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## Hundreds of Greater Clevelanders join Lights for Liberty Vigil to End Immigrant Detention at Market Square Park

by Chuck Hoven

On July 12<sup>th</sup> hundreds of people from throughout Greater Cleveland gathered at Market Square Park for the Lights for Liberty Cleveland Vigil to End Immigrant Detention. A cutout of the Statue of Liberty, just behind the Market Square stage,

had a sign reading, “End Family Separation” attached to the liberty torch and another sign attached to lady liberty’s flowing gown reading, “End Immigrant Detention #DONT-LOOKAWAY”. The statue with the signs served as a stark reminder of the contrast between the cur-

rent United States administration’s policies and practices and the message from Emma Lazarus’ poem inscribed on the Statue of Liberty, “Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free.”

Jane Arnoff Logsdon, a local organizer for the event, mentioned some of the local organizations that helped to bring such a large crowd to participate in the vigil including: Cleveland Jobs with Justice, Indivisible CLE, the Immigration Working Group of Cleveland, Action Together Lakewood Area, Women’s March Northeast Ohio, Stand Up to Trump CLE, the Cuyahoga County Progressive Caucus, Cuyahoga Democratic Women’s Caucus and the InterReligious Task Force on Central America.

Arnoff Logsdon noted that Cleveland’s vigil was one of many Lights for Liberty events being held throughout the world to seek an end to detention centers for immigrants. The Lights for Liberty website lists 818 events being held worldwide “in solidarity and allyship with communities most impacted by the abuse of our immigration system.”

Kenyona Sunny Matthews, who helped organize the Women’s March for Northeast Ohio, warned politicians to work toward stopping the inhumane treatment of immigrants and those seeking refuge at our borders. She led the crowd in a chant saying, “We will vote you out!” describing what will happen if politicians failed to put an end to such policies and practices.

Dr. Arthur Lavin, the Chairperson of the American Academy of Pediatrics Committee on the Psychosocial

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Friday, July 12, 2019; Lights of Liberty Cleveland Vigil to End Immigrant Detention, Market Square Park, W. 25<sup>th</sup> and Lorain Avenue: One of many signs held up by those protesting immigrant detentions centers is this one urging “Keep the Children – Deport the Racists.”

## MetroHealth holds Campus Transformation Plan community meetings

by Bruce Checefsky

A pharmacy, day care center, affordable restaurant, coffee shop, medical marijuana dispensary, recycling center, and a community makers space were just a few suggestions residents of the Clark-Fulton neighborhood made during several community meetings with officials from MetroHealth. The residents were responding to being asked what new businesses and services they would like to see in their neighborhood as part of the MetroHealth Community Transformation Plan.

MetroHealth hosted the meetings to gather feedback from neighborhood residents in preparation for the much anticipated \$1 billion campus transformation to help realize a new future for Clark-Fulton, according to Greg Zucca Director of Economic & Community Transformation for MetroHealth.

“MetroHealth plans to build affordable housing units on a parking lot at West 25<sup>th</sup> Street and Sackett Avenue, and two buildings with market-rate apartments on 25<sup>th</sup> Street,” Zucca told the audience of about sixty residents who were treated to pulled pork sandwiches and green salads prior the meeting starting at the Family Ministry Center on Ful-

ton Road on July 10<sup>th</sup>. “Food is so important to overall healthy living,” he added.

MetroHealth is also bringing affordable Internet to nearby homes within a 3-mile radius of its campus. These residents will have access to the Internet and each home will receive a free laptop. Their ultimate goal, according to Zucca, is to “provide and deliver health care via the Internet through tel-medicine to communicate with doctors and fill prescriptions but also a way for people to access jobs and education.”

Alex Williams, a resident of Clark-Fulton, wonders whether MetroHealth can execute the expansive community plan. “Everybody has a grand entrance when they start and say they’ll do this and that, depending on the leadership, but who has the foresight to continue? Cleveland Clinic started out strong in the community and as they made more profit, the community around them died. Is MetroHealth going to do the same thing? What’s their long term plan?”

Dr. Akram Boutros, President and CEO of MetroHealth, is the visionary behind the campus transformation plan. Boutros is a graduate of St.

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PHOTO BY COLIN MURNAN

Wednesday, July 17, Music Near the Market, Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, W. 30<sup>th</sup> at Lorain Avenue: Robert Myers plays the Beckerath Organ at the weekly free lunchtime concert.

## Organist Robert Myers delights Music at the Market fans

by Colin Murnan

The Beckerath Organ in Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church at W. 30<sup>th</sup> and Lorain Avenue, is a monolith of an instrument, containing 3,476 pipes arrayed in sixty-five

ranks. These ranks are split into five different divisions, each division controlled by a separate keyboard according to the website: cleveland-beckerath.org.

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PHOTO BY MICHAEL OAKAR

Saturday, July 13, 2019; Painting in the Park Family Fun Day, Lincoln Park, Tremont Neighborhood: Brielle Turner, age 6, helps to create a Tape Mural at the Cleveland Museum of Art’s Studio Go booth. Cleveland Museum of Art staff member Maggie Latham says the tape mural will probably hang in the Studio Go office in the basement of the Art Museum.

