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## Tremont Arts & Cultural Festival

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**Special Festival Sidebar for 2018:** Focus on the Artists Series - Year 1  
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## 20th Annual Tremont Arts & Cultural Festival

**Saturday, September 15th, Noon – 7pm & Sunday, September 17th, Noon-5pm**

The 20th Annual Tremont Arts and Cultural Festival returns to Lincoln Park—Starkweather and West 14th Street—on Saturday, September 15th—Noon—7 pm and Sunday, September 16th—Noon—5 pm. The mission of the Festival is to celebrate the cultural and artistic diversity of Tremont and Greater Cleveland by encouraging the artistic and cultural endeavors of its visual and performing artists.

The weekend Festival is comprised of four categories or program areas which include: Children's—hands-on arts and educational projects; Community—area non-profit organizations are joined by independent and locally owned businesses and Tremont Farmers' Market vendors; Cultural—food sales by Tremont and regional restaurants, churches, and other organizations, reflecting the ethnic diversity of the Northeast Ohio; and Artist—sales of paintings, sculpture, jewelry, ceramics, and photographs by Tremont and Northeast Ohio artists. Fifty-three juried artists are eligible for consideration by the jurors for the Festival's top three prizes.

In 2018 we begin a new 3 year sidebar: Focus on the Artists - designed to showcase minority and

underrepresented artists. Our focus has always been on diversity; however this program is about populations of artists. The artwork still needs to meet standards of artistic excellence, but there is no specific topic or theme for the artwork. We're focusing on the people creating the art.

The 2018 Focus on the Artists program emphasizes visual & performing artists from Cleveland's Latino community featuring a Latino Emerging Artists & Latino Established Artists galleries, a Pop-up La Placita (Latino-themed marketplace), & Latino Performing Artists. The 2018 program is presented in partnership with the Hispanic Business Center, Julia de Burgos Cultural Arts Center, & Cleveland Ward 14 Councilwoman Jasmin Santana.

The Art Jurors include: John Farina, Gabriel Gonzalez, and Chris Pekoc (please see article, p. 7). John, Gabriel and Chris bring a number of years of arts experience in a variety of media.

Returning this year is a Beer & Wine Garden with music and dance performances on both Saturday and Sunday on a main stage near located at W. 14th Street & Howard Avenue. The Beer & Wine Garden features craft beers along with rose, red, white & fizz wines of ManCAN, Ohio City. Sound and Stage Manager is Dennis McNulty of Slate Grey Services. Slate Grey has participated each and every year of the Festival!

Also returning for a second year is "Let's Dance! Music and Dance From Around the World". Britton Roberts returns as Sound and Stage Manager of the "Let's Dance" stage. This special program and dance stage (located in the Children's & Youth Village southeast of the Gazebo Square). In addition to providing a unique opportunity for children, youth, and their families to attend live dance performances and to participate in dance workshops, all patrons will be exposed to the rich ethnic and cultural heritage of the many neighborhoods and communities that make up the Greater Cleveland area.

For a list of performers at both the Beer & Wine Garden Main Stage and the "Let's Dance!" Stage, check out the Festival website at [www.tremontartsfestival.com](http://www.tremontartsfestival.com).

Returning for a seventh year is Merrick House's "Dollar Diner," a healthy restaurant booth sponsored by ArcelorMittal. As part of Merrick House's Healthy Living Initiative, they have partnered with Molina Healthcare to create a healthy menu of items that the Merrick House youth program will help serve. (Continued on page 2.)

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You get Celebrate Tremont, the annual benefit dinner to help raise funds to ensure Tremont remains the vibrant urban village it is today, while also supporting the Cleveland Animal Protective League (APL). Celebrate Tremont is Saturday, October 6, from 6:30 to 11 p.m. at the Tremont City Side Ballroom at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church.

**Tickets are limited. Get yours today!**

Purchase your tickets through Eventbrite at [celebratetremont.eventbrite.com](http://celebratetremont.eventbrite.com) or deliver your check or cash to Michelle Davis at the Tremont West office.

