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A Message from Councilman Kerry McCormack

Dear Ward 3 Neighbor,

Winter is winding down and in only a few short weeks we will be heading into spring in Cleveland! Even through the coldest months of the year, community members have stayed active, as did continued positive progress throughout our neighborhoods.

The community welcomed the fully **reopened West Side Market parking lot** with over one hundred additional parking spots. Also SPACES art gallery found a new home in Ward 3, taking over the ground floor of the Van Rooy Coffee Building on Detroit Avenue. This move enables the gallery to continue as a high quality contemporary art venue.

Great news also came to those looking for an active outdoor experience, or simply some fresh air. Cuyahoga County awarded funding for stage 4 of the **towpath trail extension project**, which repurposes University Road in Tremont for bikers and pedestrians. This stretch of the Towpath Trail, which has great views of downtown Cleveland, will be open and accessible to all community members.

In other infrastructure news, **the Clark Avenue reconstruction plan will start this year.** This significant investment in Clark Avenue will include a new asphalt surface, pavement base repairs, new curbs, sidewalks, driveways, ADA compliant ramps, drainage upgrades and waterline replacements. In addition, new traffic signals and bike lanes will be added.

The Fenwick area of Ward 3 also welcomed a great community project as **Menlo Park Academy** purchased the Joseph and Feiss

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building near West 53rd Street. The building will be completely renovated prior to students and teachers moving in. Menlo Park Academy is a tuition-free school for gifted learners and will serve grades K-8.

From City Hall, we will soon be starting the process of setting the city's budget for next year. I am committed to advocating for improved city services that directly impact the lives of residents, such as increased safety forces, street sweeping, improved road repair and others.

As always, please feel free to reach out to me with any thoughts, comments, or concerns that you may have. My office phone number is 216-664-2691 and my direct email is KMccormack@ClevelandCityCouncil.org.

Thank you,

Kerry McCormack
 Ward 3 Cleveland City Councilman



Spaces Art Gallery Moves to Van Rooy Building



PHOTO CREDIT: By Jerry Mann, SPACES official event photographer

SPACES art gallery has moved from its Superior Viaduct location to the Van Rooy Coffee building on Detroit Avenue at West 29th Steet, increasing a growing activity in Ohio City's Hingetown section.

The non-profit art gallery, which had been on the Superior Viaduct since 1990, has taken over the entire first floor of the Van Rooy building, a 19th century factory building that formerly housed a coffee warehouse.

Plans for the new SPACES include artist workshops, galleries, classrooms and access to the building's roof, which gives panoramic views of Lake Erie.

The 38-year-old gallery, which first opened in Playhouse Square, celebrated its new digs in January with a grand opening that included more than 600 guests and performances by 28 artists.

Division of Waste News

Residents, please be aware that Bulk Item Collection has changed to the **FIRST FULL WEEK** of the month only.



Upcoming Bulk Item Pick-Up Schedule:
 Week of March 5th • Week of April 2nd
 Week of May 1st

If you need to set out bulk items other than the first full week of the month, you must call 216-664-3711 to schedule.

Do you have neighborhood safety concerns?

Speak directly with your First and Second District Police Commanders McCartney and Stacho.

THE FIRST DISTRICT Community Relations

FIRST THURSDAY of each month,

7:00 pm • St. Ignatius of Antioch Church, 10205 Lorain Avenue.

THE SECOND DISTRICT Community Relations

SECOND TUESDAY of each month,

7:00 pm • Applewood Centers, 3518 W. 25th St. (In the gymnasium that fronts onto Daisy Avenue)



Change Your Life Through Education

Having an education can change your life in many ways:

- ✓ Find higher-paying jobs.
- ✓ Go to college or trade school.
- ✓ Understand your health.
- ✓ Keep a budget.
- ✓ Express your opinions.
- ✓ Participate in politics.
- ✓ Help your children or grandchildren in school.

At Seeds of Literacy, we take education very seriously. We have **free classes** for adults in basic education and GED preparation. We want you to walk out of each class knowing more than when you came in!

At Seeds, each student works at his or her own level and pace. We have tutors to help, too. Seeds has helped thousands of students since 1997.

Are you interested in tutoring? Our volunteer tutors are over 18, have a high school diploma, GED, or college degree and want to help our students succeed. You'll go through a training session and see a class before tutoring. You don't need any teaching experience.

