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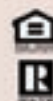
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Doggie Dip at Thornton Park Pool

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Owners must accompany dogs. Pool will be un-chlorinated and a lifeguard will be on duty. Owners are welcome to join their dogs in the pool. Dogs must be on a leash when entering the pool area. Muzzles needed for behavior problems. Residents may bring non-resident guests with dog for an additional fee. A doggie buffet is available! Resident fee: \$1/dog. Non-resident fee: \$3/dog.

Scimitars Band

Shaker Community Building
September 21, 7:30 p.m.

Enjoy music from the 1940s, 50s and 60s: from Glen Miller-style big band through contemporary sounds.

La Catrina String Quartet

Shaker Community Building
Wednesday, October 26
7:30 p.m.

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

Sewer Project Closes South Woodland

East and westbound lanes on S. Woodland Road, between Green and Belvoir roads, will be closed from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., weekdays – to through traffic only – beginning August 22, for roughly 60 days. After that, eastbound traffic will be maintained until the project is concluded near the end of March 2006. Westbound lanes will be closed the entire time. Local access will be maintained for homeowners throughout the project.

Westbound traffic will be detoured at Green to Shaker Boulevard. Signs will be posted alerting residents to the closing and detour.

This phase of the Sewer Improvement Project by the North East Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) involves construction of new sanitary relief and storm sewers to increase capacity and to reduce the risk of sewer backups and basement flooding in the area. Earlier phases of the project began in the Thornton Park area.

Regular project updates will be available on the City's website, shakeronline.com.

Seeing Orange

Those annoying orange barrels at intersections throughout the City are evidence that the Traffic Signalization project, managed by the Ohio Department of Transportation, is moving ahead. They mark the future location of new traffic signal poles. Anticipated benefits of the project include:

- Reduction of neighborhood cut-through traffic. Improving the flow of traffic on Shaker's main arteries should reduce driver frustration and lessen the urge to take short cuts through residential neighborhoods.
- Improved safety for emergency vehicles, motorists, and rapid transit riders. Designated intersections will respond to sensors on emergency fire/EMS vehicles, automatically adjusting to accommodate them. Approaching rapid transit trains will trigger "no left turn" signs in intersections.

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From Our Readers

A New Home For Rec Listings

I wanted to tell you how nice the July/August issue of *Shaker Life* is. I was very pleased with it. The only problem is that we did not receive it until July 26. I also was pleased to see that the Recreation Department brochure was included in the magazine, which saved an extra mailing.

— Sally Lash

Editor's Note: From now on the Recreation Department's seasonal listings of programs and classes will be included in *Shaker Life* rather than mailed separately.



Health Department Offers Immunization Clinics

Shaker residents can receive flu and pneumonia shots from the City's Health Department this fall. Clinics will begin after October 15 and continue through December. The Health Department is located on the lower level of City Hall, 3400 Lee Road.

Clinics are scheduled for Tuesdays from 9 to 11:15 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. There will also be at least one Saturday clinic and an evening clinic. Parking will be available near the entrance of City Hall. The Health Department is wheelchair accessible.

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Seeing Orange

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• Reduced travel time through the City and along the City's main roadways. Ten of the City's 69-plus traffic signals will be removed. This decision was based on state guidelines and federal requirements. The intersections will be closely monitored, for at least 90 days after the project is completed, to determine if circumstances have changed. At those intersections where a light will be removed, a flashing signal will be installed 30-60 days in advance of the removal to remind residents of the impending change. The exception is in road construction zones where the signal patterns may already be affected.

The project is scheduled for completion in early summer 2006. Check *shakeronline.com* for more project details.

Immunization Clinics

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Appointments are required and can be made starting Monday, September 12 by calling 491-1480.

Flu shots are \$18; pneumonia shots cost \$30. Both shots are free to residents age 65 and over who have Medicare as their primary insurance.

Clinic schedules are listed on the City's website, *shakeronline.com*.

Time to Clean up and Round up

Household hazardous waste items will be collected at the Service Center, 15600 Chagrin Blvd. on Saturday and Sunday, October 22, 23 and October 29, 30 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Bring any of the following acceptable items: propane tanks and gas cylinders, motor oil, antifreeze, batteries (lead acid, ni-cad, alkaline), tires, spray paint. NO LATEX PAINT. According to the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District, latex or water-based paints are not hazardous and can be safely disposed in household trash once they have solidified. For instructions on how to solidify latex paint, visit the District website at cuyahogawd.org/hhw/latex.shtml.

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- Do not wash grease down the sink or toilet. To safely discard, put into a container, allow to harden, then include with trash.
- Do not place trash, debris or grass clippings in catch basins located along street curbs.

To ask a sewer-related question or report a problem, call the Public Works Department at 491-1490. For emergency service, the City will attempt to provide temporary relief by accessing the test tee on the property. If the City is unable to locate the test tee, it becomes the homeowner's responsibility (per City ordinance) to hire a private contractor or plumber to locate the tee. For a list of sewer contractors registered with the City, visit shakeronline.com/building/RegisteredContractors.asp. Also helpful: shakeronline.com/building/HowtoHireaContractor.asp.

Business News

Back in Shaker Town Center

If you've had a hankering for ice cream, you won't have to wait much longer to satisfy it. Baskin-Robbins is returning to Shaker Town Center.

The ice cream specialty store, which moved out of the Center in 2004 to make room for the new Center Street, promised to return. The new store is located further east in the strip, between Sol's Deli and Papa John's Pizza. Its scheduled reopening was for mid-August.

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A new grocery store is coming to Shaker Heights. It is the North Carolina-based chain known as Fresh Market, and it will be open at Van Aken Center sometime in late 2006.

The store specializes in wholesome, organic foods and will have full-service meat and seafood counters. Nothing is prepackaged. Fresh Market is smaller than the more common supermarket, and sees itself in a different category, serving different needs.

The Shaker Fresh Market will be only the second to open in Ohio. The majority of the family-owned stores are located in the southeast.

There have been other small grocery stores in the Shaker Plaza shopping center. The Green Leaf Grocery was located there about eight years ago, preceded by the Fisher-Fazio grocery store many years earlier.

Shaker News Briefs

The Nature Center at Shaker Lakes announced the appointment of **Steven L. Cadwell** as its new executive director. Cadwell served most recently as the Center's associate director for the past seven years. As capital campaign and development director, Cadwell led a multifaceted capital campaign that raised \$2.5 million to renovate and transform the Center. Cadwell succeeds **Nancy King Smith**, who retired from her post July 1 after ten years at the Nature Center's helm. Smith was presented with a resolution from Shaker Heights City Council expressing appreciation for her many years of service to the Nature Center and to the community. Smith was congratulated on her many achievements, and in particular, for her pioneering role in establishing the Doan Brook Watershed Partnership, an organization that works to restore and maintain the Doan Brook.

Reminders

• **ELECTRIC POWER OUTAGES:**

Please call CEI at 888-544-4877 to report outages and register your report. To learn what the City knows about the outage, call 491-1400.

• **Bicycle Licensing:**

Licenses will be sold from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. September 10 and 24 and October 15 in the Police Department lobby, 3355 Lee Road. Cost is \$1.50 (re-issues, 50 cents); the owner's Social Security number will be recorded on the application.

• **Child Car Seats:**

The Fire Department offers free safety checks on car seats. Call 491-1200 for information or to make an appointment.



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• Citizens Award:

The City appreciates nominations from residents for outstanding customer service - above and beyond expectations - provided by City employees. Nominations are accepted all year for recognition in the spring of 2006. Instructions can be found in the Human Resources section of the City website, shakeronline.com.

• Contractors:

While the City cannot recommend contractors, lists of contractors registered with the City can be viewed at shakeronline.com. Lists are updated monthly.

• Dogs:

Dogs are not permitted to run at large, and owners are required to immediately remove all waste deposited by their dogs on public or private property that is not their own. Dog waste must not be put in City waterways, sewers or on the curbside, as it poses a health hazard. Nuisance dogs should be reported to the Public Works Department, 491-1490.

• Fire Hydrants:

The Fire Department will be flushing hydrants from September 12 through September 24. Signs listing specific days will be posted before flushing begins.

• Fire Safety:

The Fire Department offers free home safety inspections. Using a "Home Fire Safety Checklist," fire-fighters inspect dwellings from top to bottom, check for hazards such as faulty or inadequate electrical wiring, improper storage of paints and other combustible liquids, and unsafe heating and cooking areas. To make an appointment, call 491-1215.

• **Go Green Rebate Program:**

Homeowners are eligible for discounted energy audits (\$300). Depending upon results and budget, up to 25% of repair costs may be rebated. Find out more by calling 491-1370.

• **Lost Pets:**

If you have lost a pet, call the Public Works Department at 491-1490 (after hours or emergencies, 491-1499).

• **Parking Ban:**

Parking is not allowed on Shaker streets between 2 and 6 a.m.

• **Rubbish Pickup:**

Collections scheduled on or after these holidays, unless they fall on a Saturday or Sunday, will be one day late: Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, and Memorial Day. Call the Public Works Department, 491-1490, to report a missed pickup. Calls must be received the next business day. To receive an email reminder when pickup is delayed a day, sign up for the City's email list at shakeronline.com.

• **Yard Waste:**

During April, and from October 1 to December 15, residents may place leaves and grass clippings loose on the tree lawn. During other times of the year, residents must use the specifically marked paper yard waste bags for this material. The bags are available at many area merchants and most City buildings for \$1, which goes toward paying for the separate collection and composting program. At no time may waste be placed in the street.

For more information on the City's Codified Ordinances, visit shakeronline.com.



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REAL PROPERTY

City Partnership Offers Discounted Tenant Screening Service

A discounted tenant screening service is now available to rental property owners through a partnership between the City and First Advantage-SafeRent. Properties in both Shaker Heights and the Shaker Heights School District are eligible to participate.

The service is a new component of the City's ongoing efforts to strengthen its housing stock, which in turn strengthens its neighborhoods. Professional screening services provide objective criteria to assist owners in tenant selection. Screening includes credit history, landlord-tenant history and criminal background checks.

The benefits of the service are:

- Promotion of fair housing standards; Attraction and retention of qualified tenants;
- Reduced likelihood of costly damage to property and criminal or nuisance activity;
- Increased safety for tenants and the greater community.

"We are committed to innovative programs that help the City maintain its superior rental housing. The partnership with First Advantage-SafeRent is a win-win for both the City's landlords and its neighborhoods," says Mayor Judy Rawson.

Other City programs that focus on maximizing rental properties include Certified Shaker – City promotion of properties that meet high quality standards – assistance with improving energy efficiency, technical assistance with repairs and upgrades, and awards for beautification efforts.

For more information on any of these programs, call Neighborhood Revitalization at 491-1373, or visit the Landlord Connection section of the City website, shakeronline.com.

REAL NUMBERS

Housing transfers between December 16, 2004 and February 28, 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	2004 SALE PRICE	PRIOR SALE PRICE	ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST
3270 Avalon Road	\$207,000	\$168,500 (1998)	\$ 10,000 (1923)
3647 Avalon Road	\$220,000	\$190,000 (2002)	\$ 12,000 (1928)
2742 Belvoir Blvd	\$535,000	\$520,000 (2001)	\$ 25,000 (1929)
3319 Braemar Road	\$224,000	\$187,000 (2002)	\$ 9,600 (1922)
2947 Courtland Blvd	\$655,000	\$590,000 (1999)	\$ 15,000 (1935)
3596 Daleford Road	\$220,000	\$190,000 (2002)	\$ 12,000 (1927)
20909 Fairmount Blvd	\$210,000	\$222,000 (2002)	\$ 9,000 (1941)
2961 Fontenay Road	\$649,900	\$517,000 (2003)	\$ 22,000 (1938)
3355 Grenway Road	\$283,250	\$225,000 (1998)	\$ 14,000 (1927)
3702 Gridley Road	\$175,000	\$109,000 (1998)	\$ 8,000 (1939)
3383 Ingleside Road	\$200,000	\$190,000 (2003)	\$ 12,000 (1924)
3564 Ingleside Road	\$220,000	\$210,000 (2003)	\$ 12,500 (1927)
16814 Kenyon Road	\$220,000	\$210,000 (2003)	\$ 13,000 (1926)
2960 Kingsley Road	\$512,500	\$399,900 (2002)	\$ 12,000 (1933)
3140 Kingsley Road	\$595,000	\$425,000 (1998)	\$ 32,000 (1928)
24200 Laureldale Road	\$276,000	\$103,500 (2004)	\$ 29,000 (1957)
19020 Lomond Blvd	\$192,000	\$177,000 (1997)	\$ 11,000 (1939)
19208 Lomond Blvd	\$224,900	\$242,000 (2002)	\$ 12,500 (1941)
3591 Lytle Road	\$224,900	\$185,000 (2004)	\$ 11,000 (1929)
3544 Normandy Road	\$220,000	\$104,500 (1994)	\$ 12,000 (1927)
3617 Normandy Road	\$220,000	\$210,000 (2002)	\$ 13,000 (1928)
2957 S Park Blvd	\$578,000	\$330,000 (1999)	\$ 50,000 (1955)
3625 Rawnsdale Road	\$169,250	\$130,000 (1995)	\$ 18,700 (1950)
2711 Rocklyn Road	\$417,500	\$300,000 (2001)	\$ 13,000 (1935)
15910 Scottsdale Blvd	\$118,000	\$ 92,600 (2000)	\$ 3,500 (1939)
21999 Shelburne Road	\$625,000	\$560,000 (2004)	\$ 32,000 (1955)
3304 Sutton Road	\$200,000	\$200,000 (2004)	Not Available
3041 Torrington Road	\$719,000	\$470,000 (1997)	\$ 40,000 (1927)
3543 Townley Road	\$182,000	\$146,300 (2000)	\$ 7,500 (1932)
3648 Traver Road	\$189,500	\$155,000 (1998)	\$ 10,000 (1927)
3015 Van Aken Blvd	\$225,000	\$225,000 (2004)	\$ 38,000 (1965)
3215 Van Aken Blvd	\$190,000	\$143,000 (2003)	\$ 17,500 (1947)
18708 Van Aken Blvd	\$275,000	\$169,900 (2004)	\$ 14,000 (1945)
18516 Winslow Road	\$230,000	\$127,000 (2004)	\$ 12,500 (1925)
22455 S Woodland Road	\$237,000	\$235,000 (2002)	\$ 35,000 (1959)
24100 S Woodland Road	\$251,000	\$220,000 (1998)	\$ 32,000 (1951)

Information source: First American Real Estate Solutions

A workshop to familiarize multi-family owners with the Tenant Screening Cooperative is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13 at 7:00 p.m. at the Shaker Community Building. For more information, call 491-1370.

The website for First Advantage-SafeRent is fadvsaferent.com.

