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Monday, February 4, 2019; Cleveland Lead Advocates for Safe House (CLASH) Press Conference, Organize Ohio Office, 3500 Lorain Avenue: Yvonka Hall, a member of CLASH and the Director of Outreach for the Cuyahoga County Progressive Caucus, stresses the urgency of having a Lead Safe Housing ordinance in the City of Cleveland. She says, an average of four children test positive for lead poisoning each day in Cleveland.

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CLASH begins to collect signatures for ballot initiative to make rental housing lead safe

Cleveland Lead Safe Advocates for Safe Housing (CLASH) announced they are prepared to gather signatures to place a proposed Lead Safe Housing initiative on the November ballot. The announcement came as part of a February 4th Press Conference held by CLASH member organizations at the office of Organize! Ohio.

The group released a copy of the

proposed ordinance which they said they hope Cleveland City Council will pass immediately. However, the group is starting to collect the 5,000 valid signatures it needs to place the initiative on the ballot, just in case Cleveland City Council does not take action. The ordinance is a modified version of legislation former Cleveland City Council Representative Jeff Johnson introduced in 2017, which never received a full committee hearing.

Johnson, a member of CLASH said,

"The time to act is now. We cannot continue to wait. There is no need for more commissions and conferences to do what we already know needs to be done. The children of Cleveland need us all to work together and take the action necessary to make their homes safe from lead. It is time to end this crisis."

According to CLASH, they hope the City of Cleveland will pass legislation that will "1). Implement a legislative requirement that all rental properties are tested for lead hazards and be 'lead safe', 2) Identify and secure significant funding via a partnership with the private sector to assist landlords to make their properties safe from lead, and 3) Ensure tenant protections are provided."

Steve Holecko of the Cuyahoga County Progressive Caucus, a CLASH member group, said the hope is that Cleveland City Council will look at this legislation and pass it as soon as possible. However, if this does not occur, Holecko said he is confident that citizens will speak again by signing their names to get the issue on the ballot and voting in favor of it in November.

Jeff Mixon of Black Lives Matter of Cuyahoga County, another CLASH member group, said the legislation offers hope that will save lives. He said that places that have reduced lead poisoning demonstrate a drop in the murder rate.

Larry Bresler of Organize! Ohio, a CLASH member, said "the clear way to address lead poisoning is to prevent it in the first place."

Attorney Rebecca Maurer, who helped to update the bill's language said the proposed ordinance integrates the "mandatory lead safe standard into the City's rental registry program and the Healthy Homes initiative."

CLASH member groups expressed confidence that they can easily get over 10,000 signatures to assure the placement of the ordinance on the November ballot. Member groups include: Cleveland Lead Safe Network, Single Payer Access Network, Cuyahoga Progressive Caucus, Black Lives Matter of Cuyahoga County, Cleveland End Poverty Now Coalition, Organize!Ohio, and the Cleveland Democratic Socialists of America.

CLASH announced that signatures are being collected at the West Side Market. Jeff Mixon of Black Lives Matter, said he would be collecting signatures for CLASH on Saturday, March 2nd at the Carnegie Branch Library, 1900 Fulton, from 1-4 p.m.



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Sunday, February 3, 2019; Mass & Celebration of the Lunar New Year, Tết Nguyên Đán, St. Boniface Catholic Church, 3545 W. 54th Street: Parishioners carry gifts of fruit and rice cakes in the Offertory Procession of the Mass.

St. Boniface Parish celebrates the beginning of the Year of the Pig

Over 300 people gathered at St. Boniface Catholic Parish on February 3rd to celebrate the beginning of the lunar new year, Tết Nguyên Đán. The Vietnamese American Apostolate, headed by St. Boniface Pastor Father Hilary Khanh Hai Nguyen, organized the celebration of the new year, the Year of the Pig.

Fr. Hilary Nguyen concelebrated the mass with retired St. Boniface Pastor Fr. Augustine Pham Van Lan and St. Borromeo Seminary Rector Fr. Mark Latcovich. Sr. Rita Mary

Harwood, head of the Cleveland Diocese Office of Parish Life joined in the celebration along with members of the parish and guests.

The colorful and joyful celebration included the presentation of fruit and rice cakes during the Offertory Procession; the distribution of lộc thánh (holy fortune) envelopes with special biblical verses to members of the congregation and guests; singing; and a flower dance. Following the mass, parishioners and guests gathered in the Metro Catholic School cafeteria for a meal, music and entertainment.



