

February 2022

THE PINK SHEET

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR THE
VILLAGE OF GATES MILLS FOR 75 YEARS!

Congratulations on
The Pink Sheet's
75th Anniversary!

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GATES MILLS COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Reminder! Recyclables (bottles, cans, jars, etc.) should be bagged in **large blue** recycling bags and placed next to your trash cans for pick-up by Rumpke on your regular trash day.

Power Outages: Call The Illuminating Company & register your outage: 888.544.4877

Tuesday, February 1	5:00 p.m.	Planning and Zoning Meeting, Council Chambers
Wednesday, February 2		GROUNDHOG'S DAY
Thursday, February 3	5:00 p.m.	Architectural Board Meeting, Community House
Friday, February 4		
Saturday, February 5		
Sunday, February 6		
Monday, February 7		
Tuesday, February 8	6:00 p.m.	Council Meeting, Community House
Wednesday, February 9		
Thursday, February 10		
Friday, February 11		
Saturday, February 12		
Sunday, February 13		HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!
Monday, February 14		PRESIDENTS' DAY
Tuesday, February 15		
Wednesday, February 16	5:00 p.m.	Historical District Subcommittee Meeting of the Architectural Review Board, Community House
	7:00 p.m.	Ladies Night Out Book Group, Community House
Thursday, February 17	11:00 a.m.	Community Club Board Meeting, Community House
Friday, February 18		
Saturday, February 19		
Sunday, February 20		
Monday, February 21		
Tuesday, February 22		
Wednesday, February 23		
Thursday, February 24	11:30 a.m.	Community Club Luncheon & Program, Community House
Friday, February 26		
Saturday, February 26		
Sunday, February 27		
Monday, February 28		

*Looking for Service Providers?
Check our ads and tell them you saw their name in
The Pink Sheet!*

To submit content material to The Pink Sheet: email to gcpalmer24@yahoo.com by the 20th of the month.



The planning for The Village of Gates Mills
Summer Fun 2022 is well under way!
You can register at thenaturecamp.net

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Dear Villagers,

75 years ago the members of the Community Club felt that a newsletter for the Village would improve communication and build a stronger community. Hundreds—if not thousands—of volunteer hours later, it seems they were right! Village organizations and clubs continue to flourish posting their news in *The Pink Sheet*, and newer residents learn about Village events all in the pages of *The Pink Sheet*.

Imagine if there were no Pink Sheet. Would the clubs and traditions have succeeded and lasted over the many decades? Writing, printing and mailing notices to club members would have strained an organization's resources leading to a club's probable decline. Phone tree charts, though often quite creative, were never foolproof, and small phone companies in the 1950s and 1960s did not always provide reliable service. Town Hall would have to have fielded hundreds of calls to answer questions on a myriad of topics easily covered in *The Pink Sheet*. It certainly would be a different community.

Thanks to all the recommended business that advertise with us and kind donations from villagers, *The Pink Sheet* has never received any funding from tax dollars. Advertising supports the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter, allowing all the organizations, clubs and Town Hall to inform residents about Village activities free of charge.

To continue the tradition of *The Pink Sheet*, if you have a favorite business or service to recommend for advertising, let us know. Show a copy of *The Pink Sheet* to service providers who come to your home so they know what *The Pink Sheet* is. Tell them the Village newsletter is mailed free of charge monthly to all residents and available in color online. Extra copies are usually available at the Village library and Town Hall.

Advertisers can download a contract/form from the website and need the names of two villagers who recommend them to be included in advertising section. Personal ads on the last page do not require references. Would-be advertisers who have no customers in the Village, can start out by placing a personal ad on the back page. When they do get two satisfied customers to recommend them, they can submit a contract for a display ad. Advertising information is on the back cover and on our website. All ads must be prepaid as *The Pink Sheet* has no billing department. We accept credit cards via PayPal.

Lastly, the pink cover of *The Pink Sheet* is traditional as the thrifty mid-century women who started the newsletter wanted an eye-catching color so everyone would know what *The Pink Sheet* was right away when it arrived in the mailbox. Pink was the least costly color available! And so the tradition began. Thank you to all our contributors, advertisers and volunteers who have made the last 75 years possible. Congratulations on *The Pink Sheet's* 75th anniversary!

Gail Palmer
February 2022



GATES MILLS COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN:

THE WORK'S JUST GETTING STARTED AND YOU CAN HELP

In 2022, the village will be executing an exciting new effort to develop our first comprehensive plan. This plan aims to provide our community with a roadmap for the future, ensuring we remain a beautiful and wonderful place to live for decades to come. It will explore what residents love about Gates Mills, as well as potential areas for improvement or new services and amenities that can help us attract future residents.

The village has contracted with CT Consultants, a planning firm based in Cleveland, to help us through this year-long process. ***But what will really power this effort is feedback and support from villagers like yourself.***

You will have many opportunities to make your voice heard. And we welcome that feedback!

Village Survey

You'll soon be receiving a resident survey next month. Your feedback is vitally important, and we hope you'll make the time to complete it. We want to hear from every resident of Gates Mills. The survey will give us a baseline understanding of what residents would like to see in the future. Stay tuned – there is more information to come in following Pink Sheet editions and our website.

