Final Food Drive Winners Announced!

In November, Central Tremont invited other block clubs to engage in a “friendly competition” to see which group could bring in the most donations in the annual Tremont, Duck Island and Irishtown Bend Holiday Food Drive – of nonperishable food items, paper products and check/cash donations. The ultimate goal is to help food pantries, like St. Augustine, Pilgrim Congregational, St. John Cantius, St. Michael the Archangel, Immanuel Lutheran, Westside Catholic Center, St. Malachi and Greater Cleveland Food Bank, to feed our Duck Island, Irishtown Bend and Tremont families and children in need in the holiday season. Eight block clubs took them up on the challenge for 2018/2019: Auburn-Lincoln Park, Duck Island, Holmien-Buhler-Rowley & Mentor-Castle-Clark, Irishtown Bend, Metro North, North of Literary, and South of Jefferson. Joined by the Tremont West staff – our teams collected lots of canned goods, paper products and cash/check donations – the equivalent of 36,940 items (or $15,142 in cash/checks and products) – based on the number of dollars donated this year! For the purposes of this year’s competition, which brought in way more check/cash donations contributed, (for example a $50 check donation was considered to be 100 items of canned goods). This increase from four years ago (where $1 = 1 item) is based on feedback that the food pantries can often purchase items at a better rate than is available to the public through retail groceries. Nonetheless, even with this change which helped the numbers – still way more check/cash were donated this year! Eight block clubs took them up on the challenge for 2018/2019: Auburn-Lincoln Park, Duck Island, Holmien-Buhler-Rowley & Mentor-Castle-Clark, Irishtown Bend, Metro North, North of Literary, and South of Jefferson. Joined by the Tremont West staff – our teams collected lots of canned goods, paper products and check/cash donations – the equivalent of 36,940 items (or $15,142 in cash/checks and 6,614 food items)!

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Friends of Clark Field Fundraiser!
The Friends of Clark Field worked diligently for years to improve the quality of this park and to provide family friendly activities to create a vibrant space in Tremont. Join the Friends as they raise money to continue their programming once the City of Cleveland has completed their renovations!

El Barrio to Visit Tremont for 2 Info Sessions on Job Training Opportunities

At the El Barrio Workforce Development Center, they focus on matching qualified candidates to companies looking for diversity in their organization. Their training and intensive case management services prepare individuals to enter the workforce prepared and motivated. El Barrio works with both the individuals seeking training and employment opportunities and the employers who understand that economic development is directly linked to employment.

 Looking for a Career?

You can learn more about The Centers - El Barrio® FREE job training services and how to connect with local and national employers!

Want more information? 216-325-WORK
Tremont Community Art in Residence Program

February - Tremont Art-Thy-Neighbor Month

Greetings Neighbors!

This is once again February, Tremont Art-Thy-Neighbor Month, a celebration of community via art making and a commitment created by Tremont Community Artist in Residence Scott Rosenberg and the Tremont Community Development Corporation in 2017 to provide annual opportunities for residents of Tremont, Duck Island andIrishtown Bend to get together with their neighbors and make art.

Last year we worked on the tiles for our beautiful seating wall/planting bed piece on the corner of Professor at Jefferson. This year we do not have a neighborhood project, but I have come up with something fun that neighborhood residents can make for themselves, or for their homes.

This year residents will have the opportunity to make a mosaic panel for themselves with either your house numbers or first letter of your last name for a nominal fee, mostly to cover materials. I will have a dark brown ½” glass mosaic that we can use for the numerals, then a variety of tile shards to fill in around them. Pricing for workshop materials should range between $5-$10 depending upon size and shape and whether including wood board and installation materials or not.

House number mosaic workshops will be held only during the first week of February as open studio sessions. I have a couple of commissions underway and cannot commit my studio to neighborhood sessions for the whole month this February as open studio sessions. I have a couple of commissions underway and cannot commit my studio to neighborhood sessions for the whole month this February as open studio sessions. I have a couple of commissions underway and cannot commit my studio to neighborhood sessions for the whole month this February as open studio sessions.

For more information call 216-623-7004 or visit www.tremontartsfestival.com.

TREMONT THINK AND DRINK BOOK CLUB

Join us for engaging book discussions while enjoying your favorite beverage, as the Jefferson Branch Library teams up with local bars for the Tremont Think and Drink.