**Tickets to the event include:**

- Hors d'oeuvres, food stations with a variety of entrees, sides and dessert
- An open bar with beer, wine, liquor and soft drinks, including a specialty cocktail
- Entry into a drawing for \$1,500 in prize giveaways, with a \$1,000 grand prize giveaway
- Live entertainment with Pinch and Squeal, who have been described as, "A modern twist on comedy duos throughout history, they've shoved vaudeville kicking and screaming into the 21st century!"—plus a DJ
- Sideboards and a silent auction with great items to bid on

Proceeds from the event will assist Tremont West Development Corporation's nonprofit mission of organizing an inclusive community, building a unified neighborhood and promoting our community as a unique destination. A portion of proceeds will also benefit the important work of the APL in Tremont.

Join your neighbors and fellow Tremont supporters for this fun-filled evening on October 6.

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## Tremont West Stance on Property Valuations in the Neighborhood

Over the past few weeks, Tremont West has received numerous inquiries, complaints, and concern over the County property valuation process and the proposed values assigned to housing in the neighborhood. In light of this concern, Tremont West Development Corporation's Board of Directors issued the following statement through Board resolution on August 11th, 2018:

**Tremont West Development Corporation is concerned with the drastic increases in property valuation that disproportionately affect long-term residents in our community. We encourage the county to review its process to ensure the valuation was completed in a fair and transparent manner, understanding the unique conditions of our neighborhoods. Specifically, we are concerned about the financial barriers set forth in the appeal process, ie. the requirements for a certified appraisal which may be an undue burden to some of our neighbors.**

Staff at Tremont West have received numerous petitions from neighborhood residents strongly objecting to the property value assessments, the lack of clarity around the method of assessment and the barriers to appeal including needing to complete an independent appraisal. Tremont West agrees with

the request for an extension outlined in the petition. We have contacted local officials and will continue to support the efforts of residents.

Finally, Tremont West is concerned about the impact that a yet to be determined correlated tax increase will have on many long-time residents that are Seniors and/or are on a fixed income. As we continue to try to find opportunities for low and moderate income individuals to own and rent in the neighborhood per goals outlined in our strategic plan, we see these increases as potentially detrimental to achieving a socioeconomically integrated community. Taxes on property valuations that have risen as much as 400% will no doubt disproportionately impact low and moderate income homeowners. It will also impact rent in the neighborhood, pushing rents up to reflect baseline property ownership costs. Short-term we hope to see the County take an active role in helping resolve individual issues around property valuation while long-term Tremont West will work with policy makers to ensure that people are not in jeopardy of being displaced by astronomical increases in property taxes.

## Tremont Arts & Cultural Festival

(Continued from front page.)

In their eighth year with the Festival are the vendors of the Tremont Farmers' Market village.

Admission to the Tremont Arts and Cultural Festival is free. The Festival is presented by Merrick House, Tremont West Development Corp., Cleveland Council Members Kerry McCormack (Ward 3), Jasmin Santana (Ward 14) and Anthony Brancatelli (Ward 12). The Festival is sponsored by the contributions of the citizens of Cuyahoga County through Cuyahoga Arts and Culture. Media sponsor is WKSU—89.7. Additional support is provided by the Ohio Arts Council, Tremont Trek Home Tour, the Tremont Farmers' Market, Horton Harper Architects, Carolyn Bentley of Howard Hanna Realty, and Integrity Realty.

Sponsors of Merrick House programming include "Dollar Diner" Healthy Restaurant sponsor ArcelorMittal.

Our thanks to Chris Blue, our Graphics & Logistical Coordinator, our Jurors, Dennis McNulty and Slate Grey, Britton Roberts, Merrick House's Healthy Living initiative, all our presenting, media, programming, and co-sponsors! For questions and information contact Festival Manager, Scott Rosenstein, at 216.575.0920 ext. 106, or scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org.