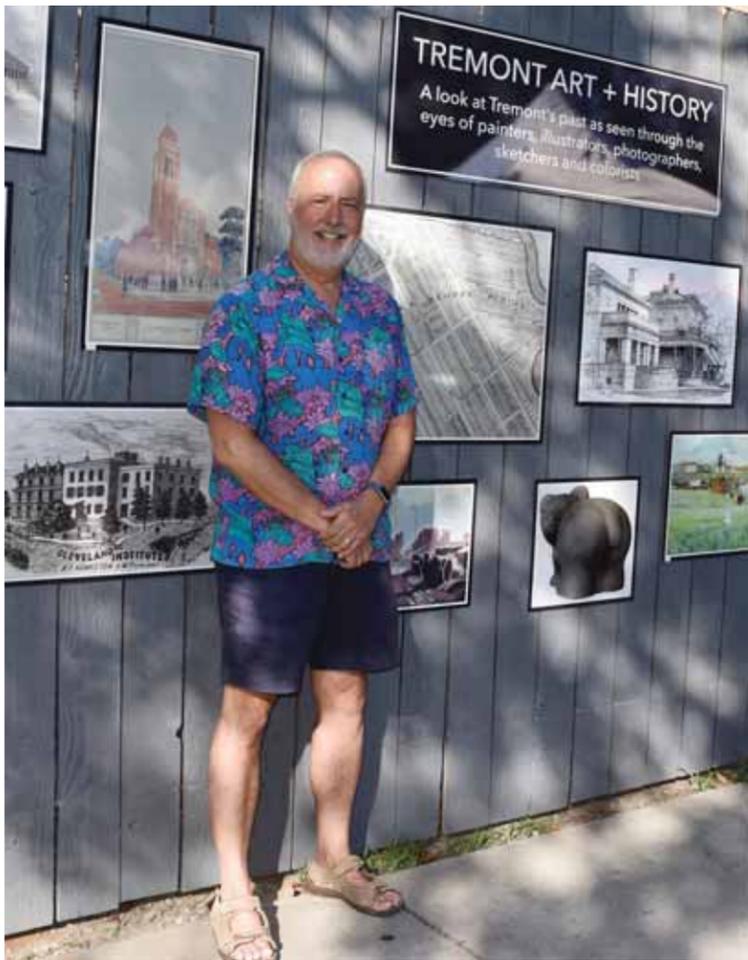


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Friday, July 12, 2019; Walkabout Tremont, Debut of Tremont Outdoor Art & History Museum, Southeast corner of intersection of Professor and College Avenues: Chris Roy, Co-Chair of the Tremont West Development Corporation Arts Subcommittee greets guests at the museum opening and answers questions about Tremont history. Roy says the museum images will be on permanent outdoor display in casing that will withstand the weather and has a surface from which it is easy to remove graffiti.

## Outdoor Art + History Museum debuts during Walkabout Tremont

Tremont's first outdoor Art + History Museum was unveiled during Walkabout Tremont on Friday July 12 at the southeast corner of Professor and College Avenues. More than 40 images of old Tremont were placed on permanent display—weatherproof, digital reproductions of water colors, oils, collages, line-art and even old postcards.

The Tremont West Development Corporation Arts Committee, in cooperation with the Tremont History Project and the Tremont Central Block Club, unveiled the permanent display. The images are bolted to the newly painted wood fence and are all designed for 24/7, 12-month exposure. Every piece in the Tremont Art + History collection was created between 1862 and 1950.

In the near future, the Arts Committee hopes to expand the Tremont Art + History Museum with an additional section that features views of Tremont by contemporary local artists. Plans also are underway to install lighting.

An additional treat for those interested Cleveland history and the history of the Tremont neighborhood is a fascinating history of Cleveland's role in the Civil war, titled "Welcome to Camp Cleveland." This well-documented study that includes historical photos and maps was written by

Chris Roy, Co-Chair of the Tremont West Development Corporation Arts Committee.

"Welcome to Camp Cleveland" describes how Cleveland was transformed during the Civil War years more than doubling its population from 43,417 people in 1860 to 92,829 in 1870.

"Welcome to Camp Cleveland" also goes into detail about the major role the area that is now the Tremont neighborhood, played in hosting Civil Ward camps – first Camp Wade and then Camp Cleveland; both on roughly the same site that Roy outlines the boundaries of as:

Camp Wade, established in the northeast corner of what is now known as Tremont (then University Heights). Camp Wade's borders were West 7th Street on the west (then known as University Street), West 5th Street on the east (then Herschal Street), Literary Road on the north and Jefferson Street (then known as Franklin Street) on the south. This is part of the site that, in 1862, became Camp Cleveland. Like most of the Cleveland-area facilities, Camp Wade was little more than a collection of tents and temporary buildings. It opened in August of 1861 and closed that October. Silas Stone, a real estate dealer, leased the property to the State of Ohio for the sum of one dollar. (Cleveland Plain Dealer, July 21, 1862)

The story Roy tells includes the role of Camp Cleveland in training soldiers coming from throughout Northeast Ohio, and soldiers going on leave in Cleveland. The creation of the 320 bed United States Gener-

al Hospital (Cleveland) in November 1862 to serve Union soldiers. The hospital was constructed on the corner of Herschal and Franklin Streets (now W. 5th and Jefferson) according to the article.

Roy describes the role Cleveland citizens played in supporting soldiers going off to war and wounded soldiers, soldiers on leave, and soldiers returning home after the war.

The role Cleveland's women played was especially significant. Roy describes an organization that eventually became what we today call the Red Cross:

Many of the area's most notable contributions came from the Cleveland Branch of the U.S. Sanitary Commission. The U.S. Sanitary Commission, whose mission was to centralize relief work throughout the North, was the predecessor of today's Red Cross. Formed on April 20, 1861, as the Ladies' Aid Society (the organization was established and operated entirely by women) and then the Soldiers' Aid Society, the Cleveland Branch was the first such organization in the country. By the summer of 1862, with other Cleveland camps closed, the Cleveland Branch's efforts focused almost exclusively on assisting soldiers billeted at Camp Cleveland. (Source: Eugene H. Roseboom and Francis P. Weisenburger. A History of Ohio (Columbus, Ohio: The OhioHistorical Society, 1967). Page 199.)

For Tremont residents today, especially those who live along Tremont Ridge, Roy's "Welcome to Camp Cleveland" will help them picture

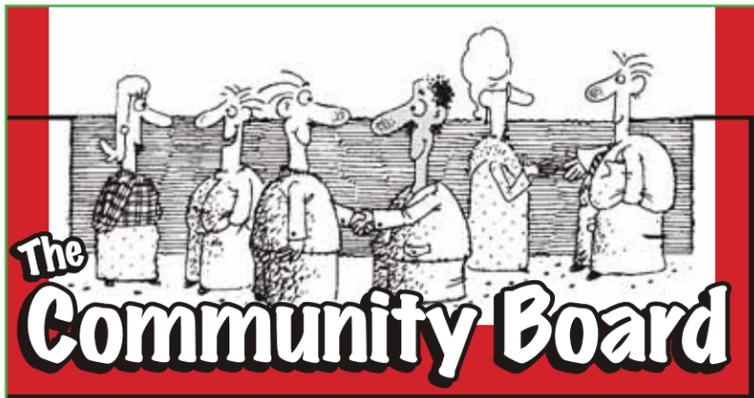
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### ARTS/MUSIC/THEATRE

**INPRINT: What does dignity mean?** Photos of members of the community will be displayed on the exterior walls of the new Riverview Welcome Center. Opening will be on August 1, 2019, from Noon to 6 p.m. at Riverview Welcome Center, 1701 W. 25th.