Public Meetings

In addition to the survey, there will be many opportunities to participate in public meetings. We are convening a range of groups, from our various neighborhoods to perspectives from outside—like prominent local Realtors, who know what home buyers are looking for in communities. There will also be a Town Hall meeting during the late summer at the Community House.

We are also assembling an Advisory Committee, which will include 25 residents. Each month the Advisory Committee will discuss findings—from the results of our survey to notes from neighborhood meetings. All this feedback will then be reviewed and shared with CT Consultants to inform the creation of the comprehensive plan.

How to Get Involved

We will be providing regular updates on the progress of the Comprehensive Plan project here in the Pink Sheet, as well as through Gates Mills Connect. Every update, notes from our meetings, and video recordings of meetings held by Zoom, will be posted on the Gates Mills website:

<https://www.gatesmillsvillage.com/government/comprehensive-master-plan>



Website
updates
coming
soon!

From the Mayor

February 2022

Dear Villagers,

Happy, Healthy New Year!

We are certainly making up for not having much snow in December. Our Service Department is working very hard to keep our roads open.

In December we had a wonderful Christmas Eve Bonfire Event that was very well attended. The horse cart ride was a big hit with all ages. Thank you to our Improvement Society and Service Department.

New this season we had a Christmas House Decorating Contest with five categories. The winners are on our website with awards and pictures noted. The winners received gift certificates from Sara's. There were many more homes beautifully decorated that didn't enter...hope you all will participate next year.

Our Comprehensive Village Plan is finally getting underway. Sandra Turner and Chip Auwerter are chairing the project. They are doing a great job organizing everything with the help of CT Consultants, a leading firm in this space. This project is going to be very enlightening and important to the future of our Village. Already, a very rewarding and fun part is getting more and more of our fellow residents participating in the various committees involved with the project. If you are interested in learning more and getting involved, please contact me or the Town Hall.

The Pink Sheet provides lots of event information from our various community groups. Normally there is a lot to do...family movie nights, theater, yoga, summer camps, art show, and so much more. When available again due to COVID restrictions, I encourage your participation in our community organizations and events as it is a fun way to meet fellow villagers and give back to your community. Other ways of accessing this information is via the Village website, www.gatesmillsvillage.com and Gates Mills Connect, our email system for event reminders and Village information. If you haven't done so, take a moment and register on our website for Gates Mills Connect.

If you need any help, want to join an organization or committee, or have a question about anything, we are here for you. Please call Dorothy, Jean or Janet at the Town Hall from 9-5 Monday-Friday at 440-423-4405. Other times, you are welcome to call me.

These are indeed unusual times due to COVID. We all need to help each other as best we can.

Best regards,

Mayor Karen Schneider
440-476-4930
mayor@gatesmillsvillage.com



GATES MILLS COMMUNITY CLUB

Looking Ahead!

February 14th:

Happy Valentine's Day

February 16th:

Book Club

February 17th:

Community Club Board Meeting
11:00 a.m.

February 24th:

Community Club Luncheon &
Program

March 17th:

Community Club Board Meeting
Happy St. Patrick's Day

March 24th:

Community Club Luncheon &
Program

March 31st:

High School Scholarship
Applications Due

February



Gates Mills Community Club

Member & Guest Luncheon and Program

February 24, 2022, 11:30 AM

at the Community House

*Please join us in welcoming Mary Ann
Penzvalto, our new Gates Mills Library
Branch Manager.*

Members are free. Guests \$10.00.

*Reservations must be made by February 20th, please call or text
Cathy (440-382-5200) to reserve your place.*

At this time masks are required upon entering the Community House.
All CDC recommendations will be followed.



The Community Club is now on
Facebook!

Find upcoming activities and pictures of past events by following us online. The best way to find our page is to login to Facebook and type @gatesmillscommunityclub into the search box. Click the "Follow" button to see updates and new posts, and hit the "Like" button to help others find us.

If you have Community Club photos or other materials you would like posted, feel free to email them to Sue at sdoros@sbcglobal.net, or to send them via Facebook Messenger.



Book Club!



2/16: *Embassy Wife* by
Katie Crouch

3/16: *The Almost
Legendary Morris Sisters* by
Julie Klam

4/20: *Free Food for
Millionaires* by Min Jin Lee



Hosted by Lisa Reid
larworkerscomp@gmail.com
216.533.3418

The Gates Mills Community Club 2022 Scholarship Award Program

Attention Graduating High School Seniors!



The Community Club is proud to sponsor a yearly scholarship competition open to college bound high school seniors who are current residents of Gates Mills. These scholarship awards are based on scholastic achievement and demonstrated community service. To be eligible for a scholarship, students must submit evidence of the following qualifications:

- ★ Be a current Gates Mills resident for at least two years.
- ★ Have a 3.00 GPA or higher.
- ★ Must volunteer for service within Gates Mills
(16 hour minimum for students graduating in 2022).
- ★ Provide two letters of recommendation from individuals for whom community service has been performed.
- ★ Write an essay detailing:
 1. the amount of your community service by organization
 2. a description of volunteering activities outside of Gates Mills
 3. an explanation of what influence the service has had or will have on your future plans

IMPORTANT: Allow enough advance time for individuals to write the letters of recommendation.