For a listing of participating artists, community, and cultural vendors and performing artists, please check out our website at: www.tremontartsfestival.com. We're also on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/tremontartsandculturalfestival/

## Arts Renaissance Tremont presenting their 28th Season of "Giving Voice to Great Music!"

Arts Renaissance Tremont (ART) has enriched the cultural landscape of Cleveland's Tremont neighborhood since 1991. Over the past 26 years, the ART concert series has become a musical destination for ALL of Greater Cleveland, providing the opportunity for everyone to hear some of Northern Ohio's finest live music. Concerts attract thousands to experience world class, local musicians – from exceptional young artists and faculty at nearby conservatories and schools (Shaker Hts. High School, Cleveland School of the Arts, Oberlin Conservatory, Cleveland Institute of Music), to Cleveland's extraordinary community of freelance musicians and members of our renowned Cleveland Orchestra. Our home is the magnificent, historic landmark – Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ (2592 West 14th St., Cleveland/Tremont). Committed to its local community and its citizens, ART collects non-perishable food items at concerts for local distribution through the Pilgrim Food Pantry. In addition to the August through May series, ART brings music to children in neighborhood schools, community centers, 'Steppin Out' programs for seniors, giving concerts at a nursing homes, and libraries through Arts Renaissance for

Kids, or ARK.

Admission to performances is by freewill donation and free post-concert receptions offer everyone a chance to meet and mingle with the musicians, as well as with their neighbors. ART is managed entirely by volunteers (volunteer board of trustees) and has no paid staff; musicians receive negotiated honoraria. Operating costs are covered by an annual fundraising campaign, freewill donations and a few small grants.

We welcome your inquiries and contributions, and are always seeking concert sponsors - individual and business. Please contact ART founder/director Christine Haff Paluck: (216) 973.8783, or email: chpaluck55@gmail.com, for information.

ART is an exceptional community resource - positively impacting the local economy and contributing to the vibrancy of Tremont. We invite you to join us for our 27th Season of "giving voice to great music." As one Tremont resident and concertgoer puts it, "ART is like having Carnegie Hall in my own neighborhood." Thank you for supporting the Arts in Tremont!

For 2018-19 concert information, see ad below, please find us on Facebook and visit artconcerts.org.

## Employment Access Survey

Hello! My name is Maureen Riley, the new AmeriCorps VISTA at Tremont West Development Corporation! One of my main roles during my year of service is working towards creating an Employment Access Program for the Tremont neighborhood. Tremont West aims to become a platform for residents to find and obtain jobs in the community, as well as connecting residents to the proper training, and eliminating transportation barriers. If you are a resident or an employer in the Tremont neighborhood, please take a few minutes to complete my Employment Access Survey located at tremontwest.org. Lastly, if you are an employer looking to hire local residents in Tremont, please feel free to contact me at maureenriley@tremontwest.org or at 216-575-0920 ext. 108! Thank you!



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**3pm, Sunday, November 18**  
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## TREMONT HISTORY PROJECT

Continuing the story of a Tremont artists, Anthony Eterovich.



### AN EARLY TREMONT ARTIST:

During his lifetime Anthony Eterovich participated in more than one hundred and fifty exhibitions, including the Cleveland Museum of Art May Shows; the Circle Gallery, the Butler Institute of American Art, the Chautauqua Institute, and many others.

Eterovich's work has been seen collectively in only two solo exhibitions during his lifetime. He had twenty oil paintings on view at the Women's City Club in 1956 and a charcoal drawing show at the Intown Club in 1963.

Anthony's paintings incorporate abstract portraiture or photo-realistic cityscapes. His work is known for color and imaginative, almost whimsical choices of subject matter. Eterovich was influenced by his immigrant Croatian family, living through the Great Depression and serving in the Army in World War II. Artistic influences on his work include Cleveland School artists John Teyral, Carl Gaertner, Edmund Bruckner, Viktor Schreckengost, and Daniel Boa to name a few. He admired Renoir, Degas and Manet for color, and Hopper and Estes for cityscapes.