Work(shopping) Your Way to a Healthier Home

Homeowners, mindful of the perils of rising utility costs, and tolls on quality of life and environment, can take heart. Help is on the way. The City and the Cleveland Green Building Coalition have a lineup of workshops designed to ease the burden on wallets and well-being.

All events will be held at the Shaker Community Building, 3450 Lee Road.

Improving Energy Efficiency

This workshop focuses on learning to control energy costs and eliminate waste. It is scheduled for Saturday, September 10 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is free and open to the public. Registration required. Call Neighborhood Revitalization at 491-1370 to reserve your place.

Greening Your Home

The Cleveland Green Building Coalition will host six seminars that focus on creating healthier, more energy efficient new and existing homes. The series addresses a variety of topics including landscaping, heating and cooling, maintenance, and water usage.

All seminars are held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. and cost \$20 each or \$100 for the series of six. Register online at shakeronline.com or clevelandgbc.org. or call 491-1373 for more information.

OCTOBER 6: Greening the Site and Foundation

OCTOBER 13: Greening the Exterior Walls and Surfaces

OCTOBER 20: Green Daylighting and Greening the Roof

OCTOBER 27: Green Heating, Cooling and Ventilation

NOVEMBER 3: Greening Interior Surfaces and Electrical Services

NOVEMBER 10: Greening Water Usage and Residential Maintenance

Hotline Offers

Help and Hope

A new, toll-free telephone hotline—888-995-HOPE (4673)—provides free foreclosure prevention counseling services as well as credit counseling. The hotline, provided through the Homeownership Preservation Foundation is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, nationwide. Find more information at the City's website, shakeronline.com under the Neighborhood Revitalization Department, or through the Homeownership Preservation Foundation at www.hpfonline.org.



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LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

Cleveland Museum of Art Presents A Family Art Festival at Main Library

The Cleveland Museum of Art staff will present two sessions of *Masks From Around The World*, an introduction to mask making, followed by a cooperative hands-on art experience for the family on Sunday, October 9. The first session will be held from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. and the second session will be held from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m.

In between sessions, youth in grades 4 and up can attend *Art To Go – Masks: Let's Face It* from 2-3 p.m., where they can experience the art of masks firsthand and handle items from the museum's collection.

Register for these programs at the Main Library Children's Desk beginning September 26.

September Is Library Card Sign Up Month

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when the Library reminds parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all. Visit the library, sign up for a library card, and discover an activity that's fun, educational, and free!

Constitution Read Aloud Commemorates 9/11 and National Constitution Week

Sunday, September 11, Main Library resumes its Sunday service hours from 1 to 5 p.m. To commemorate 9/11 and to celebrate National Constitution Week (September 17-23), the Library joins with the Moses Cleaveland Branch of the DAR to sponsor a Constitution Read Aloud from 2 to 3 p.m., when community

leaders and students will read the United States Constitution.

Library Offers Financial Literacy Series This Fall

Shaker Library will begin a Financial Literacy series of programs that will alternate between Main Library and Bertram Woods Branch and will cover topics ranging from banking, budgeting and investments to identity theft.

The first program in the series, *The Basic Dos and Don'ts of Investing*, will be offered at 7 p.m. Wednesday, September 21 at the Main Library. The featured speaker will be Denise M. Farkas, CFA, a principal with Spero-Smith Investment

Advisors, Inc. As Senior Vice-President and Director of Equity Research, Farkas' primary duties include overseeing the investment research process and coordinating the efforts of the investment management team. She has more than 20 years of investment research, credit analysis and portfolio management experience.

7 p.m. Wednesday, October 19 at Bertram Woods Branch, Diane Scott, Branch Manager of the Chagrin Warrensville National City Bank, will present *The Importance of Banks in People's Lives* and will discuss banking and credit. Scott has an extensive background in the credit card industry and has a particular interest in helping with small business start-up and growth. She will

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Reader of the Month

MEGHAN JELINEK

AGE: 26

LIVES IN: Lomond area

USES: Main Library and Bertram Woods Branch

ALL-TIME FAVORITE BOOK: *This Much I Know Is True* (Wally Lamb)

OTHER FAVORITES: *The Devil in the White City* (Erik Larson), *East of Eden* (John Steinbeck)

LIKES TO READ: Dramas and true crime stories

DOESN'T LIKE TO READ: Fantasy, fairy tales or romance novels

LIBRARY SERVICES: "Borrowing books, magazines music and movies, especially my favorite, *Good Will Hunting*. Also, I recently acquired two beautiful puppies, who consume my day, but the library saved me with the book, *Puppies for Dummies* by Sarah Hodgson."

INFLUENCES: Friends and coworkers

OTHER INTERESTS: Jogging, traveling and enjoying the outdoors. She recently ran two half marathons and hopes to someday run a full marathon.

FAMILY: Parents, Ken, a Cleveland Police Detective and Kathy, a volunteer with the USO, live in Richfield; and one sister, Jessica, a respiratory therapist with Akron General Hospital, who lives in the Akron area.

BRIEF BIO: A native Clevelander, Jelinek graduated from Ursuline College and earned her Masters in Nursing from Case Western Reserve University. She is a neonatal nurse practitioner at Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital and loves living in Shaker for its beautiful neighborhoods and the proximity to her job.



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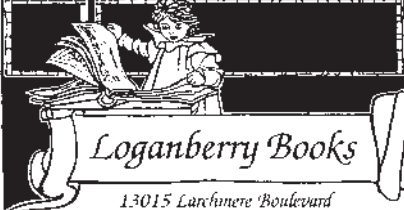
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BOOK BABIES

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

Fall Session: Sept. 27-Nov. 16.

For Babies 12-18 months old.

(Baby must be 12 months by October 1.)

9:30 a.m. Tuesdays at **Woods Branch.**

9:30 a.m. Wednesdays at **Main Library.**

For Babies 18-24 months old.

(Baby must be 18 months by October 1.)

10:30 a.m. Tuesdays at **Woods Branch.**

10:30 a.m. Wednesdays at **Main Library.**

In-person registration begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10 for Shaker School District residents. Non-residents may call to register on Tuesday, Sept. 13. Please register at the library where your child will attend.

TODDLER STORYTIME

Stories, songs and movement activities for 2-year-olds with an adult. (Child must be 2 years old by October 1.)

Fall Session: Sept. 26-Nov. 17.

10 a.m. Mondays or Wednesdays at **Woods Branch.**

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10 a.m. Tuesdays or Thursdays at **Main Library.**

In-person registration begins at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10 for Shaker School District residents. Non-residents may call on Tuesday, Sept. 13 to register. Please register at the library where your child will attend.

PRESCHOOL STORIES

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

Fall Session: Sept 12 - Nov. 17.

10 a.m. and 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 and up with or without an adult.

7:15 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19.

Registration is required and begins 2 weeks before the program.

MATH NIGHT AT BERTRAM WOODS

Number fun for children ages 3-6 and their parents or caregivers.

7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11.

Enjoy an evening of number fun as you read children's picturebooks and play with accompanying math activities.

Registration begins Sept. 27.

MAKE-IT-TAKE-IT WEEK AT WOODS BRANCH

Visit the library and make a fun craft to take home.

Week of Sept. 19 – Make an Autumn Door Hanger

Week of Oct. 24 – Make a not-so-scary Ghost Puppet

AFTERSCHOOL AUTHORS AT WOODS BRANCH

Creative writing activities for children in grades 2-5.

Fall Session: Sept. 21-Nov. 9

4:15 Wednesdays

Registration begins Sept. 7.

BOOK BUGS AT MAIN LIBRARY

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

Fall Session: Sept. 22-Nov. 10.

4:15 Thursdays

Registration begins Sept. 8.

SCHOOL AGE SPECIALS

For students in grades K-4.

4:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14 at Woods Branch

4:15 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5 at Main Library

Shaker Heights Police Department's Jerry Jankowski will explain why it's necessary to be careful around strangers and will offer advice on ways to stay safe. Parents are encouraged to attend this program or they must sign a waiver permitting their children to attend. *Registration began August 31.*

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FAMILY ART FESTIVAL AT MAIN LIBRARY

Masks From Around The World presented by the Cleveland Museum of Art for the entire family. 1:30-2:45 p.m. **or** 3:15-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9. The Cleveland Museum of Art staff will present an introduction to mask making, followed by a cooperative hands-on art experience for your family. *Register at the Main Library Children's Desk beginning Sept. 26. Please register for only one session.*

ART TO GO - MASKS: LET'S FACE IT PRESENTED BY THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART

For grades 4-adult.
2-3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9. Experience the art of masks firsthand. Learn about masks from The Cleveland Museum of Art staff; handle items from the museum's collection.
Register at the Main Library Children's Desk beginning Sept. 26.
Participants in this session may also attend the 3:15 session of *Masks From Around The World*. Please register for each program separately.

FAMILY HALLOWEEN STORYTELLING AT WOODS BRANCH

Join us for stories, songs, and Halloween revelry. 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24.
Register at the Woods Children's Desk beginning Oct. 10.



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provide an overview of bank products and explain how these products can be tailored to meet an individual's personal banking needs. Following her talk, Jerry Jankowski of the Shaker Heights Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit will speak about fraud and identity theft issues.

7 p.m. Wednesday, November 16, Teresa Dixon Murray, personal finance writer for *The Cleveland Plain Dealer*, will speak about the importance of budgets and budgeting.

The programs are free; however, reservations are requested. Please call the library where you will attend.

Library Teams with SCORE to Offer

One-On-One Small Business Counseling

Beginning September 14 and continuing every Wednesday through the end of the year, representatives from SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) will be available from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Main Library for private consultations on beginning or growing small businesses.

SCORE representatives will be on hand to offer their business acumen free of charge. Residents can make appointments to review their business plans, to get help searching for financing and to ask questions and get answers from the experts. Working at the library provides residents access to a variety of information, including books and online databases they can use in implementing the suggestions provided by SCORE.

Main Library also provides residents with access to its Computer Center, which offers the full Microsoft Office software package, including word processing, spreadsheet, website and database-building software.

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Meet local author Mike Olszewski, author of *Radio Daze: Stories from the Front in Cleveland's FM Air Wars*, who will discuss the state of Cleveland radio, past, present and future at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 20, 2005 at the Main Library.

Mike Olszewski is a veteran radio-TV journalist, who has won many news awards from the Press Club of Cleveland, the United Press International, Associated Press, and the International Radio Festival of New York. The founder of the Cleveland Broadcast Archive, Olszewski has coauthored several books and covered White House conferences and Democratic and Republican Conventions. Please call 991-2030 for reservations.

Teen scene

EXPRESSIONS at Woods Branch

Games and crafts in the Community Room. Relax with friends after school.
3-4:15 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22

September 24-October 1 Stand Up, Check Out and Read! It's Banned Books Week!

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"Self-Portraits" with The Cleveland Museum of Art Staff

4-5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5 in the
Main Library Teen Center.

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Read a Good Movie!

4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19 in the **Main Library Teen Center.**

3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20 at **Woods Branch.**

Get Reel for Teen Read Week October 16-22.

Bring your friends to watch a fun teen movie that started out as a book.

EXPRESSIONS at Woods Branch

Games and Crafts in the Community Room. Relax with friends after school.

3 p.m.-4:15 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27.

the Bookshelf

Recent Additions to the Business Collection

According to Kotler: The World's Foremost Authority on Marketing Answers Your Questions by **Philip Kotler.** AMACOM, 2005.

Organized by marketing topics, this book's question-and-answer format makes it both interesting to read and easy to use.

Be Happy at Work: 100 Women Who Love Their Jobs, and Why by **Joanne Gordon.** Ballantine Books, 2005.

Profiles of a highly diverse group of women tell how they have been able to meld their skills, passions, and life situations with careers that provide immense satisfaction.

Business Plans That Work: A Guide for Small Business by **Jeffrey A. Timmons, Andrew Zacharakis, and Stephen Spinelli.** McGraw-Hill, 2004.

This concise guide includes chapter summaries that highlight each topic's most important points.

How to Create Your Own Luck: The "You Never Know" Approach to Networking, Taking Chances, and Opening Yourself to Opportunity by **Susan RoAne.** John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2004.

Individual success stories illustrate the traits needed to turn random incidents and situations into life-altering opportunities.

How to Raise Capital: Techniques and Strategies for Financing and Valuing Your Small Business by **Jeffrey A. Timmons, Stephen Spinelli, and Andrew Zacharakis.** McGraw-Hill, 2005.

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How to Run a Thriving Business: Strategies for Success and Satisfaction by **Ralph Warner**. Nolo, 2004.

The author and co-founder of Nolo, which publishes legal self-help materials, shares the business philosophy and practical ideas that have helped him build an extremely successful company.

It's Not What You Say...It's What You Do: How Following Through at Every Level Can Make or Break Your Company by **Laurence Haughton**. Currency, 2004.

Follow-through by all managers and employees is crucial to a company's success. The author interviewed top executives to learn their methods for ensuring follow-through to reach business objectives.

Overpromise and Overdeliver: The Secrets of Unshakable Customer Loyalty by **Rick Barrera**. Portfolio, 2005.

A marketing expert shows how highly successful companies have used branding and superb customer service to achieve strong relationships with their customers. An enclosed CD helps readers understand how to use TouchPoint Branding.

Start Your Own e-Business: Your Step-by-Step Guide to Success by **Robert McGarvey** and **Melissa Campanelli**. Entrepreneur Press, 2005.

This book offers entrepreneurs guidance for starting and growing a successful business using the phenomenal power of the Internet.

Think Big, Act Small: How America's Best Performing Companies Keep the Start-Up Spirit Alive by **Jason Jennings**. Portfolio, 2005.

The "think big, act small" business philosophies of nine very well run companies demonstrate how their practices can guide others to commercial success.

Winning by **Jack Welch** with **Suzy Welch**. HarperBusiness, 2005.

Jack Welch, retired from GE but still a very active member of the business world, has written a guide for people at any level in a business organization. His ideas and suggestions will energize and inspire readers to strive for greater success and satisfaction in their personal as well as professional lives.



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10 A.M. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Middlesex by Jeffrey Eugenides

This imaginative novel of one family's encounter with 20th century America is the story of Calliope Stephanides, who discovers at age 14 that she is really a he.

7:30 P.M. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

I Dreamed I Married Perry Mason
by Susan Kandel

Biographer CeCe Caruso tries to solve a 40-year-old, Perry Mason murder case

in this romp that alternates between the 1940s and the present day.

7:30 P.M. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Felix in the Underworld by John Mortimer

A paternity suit and a murder add some excitement to the life of a naïve writer whose star is beginning to fade.

2-4 P.M. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

1st to Die by James Patterson

Diagnosed with a life-threatening illness, homicide detective Lindsay Boxer circumvents the chain of command in trying to solve a series of gruesome murders.

