke, side stroke, elementary back stroke, butterfly, front dive, treading water and safety skills. Skill exam shows proficiency for all strokes by swimming 100 yards without resting, treading water for 30

minutes and performing child CPR for three minutes.

M-F 9-9:45 a.m.

9:30-10:15 a.m.

6:30-7:15 p.m.

res\$35/passholder

res\$50/non-passholder

Learn-to-Swim: Saturdays

Starfish, Rainbow Fish and Sun Fish levels only.

June 17-July 29

SA 10:30-11 a.m.

11-11:30 a.m.

res\$30/passholder

res\$45/non-passholder

Learn-to-Swim: Beginner

(Ages 13+)

M-F 6:30-7 p.m.

res\$35/passholder

res\$50/non-passholder

Diving

(Ages 5-12 years)

Beginning diving skills; must be deep water swimmers. Test required.

M-F 9:30-10 a.m.

res\$35/passholder

res\$50/non-passholder

Swimming: Open/Family Swim

Children age 14 and younger must be accompanied by adult. Bring a lock for your locker but leave valuables at home. Residents only.

Woodbury School Pool

April 4-May 25

TU/TH 7:30-8:30 p.m.

SU 2-4 p.m.

res\$3/drop-in (exact change only)

res\$5/family maximum (3+)

Pool pass available for all open and lap swims: \$35.

Tennis For Two (with Parent)

(Ages 4-7)

Children learn the basics while parents sharpen their skills. All players must complete registration form. Bring a racquet. No class July 4.

Thornton Park Tennis Courts

June 6-July 18

6 weeks

TU 4-5 p.m.

res\$70 nres\$90

Table Tennis: Lessons

(Ages 7-14)

Valeriy Elnatano, USA National Coach, International Umpire, Olympian Coach

Beginner to advanced players welcome. Skills are introduced and sharpened. No class on July 3.

Shaker Community Building

001 April 3-May 22

002 June 19-August 14

8 weeks

M 6:30-7:30 p.m.

res\$25 nres\$30

Tennis: Heights Table Tennis Club

(All ages)

Instruction available from Valeriy Elnatano, former Olympian coach for USA/Russia.

A fun drop-in session and great way to meet others who enjoy the game. No session on April 16 and May 29.

Shaker Community Building

W 6:30-9:30 p.m.

SU 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Drop-in: \$5

Tennis: Lessons

(Youth)

Instruction in basic strokes, drills and open play. Tennis balls provided.

High School Courts

June 3-July 15

7 weeks

SA

001 Beg. 9-10 a.m.

002 Int. 10-11 a.m.

003 Adv. 11 a.m.-Noon

Thornton Park Courts

June 6-July 18

7 weeks

TU

004 Beg. 6-7 p.m.

005 Int. 7-8 p.m.

res\$70 nres\$90

ADULTS

Enrichment & Leisure

ATLAS PROGRAMMING

Shaker partners with Orange Community Education & Recreation to bring the ATLAS Life Planning Seminar to our community members.

Introduction to ATLAS

(Adult)

Attend a free Introduction to ATLAS workshop to meet facilitators and learn more about ATLAS Life Planning Seminar. Receive an overview of the program and hear success stories from participants. Fee includes workbook and all materials.

Mandel Jewish Community Center
Beachwood

April 26-May 17
4 weeks
W 7-9 p.m.
Deadline: March 31
res/nres\$169

To register for Introduction to ATLAS or ATLAS Life Planning Seminar, or for more information: 831-8601.

Boating: Basics

(Adult)
Cleveland Power Squadron

Learn from the experts. Covers right-of-way rules, legal requirements, use of marine compass, navigational aids, charts and more. No class April 13.

Woodbury School, Room 220
March 16-May 18
9 weeks
TH 7-9 p.m.
res\$18 nres\$20

College Admission Myths *New!

(Adult)
Vickie Weinland & Rosanna Sprague
College Planning Partners, LLC

Offers specific guidance to high school students and their families as they prepare for SAT/ACT tests, college visits and interviews, essay writing and the college planning process.

Shaker Community Building
Thursday, March 23
7:30-9 p.m.
res\$10 nres\$15

Digital Photography

Marc Golub, Inc.

How to get images from camera to computer; how to use Photoshop to manipulate images. Bring digital camera to class.

Shaker Community Building
Monday, March 13
7-8:30 p.m.
res\$20 nres\$25

French: Beginner

(Adult)
Suzanne Gyurgyik

Learn conversational French from this French born Shaker Heights High School teacher. Hands-on lessons involve students in skits. Handouts include websites for learning and practice. No class May 29.

High School Room #307
April 24-June 19
8 weeks
M 6-7 p.m.
res\$60 nres\$65

Home Repairs Series

(Adult)
Jim Engler,
Homework Home Improvement

Woodbury School, Room #114
TU 7-9 p.m.
001 **Electric** May 17
Learn to install light fixtures and ceiling fans, rewire lamps, change switches, install dimmers and more.

002 **Plumbing** May 24
Learn to change faucets, unclog drains, install garbage disposals, stop running toilets and keep hot water tanks in good condition and without leaks.

003 **Handyman Skills** May 31
Learn to repair broken windows, fix doors, doorknobs and more. Demonstration of tools and products that make work easy.
res\$20 nres\$23
\$50/all three sessions

Interior Design Basics

(Adult)
Nancy Patterson

Learn from a former Ethan Allen designer how to de-clutter, organize, and define the personal style of your home. Covers fabrics, furniture, budgets, functional rooms, and accessories. Tips for creating a beautiful home!

Shaker Community Building
1-3 p.m.
001 Saturday, May 13
002 Saturday, August 19
res\$25 nres\$35

Kitchen Design

(Adult)
John Hall
Faralli's Kitchen/Bath Design Studio

Learn kitchen dos and don'ts: cabinets, counters, appliances, floors and colors. Third week includes field trip to a showroom.

Shaker Community Building
March 8-22
3 weeks
W 7-9 p.m.
res\$25 nres\$30

Knitting: Beginning

(Adult)
Pia Alesci

Learn to cast on, bind off, increase, decrease and change yarns as well as how to knit and purl. Be ready to tackle a basic project of your own in no time.

Shaker Community Building
April 6-May 25
8 weeks
TH 10-11:30 a.m.
res\$30 nres\$35

Knitting: Workshop

(Adult)
Pia Alesci

Classes move the beginner to advanced beginner level with weekly lessons that include basic cable, bobbles, pattern reading instruction, novelty yarn usage and more.

Shaker Community Building
April 5-May 24
8 weeks
W 7:30-9 pm
res\$30 nres\$35

Legal Advice Series *New!

(Adult)

Attorney Candace M. Pollock
Hahn & Pollock, LLC

Learn how to legally care for your family or business.

Shaker Community Building
TU 7-8 p.m.

001 **Loving Without a License** Mar. 28

An overview of the laws that control an unmarried couple's life, especially during times of crisis such as disability and death.

002 **The Top 10 Mistakes of Medicaid Planning** April 4

The top 10 mistakes families make when facing Medicaid and the long-term care of a loved one.

003 **Creating a Safe Legal Haven for Families with Special Needs** April 11

Create a lifelong plan for children and other family members with special needs.

004 **Pet Trust: How to Leave a Legacy for your Pet** April 18

Realistically work a pet's needs into an estate plan.

005 **Hiring Corporate Counsel** April 25
Entrepreneurs learn methods for accessing all the corporate legal information they need without being nickel-and-dimed.

res\$15 nres\$20

All 5 sessions: res\$65 nres\$90

Personal Finance Management for the New Year *New!

(Adult)

Bill March, CFP

Create a household budget, a spending plan, and recover your hidden spending. Be financially savvy in 2006!

Shaker Community Building
April 20-27

2 weeks

TH 7-8:30 p.m.

res\$15 nres\$20

Phyllo Pies *New!

(Adult)

Andrijana Stojkovic

Learn easy and simple secrets to working with phyllo dough in this hands-on cooking class. Traditional world famous pies

from Greece and Serbia are featured. Food fee of \$5 payable to instructor.

Middle School Cooking Room

Tuesday, March 28

6:30-8:30 p.m.

res\$15 nres\$18

Rustic Dinner *New!

(Adult)

Andrijana Stojkovic

New ideas for making a great meal in less than one hour. A Chicken Parmesan and Becarac dinner is prepared. Food fee of \$5 payable to instructor.

Middle School Cooking Room

Tuesday, April 4

7-8:30 p.m.

res\$15 nres\$18

Saving Money on Home Repairs – The Klutz's Guide

(Adult)

Jack Kleinman

Practical tips to help you make emergency repairs. Fee includes video.

Shaker Community Building

Tuesday, April 18

7-9 p.m.

res\$17 nres\$21

Spanish: Intermediate/Advanced

(Adult)

Paul Blake, Cuyahoga

Community College Spanish Dept.

Build upon your Spanish skills. Learn everyday phrases, numbers and language mechanics using the latest methods. Artifacts and illustrations from Spain accompany lessons.

Middle School, Room 122

001 April 18-June 6

8 weeks

TU 7-8 p.m.

res\$60 nres\$65

002 June 13- July 25

7 weeks

TU 7-8 p.m.

res\$55 nres\$60

Spanish for Healthcare Workers

(Adult)

Paul Blake, Cuyahoga Community College Spanish Dept.

Learn useful Spanish phrases to better serve Spanish-speaking patients. Vocabulary

for body parts, procedures, common conditions and more. No previous Spanish required.

Middle School, Room 122

M 7-8:30 p.m.

6 weeks

001 April 17-May 22

002 June 12-July 17

res\$60 nres\$65

Taste Tours of Italy *New!

(Adult)

Sam Alesci

Delight in sampling some of Italy's most wonderful foods. Food fee of \$5 payable to instructor.

