

# SHAKER SQUARE AREA

## DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION – SHAD

free

and mailed free to SHAD members. Call 216.421.2100 to join.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED  
11811 Shaker Boulevard Suite 106  
Shaker West Professional Building  
Cleveland, Ohio 44120

# the SHAD Connection

SUMMER 2021

Vol. 43 No. 3

FOR THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE, WORK AND SHOP IN THE SHAKER SQUARE AREA

Nonprofit Org.  
Presorted Standard  
U.S. Postage  
PAID  
Cleveland, OH  
Permit No. 3341

### SHAD Member Meeting

SHAD's annual meeting, delayed due to COVID, will be held on Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Peace Cummins Hall. The meeting will entail the election of officers, presentation of the annual report and an update on neighborhood activities.

## Shaker Square Still for Sale and Still No Solution in Sight

by Grant Segall

At last report, Shaker Square's foreclosure plight seemed to have no closure in sight.

In late April the parties were continuing to file paperwork in the Square's five-month-old foreclosure case, and no negotiations had been reported to settle it or to sell the historic hub.

Meanwhile, 1,239 people had petitioned online to "Save Our Square." They said the property should be sold "to a buyer with the knowledge, experience, and commitment necessary to overcome the challenges facing Shaker Square and ensure a thriving future for

this unique community asset."

Two local leaders said that they were interested in buying the Square but were being forestalled by the property's receiver, John Rothschild Jr. of Columbus.

Brandon Chrostowski, who leads Edwins Leadership and Restaurant Institute, said he was told that he had to wait for the court to settle the case. Tania Menesse, who leads Cleveland Neighborhood Progress, said she was told that Rothschild needed time to study the Square. She also said that



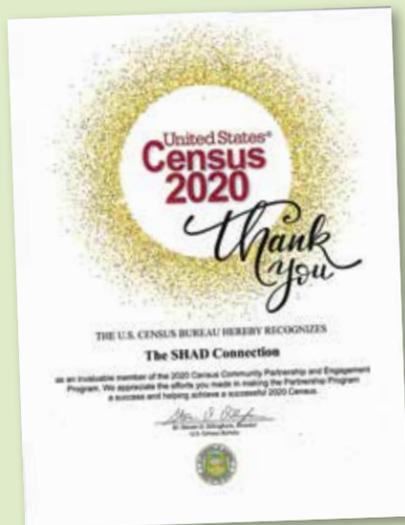
Michael Ann Johnson

she'd need a few months of access from him afterwards to do likewise.

Rothschild did not return calls for comment. The case's magistrate, Brian Gozelanczyk, did not call back either.

Chrostowski said he'd put together a \$20 million offer to buy and improve the Square and some nearby

See *Shaker Square Still for Sale*, page 5



### SHAD Wins Kudos from Census Bureau

The SHAD Connection was recognized from the United States Census 2020 for its involvement with its Community Partnership and Engagement Program. SHAD helped scores of people in the community participate in the 2020 Census by educating them on the importance of the Census, motivating them to respond and reaching out to hard-to-count groups throughout the summer at the Farmers Market.

## Larchmere Blvd. to Go on a "Road Diet"



Michael Ann Johnson

community and merchants' associations had focused more on re-installing traffic lights removed as part of the \$2.8 million streetscape project completed in 2014.

"That's more what the whole community dialogue was about, the idea of getting the traffic to slow down and how actual traffic lights might accomplish that," Garrett said.

Responding to a question along those lines from Larchmere Community Association President Johnnie Spates-Greene, Griffin told the Shaker Square Alliance that the reintroduction of full-cycling traffic signals on Larchmere remains out of the question after the streetscape project.

"There can be more problems with accidents resulting from drivers speeding through the lights, as opposed to controlling the traffic flow," Griffin said. "It's more important to try to restrict the roadway."

Although they were not part of the community discussions, the City Architecture firm will be moving this summer into the 121 Larchmere residential and office complex that they designed.

See *Larchmere Blvd. to Go on a "Road Diet,"* page 8

### Larchmere Events Are Coming Back!

Some of your favorite Larchmere events are coming back, albeit a little different.

Turn to page 10 for information about PorchFest, Larchmere Business Sidewalk Sale and Loganberry Books' annual Authors Alley.

by Thomas Jewell

A summer shape-up for Larchmere Boulevard could include a "road diet" that introduces traffic-calming measures to curb reckless driving and upgrade safety for motorists and pedestrians alike.

Cleveland Ward 6 Councilman Blaine Griffin made the announcement at the April meeting of the Shaker Square Alliance, with similar plans in place for Mayfield Road in Little Italy, at the other end of his district.

The work will include physical "bump-outs" for curbs at four Larchmere intersections – East 121st, 126th, 127th and 128th streets – in an effort to reduce the number of accidents in the district.

As of late April, UnBar co-owner and manager Rorry Garrett said he had witnessed four accidents since the cafe opened in January at the northwest corner of Larchmere and East 127th.

The most recent crash sent both drivers to the hospital and totaled their cars, Garrett added.

He noted that recent discussions led by both the Larchmere

## SHAD Member Benefit: Neighborhood Shopping Savings

### ACADEMY TAVERN 216.229.1171

Breakfast-lunch-dinner 10% off (excludes alcoholic beverages). Dine-in only!

### APPLES READING & MATH TUTORS 216.820.3800

10% off on math sessions. Free weekly reading sessions with monthly enrollment.

### ATLAS CINEMAS 216.331.6825

Discount for anyone is \$5 on Mondays before 6 pm.

### A CULTURAL EXCHANGE 216.229.8300

One free membership with purchase of one membership in children's book club, "Read, Baby, Read!"

### BIG AL'S DINER 216.791.8550

10% off breakfast or lunch, except daily specials. Mon-Fri. only!

### CAPTAIN TONY'S 216.561.8669

10% discount on pick-up & delivery orders.

### CHRISTOPHER AMIRA STUDIO 216.991.9992

15% off all hair services.

### CLEVELAND CITY DANCE 216.295.2222

One free trial dance class for children and adults; one per family. New students only! Cannot be combined with other offers.

### CORCORAN FINE ARTS GALLERY 216.767.0770

10% off any certified appraisal or valuation by Cleveland's only certified appraiser.

### THE DANCING SHEEP 216.229.5770

10% discount on any purchase over \$50.

### FAIRHILL PARTNERS 216.421.1350

10% discount on Wellness and Wisdom courses.

### FIDDLEHEAD GALLERY 216.231.9400

10% off almost everything (excluding consignment.) Additional 5% off cash and check, no other offer valid.

### GROOVY GROOMING PET SPA 216.707.9004

10% off retail "toy" purchases only, no other offer valid.

### LARCHMERE FIRE WORKS 216.246.4716

10% off glassblowing, blacksmithing and glass fusing classes. Call to schedule.

### LARCHMERE IMPORTS 216.229.8000

10% off all services, free loaners and valet service

### LOGANBERRY BOOKS 216.795.9800

10% off on 5 books or more.

### LOOK STUDIO 216.231.5665

10% off haircuts, color, shellac nails, and pedicures (excluding master stylist.)

### MARTEL SALON 216.721.4100

Spray tanning now offered. \$10 discount for all new clients.

### OUR FAVORITE THINGS BOUTIQUE & EVENT CENTER 216.536.7928

Free essential oil with any \$35.00 purchase.

### REUBEN HARRIS JR. - AGENT STATE FARM INSURANCE 216.731.6111; reubenharris.com

\$10 contribution to Shaker Hts. PTO with new policy issued.