10 A.M. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Mystic River by Dennis Lehane

Three boyhood friends—one now a cop, another an ex-con, and the third a haunted man who was raped as a child—reunite when the ex-con's daughter is murdered.

7:30 P.M. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

Uncommon Grounds by Sandra Balzo

Talk about a jolt of coffee! When Maggy Thorsen's partner is electrocuted by an espresso machine, she sets out to solve the murder and uncovers some steamy secrets in a small Wisconsin town.

7:30 P.M. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

Blackbird House by Alice Hoffman

A Cape Cod farmhouse is the setting for twelve interconnected stories that share a sense of place.

Read the Book? Watch the Movie and Discuss It

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What to Read

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Computer Classes

Main Library offers a series of free computer classes on a first come-first-served basis. Introductory classes on how to use a mouse, how to use the Internet, how to use web e-mail and basic word processing are offered on alternating Tuesday and Saturday mornings. All registrations begin the Monday of the week before the class. Special classes offered at Main Library in September and October are listed below.

HOW TO BUILD A WEB PAGE

3-4:30 P.M. WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

6:30-8 P.M. MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

This 90-minute class will explore HTML, the language used to construct many of the web pages found on the Internet. Participants must be familiar with using a mouse and have basic keyboarding skills.

INTRODUCTION TO POWERPOINT

6:30-8 P.M. MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

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6:30-8 P.M. MONDAY, OCTOBER 10

This session will cover the basics of spreadsheet design and construction, including formatting and design, printing options, and using basic formulas. Participants must be comfortable using the mouse to click, drag, and highlight.

GRAPHICS AND ANIMATION IN POWERPOINT

6:30-8 P.M. MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Learn to create effective PowerPoint presentations using pictures and animation — two powerful tools in the program. Please register by calling Walter Lesch at 991-2030 ext. 3156.

Alex White (SHHS '05) poses by his redwood pieces, which would become an Adirondack chair now sitting in the Bertram Woods Reading Garden. White created the chair as his senior project and donated it to the Woods Branch, where he attended story times and participated in summer reading programs.



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In its first full year of operation in 1980, Friends of the Shaker Library earned over \$900 at its October Book Sale. Twenty-five years later in April 2005, the Friends semi annual used book sales earned more than \$20,000 plus almost \$4,000 from yearlong never-ending book sales at both libraries.

This steady increase in book sale proceeds is a reflection of the dedication of an unusual group of volunteers who tackle the gargantuan task of running the book sales and the crew of willing volunteers who sorts books every Wednesday morning at the Main Library, making book sale set-up much less daunting and time consuming.

**Friends Fall Book Sale
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Join the Friends for their semiannual Fall Used Book Sale at the Main Library and buy bargains in books. Friends Preview Day (for members only) is from 1 to 4 p.m. and from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, October 20. Friends' members get first dibs on the huge selection of books. Not a Friend? You can join at the door for \$15.

The Book Sale opens to the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, October 21 and Saturday, October 22. Sunday, October 23,

the popular Bag Sale will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. at which time, books, audiobooks, CDs and videos in the "Specials Room" will be half price and bags of all other books will cost only \$5.

Friendly volunteers are always welcome to help set up and sell books. To volunteer, call the library and leave your name and phone number.

End Notes

- Both libraries will be closed Monday, September 5 for Labor Day and Friday, September 16, Staff Professional Development Day.

- The American Red Cross will be at the Main Library from 2 to 7 p.m. Monday, October 10 to accept blood donations.

- Business Book Discussion Group meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 26 at the Main Library to discuss *Freakonomics* by Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner.

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- Main Library resumes Sunday hours from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, September 11.

- Banned Books Week: September 24 – October 1. Exercise your right to read. Read a banned book this week.

- The Library Board meets at 6:30 p.m. Monday, September 12 and Monday, October 10 in the Main Library Boardroom.



landmark

tour of homes

a sneak preview



The annual Landmark Tour of Homes, sponsored by the Shaker Heights Landmark Commission, is scheduled for Sunday, September 25. The theme of this year's tour is "Before and After the Van Sweringens."

The Vans (as they are known), Oris and Mantis, were canny real estate developers and are considered to be the founding fathers of Shaker Heights. They started developing the modest village in 1905 and continued to be active in the growth of Shaker's housing stock until their deaths in the mid 1930s. By then Shaker had been incorporated as a city.

Chronologically, the bookends on this year's tour are a famously renovated pre-Civil War farmhouse on Fairmount Boulevard and a beautiful model condominium, part of South Park Row, which is a work in progress.

Between those two ends, the tour features homes on Townley, Sedgewick, Shelburne, and Cranlyn. The décor ranges from serenely traditional to explosively contemporary to wildly eclectic.

The mission of the Landmark Commission is to designate and preserve Shaker's historic buildings and other resources. The commission also offers educational programs.

Tickets for the tour are \$15 and can be bought in advance from the Planning Department at City Hall, 3400 Lee Road, or on the day of the tour at City Hall. The tour is self-guided and runs from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Call 491-1430 for details.

Until then, enjoy a sneak preview.



sedgewick



The owner calls herself a “collector.” In the context of her home, that term takes on a certain ironic understatement. Having spent their formative years in Singapore, she and her husband caught the Asian art bug, but her fever has only intensified over the years. The house is literally stuffed with hundreds, perhaps thousands, of items: vases, hatboxes, shoes, textiles, art, throw rugs – even an enormous Chinese marriage bed, more than 100 years old, for which the master bedroom ceiling had to be raised. And that’s just the Asian part of the collection, which also includes American depression-era glassware, plates and dishes, tablecloths, magellica....The senses reel.

shelburne



With its earthy Western Reserve character, this dreamhouse typifies “traditional” Shaker, the perfect melding of indoors and outdoors. To make the point, the owners recently added an attached potting shed in back. The house, built in 1930, was once owned by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hostetler, Mr. Hostetler being one of the founding partners of the law firm Baker & Hostetler. Legend has it that Mrs. Hostetler passed away in the den. “We’ve never seen her ghost, so she must have lived a good life,” jokes the owner.





townley

This home is an unassuming red-brick center hall like many built in the late 1920s in the Sussex neighborhood. But inside, it's a blast of contemporary furniture and art. The furniture is mostly of Italian design, available only to interior designers and architects. The owners happen to be the latter, partners in one of Greater Cleveland's top firms. And because the owners are vested in the aesthetics of Cleveland, much of the art in the home is by local artists.



fairmount



If not for the modern kitchen, one might seriously think that this Shaker village farmhouse was built on a time warp. One of the oldest houses in town, it dates from 1842 – definitely pre-Van Sweringen. The early American décor and ubiquitous Civil War memorabilia combine to overwhelm the visitor in 19th-century luxury. The detached garage even has a faux hayloft.





The power of true love: Todd and Ros Gauchat are raising a family of five under conditions unimaginable to most people.



Mission: Possible

By bringing into question the definition of “normal,” the Gauchat family of Onaway inspires us and, at the same time, reminds us to count our blessings.

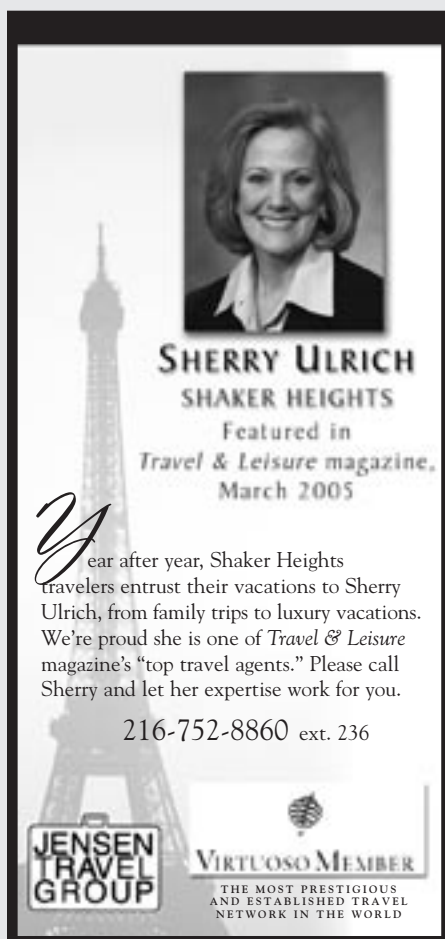
By **BETH FRIEDMAN-ROMELL**

In many ways, the Gauchats are a “normal” Shaker family. Parents Todd and Rosalind (Ros) struggle with crazy schedules, money worries, the need for couple time, and the school pressures that their three boys bring home. But the Gauchats are far from a “typical” Shaker family. Todd, who suffers from both cerebral palsy and transverse myelitis (inflammation of the spinal cord), cannot brush his own teeth, grill hamburgers, speak clearly, or hug his loved ones. And their youngest son, Benji, who is autistic, also struggles to conform and communicate.

With faith, humor, love, and determination, the Gauchats have surmounted a series of “impossibles” in their lives, ignoring the nay-sayers who told them, “You can’t...be independent/get married/have kids/live in a nice suburb/be mainstreamed in school/make a contribution to society...etc.” In Shaker Heights, the Gauchats have discovered a community and a school system that not only has accommodated their needs, but has embraced the family beyond their expectations.



No self-pity allowed. Todd and Ros with Benji, Peter, and Jonathan.



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The "Q-Tip"

On a sun-drenched June morning, Todd Gauchat goes to work like most dads in this Onaway neighborhood. He wheels himself up to the large oak dining room table, under the large crucifix hanging on the wall. Today Todd is revising a chapter of his inspirational autobiography in-the-works, *Determining My Self: Normal Life in a Disabled Body*.

The Gauchats purchased and renovated a spacious colonial. They spent an additional \$120,000 to widen doorways, redo the kitchen and bathrooms, add an exterior ramp, and install an elevator.

Todd's computer beeps as he bangs his "spastic head," as he puts it, against a long blue metal Q-tip-like instrument mounted to his wheelchair. The Q-tip is part of Todd's sophisticated Pathfinder Augmented Communication System, which allows him to painstakingly write, speak, use email, and surf the Internet. Co-writer Deborah Burke and wife Ros chat patiently while Todd finishes his thought. It can take up to 15 minutes to construct a single sentence, and 10 to 12 hours to produce a single page of work. He's been writing the manuscript on his own for 18 years, and working with Deborah, an editor

and former Washington Post reporter, to polish his prose for the last two. They're now searching for a publisher.

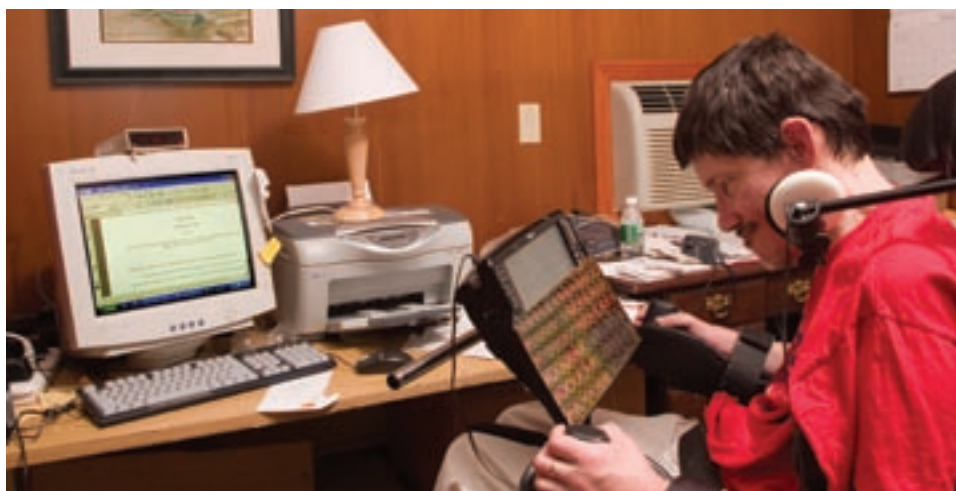
Deborah asks a question about Todd's sister. Todd responds with a series of grunts, which Ros translates into letters, words, and entire thoughts. Todd nods vigorously when she's correct, which is most of the time.

"Ros and I have a sort of telepathic communication," Todd explains in the first chapter of his book. "She understands most of what I am trying to say on the first try."

It wasn't always *quite* so hard for Todd to write. Until 2003, Todd had the use of his left arm to type, feed himself, and drive his motorized wheelchair, and enough strength in his legs to transfer in and out of the chair. But on the eve of his 50th birthday, a man who has successfully coped with cerebral palsy since birth contracted transverse myelitis (TM), a painful and debilitating condition which has severely curtailed his hard-won independence.

When Life Hands You Lemons...

Don't tell Todd or Ros that something's "impossible." And don't feel sorry for them either, or Ros is liable to cook you up a "sorry stew." While they certainly have their share of down moments, the couple combats self-pity with strong faith in God and a healthy sense of humor. They seem to have an extraordinary ability to adapt to changing life cir-



Todd's memoir-in-progress.

cumstances. As Todd puts it, “Do not look back in the past is my motto. It’s a new life.”

Until TM struck, Ros had been the family’s primary breadwinner, working as a computer programmer for the Ohio Lottery Commission. During the day, Todd was able to write, care for himself, and meet his kids at school. But Todd’s increased disability, combined with Benjamin’s erratic behavior and the needs of their other sons, became overwhelming. So Ros “took the plunge” and quit her job to care for her family, despite the dire warnings of her co-workers. Although the financial consequences have been severe (“We’re sitting on the edge of the cliff!”), Ros says she’s found the change rejuvenating.

“Everyone was saying I should get an attendant for Todd so I could work, but I didn’t have time to breathe before,” Ros recounts. Now she is happy to be the family’s bread-maker. She relishes the time she has to supervise the boys’ schoolwork and Benji’s therapies, prepare healthy, home-cooked meals, negotiate the daunting maze of medical and social service red tape, and spend more time with her husband.

“I feel like a queen, as far as time is concerned,” she says.

The Gauchats are no strangers to risk. Both Todd’s and Ros’s relatives opposed their marriage – on religious grounds. Todd is a devout Catholic and Ros grew up in the Bruderhof community of upstate New York, a strict and insular Christian sect.

Then, they were warned by many that they couldn’t (or shouldn’t) have children; the discovery of Todd’s low sperm count was devastating to Ros.

But, as Todd puts it, with a devilish twinkle in his eye, “Ros is not one to take ‘no’ for an answer.” Her research revealed that the heat from Todd’s chair, rather than his disability, was causing the problem. Ros arranged for a hole to be cut in the seat of Todd’s chair to facilitate the flow of air, *et voilà* – Jonathan, Peter, and Benjamin arrived.