001 **Chesse: Classic favorites and tasty introductions** Tuesday, April 4
2-3:15 p.m.

002 **Dolci: Sweet treats from romantic and historic locales** Tuesday, April 25
2-3:15 p.m.

003 **Solumi: Savory Italian deli at its best** Tuesday, May 9
2-3:15 p.m.

004 **Olive Oils: Talk and taste Italy's golden elixirs** Tuesday, May 23
2-3:15 p.m.

005 **Antipasta: Summer salads Italian style** Tuesday, June 6
7:30-8:45 p.m.

Shaker Community Building
res\$12 nres\$15

Fine & Performing Arts

Ballroom Dancing

(Adult)

Mitzi & Ed Waring Dance Co.

Learn waltz, fox trot, salsa, tango and more. Instructors reserve the right to place couples in appropriate classes. Must have a partner. No class April 13.

Woodbury School Cafeteria

March 9-May 4

May 11-June 29

TH 8 weeks

001 Basic 6:30-7:30 p.m.

002 Advanced 7:30-8:30 p.m.

003 Intermediate 8:30-9:30 p.m.

res\$95/couple nres\$115/couple

Drawing

(Adult)

Beverle Krueger

Basic and intermediate drawing techniques and principles. Composition, value, design, line and more using various media. Supply list provided.

April 3-May 22

Shaker Community Building

8 weeks

M 7-9 p.m.

res\$55 nres\$60

Marbleizing on Silk & Paper *New!

(Adult)

Peggy J. Wertheim, M.A.T.

Learn to create marbled papers or silks by floating paints on carrageenan (seaweed). Print the design on paper and silks to create 10-15 projects. Materials fee of \$20 payable to instructor. Handout packet provided.

Middle School Art Room

001 Saturday, March 25

10 a.m.-3 p.m.

002 April 20-27

003 May 18-25

TH 6:30-9 p.m.

res\$25 nres\$35

Paint Your Own Silk Scarf for Mother's Day *New!

(Adult)

Peggy J. Wertheim, M.A.T.

Discover, enjoy and create fine radiant art on silk to create a Mother's Day gift scarf. No experience necessary. Design ideas, books and handout packet provided. New and continuing students welcome. Materials fee of \$20 payable to instructor.

Middle School Art Room

Saturday, April 29

10 a.m.-3 p.m.

res\$25 nres\$30

Silk Painting Galore

(Adult)

Peggy J. Wertheim, M.A.T.

Discover, enjoy and create fine radiant art on silk. No experience necessary. Create a silk hanging or scarf. Design ideas, books and handout packet provided. Materials fee of \$20 payable to instructor.

Middle School Art Room

001 March 20-27

M 6:30-9 p.m.

002 May 4-11

TH 6:30-9 p.m.

res\$25 nres\$30

Watercolor Painting

(Adult)

Beverle Krueger

Composition, color theory, brushwork, and technique taught with landscape, still life and portraits. Supply list provided. Some experience needed.

Shaker Community Building

F 10:30 am-1 p.m.

001 April 7-May 26

8 weeks

res\$60 nres\$65

Sports & Fitness

The City partners with Judson Retirement Community in offering classes to its residents.

Aerobic Dancing with Jacki's Inc.

(Adult)

Jill Welsh & Hedda Dempsey

Build muscle strength and cardiovascular endurance in one-hour workout to upbeat music. All ages and fitness levels. Bring mat and hand weights to class. Register and pay instructor when attending the class. INFO: 440-338-1739.

Shaker Community Building

001 April 17-July 28

M/W/F 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Middle School West Gym

002 April 17-July 26

M/W 6:15-7:15 p.m.

Basketball

(Ages 21+)

Enjoy exercise and friendly competition after a hard day's work. Pay one fee and attend all three days, if you wish. Registration begins Tuesday, March 7 for residents and Friday, March 10 for non-residents (space permitting). Enrollment strictly limited to 32. Players must have Thornton Park ID card (included in fee) and complete registration packet, to be presented to supervisors at first session. No phone-in registrations accepted.

Woodbury School Main Gym

001 March 14-May 14

002 May 30-July 23

8 weeks

TU/TH 8:30-10 p.m.

SU 2-4 p.m.

res\$65 nres\$80

Body Sculpting

This one hour strength training workout combines flexibility and cardiovascular conditioning using a set of 5-pound dumbbells. Accommodates beginner to advanced fitness levels. Classes are taught by a Certified Trainer. Bring a set of dumbbells, an exercise mat, a water bottle and a stretch band. Eight classes in each term. Class size is limited and advance registration must be made through Body Sculpting, Inc. at flexcity.com or 216-313-FLEX.

Shaker Community Building

TU/TH 6:30-7:30 p.m. or

9:30-10:30 a.m. or

SA 10:15-11:15 a.m.

Classes are ongoing.

res\$50/eight-class term or
\$120 any 3 terms

nres\$55/eight-class term or
\$125 any 3 terms

Chi Gong

(Adult)

Danny Kelly

Learn Chinese exercises that promote health and mental well-being. No class July 4.

Woodbury School Upper Gym

TU/TH 6:30-7:40 p.m.

SA 8:30-9:40 a.m.

6 weeks

001 April 11-May 20

002 May 30-July 11

res\$60 nres\$70 2 days/week

res\$75 nres\$85 3 days/week

Fitness Training: Private

(Adult)

Sandy Caminita,
Certified Fitness Training

Hands-on conditioning, strengthening and toning. Sessions are one hour. One-on-one training from one-hour session per week to three-hour sessions per week at \$130. Other sessions available upon request. One-on-two training also available. By appointment only. Call: 469-7640, 641-9622.

Shaker Community Building

Fly Fishing: Beginner *New!

(Adult)

Learn about the many different types of fly rods in use. Learn the following: proper stream and river etiquette; where to find fish in different types of waters; which flies to use on the many species of fish found in Northeast Ohio; styles of knots used. Hands-on class. Bring your own rod. No class April 10.

Middle School Cafeteria

March 20-May 1

6 weeks

M 7-9 p.m.

res\$130 nres\$140

Fly Tying: Basic *New!

(Adult)

Robert Williams, owner and founder of Screamingreels Guide Service

Learn basic patterns, such as how to tie sucker spawn, single eggs, streamers and wooly buggers; different patterns for steelhead, salmon and small mouth bass. Hands-on class. Children welcome with an adult. Requirements: Fly tying vise. Instructor can help with recommendations for purchase of a vise. No class April 12.

Middle School Cafeteria

March 22-May 3

6 weeks

W 7-9 p.m.

res\$125 nres\$150

Fly Tying: Advanced *New!

(Adult)

Robert Williams, owner and founder of Screamingreels Guide Service

Learn to tie sucker spawn, single eggs, clouser minnow, bleeding minnow, streamers, wooly buggers and nymphs. These patterns are used for steelhead, salmon and small mouth. Other patterns include poppers and dry flies. Must have some experience in fly tying or completion of basic course. No class April 11.

Middle School Cafeteria

March 21-May 2

6 weeks

TU 7-9 p.m.

res\$150 nres\$170

Golf: Adult Learn to Play

(Adult)

Mike McCon

Introduction course covers grip, stance and posture; basic fundamentals of the swing; iron and wood play; putting and the short game; etiquette and rules. No class April 11, 13.

The Golf Dome

8198 E. Washington St., Chagrin Falls

April 4-May 18

6 weeks

001 TU 7-8 p.m.

002 TH 11:30 am-12:30 p.m.

res\$95 nres\$115

Golf: Instruction

(Adult)

Individual instruction for all levels. Weekly charge for bucket of balls: \$5.75 (large) or \$4.75 (medium).

Driving Range

Harvard & Green

April 22-May 20

June 3-July 1

SA 5 weeks

001 9-10 a.m.

002 10-11 a.m.

res\$65 nres\$85

Innergy Fitness® Workout

(Adult)

Cynthia Jordan

A complete fitness regimen includes low impact aerobics for cardiovascular health and fat-burning potential; resistance training to increase calorie burn and to strengthen and firm muscles; and Pilates- and yoga- inspired exercises to improve muscle tone and flexibility. Bring an exercise mat and light hand weights.

Middle School West Gym

April 18- May 25

6 weeks

TU/TH 6:30-7:30 p.m.

res/nres \$42

walk-in: \$5

Phenomenal Abdominals

A 30-minute exercise class works the upper, lower and side abdominals. Bring an exercise mat, a stretch band, and a water bottle. Classes are taught by a Certified Trainer. Eight classes in each term. Class size is limited and advance registration must be made through Body Sculpting,

Inc. at flexcity.com or 216-313-FLEX.

Shaker Community Building

TU/TH 7:30-8 p.m. or

10:30-11 a.m. or

SA 11:15-11:45 a.m.

Classes are ongoing.

res\$30/eight-class term

nres\$35/eight-class term

Softball: Adult League

Softball league opportunities for men.

INFO: 491-2599, James Garrett.

Swim Conditioning

(Adult)

Improve stroke, endurance and cardiovascular fitness. Swim and diving teams may share pool from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m.

Middle School Pool

April 3-May 26

M-F 6-7 a.m.

res\$3/drop-in (exact change only)

Swimming: Adult Lessons

Adults of any ability level learn to feel more comfortable in the water. Classes are combined if enrollment is low.

Woodbury School Pool

April 10-May 15

M 6 weeks

001 Beg 7:30-8:30 p.m.

002 Adv. Beg./Int. 8:30-9:30 p.m.

res\$75 nres\$95

Swimming: Lap

Lap swimming is limited during open swim hours. Residents only. A \$35 pool pass is available for all open and lap swims.

Woodbury School Pool

April 3-May 28

TU/TH 8:30-9:30 p.m.