**CLEVELAND PUBLIC THEATRE'S STUDENT THEATRE ENRICHMENT PROGRAM** will perform their original play, *Color the City*, on Friday, August 2, at 7 p.m. at Lincoln Park, W. 14th and Starkweather. Free. Rain Location: Pilgrim Church, 2592 W. 14th Street.

**ZINE AND ARTS FAIR**, Sunday, August 4, 1-6 p.m. at Outlandish Press, 9740 Madison. Free. All ages. Live



The Plain Press Community Board is a listing of a variety of free activities and resources for neighborhoods served by the Plain Press. The printing of the Community Board is sponsored by Organize! Ohio through donations from readers and supporters.

Screen Printing with Cleveland Print Company (Bring a shirt). Zine making workshop. After party with live performances & readings.

**MUSIC NEAR THE MARKET:** Featuring Cleveland's world-famous Beckerath Organ. Every Wednesday, 12:15-12:45 p.m. Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, W. 30th and Lorain Avenue.

**WALKABOUT TREMONT** is held every second Friday from 6 to 10 pm. For more information, visit [walkabouttremont.com](http://walkabouttremont.com)

**CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT FAIRVIEW PARK ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** Thursday August 1 at W. 38th just south of Franklin Boulevard from 7-8 p.m. Free ice cream and arts activity.

**OUTDOOR OPEN BUBBLE PALOOZA WITH DR. U.R. AWESOME:** Dr. U.R. Awesome, a six-time Guinness World record holder will demonstrate awesome bubbles. Up to 40 children will be given bubble buckets to create an Atmospheric Bubble Palooza. Friday, August 2, from 2-3 p.m. Rain Date: Friday August 9, 2-3 p.m.

**ESPERANZA BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT:** August 10, 9 a.m. – Noon at 3104 W. 25th Street

**BACK TO SCHOOL BLOWOUT FIELD DAY**, August 18, 2-4 p.m. at Gallagher Schoolyard. Games, prizes, fun. Free. All ages.

**CHURCHES**  
**ST. MALACHI PARISH** is hosting an Ice Cream Social on Sunday August 25th to celebrate 150 years of the Ursuline Sisters serving as teachers at both St. Malachi School and Urban Community School. The Social

will be in the school hall following the 11:30 a.m. mass. A donation box will be available after the Mass at the Social.

**COMMUNITY**  
**WARD 14 COMMUNITY MEETING:** Thursday, August 22, at 3389 Fulton Road. Call 664-4238 for more information.

**SECOND DISTRICT POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING:** Tuesday, August 13 at 6:30 p.m. at Applewood Centers, 3518 W. 25th (In the gym on Daisey.)

**COMMUNITY ACTION**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD ACHIEVEMENT HUB:** Creating Paths from Poverty to Possibility: Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Denison Avenue United Church of Christ, 9900 Denison Avenue. General Outreach – coffee, conversation, referrals, job networking and food and clothing assistance. [neighborhoodachievement@gmail.com](mailto:neighborhoodachievement@gmail.com), 216-584-8339.

**EDUCATION**  
**WAVERLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**, W. 54th between Bridge & Franklin, ribbon cutting, Thursday, August 8th at 3:30 p.m. Opening celebration with refreshment & tours until 5:45 p.m.

**SEEDS OF LITERACY:** Free Adult Basic Education and GED Classes. Call 216-661-7950 or visit: [www.seedsofliteracy.org](http://www.seedsofliteracy.org).

**FAMILY OUTINGS**  
**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME**, Steelyard Commons, 3447 Steelyard Drive. Tuesday, August 6th, 5-9 p.m. Family Fun. Free food and drinks. Entertainment.  
**KIDS RIDE FREE:** RTA offers free

summer rides to children age 12 or under until August 10th. Limit three children per fare paying adult.

**FESTIVALS**  
**EDGEWATER LIVE:** Free concert series with live music, food trucks, volleyball and entertainment at Edgewater Park. Every Thursday (except when it rains) from 4:30 – 9 p.m. thru August 1st.

**LA PLACITA:** August 17, from 1-10 p.m., Clark Avenue & W. 25th.

**HUNGARIAN FESTIVAL**, Saturday, August 17, Noon – 11 p.m. St. Emeric, W. 22nd behind the West Side Market

**ST. JOHN CANTIUS POLISH FESTIVAL:** August 31 and September 1. Free polka band beginning at 7 p.m. Free admission.

**FOOD**  
**FREE FRESH PRODUCE:** Fresh produce giveaways supported by the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. All are welcome. First come. First served. Please bring your own bags. Marion C. Seltzer School, 4-6 p.m. on Friday, August 2nd. Cudell Recreation Center, 11 a.m. -1 p.m. on Thursday, August 15th.

**IMMIGRATION**  
**NEED IMMIGRATION HELP?** Call 216-939-3769. Immigration legal services are available through Catholic Charities at St. Augustine Towers at 7800 Detroit Avenue. Catholic Charities provides low cost immigration assistance for applications filed with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and representation in Immigration Court.

**REUNION**  
**THE LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL (CLEVELAND) CLASSES OF JUNE 1949 AND JANUARY 1950** will celebrate their 70th Class Reunion on Saturday August 3, 2019 from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Sokolowski's University Inn (Tremont Area). The reunions are held annually on the first Saturday in August: for further information contact Mike Guzi at 216-524-4721.

**SERVICES**  
**DO YOU NEED HELP ACCESSING SOCIAL SERVICES AND WORK SUPPORT?** Cleveland Public Library staff are trained Benefits Navigators who can help you apply for food assistance, medical assistance and cash assistance. Library staff

can help you navigate Ohio benefits via [www.benefits.ohio.gov](http://www.benefits.ohio.gov). They can assist you preparing to call The Contact Center at 1-844-640-6446 for real-time eligibility and case changes on Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The library staff can also help you to fax benefit applications and documents Free to any Cuyahoga County neighborhood family service center. Library staff can also connect you with free classes and programs for GED/High School Equivalency Prep, Adult Basic Literacy and skills, technology training, and job and career coaching. Or you can call 1-833.ASPRIE2 for information on these programs.