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How the World Comes to Shaker

In its welcoming of foreign families, Boulevard School opens up the world to its students and nurtures an enthusiastic cadre of future goodwill ambassadors.

By JAYNE EIBEN

PHOTOS BY MARC GOLUB

The international community's impact on Shaker Heights first hit me last year when my Boulevard School second grader explained Eid (pronounced eed), the celebration at the end of Ramadan.

He'd learned about Eid from Khaleel, his Muslim friend from Kenya. Soon after, my son pointed out the Marshall Islands and Bahrain on the globe in his room. His classmates Kevin and Fatema are from these countries. He pointed to these remote spots as casually as if they were Canada or Australia. Then one night, he had some difficulty falling sleep anticipating a new girl from Korea who'd be joining his class the next day. He wasn't sure if she was from North Korea or South and hoped she wasn't an enemy of the United States.

When I was in elementary school in Shaker, most of my classmates looked and sounded a lot like me. I did, however, have one friend whose parents were Indonesian. I can still taste the exotic treats from her homeland she'd often share with the class. If my awareness of a broader world began slowly through that friendship, the world has been thrown open for the children at Boulevard, where 22 percent of the student population comes from 30 different countries. Eleven percent of the school's students are Asian, largely from South Korea and China.

Dr. Ho Jong You with his wife, Hyo Sil Park, and their two children, two-year-old Youngseok and Boulevard third-grader Su An.

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The global influence is everywhere. Boulevard's gym is lined with the flags of all the countries represented in the school. Kim chee, sushi, and hummus show up in lunchboxes. And the school makes the Lunar New Year into a cross-cultural learning experience, with Asian children parading through the school in colorful native dress.

In its welcoming of international families, Boulevard opens up the world to its students and nurtures an enthusiastic cadre of future goodwill ambassadors.

That was certainly the case with Dr. Soon Jeung Kim, who came to Cleveland for post-doctorate research training in genetic engineering at Case. Her husband, Dong Wong Kim, commutes to Alabama each week where he's a product manager for Johnson Controls Inc. While planning the move from their native Seoul, South Korea, the Kims quickly learned about Shaker Heights and Boulevard School from mutual friends and websites. "Everyone said go to Shaker Heights," she remembers.



Abda Khan serves pizza to Jessica Garson at Boulevard School's spring carnival. Ms. Khan is from Kenya. Her son, Khaleel Orloff, is in third grade at Boulevard.

Appreciation

The emergence of Boulevard School as an international community has roots in its proximity to the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, University Hospitals, and Case Western Reserve University, which attract medical and research talent from around the globe. The availability of desirable and affordable rental properties on public transit lines close to University Circle, many along Fairhill and Kemper roads, is another factor bringing these families to the school.

Beth Coyne, the administrative secretary at Boulevard, says, "It's now partly word of mouth. Families come to Shaker and Boulevard because they've heard about us from other families who have been here before them."

A year and a half later, their son Ted is happily settled at Woodbury, and their younger son In Kyu is a second grader at Boulevard. Both children now speak English well and are thriving academically. For the Kims, Boulevard feels like an international school.

"We can experience a lot of different cultures and there are so many advantages to that," said Dr. Kim, pointing to a large map of the world, hanging on their apartment wall that helps their kids locate the countries of origin of their many friends.

The mother of four Shaker students, Monica Triozzi organizes Boulevard's International Families Network. This PTO-sponsored organization began eight years ago as a formal outreach to incoming foreign families, connecting new arrivals



Dr. Soon Jeung Kim with her sons Ted, a sixth grader at Woodbury, and In Kyu, a second grader at Boulevard.

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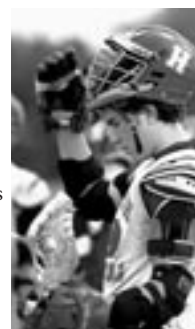
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From left, Brenton Sullivan, Tabitha Givens, and Trey Modlin are held in thrall at the bakery table at Boulevard School's spring carnival.

with established families who can help them learn the ropes and sponsoring social activities like the fall pumpkin-carving party. Triozzi, who teaches English as a Second Language (ESL) at Cuyahoga Community College, sees many advantages for American children in being part of an international community.

"Some of my children's closest friends are from different countries," she said at a recent International Families picnic, where families shared a dazzling array of foods from around the globe. "My kids can see that the world is a lot bigger than Shaker Heights and that not everyone has the same face." Triozzi also appreciates how much the international families enjoy being at Boulevard. "It reminds us of how lucky we are to live in this community."

"Happy!"

Many of the foreign pupils who attend Boulevard know little or no English when they arrive. A young girl, Su An You, from Seoul, South Korea, who entered my son's class at the end of the school year, was just such a student. She will be here for a year while her father, Dr. Ho Jong You, studies bioethics at Case. They live in an apartment on Fairhill near Kemper Road. Once defined by the Cleveland Skating Club, the neighborhood is now defined by Shaker's

international community. Walking along the sidewalk to the Yous' apartment, I passed young Chinese mothers pushing strollers, a veiled Muslim woman, and an Asian grandmother carrying a toddler on her back.

With little English but lots of smiles and animated sign language, Dr. You and his wife, Hyo Sil Park, spoke with me a month after their arrival. As we sipped coffee and nibbled watermelon slices, the Yous managed to explain that they'd been nervous dropping off eight-year-old Su at her new school, despite all the good things they'd heard about Boulevard.

Much to their relief, Su An loved Boulevard from her first day.

"Even on Saturdays and Sundays she wants to go to school," observes Dr. You. Sue An listens and smiles. When asked how she likes school, she smiles broadly and says, "Happy!"

"Some children walk in not knowing any English," says Coyne. "But within a relatively short period of time, we're calling them down to the office to translate for arriving families from their country. It's amazing."

On one of Su An's first days at Boulevard, I saw her holding hands with classmate Fatema Nasaif, who'd arrived the previous fall from Bahrain.

Remembering well what it felt like knowing little English, Fatema took Su under her wing. Fatema patiently pointed around the classroom and said, "Door, window, desk..." helping her new friend master the basics. The girls became inseparable. Dr. Kim says the fact that the international children blend in helps them from the start. Students at Boulevard also know from experience that newcomers like Su An will soon be speaking English fluently.

Gentleness

Many of Boulevard's international families attribute their children's rapid progress with English to Ellen Potter, who has been teaching ESL at Boulevard for 16 years. Potter is quick to give credit to the families.

"Education is most important to them. The parents believe they have a duty to support their children's education at home." Before many of the international children begin school, they have already visited local libraries and signed up for extracurricular activities.

"The advantage of parents' involvement is that the children go home and get their English instruction reinforced in their native language," said Potter. "It makes all the difference."

Many of the children also take advantage of the after-school Tutoring Center at Woodbury's library for homework, reading, and ESL. Potter explains that the additional tutoring reinforces the children's pronunciation through interaction with native English speakers.

Two years ago, Joanne Federman, director of Shaker Family Center, recognized the importance of reaching out to the international families. With a grant from Deaconess Community Foundation, Federman developed the Road to Reading program to promote family literacy for ESL families with pre-school children. The program includes home visits every other week by Early Childhood educators to international families in Shaker and surrounding communities.

The teacher arrives with a "literacy bag" of picture books, educational games, and art and music activities designed to improve the language skills of children

and parents. The aim is to prepare younger children for kindergarten and teach parents how they might help in the process. Because pre-school children absorb language like sponges, early intervention can rapidly lead to fluency.

There also are weekly activities for younger children and their parents at Shaker Family Center. While the children sing songs and listen to colorful stories, their parents learn about the community, practice conversational skills, and network with other parents. On one evening, Su An's mother, Hyo Sil Park, told the group about their recent trip to Pittsburgh. She was noticeably more fluent (and less shy) than she was at our first meeting two months before. In an adjoining room, Su An patiently helped her two-year-old brother Youngseok stay focused during a sing-along, gently turning his head toward the teacher. Eventually, the busy toddler climbed on her lap and sang "The Itsy Bitsy Spider" as if he'd heard it from birth.

The duration of time international families spend in Shaker varies. The Yous will be here for just a year, while others remain for many more, depending on the duration of their studies, immigration status, and commitments in their home countries. Many try to extend their stay for as long as possible.

Boulevard's school year culminates every spring with Carnival. Hundreds of parents help create a memorable evening of games, auctions, food, and music. To passers-by, the lively event must look like a United Nations celebration, with children from every imaginable background lining up for the cakewalk and other games while veiled Muslim women stand alongside African Americans serving pizza and ice cream.

As Dr. Kim walked around carnival with her children, she reflected on their time in the United States. "Before we came to America, all we knew was what we saw in movies or on TV," she said. "We were worried about drugs and guns. But here in Shaker Heights, we've found the city and school gentle. The community thinks family is important. It is a wonderful place."



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Mink Stoles *and dirty hands*

BY AMY GARVEY

When Mary Alice (Mickey) Horner moved back to Shaker Heights in 1980, the woman the Horners bought their home from insisted that Mrs. Horner join the garden club she was leaving. The Horners soon found out why. That year Mickey and her husband, Jack, hosted the club's annual Christmas gala, as the previous owner of the home had always done, and as the owners before them had, too.

Mrs. Horner is still a member of The Village Garden Club, though she doesn't host the Christmas party every year any more. As club historian, she had an especially busy year this year when the club marked its 75th anniversary in May. The club has thrived for so long because of the dedication of its members to its cause: to beautify the Shaker Lakes by planting flowering trees, and to champion the cause of conservancy.

For the anniversary celebration, Mrs. Horner compiled some 16 mm film footage of the early members and photographs from each decade onto a videotape and a DVD.

She pored over leather-bound journals which held the minutes for the meetings from the club's beginning. She sifted through boxes of old photographs and newspaper articles about the club. She unearthed memorabilia that doesn't just detail the club's activities, but which also chronicles changes in society and the Shaker Heights landscape since 1930.

The founder of the club, Mrs. George G. Marshall, who lived at South Woodland and Lee Road, never used her first name in club records. In fact, no member's first name showed up in the records until the 1940s, and then only in parentheses after her married title.

Mrs. Marshall founded the club after a trip to view the cherry blossoms around the tidal basin in Washington, D.C. She and the original nine members planted various species of Japanese cherry trees on both sides of Horseshoe Lake – then called Lake Hampton – for a number of years. Eventually their beautification efforts were confined to the Shaker Heights side of the lake. In 1940, the mink-stoled ladies erected a stone testament to the club's efforts. That stone was recently reset as it had sunk into the earth.

By the 1950s, trees were planted only as living dedications to deceased members. But now that the site is crowded and no new land available, the club plants just one tree a year. The club pays for the trees, the planting, and any fertilization, pruning, and spraying the trees require.

Old photographs depict the intricate dresses the founding members wore, even when they were participating in a planting ceremony. Later photographs show well-coiffed women in suits with mink stoles gathered for the same ceremony. A black-and-white snapshot captures more modern club members delivering fresh flowers to the Veterans Administration

hospital. Contemporary shots show blue-jeaned, booted, smiling women with shovels and clippers on the annual clean-up day, surrounded by trees of all shapes and sizes at Horseshoe Lake.

In recent years the club has switched its focus from cherry trees to magnolia, lilac, and crabapple to add diversity to the blooms and blooming times, and to experiment to find which type of tree is best for Cleveland's climate.

We're just a little too far north to keep cherry trees happy, it seems.

Club members, about 50 percent of whom are Shaker Heights residents, also maintain the herb garden at the Shaker Historical Museum and participate in the Cleveland Botanical Garden's annual flower show.

They also support various conservancy causes and were instrumental in the local movement in the 1960s that kept the freeway out of Shaker Heights and kept the Shaker Lakes in.

"We've been quite lucky," Mrs. Horner says. "We've had quite a variety of people join and we have the young gals coming in, too. We've been able to maintain a full membership." By "full membership"



Mrs. Horner means the number of women who can comfortably fit into one's home for the monthly luncheon meeting.

Occasionally meetings are held at the Botanical Garden, or a field trip is planned. This year's anniversary celebration was held at the Shaker Country Club and included husbands, as the Christmas parties do.

"We figured we might as well go ahead and have DVDs made because pretty soon no one will be able to watch a videotape anymore," she says. With forward-thinking members like that, it's obvious the Village Garden Club will be celebrating plenty more anniversaries in style.





GENERAL INFORMATION

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 fall classes is now being accepted.

Registration hours:

Thornton Park

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

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

S 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Shaker Community Building

M-F 8:30 am-5:00 pm

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

MAIL-IN, FAX and ONLINE

registrations:

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

Checks are payable to: City of Shaker Heights. (\$15 charge for all returned checks.)

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; 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

Driver Education
(Grades 10+)
National Driver Training School

Covers all subject areas required by the State of Ohio. Class includes eight hours of behind-the-wheel training scheduled through the school and 24 hours of classroom instruction. Students must be 15 years, 5 months old to begin classroom training. A temporary permit is not required.

High School, Room 154
Sept. 19-29 2 weeks
M-TH 4-7 p.m.
res\$295 nres\$315

It's A Party!

(Ages 5-12)

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

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. 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:	AFTER SCHOOL:
\$131/month	\$152/month
\$68/Dec.	\$79/Dec.
\$89/Apr.	\$100/Apr.
\$8/day	\$13/day

Fundaze

When school is out, fun is in!

Grades K-8

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

October 4, 13, 14, November 11, 14,
\$32/day early registration
\$42/day late registration

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. INFO: 491-2583, Rhonda L. 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 November 23.

Thornton Park Community Room

October 19-Dec. 14 *8 weeks*

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

res\$65 nres\$85

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

Oct. 17-Nov. 21 *6 weeks*

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

res\$50 nres\$65

Ballet for Figure Skaters

(Ages 6+)

Jennifer Martino

Strength, flexibility and artistry result in improved on-ice technique and performance in this off-ice class. No class November 25.

Thornton Park Community Room

Oct. 21-Dec. 2 *6 weeks*

F 6:15-7 p.m.

res\$60 nres\$75

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. Plain leotards, tights and ballet shoes are required. Participants must be toilet-trained. No class Nov. 24.

Thornton Park Community Room

Oct. 20-Dec. 15 *8 weeks*

TH

Level I 1-1:45 p.m.

Level II 2-2:45 p.m.

(Prerequisite: Level I completed)

res\$60 nres\$80

Scientific Sensations

(Ages 2-6)

Penni Rubin

Science mixed with art is the recipe for family fun in this Wonderlab workshop. Monkeys and ocean-dwellers are explored through the use of discovery stations, including a rainforest. Fee covers one child, one parent and all materials.

Middle School Cafeteria

November 3-10 *2 weeks*

TH 7-8 p.m.

res\$25 nres\$30

res\$10 nres\$12 (ea. add'l. person)

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.