SU 9:30-11 a.m.

res\$3/drop-in (exact change only)

Tai Chi Chuan

(Adult)

Danny Kelly

Yang-style Tai Chi (taijiquan) form involves a series of continuous, flowing movements done with relaxed alertness.

Woodbury School Upper Gym

TU/TH 7:45-9 p.m.

SA 9:45-11 a.m.

6 weeks

001 April 11-May 20

002 May 30-July 8

res\$60 nres\$70 2 days/week

res\$75 nres\$85 3 days/week

Tennis: Lessons

(Adult)

Instruction in basic strokes, drills and open play. Tennis balls provided.

High School Courts

June 3-July 15

SA 7 weeks

001 Beg. 9-10 a.m.

002 Int. 10-11 a.m.

003 Adv. 11 a.m.-Noon

Thornton Park Courts

June 6-July 18

TU 7 weeks

004 Beg. 6-7 p.m.

005 Int. 7-8 p.m.

res\$70 nres\$90

Tennis: Men's League

For intermediate and advanced non-tournament players. Skill level assessed by the supervisor. Pairings are based on equal skill and ability. Residents only.

High School Courts

May 22-July 12

8 weeks

M/W 7 p.m.

res\$30

Tennis: Women's League

Players compete weekly. The supervisor and summer tennis coordinator assign players to divisions. Tournament. Open time on Fridays. Residents only.

Thornton Park Courts

May 24-July 13

8 weeks

Advanced Division:

001 W 7-9 p.m.

Intermediate Division:

002 TH 7-9 p.m.

res\$30

Water Aerobics

(Adult)

Hilary Byrne

Class incorporates warm-ups, leg exercises, stretching and water aerobics to tone and exercise all parts of the body.

Woodbury School Pool

001 April 19-May 17

002 May 24-June 21

5 weeks

W 7:30-8:15 p.m.

res\$50 nres\$60

Yoga: Beginners/Intermediate

(Adult)

Atma Yoga Center Instructors

Recommended for new students or those returning to yoga. Learn basic yoga postures to improve breathing, body structure, strengthen and lengthen muscles.

Shaker Community Building

M/W 7-8 p.m.

6 weeks

001 April 17-May 24

002 June 5-July 12

003 July 24-August 30

res/nres\$42 (1-day session)

res/nres\$80 (2-day session)

Yoga: Senior Yoga at Lunch Time

(Adult 50+)

Atma Yoga Center Instructors

Thornton Park Community Room

W Noon-1 p.m.

6 weeks

001 April 19-May 24

002 June 7-July 12

003 July 26-August 30

res/nres\$42

ADULTS 50+

Enrichment & Leisure

AARP 55-Alive Driving Course

(Adult 50+)

Completion of this course may reduce car insurance premiums. Pre-registration required. Register, make check payable to AARP and send to: Shaker Community Building, 3450 Lee Road, Shaker Heights 44120.

Shaker Community Building

June 2 & 9

F 12:30-4:30 p.m.

res/nres\$10

AARP Shaker Chapter

(Adult 50+)

Every third Friday (except August)

Shaker Community Building

1:30 p.m.

No charge

Benefits CheckUp

(Adult)

Reduce out-of-pocket expenses! Participants receive a printout listing benefits available through the county, state and federal government. Information is confidential. Obtaining funds is responsibility of participant. Call for an appointment: 491-1351.

Tuesday or Wednesday between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Bridge: Beginning

(Adult 50+)

Dr. Bob Evans

Interactive and fun! Questions answered during play of the hand. Class party last session. \$7 supply fee (bridge game rule booklet) payable at first class.

Shaker Community Building

May 3-June 7

6 weeks

W 10 a.m.-Noon

res\$40 nres\$45

Bridge II: Intermediate

(Adult 50+)

Dr. Bob Evans

For those who have taken Beginning Bridge and want to further improve skills. Class reviews beginning fundamentals, team play, play of hands, and popular bridge conventions. Class party last session. \$7 supply fee (bridge game rule booklet) payable at first class.

Shaker Community Building

May 3-June 7

6 weeks

W 1-3 p.m.

res\$40 nres\$45

Bridge: Open

(Adult 50+)

Shaker Community Building

TH 1-4 p.m.

Donation: \$1

Coffee, Cookies and Conversation

(Adult 50+)

Enjoy socialization, a speaker, entertainment and coffee with pastry. Drop in and see what is happening. All welcome! For more information or a schedule of the programs: 491-1360.

Shaker Community Building

W 10-11 a.m.

Ongoing

Computer: Basic I & II

(Adult 50+)

Web Wise Seniors

Builds a solid foundation for continued computer use. Students receive a booklet for each two-part class. Classes limited to 12 students.

Shaker Community Building

TH 10 a.m.-Noon

2 weeks

April 6-13

res\$45 nres\$50

Computer: Basic III & IV

(Adult 50+)

Web Wise Seniors

Prerequisite Basic I & II or equivalent knowledge. Students receive a booklet for each two-part class. Classes limited to 12 students.

Shaker Community Building

April 20-27

2 weeks

TH 10 a.m.-Noon

res\$45 nres\$50

Computer: MS Word I & II

(Adult 50+)

Web Wise Seniors

Learn to create and edit documents. Students receive a booklet for each two-part class. Classes limited to 12 students.

Shaker Community Building

May 18-25

2 weeks

TH 10 a.m.-Noon

res\$45 nres\$50

Computer: MS Excel I & II

(Adult 50+)

Web Wise Seniors

Learn to create simple spread sheets. Students receive a booklet for each two-part class. Classes limited to 12.

Shaker Community Building

June 1-8

2 weeks

TH 10 a.m.-Noon

res\$45 nres\$50

Computer: Internet I & II

(Adult 50+)

Web Wise Seniors

Prerequisite: Basic computer or equivalent knowledge. Learn to navigate the web using search engines and web addresses. Students receive a booklet for each two-part class. Classes limited to 12 students.

Shaker Community Building

May 4-11

2 weeks

TH 10 a.m.-Noon

res\$45 nres\$50

Immortal Paw Prints

(Adult)

Tina W. Bulucea, MSSA, LISW

Members share feelings about loving and losing animal companions in a compassionate, caring, and emotionally safe environment. Advance registration is recommended due to limited seating. Refreshments provided. INFO: 407-4037 or tina@immortalpawprints.com.

Shaker Community Building

4th Tuesday of each month

7-8:30 p.m.

No charge

Low Vision Support Group

(Adult 50+)

Marie Prendergast

Ongoing free service for Shaker residents. INFO: 491-1347. Second and fourth Mondays.
11 am-12:15 p.m.
No charge

Podiatry Care

(Adult 50+)

Laurence Spivack, DPM

Simple foot care services provided on a first-come basis. Massage available on hands and/or feet after foot procedure with Donna Lipson, LMT, \$5.

Shaker Community Building

2nd Thursday of each month

9 a.m.

\$15

Quilting

(Adult 50+)

Bring your own materials or choose from assortment provided. Like an old-fashioned quilting bee with good friends and conversation. No experience necessary.

Shaker Community Building

No charge

All hands produce a quilt to be auctioned at the Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast.

Tickets: \$1 (purchase at SCB)

Taste of Shaker

(Adult 50+)

Marie Prendergast

Enjoy friends, old and new, while dining at local eateries. New and exciting restaurants will be explored. Reservations must be made 7 days prior to the trip. Cost of lunch not included.

INFO: 491-1360.

Shaker Community Building

TU 1-3 p.m.

Trips and Excursions

(Adult 50+)

Greektown Casino

Includes round-trip transportation, five hours to gamble and a \$30 casino bonus. INFO: 491-1360.

Thursday, March 9

Tickets: res\$35 nres\$37

Shaker Night: Well

The Cleveland Play House has selected Shaker Heights for the first of its Neighborhood Nights. *Well*, a one-act play, is equal parts moving, absurd, and hilarious. One of the two main characters was an activist who helped integrate her community - a theme that speaks to Shaker's own history.

Discounted tickets are \$25/adults; \$10 children (ages 10-17). Transportation for Senior Adults is available upon request for the matinee only. Seating is limited - please sign up early: 491-2595, Kevin Crowe. MORE INFO: shakeronline.com or see page 71.

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Mamaleh!

The hit off-Broadway musical comedy with special appearance by the New York cast.

Tri-C Eastern Campus
Performing Arts Center
Monday, March 20 at 2 p.m.

Tickets: **res**\$35 **nres**\$37
(purchase at SCB)

Limited number of tickets available.

NOTE: Transportation available at additional cost, call 491-1360.

Additional organized trips and excursions are planned for spring and summer. Call Kevin Crowe, program coordinator, at 491-2595 after March 13 for more information.

Sports & Fitness

Aquatic Exercise

(Adult 50+)

Arthritis Foundation in cooperation with Judson Wellness Department

Emphasizes range-of-motion and endurance exercises effective for the body's joints. Includes access to pool, use of strength training equipment (with doctor's permission) and hot tub. Towels provided. Ongoing. To register: 791-2393. Transportation available: 491-1351.

Judson Park
2181 Ambleside Drive
TU/TH 11-11:45 am
\$55 monthly membership

Fun with Fitness

(Adult 50+)

Beth Parnin

Low impact exercise set to popular tunes and requiring no floor work. Wear comfortable tennis shoes. No class July 4.

Shaker Community Building
Room 018
MWF 9-10 a.m.
6 weeks
001 April 17-May 26
002 June 5-July 14
003 July 24-September 1

Individual

res\$30 nres\$35 2 days/week
res\$35 nres\$40 3 days/week

Husband/Wife

res\$50 nres\$55 2 days/week
res\$55 nres\$60 3 days/week

People with Arthritis Can Exercise (PACE)

(Adult 50+)

In cooperation with Judson Wellness Department

Ongoing recreational exercise program taught by Arthritis Foundation certified instructors. Includes range-of-motion, strength, endurance, weight bearing, relaxation, practical tips and activities to promote self-care. Hand weights, bands and participant manual included. Transportation available: 491-1351.