For more information call 216-623-7004

Tremont 2019 Events

Walkabout Tremont
2nd Friday Every Month, 5-10pm, walkabouttremont.com

Arts Renaissance Tremont
Sundays, Feb. 10, March 17, April 7 & May 5, 3pm at Pilgrim Church arcanz.org

Dyngus Day Celebrations
Monday, April 22nd, throughout Tremont

Tremont Farmers Market
Tuesdays in Lincoln Park, 4-7pm starting May 7th

Riversweep
Saturday, May 11th, 9am, www.caralwaypartners.com

Rite-Aid Cleveland Marathon
Comes to Tremont, Duck Island andIrishtown Bend on Sunday, May 19th

Tremont Greek Fest
Memorial Day Weekend, Friday, May 24-26, 11 AM - 11 PM

Tremont Trek
2018 Date TBD! www.tremonttrek.com

Taste of Tremont
Sunday, July 21st, 12-8pm along Professor Avenue

Arts in August
Weekends in August, free performances in Lincoln Park.

Tremont Polish Festival
Labor Day Weekend - St. Cantius, Details TBD

Tremont思和Drink.
New Members Always Welcome!
TREMONT HISTORY PROJECT
Cleveland City Infirmary Graveyard
(A sad fate for a pauper’s cemetery)
Originally City Pest House and later Tuberculosis Sanitarium - Established in 1855
(Site is fully accessible)
It was not uncommon for medical facilities to have their own cemeteries. Even a few medical schools had their own places of interment. Through the years as there was new development, human remains have been discovered scattered at various sites of these former facilities. The Cleveland City Infirmary was primarily a care facility for the poor, mentally ill, aged and handicapped. While those who hailed from well-to-do families were buried in family lots in area cemeteries, the poor were interred in a graveyard on the infantary grounds. The resolution was passed by Cleveland City Council to prevent any further mistreatment of human remains and the infirmary was ordered to properly bury the dead. During the construction of various buildings on the site, workers would still find bones and coffins. Supervisors and hospital officials ordered the workers to continue with construction and bodies and coffins were tossed to the side with the dirt and other debris. Rather than having the bones reburied in an area cemetery, they were simply discarded.

Today, the old cemetery site is under the back parking lot of the MetroHealth Medical Center on the south side of Valentine Avenue. Its exact location is at the eastern end of the lot at the end of MetroHealth Drive behind the hospital. Likely there could still be a great deal of human remains located beneath the site. It is accessible.

(Excerpted from “Lost Cemeteries of Cleveland” by William Krejci)

Towpath Trail Construction
If you need to talk with someone regarding the current construction of the Towpath Trail, please contact Darwin Merdes, Area Engineer for Cuyahoga County at 216-348-4032, 216-701-1160 or dmerdes@cuyahogacounty.us.

City of Cleveland
Holiday Waste Pick-Up Schedule & Bulk Pick-Up (Items only) in Tremont will be Friday, February 8th and there will not be a 1-day delay for the President’s Day Holiday. Questions? 216-664-3711 or cleveland-oh.gov

Energy Assistance Programs
The OSDA offers several programs to income-eligible Ohioans to assist in paying their utility bills and improve the energy efficiency of their homes. Household eligibility is based on income, is restricted to owner-occupied homes, and is capped at $30,000 for a family of 4. For more information, visit http://osda.ohio.gov/osda/energyassistance.htm. To apply for HEAP or HWP, download the application at the above webpage or visit Tremont West and meet with the Property Manager, Keith Moore, (216) 522-5612.

Safety Updates
Monthly reports are sent out via e-mail regarding Crime and Safety in the Neighborhood. If you would like to be added to the Safety Update mailing list, please contact Tremont Safety Committee at cbgmbn@nationalwestsafety.org.

Neighborhood Retail Assistance Program
The City of Cleveland’s Economic Development Department can assist small businesses with financial packages of both loans and grants to improve the interior and exterior of their storefronts.

Commercial Space for Sale or Lease
Are you looking to lease, purchase or market commercial space in Tremont? See current Tremont Commercial Properties at: www.realtorspacecleveland.com/tremontneighborhood.htm or www.tremontwest.org. Remember, if you are planning to operate in Tremont, you must contact the City of Cleveland to see what variances or permits are required for your desired location. The Department of Building and Housing can be reached at 216-684-2282. There are some great loan reimbursement programs through the city and county for vacant building rehab, storefront renovations, signage and Brownfield cleanup. Please contact Tremont West for more information at 216-575-0920, ext. 102.