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Sunday, February 3, 2019; Celebration of the Lunar New Year, Tết Nguyên Đán, St. Boniface Catholic Church, 3545 W. 54th Street: Truc, Ha, Chi, and Ming prepare to serve food at a meal following the Mass.

Sunday, February 3, 2019; Mass & Celebration of the Lunar New Year, Tết Nguyên Đán, St. Boniface Catholic Church, 3545 W. 54th Street: These young girls carry vases filled with flowers while they perform a dance following the Sacrament of the Eucharist at the Mass.

Consultants offer strategies for attracting retail businesses to Ohio City

by Bruce Checfsky

Artisan cheese and smoked meats from local boutique shops greeted a handful of Ohio City residents as they gathered at St. John Episcopal Church on February 12th to hear ESI Econsult Solutions, Inc. unveil strategies for attracting potential retail businesses to the neighborhood.

NEWS ANALYSIS

Catherine Timko, founding principal of The Riddle Company, a Washington DC based economic development marketing firm, as well as a senior advisor at Econsult Solutions; and Peter Angelides, principal of Econsult Solutions, Inc. (ESI), senior economic advisor and corporate director of ESI ThoughtLab, and a member of the teaching faculty at the University of Pennsylvania; led the conversation.

Ashley Shaw, Director of Neighborhood Planning and Development for Ohio City Inc., introduced Timko and Angelides telling the small crowd that the Ohio City Retail Plan process had begun back in August 2018. Surveys were collected asking residents where they currently shop, to find out why they're leaving the neighborhood to shop elsewhere, and help identify barriers and challenges they experience with existing businesses.

"We found out the grocery stores are not servicing everyone in the neighborhood, so there's some barriers there," Shaw said. "We've gone to the block clubs several times for conversations with residents. We talked with the youth and listened to what they want in terms of new businesses, along with a couple of hours in the public housing talking to residents."

Econsult Solutions, Inc. (ESI) collected retail market and demographic data to understand what the neighborhood can support in terms of new business, according to Shaw. Once a final report from the consulting firm is submitted, Ohio City Inc. will meet with their development committee and Ohio City Merchants Association to develop a work plan that addresses barriers to bringing in new businesses that support the neighborhood.

"We want to work with existing landlords and brokers to make sure they understand the types of businesses you want by giving them tools like the numbers and data to recruit those types of businesses," Shaw added.

Timko explained that the information compiled by ESI was technical and deliberate data, intended as a plan for the neighborhood, and targeted spe-
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cifically to the retail industry. Census, demographic and market data, along with neighborhood and development data – what new building projects were going up, how big they are, how many square feet and rent structure, and general trends in housing and employment – was at the center of their analysis.

Angelides added that economic data, metric modeling information for this study was compiled from between 2010-2018, with a projection to 2023. Ohio City was carefully examined to determine a primary trade area. "Whenever you bring retail into an area, you have to identify a primary trade area," he said. "This defines the walkability and density of Ohio City."

For the purpose of the ESI study, the primary trade area is a twenty-minute walk from the corner of Lorain Avenue and West 25th Street in either directions. The secondary and tertiary trade area is more of a regional market, a destination like the West Side Market. Over 131,000 residents live within a 20-minute drive to the neighborhood, making Ohio City an appealing market to retail tenants.

Community engagement, block club meetings, and questionnaires added significantly to the data. Listening to people that live and work in different parts of the neighborhood was integral to their research process.

"We asked residents, 'What do you like about Ohio City?'," said Angelides. "We were interested to know what people would like to see more of, especially over the next five years."

Many of the groups surveyed were very diverse, according to Timko, including seniors. "We wanted to include the entire group in our analysis," she said.

A survey was sent to residents with about 500 responses primarily from Ohio City, but some were from outside the neighborhood. Food topped the list of goods and services people associated with Ohio City, with sporting goods, art galleries, drug stores, and entertainment ranked near the bottom. A list of goods and services that people would like to see more of include food, coffee shops and cafes, casual eating options, grocery stores, and women's apparel.

Retail companies looking to move into the neighborhood need to know if they can survive. The primary trade zone metrics have to match the company metrics in order to make a decision to locate in Ohio City. Profit ultimately drives their decision.

"A retailer might need 10,000 residents in order to open a store," said Timko. "We

break out the metrics and looked at the data purely from a tenant in the market point of view."

The diversity of the market, authenticity and eclecticism in the neighborhood, is a major plus for attracting retail stores to the area. But, according to the consultants, the prevailing older commercial building stock doesn't work. Also, they said, the growing population of residents over the age of 65 is not attractive to retailers.