Anthony Eterovich taught for more than forty years for the Cleveland Public School System. He chaired the art department at Rhodes High School from 1962 to 1978. In 2014 a classroom was named for him at the new Cleveland Institute of Art Joseph McCullough Building. His artworks are in the permanent collections of the Butler Institute of American Art, the Cleveland Institute of Art, the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Artists Archives of the Western Reserve and ARTneo. Information is from Anthony's Biography by his daughter, Karen Eterovich-Maguire.



Dear *Inside Tremont* Readers,

I am a Tremont resident, and I am the Operations Coordinator and Art Gallery Coordinator at the Stocker Arts Center at Lorain County Community College. I wanted to let you know that we will be showing the work of Anthony Eterovich at the Beth K. Stocker Art Gallery in November and December of this year. "A Thrilling Act: The Art of Anthony Eterovich" will open on Thursday, November 29th with an Opening Reception from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm and will run through December 14th with regular gallery hours, M-F 10:30am - 2:30pm, and also be open December 15th and 16th during the last weekends' NEOS Dance Theatre's ballet productions, "A 1940's Nutcracker".

This exhibit is currently on display at The Southern Ohio Museum in Portland, Ohio, and will then travel north to Stocker Arts Center in Elyria, Ohio.

I am writing in the hopes that the Tremont History Project will share this information in the continued article in September. I welcome you and all of my Tremont neighbors to come out and see these exquisite paintings and drawings by Anthony Eterovich.

**The Southern Ohio Museum:**  
<http://www.somacc.com/>

**Stocker Arts Center:**  
<https://www.lorainccc.edu/stocker/>

Thank you!  
~Beth A. Bryan

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS: NOVEMBER 10 (Tentative), Saturday, noon.** Tremont History Project presents a guest speaker. John Righetti will speak on the subject of Carpatho-Rusyns. Who they are and who they aren't. They were a large immigrant population to the Tremont area and Cleveland in general. These people were also known as Rusyn, Lemko, Ruthenian, Carpatho-Russian. They constructed one of the first Cultural Gardens in the University Circle area. Look for more information in next month's **INSIDE TREMONT**. We will give you the location and also a biography of John Righetti. We will have a map of the area where these people lived in Europe including village names.

## Towpath Trail Construction Contact

If you need to talk with someone regarding the current construction of the Towpath Trail, please contact Darwin Merdes, Area Engineer for Cuyahoga County at 216-348-4073, 216-701-1160 or [dmerdes@cuyahogacounty.us](mailto:dmerdes@cuyahogacounty.us).

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# 818 Studios Committed to Tremont Arts

Written by Jimmy Perkins.

818 Jefferson is more than just a Tremont address. It is also the new home of 818 Studios and a variety of services provided by owner and photographer, Barbara Merritt. Located above Fahrenheit, the studio offers an art gallery for local artists as well as space for portraits, groups, product, and fine art photography. Merritt also specializes in dog and pet photography. This is the second gallery operated by Merritt in Tremont, but the first since the early 2000's. Just as she did then, Merritt hopes to provide a home and resource to artists and art lovers in Tremont.



Barbra, a previous longtime Tremont resident, has lived and worked in the neighborhood for most of her life. She was involved in the opening of Flying Fig and you can still catch her one night a week at Edison's Pub.

"This neighborhood has always felt like home to me - I always come back," said Merritt.

Her connection and commitment to Tremont is what drove Merritt to once again provide photography services and space for artists. She has been a photographer since 1995, opened her first photography business in 1997, and previously had a gallery above Tremont's Fifth Third Bank on Professor. She is currently a featured artist at the Cleveland Downtown Hilton and has been featured in nineteen Cleveland based exhibitions since her start.

Merritt admitted her love of art and

photography is like an addiction and she hopes to offer other passionate artists more opportunity.

"I believe art is a group effort. I want to work with local artists and offer a public space," said Merritt. "Art is good for the wellbeing for this and any community," she continued.

818 will take part in future Walkabout Tremonts, will host Pop-Ups, and will continually look for ways to get artists involved. The studio could also consider adding a darkroom down the line. The gallery is also planning an opening event for late September.