The Storefront Renovation Program
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BON KITCHEN OPENS IN TREMONT

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Guess what? Courtney loves Tremont! Its location is perfect. She has great access for her business and ease of pick-up for her customers and she loves the people of Tremont. She has visited the block club and looks forward to hosting some of their meetings in the future.

Run, don’t walk to your computer and put your order in for your next gathering or spring for a treat for your office mates! Bon Kitchen has donuts, croissants, Danish, cinnamon rolls, lemon and key lime bars, cookies and macaroons and more.

WELCOME AFFOGATO CAT CAFE!

The long awaited affoGATO Cat Cafe is now open! Immediately after Lilly Handmade Chocolates announced their departure to Old Brooklyn, the word on the street was that we were getting Cleveland’s first cat cafe. The business concept is popular in other cities around the US and world. Cat lovers can now enjoy spending time with adoptable cats from the Cleveland Animal Protective League right here in Tremont. The mission of affoGATO is to improve our city by creating a safe, comfortable haven for adoptable cats, cultivating a fun and inclusive space for cat-lovers to work and play, and learning up with other local businesses and artists for the betterment of the community as a whole.

You do not need to want to adopt a cat to enjoy the cafe. The kittens are available to visit in one-hour time reservations, there is an hourly fee associated with your visit of $10, $8 for students during the week and $12 during the weekend. These reservations can easily be made online prior to your visit. Although, affoGATO can accommodate walk-ins, it is recommended that you reserve your time so that you don’t get turned away.

Additionally, affoGATO serves coffee and treats that are prepared and packaged from local bakeries. Their featured drinks include the Meowcchiato, Alley Cat, Americlawno, Tuxedo Cat, Le Chat of Espresso and Catpawccino! If you prefer coffee, they can serve you a Purr-over, some from the Drip Meowchine, Snow Leopard, Cafe Au Lay-on-your-Keyboard, and great for sharing Laser Cats Syphon and a French Purr-ess! Coffee not your drink of choice? Don’t worry, they have Cool Cat Choices of sodas, Kit-tea, and Black Cat Hot Chocolate!

Owners Mandy Miller and Eduardo Crespo officially opened in early January. As of mid-January, they are proud to report all is going well and 6 cats have found homes. We encourage you to stop by and welcome the team to Tremont!

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MON&TUES: CLOSED FOR CAT NAPS
WED-SUN: 11AM-9PM
Convergence-continuum presents five world-premiere plays by local graduate-student playwrights at the 2019 NEOMFA Playwrights Festival, featuring two full-length plays by and three ten-minute plays by graduate student playwrights over two weekends.

Thurs-Sat, Feb 14-16:
The full-length play Kafka in an Above Ground Pool, an absurdist play by Renee Schilling, directed by David Munnell. This will be paired with two 10-minute plays: We Think Differently by Ralph Meyers (directed by Beau Reinker) and Confirmation by Jacob Bremkamp (directed by Scott Zolkowski).

Thurs-Sat, Feb 21-23:
The full-length play Ghost Play by Morgan Elswick, directed by Amy Bialok, paired with Bulls**t, a ten-minute play by Klae Bainter, directed by Jonah Roth.

The plays are part of a three-year intensive program of study under playwright and Cleveland State University professor Mike Geither, and are co-produced by convergence-continuum and the Northeast Ohio Master of Fine Arts (NEOMFA) in Creative Writing consortium. This will be the eighth year convergence-continuum has mounted the Festival.

Tickets are only $10 general admission, $5 for students.
Reservations and information at convergence-continuum.org and 216-687-0074.
Irishtown Bend
Stakeholders of the Irishtown Bend kicked off the new year with a block club meeting on January 29th. The meeting was held at the Cleveland Police District Office located at 16440 East Boulevard. The topic of discussion was the proposed development on Columbus Road west of Kickapoo Avenue for February, 16 from 2:15 to 3:30 pm for the Cupid’s Undie Run fundraiser was distributed. The meeting was held at the Roosevelt Post 58 at 216-575-0920 x106 (scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org). All TCW members and interested parties were welcomed to attend and ask questions. A committee was formed to follow up on the variances and to provide support for the variance; the motion was opposed (20-16 votes).