### THE RUTLEDGE GROUP, INC. 216.561.4444 x 207

Provide free insurance quotes on all auto, home, business and commercial business.

### SHAKER SQUARE DRY CLEANING & TAILORING 216.751.3500

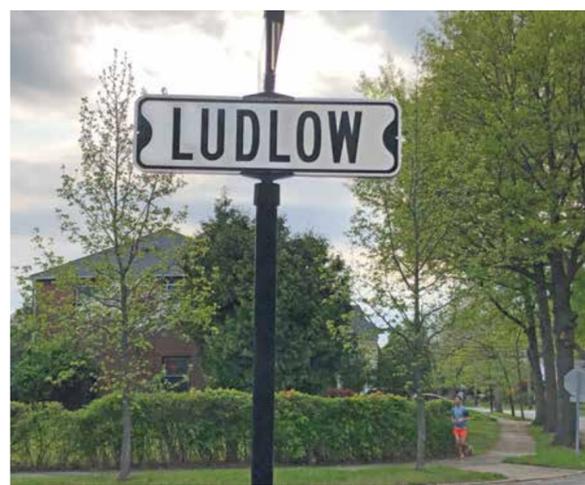
10% off any dry cleaning or tailoring.

### WILLOW COVE ART & WELLNESS BOUTIQUE (216.230.7636)

Free 30-minute lifestyle development coaching session or mental wellness consultation by Lawna Gamble, owner of Willow Cove.

### AREA MERCHANTS: IT'S FREE TO ADD YOUR COMPANY TO THIS LIST! GO TO: shad.org/merchant-discount-form.html

SHAD will publicize your participation.



Kristen Romito

## Ludlow Road Project Alert

In May the Cleveland Water Department began its Ludlow Road Water Main Replacement Project. The project consists of removing and replacing an existing 6-inch water main with 1,413 feet of 8-inch water main between South Moreland Boulevard and South Woodland Road. This project, which is expected to end in July, also includes

replacement of valves, fire hydrants, service connections, and installation of a cathodic protection system. Once all work is completed, the pavement will be restored.

For more information, contact Cleveland Water Project Inspector Aaron Clark at 216.732.1151 or aaron\_clark@clevelandwater.com.

## United Way Provides Free Transportation to COVID-19 Vaccination Sites

If transportation has been a barrier to you getting the COVID-19 vaccine, help is on the way. United Way of Greater Cleveland's 2-1-1 HelpLink connects callers with free transportation to COVID-19 vaccination sites across Greater Cleveland through a generous donation from the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) for RTA transit at any scheduled time and location.

Transportation is also available through Lyft, which is supported by Cuyahoga County for county residents. Lyft rides are provided through a Lyft credit, which can be activated on a smartphone or by calling 2-1-1. Lyft scheduling is subject to driver availability, which may be limited on certain dates and times.



Michael Anne Johnson



### SHAD MISSION STATEMENT

To provide the Shaker Square area with the leadership needed to re-imagine and foster well-maintained, diverse and vibrant neighborhoods.

### NEIGHBORHOODS COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS

- Apartment Corridor
- CHALK
- Drexmore/Chadbourne
- Historic Shaker Square
- Larchmere
- Ludlow
- Shaker Square
- Larchmere Blvd.
- Van Aken Plaza
- Shaker Boulevard West

### SHAKER SQUARE AREA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

**Officers**  
Mary Ann Kovach  
*President*  
Johnnie Spates-Greene  
*First Vice-President*  
Maryann Tegowski  
*Second Vice-President*  
Peter Linberger  
*Secretary*  
George W. Palda  
*Treasurer*

**Trustees**  
William H. Beard  
*Ex-officio*  
Lynne Alfred  
China Brown  
Corrine P. Croom  
Theresa Pollard  
Jan Rybka  
Kristen Schmidt  
Brian Siggers  
Steven Smrdel  
Andrew Spencer  
Emma Visnic  
**Staff**  
Carole Grady

**Mailing Address**  
The SHAD Connection  
Shaker Square Area  
Development Corporation  
11811 Shaker Boulevard  
Suite 106  
Cleveland, Ohio 44120

**Telephone**  
216.421.2100  
**Fax**  
216.421.2200  
**Editor E-mail**  
info@shad.org

**THE SHAD CONNECTION**  
©2021, Shaker Square Area Development Corp.  
All rights reserved.

## StoryWalk Debuts on Larchmere

by Pamela Zoslov

Spring and summer always beckon invitingly on Larchmere, but the warm-up is especially welcome this year, after months of winter chill and Covid confinement. While the neighborhood won't have its usual packed calendar of events, a fun new activity is coming on Memorial Day weekend: StoryWalk, a project created to give children and parents a way to enjoy reading and outdoor activity.

StoryWalk is a public installation of pages from a children's storybook, displayed at kids' eye level along a designated path. At each station, young readers are directed to the next stop along the pathway.

### "It's a first for the neighborhood, and something fun for families."

The StoryWalk concept was created in 2007 by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vermont, and developed with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Ferguson was working as a chronic-disease prevention specialist, and wanted to create something that would keep children and parents active and engaged. The concept has since been successfully adopted by communities in 50 U.S. states and 13 countries.

Mary Ann Kovach, president of SHAD, and Kristen Schmidt, a librarian and SHAD board member, thought the idea was perfect for

pedestrian-friendly Larchmere. "It's a nice community engagement activity," says Kovach. "And it's also good for the shops." The 12 laminated page displays will be mounted in store windows along Larchmere and, in locations where properties are set back, on wooden stakes. This is made possible by Loganberry Books, who partnered with SHAD on this project, and Strong Bindery for preparing the pages for mounting. Other participants include Dancing Sheep, Our Favorite Things Boutique.

The trademarked program mandates specific protocols for creating the displays; for example, the pages cannot be enlarged, scanned or reproduced. Kovach explains the process. "It's very simple. You buy two copies of the book, take them apart and laminate them. It's very cost-effective; it can be done on a shoestring."

The book Kovach and Schmidt chose is "Over in the Meadow" by Olive Wadsworth. It's a classic Appalachian counting rhyme book originally written in 1870, with vivid color illustrations by Ezra Jack Keats of The Snowy Day fame. The story is about little turtles, fish, bluebirds, muskrats, honeybees, crows, crickets, lizards, frogs and fireflies, all doing what their mothers ask.

The StoryWalk display will run through July 31. Kovach hopes to follow up with a second display at the end of summer or early fall.

She is excited about StoryWalk's debut. "It's a first for the neighborhood, and something fun for families."



Kristen Romito



Courtesy of Towards Employment

## Local Nonprofits Create Job Hotline During Pandemic Recovery

Neighborhood Career Hotline – a free service designed to make it easy for job seekers from three target neighborhoods to connect with career-training opportunities.

The hotline was developed in partnership with MidTown Cleveland; Metro West Community Development Organization; Burten, Bell, Carr Development; Towards Employment; and The Fund for Our Economic Future, which is funding the new hotline.