**SUPPORT GROUPS**  
**THE GATHERING PLACE** is a caring community that supports, educates and empowers individuals and families currently coping with the impact of cancer in their lives through programs and services provided free of charge. The Gathering Place East, 23300 Commerce Park, Beachwood, OH. The Gathering Place West, 24523 Center Ridge Road, Westlake, OH. For more information call 216-595-9546 or visit [www.touchedbycaner.org](http://www.touchedbycaner.org).

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### Cleveland Metropolitan School District students head back to school

Most Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) students will start back to school on Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, according to information supplied by the CMSD *e-Communicator*. The first day of kindergarten will be Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> and the first day of preschool will be Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>.

There are some exceptions listed. In year-round high schools, 9<sup>th</sup> grade classes start July 29<sup>th</sup>, with 10<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade students, at those

schools, starting on July 30<sup>th</sup>. High school students at Cleveland School of Science and Medicine, and Cleveland School of Architecture and Design report on Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>. For information about registration, school hours, uniforms, supplies and other subjects, go to [clevelandmetro-schools.org/backtoschool](http://clevelandmetro-schools.org/backtoschool).

The *e-Communicator* also notes that Mayor Frank G. Jackson's Youth Summit and CMSD's Back to School Fair will be held on Saturday,

August 3<sup>rd</sup> at Public Auditorium, 500 Lakeside from 9 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Registration for free breakfast begins at 8 a.m. There will also be a free lunch at the end of the program and distribution of free school supplies for participants attending at least three workshops.

This year's 9<sup>th</sup> grade students that are residents of Cleveland or of the Cleveland Metropolitan School District service area are **continued on page 7**

### New Ohio two-year budget has good and bad news for Clevelanders

by **Brittney Madison**

On Wednesday, July 17, Governor DeWine, after approval from both chambers, signed House Bill 166, the \$69 billion, two-year budget. Included in the budget were tax cuts and increased spending on children's services, education, and public health programs. The bill passed with bipartisan support, clearing the House by a 75-17 vote and the Senate 29-1.

Northern Ohioans for Budget Legislation Equality (NOBLE), a coalition that focuses on issues surrounding the constant attack on state funding for Health and Human Services, Public Transportation, Education and Local Governments, focused on key issues effecting Clevelanders during the budget debate. What follows is a summary of those issues.

#### Victories Medicaid:

NOBLE advocated for the protection of the Medicaid Expansion program. Medicaid Expansion provides health insurance for 600,000+ Ohioans including individuals with incomes up to 138% of the federal poverty level, \$17,236 per year. Threats were made to the program when the Ohio House briefly added a provision that would require that recipients pay copayments and premiums for services. This dangerous provision was left out of the final version of the budget and the state share for Medicaid Expansion was increased.

#### Kinship Care:

Kinship Care is a temporary or permanent arrangement in which a relative or any non-relative adult who has a long-standing relationship or bond with the child and/or family, takes over the full-time, substitute care of a child whose parents are unable or unwilling to do so.

Kinship care is the most desirable out-of-home placement option for children, offering the greatest level of stability by allowing children to maintain their sense of belonging, and by enhancing their ability to identify with their family's culture and traditions.

Foster care is a temporary service provided by the state for children who cannot live with their families. Kinship care providers whose responsibilities are virtually the same as foster care providers have not been treated equally in regard to state resources.

Often, kinship caregivers receive little to no financial support and or

advice regarding how to navigate the many systems necessary to help them meet the needs of the children in their care. A KNP would maximize the caregivers' ability to provide safety and stability and, if needed, permanency for the children placed in their home.

The budget allocated \$8.5 million to establish a Kinship Navigator Program in Ohio and added \$5 million for the foster and kinship family recruitment and engagement efforts.

#### Partial Victories

##### Child Care:

NOBLE advocated for an expansion of publicly funded child care eligibility from 130% of the Federal Poverty Line (FPL) to 200% FPL. This would make more Ohio families eligible for care. Currently, 130% of FPL equates to \$27,000 for a family of three with two children and one adult.

Eligibility for publicly funded child care was not expanded. The state invested more than \$99 million per year to improve the quality of Ohio's childcare system and help providers recruit qualified educators.

#### Care for Older Populations:

NOBLE advocated for increased funding for senior services. Funding for senior services has experienced sharp decline over the years. These services provide support for Ohioans 60 and older who live at home but need help as they age with basics like home-delivered meals, transportation and personal care. Cuts to senior services make it hard for elderly Ohioans to care for themselves and jeopardizes their safety.

\$1.2 million was added to the Senior Community Services Block Grant, but the funding was directed solely to the Senior Farmers Market Program (SFMNP). The SFMNP provides \$50.00 in coupons that eligible older Ohioans can use to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables from participating farmers. These coupons can be redeemed for fresh, unprepared, locally sourced fruits, vegetables, herbs and honey from farmers' markets.

NOBLE also advocate for increased funding for Adult **continued on page 4**



PHOTO BY MICHAEL OAKAR  
Sunday, July 14, 2019; Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church's Procession through the neighborhood: Following a bilingual mass in Italian and English, members of the parish went on a procession through the neighborhood – Detroit Avenue to W. 69<sup>th</sup>, W. 69<sup>th</sup> to Father Caruso Drive, then back up to Detroit Avenue via W. 67<sup>th</sup> and continuing on to W. 65<sup>th</sup> ... Residents near the church offered water to those in the procession and placed cut flowers in the path of the procession. There were fireworks at several stops along the path of the procession. Children passed out holy cards with a prayer to the Blessed Virgin, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, and the Italian Band of Cleveland played music to accompany the marchers.

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**METROHEALTH PLAN**

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John's University, SUNY Downstate Medical Center and Harvard Business School's Advanced Man-

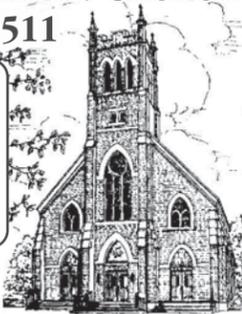
agement Program. In his six years as the President and CEO of MetroHealth, Boutros has galvanized political leaders, entrepreneurs and the public around supporting community-wide health care many

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**STATE BUDGET**

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Protective Services (APS), requesting at least \$10 million per fiscal year directing \$65,000 per county. These services prevent physical, emotional and financial harm to vulnerable seniors.