Submit completed application, letters of recommendation and essay to:

**Scholarship Committee
Gates Mills Community Club
P.O. Box 372
Gates Mills, OH 44040**

Completed applications, recommendations and essay must be
received by March 30, 2022.

Applications are in *The Pink Sheet* and available at the Gates Mills Library.

Students with questions on volunteering and scholarship should call:

Ann Jackson at (216) 381-1500 wishjackson@aol.com or
Nancy Wright (440) 423-0222 or email: hellowright@aol.com

Gates Mills Community Club 2022 College Scholarship Application



Name _____

Address _____

Gates Mills Resident since _____ School _____
(minimum two years residency required; must be a current resident)

Female _____ Male _____ Date of Birth _____ Phone _____

Father's Name _____ Mother's Name _____

Estimated Hours of Community Service during High School Years _____

Hours/Projects performed in Gates Mills _____

Extracurricular Activities

Community Service Activities; Including Service in Gates Mills (attach paper if necessary)

Employment

Please attach an essay elaborating on your community service, describing the amount of time spent volunteering and a description of work performed. The essay should include an explanation of what influence your civic efforts have had or will have in your future plans.

Please attach a copy of your school transcript and two letters of recommendations from individuals where community service was performed. Do not submit recommendations from school guidance counselors to fulfill this requirement.

Important: Allow enough advance time for the organizations to write the recommendations.

Please direct questions to:

- ★ Ann Jackson Scholarship Committee (216) 509-6294 cell wishjackson@aol.com
- ★ Nancy Wright Scholarship Committee at (440) 423-0222

The application deadline is March 31, 2022.

The application and attachments should be sent to:

The Gates Mills Community Club Scholarship Program, P.O. Box 372, Gates Mills, OH 44040.

I grant approval for the release of transcripts and winners' publicity by signing.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Gates Mills Police Department

Proud to Serve...Sworn to Protect

From Your Police Department:

On behalf of the men and women of the Police Department, I would like to thank all those who contributed to the Village Employee Christmas Fund. I would also like to thank everyone who kept the Town Hall supplied with delicious holiday food items. Your thoughtful expressions of support for the Police Department are greatly appreciated. Below are some highlights from 2021:

- In 2021, we had 6,352 calls for service/shift activities. This is an average of 17.40 daily. It was quite the busy year for us.
- I am very happy to report that we had no traffic fatalities. On the downside, we are not immune from crime and did experience a few residential house burglaries.
- In May, the police department was gifted a 2019 Tesla Model S vehicle that was converted to a patrol car. The vehicle looks great and hit the streets in October! **Please contact me if you would like to see it.**
- Ptl. Dylan Hooker was hired on as a full-time police officer to replace an officer who left to go to another agency. Dylan has proven to be a great addition to our department.
- Ptl. Mitchell Cole was hired on as a part-time officer to help us fill necessary shifts to maintain our road minimum staffing levels. Mitchell just recently completed his field training with Ptl. Hustosky and has done a very nice job for us.
- Ptl. Charlene Strasshofer and Ptl. Dylan Hustosky were both recognized as Co-Employees of the year for their dedication, loyalty, and service to the community.
- Our GMPD Facebook page launched in May and has been very well received. I encourage you to check it out and follow us for department updates.

Last month, Village Council voted to approve an automated speeding traffic photo enforcement program for Mayfield Road. Our goal with this program is to improve safety, reduce speeding, and change driver behavior on Mayfield Road. We will be concentrating on ticketing the most egregious speeders on the roadway. It is important to note that this is just a tool and is not a replacement for regular traffic enforcement from our police officers. The program is expected to begin sometime in April or May. I will certainly be keeping everyone up to date on the progress and the timeline.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of assistance to you.

Gregg Minichello

Chief of Police

(440) 423-4405 ext. 112

gminichello@gatesmillsvillage.com

Village Employee Spotlight

Ptl. Dylan Hooker was hired as a Full-Time police officer on September, 5 2021. Dylan grew up in Cuyahoga Falls, OH where he played football and ran track. Dylan earned my BA in Criminology and Justice Studies at Kent State University. He then moved to Cleveland Heights, OH while attending the police academy and graduated at the top of his class. Dylan worked as a Police Officer for the Cleveland Clinic downtown and at Hillcrest Hospital for three years before beginning his career at Gates Mills PD. He enjoys hiking in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park and mountain biking. Dylan recently got married in 2021 and they are expecting their first child in 2022. Officer Hooker is an avid Cleveland Browns fan!



"Cram a Cruiser"



Toys for Tots



Thank you to all the villagers who bought and brought balls, dolls, games, toys and gifts of cash to our toy drive for Christmas. You helped make the holiday brighter for so many children.

CHRISTMAS EVE BONFIRE AT THE POLO FIELD!

Santa arrived on a horse drawn wagon this year! Thank you to the Judy Bell Committee and The Improvement Society for refreshments, gifts and the wagon rides around the Polo Field.



THE GATES MILLS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THE SOUTHWICK HOUSE MUSEUM, NEXT TO THE HUNT CLUB



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Look at all our photos
of
Gates Mills through the
years and
our previous
Pink Sheet pages on our
Facebook page.