Shaker Community Building

M/W/F 11:15 a.m.-Noon

\$2/class

Swimming: Open Swim

(Adult 50+)

Private lessons by appointment. Call 229-4025.

Judson Retirement Community
2181 Ambleside Dr.

MWF 7-8 a.m.

9-10:45 a.m.

1:45-3:30 p.m.

4:15-6 p.m.

TU/TH 7-8 a.m.

9:45-11 a.m.

11:45 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

4-6 p.m.

SA 8 a.m.-Noon

\$55 monthly membership

\$10 drop-in

THORNTON PARK FACILITY SCHEDULES

Swimming Pool

(Shaker ID required)

Public Swimming Schedule

EARLY SEASON: May 27-June 10

REGULAR SEASON: June 11-August 13

LATE SEASON: August 14-Labor Day

(Pool closes at 6 p.m. on July 4)

NOTE: Season could be shortened due to pool construction

A calendar with dates and hours of operation is available at the front office, cashier booth and the pool first aid office after May 22. The City of Shaker Heights retains the right to make adjustments in daily operating hours, close the pool due to cold or inclement weather or when the temperature is below 65 degrees (lap swimming may still be available).

Regulation swimwear is required. Only United States Coast Guard-approved flotation devices may be used.

NOTE: Beginning Wednesday, June 19, the five-foot section will be available to swimmers from 10 a.m. to noon. Swimmers are asked to be considerate of those taking lessons in adjacent sections.

REST PERIOD

During open swim, noon-7 p.m., there will be a 15-minute rest period every hour. Adults age 18 and over may swim laps and children three years and under, accompanied by an adult, may swim in the three-foot section. Pool management, based upon pool attendance, retains the right to determine rest periods.

Swimming Pool Season Passes

Season passholders receive admission to general swimming, lap swims, and discounts on Learn-to-Swim classes. A family pass includes children under age 21. Proof of residency is required when purchasing season passes. Individual passes are available for nannies; please provide proof of employment. Season pass refunds are not available. Passes are on sale now.

PASS PURCHASE DATES:

Early Bird: January thru 4/15

Regular Season: 4/16-9/4

	EARLY BIRD	REGULAR SEASON
RESIDENT		
Individual	\$65	\$105
Family of 2	\$95	\$150
Family of 3	\$120	\$175
Each add'l	\$25	\$25
Ind. (60+)	\$40	\$60
Husband/Wife (60+)	\$55	\$85

SCHOOL DISTRICT RESIDENT

Individual	\$75	\$115
Family of 2	\$100	\$155
Family of 3	\$130	\$180

PARTIAL SWIM PASS

(Transferable/Non-refundable)

15 swims/\$55

Extended swim pass \$25

LAP SWIMMING

Daily lap swims available.

May 27-September 4

Sat./Sun./ Holiday 9-10 a.m.

May 29-August 11

Monday-Friday 6:30-8 a.m.

Pool Daily Admissions

Preschool	\$1
(Ages 2-5)	\$1.50/guest
Youth	\$4/resident w/ID
(Ages 6-18)	\$4.50/guest
Adult	\$5/resident w/ID
(Ages 19-59)	\$5.50/guest
Adult 60+	\$4/resident w/ID
	\$4.50/guest

To enter wading pool without a pool pass, fee is \$5 even if guest is not swimming.

Resident ID Cards

New	\$5
New (w/own photo)	\$3
Replacement pass	\$10

Please note: Residents will be required to show resident ID card to receive Shaker daily rates for pool or ice arena.

Ice Arena

Ice Skating: Summer Passes

Season passholders receive admission to public skating sessions, Friday Night Skate and Adult Skating sessions and a discount for Learn-to-Skate classes. Proof of residency is required. Please provide a current utility bill or any currently dated mail. Season pass refunds are not available. Summer season passes are on sale and are valid June 13-August 14.

res	Individual	\$35
	Family	\$90
	Adult (60+)	\$25
	Husband/Wife (60+)	\$40
nres	Individual	\$50
	Family	\$105
	Adult (60+)	\$40
	Husband/Wife (60+)	\$55

Ice Skating Daily Admission

Student or Adult (60+)		
w/valid resident ID card		\$3
Adult w/valid resident ID		\$3.75
Guest without ID card		\$4.75
Skate rental		\$2.50
Skate rental discount pass (10)		\$20
Group Rates:	res	\$3.50
Price per person. Min. 10.	nres	\$4
Includes skate rental.		

Rink Rental

The ice rink may be reserved by private groups when the rink is not in use for programs. Rental rates begin at \$175/hour. For ice time availability, please call Thornton Park: 491-1295.

Summer Public Skating Sessions

Weekly Schedule

Monday, June 12-Sunday, August 13	
MONDAY	6:15-7:45 p.m.
TUESDAY	6:15-7:45 p.m.
FRIDAY	6-7:30 p.m.
SATURDAY	12:15-2:30 p.m.
SUNDAY	1-3 p.m.

Schedule is subject to change

PARKS & PLAYGROUNDS

Horseshoe Lake Reservations

Reserve picnic tables beginning Tuesday, March 28, at the Shaker Community Building. Priority will be given to in-person requests. Phone-in and online requests begin March 29. Call 491-1351, or visit shakeronline.com.

The park is available May 30-September 3. The park is open, but no reservations will be taken for Memorial Day, July 4th or Labor Day.

Summer Playground Information

Supervisors are at playgrounds to promote safe play, monitor the safety of playground equipment and serve as liaisons with community police. They do not serve as day care providers! Please stay with your children. If you need all day child care, call 491-2583, Rhonda Miller. Your support in keeping playgrounds a fun place to play is greatly appreciated.

LOMOND & SUSSEX
June 12-August 3
M-TH 4-8 p.m.

AROUND THE WORLD PLAYGROUND
May 30-June 10
M-F 3:30-8 p.m.
SA 12:30-6 p.m.

June 12-August 31
M-F 12:30-8 p.m.
SA 12:30-6 p.m.

NOTE: Playground equipment is appropriate for children age 12 and under. No supervision on Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, and in the event of heavy and/or steady rain.

SPECIAL EVENTS

SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING

La Catrina String Quartet

Friday, April 28, 7:30 p.m.

This quartet performs both new Mexican and Latin American music and masterworks of the string quartet repertoire.

Free

THORNTON PARK

Shaker Spring Ice Spectacular

"America the Beautiful"
Friday and Saturday,
May 5th and 6th
INFO: 216-295-3461

Memorial Day

Monday, May 29

Plan now to be a part of the Shaker Heights Memorial Day celebration. Enjoy the fun and fantastic all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast. Community marching groups, floats, antique cars, scouts and neighborhood marchers all welcome. Proceeds from the breakfast will benefit the Recreation for Youth Scholarship fund. Parade concludes at Thornton Park where all residents are invited to swim and skate free. INFO: 491-1354

Itty Bitty Beach Party

Wednesday, July 12
Noon-2 p.m.

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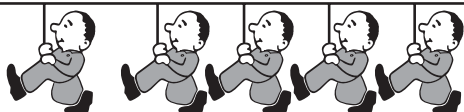
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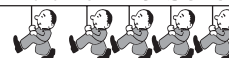


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Shaker Home Landscaping

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Peace of Nature's Jen Braman says that she sees many young trees in Shaker yards slowly suffocating because they have been planted too deeply under mounds she calls "mulch volcanoes."

"The root flare needs to be at the surface, so the tree can get oxygen. If the tree looks like a pencil stuck in the ground, it's planted too deeply," Braman explains.

Landscapers warn to avoid planting shade trees too close to the house or underneath power lines. Roots can play havoc with foundations, and we'd all like to avoid the sight of more "topped" trees pruned by the power company.

Out: Exotic, high-maintenance plantings.

In: Native plant species that provide four-seasons of beauty and habitat for wildlife.

Native plants are drought-, disease-, and insect-resistant, and adapted to our growing conditions, notes Joshua Tooker of The Pattie Group. Natives are often less expensive than exotics and require less maintenance.

There are hundreds, perhaps thousands, of natives, from large trees – silver maple, black walnut, white oak – to vines and groundcover, including Virginia creeper, trumpet honeysuckle, and phlox. Small native trees in many Shaker yards include dogwood, crabapple, and sumac. Popular low-growing perennials include violets, bellflowers, and evening primrose.

"Not all natives need the sunny strip near your driveway and look great for only a week in June," says Judith Siegel. Siegel looks for combinations of indigenous prairie, woodland, and wetland plants for the different sites she encounters.

Siegel and Tooker both provide native plant consultation services through The Nature Center at Shaker Lakes.

Out: Limiting landscaping elements to greenery.

In: Water features, arbors, furniture, statues, artwork, boulders, and kids' stuff create surprise, visual interest, and comfort.

Ponds and waterfalls create tranquility for humans and habitat for wildlife, but have not caught on yet in a big way here, laments Sean McGuan.

For families with young children, who may not want a water feature for safety reasons, Jen Braman likes to create little reading nooks and secret places throughout the yard for her clients.

"We can hollow out the shrubs a bit, tuck a little home-built platform with some beanbags or outdoor carpeting, and give the kids a space of their own." Multi-sensory children's gardens are another of Braman's specialties.

Art plays a key role in Judith Siegel's own garden, which features several large, whimsical copper statues. "Art enhances the vertical element," she explains. "We also use an arbor to create the illusion of depth because my back yard is so long and skinny."