Timko pointed out that existing commercial buildings along Lorain Avenue and Detroit Avenue, "...are not big enough, don't have the right footprint or proper ventilation. There might be insufficient storage or limited access from the front or rear doors. But new commercial developments offer an opportunity for the kinds of tenants that the community wants to bring in."

A few blocks of retail stores followed by a high school then another couple blocks of retail stores interrupts the flow of retail shopping, ESI suggested. Active use of public space next to quiet use, then back to active use is seen as a negative in the retail market. Additionally, Ohio City is perceived as unsafe, a place where people party and drink excessively. That has to change in order for retailers to invest in the neighborhood.

Timko suggested that it's up to the neighborhood to change public perception by engaging in an aggressive public campaign to realign the image with reality.

"I was blown away by how much change and new investment were coming into the market place," she said. "But you have to make the media understand what's here."

General merchandise retail is key to a successful neighborhood. Convenience and services are needed in a walkable neighborhood. The dry cleaner, shoe repair, hardware and gardening store – small independent retailers that can survive add value to the proposition. Casual dining, late night or early morning for breakfast, these are the kinds of things people want. Ethnic and family style dining were listed as highly desirable.

ESI is compiling data is to give to Ohio City, Inc., as essential tools needed to attract new retail tenants. As Timko made clear, she knows exactly how much money is spent locally on food, what Ohio City residents are eating, average household income, and age demographics.

When a final report is complete, recommendations will include expanding marketing beyond special events, pursuing editorial coverage not just locally but in national newspapers and magazines.

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Wednesday, February 6, 2019; Metro West Community Development Organization Annual Meeting, Family Ministry Center, 3381 Fulton Road: The Second Police District Community Service Unit is honored with the Community Partner Award. (L-R) Ward 12 City Council Representative Anthony Brancatelli, Police Officer Charles Bartlebaugh, Police Officer Anthony Lyons, Sergeant Timothy Maffo-Judd, Police Officer Joseph Wright, Lieutenant Johnny Hamm, and Metro West Managing Director Ricardo León. Visit www.plainpress.org to view more photos and read an article about the meeting.

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Cudell Fine Arts Center..... 664-4183
Cuyahoga Arts and Culture 515-8303
www.cacgrants.org
Cuyahoga County Archives 443-7250
Dancing Wheels..... 432-0306
www.dancingwheels.com
Gordon Square Arts District 930-4566
www.gordonsquare.org
Gordon Square Review.. www.gordonsquarereview.org
Joyful Noise..... 267-1373
Julia de Burgos Cultural Arts Center 894-5664
www.juliadeburgos.org
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www.buildinghopeinthecity.org
Canalway Partners. 520-1825
www.canalwaypartners.com
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Cleveland Diocese Social Action Office 939-3843
Cleveland End Poverty Now Coalition 651-2606
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www.nps.gov/cuva
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Foundation Center 861-1933
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Community Center of Greater Cleveland..651-5428
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www.maydugancenter.org
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www.merrickhouse.org
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www.rjemempower.org
St. Malachi Center..... 771-3036
www.stmalachicenter.org
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www.stpaulscommunityoutreach.org
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www.salvationarmycleveland.org/ohiocity
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Schools as a Neighborhood Resource 658-1360
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The Foundry Rowing Center 440-596-7069
www.clevelandfoundry.org
Veterans Center - West..... 440-845-5023
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www.wsccenter.org
West Side Community House (WSC)..... 771-7297
WSCH Family Resource Specialist 771-7297 ext. 340
WSCH Family Wrap for Success 771-7297 ext. 340
www.WSCHouse.org
Zone Recreation Center..... 664-3373