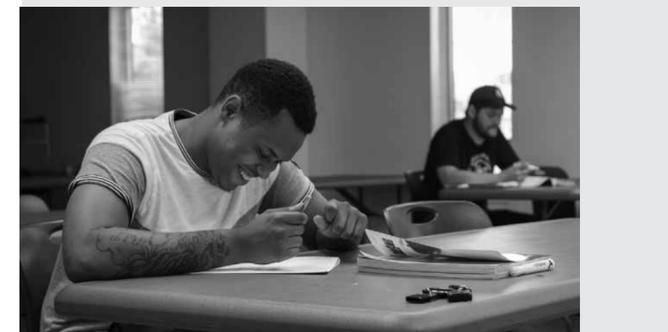
Through the hotline, callers from the neighborhoods served by MidTown, Burten, Bell, Carr and Metro West are assigned a career counselor, who helps them identify and connect with resources for career planning, training, job placement and associated support services needed for starting careers in information technology, healthcare, manufacturing and other industries.

Job seekers can use the hotline to explore career options, identify scholarships for credentialed training and connect with

employers offering immediate job openings.

The Neighborhood Career Hotline is designed to serve residents 18 and over of the Midtown, Central, Kinsman, Buckeye-Shaker Square, Buckeye-Woodhill, Stockyard, Clark-Fulton and Brooklyn Centre neighborhoods including those who were involved in the criminal justice system. The program especially encourages Black and Latinx workers to participate, with a focus on industries where these populations are underrepresented, such as information technology and manufacturing.

### To use the new Neighborhood Career Hotline, visit [cutt.ly/careerhotline](http://cutt.ly/careerhotline) or call 216.399.3550



**Join Shaker Square Area Development Corp.**  
Your support sustains, maintains, improves & grows our neighborhoods!

**YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN SHAD:**

- Maintains our charming, artistic, accessible residential community
- Preserves this architectural gem
- Encourages local businesses and restaurants to thrive
- Contributes to fun, area activities
- Provides you with discounts from our merchants

**MEMBER BENEFITS**

- Tax deductible membership fees
- The SHAD Connection mailed to your home or business
- Special discounts from participating local merchants listed here in Neighborhood Shopping Savings

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FOR SHAKER SQUARE AREA DEVELOPMENT CORP.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

New Member  Renewal

_____ Basic Supporter	\$35
_____ Friend/Couple	\$55/\$60
_____ Business	\$75
_____ Sustaining Donor	\$100
_____ Patron	\$250
_____ Grand Patron	\$500
_____ Leadership Circle	\$1000+
_____ Contribution/Donation	\$ _____

**To join by mail:**  
Make checks payable and send to:  
Shaker Square Area Development Corp.  
11811 Shaker Boulevard, Suite 106  
Cleveland, Ohio 44120-1927

**To join online:**  
Go to [www.shad.org](http://www.shad.org).  
VISA, Mastercard, American Express,  
Discover, and PayPal are accepted.

**Questions?** Call 216.421.2100

**Advertise!**

**The SHAD Connection Deadlines Fall Issue**

For advertising rate and ad size information and media kit go to [shad.org](http://shad.org) or call us at 216.421.2100.

**Reserve ad space for the Fall issue (covering Sept., Oct., & Nov.) by Monday, June 28** by emailing [jgdalessandro@gmail.com](mailto:jgdalessandro@gmail.com).

**Ad artwork is due no later than: Friday, July 23.** Send artwork to Jim at [jgdalessandro@gmail.com](mailto:jgdalessandro@gmail.com).

Thank you for supporting your local community!

**Join SHAD today!**

Your support sustains, maintains, improves & grows our neighborhoods!

Call 216.421.2100 for details.

**Attenson's Coventry Antiques & Books**

Since 1965  
Explore our Eclectic, Ever Changing Inventory

Jewelry, Art, Furniture, Books, Collectibles, Vintage Clothing, Curiosities, More!  
3000 sq. ft. on 2 Levels

1771-75 Coventry Road  
Cleveland Heights, OH 44118  
216-321-2515

Open 11:30-5:30 Mon. thru Sat.  
[www.AttensonsAntiques.com](http://www.AttensonsAntiques.com)

**Class 1 Pavers & Remodelers**

Asphalt & Concrete, Masonry, Roofing, Siding, Gutters, Windows; Kitchen & Baths

LOOK FOR THE A+ BBB LOGO!

FINANCING AVAILABLE

Gary Wisniewski, President  
1481 Warrensville Center Rd South Euclid, OH 44121  
216-392-1335 Fax 216-397-6349  
[class1pavers@sbcglobal.net](http://class1pavers@sbcglobal.net) [www.class1pavers.com](http://www.class1pavers.com)

**BBB MEMBER**

## Heard Around the Square

by Margaret Simon

Profit, people, and planet are the three pillars of sustainability, but Shaker has a fourth pillar – Peters – as in Sustainability Coordinator **Michael Peters** – whose work is dedicated to sustaining the environment for future generations. When he's not driving his electric car, composting with Rust Belt Riders, or promoting the benefits of solar panels, you can catch watch him on YouTube at shakeronline.com/354/Sustainability.

*Making history!* Congratulations to SHHS Individuals & Societies teacher and Director of the Shaker Heights Bridges Program, **Sarah Davis**, on her nomination for the Patricia Behring Teacher of the Year award in the senior division of the National History Day National Contest. More congratulations to **Judy** and **Bob Rawson** who received Cleveland State University's highest non-academic recognition – the President's Medal – at the Foundation's Radiance event in May. The Shaker Board of Education appointed **Bruce Ian Rogen, MD, MPH** to the Library Board of Trustees, for a seven-year term, which began last April. Dr. Rogen grew up in Shaker Heights and returned in 2009 to raise his family.

Be a trailblazer, a stargazer, or come for a Virtual Happy Hour at Nature Night, the Shaker Lakes Nature Center's June 5 benefit. All COVID protocols will be in place

and tables will be set up throughout the property with some under a tent cover and some open air under the stars. **Doug Katz** will feature the appetizers, **Spice Catering** will serve dinner, **Luna Bakery & Café** will offer the desserts and the **Wine Spot** and **Gigi's on Fairmount** will provide the wine and creative cocktails. If you're not a night owl, remember that the Nature Center is free and open to young and young-at-heart for daylight and dusk strolls throughout the grounds.

*Phase one is done!* Shaker Library's renovation is moving along on schedule. Check out the new, clean, open look and while you're there, check out a book or four. Sign the kids up for summer reading and they can win prizes as they read thanks to the generosity of the **Friends of the Shaker Library**. The biggest reward? It helps them succeed in the coming school year and can even put them ahead of their peers. Lead by example—make reading part of your own summer routine.

**Carter Bays**, SHHS Hall of Famer and co-creator of "How I Met Your Mother," has written an epic romantic novel entitled "The Mutual Friend," and according to Maya Ziv from the Dutton imprint of Penguin Random House, "Carter Bays knows how to tell a story and build an unforgettable cast, and in his first novel he completely captures the choreography of navigating life and

love in the smartphone age." It'll be out next summer. Until then, watch HIMYM reruns and visit Shaker Library to stock up on more good reading and listening material.

When the lights went out in the theater district during the pandemic, *Cleveland Jewish News* theater critic **Bob Abelman** created a blog to keep folks connected. He also wrote a novella, "All the World's a Stage Fright, Misadventures of a Clandestine Critic," that describes what happens when a critic crosses over and joins a theater company. The book was published by *The Cleveland Jewish News* and Gray and Company.

*Post-pandemic programming.* Loganberry Books has re-invented its annual outdoor Author Alley event to take place over four Saturdays in August when they'll feature a dozen local writers in different genres. If you're an author, this is right up your alley. For more information, email [Miesha@logan.com](mailto:Miesha@logan.com).