Merritt's services are available Monday through Saturday by appointment. Anyone interested in photography services or collaboration on the Pop-Up space should contact Barbara at [barbramerritt@gmail.com](mailto:barbramerritt@gmail.com).

Gallery updates as well as upcoming events will be shared through 818's social media as well as the studio's website: [www.merrittphoto.com](http://www.merrittphoto.com) or @barbramerrittphoto.



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## Welcome to Tremont, Fr. James Roach, New Pastor at St. John Cantius Church!

Fr. Jim has been an ordained priest for over thirty years. He grew up in Eastlake attending Borromeo High School in Wickliffe, although his family was originally from the E 72nd and Superior Avenue area. He finished his high school seminary education at St. Joseph in Parkersburg, West Virginia after the school in Wickliffe closed. He graduated from Borromeo College, then St. Mary Seminary to complete both a Master of Divinity and a MA in Theology.

Fr. Jim enjoys art and culture and has a great appreciation for the past. He played the organ for nearly 35 years through the diocese and acted as music director to several churches including St. Bruno Polish Church in Chicago. Fr. Jim serves as the chaplain for the Cleveland Browns and is a 4th degree Knight of Columbus.

Welcome to Tremont, Fr. Jim!  
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The Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) offers several programs to income-eligible Ohioans to assist in paying their utility bills and improve the energy efficiency of their homes. Household eligibility is based in part on income; details and specific guidelines for the following assistance programs can be found here: [http://development.ohio.gov/is/is\\_energyassist.htm](http://development.ohio.gov/is/is_energyassist.htm). To apply for HEAP or HWAP, download the application at the above webpage or visit Tremont West and meet with the Property Manager, (216) 533-5612.

### Safety Updates

Monthly reports are sent out via e-mail regarding Crime and Safety in the Neighborhood. If you would like to be added to the Safety Update mailing list, please contact Tremont Safety Committee at [cbiggers@nearwestsafety.org](mailto:cbiggers@nearwestsafety.org).

### Employment Guide

Tremont West now offers a comprehensive employment resource webpage including the following programs and resources: Employment Resources and Training; Programs for the Formerly Incarcerated; Workshops and Apprenticeships; Resources for Those with Disabilities; Programs for Spanish Speaking Populations, Veterans and Senior Citizens; and Adult Education and GED courses. [www.tremontwest.org/index/employment-guide](http://www.tremontwest.org/index/employment-guide), 216-575-0920, ext. 102

### Neighborhood Retail Assistance Program

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

### Commercial Space for Sale or Lease

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### The Storefront Renovation Program

The City of Cleveland's Storefront Renovation Program is an exterior rehabilitation program that combines financial incentives (rebate or loan) with free City design assistance. The City partners with neighborhood Community Development Corporations to implement the program in the neighborhood. Please call Khalid Hawthorne at 216-575-0920, ext. 113.

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*The Casual Tree Ward* is directed by Susan Soltis. The cast features actors Andrea Belser, James Rankin, and David Munnell.

*The Casual Tree Ward* opened Friday, Aug 24 and runs Thurs-Sat at 8 pm through Sept 15 at the Liminis Theater, 2438 Scranton Road. Fri & Sat tickets are \$20 general admission, \$15 seniors (65+), \$10 students. Thurs discount tickets are \$15, \$12 and \$8.

Reservations and information at [convergence-continuum.org](http://convergence-continuum.org) and 216-687-0074

Tremont residents are admitted free for Thursday performances (Aug 30, Sept 6 & 13). Call ahead to reserve a seat!