The Museum is open by
Appointment:
440.425.1040

Our latest gift from Police Chief Gregg Minichello: Deputy Marshal Badge

On January 20, 2022, Police Chief Minichello presented Historical Society President Marcia Anselmo with a Deputy Marshal badge from the 1920's. Below is a brief history of the Marshal era in Gates Mills from former Service Director William Henderson's book *Gates Mills, 1920-1970, My Forty-Three Years With It*, pages 18 & 19.

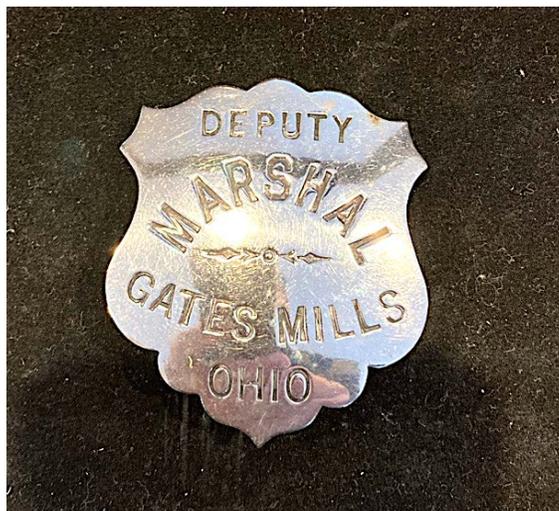
The Gates Mills Police Department

Our first Marshal Charles C. Clark and Deputy Marshal Thomas J. Merrigan were both appointed June 19, 1921 by Mayor F. R. Walker shortly after the incorporation of Gates Mills.

On December 31, 1923 Charles H. Freund was appointed Deputy Marshal and served under Mayor John Thomas Bell. In November 1927 Freund was elected as Marshal, taking office on January 1, 1928 under Mayor Edwin C. Higbee, and he was the only full time police officer from 1928 to 1931. Leslie Smith, Fred Fenohr and I (all of the Service Department) policed on Saturday afternoons, Sundays and holidays as we were needed.

In 1931 Leslie Smith transferred from the Service Department to the Police Department giving us a Police force of two men. Mr. Freund was re-elected several times and served until his death in 1946 when Smith was made Chief of Police. Since that date the Marshal has been appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council. George Brown was then appointed Marshal, serving until his death in February 1964. The present Marshal is S. M. Cahill. Leslie Smith served as Chief until his retirement on October 1, 1964, at which time Fred Fenohr was appointed in his place, after serving with the Police Department since 1948.

Our present Police force consists of eight men: a Chief, a Lieutenant, a Sergeant and five Patrolmen, who work in shifts giving service twenty-four hours a day. The Department presently has three cruisers used for patrolling and for radar work when the weather permits. These cruisers are well equipped with 2-way radios, oxygen, first-aid kits, riot helmets, riot sticks, shot guns and flares to be used at accident scenes.





Gates Mills Land Conservancy

Preserve Protect Together

February 2022

The Chagrin River and Its Watershed

Residents of Gates Mills are fortunate to have the Chagrin River and its tributaries meandering through our village. With one seventh of its 50-mile length flowing through our community, the Chagrin was designated as a State Scenic River in 1979.

Formed by glacial activity thousands of years ago, it was called the Elk River in the 1700's during the time of the first settlers. Later it was renamed the Shaguin in honor of a French trader. A subsequent modification led to its current name of Chagrin.

The river flows until it reaches the town of Eastlake where it then enters Lake Erie. Along the way it is fed from a 267 square mile watershed. The term "watershed" describes an area of land that drains down to the lowest point. Rain, spring water, and snowmelt move toward lower areas through a network of both underground and surface pathways. The Gates Mills portion of this watershed is a 175 square mile network of tributaries, many unnamed, which collect and transfer this runoff to the river as it travels through our village. From headwaters to outflow, the river crosses portions of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake and Portage counties. In total size the river and its watershed are just a bit larger than Lake County, Ohio's smallest county.

The river valley is a defining feature of our community. It provides a variety of topography, scenic vistas, fishing and boating opportunities, thus enhancing neighboring property values. Many people who live in or visit the area do so because of our water feature.

Because it passes through so many communities, it is understandable that both the Chagrin River and Lake Erie are extremely vulnerable to man-made and natural disasters. One of the best ways to protect the Chagrin River Watershed is to maintain open space. Over the years many property owners have chosen to preserve their land by making provision for either no or limited development. Among the most common practices are land donation and conservation easements. In its role as steward for the protection of our local natural resources, the Gates Mills Land Conservancy is available to discuss and help with either of these vehicles should you be interested.