Every year, many talented students entered Dobama Theatre's Marilyn Bianchi Kids' Playwriting Festival, which holds the distinction of being the oldest kids' playwriting festival in the country. Shaker High School's **Josh Mink** received an honorable mention for his play, "Click" and **Henry Harte's** play, "The Kellogs," was selected for a full production. Remember their names. You just may see them on future playbills.

Shaker Historical Museum's Executive Director **Brianna Treleven** began work during the pandemic, but the closure of the museum didn't stop the energetic director from creating virtual exhibits and producing "Director's Desk Talks" on YouTube. Her most recent talk was about Anna and Helen Hank, William Van Aken's half-sisters who owned and operated a dry goods store on Larchmere Boulevard.

Very square leaders who have stepped up to head the area PTOs for the 2021-22 school years are **April Curtain**, President of Boulevard Elementary School, and **Bridget McCarthy** and **Lara Richards**, Co-presidents of Onaway Elementary School. If they call for help, say yes! If you missed the opportunity to write it in stone on a Woodbury paver, you can use your tasteful rewards card and Heinen's will donate 1 percent of your purchases to Woodbury School. It's as easy as 1: in-store at customer service; 2: by phone at 855.475.2300 x 2337; 3: online at [heinens.com/schools](http://heinens.com/schools).

*It's all in the family.* Congratulations to **Lora Clarke**, SHHS Class of 2020 and freshman at University of Michigan whose field hockey team is in the NCAA final four. Lora's father **Taylor** played ice hockey at Michigan State and her mom, **Jennifer Hughes Clarke** played field hockey at Michigan State. Aunt Hilary Anderson played field hockey at U of M and her uncle, Erick Anderson, was an All-America linebacker and Butkus Award winner at U of M. Go blue!

*Authoritis!* Join Shaker Library at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 2 when

local author, medical historian, and editor-in-chief of the journal *Medical Humanities* **Brandy Schillace** will discuss her book, "Mr. Humble and Dr. Butcher: A Monkey's Head, the Pope's Neuroscientist, and the Quest to Transplant the Soul," the engrossing biography of Dr. Robert White, the first Chief of Neurosurgery at Cleveland's MetroHealth Hospital, who tested the boundaries of science and ethics in his quest to transplant the human soul. Loganberry Books and Karamu Theater welcome **Caseen Gaines**, author of "Footnotes," the evening of June 3. His book tells the story of the first successful Broadway Show produced by Black people. The show, *Shuffle Along*, brought jazz into the mainstream and helped usher in the Harlem Renaissance. Meet author Margaret Bernstein, whose storybooks are designed for fathers to read with their children, when she visits Loganberry Books from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, June 19.

Enjoy the perks of post-pandemic strolls out of doors. Circle the Square . . . and keep your ears open for me.

[heardaroundthesquare@gmail.com](mailto:heardaroundthesquare@gmail.com)

### EDWINS Too Switching Gears

The restaurant venture is coming to an end but a new concept is coming to fruition. EDWINS Too will be converted into an incubator restaurant-business space that will offer pop-up opportunities for chefs and product trials for entrepreneurs. It's being marketed as a culinary innovation lab, makerspace, event venue and restaurant. EDWINS Too will continue to serve weekend brunch and host private and seasonal events.

EDWINS Too Culinary Incubator will be open Monday through Saturday, by appointment only. To submit your application and reserve your space visit [edwinstoo.org](http://edwinstoo.org) or call 216.400.6091.

edwins too  
an extension of EDWINS Leadership & Restaurant Institute

**CALLING ALL CHEFS WITH A VISION**

Are you ready to host your own restaurant experience?

Make your chef dreams a reality today!

## Shaker Square Still for Sale

Continued from page 1

properties. Edwins trains former felons at the Square and on Buckeye Road to work in the hospitality and restaurant industry. Chrostowski hoped to attract similar enterprises in other fields to the Square.

Cleveland Neighborhood Progress is working on the Square's prospects with Burten, Bell, Carr Development, Cleveland and Cuyahoga County officials, and others. Menesse said the team might buy and renovate the Square, then seek a private partner or buyer.

Chrostowski and Menesse said that Rothschild had been keeping up with repairs to pipes, roofs, and the like, but that the Square needed major renovations.

Peter Rubin, president of the Square's previous owner Coral Shaker Square, and of its previous management the Coral Company, challenged the receivership in court. He declined to say whether he might try to buy back the Square.

### Local leaders consider the Square a rare junction of places, races, nationalities, classes, generations, and more.

Last July, Coral Shaker Square defaulted on a \$10.7 million payment to Wilmington Trust. The money would have finished repaying a \$12.2 million loan. Rubin said he'd lined up refinancing well ahead, but the lenders backed out near the deadline in fear of the pandemic's depressing the value of real estate.

In December, Wilmington Trust asked the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas for permission to foreclose. Judge Ashley Kilbane appointed the receiver and the magistrate. The court heard arguments but did not rule on the foreclosure yet.

Shaker Square is actually a traffic circle inside an octagon of buildings. It opened in 1929 as one of the nation's first shopping centers with parking spaces.



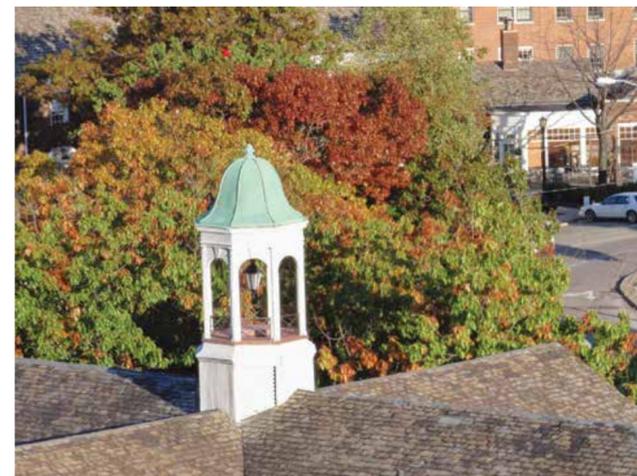
The brick colonial buildings were raised by brothers Oris and Mantis Van Sweringen, who developed Shaker Heights and owned the Square's rapid transit line. The structures contain about 130,000 square feet of rental space on 10 acres.

Coral Shaker Square bought the Square in 2004 for \$7.5 million and hired the Coral Company to manage it. Peter Rubin, who leads both businesses, said he spent some \$6 million at the Square on renovations and a security system. According to Rubin, the occupancy rose from about 40 percent to 90 percent.

Tenants include several restaurants, a Dave's Market, a CVS drugstore, the North Union Farmers Market, Atlas Cinemas, other retail establishments, the Cleveland Rape Crisis Center, and offices. According to court records, the Square is appraised at about \$17 million and earns more than \$2 million per year.

In a report to the court last month, the receiver said that he'd spoken with potential buyers, but he did not identify them or report any offers.

The petition was led by Charles Bromley, head of the Shaker Square Alliance. Bromley said that either Chrostowski or Cleveland Neighborhood Progress should make good owners for the Square.



Local leaders consider the Square a rare junction of places, races, nationalities, classes, generations, and more. It abuts Shaker Heights, the Shaker Lakes, and the improving Buckeye and Larchmere neighborhoods, with the booming University Circle nearby.

Said Menesse, "Shaker Square's the linchpin of all that. It's one of the few areas of our city that's truly the intersection of all kinds of people."

Said Chrostowski, "The Square has the opportunity to become a national model of how community and business coexist."