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Neighborhood Connections offers small grants to neighborhood groups.

Neighborhood Connections, a small grant program of the Cleveland Foundation, offers small grants to groups of residents in Cleveland and East Cleveland to do projects that improve the quality of life in their communities. Grants range from $500 to $5,000. Proposals are accepted twice each year. Upcoming dates are March 1, 2019, and August 9, 2019. Proposals must be received by 5 p.m. on those days. No group may receive two grants within a one-year time period.

Grants are intended to spur small, grassroots community projects. Grants may be used for a wide variety of activities and projects, and groups are encouraged to think in new ways about what will work in their communities and with whom they might partner.

Step 1: Find out more about the application process, visit neighborhoodconnections.org.

Step 2: Attend a Grantseeker Workshop to learn everything you need to know to apply.

Grantseeker Workshops are held the month before each deadline. Attend one to find out what you need to know to apply:

- Saturday, February 2, 10:30 a.m. to noon at Cleveland Public Library, Carnegie West branch
- Monday, February 11, 6 to 8 p.m. at West 78th Street Studios
- Tuesday, February 19, 1 to 7 p.m. at East Cleveland Public Library
- Office hours on February 25: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Neighborhood Connections

Step 3: Questions? See a list of Frequently Asked Questions at neighborhoodconnections.org or call us at 216-361-0042.

Funding Information

Grants range from $500 to $5,000. Grant recipients must secure a dollar-for-dollar match equal to the amount requested from Neighborhood Connections. The match can be in the form of cash, volunteer labor, or donated goods or services. Any resident-led or community group is eligible to apply, including those that aren’t an official nonprofit organization. Grant duration is up to one year. A group may only apply for one grant at a time. No group may receive two grants within a one-year time period.

Neighborhood Connections does not make grants to: Capital campaigns, Endowment funds, For-profit entities, Fundraising events, Government agencies or departments, Individuals, Lobbying efforts, Political groups, Religious organizations for religious purposes, Single businesses.

Grant applicants that do not have an official nonprofit status must identify a fiscal agent. A fiscal agent is a 501(c)(3) organization that will handle the grant money on behalf of the neighborhood group. Grant applications should include letters of support from community partners whose cooperation or involvement is necessary to the project’s success. In addition, letters of commitment from governmental agencies or schools should be included when appropriate. For example, if the project involves public property, the governmental agency associated with the property should include a letter of support for the project and a commitment to provide whatever service is required to accomplish the project.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Secondhand Mutts Barkfeast Fundraiser
Saturday, February 2nd, 9am-12noon at Lakewood Congregational Church, 1375 W Clifton Blvd. (See article above.)

Neighborhood Connections Grantseeker Workshops
Saturday, February 2nd, Monday, February 11th and Tuesday February 19th (See article above.)

Art Thy Neighborhood Open Studios
Sundays, February 5th & 7th, 6:30-9pm at Pozo Studio

(See article on page 2.)

Walkabout Tremont
Friday, February 8th, 5-10pm, www.walkabouttremont.com (See page 5.)

Tremont Think & Drink
Monday, February 11th, 7pm at Prosperity Social Club (See ad on page 2.) cpl.org

Arts Renaissance Tremont
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NEOMFA Playwrights Festival
February 14th through 23rd at the Luminis (See article on page 5.)

Friends of (Amigos de) Clark Field Fundraiser
Sunday, February 17th, 1-4pm at St. Augustine’s Walsh Hall, 2346 West 14th St. (See front page for details.)

Cupid Undie Run
Saturday, February 16th, 12-4pm at The South Side Mile Fun Run, expect traffic delays.

Brite Winter
Saturday, February 23rd, britewinter.com

St. Wendelin Parish Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, February 24th (See ad on page 7.)

The Centers El Barrio Job Training Info Sessions
Thursday, February 28th, 9am-4pm Orientation in Spanish-Six 5-45pm Orientation in English (See ad on front page.)

Cleveland International Film Festival
March 27th through April 7th, clevelandfilm.org

Use code INTRMT to receive $2 off per ticket!

Tremont 2019 Event Listings
(See page 2 for a listing of Tremont Annual Events.)