Membership

Become a member of the Gates Mills Land Conservancy. Your levy dollars support land conservation; your membership keeps the organization operational. It's easy to make your tax-deductible donation online at

www.gatesmillslandconservancy.org



Officers: Rob Galloway, President; Cynthia Altus, Secretary; Cynthia Kavouksorian Zins, Treasurer
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Honorary Directors: Dave Butz, Daniel R. Collister, Thomas A. Liederbach, Connie White

Administrator: Diane Kennedy



Gates Mills Fire Department

P. Thomas Robinson, Chief Office: 440-423-1580 Email: firechief@gatesmillsvillage.com

As I compose this month's article, we are still digging out from the January winter storm. Thanks to the members of the Gates Mills Service Department working tirelessly to keep our roads open and safe to travel, the storm didn't result in many calls for the Fire Department. It did, however, create a hazardous condition that resulted in carbon monoxide in a home. This issue repeats itself almost every winter when we have both high winds and a heavy snowfall.

The problem is often the result of the way that natural gas-fueled "high efficiency" furnaces or hot water tanks vent via a flue pipe to the outside of the house. There is nothing inherently dangerous with the equipment. Older, less efficient furnaces and hot water tanks utilize metal exhaust flues (pipes) that vent up through the roof of the home; which keeps carbon monoxide from entering the home. If the flue becomes blocked, possibly due to a bird's nest, the carbon monoxide can back-up into your home.

With high efficiency furnaces and hot water tanks, often times the flue is made from plastic pipe and vents out the side of the house. With furnaces, there are both intake and exhaust pipes that often exit the house within a foot or so of each other. This is when high winds and heavy snow can cause issues. Since the flue pipes exit slightly above ground level, the relatively warm exhaust air tends to melt the snow around it. If the fresh-air intake is close to the exhaust pipe, the bowl or pocket of melted snow can and does allow the exhaust air, including carbon monoxide, to be pulled back into the home.

Fortunately for our resident, they noticed an odor which was created by incomplete combustion in the furnace and contacted the fire department to investigate. The levels of carbon monoxide in the home were so low that the homeowner's carbon monoxide alarms hadn't yet alarmed. After removing the snow around the vents, the equipment operated correctly and the carbon monoxide dissipated. For those of you that have high efficiency furnaces and/or hot water tanks, please check around the vents/flues to make sure they are not covered or obstructed.

If you would like more information or have questions about carbon monoxide, please call or email me!

Until the next Pink Sheet...

Chief Robinson

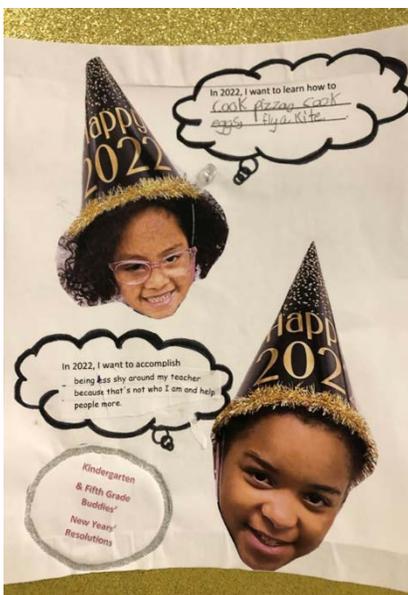
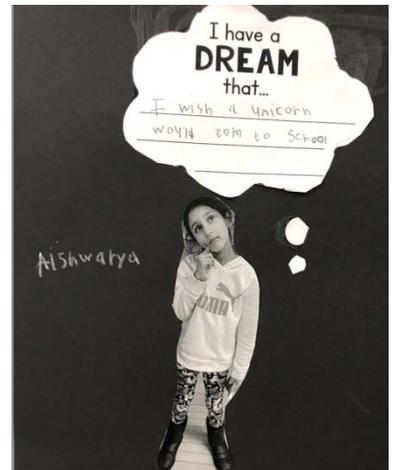
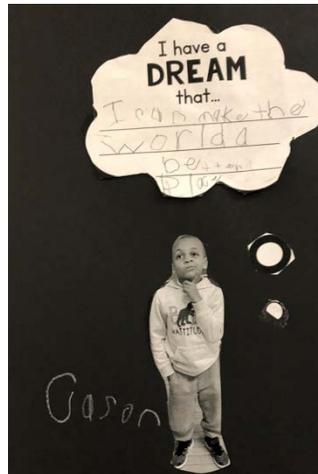
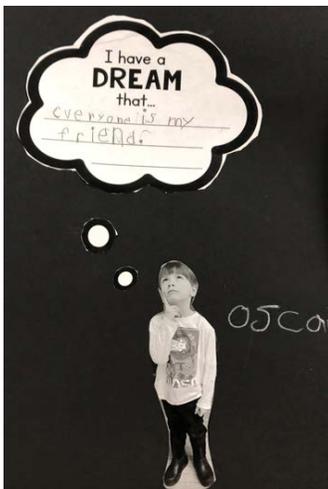
Planting the Seeds of Change

Written by: Erica Alemdar



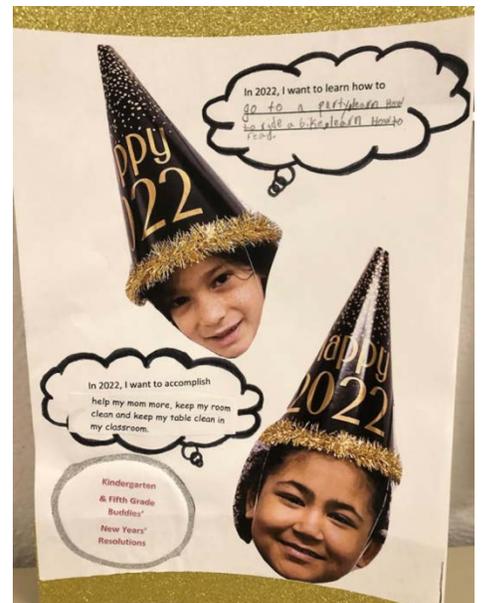
January 17th marked two important holidays: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, and the Jewish holiday celebrating the “Birthday of the Trees”, Tu Bishvat. It is very poetic that the two days should align, as their messages are undeniably interconnected. They both focus on the idea of repairing the world by calling us to action.