## Block Club Happenings

*"Block Club Happenings" is compiled by Tremont West staff with direct input from Block Clubs.*

### Auburn-Lincoln Park

Block Club members and employees from neighborhood business, RCF Group (located in the former Our Lady of Mercy church complex at W. 11th Street and Kenilworth) joined forces on August 2nd to make this year's Lincoln Park Clean-up & Annual Summer BBQ a success. Prior to sharing a dinner buffet volunteers "swept" the park for unwanted debris and weeds as is customary prior to the kick-off of the Arts in August series. The Block Club extends a BIG THANK YOU to Block Club members and fellow "day-time residents" from RCF for sprucing up the park! And thanks to those who brought dishes to share. Also, don't forget to visit the Tremont Farmers' Market every Tuesday in Lincoln Park from 4:00 to 7:00 pm (rain or shine). All Tremont residents are encouraged to visit the Auburn Block Club Facebook page at [www.Facebook.com/auburnblockclub](http://www.Facebook.com/auburnblockclub) for monthly meeting notices and volunteer opportunities and the Tremont West website at [www.tremontwest.org](http://www.tremontwest.org) for much more information on what is happening in Tremont and the City of Cleveland. As always, be safe and remember to "turn lights on", "put your junk in your trunk", "don't keep a quarter in your cup" to discourage would-be criminals. For more info on the block club and its activities, contact Co-Chairs, Kate O'Neil ([auburnlincolnpark@gmail.com](mailto:auburnlincolnpark@gmail.com)) and Jonathan Petrea ([jpetea@gmail.com](mailto:jpetea@gmail.com)) or Community Involvement Manager, Scott Rosenstein at Tremont West at 216-575-0920 ext.106 ([scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org)). **The Block Club invites Tremont residents who live on Auburn Avenue, Starkweather, Fruit Avenue, W. 14th, W. 11th or W. 10th Streets south of Kenilworth to attend the next meeting scheduled for Monday, September 17 at 6:30 pm (location to be confirmed on our Facebook page).** Watch for postcard and e-mail notification – and please join us!

### Central Tremont

**Please join us for our next meeting on Monday, September 10th at 6:30pm at Post 58** (2442 Professor Avenue). Please note that this is a one week delay because of the Labor Day Holiday. For more information on the block club and its activities, please contact Co-chairs Jeffery Buysse ([jtbuysse@gmail.com](mailto:jtbuysse@gmail.com)) or Julie Goulis ([jgoulis@gmail.com](mailto:jgoulis@gmail.com)). Information can also be found on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/CentralTremont](http://www.facebook.com/CentralTremont).

### Duck Island

The Duck Island Block Club met on Tuesday, August 7th at Forest City Brewing. Sgt. Tim Maffo-Judd came to talk about safety concerns. A complaint was brought up about people parking in front of the Cleveland sign on Abbey Avenue; Sgt. Maffo-Judd said that the traffic unit is aware and consistently trying to address it. Another resident brought up the noise on Independence Day from individuals lighting large fireworks in Abbey Park, next to houses and cars. Sgt. Maffo-Judd said that the police force is very taxed on July 4th, and they're taking care of it the best they can. Khalid Hawthorne, the new Housing & Economic Development Director for Tremont West, came to introduce himself to the block club. Carolyn Bentley announced the **Duck Island neighborhood block party is scheduled for Sunday, September 23rd from 2-5 pm in Abbey Park.** Hot dogs and ice cream will be provided, and residents are encouraged to bring their own non-alcoholic drinks, chips and lawn chairs. Games and musical entertainment will be provided. Rich Clark gave an update on the By-Laws Subcommittee meeting that was held; the group came up with a draft of the neighborhood guidelines and focus of the block club (purpose, etc.). The group will be meeting again, and will bring a draft to the next block club meeting for input and a vote. Architect Michael Horton came to present about the proposed project at 2030 W 19th Street, which will be a combined commercial and residential structure. A question was asked about the additional cars that might be traveling W 19th, creating additional traffic, rather than using the alley for entrance to parking lot. It was clarified that there is already a curb cut and a parking lot in front, so entering from the alley isn't an option. The current planned use of the residential space in the building is for offices. Support of the variances requested was voted on and passed. Michael Horton presented a preliminary residential project for consideration at 2214 W 20th Street. The requested variances will be presented and voted on at the next block club meeting on September 4th. Scott Rosenstein announced the National Night Out Against Crime which being held the same night as the block club meeting and the upcoming Arts in August events. For more information on the block club and its activities, please visit our Facebook page, or contact Co-Chairs Sammi Wingers ([samantha.wingers@gmail.com](mailto:samantha.wingers@gmail.com)) and John Zayac ([jmzayac@theprojectgroup.net](mailto:jmzayac@theprojectgroup.net)) - or contact Scott at Tremont West at 216.575.0920 ext.106 – [scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org). **Please join us for our next meeting session on Tuesday, September 4th (the day after Labor Day), 6:30pm at the Forest City Brewery meeting room.**