The Ohio Family Violence Prevention Project estimates that each year 105,000 older adults (over 60) in Ohio are abused or neglected. There is much need in the state for at least one caseworker in each county dedicated to making sure that seniors are safe, well cared for and not living in fear or abuse; current funding levels do not allow for this.

The state investment brought APS line item in the budget from \$2.74 million per year (\$31,000/county) to \$4.23 million per year (\$48,000/county). This is still not an adequate amount to allow for at least one dedicated caseworker in each county.

**Education:**

NOBLE advocated for affordable well-funded public education, in

line with the DeRolph decision.

DeRolph v. State was a landmark case in Ohio constitutional law in which the Supreme Court of Ohio ruled that the state's method for funding public education was unconstitutional. The Ohio Supreme Court found that the state "fails to provide for a thorough and efficient system of common schools," and directed the state to find a remedy.

No long-term solution was reached to create a method for funding public education.

Ohio schools will get a state funding increase for wraparound services in the next two years, \$675 million will be invested aimed at tackling health, drug, social service and other non-academic student issues that many believe hinder student learning.

**Local Government Fund:**

NOBLE advocated for an increase in the Local Government Fund. In Ohio, the local government funds police, courts and social services for seniors, people with developmental disabilities, mental illness or addiction. Between 2006

had taken for granted, according to his bio.

In 2013, the same year Boutros was hired, the MetroHealth System received approval from federal officials to launch MetroHealth Care Plus program, the Medicaid expansion program that provides medical home and health coverage for up to 30,000 uninsured residents of Cuyahoga County.

By 2017, MetroHealth provided benefits for 36,173 new patients enrolled under the Medicaid expansion program, with an average yearly per capita rate reimbursement of \$2,245.77, according to Dr. James Misak, Vice Chair of Community and Population Health, Department of Family Medicine, while giving Testimony to the Ohio House of Representatives Finance Subcommittee on Health and Human Services. As a result, MetroHealth received more than \$81 million in Medicaid reimbursements for the year.

Providing affordable and market-rate housing and healthy food options to the Clark-Fulton neighborhood is part of the approach used by Dr. Boutros to sell his campus transformation plan. The project includes a new 10-story, 270 bed hospital; a new central utility plant; and a new parking garage

Zucca explained. "We have recently created a food pharmacy on our main campus as a pilot program where patients that are coming out from inpatient care that suffer from some nutritional needs, we are providing prescriptions to go to our food pantry to get a voucher for food," he said. Information provided

by MetroHealth spokesperson Tina Arundel indicates Citizens Bank and Mt. Sinai Health Foundation funded this Food as Medicine Clinic which is stocked by food from the Greater Cleveland Food Bank.

"We're developing three mixed-use development projects including affordable housing project with 72 units, up to 100 units of housing for our medical residents, and provide 80 units of work force housing available to anyone in the community for people typically making around \$70,000 a year per household," said Zucca. A press release provided by MetroHealth indicates the housing units are being developed in partnership with The NRP Group, a national contractor that develops and manages apartments and a CCH Development Corporation, a nonprofit development corporation headed by MetroHealth CEO Akram Boutros.

The \$60 million neighborhood redevelopment project is 6% of the MetroHealth campus transformation budget, which is expected to exceed \$1 billion when completed in 2023.

But by providing children safe and stable housing, and reducing blight in the neighborhood, the hospital hopes to help prevent many health conditions caused by harmful physical and socioeconomic environments. Essentially, they are treating the neighborhood as a patient, suggested Zucca.

"Only 10% of your health outcomes are predicted by the actual health care you receive from a doctor or hospital, another 10% by your genetics and things you can't

and 2018, local governments in Ohio lost \$1.4 billion per year. Cities were hit the hardest overall.

The state increased the Local Government Fund by 1.68%, resulting in an additional \$5.2 million each year, which is still inadequate.

**Failures**

NOBLE advocated for the tightening of the limited liability loophole, which would lower the amount that companies who claim business income deductions can write off from state income taxes from \$250,000 to \$100,000. By tightening the loop hole hundreds of millions of dollars would be generated for education and health and human services programs.

While the budget restricts lobbyists and lawyers from using the tax break, most business owners will continue to avoid taxes on the first \$250,000 of their income, while paying a lower rate of 3% on the remaining money.

**Editor's Note:** *Brittney Madison is an Organize Ohio staff member working with NOBLE*

control. But 70-80% of your health outcomes are predicted by your socioeconomic status and built environments," he said.

Clark-Fulton resident Eden Le Bouton expressed concern about community volunteers, a potential cornerstone of the MetroHealth proposal. "It sounds good on paper," she said, "but I want to know who's going to train the people and citizens to volunteer to help?"

Tim Sklodowski doesn't know how much his property taxes will increase because of the new housing development. "That's what I'm concerned about, an increase in my property taxes. I'm also concerned about parking. Many MetroHealth clients park on the streets. They don't want to pay parking fees. I like the idea of a public park though. I'm glad they're doing things in the neighborhood."

Ward 14 Councilwoman Jasmin Santana believes the MetroHealth plan will have a positive effect on her district but public dialogue is necessary. "It's important to me that my residents have a voice at the table and that their needs are being represented," she said.

When asked why she supports the MetroHealth initiative, she said, "I'm very excited that MetroHealth is investing not only on their campus but in their neighborhood addressing all the challenges that residents face around economic development, health, safety, and community development. MetroHealth is creating a community that is equitable for all. I envision a thriving community with healthy housing stock and an increase in workforce, and overall a safer community."

On the final night of a two-week, fourth in a series of Phase I community outreach meetings held at the Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ on West 14th Street, several residents expressed their concerns that MetroHealth treat all of the people in the community with respect and concern, not just those living in the Clark-Fulton area. The possibility of a community-based retail plan drew positive reactions, as did the proposed 25-acre public green space, about half of MetroHealth's current 52-acre main campus.

"I guess for the community as a whole it's going to be nice for them. I stick to myself and enjoy my dogs, that's about it," said Gary Koenigsdorf, a resident living near the corner of Clark Ave and Fulton Road.