Oct. 10-Nov. 16 *6 weeks*

001 Boulevard School Gym

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

002 Onaway School

Multi-purpose Room

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

003 Fernway School Music Room

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

res\$55 nres\$70

*Report at 3:30 p.m.

Sports & Fitness

Art of Self-Defense

(Ages 7+ with adult)

Master Mark Siwinski

Tai Shin Doh/Tai Shin Jitsu/

Hopkido Karate

Belt advancement available but not mandatory. Uniforms not required. One fee covers both adult and child. No class Oct. 13 and Nov. 24.

Middle School East Gym

Sept. 15-Dec. 1 *10 weeks*

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

res\$100 nres\$120

Basketball: Beyond the Dribble

(Girls, Grades 3-6)

James Garrett

Practice and play basketball. No class September 24.

Middle School West Gym

Sept. 10-Oct. 8 *4 weeks*

SA 1-3 p.m.

res\$40 nres\$50

Basketball: Jr. NBA/Jr. WNBA

Pee Wee Instructional

(Girls Ages 6-9; Boys Ages 5-8)

Denise Duncan & Dave Oliver

Fundamental skills for beginners (must be at least age 5). Each player receives a CAVS ticket! Schedule is subject to change. No team request. Registration form required. No class November 26.

Woodbury School Main Gym

SA Sept. 10-Oct. 29 *7 weeks*

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

002 Boys 5-6 yrs

Report 10 a.m. – Sept. 11

003 Boys 7-8 yrs

Report 11 a.m. – Sept. 11

res\$80 nres\$100

SA Nov. 5-Dec. 17 *6 weeks*

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

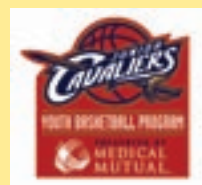
005 Boys 5-6 yrs

Report at 10 a.m. on Nov. 5

006 Boys 7-8 yrs

Report at 11 a.m. on Nov. 5

res\$60 nres\$80



Basketball: Jr. NBA/Jr. WNBA

Youth Basketball League

(Co-ed, Grades 3-8)

Skill development, sportsmanship, team work and an understanding of the game are the goals of this league. Each player receives a CAVS ticket! Volunteer coaches are needed and appreciated. Teams practice for one hour, one night per week. One child per coach may play free. Call for skill development clinic schedules.

Nov. 5-Feb. 26 *14 weeks*

SA

continued

Boys - Woodbury School Main Gym

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

002 Gr. 5-6 3-6 p.m.

Girls - Middle School East Gym

003 Gr. 3-4 1-4 p.m.

004 Gr. 5-6 1-4 p.m.

005 Gr. 7-8 1-4 p.m.

res\$95 nres\$115

Basketball: Travel Teams

(Boys, Grades 4-6; Girls, Grades 5-6)

Pre-registration and tryout information:
491-2599.

Fencing

(Ages 6-14)

William Reith

Learn fundamentals and build confidence. No class November 24.

High School Fencing Room

Oct. 17-Dec. 15 8 weeks

001 M 4-5:30 p.m.

002 TU 4-5:30 p.m.

003 TH 4-5:30 p.m.

res\$90 nres\$105

Fencing: First Time

(Ages 6-14)

William Reith

Footwork, tactics and weapon technique for the beginner. No class Nov. 26.

High School Fencing Room

Oct. 15-Dec. 10 8 weeks

SA Noon-1 p.m.

res\$90 nres\$105

Fencing: Parent & Child

(Ages 6-14)

William Reith

Fee covers parent and one child. No class November 26.

High School Fencing Room

Oct. 15-Dec. 10 8 weeks

SA 1-2 p.m.

res\$100 nres\$120

Football: NFL/Nike Youth Flag Football

(Co-ed Grades 1-6)

Program encourages teamwork, respect for others, and fair play. NFL registration form must be completed prior to season. Mouthguards required. No class September 24.

Shaker Town Center Field

Sept. 3-Oct. 29 8 weeks

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

002 Gr. 3-4 10-11:30 a.m.

003 Gr. 5-6 11:30 am-1 p.m.

res\$55 nres\$65

Golf: Instruction Youth

(Ages 10-17)

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

Driving Range

Harvard & Green Roads

SA 10-11 a.m. 5 weeks

001 September 10-October 8

002 October 15-November 12

res\$65 nres\$85

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 Akido. Belt promotions available, but not mandatory. No class November 26.

Middle School East Gym

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

001 Sept. 24-Dec. 3 10 weeks

res\$85 nres\$105

Lacrosse: Clinic

(Girls, Grades 3-6)

Learn skills, rules, and strategy. Players must provide own sticks and goggles.

Thornton Park

Sunday, September 12

2-4 p.m.

res\$10 nres\$15

Lacrosse: Skills & Drills Intro

(Grades 4-6)

No team play. Players provide own sticks. Registration form required. No class September 24.

Thornton Park

Sept. 10-Oct. 22 6 weeks

SA 001 Intro 9-10 a.m.

002 Int. 10-11 a.m.

res\$45 nres\$60

Taekwondo
Oriental Martial Arts College
Choong-Moo Dojang

Strengthen your
Mind
Body
Spirit
Emotion.

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

Adults, Teen, 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.

www.ChoongMoo.org 216.409.4296

Soccer: Hot Shots Soccer League

(Co-ed Grades 1-2)

Skill development and game principles taught. Practice sessions conducted on weekday evenings and/or Sundays prior to game time. Interested coaches call: 491-2599.

Mercer School Field

Sept. 11-Oct. 16 *6 weeks*

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

res\$65 nres\$85

Soccer: Intro Skills Games

(Grades K-2)

Basic soccer instruction including ball handling, concepts, and rules. Registration form required. No class September 24, November 26.

Middle School West Gym

Sept. 10-Oct. 22 *6 weeks*

SA

001 Gr. K 10-10:45 a.m.

002 Gr. 1-2 11-11:45 a.m.

Nov. 5-Dec. 17

003 Gr. K 10-10:45 a.m.

004 Gr. 1-2 11-11:45 a.m.

Soccer: Outdoor Soccer Open Play/ Instruction

(Ages 4 & 5)

First two weeks focus on footskills followed by 4 weeks of team instructional play.

Shaker Town Center Field

September 11-October 16 *6 weeks*

SU 11 a.m.-Noon

res\$75 nres\$90

Soccer: Training and League

(Ages 5 & 6)

Shaker Youth Soccer Association

Middle School Lower Field

Sept. 10-Oct. 22 *7 weeks*

SA Noon-1:15 p.m.

res\$70 nres\$85

Superb Swimmers

(Ages 9 mos.-3 years)

Introduce a young child to the water. Adult must join child in pool. No class September 24, November 26.

Woodbury School Pool

SA 10:30-11 a.m. *6 weeks*

001 Sept. 10-Oct. 22

002 Nov. 5-Dec. 17

res\$60 nres\$75

Swimming Lessons

(Grades K-6)

Participants must be 48" tall or have certification from previous water instruction. Bring suit and towel. No class September 24, November 26.

Woodbury School Pool

Sept. 10-Oct. 22

Nov. 5-Dec. 17

6 weeks Beg./Adv.Beg.

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: Open/Family Swim

Children age 14 and younger must be accompanied by adult. Residents only.

Woodbury School Pool

September 13-December 15

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

SU 2-4 p.m.

res\$3/person/session

res\$5/family maximum (3+)

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

Tae Kwon Do see ad on page 46.

Table Tennis: Lessons

(Ages 7-12)

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

If you are a beginner to advanced player, sharpen your skills for a terrific challenge. For individual lessons call instructor at 691-1767. No class October 3, 10.

Shaker Community Building

Sept. 12-Dec. 12 *12 weeks*

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

res/nres\$36

002 M 8:30-9:30 p.m.

1 day - private lesson

res/nres\$20

Tennis: Starter

(Grades K-3)

Simple games and contests are used to introduce basic skills and concepts of tennis. Players must complete registration form. In case of rain, classes may be held the following Wednesday or Friday. Bring a racquet.

Thornton Park Courts

September 11-October 16

SU *6 weeks*

001 Gr. K-1 3-3:30 p.m.

002 Gr. 2-3 3:30-4 p.m.

res\$70 nres\$90

Tennis: Stroke of Success

(Grades 4-8)

Dan Caplin

Instruction in strokes, serves, and scorekeeping. Participants provide their own racquets. Class assignments will be either 9-10 a.m. or 10-11 a.m. In case of rain, schedule subject to change.

Thornton Park Tennis Courts

Sept. 10-Oct. 22 *6 weeks*

SA (times above)

res\$95 nres\$120

MORE YOUTH CLASSES!

Chess/Checkers

Computer Game Creations

Baseball: Skills Programs

Bitty Basketball

Basketball: Fundamentals of Passing,

Dribbling, and Shooting

Dodgeball

Field Hockey

Football: Punt Pass & Kick

Competition

See www.shakeronline.com

ADULTS

Enrichment & Leisure

Bridge

Dr. Bob Evans

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

Shaker Community Building
September 21-October 26
W 6 weeks

001 Beginning 10 a.m.-Noon
002 Play of the Hand* 1-3 p.m.
res\$40 nres\$45

*Prerequisite: Bridge II

Bridge: Open

Shaker Community Building
TH 1-4 p.m.
Donation: \$1

French: Beginning

Suzanne Gyurgyik

Hands-on lessons involve students in skits. Great for intermediate level as well. No class February 20.

High School Room 307
Sept. 19-Nov. 7 8 weeks
M 6-8 p.m.
res\$65 nres\$70

Home Repair Series

Jim Engler
Homework Home Improvement

Woodbury School Room 114
TU 7-9 p.m.
Choose session(s):

001 *Electric November 8*
Learn to install light fixtures and ceiling fans, rewire lamps, change switches, install dimmers and more.

002 *Plumbing November 15*
Learn to change faucets, clear clogged drains, install garbage disposals, stop running toilets, keep your hot water tank in good condition and stop leaks.

003 *Handyman Skills November 22*
Learn to repair broken windows, fix doors, doorknobs, and more! Instructor showcases tools and products that make work easy.

res\$20 nres\$23
All three sessions: \$50

Knitting: Beginning

Pia Alesci

Learn to cast on, bind off, increase, decrease and change yarns as well as how to knit and purl. No class Nov. 23.

Shaker Community Building
Oct. 19-Dec. 14 8 weeks
W 7-8:30 p.m.
TH 10-11:30 a.m.
res\$30 nres\$35

Knitting: Workshop

Pia Alesci

Weekly lessons move beginners to advanced-beginners through basic cable, bobbles, pattern reading instruction, novelty yarn usage and more.

Shaker Community Building
Sept. 29-Nov. 17 8 weeks
TH 10-11:30 a.m.
W 7-8:30 p.m.
res\$30 nres\$35

Spanish: Beginner/Conversational

Paul Blake

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

Middle School Room 122
Oct. 18-Dec. 6 8 weeks
TU 7-8:30 p.m.
res\$60 nres\$65

Spanish: Buenos Días *New!

Paul Blake

For the traveler: learn everyday phrases and examine artifacts and illustrations from Spain.

Shaker Community Building
Oct. 18-Dec. 6 8 weeks
TU 2:30-4 p.m.
res\$50 nres\$55

Spanish for Healthcare Professionals *New!

Paul Blake

Learn useful Spanish phrases to better serve Spanish-speaking patients. Learn vocabulary for body parts, procedures, common conditions and more. No previous Spanish experience needed.

Middle School Room 122
Sept. 12-Oct. 17 6 weeks
M 7-8:30 p.m.
res\$55 nres\$60

Vitamins and Supplements *New!

Tom Strong

Learn which supplements fit your health needs.

Shaker Community Building
Wednesday, October 12
7-8:30 p.m.
res\$10 nres\$12

TRIP: Millionaires' Row, The Legacy of Euclid Avenue "The Most Beautiful Street in the World"

Learn the lineage of those who lived on Millionaires' Row. A Western Reserve Historical Society guided tour. Space limited. Information: 491-1360.

Tuesday, November 1
9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
res/nres\$15 (Lunch is on your own at WRHS Café)

Fine & Performing Arts

Art of Marbling *New!

Peggy J. Wertheim, M.A.T.

See how carrageenan (seaweed) and paints magically create designs on paper and silks! Reference books and handouts provided. Students create 8-10 pieces. \$20 materials fee payable to instructor.

Middle School
001 Saturday, September 24
10 a.m.-3 p.m.
002 October 18-25 2 weeks
TU 6:30-9 p.m.
res\$35 nres\$45

Ballroom Dancing

Mitzi and Ed Waring Dance Co.

Learn waltz, fox trot, salsa, tango and more. Must have a partner. No class October 13.

Woodbury School Cafeteria

September 8-November 3

January 12-March 2

TH 8 weeks

001 Basic 6:15-7:15 p.m.

002 Advanced 7:15-8:15 p.m.

003 Intermediate 8:15-9:15 p.m.

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

Drawing

Basic and intermediate drawing techniques and principles. Supply list provided. No class February 20.

Shaker Community Building

Oct. 17-Dec. 5 8 weeks

M 7-9 p.m.

res\$55 nres\$60

Flower Arranging

Chris Amos

Bring a paring knife and wire cutters. Students provide own silk and dried flowers. \$15 materials fee payable to instructor for fresh flowers and supplies.

Middle School Art Room

November 7 (fresh flowers)

November 14 (silk flowers)

M 6:30-9 p.m. 2 weeks

res\$15 nres\$18

Quilting

Bring your own materials or choose from assortment provided.

Shaker Community Building

Ongoing M 10-11 a.m.

No charge

Watercolor Painting

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

Shaker Community Building

Oct. 14-Dec. 9 8 weeks

F 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

res\$60 nres\$65

Sports & Fitness

Aerobic Dancing with Jacki's Inc.

Jill Welsh & Hedda Dempsey

Build muscle strength and cardiovascular endurance. All ages and fitness levels. Bring mat and hand weights to class. Register and pay instructor at first class. INFO: (440) 338-1739.

Shaker Community Building

001 September 7-December 16

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

Middle School

002 September 7-December 16

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

Basketball

(Ages 21+)

Registration began in August. 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

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

SU 2-4 p.m.

001 Sept. 13-Nov. 6 8 weeks

res\$65 nres\$80

002 Nov. 8-Dec. 18 5 weeks

res\$40 nres\$50

Body Sculpting/

Phenomenal Abdominals

Cardiovascular strength training shapes and tones the entire body and fights osteoporosis. No dancing, jumping or jazzing! Bring a set of 5-pound dumbbells (each), exercise mat, water bottle and stretch band. Appropriate for all fitness levels. Taught by certified instructor. To register: 313-FLEX or flexcity.com or send payment to Body Sculpting, Inc., P.O. Box 637, Hudson, 44236. Class size limited and advance registration required. No class on October 4, 13, November 24, 26.