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 Ohio Direction Card.....987-7000
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www.needscleveland.org
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www.City.Cleveland.oh.us
 Cleveland Clerk of Courts 664-4860
www.cmcoh.org
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 Cleveland Lead Hazard Control.....664-4021
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www.kaptur.house.gov
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www.robportman.com
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 Laura's Home 472-5500
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www.neoch.org
 Providence House..... www.provhouse.org....651-5982
 St. Herman's House of Hospitality....961-3806
www.sainthermans.com
 St. Malachi Center. www.stmalachicenter.org....771-3036
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 Harbor Light (Two Parent Families).....781-3773
 Trials for Hope www.TrialsForHope.org 296-3374
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 Department of Community Development .
 Housing Rehabilitation Programs.... 664-2045
 Housing Development Office.....664-2869
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www.clevelandhabitat.org
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 HEAP Appointments 518-4014
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 Housing Cleveland.....877-428-8844
 Housing Research & Advocacy Center..... 361-9240
 Fair Housing Hotline 361-9861
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 Neighborhood Housing Services458-HOME (4663)
www.nhsCLEVELAND.org
 Northeast Ohio Apartment Association 241-1635
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 Ohio Heating Assistance (HEAP &PIPP) 800-282-0880
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www.energyhelp.ohio.gov
 Rebuilding Together 800-418-4429
 Rental Housing Information Line (Legal Aid) .. 861-5955
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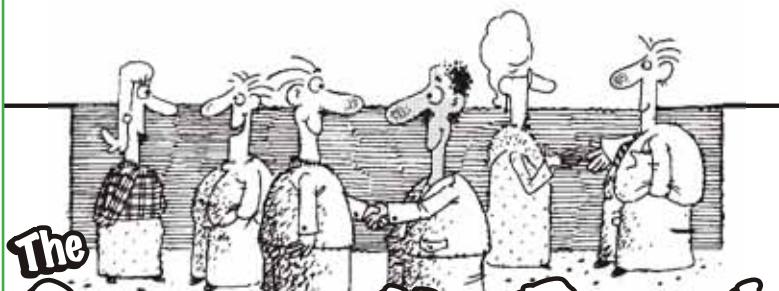
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LITERARY CLEVELAND STAGED READINGS INSPIRED BY CUYAHOGA RIVER FIRE: Saturday March 16 and Sunday March 17 beginning at 7 p.m. at the Cleveland State University Student Center Ballroom, 2121 Euclid Avenue. Free performance and reception. Free-will donation of \$10 suggested. Attendees are asked to register in advance at: littlcleveland.org/Cleveland-humanities-fest-2019.html.

COMMUNITY

DETROIT SHOREWAY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION ANNUAL MEETING & SPAGHETTI DINNER: Thursday, February 28 from 5:30 – 7 PM at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School Gym, 6920 Detroit Avenue. For more information or to check your membership status call 216-961-4242 ext. 243 or email awilson@dscdo.org.

CLEVELAND PEACE ACTION ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, Sunday, March 3 from 4-6 p.m. at Pilgrim Church from 4-6 p.m. Keynote Speaker: Noura Erakat, co-founding Editor of Jadaliyya, an electronic magazine on the Middle East. Topic: New Strategies for Palestinian Solidarity. Free event. Refreshments served.

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CUYAHOGA COUNTY'S DIVISION OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES (DCFS) IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD EVENT will be held on Thursday, March 14 from 5-7 p.m. at the West Side Community House, 9300 Lorain Avenue. DCFS staff will explain what the department does and the different ways we all can help keep children safe and families stable.

OHIO CITY INCORPORATED ANNUAL MEETING will be on March 19, 5:30 p.m. at Urban Community School, 4909 Lorain Avenue. Complementary food and beverages served with a suggested donation of \$10. The event is open to the public.

EDUCATION

TREMONT MONTESSORI SCHOOL offers open house tours on Wednesdays March 6 and March 13 from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Schedule your tour by calling 838-9850 or emailing: Justine.tinline@clevelandmetroschools.org.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Cleveland Foundation's deadline for applying for scholarships is March 15th. For more information and to start the application process visit clevelandfoundation.org.

EMPLOYMENT

WEST SIDE CATHOLIC CENTER ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES EVENING PROGRAM: Individual Job Assistance/ Financial Literacy. Tuesday Evenings 6-8 p.m. at 3209 Lorain Avenue (Please enter through the back door.)

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TIFICATE: 4-week program. The guaranteed job offer program. Starts Monday, March 4 at 3209 Lorain Avenue from 9:30 a.m. until Noon.

FOOD

GREATER CLEVELAND FOOD BANK: Call 216-738-7239, or visit GreaterClevelandFoodBank.org for food assistance. For information about Food Stamps (SNAP) applications, food pantries, free produce, and hot meals text FOOD to 63566.

FREE FRESH PRODUCE: Third Thursday of each month at Cudell Recreation Center, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

HEALTH

NATIONAL EATING DISORDERS (NED) AWARENESS WEEK is from February 25th to March 3rd. Schools, nonprofits, companies, media outlets, healthcare providers, and more are all encouraged to join as NEDAwareness Collaborators. To learn more and to register visit: nationaleatingdisorders.org.

MONEY MATTERS

WATER AND SEWER BILLS TOO HIGH? SEE IF YOU QUALIFY FOR A LOWER RATE. CHN HOUSING PARTNERS administers affordability programs for Cleveland Division of Water and the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer System. To find out more call 574-7100.