### Irishtown Bend

The Irishtown Bend Block Club met at Hoopples on Wednesday, July 11th. Lt. Michael Betley from the Cleveland Police Department discussed safety issues with residents including recent vehicle break-ins and tips on how to prevent this. Lt. Bentley also stated regular traffic patrols are still taking place, and that he would share stats with the block club for speeding and left of center infractions. Khalid Hawthorne, the new Housing and Economic Development Director of Tremont West introduced himself to us and shared some thoughts on his role. Hawthorne succeeds Matt Moss, who began

a new position with the City of Cleveland Planning Department in July. A discussion about the Thunderbird Project on the Scranton Peninsula was also held, along with variances needed for current housing projects under way on Columbus and the role Tremont West may or may not play here. Block Club leader Shawn Kenney shared his attempts to gain updates on changes to Franklin to support tying in the Redline Greenway to the Lake Link Trail along with failed attempts to get an update from the City's Streets Department on addressing traffic issues on Columbus. The group reinforced their stance through unanimous consensus that this is still a top priority for the neighborhood, and we should take more aggressive steps to get resolution. Resident Marcy Vander Tuig shared her initial thoughts around how to beautify the traffic island at Carter and Columbus Rd. Scott Rosenstein from Tremont West shared various options for grants with the group, and offered to put Vander Tuig in contact with a City contact that assisted with the recent park bench project in front of the Tremont General Store. Resident Muriel Lederman offered to take the lead on the grant writing proposals. The initiative received unanimous support from the block club. New business discussions included recent debris falling off the Lorain Rd bridge, the lack of a response from the Councilman's office for assistance and how the city has been piling debris up instead of hauling it away. The group also agreed to another neighborhood potluck meeting, which was held on Saturday, August 11th at the home and patio of Chair, Sean Kenney. Lots of fun was had – and many thanks to residents who attended and shared food and drink! For more information on the block club and its activities check out our Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ColumbusHill> - or please contact Chair, Shawn Kenney at [skenny@tyfu.com](mailto:skenny@tyfu.com) or Scott Rosenstein, Community Involvement Manager at Tremont West – [scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org) – 216.575.0920 ext. 106. **There is no business meeting scheduled in August and September; however, the next regular business meeting of the Irishtown Bend Block Club will be held on Wednesday, October 10th at 6:30pm at Hoopples.**

### Lincoln Heights

Hope everyone enjoyed a month off and is enjoying the rest of summer. Since we last met some significant issues have taken place that need to be discussed at the September Block Club meeting. Even though we did not meet in August, leadership has been busy advocating on behalf of the membership and or neighbors alike. Many of you witnessed First Energy's complete disregard for our large trees that make up the canopy on the tree-lawns that line most of the larger streets in Lincoln Heights and all of Tremont. Even though First Energy had a public meeting in Tremont on August 2nd. Contractors working for First Energy continue to butcher and destroy trees. On August 14th. we had a meeting and walked with Ms. Jennifer Kipp from the City of Cleveland Department of Urban Forestry. She witnessed much of the damage especially on Brevier Ave. Several trees have been compromised and most likely for safety reasons need to be removed. In the first week of August most all property owners received the new 2018 Property Evaluations in the mail. Almost all residential properties and mixed-use buildings in Lincoln Heights received astronomical increases, many close to 200% . Leadership took action and created a spread sheet showing owner occupied homes. We forwarded that information to Tremont West and to City and County Council's. Tremont West passed a Board Resolution regarding these large increases, and also went to all the Hispanic owned properties in Lincoln Heights to make sure everyone understood to take this notification seriously and the ramifications of not acting prior to Aug. 31st. Petitions are being circulated in all of Tremont. Many Lincoln Heights residents cannot afford significant reciprocal tax increases and would have to either not pay or be forced to sell. We are working at this time to get other resources scheduled for the September meeting, but Cory Riordan Tremont West Executive Director and Kate Carden Tremont West Board President will be in attendance. To discuss both the Property Evaluations and the First Energy tree issues. Cory and Kate will also discuss the new Tremont West resolution for inclusivity and how in could effect our Block Club. Many other updates on safety and development will be discussed. Please mark down your calendars so we can have large attendance to talk about these important matters that will challenge the diversity of Tremont. **The next meeting is Monday September 10th at 6PM at St. Augustine's Walsh Hall** (Rear of 2486 West 14th Basement of School Building) If you have any questions contact Chairperson Henry Senyak at [HSenyak@aol.com](mailto:HSenyak@aol.com) or Dharma Valentin with Tremont West (216)-575-0920 Ext. 102.