Body Sculpting

Shaker Community Building

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

TU/TH 9:30-10:30 a.m.

001 September 8-October 6

002 October 11-November 8

003 November 10-December 8

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

007 October 22-December 17

res\$50 nres\$55 (8 weeks)

res\$120 nres\$125 (24 weeks)

Phenomenal Abdominals

Abdominal conditioning class designed to shape up the torso, back and sides of the waist. Exercises target the entire midsection! No weights used.

Shaker Community Building

TU/TH 7:30-8:00 p.m. or

TU/TH 10:30-11:00 a.m.

001 September 8-October 6

002 October 11-November 8

003 November 10-December 8

October 22-December 17

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

res\$30 nres\$35 (8 weeks)

Chi Gong

Danny Kelly

Learn Chinese exercises that promote health and mental well-being. No class September 25, November 27.

Woodbury School Upper Gym

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

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

6 weeks

001 September 13-October 22

002 November 1-December 17

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

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

Fitness Training: Private

Sandy Caminita

Certified Fitness Training

Burn fat, strengthen and tone. Sessions are one hour. One-on-one training from one session per week at \$45 to twelve sessions a month at \$520. One-on-two training also available. By appointment only. Call: 496-7640 or 641-9622

Shaker Community Building

Golf: Instruction

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

Driving Range

Harvard & Green Roads
SA 9-10 a.m. *5 weeks*
001 September 10-October 8
002 October 15-November 12
res\$65 nres\$85

Ice Skating: see pages 52-53.

Innergy Fitness

Cynthia Jordan

Bring an exercise mat, towel, water bottle and comfortable shoes. Register with instructor only at first class. No class October 4, 13.

Middle School West Gym

001 September 13-October 27
002 October 25-December 1
TU/TH 6:30-7:30 p.m.
res/nres\$42 walk-in: \$5

Line Dance

(All ages)

Learn all the latest line dances for social gathering or just for fun. No partner needed. No class October 4.

Middle School East Gym
Sept. 13-Oct. 25 *6 weeks*

TU 7:45-9 p.m.

res\$30 nres\$35

walk-in: \$7

Power Water Walking

Hilary Byrne

Use a flotation device and get an aerobic workout without jarring joints. You do not have to be a swimmer to enjoy this class. Water jogging belts provided, or bring your own.

Woodbury School Pool

001 September 19-October 17
002 October 31-November 28
5 weeks
M 7:30-8:15 p.m.
res\$50 nres\$60

Swim Conditioning

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

Middle School Pool

Sept. 12-Dec. 16 *14 weeks*
001 M-F 6-7 a.m.
res\$3/drop-in (exact change only)

Swimming: Lap

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

Woodbury School Pool
September 13-December 11

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

SU 9:30-11 a.m.

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

Table Tennis: Lessons

(Ages 13+)

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

If you are a beginner to advanced player, sharpen your skills for a terrific challenge. For individual lessons call instructor at 691-1767. No class October 3, 10.

Shaker Community Building

Sept. 12-Dec. 12 *12 weeks*
001 M 7:30-8:30 p.m.
res/nres\$48

002 M 8:30-9:30 p.m.
1 day - private lesson
res/nres\$20

Tae Kwon Do see ad on page 46.

Tai Chi

Danny Kelly

Slow, rhythmic, gentle movements loosen muscles and joints without strain. Register with instructor first day of class or call: 932-7629. No class November 8, 24.

Thornton Park Community Room

Oct. 18-Dec. 1 *6 weeks*
TU/TH 9:30-11 a.m.
res\$40 nres\$45 1 day/week
res\$60 nres\$65 2 days/week

Tai Chi Chuan

Danny Kelly

Yang-style Tai Chi (taijiquan) form involves 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 September 13-October 22
002 November 1-December 17
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Tues & Thurs 6:30-7:30 PM
Sept. 8 - Oct. 6 Nov. 10 - Dec. 5
Oct. 11 - Nov. 8 Dec. 13 - Jan. 5

Tues & Thurs 9:30-10:30AM
Sept. 8 - Oct. 6 Nov. 10 - Dec. 5
Oct. 11 - Nov. 8 Dec. 13 - Jan. 5

Saturday 10:15-11:15AM
Aug. 13 - Oct. 15 Oct. 22 - Dec. 17

resident \$50 non-resident \$55 8-class term
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Yoga: Beginner/Intermediate

Atma Yoga Center Instructors

Learn basic yoga postures to improve breathing, body structure, and to strengthen and lengthen muscles. No class October 10.

Shaker Community Building

6 weeks

M W 7:00-8:00 p.m.

001 September 12-October 24

002 November 2-December 14

res/nres\$40 – 1 day

res/nres\$80 – 2 days

Yoga: Lunch Time

Atma Yoga Center Instructors

Learn yoga postures and breathing techniques to relieve workday stress and increase energy. No class Oct. 13, Nov. 24.

Thornton Park Community Room

TH Noon-1 p.m. 6 weeks

001 September 15-October 27

002 November 3-December 15

res/nres\$40

drop-in: \$7 (payable at front office)

Yoga: Prenatal

Atma Yoga Center Instructors

Helps to reduce stress, teaches relaxation, and helps prepare for childbirth and motherhood. For healthy pregnant women in their 2nd and 3rd trimesters. Please get doctor's approval before attending. No class Oct. 13, Nov. 23.

Thornton Park Community Room

W 6-7 p.m. 6 weeks

001 September 14-October 19

002 November 2-December 14

res/nres\$40

Water Aerobics *New!

Hilary Byrne

Class incorporates warm-ups, leg exercises, stretching and water aerobics.

Woodbury School Pool

001 September 21-October 19

002 November 2-December 14

W 7:30-8:15 p.m. 5 weeks

res\$50 nres\$60

MORE CLASSES FOR ADULTS!

Digital Photography Basics

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ADULT 50+

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AARP Shaker Chapter 5108

Shaker Community Building

Every 3rd Friday 1:30 pm.

Requirement: Dues paying member

Benefits CheckUp

Reduce out-of-pocket expenses. Information is confidential. Obtaining funds is responsibility of participant. Call for an appointment: 491-1351.

Tues. or Weds. between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Bridge: see page 48.

Coffee, Cookies & Conversation

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

Shaker Community Building

W 10-11 a.m.

Ongoing

Computer: Basic

Web Wise Seniors

Hands-on classes using the buddy system. Booklet provided for each two-part class. Classes limited to 12 students.

Shaker Community Building

TH 10 a.m.-Noon

2 weeks

001 September 29-October 6

002 October 20-27

res\$45 nres\$50

Computer: Internet

Web Wise Seniors

Learn the basics of search engines and browsers. Connect to the internet and learn to navigate the World Wide Web.

Shaker Community Building

Nov. 3-10 2 weeks

TH 10 a.m.-Noon

res\$45 nres\$50

Defensive Driving

AARP 55-Alive

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, Ohio 44120. Attn.: 50+ Services-AARP.

Shaker Community Building

November 11 & 18

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

res/nres\$10

Immortal Paw Prints

Tina W. Bulucea, MSSA, LISW

Are you grieving the past or future loss of an animal companion? Refreshments provided. Information: 407-4037 or email tina@immortalpawprints.com

Shaker Community Building

4th Tuesday of each month

7-8:30 p.m.

No charge

Low Vision Support Group

Marie Prendergast

Ongoing service for residents. Transportation: 491-1351.

Second and fourth Mondays

11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

No charge

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OASIS: Choraleers

Register one half hour before start of class. No class October 10.

Shaker Community Building
September 12-December 12
M 1-2:30 p.m.
res/nres\$20

Concert: Wednesday, December 14 at 10 a.m. INFO: (440) 886-1157.

Podiatry Care

Laurence Spivack, DPM

Simple foot care services provided on a first-come basis. (Massage available on hands and/or feet after foot procedure: Donna Lipscomb, LMT \$5). Therapeutic massage reduces stress hormones and boosts the immune system. INFO: 491-1360.

Shaker Community Building
2nd Thursday of each month
TH 8:30 a.m.
\$15

Shared Grief

Patty O'Shea, LISW

Hospice and Palliative Care Partners of Ohio, in collaboration with Shared Grief, offers a 7-week grief support series for those who have lost a loved one. Learn more about what is normal in the grieving process, share your story with others, and share support with others. Closed group; requires pre-registration: 694-6214.

Shaker Community Building
001 September 27-November 8
TU 1-2:30 p.m.
002 September 28-November 16
W 5:30-7 p.m.

Taste of Shaker

Marie Prendergast

Participants enjoy a different restaurant every second Tuesday of the month. Restaurants TBD. Call 491-1360 for more information. (No Jan./Aug.)

September 13
TU 1-3 p.m.

Sports & Fitness

Aquatic Exercise

Arthritis Foundation in cooperation with Judson Wellness Department

Ongoing. Register: 791-2393.
Transportation: 491-1348.

Judson Park, 2181 Ambleside Drive
TU/TH 11-11:45 a.m.
\$50 monthly membership

Fun with Fitness

Beth Parnin

Low impact exercise requiring no floor work. Wear comfortable tennis shoes. No class October 10, November 25.

Shaker Community Building Room 018
MWF 9-10 a.m. 6 weeks
001 September 12-October 24
002 November 7-December 19
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)

In cooperation with Judson Wellness Department

Ongoing recreational exercise program taught by Arthritis Foundation certified instructors. Transportation: 491-1348.

Shaker Community Building
M/W/F 11:15 am.-Noon
\$2/class

Strength Training for Women *New!

Tone up. Burn calories. Stay strong. Judson brings the Joan Pagano exercise method to you. Ongoing classes.

Shaker Community Building
M/W 12:15-1:15 p.m.
\$2/class

Table Tennis

Valeriy Elnatano,
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Intermediate to advanced players can sharpen skills for a new challenge. Call instructor to set up a session at 691-1767.
Shaker Community Building

Ongoing

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

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

res/nres \$20/session drop-in: \$2

THORNTON PARK

Ice Skating: Fall/Winter 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. Provide a current utility bill or dated mail. Refunds not available. Partial season passes on sale Monday, Jan. 3, 2006.

Res	Individual	\$75
	Family	\$140
	Adult 60+	\$50
	Husband/Wife 60+	\$75

Nres	Individual	\$115
	Family	\$205
	Adult 60+	\$80
	Husband/Wife 60+	\$110

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 Skating: Daily Admission

Student or Adult 60+ w/valid resident ID card	\$3.00
Adult w/valid resident ID card	\$3.75
Guest without ID card	\$4.75
Skate rental	\$2.50
Skate rental discount pass (10)	20.00
Group Rates: Resident	\$4.00
Non-resident	\$5.00
Price per person. Min. 10. Inc. skate rental.	

Public Freestyle Schedule

Monday, August 22-Thursday, April 27

M-Th 8:00-9:15 am

Walk-in freestyle fee: **res** \$5 **nres** \$6
(Photo ID required)

Freestyle Passes:	
Resident	\$180
Non-resident	\$220

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: (216) 491-1295.

Ice Hockey: Shaker Youth Hockey Programs

A variety of hockey programs are available from beginner to expert.

Mighty Mites: Learn the basics of hockey. Ages 4-6

Skills Clinics: Checking, puck handling, power skating and team play taught by the area's top coaches.

Spring Leagues: Tryouts are held in late February and teams are formed in March.

Pond Hockey: Spring and summer pick up hockey. Play open hockey with your friends and others in a supervised and fun atmosphere.

Girls Spring Hockey: February-April. Ages 5-15. No experience necessary. Practices and games are played against teams of similar age and ability from Mentor, Kent, Cleveland Heights, Columbus and Erie, Pennsylvania.

Info: 491-2581, Shaker Youth Hockey Coordinator.

Ice Skating: Learn-to-Skate Classes

Session I classes meet once a week for six weeks. Session II classes meet once a week for eight weeks. Registration ends two business days prior to first class. New/beginning skaters please arrive ten minutes early on the first day of class for orientation near the entrance to the ice rink. Skate and helmet rentals extra, if needed. If there are fewer than three skaters in a level, class may be cancelled, or levels combined. Information: 295-3461, Erin M. Schopf, Learn-to-Skate Coordinator.

FALL SESSION I: Sept. 8-Oct. 13

REGISTRATION

Shaker Residents – July 5
Non-Resident – August 8

FALL SESSION II: Oct. 20-Dec. 15

(No classes Nov. 24, 25-Thanksgiving Break)

REGISTRATION

Shaker Resident – September 12
Non-Resident – October 3

HOLIDAY MINI SESSION: December 20-30

REGISTRATION

Shaker Resident - November 14
Non-Resident - November 21

WINTER SESSION: January 2-February 25

REGISTRATION

Shaker Resident – December 5
Non-Resident – December 12

LEARN-TO-SKATE FEES

SESSION I ONLY:

res\$30/with pass; \$40/without pass
nres\$50/with pass; \$60/without pass

ALL OTHER SESSIONS:

res\$40/with pass; \$50/without pass
nres\$60/with pass; \$70/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 can 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+)

Improve skating technique and skill. Emphasis 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 beginners age 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 hockey players under age 6. Prerequisite: Completed SPS 3.

ADULT

(Ages 16+)

For beginners to advanced adult skaters who wish to learn basics or to improve 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 6-7
Power Hockey
5:30-6 p.m. Basic 1-5
Freestyle, Adults

TUESDAYS

9:30-10 a.m. Tot SPS 1-2
10-10:30 a.m. Tot SPS 3
Tot Basic 2, Adults
1:15-1:45 p.m. Tot SPS 1-2
1:45-2:15 p.m. Tot SPS 1-3
Tot Basic 2, Adults

THURSDAYS

1:15-1:45 p.m. Tot SPS 1-2
2-2:30 p.m. Tot SPS 1-3
Tot Basic 2, Adults
4:30-5 p.m. Tot SPS 1-3
Tot Basic 2
Power Hockey
Basic 6-7
5-5:30 p.m. Basic 1-5
Freestyle

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

Recreation Class Registration Form

ADULT NAME (PARENT OR GUARDIAN):

Last	First	MI
Address		
City, State, Zip		
Day Phone () -	Night Phone () -	
Email address:		

PARTICIPANT NAME(S)	BIRTH DATE	GRADE	ACTIVITY	SECTION	FEES

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Schools and Sidewalks

The Gauchats took another big risk in becoming first-time homeowners. In 2000, they purchased and renovated a spacious colonial in Shaker's Onaway neighborhood, using a portion of a trust fund provided by Todd's godmother. They spent \$120,000 over the purchase price to widen doorways, redo the kitchen and bathrooms, add an exterior ramp, and install an elevator.

Their sons' education was one of two main reasons why the Gauchats chose Shaker. "We were thinking of sending them to Catholic schools, but very few in the city are accessible," Ros explains. "It is important for Todd to be part of his children's education."