## Burten, Bell, Carr Begins Planning Process for Greater Buckeye

BUCKEYE

by Kristen Romito

In its commitment to community development of the Greater Buckeye neighborhood, Burten, Bell, Carr Development Inc. (BBC) is embarking on a neighborhood master planning initiative to develop a five-year real estate development plan. To start the process, BBC put out a request for proposal (RFP) to hire a consultant to lead the initiative.

The RFP, whose deadline was April 30, not only aims to secure a consultant to lead the BBC program but to head the steering committee comprised of residents, merchants and neighborhood institutions. The community development corporation hopes to have a consultant in place by June in order to start the planning

process on July 1 and end on December 31, 2021.

Over the six-month process, BBC will hold community engagement events to solicit input on a long-term vision for safety, economic opportunities and real estate development for the Greater Buckeye neighborhood, which encompasses Buckeye, Shaker Square, Larchmere, Ludlow, CHALK and Woodland Hills.

Bianca Butts, BBC neighborhood services coordinator for Larchmere, Ludlow and Shaker Square, said the plan should aim to leverage recent initiatives like the Buckeye Refresh Project and the redevelopment of Woodhill Estates to help create the blueprint for the community's vision.

For more information about future community engagement events related to the master plan, visit BBC's Facebook and Instagram pages for timely updates, or call 216.341.1455.

**BE COOL** \$89 Precision A/C Tune-Up

Allows for 45 minutes of labor per system. Attic systems & parts additional. Valid MA-F, 8-31. Not valid with other discounts. Exp 8/31/21

**bryant** Heating & Cooling Systems

WHATEVER IT TAKES!

5 generations of family experience.

**VERNE • ELLSWORTH HANN INC.** Bonded • Insured OH LIC #24462

**932-9755** **VEHbrothers.com**

Heating / Cooling / Plumbing / Specializing in Steam & Hot Water Boiler Systems

Want something different than traditional therapy?

**CREATIVE healing**

CREATIVE ARTS THERAPY  
EMOTIONAL SUPPORT COACHING

Virtual appointments are available.

**216-230-7636**

Willow Cove Art and Wellness  
12404 Larchmere Boulevard  
Cleveland, OH 44120

[willowcove.org](http://willowcove.org)  
[willowcovecle](https://www.instagram.com/willowcovecle)

# OLP Run for Peace



**NIGERIA**



**ENGLAND**



**ITALY**



**CLEVELAND**



Obioans were out and about on bikes and feet and enjoying the spring weather. (Above left) Jim Cullen, Harry Wise, Bob Ross, and Jay Pollock (above right) Jennifer Gramlich and Colleen McArtor and (left) Tina Engoghia and friends

The Our Lady of Peace Run for Peace took place May 1 and 2. This year's event went virtual and had participants submit photos of themselves engaging in some kind of physical activity. Support from all over the world helped raise more than \$16,000 to benefit Our Lady of Peace.

# City Architecture Moves to Larchmere

by Thomas Jewell

Call it an architect's dream project, or simply a labor of love: drawing up the plans for your new studio and company headquarters. That's exactly what former Midtown mainstay City Architecture has done at the corner of East 121st and Larchmere Boulevard, with a new building the firm not only designed but also will be moving into this summer.

"It happened all at the same time," City Architecture's Principal Planner Alex Pesta said of how this came about. "As the building was getting developed, the ground-floor office space was unspoken for."

The ball got rolling back in late 2018 when Cleveland Ward 6 Councilman Blaine Griffin approached First Interstate Properties, among others, about developing the site into something beyond a proposed dollar store that he and residents did not feel would be a "good fit" for the neighborhood.

First Interstate, the developers of Legacy Village, Oakwood Commons and in between, Steelyard Commons, agreed with that assessment and came up with a better fit: the \$20 million "121 Larchmere" complex, with 88 apartments and 6,500 square feet of office space.

To get there, "we in turn went to City Architecture," said First



Interstate Residential Properties General Manager Bethany Grunewald, who started opening rental applications April 1 and will be welcoming residents to 121 Larchmere on June 1.

In July, City Architecture and its 24 full-time employees – up from 19 last year – will make the move to their new space in the four-story, environmentally-certified mid-rise.

Early discussions about filling that vacancy were brief but productive, Pesta recalled. In looking over the preliminary plans, someone asked, "what if this was office space for an architectural firm?" and from there,

"what if that firm was us?" Up to that point, the 32-year-old City Architecture team had been considering a move, with about the only requirements being that they stay in the city and leave some room to grow.

"It just doesn't work as well if it's not in Cleveland," Pesta said. "And to be on the ground floor of a building we designed shows everything coming into alignment. There's only one of these (offices) on the planet. And nobody else can have it."

But there are still apartments available, and 18 of those with balconies, along with other first-

floor amenities that include a fitness room, pet parlor, bike storage, and two conference centers, Grunewald noted, adding that the fourth-floor community space provides some great views.

That was some of the thought that went into it, noted City Architecture Principal Designer John Wagner, adding that working on "121" has been "fantastic."

"We have tested new ideas that push our firm's residential and mixed-use design," Wagner noted. "The inclusion of balconies, the all-glass ground floor, and the way the corner element addresses both the neighborhood and downtown Cleveland support a strong urban design approach."

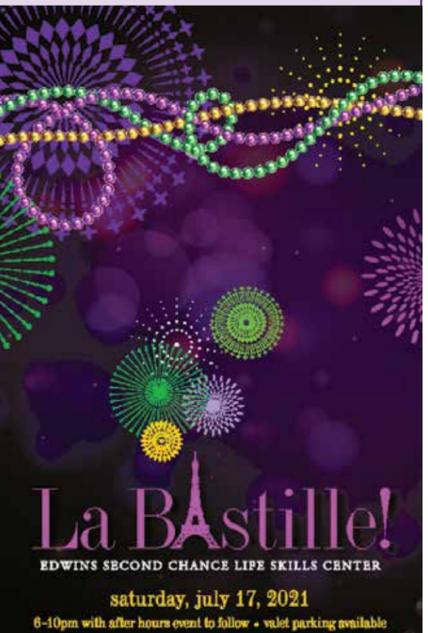
Wagner thanked First Interstate President Mitchell Schneider and Executive Vice President Chris Woodrich for embracing the concept and pushing City Architecture to take it further.

Pesta also credited First Interstate for recognizing the vibrancy of Larchmere and the surrounding neighborhoods, noting that there is a lot going on in one of the city's most diverse areas with Buckeye, Shaker and Woodhill as well.

"We are excited to be a part of the Larchmere District – this neighborhood's energy is undeniable and we cannot wait to be a part of the community dynamic," Pesta said.

## La Bastille Day is Back

EDWINS' fundraising event, La Bastille, is taking place on Saturday, July 17 from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Second Chance Life Skills Center (2910 South Moreland Road). Experience the flavors of EDWINS cuisine, beverages and entertainment. An afterparty will be held at EDWINS Too. For tickets and to become a sponsor visit [edwinsrestaurant.org](http://edwinsrestaurant.org).