When asked what their dreams were for the future, here’s what our incredible and creative children had to say: “I have a dream I can make the world a better place.” Another student wrote, “I have a dream that everyone is my friend.” One student hopefully, “I have a dream that a unicorn would come to school.” Our children are full of hope and bright ideas for what the future may hold, and they are learning to make those dreams into reality.



The fifth graders put those ideas into action with their kindergarten buddies. They shared New Year’s resolutions focusing on helping others like, “Help my mom more” and learning new things like “how to cook pizza” and “being less shy around my teacher.”

Our educators of this extraordinary community plant the seeds of change every day. With this New Year, consider how you too can continue to inspire others and plant the seeds of change, as well. Here’s to an incredible New Year!



St. Francis of Assisi School News

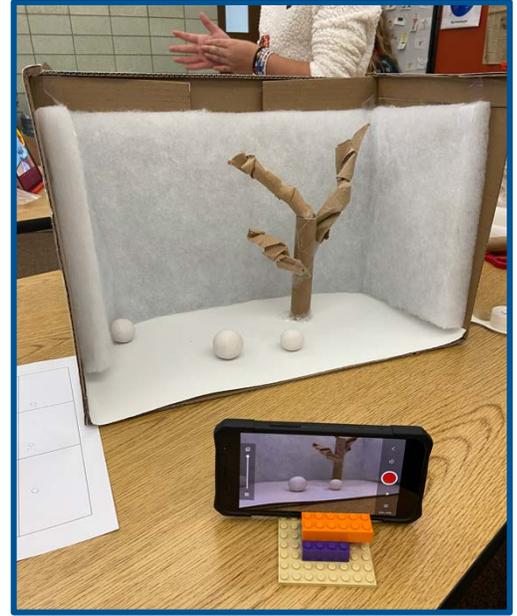
by Cara Sulzer

Our 7th graders are working in our fabulous Makerspace during Tech Class to create their very own Claymation films. The students are creating their projects in groups of 2 or 3 so this is fully hands-on experience for each student. The process began with sample stop motion videos for direction and inspiration. The students were tasked with creating 660 images to create a 30 second Claymation film.



The students used STEM based learning to build a stand out of Legos to hold their video camera device. I pads and phone cameras were available for use.

The students then had to create a storyboard, build a set design, and mold plasticine clay into characters. They become directors while snapping 640 photos to create their 60 second videos with the Stop Motion app! The finished product of their videos will be available on the school YouTube site once they are complete!



*Come see what
lies beyond the
garden gate in
late June!*

Details forthcoming on our
website:
thegatesmillsgardenclub.com

*The Gates Mills Garden Club asks
everyone to...
Save the Date for the Garden Tour,
Through the Garden Gate 2022!*

June 24th & 25th,

Friday & Saturday!

The Garden Club is looking for new
gardens to include on the tour.

We also are looking for sponsors to list in
the program and on premiere signage at
the gardens.

Interested?

**Please contact Mary Schmidt:
thegatesmillsgardenclub@gmail.com or
440.533.5732**

The First Christmas Decorating Contest Winners

Each winner received a winning certificate along with a gift certificate to Sara's!
See these photos in color on our website: gatesmillspinksheet.com



Most Beautiful, The Woodhouse Family



Brightest in the Village, The Pignolet Family



Most Creative, The Westover Family



Judges' Award, The Holman Family



The People's Choice Award, The Panzica Family



The Gates Mills Garden Club

TheGatesMillsGardenClub.com

Celebrating 91 Years

Est. 1931



Save The Date

March Program and Luncheon

March 8th - 10:30 A.M.

Join Bill Hendricks from Klyn Nursery for an intriguing discussion on "Integrating Native Species in our Landscaping"

Luncheon Committee:

Mary Holmes, Barbara Schuh and Jean Weitzel

In the Barn and Virtually

Check website for program details

Board Meeting – March 1

In the Barn and Virtually

Happy Valentine's Day

LIBRARY FLOWERS

FEBRUARY 7	WENDY HYLAND
FEBRUARY 14	PEGG LENCEWICZ
FEBRUARY 21	KELLY SIEMBORSKI
FEBRUARY 28	MARY HOLMES

POST OFFICE FLOWERS

FEBRUARY 7	MARGARET DUFF
FEBRUARY 14	BEATRIX HEGEDUS
FEBRUARY 21	EILEEN PRYATEL
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Plant Sale & Vintage Boutique

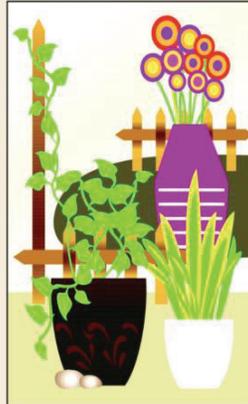
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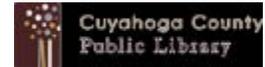
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Program Note:

Due to the changing nature of the Covid-19 pandemic, programs may change from in-person to virtual based on CCPL guidance. Your presenter will contact you before the program to confirm the status of your program.