Seeds is located at 3104 W 25th Street, at the corner of W 25th and Clark Avenue. We register students every week, and our



classes are Monday-Thursday.

You can improve your educational skills every day with these tips:

- Read to your children – this is one of the best things a parent can do. When you read to your children, they do better in school.
- Make a schedule for important things like family, work, and school. This helps you find the time to do them.
- Read outside of class. The more you read, the more you know.
- Write your goal down. Then think of the steps you need to reach it.

For more information, please call 216-661-7950. You can visit our website at www.seedsofliteracy.org or follow us on Facebook.

Halle/H.Barbara Booker New School UPDATE

The abatement process is complete and the demolition of Halle School, located at 7901 Halle Avenue, has begun. **During the next 4-6 weeks CMSD would like to remind all neighborhood residents to:**

- ✓ **Remind children to stay away from the demolition site.**
- ✓ If you see **suspicious activity on site** please call the Construction Site Manager, Bill at 216-346-6274.
- ✓ **Avoid parking on Halle Avenue from 8 am to 5 pm.** Also, once construction begins on site, a temporary parking ban will be issued for Halle Avenue during these work hours. The daytime ban is necessary to allow heavy equipment and debris to be removed from the site. The ban will stay in place until all construction materials have been delivered to the site in 2017.



- ✓ Construction of the new school will begin once the current school is demolished.

If you have any questions, please call or email Kristan Oravec at 678-230-4514 or koravec@cobaltgroupinc.com.

Metro West Development

Metro West Community Development Office services the Stockyard, Clark-Fulton and Brooklyn Centre neighborhoods through economic development, community organizing, housing, safety and land reutilization efforts. The office also acts as an Earned Income Tax Credit Tax Site, helping residents prepare tax returns free of charge, and as a host of Ohio's Home Energy Assistance Program, providing one-on-one counseling to residents facing utility payment issues. To further empower residents, Metro West opened the Metro West Computer Lab in 2016 to provide adult computer classes in both English and Spanish.

It's been an exciting year for Metro West. After a thoughtful community process and through collaboration with residents, local businesses, and professionals, the organization

SEE PAGE 4 for Metro West contact information as well as a listing of all development corporations that serve Ward 3.



METRO WEST
 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

began a rebranding process. They changed their name from Stockyard, Clark-Fulton, and Brooklyn Centre Community Development Office in 2016 and revealed a new logo at the Metro West Annual Celebration in January. These are the first steps of many towards sending out a more consistent message and building an identifiable brand within the community.

Regional Stormwater Management Program

A long-anticipated stormwater fee will be showing up on home owners' sewer bills. The fee depends on the size of the home and how much impervious or hard surface at the home, including things such as roofs, driveways, and patios.

The fees will range from \$3.09 per month for a small home with less than 2,000 square feet of hard surfaces, to \$5.15 per month for an average sized home with 2,000 to 4,000 square feet of hard surfaces to \$9.27 per month for large homes with more than 4,000 square feet of impervious surfaces.

The fees are lower for senior citizens or low-income residents, who qualify for assistance. But all homeowners can reduce their fees with credits by doing some simple things in your yards.

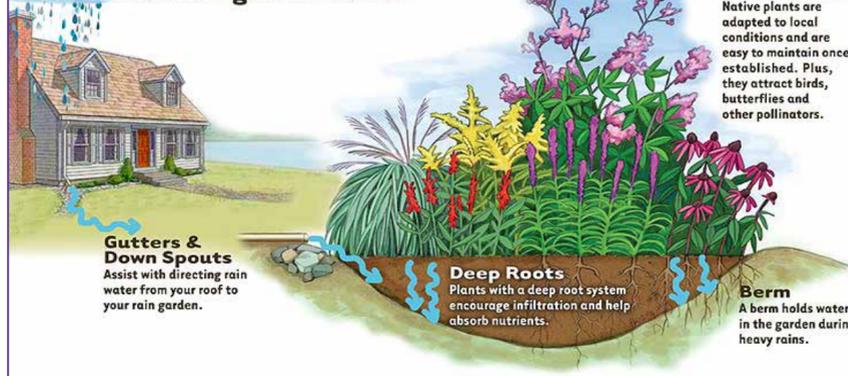
Residents can plant a rain garden, or add a swale to your

yard. Or can hook up a rain barrel to your downspouts to keep the storm water from going into the sewers.