"The plan sounds extremely positive. I'm a teacher, so any kind of community outreach that's helping to create opportunity is really a positive structure," said Emilie Macek. "Hopefully, it's as good as its sounds."



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# How to dress for success without being a hot soggy mess: Summer Work Wear Edition

by Silk Allen

Getting dressed for work during the scorching hot, dog days of summer can be stressful, no matter your profession. The heat doesn't care if you work from home, in an office or an art gallery. Trying to look good in 100-degree weather without melting is an extreme sport for all involved. Spending precious minutes standing seminude while staring off into the black hole that is your closet is not how you should start any morning, and we won't even get into the commute. Driving, walking or taking public transportation to work with no AC should be a crime-- and it actually is, as evidenced by the huge sweat stains on the back and under arms of your favorite top. Finally, you arrive to work and get some reprieve from the heat which feels great until two hours pass by and now you are freezing to death and sneezing all over your co-workers. No more! I am here to help. Read on for my summer work wear style guide:

## Tops

**Tees:** Stock up on easy to wear t-shirts with pockets, trim or any other decorative embellishments that can be worn with trousers and skirts during the week but will also look great with jeans and shorts on the weekends. Go for different colors, fabrics, and cuts and play around with the neckline for variety.

**Sleeveless blouse:** Stay away from cotton tank tops and tanks with thin spaghetti straps, but a sleeveless blouse in a bold summer color will look fantastic tucked into a fitted skirt or when paired with your favorite black slacks. They can add a much-needed burst of color to your wardrobe and would look great under any jacket or blazer.

**White button down:** This year-round staple will come in handy on those days when you are running behind and can't seem to pull together an outfit quick enough. Wear it with dark slim cut pants and pumps or wide leg trousers and flats for a cool, sophisticated and classic look. And, of course, you can tie it at the waist and rock it with a denim skirt, wide brim hat and sandals for a Saturday outing.

**Printed blouse:** A long sleeve blouse with a fun print (lemons, hearts, animals, hound's tooth, etc.)

will add playfulness to any outfit. Roll the sleeves up and tuck it into your favorite pencil skirt, wear it with a bright pair of cropped pants, or layer it underneath a sleeveless shift dress and belt it.

## Bottoms

**Midi/swing skirt:** It's true that pencil skirts are perfect for the office, but the silhouette can't be worn by everybody. However, midi skirts and swing skirts are flattering for everybody who chooses to wear them and are perfect for the summer heat because they won't cling and stick to your skin. Find a few in bold patterns and wear them with your sleeveless tanks for an effortlessly cool outfit.

## FASHION

**Wide leg pants:** Wide leg pants are the perfect alternative to skinny jeans and fitted pants that offer no ventilation. Some of them have elastic waists and are easy to pull up and go and will look amazing with a pocket tee, sleeveless blouse or your white button down and you can wear a pair of slides or sandals to complete the look.

**Trousers:** A trouser pant in a dark color screams business, but why not go for a less basic punchy color like hot pink and pair it with a lighter pink top for your own take on monochromatic dressing? Throw on your favorite pair of printed flats or tennis shoes and be ready for all the compliments that you are sure to get.

**Cropped pants:** Let your ankles breathe, every once in a while, and buy yourself a few pairs of cropped pants. Even if you are petite or on the shorter side, you can wear cropped or ankle pants as long as you pair them with the right shoes. Stay away from straps that cut you off and create weird lines at the ankle. Go for a thick chunky heel, or a pair of pointy flats to help lengthen your look.

## One pieces

**Jumpsuit:** There is a jumpsuit for every body-type; you just have to find one that works for you. Look for breathable fabrics, an elastic or a belted waist, and be aware of fit. To make a jumpsuit look as professional as possible, stay away from tight body contouring styles in stretchy

fabrics and go for something more structured and flowy. To really nail the office look, wear it with an oversized, printed blazer.

**Wrap dress:** The most universally flattering dress on the planet is also perfect for summer, so make sure you have a good selection of wrap dresses in a variety of fabrics and prints at your fingertips. Wear them with almost any shoes-- sandals, heels or flats, and keep a small clutch in your work tote with extra makeup and jewelry if you decide to go out for drinks after work.

## Outerwear

**Kimono:** Flowy and thin enough to knock the chill off your arm and stylish enough to add interest to any outfit, kimonos are having a moment right now, so you can find one in many colors and prints, but the most popular ones seem to be doused in florals which look perfect and add a little razzle dazzle to any plain top and bottom.

**Blazer:** Leave your boring black blazer at home until the temperature drops and shop for hot pink, neon yellow, electric blues, plaids and striped styles with 3/4 sleeve lengths in lighter fabrics. Don't be afraid to scour the racks of those fast fashion stores you see all the teens shopping in, because they have great affordable choices that you won't find anywhere else. When you find one or two that you like, try it on top of everything--your dresses and jumpsuits, your white tee and cropped pants, your sleeveless blouse and skirt... and see how much excitement it adds to your current wardrobe.

## Shoes

**Stacked heels:** The stacked or block heel style of shoe has been popular for the last few seasons and with good reason-- they are incredibly stylish and super easy to walk in. Try an open-toed version in a color that you have never worn before and you will be surprised at how many outfits will work with that style of shoe.

**Mules:** What shoe looks great with cropped pants, wide leg trousers, a wrap dress and your midi skirt? Mules! It doesn't matter if they are flat or have a heel, mules offer a sexy, but casual slay to any outfit and allow your feet to breathe with ease. Go for a black, red or



PHOTO BY MICHAEL OAKAR

Saturday, July 13, 2019; Cosmic Bobbins Learn to Sew Class, Lorain Branch Library, 8216 Lorain Avenue: (L-R) Sharie Renee, founder and director of Cosmic Bobbins with Lady Red. Lady Red is standing in front of a cushion she made in the Learn to Sew Class.

animal print to get the most wear out of them.

## Extras

**Work tote:** Women already have the weight of the world on their shoulders, so there is no need to add to that by carrying around TWO bags like I see a lot of women do. Find a large tote in a summery but neutral color and make sure it is large enough for everything you need. It doesn't have to be expensive or look fancy, it just needs to be able to hold your laptop, personal items, and a lunch bag and make sure the straps are long enough to sling easily over your shoulders.