The Gauchats find the Shaker schools and community at large very welcoming.

"People here are willing to treat Todd as an equal. They don't patronize him," Ros says. Although Todd is frustrated that he can't get to parts of Woodbury and

the Middle School in his wheelchair, he is grateful for Onaway's superior accessibility. He also points out that at Woodbury, the principals went out of their way to help him get into the gym to see Jonathan's artwork on display at an Open House.

Ros says "the inclusion of the schools is fantastic." She recalls that when Peter was in kindergarten, he came home and explained how his teacher introduced an autistic classmate: "We have this kid in our class. He doesn't talk with his mouth so much; he talks with his heart."

While they love Shaker's sidewalks, Todd is unable to use the rapid because RTA has not built a ramp platform at his stop at Southington and Van Aken. Todd and Ros both serve on RTA's ADA committee, lobbying them to make more stops accessible.

Benji, seven, has himself been doing well at Onaway, despite the challenges his autism brings. "It's not always easy, but

we're happy to have something accommodating," his mother says.

The other reason for the Gauchats' move to Shaker was accessible public transportation, but that hasn't worked out quite so well as the schools. While they love Shaker's sidewalks, Todd is unable to use the rapid because RTA has not constructed a cement ramp platform at his stop at Southington and Van Aken. Currently, only the two endpoints of the train lines are accessible. Todd and Ros both serve on RTA's ADA committee, lobbying them to make more stops accessible.

"It would be so wonderful for Todd to go with his boys to the Indians games. That's my dream," says Ros.

190 Degrees Fahrenheit

While Ros and Todd are adept adapters, sometimes their children express a longing for a more "normal" life. According to Ros, Peter says, "You know how the average temperature of the world is 53.1 degrees Fahrenheit? Our family is 190 degrees."

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At age 10, Peter is a sensitive and articulate boy, protective of both Benji and his father. He resists talking directly about Todd's disabilities to this reporter, but has a lot to say about the family's sugar- and preservative-free diet, instigated by Ros to alleviate Benji's behavior problems.

"It's hard to adjust," Peter complains. "I'm more healthy, now, but I'd rather be unhealthy and have more sugar!"

Meanwhile, Benji gives me a distrustful sidelong glance as he munches on a whole-grain bun, fresh from the oven. He doesn't want to answer my questions about school – "It's boring!" – but tells me instead that he planted strawberries and pumpkins in the garden.

Peter eagerly prompts his brother, asking how many pumpkins he planted. Benji, playing with Legos, ignores the question. Peter surreptitiously holds up three fingers, but the gesture is so subtle that Benji doesn't notice until Peter waves his hand in his brother's face.

Of Todd's autobiography, Peter says, "I'll like the book when we get the money."

Thirteen-year-old Jonathan's reaction to the book is more personal. "I don't like the idea that people will read the book and know everything. Everybody will laugh at me." But upon further consideration, Jonathan admits, "Well, they might not laugh. Most would probably understand me better."

Ros's "strays"

Ros's positive energy (and great recipes) draws unconnected people to her like kids to the ice cream truck. Her "strays" become part of the family, as the Gauchats' current boarder-cum-friend, Omar Tahboub, attests. Omar, a Jordanian, is a Ph.D. student in computer science; he enjoys being lured from his workaholic mindset by Ros's invitations to picnics, parties, and other celebrations.

And the Gauchats have embraced Omar wholeheartedly. The boys share Omar's passion for computer games, and Benji adores him, which Ros says is very unusual for a child who normally shuns outsiders.

In all the ways that count, Omar sees the Gauchats as a normal American family. "They have a different way of disciplining children, with rewards for good behavior. They share ideas together, have breakfast, lunch, and dinner all together. Their weekend is just for rest, going out to church, parties, etc. In my country, it is very different," he observes, a bit ruefully.

Omar continues, "Here in America you have more facilities, more care for the disabled. Most of the buildings are made accessible. Todd's been accepted by relatives and friends as a normal human being. He has his own ideas, is acting as a real father."

By contrast, in Omar's culture, "people like Todd are thrown in special rehab centers," and thus are denied their full measure of family life.

In addition to financial relief, the Gauchats hope Todd's book will open readers' eyes to the "normalcy" of "atypical" families like theirs, and question the very definition of "normal" itself. In the first chapter of his book, Todd writes:

"I was born with cerebral palsy and I have a wonderful life...I've had a lot of triumphs, and each one of them came through a trouble of one kind or another. One big trouble was people discouraging me from dreaming big because I had a disability and wasn't 'normal.' I've heard so much discouragement I could have bottled it and sold it as fertilizer. But I didn't listen to it and I have achieved my deepest desires for sex, love, marriage, family and career, and lived out my passions — troubles by my side all the way. I'm hopeful that if I can accomplish what I have...other people will reconsider their own impossibles, begin to ignore discouragement, and re-invigorate themselves toward their own dreams."



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Events *for* September

SEPT. THRU OCT.: **Shaker Heights: Before and After The Van Sweringens**, EXHIBIT, SHAKER HISTORICAL MUSEUM.

3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24 & 25: **Nature Walk, 3:30 P.M.**, NATURE CENTER. Meet at the front door for a one-hour, naturalist-led walk around the trails. INFO: 321-5935.

3: **Larchmere Merchants' Association Sidewalk Sales, 11 A.M.-5 P.M.**, LARCHMERE BLVD. Stores in Cleveland's Art and Antique District offer sales on their sidewalk. Beat feet for bargains!

5: **Labor Day.** City offices, public schools and libraries closed.

6: **Environmental Town Hall Brown Bag Lunch Series, NOON**, NATURE CENTER. Natural Resource Specialist Lara Roketenetz will provide a slide show presentation of the Reptiles and Amphibians of Northeast Ohio. Declining populations and conservation techniques.

8: **Eastside Welcome Club Lunch, 11:30 A.M.**, CANTERBURY COUNTRY CLUB S. WOODLAND RD. Andrew May, the Leading Actor and Associate Artistic Director of Great Lakes Theater Festival and Julie Gilliland from The Playhouse Square Association will speak about their groups and provide some entertainment. Both old and new residents are welcome. \$23/person. INFO: MIMI TESTEN, 751-8624.



Shaker Football *Home Games*

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September 10: Shaker vs. Princeton

October 8: Shaker vs. Admiral King
(Homecoming & Alumni Tailgate)

October 15: Shaker vs. Mentor
(Red Tag Day)

October 29: Shaker vs. Cleveland Heights

Destinations...

BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH LIBRARY
20600 Fayette Road

MAIN LIBRARY
16500 Van Aken Boulevard

THE NATURE CENTER AT SHAKER LAKES
2600 South Park Boulevard

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3450 Lee Road

SHAKER FAMILY CENTER
19824 Sussex Road

SHAKER HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL
15911 Aldersyde Drive

SHAKER HISTORICAL MUSEUM
16740 South Park Boulevard

SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL
20600 Shaker Boulevard

THORNTON PARK
20701 Farnsleigh Road

Ongoing Activities for Adults

Wednesdays: Small Business

Consultations, 10 A.M.-2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Beginning September 14, representatives from Service Corps of Retired Volunteers (SCORE) will be available to answer questions and give advice to small business owners. Appointments are required for each 30-minute session: 991-2030.

Saturdays: North Union Farmers

Market, 8 A.M.-NOON, SHAKER SQUARE. Buy fresh and local produce from Ohio farms and meet and greet neighbors.

Sundays: Recovery, Inc., 2 P.M.,

SOMERSET POINT RETIREMENT COMMUNITY, 3550 NORTHFIELD RD. Self-help groups train those 18 and older to cope with panics, depression, anxiety, anger and manage symptoms. INFO: NATALIE SILVERBERG, 595-9276 OR www.recovery-inc.org

Ongoing Activities for Kids

MONDAYS (9:45 A.M.),

WEDNESDAYS (9:45 A.M.) OR

THURSDAYS (NOON): Skating for Tots, HANNA PERKINS CENTER

FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Children ages 2-4 can learn to skate on quad roller skates. Learn to get up from the floor, roll forward, and pick up one foot at a time. Rhythm and movement activities to music coincide with skating skills. \$35/5-week session beginning the week of Sept. 4. INFO:

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MONDAYS OR WEDNESDAYS:

Music in the Morning, 10:30

A.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Parents and children from birth to age 4 share the joy of music through group songs, fingerplays, musical instruments and dance. \$100/14-week session beginning the week of Sept. 11. INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS OR

WEDNESDAYS: Art, 11:30 A.M. OR

NOON, HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Three different opportunities for children to use varied art media to learn about color, design and texture. Each week children create a new page for an art portfolio. Ages 2 and up. \$35/5-week session beginning the week of Sept. 4. INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

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Time, 9:30 A.M.-NOON, MEARNS FAMILY PLAYROOM AT SHAKER FAMILY CENTER, 19824 SUSSEX RD.

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P.M. THURSDAYS: Baby Talk (for birth to 18 months) **10:30 A.M.-NOON** and **THURSDAYS: 4-6 P.M.,**

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MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS: Drop-In Play Sessions, 2-3:30 P.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Child's play sessions for infants to age 8 and parent or caregiver begin Sept. 12. FEES & INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & SATURDAYS: Play and Learn Station and Play and Learn Babies, 10 A.M.-NOON, MAIN LIBRARY, 2ND FLOOR. Free drop-in, literacy-based play for parents and caregivers with children up to 5 years old co-sponsored by Shaker Family Center and Shaker Library. Evening hours 6-8 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays INFO: 921-2023 OR 991-2030.

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS & FRIDAYS: Drop-In Play Sessions, 9-11:30 A.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Child's play sessions for infants to age 8 and parent or caregiver begin Sept. 8. FEES & INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

WEDNESDAYS: Play and Learn Station for Home Day Care Providers, 10 A.M.-NOON, MAIN LIBRARY, 2ND FLOOR. Free drop-in sessions for home day care providers only co-sponsored by Shaker Family Center and Shaker Library. INFO: 921-2023 OR 991-2030.

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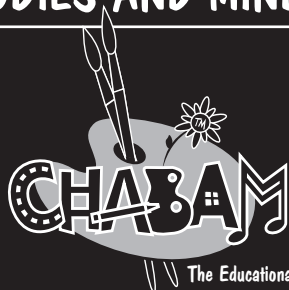
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WEDNESDAYS: Music & Fun, 4 P.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Music classes for parents and children birth to age 4. \$100/12 week sessions that begins the week of Sept. 11. INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

THURSDAYS: Fun for One, 9-10 A.M., LAUREL SCHOOL, ONE LYMAN CIRCLE. One-year-old boys and girls with a parent or caregiver can enjoy stories, music, movement, play and baby sign-language led by a Laurel teacher. FEES & INFO: JOANNA PAVLIK, 464-0946.

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For more information, contact NCSL Volunteer & Visitor Coordinator Crystal Birns, via e-mail, birns@shakerlakes.org, or phone 321-5935 x 237. * The Nature Center's Nature Photography Club meets on the second Thursday of every month.

For the latest information on the Nature Photography Club, visit www.shakerlakes.org/photographyclub.htm

SEPTEMBER 8: **Crash,**

6:30 P.M. MAIN LIBRARY. Sandra Bullock stars in this edgy film about a car accident in L.A., which brings together a group of strangers who reveal the complexities of racial tolerance in contemporary America. (Rated R.) This film is presented through the generosity of the Friends of the Shaker Library.

9: Friday Night Skate, 7:30-9 P.M., THORNTON PARK. All week long students cogitate on what they'll do at Friday night skate! Cool, coed skating activity begins for the season. Skate rentals and snacks available. INFO: 491-1295.

10: Kids Cooking from the Garden, 10:30 A.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Saturday sessions for little ones ages 2½-8 show the natural connection from garden to table as they prepare simple recipes using produce from the garden. \$60/7-week session. INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

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10: Annual Benefit Open House,

6:30-9:30 P.M. Cocktails, buffet by J. Pistone plus a silent auction in the gardens of a lovely Shaker home to raise funds for programs at Shaker Family Center. Valet parking. Reservations required. TICKETS: 921-2023.

10: Fall Social, 8-11 P.M., SHAKER HIGH. School sponsored dance.

11: Constitution Read Aloud,

2 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Hear local community leaders reaffirm our freedoms. INFO: 991-2030.

12: Stories: One from Me –

One by YOU!, 4 P.M., HANNA PERKINS CENTER FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT-PARENT/CHILD RESOURCE CENTER, 19910 MALVERN RD. Weekly stories for children ages 4-7 highlight feelings and issues they may experience as they grow. Children will write their own theme-related stories. \$85/10-week session. INFO: KAREN GOULANDRIS, 929-0201.

SEPTEMBER 14: Open House, 7 P.M., SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL, 15911 ALDERSYDE DRIVE. Pick up a schedule in the school office and follow your student's day. Meet teachers, administrators and other parents.

16: AARP Shaker Chapter, 1:30 P.M., COMMUNITY BUILDING. Monthly meetings for the 50+ set.

18: Movie Discussion, 1:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Was the book better than the movie? Read the book, watch the movie and discuss it. *The Caveman's Valentine* stars Samuel L. Jackson and is the story of an eccentric homeless man who was once a brilliant pianist. INFO: 991-2030.

18: Interior Design In Shaker Heights: What You Expect & What You Don't Expect, 3 P.M., SHAKER HISTORICAL MUSEUM 16740 S. PARK BLVD. Take a peek into some Shaker homes when interior decorator Mary Rosenberg presents a slide show and talk. Free with reservations: 921-1201.

20: How To Plan And Organize A Family Reunion Workshop, 10 A.M.-NOON, FAIRHILL CENTER, 12200 FAIRHILL RD., ROOM C- 457. Get ready for a holiday reunion or a family bash next summer! Dick Bloss and Gwen Strayhan will discuss what needs to be done and when to plan for a successful day. \$5/person. INFO: TOM CERJAK, 421-1350 EXT. 125 OR tcerjak@fairhillcenter.org

20: Meet the Author: Mike Olszewski, 7:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Meet the author of *Radio Daze: Stories from the Front in Cleveland's FM Air Wars*, and learn about the state of Cleveland radio. INFO: 991-2030.

21: Financial Literacy Series, 7 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. The library begins a 3-part series with Denise M. Farkas, CFA, and partner at Spero-Smith Investment Advisors, who will discuss *The Basic Dos and Don'ts of Investing*. INFO: 991-2030.

21: Scimitars Band, 7:30 PM, COMMUNITY BLDG. INFO: 491-1460.

22: Open House, 7 P.M., SHAKER MIDDLE SCHOOL, SHAKER BLVD. Follow your student's schedule, meet teachers, administrators and parents.