You can find your fee, get information on how to build a rain garden or hook up a rain barrel to your downspouts and other ways to reduce your fee, as well as the forms to get the credits at <http://www.neorsd.org/stormwater>.

The North East Ohio Regional Sewer District will use the money collected, and everybody in the district will be charged including parking lot owners and nonprofits such as hospitals and universities that don't have to pay property taxes, to restore streams, rivers, wetlands and other projects to keep the storm water from flowing into the sewers and help keep the sewer district from having to discharge storm water and raw sewage into Lake Erie after heavy storms.

How does a rain garden work?



Neighbors Raising Money to Build New Gazebo in Lincoln Park

Volunteer neighbors, calling themselves The Friends of Lincoln Park Gazebo, are raising money to tear down the park's deteriorating gazebo and build a new one on the same site.

The group, so far, has raised about half of the needed \$36,000 for demolition, construction and creating an account for maintenance and repairs.

The gazebo is frequently used for weddings, live music, theater and other events, but the structure, decades old, is becoming dilapidated and beyond repair.

The new gazebo will be larger and equipped with lights, electrical outlets and security cameras. It is expected to be built by this summer.

Those interested in donating may visit the Web site www.tremontgazebo.org or send a check payable to Tremont West Development Corporation, 2406 Professor Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, 44113. Please note on your check that the contribution is for "Friends of Lincoln Park Gazebo." Donations are tax deductible as a charitable contribution.



Councilman McCormack IN THE COMMUNITY



Councilman McCormack was invited by the Council for Economic Opportunities in Greater Cleveland (CEOGC) to take some time out of his schedule and read to the preschoolers at Lakeview Terrace Head Start Center.

The event took place on Thursday, January 26th at 10:30 am. The children ranged in age from 3-5 years old.



The VOICE of Ward 3



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Development Corporations that serve the Ward 3 Community:

Flats Forward

216-736-7799 | flatsforward.org
1010 Euclid Avenue, Suite 300, Cleveland, OH 44115

Historic Gateway Neighborhood Corporation

216-771-1994 | clevelandgatewaydistrict.com
1010 Euclid Avenue, 3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44115

Historic Warehouse District Development Corporation

216-344-3937 | warehousedistrict.org
1010 Euclid Avenue, 3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44115

Ohio City Inc.

216-781-3222 | ohiocity.org
2525 Market Avenue, Suite A, Cleveland, OH 44113

Metro West Community Development Organization

Formerly Stockyard, Clark-Fulton & Brooklyn Centre Development Office
216-961-9073 | detroitshoreway.org/scfb.caspx
3167 Fulton Road, Suite 303, Cleveland, OH 44109

Tremont West Development Corporation

216-575-0920 | tremontwest.org
2406 Professor Avenue, Cleveland OH, 44113



Near West Recreation

PROGRAM CALENDAR

GET IN TOUCH!

- ohiocity.org/nearwestrec
- Near West Recreation
- nearwestrec@ohiocity.org
- 216-781-3222 x108

COMMUNITY PARTNERS:



YEAR ROUND

INTRO COURSES

REGISTER: Ongoing
AGES: 6-14

ADULT PROGRAMS

REGISTER: Ongoing
AGES: 18+

INFO: Near West Recreation partners with local organizations to offer introduction courses and clinics for creative writing, creative arts, boxing, basketball and baseball. Courses and clinics are offered after school, weeknight evenings or on Saturdays.

INFO: Leagues and courses take place week night evenings. Currently we offer adult bowling and women's boxing, but more is on the way. All adult recreation leagues and courses help benefit our youth programs.

SUMMER

BASEBALL

REGISTER: March- April
SEASON: May-July
AGES: 4-12

INFO: Teams practice one weekday evening per week and play games on Saturdays. Four programs offered: coed tee ball, coed coach-pitch, and coed kid-pitch baseball.

PRESENTED BY:

OHIO SAVINGS BANK
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WEST SIDE MARKET

CLEVELAND'S PUBLIC MARKET

Hours

MONDAY - 7am - 4pm

WEDNESDAY - 7am - 4pm

FRIDAY - 7am - 6pm

SATURDAY - 7am - 6pm

NEW SUNDAY - 10am - 4pm