**Sunglasses:** You can't go wrong with moderate to large size shades in black or tortoise shell. Since they won't actually

be worn inside the office you can alternate between a trendy pair or a classic pair. They are the perfect outfit toppers and a great way to protect your eyes from the sun. Make sure you have a case to throw them in, so they won't break or scratch the lenses when it's time to take them off.

I would love to help you look cool and stylish for the remainder of the summer, so if you prefer one on one advice, don't hesitate to email me for affordable personal styling services: [ladyred@thehouseoffly.com](mailto:ladyred@thehouseoffly.com)

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Friday, July 12, 2019; Lights of Liberty Cleveland Vigil to End Immigrant Detention, Market Square Park, W. 25<sup>th</sup> and Lorain Avenue: Clevelanders join in spirited opposition to immigrant detention centers and the inhumane practice of separating children from their parents at the border.

**END IMMIGRANT DETENTION VIGIL**

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Aspects of Child and Family Health, spoke on behalf of a number of physicians who attended the vigil wearing their white physician coats with their name tags.

Dr. Lavin said “the heart of tyranny is darkness. Every tyranny is defined by its level of cruelty.” He urged those present to work to “rid ourselves of tyranny.”

Lavin said, “The doctors of the United States stand with you today united for kids and people in need.” Lavin noted some statistics saying

that one in four children in the United States lives in an immigrant family. He noted that terror experienced in childhood can cause permanent harm to children. He said the American Academy of Pediatrics cites cases of known permanent damage that has resulted from acts of detention of children.

He cited some of conditions and harms that children are experiencing in detention camps ranging from the withholding of personal care items to sexual abuse. Doctors want to send a message about what is happening in detention camps, saying “No, it is not ok.” He said doctors “know what happens to the mind and body when a person is held in detention as a child.”

Dr. Lavin urged those present to “Say no to tyranny.” He urged members of the crowd to do something every day between now and the next election to end this tyranny.

Dr. Lavin suggested some reading material as well. He recommended those in attendance read Timothy Snyder’s book, *On Tyranny: Twenty Lessons from the Twentieth Century*.

A young woman, age 16, spoke next. The young woman’s family had received a knock at the door, and her father had been taken away by Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers.

Speaking to the crowd, the teenage activist said of the detention facilities at the border, “They are inhumane and wrong, and we know it. Children are given rotten food to eat. They would rather starve than eat it. We must never forget the children that have died in these camps. We must prevent these deaths from occurring again. They came to us for help. They didn’t deserve to die. They wanted to live.”

The young woman then said she had a message for President Donald Trump, “My brothers and sisters are dying in your detention camps. This is not the America we know. These

kids will be remembered, and they will be fought for.”

Members of the crowd were then asked to make a donation to the Immigrant Defense Fund by texting “Defense to 44321. The Immigrant Defense Fund helps families, such as the young woman’s, with legal representation when a family member is taken into custody by ICE.

Immigration Attorney Brian Hoffman spoke next. He called the family detention centers at the southern border internment camps that are “a crime against humanity.” Speaking of the actions of the Border Patrol and ICE, Hoffman said, “Do you feel safe because of what these people are doing?” Hoffman noted the detention of children started prior to the Trump administration. He recalled meeting with an eight-year old being held in detention four years ago, who told him “I don’t want to be here.”

Hoffman noted the situation has worsened in the Trump administration. He recited the names of children who have died in United States custody in the past eight months. He urged members of the crowd to call their priest, rabbi, or bishop and tell them the issue of treatment of immigrants is important to you. The faith communities need to be engaged, said Hoffman.

Hoffman also had advice for those who may be in danger of being picked up by ICE. He urged people in this situation to “digitize your documents and give them to someone you trust.” He said time is often limited when trying to prevent a deportation, and it is necessary to be able to get documentation filed quickly.

As for political action, Hoffman called for lighting up the switchboards of members of Congress. He urged those present to call their Congress person every day and recite the names of those that have died in United States custody in the detention centers.

A woman spoke of her concern with the lack of access to health

care for immigrants and refugees being housed in prisons, including the Northeast Ohio Correctional Center. She brought up the cases of several people she was working with that had been denied needed health care. She questioned whether for profit prison companies should be running detention facilities. She noted, CoreCivic, a for profit prison company, owns 50% of the ICE Detention Centers.

R. Brooke Baker, Senior Minister at Church of the Redeemer, United Church of Christ in Westlake, Ohio, opened her remarks saying, “I welcome the stranger and I love the neighbors.” Baker asked, “How long will we as American citizens ignore our role in children being forced to sleep on cement floors” in detention centers?” She asked how people claiming to be Christians can “ignore inhumane treatment of people?” Baker spoke of the 22 verses in the bible that speak of “welcoming the immigrant.”

Baker asked, ‘How long, Oh God, will we allow state sanctioned abuse by customs and border patrol? How long, Oh God, will we allow our tax dollars to be used for this cruelty? How long, Oh God, before children are no longer separated from their parents? How long, Oh God, before families at our border are seen as beloved Children of God?’

After the speakers finished their remarks, volunteers went throughout the crowd bringing candles and lighting them. Market Square Park was filled with a sea of candle light. Two young children held up signs that said, “Don’t Look Away” on one side and “Text DEFENSE to 44321 to donate to the Immigrant Defense Fund” on the other side. Led by Kenyona Sunny Matthews and the young 16-year-old speaker, the crowd repeatedly shouted, ‘Don’t Look Away.’

Matthews urged members of the crowd, “Don’t Look Away. This is one of the moments that can define us. Stay engaged. Don’t turn your back.”

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The entire project involves maintenance on the driving surface and other miscellaneous repairs on and below the bridge. Additional work will take place in 2020 below the bridge

that will have very minimal impacts on traffic.

The project was awarded to the Great Lakes Construction Company for \$9,870,989.72. Work is scheduled to be completed in September 2020. For more information contact Ohio Department of Transportation District 12 Public Information Office at [D12.Public.Information@dot.ohio.gov](mailto:D12.Public.Information@dot.ohio.gov) or 216-584-2005.

