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An Open Letter from Councilman Kazy

Dear Residents,

An 18th century English poet Alexander Pope once wrote the phrase **"Hope springs eternal,"** which simply means people will never give up hope, no matter what the odds.

And this year, hope is what we have. As the warm weather comes on, the parks are opening, people are visiting with their neighbors and friends.

However, the pandemic is not gone. Please keep practicing social distances and wear your masks in public places.

Everyone over 16 in Ohio is eligible for the coronavirus vaccination shot, so, please, sign up and get vaccinated. For more details visit vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov. Cleveland has set up a Covid hotline 216-664-2222.

I am looking forward to seeing people out and about, now that spring is here and we can shake off the annual cabin fever. Such welcoming sites. Included in the newsletter are outdoor meetings I am holding at neighborhood parks throughout June. Stop by.

We are planning for summer events, including Jefferson Rocks, to return this August. The dates are set and are included in the newsletter. Stay tuned for more information on that. And the annual Haunted Hollow returns this fall.

Also, don't forget to **register to vote**, if you aren't, and to vote in the upcoming Cleveland elections.

And remember – Hope springs eternal. Happy spring.



Councilman Kazy at the "More Alike than Different" mural kick-off. See inside for details.

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Please contact me with any questions or concerns you might have. I'm here to help. My office phone number is 216-664-2942. Also, visit the Ward 16 website, clevelandward16.com for up-to-date happenings in our community.

Gratefully Yours, Your Councilman –

Brian C. Kazy

*Bring a dish to share and join Councilman Brian Kazy for this fun-filled evening!
Hot dogs, hamburgers and beverages will be provided – while supplies last.*

Mondays @ McGOWAN

6:00 pm at McGowan Park (4500 W 121st St.)

Join Councilman Kazy and neighbors for these Mondays:

JUNE 7 ■ JUNE 14 ■ JULY 12 ■ JULY 19

Tuesdays @ TERMINAL

6:00 pm at Terminal Park (14600 St James Ave.)

Join Councilman Kazy and neighbors for these Tuesdays:

JUNE 1 ■ JUNE 8 ■ JUNE 15 ■ JUNE 29

SET OUT BULK TRASH PROPERLY!



Bulk items/tire disposal is the FIRST full week of each month on your regular collection day only. **Mattresses, box springs and upholstered furniture (couches, chairs, etc.) must be wrapped in plastic due to health reasons.** Plastic bags/wrap can be purchased at local storage facilities or hardware stores. 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. Must comply with city bulk policies.



Register NOW to vote or update your Voter Registration information

Voters must be registered in Cuyahoga County in order to vote in any election. In order to vote in Cuyahoga County, you must meet the following requirements:

- You must be a United States Citizen.
- You must be at least 18 years old on the day of the General Election.
- You must be a resident of Ohio for at least 30 days.
- You must register to vote at least 30 days before an election to be eligible to vote.
- 17 year old residents can register and vote in a Primary Election if they will be 18 on or before the General Election. 17-year-olds can vote for candidates only.

How do I register to vote or update my voter registration information?

- Register to vote or update your Ohio voting address electronically on the Secretary of State website: <https://olvr.ohiosos.gov/>
- Visit <https://boe.cuyahogacounty.us/> to print blank registration form.
- Call the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections at 216-443-VOTE(8683) for a Voter Registration Card to be mailed to you. Complete the form then mail it back to the Board of Elections.
- Visit <https://boe.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/voter-registration.aspx> for a list of voter registration locations.



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City of Cleveland Establishes Call Center to Answer General Vaccine Distribution Questions

The City of Cleveland has established a call center to answer general questions about the City's vaccine distribution efforts and assist eligible individuals in scheduling an appointment.

- Call Center Number:** 216-664-2222
- Hours of Operation:** Monday-Friday; 9:00 am to 5:00 pm



Vaccine-eligible Ohioans can sign up at www.gettheshot.coronavirus.ohio.gov. After answering a few questions, a new screen pops up. Enter ZIP code 44115 in the search field.

Call 211 to receive a free Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) bus pass or funding for a ride-share service. Also Senior Transportation Connect and local churches offer transportation.

MASS VACCINATION SITE
CSU's Wolstein Center is operating seven days a week, 12 hours per day. Any Ohioan eligible to receive the vaccine under the Ohio Department of Health's vaccination plan may be vaccinated at the clinic.

The Wolstein Center at Cleveland State University is located at 2000 Prospect Ave. E.

CodeRED

Sign up for CodeRED alerts to receive calls and emails with important info regarding the coronavirus. Visit <https://bit.ly/CLECodeRED> to sign up online. Get mobile alerts by downloading the CodeRED app via the Apple or Google Play stores. Seniors who need assistance signing up are welcome to call the Department of Aging at 216-664-4383 for periodic phone call messaging.

WE'RE BACK!