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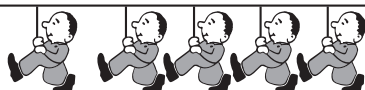
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25: Shaker Heights Landmark Tour, NOON-5 P.M. This year's house tour, Before and After the Van Sweringens,

features a group of fine Shaker homes. tickets: \$15. INFO: KELLY BECK, 491-1430.



27: Nature Reads, 6 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Join other nature and book lovers at the Nature Center's monthly book club meeting. Bring a brown bag supper. INFO: LESLIE KREBS 321-5935 X 226.

27: Digital Photography Workshop, 7 P.M., BERTRAM WOODS BRANCH LIBRARY. Digitally desperate? Rick Santich of MotoPhoto and Portrait Studio will teach you how to get your

photos from your digital camera to your computer to your printer.

28: Meet the Author, 7 P.M., CLEVELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY. 325 SUPERIOR AVENUE. Meet Tim O'Brien, author of *The Things They Carried*. INFO: 623-2800.

30: Mini-Antiques Road Show, 6:30 P.M., SHAKER HISTORICAL MUSEUM. Join the Shaker Historical Society at this evening event to welcome and encourage new members. Larchmere Antiques dealer John L. Young is the special guest, who will comment on your antiques. Mingle and enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres. Members free. RESERVATIONS & INFO: 921-1201.



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1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29 & 30: Nature Walk,

3:30 P.M. Naturalists lead a one-hour stroll along the autumn trails. Meet at the front door.

2: Hike for Nature VIII to Benefit the Jenny Goldman Fund, 9 A.M.,

11 A.M. & 2:30 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Honorary co-chairs Ann Pearson and Matt Goldman plan hikes to benefit the Jenny Goldman Fund of the Nature Center. *Woofers & tweeters!* Choose from three dog friendly hikes and a fourth hour-long family nature walk, each led by an experienced nature guide. 12-mile hike to and from Lake Erie at 9 a.m.; 5-mile hike to and from Doan Brook Gorge at 11 a.m.; 5-mile hike around the Shaker Lakes at 11 a.m., and 1-hour family hike at 12:30 p.m. (Sorry, Spot, dogs not allowed.). All hikes conclude by 1:30 p.m. with a celebration and free refreshments. Fees: \$18/adult; \$10/child (ages 3-12). Form a team and gather pledges. Prizes awarded for the hiker who raises the most in pledges. INFO: 321-5935.

3: School Tour, 9 A.M., ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL, 3455 NORWOOD RD. Tour the school and meet the teachers.

4: Rosh Hashanah. Shaker Schools closed.

4: Environmental Town Hall Brown Bag Lunch Series, NOON TO 1 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Flora and fauna forum on topical environmental issues. INFO: 321-5935.

5: Walk Your Child to School Day. Bypass the bus and walk your child or grandchild to school today!



5: Self-Portraits, 4 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY TEEN CENTER. Cleveland Museum of Art staff teaches self-portrait skills to teens. Bring a mirror and paint your reflection. Free. Space limited. INFO: 991-2030.

6: The Interpreter, 6:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Sean Penn stars as a Secret Service agent assigned to protect Nicole Kidman, an interpreter for the United Nations, after she overhears a plan to assassinate an African head of state. (Rated PG-13.) This film is presented through the generosity of the Friends of the Shaker Library.

7: Spirit Breakfast, 7:15 A.M., SHAKER HIGH. Early to bed and early to rise...get to the high school for a breakfast surprise. Students provide the spirit and Sports Boosters & PTO parents provide the treats.



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7 & 8: Fall Jewelry Show, 11:30 A.M.-5 P.M., 2951 DRUMMOND RD. (CORNER OF S. WOODLAND) Lois Becker sells unique jewelry that makes a statement. Come shop and see what baubles speak to you. Sunday hours Oct. 9: 12:30-4:30 p.m. INFO: 921-3083.

8, 9, 15 & 16: MotoPhoto Family Portraits, 9 A.M.-1 P.M., NATURE CENTER. Eco-Photo! Bring your little animals to the Nature Center for a family portrait in the wild. Call MotoPhoto: 991-6686 or book online, www.motophoto.com/shakerheights. A portion of the proceeds benefits the Nature Center.

8: Shaker Harvest Fest, 11 A.M.-4 P.M., SHAKER HISTORICAL MUSEUM. Hysterical fun on historical grounds. Children's games and activities, exhibits, sale of apples and baked goods, fun for all ages. Free admission, on-street parking.

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9: Family Fun Fest, 2-6 P.M.,

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9: Family Art Festival, 1:30-4:30

P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Unmask your potential when Cleveland Museum of Art staff presents *Masks from Around the World*, a fun afternoon of artistic discovery. INFO: 991-2030.

10: Tour Your Schools Day,

9:30 A.M.-3 P.M., SHAKER SCHOOLS. Take a peek at your public schools. See what's happening in education today!



11: Shaker Sports Boosters,

7:30 P.M., Shaker High School teachers' cafeteria. All parents welcome to help support all sports.

13: Yom Kippur. Shaker Schools closed.

13: Nature Center Photography

Club Meeting, 6-8 P.M., NATURE CENTER MEETING ROOM. Shutterbugs welcome. INFO: CRYSTAL BIRNS, birns@shakerlakes.org OR 321-5935 X 237.

14: Professional Day. Shaker Schools closed.

14: Visual Vibes, 7 P.M., VAN AKEN/FARNSLEIGH SHOPPING AREA. Public opening of three visual art exhibits by local artists. View arts and crafts throughout the weekend in area stores. INFO: B.A. GREEN, 283-0009.

16: Movie Book Discussion,

1:30 P.M., MAIN LIBRARY. Watch *Mystic River* starring Sean Penn, Tim Robbins and Kevin Bacon and discuss its similarities with the book. INFO: 991-2030.

19-21: Scholastic Book Sale,

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19: Financial Literacy, 7 P.M.,

WOODS BRANCH. Diane Scott of National City Bank will speak about the importance of banks in people's lives and SHPD's Jerry Jankowski will address issues of identity theft. INFO: 991-2421.

19: Choir Concert, 7:30 P.M.,

SHAKER HIGH SCHOOL.

20: Eastside Welcome Club

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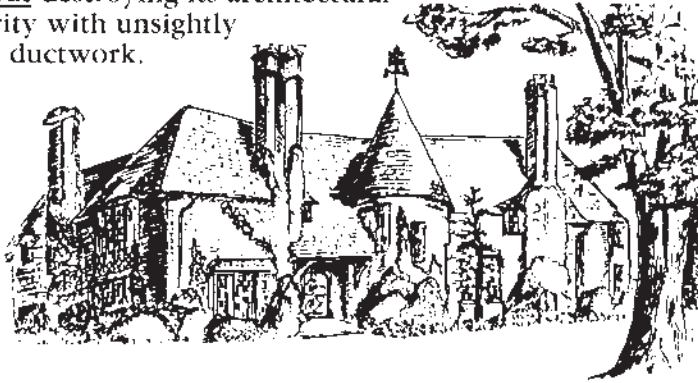
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22, 23, 29 & 30:

Hazardous Waste Round Up,

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24: Halloween Stories, 7 P.M.,

WOODS BRANCH. Dim the lights and set your sights on Halloween story time delights. Come in costume! INFO: 991-2421.



25: **Nature Reads, 6 P.M.,** NATURE CENTER. Monthly book club meeting and brown bag supper for nature lovers. INFO: LESLIE KREBS, 321-5935 X 226.

26: **Business Book Discussion, 7:30 P.M.,** MAIN LIBRARY. Read and discuss Freakonomics, Steven Levitt's and Stephen Dubner's unusual take on statistics. INFO: 991-2030.

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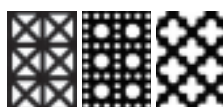


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SEPT. 14: **Anisfield-Wolf**

Book Awards, 6:30 P.M., DRURY THEATRE, THE CLEVELAND PLAY HOUSE, 8500 EUCLID AVE. The Cleveland Foundation recognizes writers who promote diversity. This year's honorees include Edwidge Danticat, A. Van Jordan, Geoffrey C. Ward and August Wilson.
RSVP: 615-7255

SEPT. 16: ✓ **For Ella, 8 P.M.,**

SEVERANCE HALL. The Count Basie Orchestra with Patti Austin presents a soulful tribute to Ella Fitzgerald to benefit New Life Community. **TICKETS & INFO: 231-1111.**

SEPT. 17: **8th Annual Center-**

fest, NOON-5 P.M., PLAYHOUSE SQUARE. Free for all for family fun. Tour the new Idea Center at Playhouse Square and enjoy an instrument petting zoo, swing dancers rising star talent competition, youth and adult poetry slams, and performances by "Dan Zanes and Friends" at noon and 3 p.m.

SEPT. 24: A Night in New Orleans, 6:30 P.M., THE HERMIT CLUB, 1629 DODGE CT. A musical evening presented by The Friends of Cleveland Institute of Music to benefit the CIM's Young Artist Program. Tickets: \$100-\$500. INFO: 791-5000 EXT. 360.

SEPT. 25: Designer Dress Days Sale, 9:30 A.M.-6 P.M., STONEHILL AUDITORIUM MANDEL JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, 26001 S. WOODLAND RD. Sale of gently used furs, leather jackets, coats, name-brand dresses, suits, sweaters, sportswear plus jewelry, purses, belts and scarves. Sale continues Sept. 26 & 27 10 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sept. 28 10 a.m.-8 p.m. INFO: 378-2204.

SEPT. 27: ✓ Writers Center Stage: Pat Conroy, 7:30 P.M., ALLEN THEATRE. Cuyahoga County Public Library and *The Cleveland Plain Dealer* present the author of *The Prince of Tides*, *Lords of Discipline*, and *The Great Santini*, who will speak about his work. Conroy's nonfiction includes *My Losing Season*, the story of his senior year on the Citadel basketball team and *The Pat Conroy Cookbook: Recipes From My Life*. TICKETS: \$30.

OCT. 4: Experiencing the Math in Music, 4-6:30 P.M., THE IDEA CENTER AT PLAYHOUSE SQUARE, 1501 EUCLID AVE. 2½-hour workshop designed to give educators practical ideas and activities to take back to the classroom. \$10/teacher, includes parking, materials and light refreshments. Registration required: 348-7909.



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OCT. 30: Dawn Upshaw and Friends In Osvaldo Golijov's Ayre,
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Ah, fall in Shaker, where the colors include magnificent reds and golds in the trees, flashing reds-and-blues in your rear-view mirror (the kids are back in school, you can't do 45 mph on South Woodland at 8:45 a.m. anymore), and, of course, orange sawhorses at the ends of streets that can mean only one thing: BLOCK PARTY!

For which Shaker Man finds himself nominated, unanimously, as Street Coordinator.

"It's a big job," Ms. Shaker Man warns as her husband struts and preens, announcing that this year's shindig will be called BLOCKAPALOOZA. "Are you sure you have time for it?"

"Excuse me," our hero replies, "but I'm an experienced executive, remember? Setting strategies, managing budgets, leading people. I think I can handle cooking a few hot dogs and finding a guy in a clown suit."

"If the size 29 shoe fits..."

"You'll see."

The Committee: Unfortunately for Shaker Man, the first thing anybody sees are the closed doors of his neighbors as he tries to round up a 15-member BLOCKAPALOOZA Executive Committee. It quickly becomes apparent that he has been awarded the Street Coordinator position not because of his superior talent, but because nobody else would touch it with a ten-foot pole.

"It's unbelievable," he tells Ms. Shaker Man. "I never realized how many ways there are to say 'no.' By the way, do you really think the Smiths will be in the Himalayas until the day before the party?"

In the end, the Executive Committee consists of Shaker Man and two teenagers who appear to be on a work-release program from Juvenile Court. Pierced, tattooed, and chewing nicotine gum, they sit in stony

silence at Shaker Man's dining room table as he outlines the tasks, timetables, and project reporting deadlines that BLOCKAPALOOZA will require.

"I thought you kids could be in charge of entertainment," he says cheerfully as Goth 1 and Goth 2 roll their eyes. "Games for the little ones – you know, a water balloon toss, a watermelon-seed spitting contest, a sack race..."

Hearing no response, he continues, a little more caffeinated. "We'll need some music, too. Maybe some of that music you guys like. You know, like rap or hip-hop or grunge."

Goth 2's snort, Shaker Man surmises, represents either a severe sinus condition or a pithy commentary on his musical hipness.

"And we'll need a clown. To do tricks, paint faces. I was thinking that maybe one of you—"

This time there is no mistaking the import of Goth 2's nasal exclamation.

"Yeah, right," adds Goth 1. "We'll get right on that."

The Food: Perhaps nowhere is the gap between Shaker Man's ambition and his ability to execute clearer than in BLOCKAPALOOZA's menu. His first idea – to recreate the great American picnic, but with a French-influenced cuisine nouveau style – falls flat after the street fails to warm to his suggestion that the party experiment with recipes from *Bon Appetit* and *Gourmet* magazines.

"I don't get it," he tells his wife. "I mean, doesn't buttermilk honey fried chicken with a burgundy demiglace sound delicious? And what about this chevre dill avocado salad?"

"No food should have four names," says Ms. Shaker Man. "I'm sure our neighbors think you're insane. I know I do."

Shaker Man's second idea – the BLOCKAPALOOZA Taste of Shaker theme, in which every family would bring a dish based on its diverse-yet-equally-valid ethnic heritage – meets an even quicker, quieter death as his neighbors secretly take up a collection and deliver it to him in a manila envelope covered with tiny letters clipped from newspapers and magazines:

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The Weather: Armed with a clipboard and bullhorn, Shaker Man leaps through the door at 6 a.m. and launches himself into superhuman effort to set up folding tables, arrange game booths, set up croquet and badminton courts, chalk lines for hopscotch, and coordinate delivery of pizza, wings, and side dishes. Everything is almost set – the Shaker firetruck has pulled onto the street, Goth 1 and 2 have thrown away their cigarettes, Shaker Man himself has just donned a red nose and an orange wig – when God, as is his wont, decides to play a little joke on BLOCKAPALOOZA: Rain, so sudden and fierce and torrential that it seems as if an Old Testament prophet will emerge at any moment from behind the bowl of soggy potato chips to proclaim that the end is near. Paper tablecloths are rent, children run after their fleeing mommies, and even the Shaker firefighters depart, called into action by a lightning strike at another Block Party. It is at this moment that Shaker Man – nose askew, dye from his wig dripping, drenched size-29 shoes flapping loudly with every step – turns to Goth 1 and Goth 2 and yells above the screeching storm: "I GUESS WE'D BETTER CLEAN THIS UP!"

To which the Executive Committee responds with more enthusiasm than ever: "WE'LL GET RIGHT ON THAT."



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