Art doesn't have to be fancy, say the McGuan brothers, who are both dads and elementary school teachers when they're not landscaping. They look just about everywhere for found objects to recycle into statuary.

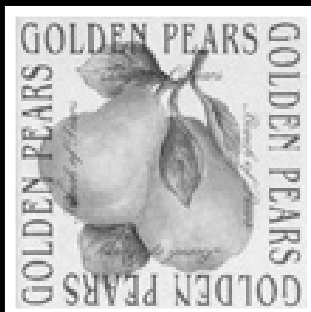
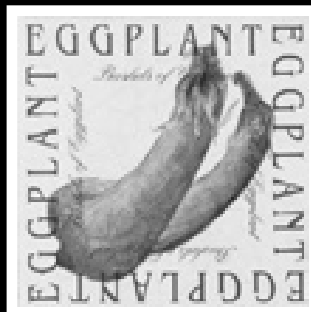
Out: Blowing your budget.

In: Careful planning and patience.

Landscaping changes can cost anywhere from a few bucks for flowers to tens of thousands of dollars for elaborate installations on large properties. The professionals interviewed for this story emphasize working within a budget and spreading projects over several years if necessary. Many landscapers will also create a design for you to install yourself.



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A Cleveland Original In More Ways Than Wong

Rose Wong may claim she has cut back on her community-based activities to focus more on business and relax a little bit, but her strong will and competitive spirit have not allowed her to relax for too long. She has emerged as one of the more influential board members of Cleveland Originals, which is the local chapter of the Council of Independent Restaurants of America.

And, true to her nature, she comes out swinging. “We’re fighting the chains,” she says. “We have goals based on raising public awareness about independent restaurants, but we’re really about stopping the spread of the chains in Northeast Ohio.”

Indeed, the avowed purpose of Cleveland Originals is “to protect, nurture and promote” local independent restaurants. Notice how the verbs in that mission statement are ordered.

Cleveland Originals has some 60 members. In Shaker Heights they include Pearl of the Orient, Matsu Japanese Restaurant, the Italian Café, J. Pistone Market and Gathering Place, and Noggin’s Riviera Grille – formerly Noggin’s Raw Bar & Pub, now operating under new owners.

In the Shaker Square-Larchmere neighborhood they include Boulevard Blue, Fire Food and Drink, Dewey’s Coffee House, Yours Truly, and Savara at Shaker Square – the latter being Sergio Abramof’s latest *restaurante de Brasil*. Abramof, owner of Sergio’s in University Circle, is the current president of Cleveland Originals.

What’s in it for you? The Cleveland Originals website features discount coupons for member restaurants. The coupons are for \$25 and \$50, and cost only 40 percent of their face value. “If you eat out a lot, you can get really good deals on our website,” Rose says.

True, with a caveat: The coupons are offered only once every three months and are frequently sold out – at every member restaurant. *Clevelandoriginals.com*
Good luck.

– Rory O’Connor

Local Legends: Rose Wong

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The décor and the food were groundbreaking in every way.

“It was the first Chinese restaurant in the area without dragons and lanterns. I wanted the design to be timeless and used neutral colors – no red or green,” Rose says.

Except that her mother insisted that red be used for good luck, and so Rose incorporated the color in several areas. And she placed her own art – studies of light and movement – on the walls.

Pearl of the Orient served neither chop suey nor egg fu young. Many customers had difficulty understanding the exotic menu and finding a familiar dish to order.



Pearl of the Orient ad, 1984.

“The restaurant offered real Chinese food, not American Chinese food,” says Terry Kovel, the well-known antiques expert and one of Rose’s long-time friends. “There was no good place to eat in Shaker Heights at that time, and Pearl was a gourmet restaurant.”

About a year after Pearl opened, Patricia Weitzel, *Cleveland Magazine’s* influential restaurant critic, gave Pearl a rave review. But success was not immediately kind to Rose.

"All of a sudden, lines were out the door. We couldn't handle it. It was the worst time in my life," says Rose. Then the two chefs she brought here from Boston left to open their own restaurant, taking the cooks along with them.

In time, she and her staff adjusted not only to the increase in customers, but also opened a second Pearl of the Orient, in Rocky River, in 1984, and launched catering services at both restaurants.

Building a Name

Rose ascended to the top ranks among local restaurateurs, a figure to be reckoned with, like Carl Quagliatta, Zack Bruell, or Sergio Abramof.

She became a community activist. She joined all the right clubs and organizations, and served on prestigious boards such as the Cleveland Institute of Music (where she still serves) and the Cleveland Botanical Gardens.

Being witty, beautiful, and smart, and a bit salty and opinionated, she was on everyone's A list for soirées and community events.

But her real passion was The Amethyst Grille, which she opened next door to Pearl and which featured haute cuisine unlike any in Cleveland at the time.

The Amethyst ultimately failed. This would be a decisive point in her life, but until that happened, the once-shy Rose Wong, riding high, became cocky and over-confident.

"The great reviews and awards went to my head." She began drinking too much. Her family's admonitions led her to Alcoholics Anonymous and recovery.

Toughness, persistence, and recovery are in the Wong family's bones. Rose's parents had left China for Hong Kong during the communist revolution, after World War II. They and the rest of their family – daughter Cecilia and son George – eventually came to Cleveland at Rose's and Margaret's urging. In 1986 the three Wong sisters bought homes in Shaker Heights.

"Shaker has the best schools in the country. That's the reason we all moved here," Rose says.

Rose and her husband, Bernard Lee, have two daughters, Theresa Lee, who

is at Dartmouth and Catherine Lee, who is at Cornell. Rose, Margaret, Cecilia, George, and their families share dinner weekly.

Over the course of her remarkable career, Rose and the Pearl of the Orient have garnered acclaim and numerous awards from local and national publications, redounding positively on Shaker Heights.

Along the way, Rose became an accomplished chef and cooking teacher. The Amethyst Grille was recognized with state and national American Institute of Architects awards, and was named best new restaurant in America by *Esquire* magazine.

Ironically, Rose had to close the Amethyst Grille soon after that. She attributes the failure to yet another *Cleveland Magazine* review – a "horrible, mocking" review by a local alternative press personality – after which, Rose says, business began a steady decline.

The Amethyst's demise put Rose back on her heels for a long time. After years of building a name, she felt the restaurant's failure caused her "to lose face. That's a disaster in Chinese culture. In my family, we just don't fail."

Rose withdrew from much of her extracurricular community-based activity to reassess her life. "I can't take anything for granted. I wonder why I'm not still a waitress. Somehow I got on the right path." And she has continued to build her food empire. In 1995 she started a catering business apart from Pearl – The Catering Company – whose success keeps her constantly busy. (It does not do Chinese food, by the way; Pearl's catering service handles that.)

And she is a prominent board member of the recently formed Cleveland Originals, a group of owners of local independent restaurants.

The tough lessons she has learned have taught her not merely to be cautious, but to come to grips "with what's really important." For instance, she grows amazing dahlias and decorates Pearl of the Orient with them. The flowers are famous among her customers, some of whom find themselves leaving the restaurant with a beautiful flower on a summer night.



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CSI: Woodbury

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“Too many kids are afraid of science or don’t enjoy it,” she says. “This unit gives them a chance to think like real scientists, and it sets the tone for labs for the rest of the year.”



CSI students Marissa Miller, Johnny Woodson, and Sarah Russo caught up in the drama of Sheffler’s class.

Watson, the Game’s Afoot!

The students ask what happened, and Sheffler points out that asking that very question is the first step in the scientific method. Sixth graders can be jumpy, enthusiastic, and prone to silliness. But this group – from the moment they see the yellow caution tape – behaves like a team of serious scientists. They act more like (short) high school students than sixth graders.

Several of the students give up their recess periods over the next few days to carefully evaluate the evidence. Though not surprised by their level of interest and seriousness, Sheffler cannot help being delighted.

“Kids like mysteries and crime scene investigations. This unit taps into their natural curiosity.”

The goals for the unit include learning how to observe and gather data, organizing data, determining the difference between hard evidence and inference, and experiments with specific purposes.

Had Sheffler revealed these goals at the outset, her students likely would have stifled yawns. But like a healthy cereal that

also tastes good, Sheffler’s unit combines robust education with lots of fun. It also complies with the new sixth-grade state benchmark standards, demonstrating that there’s still plenty of room for creative teaching.

The students quickly learn that forensic science means analyzing evidence that could be used in a court of law. In order to be admissible in court, evidence must be handled properly and pertinent observations methodically recorded in written notes.

On the first day, Sheffler divides the crime scene into eight equal areas. Wearing rubber gloves and armed with note cards for recording their observations, the students break up into small groups to examine, map, and analyze the sections. The young investigators discover from markings on the can that the Diet

Pepsi expired two months ago. They observe that what looks like blood is still wet – and that a white towel has a distinct perfume-like scent.

As the students carefully remove and record evidence, they take care not to bump into each other. Working cooperatively, the different groups express disappointment when their time is up and the class ends. Zoe Steenbergh laments, “I wish we could have science all day.”

On their way out, everyone agrees the class was “cool” and “fun.” After promising not to ruin the surprise of the crime scene for the next group, the student scientists reluctantly move on to their next class.

On the second day, the class learns the name of the victim – a young man named Felix Navidad who had been hosting a party with four friends at his beach house when the alleged murder occurred. His body disappeared on the way to the morgue. All four of the friends, including Alfredo Fettucini and Kendra Goode, are under investigation as suspects.

“Don’t jump to conclusions based on initial observations,” Sheffler reminds the class. The date on the can of Diet Pepsi found at the crime scene indicates the pop had expired: fact. The can looks like it came from a recycling bin: opinion.