FREE TAX PREPARATION:

6515 Detroit Avenue, computer lab. By appointment, Monday & Tuesdays from 5-8 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Free tax preparation, made possible by the Cuyahoga Earned Income Tax Credit Coalition is available to individuals who make less than \$54,000 a year. Call 211 or visit refundohio.org to make an appointment.

JOBS

CLEVELAND METROPARKS HOSTING TWO JOB FAIRS FOR SEASONAL POSITIONS ACROSS PARK DISTRICT:

The job fairs, free and open to the public, will be held at Stillwater Place in Cleveland Metroparks Zoo (3900 Wildlife Way from 11 a.m. -1:30 p.m. on Sunday March 3 and Saturday, March 16. Visit clevelandmetroparks.com/JobFair2019 to register and learn more about available positions.

VOLUNTEERS

BROOKSIDE FAMILY CENTER, 3764 W. 25th is seeking volunteers at its new facility. If interested please contact Kathie at: ckovacik@svdpCLE.org or 440-503-2462.

TRI-JAZZ FEST SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR FESTIVAL WEEKEND (JTHEATER'S STUDENT THEATRE ENRICHMENT PROGRAM (STEP) seeks teens ages 14-19 to audition for Teen Summer Arts Jobs. Auditions are March 2, 9 and 10. Teens attend only one 3 hour audition. Call Education Manager Adam Seeholzer to RSVP for the Audition at 216-631-2727 x219. Leave your name, phone number and the date you wish to audition. Auditions will take place at Cleveland Public Theater, 6415 Detroit Avenue. To receive this summer theatre job opportunity you also must register with Youth Opportunities Unlimited SYEP Summer Job Registry by Monday March 11th at www.youthopportunities.org.

YOUTH IN ACTION/ Jóvenes en Acción: Hispanic Youth Center, 3115 Scranton Recruiting 7th and 8th grade students, ages 12-14. For more information call Roberto Colón or Ivelisse Pérez at 459-1222.

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www.rideRTA.com/paratransit.....566-5124
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Care Alliance.....781-6228
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MetroHealth Medical Center.....778-7800
www.metrohealth.org
Neighborhood Family Practice (Main Office) .. 281-0872
Neighborhood Family Practice (Tremont). ... 334-2800
Neighborhood Family Prac(Detroit Shoreway).961-2090
Neighborhood Family Practice (Puritas)928-1950
www.nfpmedcenter.org
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Children's Aid Society.....521-6511
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Cleveland Dept Public Health
Office of Mental Health & Substance Abuse 664-6666
www.clevelandhealth.org
Community Re-Entry -LMM696-2717
Courage to Caregivers 536-7699
www.couragetocaregivers.org

Cuyahoga Tapestry System of Care 443-6062
Depression & Bipolar Support Alliance.... 800-826-3632
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Frontline Services623-6555
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www.magnoliaclubhouse.org
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www.namigreatercleveland.org
National Eating Disorders Association ... 800-931-2237
www.MYNEDA.org
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 800-273-8255
Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services
..... 1-877-275-6364
PLAN of NE Ohio.....321-3611 x 6483
Signature Health (Connections) 831-6466
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Cleveland State University Project 60.....687-2279
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Division of Senior & Adult Services.....420-6700
www.dsas.cuyahogacounty.us
Golden Buckeye Card.....1-800-422-1976
Greater Cleveland Volunteers391-9500
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zines, developing a retail improvement plan, and continuing data collection and metrics that will resonate with a tenant. The most difficult recommendation from a political point of view was addressing the West Side Market.

"We know that the West Side Market is having management problems. We know they've lost some tenants and we understand why. We've talked to everyone on both sides. The market management has

to change," Timko said, in a hush voice. "It needs to be professionally managed, better managed, outside of City Hall."

But like most consulting projects that produce vast amounts of metrics, the information has to be taken in context. Simple market diagnoses rarely accomplish what the client wants, critics of metrics as performance analysis argue. Over reliance on diagnostic tools can be a waste of time and do unanticipated harm, according to social psychologist Professor Edgar Schein, author of the highly influential *Organizational Culture and Leadership*. The most important

work by a consultant is to help the client understand the messiness of the problem.

"As someone over 65 years old, I'm wondering why your study lists people of my age as a weakness for retailers when some of us now retired have the time to go out for breakfast and do things we did not have to do when we were working?" asked Anita Myerson, a resident of Ohio City since the 1970's.

"A younger demographic offers a long-term, lifetime customer base for a retail tenant," Timko explained. "An older demographic does not."



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