In-Person Programs:

Children:

Family Storytime – Thursday, Feb. 17, Feb. 24, 10:00-10:30 am
All ages with a caregiver: Join us for stories, songs and fingerplays!

Teens:

Design + STEM – Thursday, Feb. 17, 5:00-6:00 pm
Grades 5-12: Explore art and technology in a small group of teens and tweens.

Adults:

Wednesday Evening Book Discussion - Wednesday, Feb. 9, 7:30-8:30 pm
Discussion of *Seven Days of Us* by Francesca Hornak

Sketchbook Club – Monday, Feb. 28, 2:00-3:00
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Virtual Zoom Programs:

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Tuesday Morning Book Discussion - Tuesday, Feb. 1, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
Discussion of *The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot* by Marianne Cronin

Medieval Mirrors – Wednesday, Feb. 16, 11:00 am-12:00 pm

In this virtual program, Elina Gertsman of Case Western Reserve University will discuss the concept of mirrors in medieval Europe, as seen in countless works of art and literature.

A Message from Chagrin River Watershed Partners



Winter Watershed Practices

Winter has arrived! While winter is a season full of wonder and adventure, it can also be harsh on our cars, roads, and watersheds! Read on for some winter tips on how you can protect all three this year.

What is a Watershed?

A watershed is an area of land where all the precipitation (like rain or snow) drains into a common body of water, such as a stream, creek, river, or lake. Everyone lives in a watershed! Do you know which watershed you live in? Visit centrallakeerie.org to find out!

A healthy watershed positively affects the water quality, soil, plants, and animals (including humans) that live within it, so it is important to keep your watershed healthy. Stormwater, which includes rain and snowmelt, flows over the surface of the land into the nearest storm sewer, stream, or lake untreated. Therefore, anything we put on our land (good or bad) can be carried into our waterways by stormwater, affecting the watershed health. During the winter season, there are many actions one can take to protect our watershed and reduce stormwater runoff.

Shovel Early & Wisely

Shoveling snow early and often prevents ice from forming and minimizes the need for products (such as rock salt or sand). Always shovel before applying salt. When shoveling snow, keep in mind where you place your snow piles, as snowmelt is often full of contaminants. Choose locations where the snow will have the greatest opportunity to infiltrate the soil as it melts, filtering out any harmful pollutants, instead of melting directly into runoff. Avoid piling snow too close to storm drains, local waterways, and impervious surfaces, like driveways and roads.



Sensible Salting

While salting is common practice in Ohio, too much salt can damage watershed health, in addition to roads and cars. When using salt or other de-icing products, use only the instructed amount, as excess salt will not melt snow any faster. Sweep up any excess salt to prevent it from entering storm drains. When it comes to de-icing products, there are many options with varying environmental impacts. Traditional rock salts (such as sodium chloride) are harmful to aquatic organisms in the same way excess salt is harmful to humans. Alternatives, such as CMA (calcium magnesium acetate) or KA (potassium acetate), have fewer environmental impacts, and can be found at most hardware stores. In addition, while sand or kitty litter can be used to increase traction, they can clog sewers and degrade stream habitat. When looking to increase traction, try cracked corn, which will biodegrade. Lastly, keep temperature in mind when using any de-icer. Traditional salt is only effective above 15° F. When the weather is below 15° F, consider an alternative.