## HIIT Factor Opening

The HIIT Factor, a new fitness studio on Larchmere Boulevard, opened its doors earlier this year. The gym offers a variety of group fitness classes designed to focus on high intensity interval training (aka HIIT), cycling, Zumba and pole HIIT. Personal training is available for members who also enjoy one on one coaching. For membership and class schedules visit [thehiitfactor.com](http://thehiitfactor.com)



Courtesy of The HIIT Factor



**Capital Properties Management LTD**  
Apartment Homes Serving the Shaker Square & Larchmere Areas  
**SHAKER PARK EAST**  
2540 NORTH MORELAND SHAKER HEIGHTS  
**THE SHAKER HOUSE & SHAKER TOWN HOUSE**  
12805/12931 SHAKER BLVD. CLEVELAND  
**THE CORMERE**  
13302 CORMERE AVENUE CLEVELAND  
We now accept 1 dog per apt. at Park East only; 2 cats per apt. at all 3 properties.  
For details visit us online [www.cpm-ltd.com](http://www.cpm-ltd.com)  
Office at 12929 Shaker Blvd. Cleveland (216) 991-3057

Reuben Harris, Jr. – Agent  
23360 Chagrin Blvd., Suite 101  
Beachwood, OH 44122  
Bus 216-731-6111  
Email [reuben@reubenharris.com](mailto:reuben@reubenharris.com)  
[www.reubenharris.com](http://www.reubenharris.com)  
Contact us for ALL your insurance needs!  
**State Farm**

**HEIGHTS HARDWARE SINCE 1911**  
Just Minutes Away From Shaker Square!  
1792 Coventry Road, Cleveland Hts.  
**216-321-4701**  
[www.heightshardware.com](http://www.heightshardware.com)  
Open 7 days a week Mon-Sat 9am-6pm & Sundays 11-4  
**ACE** **Benjamin Moore PAINTS**

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES**  
for older adults  
Anxiety, depression and other mental health issues can be heightened in these uncertain times.  
Help is available!  
Our Behavioral Health Services team provides counseling and other mental health services, including telehealth groups, to adults aged 55 and older.  
**BENJAMIN ROSE INSTITUTE ON AGING**  
SERVICE • RESEARCH • ADVOCACY  
216.791.8000 • [benrose.org](http://benrose.org)

## Larchmere Blvd. to Go on a “Road Diet”

Continued from page 1

“Streetscapes are part of the work that we do and I’m excited about the bump-outs,” City Architecture Principal Planner Alex Pesta said.

Pesta thinks that bump-outs in themselves can only help, giving pedestrians less distance to cross the boulevard, as well as creating more enclosure on some curbside parking spaces.

“These traffic-calming features can achieve a couple of things,” Pesta said. “First, it narrows the roadway at key points and the on-street parking spaces are physically separated, creating narrower lanes that are more defined, so they slow down traffic.

“Second, at those key intersections, the first step off the curb is out where the pedestrians and the drivers can clearly see each other – rather than being obstructed by any parked cars” before entering the intersection, Pesta added.

Griffin said designs and drawings would be shared as soon as they are available.



Michelle Anne Johnson



**Celebrating Cleveland's Emerald Necklace**

10% to Shaker Lakes Nature Center on any necklace purchased through August

Necklace by Lora Nikolova, Milano, Italy

**THE DANCING SHEEP**  
wearable art, contemporary crafts, gifts

12712 Larchmere Blvd. | Cleveland, OH 44120  
216.229.5770 | dancing-sheep.com

Currently open Thursday, Friday & Saturday  
11am-5pm or by appointment. Call 229.5770 for updates.

## Strong Bindery

### Book Restoration

216-231-0001

13015 Larchmere Blvd., Shaker Hts.

*Loganberry Books*

Author Alley  
4 Saturdays in August, 2021

13015 Larchmere Boulevard  
Shaker Heights, Ohio 44120  
216.795.9800  
www.LoganberryBooks.com



### Services We Offer:

- **Minor Automotive Repair**
- **Major Automotive Repair**
  - Auto Body Repair
  - Auto Collision Repair
- **Computer Diagnostics and Repair**
  - Emissions Related Diagnostics and Repair
- **Air Conditioning and Heating Repair**
- **Oil Changes and Lube and Repair**
- **Windshield Replacement and Repair**
- **Transmission Repair**
  - Engine Repair
  - Exterior Wash
- **Tire Services-Wheel Balance and Alignment**
- **Suspension Work**
- **Antifreeze, Transmission Fluid,**
- **And Oil Flush Services**
- **Charging System and Battery Repair**
- **Serpentine, Timing Belt and Accessories**
- **Belt Replacements**
- **Brake Repair and Replacement**
- **Tune Ups**
- **Fuel System Diagnostics and Repair**
- **Vehicle Inspections**
- **Cooling System Repair**
- **Lighting System**
- **Interior Detailing and Shampooing**

**Shaker Quality Auto Body**  
12916 Larchmere Blvd.  
Cleveland, OH 44120  
(216)229-7846  
Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

*“Since 1972”*

## Buckeye Shopping Plaza Gets Makeover, Primed for Success

By Grant Segall

Waiting her turn to enter Key Bank, La'shawna Ford scans a repaved stretch of the parking lot at the Shoppes at Buckeye. “It looks a lot better,” she says. “It’s not bumpy as it was.”

Across the lot, Joe Ashkar says business is picking up at his Cajun Joe’s due to stimulus checks and also improvements by the shopping center’s new owner, Adam Lubkin of Ibis Development Group in Miami, Florida. “People will come to a place when it looks nice,” says Ashkar, a long-time tenant of the 31-year-old center at 11301-11501 Buckeye Rd.

At Lee’s Beauty Supply, Heeja Lee says of the center, “It’s really looking good.” She says of Lubkin, “He’s a really good owner.”

The Floridian Lubkin is big on Buckeye. He sees potential along Buckeye Road, with its wide views and short drives to Shaker Square, University Circle, and downtown. He likes recent improvements,

including the expansion of Edwins Leadership & Restaurant Institute and progress on the intersecting Opportunity Corridor. And he likes plans for more, including Benedictine High School’s \$4.5 million campaign to upgrade the campus and Cleveland’s \$6.2 million project starting next year to repave and landscape the road.

“The future of Buckeye is fantastic,” Lubkin says.

Besides the Shoppes at Buckeye, Ibis owns Kennywood Shops outside Pittsburgh and three shopping centers in Florida and Massachusetts. “My focus is finding neighborhood centers like Buckeye, where I can really improve not only the center but the community.”

The community seems pleased. “Improvements at Buckeye Plaza have been appreciated by the residents,” says Michelle Bandy-Zalatoris, who has studied the Buckeye corridor for the city. “This is an important commercial hub for the neighborhood, and reinvestment in the property has been long overdue.”

The Shoppes at Buckeye have 116,905 square feet of stores on 9.32 acres. Lubkin bought the place two Decembers ago from Slate Asset Management of Toronto, Canada, for a net \$4.5 million.

Last year, he repaved most of the parking lot, installed bright lights, cut back trees encroaching on the lot, added landscaping and wheelchair ramps, and created some short-term and dedicated parking spaces. He introduced a logo with a buckeye for the center. He repainted the main building from a brown mustard color to a light beige called linen. He renovated an outbuilding for Ace Cash Express. He hired Signal 88 security. He won a permit for a big new sign.



Debra Walker, left, and Heeja Lee, both employees of Heeja Lee’s family-owned Lee’s Beauty Supply.



Cajun Joe’s owner Joe Ashkar, seated in front of his business, says he sees business picking up due to stimulus checks and improvements made by the new owner of the shopping center.

He says he’s spent about \$500,000 so far and will spend some \$250,000 more this year. He plans to finish repaving, raise the sign, and landscape around it. He also hopes eventually for another outbuilding.