“Learn the difference between fact and inference,” Sheffler tells the students. “Somebody’s guilt or innocence may depend upon it.”

After the crime scene investigation, the class begins analyzing the evidence. At various labs set up throughout the room, small groups conduct experiments on the evidence for the next several days. The students discover that the DNA of the hair on the comb matches that of the victim. The fibers found at the crime scene are cotton, consistent with the sweater worn by Kendra. The water from the ice cube tray at the crime scene has a puzzling pH of 10, compared with tap water with a pH of 7. They evaluate finger prints and handwriting samples. They check the colognes and perfumes worn by each suspect and compare them to the scent found on the towel.

After carefully evaluating all the evidence, the students analyze each suspect in relation to the evidence. Discussing the

findings as a class reinforces cooperation and requires higher levels of critical thinking. They determine which evidence could be described as “hard” (fingerprints and writing samples), “shaky” (unconfirmed alibis), or “unimportant” (the tacks and guitar picks).

Based on their discoveries and analyses, two strong suspects emerge: Kendra Goode and Alfredo Fettucini. They will stand trial the next day.

Alfredo Fettucini in the Den with the Candlestick?

For their day in court, the students assume roles as suspects, witnesses, attorneys, and even a bailiff. All remaining students play the jury. Sheffler is judge. The class buzzes excitedly in preparation. The sober scientists of the previous week have metamorphosed into eager participants in a courtroom drama. They’re loud, enthusiastic, animated – and remarkably focused.

Acting out a courtroom drama does not at first seem like a science activity. “That’s the point,” explains Sheffler. “The unit is cross-curricular.” In addition to evaluating scientific data, the students learn the importance of verbally communicating and recording their findings.

“Scientists must communicate, defend, share, and at times publish their findings,” she tells the class. “Otherwise, what good is your research if nobody knows about it?”

Homework over the next several nights includes a writing project where the students must choose one of the following: writing a letter of confession from one of the suspects explaining motive and opportunity, writing a detective’s report on the evidence, or writing a newspaper story about the case.

Sheffler has discovered much about her students by the time the

trial begins. “It is fun to watch their personalities emerge,” she says while watching the children work in groups preparing for trial. “They all get to shine in different areas.”

During the trial, the student attorneys grill the suspects. Jurors ask additional questions. The judge reminds the jurors not to let their personal opinions about a suspect interfere with looking at the hard evidence. She reminds them that the awesome responsibility of determining guilt or innocence is in their hands.

As each witness is sworn in and the questioning commences, every student stays glued to the lively proceedings. When class ends, Sheffler tells them that in a real trial the questioning goes on for days. Wishing they too could keep on going for days, the students pack up and leave for their next class.

When the trial ends the next day, the jurors begin deliberating. By the end of class the jury has yet to reach a determination, so the judge advises them to sleep on it and to reconvene in the morning. The next day, the one holdout on the jury has changed her mind and a verdict is reached.

“What find you?” asks the judge. “We find the defendants Kendra Goode and Alfredo Fettucini guilty of the murder of Felix Navidad,” a juror announces with conviction.

The judge sentences the defendants to life in prison and the class cheers. The boy who had initially thought the unit sounded boring cheers loudest of all.

They want to know: Did they get it right? Mrs. Sheffler tells them that there is no right or wrong decision, no answer key. The goal, she says, is to for them to form their own conclusions based on analysis of the evidence. Students learn a discomfiting but valuable truth: There are no answer keys in real life crimes, or in other real life situations.

“Sometimes it’s nice to learn without an answer key,” Sheffler says, cheerfully waving farewell to her second-period class.



Woodbury detectives Matthew Wood and Lawrence James assess the crime scene evidence.





Events for March

MARCH 1-APRIL 30: Life of a 19th Century Shaker Child, SHAKER HISTORICAL MUSEUM. Enjoy an exhibit of photos, clothing, books and pint-sized furniture. FEES & INFO: 921-1201.

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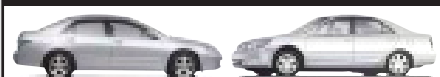
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MARCH 7: Laura Ingalls Wilder Program, 7 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. Performer Judy Green takes families back in time and brings the *Little House* stories to life. INFO: 991-2421.

MARCH 7: Band Contest Preview, 7 P.M., SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL.

MARCH 8: Music in the Morning, 10:30 A.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Music classes for infants-age 4. Parents and children share the joy of music through group singing, finger-plays and experimentation with instruments and dance. \$60/8-week session. INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

MARCH 9: Eastside Welcome Club (Shaker Welcome Wagon) Luncheon, 11:30 A.M., CLEVELAND SKATING CLUB, 2500 KEMPER RD. Program begins with cocktails, followed by lunch at noon. THE IMPROV entertainment begins at 1 p.m. A guaranteed good time for old and new residents. Lunch & program: \$23/person. QUESTIONS & INFO: MIMI TESTEN 751-8624.

MARCH 9: Photography Club Meeting, 6-8 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Meet in the Meeting room of the Nature Center. For more information, contact Volunteer & Visitor Coordinator Sara Thorne at 321-5935 x 237 or email her at thorne@shakerlakes.org. View some of their work online at www.shakerlakes.org/photographyclub.htm

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MARCH 9: Health Insurance and Women's Health Issues, 7 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Heather Campbell of Structured Employee Benefits of Ohio will speak about the insurance industry and women's health issues. INFO: 991-2030.

MARCH 9, 10, 11: Broadway Dreamin', 7:30 P.M., LAUREL SCHOOL. Upper School Spring Musical. TICKETS & INFO: 464-1441.

MARCH 10: Shaker Library Professional Development. Libraries closed in the morning. They re-open from 1-6 p.m.

MARCH 10: Music and Fun, 4 P.M. HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Music classes for infants to age 4. Parents and children share the joy of music through group singing, finger-plays and experimentation with instruments and dance. \$60/8-week session. INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

MARCH 10: Barbara Luton Art Competition Art Drop Off, 1-5 P.M., Main Library. Information and entry forms are available online at www.shakerlibrary.org.

MARCH 11: Special Event: Celebrate Week of the Young Child, 10 A.M.-1 P.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Free, fun games and activities for children ages 2-8. Our theme this year is simple machines and cooking tools for the young child. Join us and learn to build an airplane, drill for maple syrup, cook up kid friendly omelets and smoothies and roller skate indoors! Raffle and Beanie Baby sale. INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS 929-0201.



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MARCH 11: Barbara Luton
Art Competition Art Drop Off, 10
A.M.-2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY.

MARCH 11: Book Discus-
sion, 2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Read and discuss *When Love Calls, You Better Answer* by Bertice Berry. INFO: 991-2030.

MARCH 11: A Night for the
Red & White, 7 P.M., INTERCONTINEN-
TAL HOTEL, 9801 CARNEGIE AVE. 14th Annual Black-tie Block Party to benefit enrichment in the Shaker Schools featuring a Traditional Grand Buffet and The Jerry Bruno Trio, silent auction, raffle, student performances, art gallery and open bar. Tickets: \$110-\$285/person. INFO: 295-4325.

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MARCH 12: Why Cows
Learn Dutch and Other Secrets
from Amish Farms, 3 P.M., SHAKER
HISTORICAL MUSEUM. Amish farmers have managed to be successful without using lots of machinery or running giant farms. As an agricultural agent in Geauga County, Ohio State Professor Randy James has had an up-close-and-personal view of their cost-conscious methods and will speak about his book. FEES & INFO: 921-1201.

MARCH 14 & 16: Intro-
ductory Computer & Mouse Class,
9 A.M., 10:30 A.M., 1 P.M. OR 2:30 P.M.,
FAIRHILL CENTER, 12200 FAIRHILL RD. Cyber skills for seniors. Free. INFO: TOM CERJAK, 421-1350 EXT.125.

Ongoing Activities for Adults

TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS: Tax Assistance, 9 A.M.-4 P.M., SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. Tax preparation help for those 60 and older with middle to low incomes. Bring last year's state and federal returns, W-2 forms, stockbroker's statements and all 1099 forms. Returns will be filed electronically. BY APPOINTMENT ONLY; CALL: 491-1360.

SATURDAYS THRU MARCH 25: The Indoor Winter Market, 9 A.M.-NOON, 13209 SHAKER SQUARE. Come inside for fresh and local produce.

SUNDAYS: Recovery, Inc., 2 P.M., SOMERSET POINT, 3550 NORTHFIELD RD. Self-help group for those 18 and older who experience difficulties due to panic, anxiety, depression and nerves. Learn how to manage symptoms. INFO: NATALIE SILVERBERG, 595-9276 or www.recovery-inc.org.

Artistic Opportunities

MONDAYS: Art for Parent & Child, 10 A.M. OR 1 P.M., SHAKER SQUARE STUDIO, 13100 SHAKER BLVD. Cleveland Museum of Art classes for 3-year-olds and parents. FEES & INFO: 421-3750.

MONDAYS: Mini Masters, 1 P.M., SHAKER SQUARE STUDIO, 13100 SHAKER BLVD. Cleveland Museum of Art classes for 4- and 5-year-olds and parents. FEES & INFO: 421-3750.

SATURDAYS: Art Classes, 10 A.M. OR 2 P.M., SHAKER SQUARE STUDIO, 13100 SHAKER BLVD. While the Cleveland Museum of Art is closed classes are held on Shaker Square. FEES & INFO: 421-3750.



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MONDAYS: Learning English as a Family, 7-8 P.M., SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Family literacy session for non-English speaking families. Program includes weekly group time for children, adult ESL class and bi-weekly home visits. REGISTRATION & INFO: 921-2023.