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## BACK TO SCHOOL

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eligible for Say Yes to Education scholarships if they are continuously enrolled in CMSD schools from 9<sup>th</sup> grade through graduation, says an article in the *e-Communicator*, titled "Enroll 9<sup>th</sup> graders to meet Say Yes requirements". According to the article, "The scholarships fill gaps in tuition at all public two- and four-year colleges and universities and Pell-eligible trade or industry certificate programs in Ohio. The assistance also can be used at more than 100 private colleges and universities across the country."

According to a July 24<sup>th</sup> article in the *Plain Dealer* by Patrick O' Donnell, titled, "Council agrees to fund wraparound services", Cuyahoga County Council agreed at its Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting to help pay for wraparound social support services at eleven additional schools this fall.

According to the *Plain Dealer* article, a total of 16 schools will have Say Yes to Education plan wrap-around services this school year. Five schools that already have wrap-around services are included in the plan – those services will be adjusted to meet Say-Yes requirements. According to the *Plain Dealer* article, funding will be used to hire specialists whose job it will be to "identify student needs and connect them to social services and agencies for help, while also coordinating and running after-school and summer programs at the school."

The *Plain Dealer* article says that in addition to funds from the Cuyahoga County (\$242,000) general fund, federal child welfare grants that Cuyahoga County manages (\$679,000) will be used as well as CMSD funding (\$493,000) to hire the specialists for the first 16 schools this year. Additional schools will be added each year with all CMSD schools having wraparound services by the 2022-23 school year.

Schools in the *Plain Press* service area that will be receiving the Cuyahoga County funded Say Yes Wrap-Around services this year are: Almira, Buhner Dual Language Academy, Joseph M. Gallagher, Orchard, Wilbur Wright, John Marshall School of Civic and Business Leadership, Lincoln West School of Global Studies, Max Hayes High School and Rhodes College and Career Academy. Both Almira School and Lincoln West School of Global Studies have existing wrap around programs that will be adjusted.

In addition to the wrap around services, according to the CMSD *e-Communicator*, Almira school has been selected as one of four schools to participate in Shoes and Clothes for Kids pilot program. Through the program, students in Almira's kindergarten through third grade classrooms will receive uniforms and other clothing as well as school supplies. Shoes and Clothes for Kids will replenish the goods monthly during the pilot program which will last for three years.

## ORGANIST

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Playing an instrument like the organ requires a certain confidence as well as talent, and longtime church member Robert J. Myers has both.

A lifetime member of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Myers said, "I was baptized here in 1949." From a very young age Myers was interested in music, and he took to the piano first at age four. "I learned to play on my sister's lap."

When Myers was eight years old in 1957, the great Beckerath organ, built in 1956, was moved from Germany into the Trinity church. The instrument is named after its creator, master organ builder Rudolph von Beckerath. It was so large that during its construction the organ had to be laid out in the Hamburg Observatory in order to be assembled.

"The first time the organ went up was in this church," Myers said. It was the first of its kind in the United States, he noted.

Being a pianist already, the foundation was set for Myers playing the Beckerath organ at free Wednesday Music Near the Market concerts for the past 25 years. The two instruments are similar in that they both have a keyboard, but vast differences remain. Unlike a piano, the organ

is a wind instrument, and creates noise by pressurized air running through various pipes. The organ also has large foot pedals that need constant attention as well as various knobs on each side called "stops."

In 2011, an anonymous donor contributed \$100,000 to the restoration of the Beckerath organ, nearly doubling their total sum in donations and allowing the huge instrument to be updated and renewed.

The organ is a unique and complicated instrument, demanding only attentive and worthy musicians to its seat. Robert Myers shows with his passion and knowledge of the craft that he is indeed worthy of the Beckerath.

Myers plays as part of Trinity's Music Near the Market Series, put on Wednesday afternoons from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. for free at 2031 West 30th Street in Cleveland. The free concerts started in 1994 and have been held continuously each Wednesday for 25 years except for a brief period when the organ keyboard was being replaced. Myers rotates with other organ soloists throughout the month. Myers plays on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month, Florence Mustic plays on the first and second Wednesday of the month. Myers says if there is a fifth Wednesday, they recruit another organist to play that concert.

## TREMONT ART + HISTORY MUSEUM

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what life may have been like. Here is Roy's take on the modern-day site of what was once Camp Cleveland:

Within the Camp Cleveland footprint, 80 to 90 percent of current residences were built after 1990. Yet, it's likely that only a fraction of the area's residents is aware of the rich heritage that lies beneath their homes and feet. Perhaps those who are aware can visualize a bustling neighborhood of fresh-faced recruits and enthusiastic volunteers, as well as a ceaseless cacophony of scenes, sounds and smells. Perhaps they'll also envision a typical summer day in 1865 on the same Tremont ridge that still overlooks the river and the city. Hot and muggy, with birds singing and insects buzzing. Every hour, hundreds of soldiers—exhausted and frequently compromised in mind or body—

tromping doggedly through University Heights to homes south and west, or perhaps through the Flats to Cleveland and points north and east. Clevelanders who hadn't seen their families in years. Clevelanders who lost friends, limbs and lives at Atlanta, Bull Run, Chancellorsville, Chickamauga, Gettysburg, Kenesaw Mountain, Lookout Mountain, Missionary Ridge, Nashville, Shiloh, Petersburg and Vicksburg. Clevelanders who watched tired and proud as Lee surrendered to Grant at Appomattox Courthouse. Clevelanders who helped win the war. This is the legacy of Camp Cleveland.

**Editor's Note:** Chris Roy has generously offered to share "Welcome to Camp Cleveland" with *Plain Press* readers. To view the complete 27-page document visit the *Plain Press* website at [www.plainpress.org](http://www.plainpress.org).



PHOTO BY MICHAEL OAKAR

Saturday, July 13, 2019; GardenWalk Self-Guided Tour, Detroit Shoreway neighborhood: The Ronald Zitiello Memorial Garden at 1264 W. 67<sup>th</sup> is one of the stops on the tour. The description in the garden tour guide says: "The garden is 100% organic & utilizes approximately 200 gallons of compost annually. It replicates the historic backyard Italian 'giardinos'".

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### YOUTH

**CLARK FULTON MYCOM COALITION** is a network of youth ages 5-24 committed to creating an environment to support and foster youth success in the neighborhood. If you would like to join contact the Regional MyCom Coordinator at 216-961-9073.

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