He says the center is 87 percent occupied, and he’s weighing many offers to fill it up. He says business is way up at his anchor store,

Simon’s Supermarket, and his smaller stores too.

He also says that several tenants have spruced up their premises. “Whenever I fix up any of these places, people step up and make their spaces look really good.”

Lubkin says he’s looking to buy other shopping centers in Cleveland and beyond.

### Alina's Tailoring

**All types of Alterations for Kids • Men's and Women's Clothing**

**Plus...**

Slip Covers • Pillows • Curtains  
Tablecloths, etc.

**Tuesday to Friday:  
10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Saturday 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**(216) 791-1865**  
12808 Larchmere Blvd.

## Larchmere Fire Works\*

Individual or couples glassblowing and blacksmithing classes can be booked online. We have added even more safety protocols to follow ODH guidelines for everyone’s safety and peace of mind. Call for small, private groups.

\*we don't sell fire works

[www.LarchmereFireWorks.com](http://www.LarchmereFireWorks.com)

## Cleveland Trade Works

Ohio-made gourmet foods and art that can be delivered locally or shipped.\* Sample it first!\*\*

\*Shipping in continental US. \*\*Details on website

[www.ClevelandTradeWorks.com](http://www.ClevelandTradeWorks.com)

216.246.4716 12406 Larchmere Blvd Cleveland  
Open by appointment only

## LWV LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF GREATER CLEVELAND

### Raise your Voice for Democracy!

We invite you to join the League of Women Voters of Greater Cleveland – a nonpartisan organization that encourages participation in government and influences public policy through education and advocacy. We are committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion in principle and in practice. We engage in voter registration and education,

including issue and candidate forums; we promote voting rights, fair legislative districts, good government reforms, and more. We work for democracy at the local, state and national level. More information at [LWVgreatercleveland.org](http://LWVgreatercleveland.org), Facebook: [lwv greatercleveland](https://www.facebook.com/lwvgreatercleveland), @lwvGrCleveland at Twitter and Instagram: [lwvgreatercleveland](https://www.instagram.com/lwvgreatercleveland)

## DiVita's Larchmere Deli & Beverage

**Deli • Fine Wine • Imported Beer  
Party Trays • Gift Baskets  
• Ohio Lottery •**

**12727 Larchmere Blvd. (216) 721-0220**  
Hours: Mon-Sat, 9:30am to 8 pm. Closed Sundays.

## Up and Down the Boulevard

Finally, beloved annual events are returning to Larchmere, albeit with significant changes to adhere to COVID-era safety guidelines.

by Barbara Mooney

Beginning with Memorial Day weekend, things are returning to a semblance of normalcy on Larchmere with the season's first **Sidewalk Sale** on Saturday, May 29. Larchmere merchants will set up sidewalk stands and hold special sales starting at 10 a.m. Unlike past years, vendors from elsewhere will be limited. "We're calling it the **Larchmere Business Sidewalk Sale**, to keep things more manageable," said Tracey Hilbert, owner of Eclectic Eccentric (13005 Larchmere, 216.798.3002).

Also, if things go as planned, we will also see **PorchFest** return to Larchmere, but in a smaller format spread out over the summer. Instead of a single-day, free music festival featuring "30 bands on 30 porches" of the past, planners are hoping to present performers in "tiny Porchfests" over eight dates between June 19 and August 21. Plans were still coming together as of this writing, so watch for signs in the neighborhood about acts and venues.

sign his book, "Gonna Trouble the Water," a story of eco-justice, water and environmental racism. And on June 19, Father's Day weekend, Margaret Bernstein will talk about her three children's books, including "Dads and Donuts." Families are invited to partake in donuts and other fun activities starting at 10:30 a.m.

In recognition of June as National Cancer Survivor month, Loganberry is hosting a presentation by Penny Casselman called, "How to Get a Free Boob Job," a wry look at surviving breast cancer, on June 13 at 1 p.m.

And Loganberry is also bringing back its "**Broadsides and Ephemera**" poetry readings, starting June 10 at 7:30 p.m., when Meredith Holmes will read, and July 8, when Mimi Faust-Plevin will read. All events are free, but call ahead to register.

Cat-loving visitors to the store ought to meet Loganberry's new resident feline, Alice, who joins the legendary Otis in making sure everything keeps purring along.



Tina Haldiman

**Fire Works for Kids** Larchmere Fire Works (12406 Larchmere, 216.246.4716), is also aiming to attract kids to the neighborhood this summer to take courses in **glassblowing and blacksmithing**. Over July and August, children from grades K-12 can take a course for \$20, half the usual fee, said owner Tina Haldiman. "Kids have been missing their school art classes, so this is a good way to make up for it," she said.

the 121 Larchmere project, **City Architecture**, a prominent urban design and architecture firm, will also join the neighborhood. The company, which has been at 3200 Euclid Ave., announced the move in March.

**A Call for Support** Larchmere Tavern, (13051 Larchmere, 216.721.1111), a 30-year mainstay of the neighborhood, is hoping to remain in business and



### New Neighbors

While the neighborhood will miss Marc Goodman Antiques, there are a few businesses that are new to the Larchmere community. At the beginning of May, **Busy Boss Bakery** (12732 Larchmere) was poised to open its doors. And just down the street, **Beauty in the CLE** (12708 Larchmere, 216.785.9517), has opened where the recently relocated (and nearby) LOOK Studio had been. While the new salon has a few hair-styling stations, a significant portion of the space is devoted to selling hair products and accessories, hair extension bundles and eye lashes. Owner Brooke Smith said this is her first business venture. With the imminent opening of

has put out a call for help through a GoFundMe campaign. The goal of the "Friends of Larchmere Tavern Fredo's Pizza" page is to raise \$100,000. Owner Fred Vrabel said the move comes after the restaurant suffered significant revenue losses during the pandemic.

### Emerald Gift

To celebrate Cleveland's Emerald Necklace park system, **The Dancing Sheep** (12712 Larchmere, 216.229.5770) will contribute 10 percent of any necklace purchased through August to the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes. The boutique is open 2 to 5 p.m. Thursday through Saturday or by appointment.

## A Farewell: Marc Goodman Retires after 40 Years

By Kristen Romito

Larchmere Boulevard has been home to Marc Goodman's Antique Mall for close to 40 years.

On May 1, owner Marc Goodman said goodbye to the neighborhood and is beginning his next chapter in life: retirement.

"It's just felt like it was time. I had been thinking about it for a while. My peers are doing it and thought 'why not me?'" said Goodman.

Although he closed his store on May 1 and auctioned remaining items through May 31, Goodman will still be a fixture in the antique world albeit on a smaller scale. During day trips and visiting with friends during retirement, Goodman, who's remaining in Cleveland, will continue to buy and sell antiques both online and at house sales, and perhaps take on a small space in an antique mall.

Antiquing seems to have always been in Goodman's blood.

"Well, since I was a boy I was always an antique collector. When I was out of work more than 40 years ago, a friend suggested I go into the antique business since he knew how much I enjoyed it," said Goodman.

He took his friend's advice and opened his first store on a Case Western Reserve University-owned property, a carriage house, in which

he lived above the storefront. The store was called Wonderful Things on Bellflower, next to That Place on Bellflower.

Needing more space, he moved into Church Antiques, then to the storefront that is now Fiddlehead Gallery and finally settling into his most recent location at 12721 Larchmere.

With Goodman's departure, there will be two antique stores left on the street.