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS: Drop-in Play Sessions, 9:30 A.M.-NOON, PATRICIA S. MEARNS FAMILY PLAYROOM AT SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Parents and caregivers with children from birth to 3 years can play, make friends, and network. **MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS: 4-6 P.M.** for parents and caregivers with children from birth to age five. FEES & INFO: 921-2023.

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS: Drop-In Sessions, 2-3:30 P.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Child's play for infants to age 8 and parent or caregiver. FEE INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS: Drop-In Sessions, 9-11:30 A.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER. Child's play for infants to age 8 and parent or caregiver. FEE INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & SATURDAYS: Play and Learn Station, 10 A.M.-NOON, MAIN LIBRARY. Free, drop-in, literacy-based play for parents and caregivers with children from birth to age five co-sponsored with Shaker Family Center. Evening hours on **THURSDAYS 6-8 P.M.**

WEDNESDAYS: Play and Learn Station for DayCare Providers, 10 A.M.-NOON, MAIN LIBRARY. Free drop-in times for home daycare providers and their children from birth to age five co-sponsored with Shaker Family Center.

THURSDAYS: Roller Skating, 4 P.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Yes! It still exists! Children ages 2½-4 can have fun safely learning beginning skating skills. Music is used for movement activities that coincide with skating skills. Skates are provided by the Resource Center. \$60/8-week session beginning March 16. INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

SATURDAYS: Drop-In Gym, 10 A.M.-NOON, SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Parents, grandparents, and children from birth to age 5 can run and play March 4 through April 8. Discount family passes available: 921-2023.



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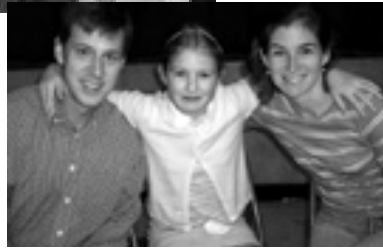
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sion, 10 A.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Read and
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Karen Fowler. INFO: 991-2030.

MARCH 14: Urban Coyotes:
Finding the Truths, Debunking
the Myths, 10 A.M., NATURE CENTER.
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Stan Gehrt, assistant professor of Wild-
life Ecology at The Ohio State Univer-
sity, who speaks about his research and
addresses the truths and myths about
this amazing carnivore. INFO: 321-5935.

MARCH 14: Mystery Book
Discussion, 7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY.
Read *Cypress Grove* by James Sallis and
discuss whodunit. INFO: 991-2030.

MARCH 16: Movie@Main,
6:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Watch the PG-
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MARCH 20: Pajama Stories,

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the library for books and stories, then

take them home and tuck them in. INFO:

991-2421.

MARCH 22: Winter Sports

Awards, 7 P.M., SHAKER HIGH. Hang up

the cleats and celebrate the feats.

MARCH 22: Understanding

the New Food Pyramid, 7:30 P.M.,

BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. Registered

dietician Lisa Cimperman talks about

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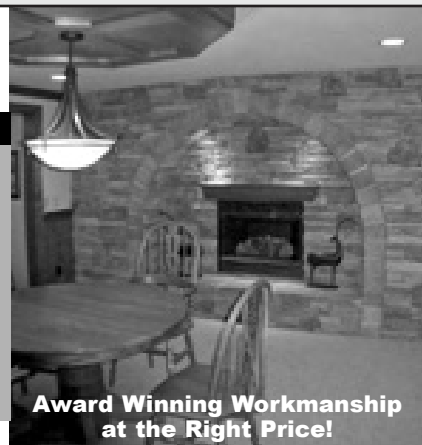
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MARCH 26: Barbara Luton Art Competition Gallery Opening and Awards Ceremony, 2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Meet the artists juried in the 7th Annual Art Competition. INFO: 991-2030.

MARCH 26: Gallery Opening & Awards Reception, 2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Meet the winners in the library's 7th annual juried competition. Exhibit continues thru May 5.

MARCH 28: Book Discussion, 7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Read and discuss *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini. INFO: 991-2030.

MARCH 29: Poetry Not in the Woods, 7 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Hear original poetry read by poets John Panza, Max Stark, and r. a. washington. INFO: 991-2030.

MARCH 29: Mozart Requiem, 7 P.M., FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF GREATER CLEVELAND, 3630 FAIRMOUNT BLVD. Dr. Robert Schneider conducts the combined First Baptist Church Chancel Choir and the SHHS A Cappella Choir and Orchestra.

MARCH 30 & 31: Toy Sale, 10 A.M.-5 P.M., SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Buy bargains in kids toys. Friday sales ends at 3 pm. Tax-deductible donations of gently used or like new children's toys, books, puzzles, riding toys, etc. will be accepted in the Shaker Family Center gym from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 27 & 28. No stuffed animals please.

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INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

APRIL 4: Environmental

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in Organizational Behavior at CWRU's
Weatherhead School of Management,
speaks on *Business As An Agent of World
Benefit* and discusses businesses and
organizations that are incorporating
sustainability in their missions and prac-
tices. INFO: 321-5935.

APRIL 4: Teen Volunteer

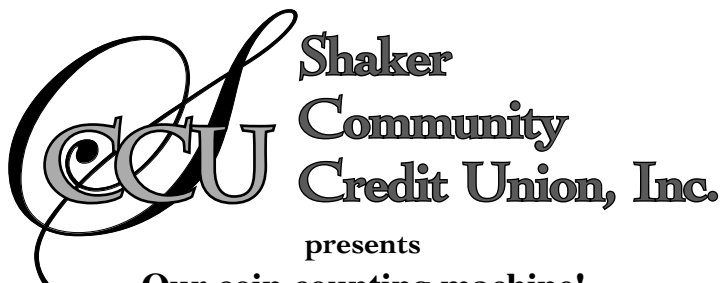
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APRIL 5: Evening of Jazz, 7 P.M., SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL. Middle School students perform.

APRIL 6: Shaker Family Center Annual Meeting, 6 P.M., SHAKER FAMILY CENTER. Cocktail reception at 6 p.m., followed by speaker, Connie Schultz, Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist for *The Plain Dealer*. RESERVATIONS & INFO: 921-1201.

APRIL 7: First Friday Movie, 1:30 P.M., SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. Watch *Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants*, the story of a pair of jeans and the Janes who wear them. Free flick, but the popcorn will cost you 50¢.

APRIL 8: Admission Office Open, 9 A.M.-NOON, LAUREL SCHOOL. Take a peek at education at Laurel School. INFO: 464-1441.

APRIL 8: Book Discussion, 2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Read and discuss *The Rapture of Canaan* by Sheri Reynolds. INFO: 991-2030.

APRIL 8 & 29: Rain and Rain Barrels Workshops, NOON-2 P.M., CLEVELAND BOTANICAL GARDEN, EAST BLVD. AND THE NATURE CENTER. A collaboration between the Cleveland Botanical Garden and the Nature Center, the April 8 workshop takes place at Cleveland Botanical Garden and the April 29 workshop takes place at the Nature Center. David Hovis of Ecovillage Cleveland leads these hands-on workshops to create a take-home rain barrel. Designed to capture pure rain water (free of salts and additives) for garden plants and to direct moisture away from building foundations, rain barrels help to prevent storm water runoff from entering local watersheds. Fees: \$25/members; \$32/

non-members. To register, call Kristin Ciofani, 707-2832 one week before the CBG workshop or Tori Mills, 321-5935 x 234 one week before the Nature Center workshop.

APRIL 10-14: Spring Break. Shaker Schools closed.

APRIL 10: Red Cross Blood-mobile, 2-7 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Give the gift of life. INFO: 1-800-GIVE LIFE.

APRIL 11: Book Discussion, 10 A.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Read and discuss *Teacher Man* by Frank McCourt. INFO: 991-2030.

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APRIL 11: Sleep Disorders, 7:30 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. University Hospitals' Dr. Candace Burr speaks on sleep disorders in this program in the healthy, wealthy and wise series. INFO: 991-2421.

APRIL 12: Business Book Discussion, 7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Read *The Rise of the Creative Class* by Richard Florida and discuss it with others. INFO: 991-2030.

APRIL 13: Photography Club Meeting, 6-8 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Shutterbugs meet in the Meeting room of the Nature Center. For more information, call or email NCSL Volunteer & Visitor Coordinator Sara Thorne, 321-5935 ext. 237 or thorne@shakerlakes.org

APRIL 16: Easter Sunday.
Main Library closed.

APRIL 18: Friends of the Nature Center, 7:30-9 P.M., NATURE CENTER. WCPN reporter Karen Schaefer presents *The Environment and the Media*. INFO: 321-5935.

APRIL 19: Kite Making Workshop, 4:15 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Join Bob Lockhart, member of the Ohio Society for the Elevation of Kites, who will lead a kite-making workshop, then go outside and fly it with the group. INFO: 991-2030.

APRIL 20: Friends of the Shaker Library Used Book Sale Preview, 4-8 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Friends' members get first dibs on bargains in books to benefit the library. Sale continues April 21, 22 & 23. INFO: 991-2030. See story in *Library News*.

APRIL 21 & 22: Spring Concert in Dance, 8 P.M., Shaker High.

APRIL 22: North Union Farmers Market, 8 A.M.-NOON, EASTBOUND LANE OF SHAKER BOULEVARD AT SHAKER SQUARE. It's opening day and a new location at the outdoor market. The growing season begins with a blessing of the market, a sheep shearing *ewe* won't want to miss, and the featured Chef at the Market will be fire's Doug Katz, who will serve his fabulous spring breakfast sampler.

APRIL 22: Celebrate the Earth Day, 1-5 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Jungle Terry and his live animals will be on hand to celebrate Earth Day along with live music, storytelling, wildflower, and nature walks, recycled crafts, plus a special Open Mic forum to share environmental poetry. A b'earth'day cake will cap the day! Free. Rain or shine.