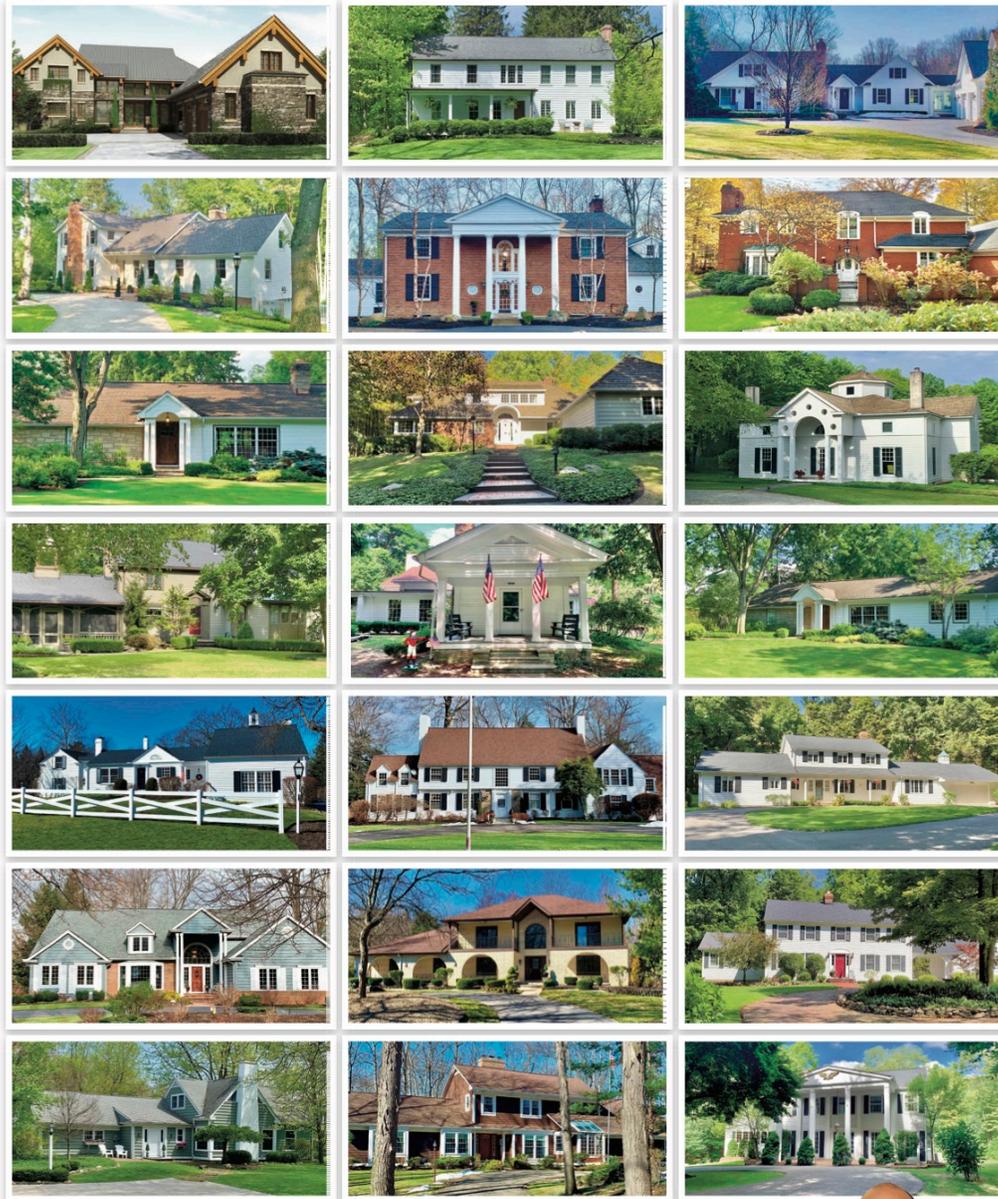
Winter Car Washing

During warmer periods of the season, it can be tempting to grab a hose and rinse the salt off your car. However, this results in the salt, grime, and various chemicals being rinsed into storm drains and contaminating waterways. Instead, leave car washing to the professionals, where rinse water is treated. In addition, check your vehicle for leaks, and be careful to keep antifreeze from spilling.

Shoveling smart, salting sensibly, and leaving the car washing to the pros are three simple ways one can contribute to a happier and healthier watershed this winter. For more information on these winter watershed practices and how you can keep your watershed healthy, check out crwp.org!

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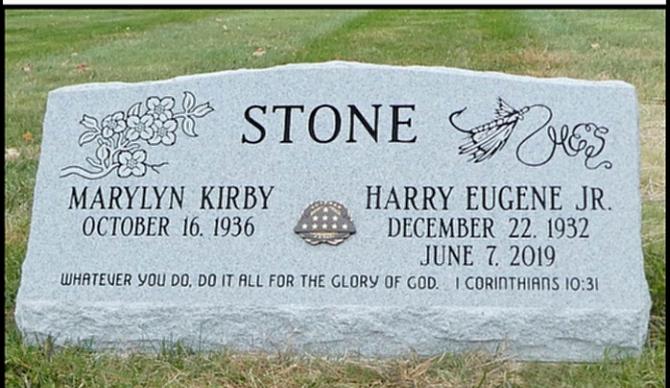
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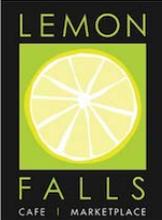
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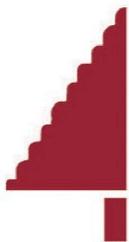
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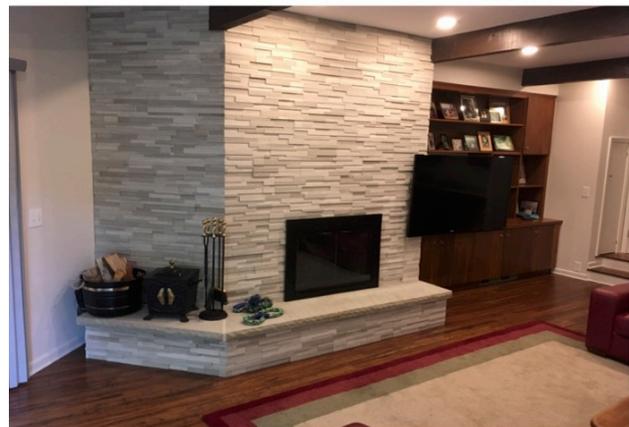
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