JEFFERSON ROCKS
West Park

FREE Summer Concert Series at Jefferson Park

SAVE THESE DATES:

- Thur., August 5th
- Thur., August 12th
- Thur., August 19th
- Thur., August 26th

Councilman Kazy Hosts Kick-off of Mural Project

Mural Celebrates People With Developmental Disabilities

Councilman Brian Kazy, joined by a number of civic organizations, is leading an effort to create a giant outdoor mural entitled "More Alike than Different" celebrating individuals with disabilities.

Councilman Kazy hosted a kick-off of the project on Sunday, March 21, at West 161st Street and Puritas Avenue. March 21st was also World Down Syndrome Day. "People with developmental disabilities are more alike than different," said Councilman Kazy, who represents Ward 16. "We see many wonderful murals throughout the city representing all types of races, creeds and nationalities and this is our way of displaying support for an underserved and underrecognized community that needs just as much support as any other."

The event featured prepping and priming of the mural, which includes over 50 panels designed by local artist Garrett Weider measuring 4 feet by 10 feet. Groups and individuals that have donated to establish the mural, including Upside of Downs, the Cleveland Browns, Bellaire Puritas Community Development Corp., Sherwin-Williams, Global Cleveland and Hyland Software, also helped paint the mural and added quotes to it.

The project will be completed by the fall, with a planned closing ceremony at the mural October 12, which is Cleveland Down Syndrome Day. This will be the largest permanent mural of this type in Ohio and one of the largest in the country.



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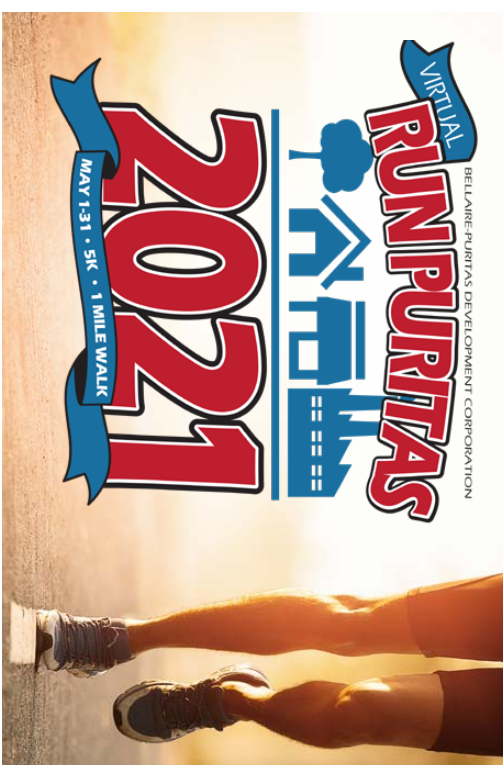
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The eighth annual "Run Puritas" will be different this year as it will be going "virtual" do to COVID-19. The jog/walk event is a fundraiser for the Bellaire-Puritas Development Corporation, a non-profit neighborhood development group.

To support BPPDC, everyone is invited to do the 1-mile walk or the 5K run on their own or with friends or family any time from Saturday, May 1st through the end of May.

Run Puritas is meant to promote health and encourage exercise and provide a chance to see new parts of the neighborhood. BPPDC will be sharing a variety of 1 mile and 5K route options with those who sign up. **To register, go to: www.bppdc.org and look for Run Puritas registration.** The fee is just \$20. To learn more, contact Lindsay at l.wheeler@bppdc.org or call 216-671-2710 ext. 216. Thanks for your support.

"Ohio Means Jobs" Program Re-opens Cleveland Office

The Cleveland office of the statewide "Ohio Means Jobs" program had been closed due to Covid-19 but is now back open for business at 1910 Carnegie Avenue.

Due to safety considerations, the office still requires customers and staff to wear masks and maintain social distancing when visiting the office.

The Resource Room, which is set up with computers, will be open Monday – Thursday from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm. The office will be closed on Fridays for deep cleaning.

Face-to-face meetings with job recruiters and training specialists will still be done virtually.

Whether you are a local employer or a job seeker needing unemployment benefits or career assistance, Ohio Means Jobs can help.

For more information, call 216-777-8200.



City's Department of Aging Offers Housing Repair Guide

The Cleveland Department of Aging has created a guide for homeowners seeking information about loans, grants and agencies that provide home repair resources.

The "Cleveland Home Repair Resource Guide" offers a variety of information for housing fix-ups, including:

- A tool lending program.
- Tips for hiring a contractor.
- And assistance in getting building permits.



To obtain the guide electronically, go to www.clevelandohio.gov and click the bar that reads "Cleveland Home Repair Resource Guide."

For more information, call the Department of Aging, 216-664-2833.

Speeding Ticket? Go Online and No Points

Citizens can go on line and enter a plea of guilty for minor misdemeanor traffic violations – like speeding – and **the offense is reduced to a minor misdemeanor unsafe motor vehicle which is a NO POINTS offense.** The fine is then \$55 and court costs.

You can also pay a waste ticket, a parking ticket and more online.

The Cleveland Municipal Court is giving people time to pay for the costs and fees that are not immediately due on the Court's website: <http://clevelandmunicipalcourt.org/>