Goodman said he plans to visit the neighborhood when he can (he lives on the near west side), and said he's going to miss "meeting interesting people who come into the store" and working with his fellow business owners on various neighborhood events such as the Larchmere Sidewalk Sale and Larchmere Holiday Stroll.

But perhaps his favorite memory is knowing the impact the store has had on his customers when, "people come back and they say they bought something from me 10 years ago and say 'I still love it.'"

To hire Goodman for estate sales or to find out more about his online antique sales contact him at 216.882.1556 or mmarc888@att.net.

"It's been wonderful to see our community growing and the street continuing to evolve."



Michael Ann Johnson

Marc Goodman closed his antique shop on May 1, 36 years since he opened his store on Larchmere

## Why World-Renowned Orchestra Members Call the Square Home

by Grant Segall

Cleveland Orchestra members like the harmony of Shaker Square.

"When I'm not at Severance Hall rehearsing and performing," says Franz Welser-Möst, music director and Square resident, "I love spending time in Shaker Square and the surrounding area. The cuisine and the mission of Edwins Leadership & Restaurant Institute are remarkable... Being surrounded by nature is one of my favorite things about Northeast Ohio, and I especially enjoy the trails at Shaker Lakes."

The Austrian native could conduct a solid ensemble just with orchestra players from the neighborhood. For starters, he'd have familiar help from assistant concertmaster Jessica Lee. The Virginia native has lived here since 2016.

Says Lee, "The community is so vibrant. There are so many different kinds of people from all over the world doing different kinds of things. Neighbors are very connected, being very neighborly and friendly."

She also enjoys the architecture. "The houses are all so different, and they have so much personality."

When not deterred by the pandemic, she goes to Loganberry Books, the Academy Tavern, Felice, Atlas Cinemas, and other local establishments.

*Right: Cleveland Orchestra Music Director and Shaker Square resident Franz Welser-Möst*  
*Jessica Lee, the Cleveland Orchestra assistant concertmaster, moved to Shaker Square in 2016 and has enjoyed the neighborhood's architecture and amenities.*



© Roger Mastroianni, courtesy of The Cleveland Orchestra



Michael Ann Johnson

Lee likes the neighborhood's proximity to the orchestra's home in Severance Hall, her desk at the Cleveland Institute of Music, and the Cleveland Clinic. She recently led a video series called Music Medicine, available on social media and YouTube at her sites and the orchestra's. "It highlights the feeling of community and connection, especially during this challenging time with the pandemic."

Second violinist Jiah Chung Chapelaine from South Korea likes living near the Square.

"We love the school system," she says. "We like the old charm of Boulevard. My husband takes our dog to Southerly Park almost every day. We take the kids biking around the neighborhood. You've got that neighborhood feeling even though you're near a city."

She also likes living near colleagues. They often share rides to Blossom, the orchestra's summer home, but don't bother sharing them to Severance. "It takes me about five or six minutes door to door."

The Cleveland Orchestra is bringing back its summer concert series at Blossom Music Center. For the schedule and to purchase tickets visit [clevelandorchestra.com](http://clevelandorchestra.com).



Patrick Shephard

### Events Return to the Midwest's Best Bookstore

After being named the "Best Bookstore in the Midwest" in the February issue of *MidWest Living* magazine, **Loganberry Books** (13015 Larchmere, 216.795.9800) is bringing back its busy calendar of events to the store. After months of virtual events, Loganberry is planning several book signings, poetry readings and a revised version of its annual "**Authors Alley**" book fair. As with the planned **PorchFest**, Loganberry will hold smaller **Author Alley** gatherings starting at noon over four Saturdays in August, dividing the events by book category.

Loganberry will also present several book **signing events** this summer. Caseen Gaines, author of "Footnotes," a book about the first successful Broadway show by black producers, will appear at 7 p.m., June 3. The event will be co-presented by Karamu Theater. On June 6, Miguel A. De La Torre will

### A Safer Streetscape

Lisa McGuthry, co-president of the Larchmere Merchants Association and owner of **Our Favorite Things Boutique & Event Center** (12730 Larchmere, 216.536.7928) is also working with fellow merchants to bring string lights along the boulevard, making for a safer and more charming nighttime atmosphere. The effort is to complement "**Walk-About Fridays**" when several Larchmere retailers stay open until 10 p.m.

Among the several wide-ranging facets of her business, Ms. McGuthry is working on a new youth entrepreneurship program for children between ages 11-17. "I want to teach them the fundamentals of building a business," she said. The program will be part of a foundation she started that is named after her grandmother, who taught her the basics of entrepreneurship, she said. It's no wonder that Ms. McGuthry has been named "Mentor of the Year" by the local chapter of the Small Business Administration's SCORE program.

# JOHN H. LAWSON

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR AT LAW

The Brownhoist Building  
4403 St. Clair Ave. • Cleveland, Ohio 44103  
(216) 881-9675 • FAX (216) 881-3928



## Preterm Centers You.

Nonjudgmental healthcare services:

ABORTION CARE + BIRTH CONTROL +  
STD TESTING & TREATMENT + PAP TESTS  
+ LGBTQ CARE

Call 216.991.4000 or visit [www.preterm.org](http://www.preterm.org)



YOSEMITE ENTERPRISE CAMPUS

### OFFICE AND MEDICAL SUITES

Suites from 350 – 12,900 SF  
On-site management  
Located in Opportunity Zone  
185 surface parking spaces  
Minutes to the Cleveland Clinic  
Next to RTA rapid stop

[yosemiteenterprisecampus.com](http://yosemiteenterprisecampus.com)



SHAKER WEST PROFESSIONAL BUILDING

### EXECUTIVE OFFICES AND PROFESSIONAL SUITES

Suite sizes 150 – 3,640 SF  
Will build to suit  
All-included rents start at \$300  
Indoor and outdoor parking  
Close to RTA rapid and bus stops

[shakerwest.com](http://shakerwest.com)



For additional information call **216-282-0987**

# Cuyahoga Community College



Where futures begin<sup>SM</sup>



### EDWINS BUTCHER SHOP

is training the next generation of leaders, offering excellence in butchery and continuing a mission that supports men and women returning home.

At EDWINS Butcher Shop we serve only the freshest cuts of meat, house made charcuterie including our signature double smoked bacon as well as traditional southern cuisine and sandwiches.

**216.417.1100**

13024 Buckeye Road Cleveland, OH 44120  
[edwinsbutchershop.org](http://edwinsbutchershop.org)

# EDWINS

LEADERSHIP & RESTAURANT  
Institute

We give formerly incarcerated adults a foundation in the culinary and hospitality industry while providing a support network necessary their long-term success. Our mission is three-fold: to teach a skilled and in-demand trade in the culinary arts, empower willing minds through passion for hospitality management, and prepare students for a successful transition home.

“Every human being regardless of their past has the right to a fair and equal future.”

Founder Brandon E. Chrostowski

**216-921-3333**

13101 Shaker Square Cleveland OH 44120  
[info@edwinsrestaurant.org](mailto:info@edwinsrestaurant.org)



### EDWINS BAKERY

deepens the culinary education for our students. This is another step in providing a solution for the difficulty of re-entry.

The EDWINS Bakery makes fresh daily classic European breads and pastries. Using only the highest quality ingredients our bakery creates traditional flavors that feed the soul. At our diner we make everything for breakfast from scratch. Fresh breads, house cured meats and farm fresh eggs creating the best breakfast in the CLE.

**216.675.0896**

13106 Buckeye Road Cleveland, OH 44120  
[edwinsbakery.org](http://edwinsbakery.org)