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APRIL 24: Poetry Not in the

Woods, 7 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Hear poetry read by poets Joshua Gage, Fred Wright, and Gina Tabasso. INFO: 991-2030.

APRIL 25: Book Discussion,

7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Read and discuss *The Time Traveler's Wife* by Audrey Niffenegger. INFO: 991-2030.

APRIL 25: Clevelanders and

the Civil War, 7:30 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH. Marjorie Wilson presents a slide lecture on the Civil War veterans buried in Lake View Cemetery. Free. INFO: 991-2421.

APRIL 26: Networking Fair,

7-8:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Interested in direct sales? Need extra income? Meet members of the Direct Selling Association and find out about business opportunities from your backyard. Free. INFO: 991-2030.

APRIL 26: Orchestra Concert, 7:30 P.M., SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL. High school students perform.

APRIL 27: Business Planning, 7:30 P.M. MAIN LIBRARY. Tony Colletto from Service Corps of Retired Executives will speak about business plans. Get tips that will save you time and money in starting up a new business, or expanding an existing one! INFO: 991-2030.

APRIL 27, 28 & 29: Spring Theatre Ensemble Show, 8 P.M., SHAKER HIGH.

APRIL 28: La Catrina String Quartet, 7:30 P.M., SHAKER COMMUNITY BUILDING. Quartet performs both new Mexican and Latin American music and masterworks of the string quartet repertoire. Free.

APRIL 29: GIANT Garage Sale, 9 A.M.-4 P.M., HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 17300 VAN AKEN BOULEVARD. Over 50 tables of treasures, furniture, pictures, household goods, clothing, jewelry, children's books, toys, and games — plus a Country Kitchen with baked goods and a lunch stand. Enter from Winslow Rd. at rear of church. Admission: \$1/person. INFO: KATHY MCWILLIAMS 921-9210.

APRIL 30: Jewelry Inspired by Nature, 1:30-4:30 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Adults and young adults (age 16 and up) can learn to work with precious metal clay (PMC) in a step-by-step process to create something special. No experience necessary. Tools and materials provided. \$50/members; \$60 non-members. Class is limited to 12 participants; register by April 25: 321-5935.



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MARCH 14: Full Moon and Four-legged Friends, 6-8 P.M., LAKE VIEW CEMETERY, 12316 EUCLID AVE. Take a nature walk under a full moon and look for nocturnal animals (those with four legs) around the cemetery. Reservations: \$5/person; call Lake View Cemetery, 421-2665 x 3035.

MARCH 17 & 18: Global Climate Change Symposium, DOLAN CENTER AT JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY, 20700 NORTH PARK BLVD. & THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, 10600 EAST BLVD. Symposium co-sponsored with the Nature Center. Morning and afternoon sessions specifically for teachers. INFO: PAM KEIPER, 231-4600 X 3315 or pkeiper@cmnh.org. Friday evening and Saturday symposia are held at CMNH. Events include a series of speakers, display tables, behind-the-scenes Museum tours, and a screening of the one-hour, high-definition film, *Washed Away*. For registration materials go online at www.cmnh.org.



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MARCH 22: An Entrepreneurial Approach to Improving Urban Education, NOON, THE CITY CLUB OF CLEVELAND, 850 EUCLID AVE. John Zitzner, President of E CITY and founder of the Entrepreneurship Preparatory School for students in grades 6-12 opening in the fall of 2006, speaks on the challenges his group faces as it strives to create an urban school that can champion achievement and encourage college attendance. Tickets: \$15/25. Reservations are required: 621-0082 or visit www.cityclub.org.

MARCH 23: Cleveland's Jewish Past, 8 P.M., MALTZ MUSEUM OF JEWISH HERITAGE, 2929 RICHMOND RD. Urban historian, John J. Grabowski, presents a talk and slide show on Jewish immigrant life in early Cleveland, particularly the Woodland neighborhood. \$10/\$8 members. INFO: 593-0575.

MARCH 25: Saffire: The Uppity Blues Women, 8 P.M., TRI-C EASTERN CAMPUS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, 4250 RICHMOND RD. Sassy ensemble brings a new perspective to old blues themes with additions of their own. Tickets: \$30/person. INFO: 987-4400 or www.tricpresents.com

APRIL 1: 30 Years of Champions Youth Challenge Annual Benefit, WINDOWS ON THE RIVER. Coach Jim Tressel of The Ohio State University is the guest speaker for this evening including hors d'oeuvres, dinner, dancing, cocktails, and silent auction. Tickets: \$125/person. Proceeds benefit sports and recreation for children with physical disabilities (www.youthchallengesports.com) INFO: CHRISTY MCGUCKEN, 440-331-2050.

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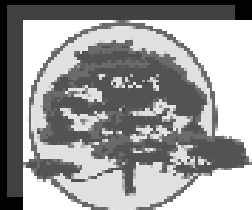
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APRIL 22: Night Ride on the

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APRIL 26: CityMusic Cleveland, 7:30 P.M.

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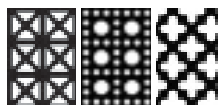


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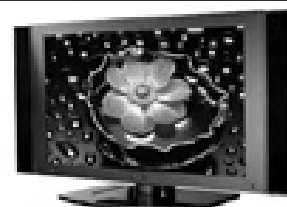
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The Real Rite of Spring – *Mass Procrastination*

BY JOHN R. BRANDT

One of the pleasures of Shaker Heights is the beauty of its landscaping, especially the parts of it completed by others for your viewing pleasure (*Ah, Shaker Man mused last summer over a cup of steaming joe, What a nice rock wall our neighbors have put in across the street. Thank God I didn't have to do it.*) Alas, community expectations being what they are, Shaker Man and other green-challenged individuals again will be forced by their spouses to labor on their own lawns this spring for the benefit of others. As a public service, then, Shaker Observer offers this guide to the three P's of successful (non) landscaping:

Planning: Every good project begins with planning, and for Shaker Man, there can never be enough of it. Planning involves inspiration, endless lists, brightly colored catalogs and even scale drawings (done with colored pencils obtained solely for this purpose) but no sweat or sore muscles. In his best years, Shaker Man has been able to extend the planning season well into June, resulting in a yard best described as *Almost*:

"That's where we almost planted peonies, but by the time I got to the nursery..."

"That's where the kids were going to put in a vegetable garden, but it rained on Memorial Day..."

"That's where I was going to build a deck, but my back..."

This year, however, Ms. Shaker Man has a different plan.

"Honey," our hero says one Saturday morning, "Where are my landscaping pencils?"

"I put them in the garage."

"And you did that because—"

"I wanted you to feel inspired."

Which he does, sort of, after he finds his beloved pencils duct-taped to the handle of a rake, directly across from a shovel with its own duct-taped bottle of Tylenol.

"Have fun planning," she calls from the back door. "Ring the doorbell if you need a glass of water."

Purchasing: Another key weapon of mass procrastination for Shaker Man. "You can't do the job right if don't have the right tools," he lectures his children each time he starts a home project. Not coincidentally, finding the right tool usually requires a visit to the right store.

"I think you just don't want to put in the shrubs," opines Shaker Man's helpful 13-year-old daughter. "I think you're just going to the store so you can put it off until next weekend. Or forever."

Adds Ms. Shaker Man: "I didn't say a word."

Planting: If Shaker Man learned nothing else from two long, hot summers on landscaping crews as a youth, he did retain the industry's most important lesson: Never, ever turn over a shovel of dirt yourself if you can get somebody else to do it for you. For the well-to-do, this means hiring a swarm of landscapers, gardeners, tree-trimmers, snowplowers, and leaf-wranglers. For the middle class, this means hiring teenage boys for what is possibly the only useful purpose they serve in the world between the ages of 14 and 21. For Shaker Man, it means trying to trick his children into helping.

"Don't you want the yard to look pretty?" he asks his daughter.

"Dad," says Thirteen. "I'm not four years old. I know you're just trying to get me to do the planting."

"Yes, but—"

"I have *homework*," she says. "You don't want me to *fail*, do you?"

"Well, I don't think—" he says, but she has already marched upstairs and slammed a door.

He has more luck with Nine, using the lure of allowing his son to operate massive new power tools.

"I'll do it all," says Nine. "I'll put in the gas and set it up and everything. You promise you won't do anything without me?"

"You can come with me to the store." Nine looks triumphantly at his sister. "We'll get the RIGHT tool and do the job RIGHT."

"That's my boy," says Shaker Man.

Thirteen rolls her eyes.

Unfortunately for Shaker Man, Nine's enthusiasm for the job, RIGHT or otherwise, is even less impressive than his own. Not even the thrill of a titanium-plated, remote-start WeedWhacker-TurboMonster 5500 lawn trimmer – \$439.95 in 12 easy installments – can hold Nine's interest for more than two minutes.

"This is boring"

"I thought you wanted to help."

Nine puts a hand to his chin, wrinkles his brow, and then says, "Nope."

"But—"

Offers Ms. Shaker Man from the back door: "That's your boy, all right."



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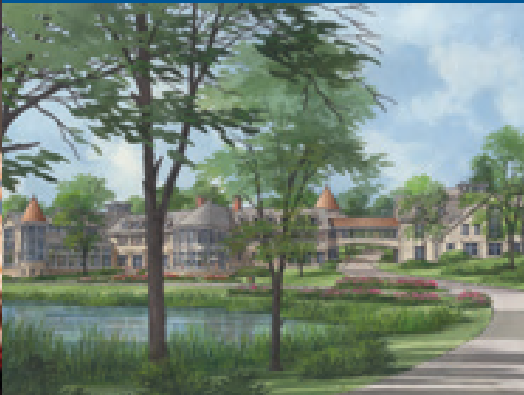
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