### Mentor Castle Clark/ Holmden Buhner Rowley

**Please join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, September 5th, at 6:30 pm at Angelica Pozo's studio (1193 Holmden Ave, rear building)!** For more information on the block clubs and their activities, check out our Facebook page or contact MCC Co-Chair Chelsea Tobias ([chelsea.merriman@gmail.com](mailto:chelsea.merriman@gmail.com)) and HBR Co-Chair Angelica Pozo ([earth.angelapozo@gmail.com](mailto:earth.angelapozo@gmail.com)) or Dharma Valentin, Community and Equity Organizer – [dharma.valentin@tremontwest.org](mailto:dharma.valentin@tremontwest.org) – 216.575.0920 ext. 102.

### Metro North

At the late June meeting, we discussed safety updates with a Community Services Unit officer, Sgt. Tim Maffo-Judd. Special guests included representatives of MetroHealth Medical Center and the City of Cleveland who provided residents with an update about the revised rezoning legislation, as well as the construction activity

and timeline on Valentine for the new parking garage. For more info contact Latisha James, Director, Local Government Relations at MetroHealth at [lames2@metrohealth.org](mailto:lames2@metrohealth.org). This is important info for all residents of Metro North—especially for residents of Valentine and Scranton Road area. Ward 14 Councilwoman Jasmin Santana's Executive Assistant, Maranyelez Miranda, was also in attendance. We received hand-out material on the City recycling program and requirements. We heard about upcoming events such as the popular Taste of Tremont (held on Sun. July 15th) , along with the free music, dance, and theater performances of Arts in August weekends in Lincoln Park and the Tremont Arts & Cultural Festival in the Park on Saturday & Sunday, September 15th & 16th, as well as La Placita (a Latino themed open-air market) located in La Villa Hispana at the US Bank lot at 3104 W. 25th St. on Saturday, August 18th. For info, contact Selina Pagan at the Hispanic Business Center at (216) 281-4422. Many thanks to Randy Balog on the grill and to all who attended and shared food at our annual Summer Potluck Picnic on Tuesday, July 24th! We shared food, community, and information about upcoming Summer and Fall events. We also welcomed special guests – the new Housing & Economic Development Director at Tremont West, Khalid Hawthorne, and Community Services officers of the Cleveland Police. Hawthorne succeeds Matt Moss, who began a new position with the City Planning Department in July. Also, remember the monthly Community Meetings sponsored by Ward 14 Councilwoman Jasmin Santana – every fourth Thursday of the month, 6:30-7:30pm at the Family Ministry Center (3389 Fulton Road). Next meeting is Thursday, August 23rd! For questions about the block club and its meetings & activities, please contact Metro North Chair, Sue Krosel, or Scott at Tremont West, 216.575.0920 ext. 106, [scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org). **Please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, September 27th, 6:30pm, at St. Michael Church ground floor meeting room.** Bring a neighbor and join us!

### Clark Scranton Neighborhood Association

For current information please visit our website: [www.clarkscranton.weebly.com](http://www.clarkscranton.weebly.com).

### North of Literary

The North of Literary (NOL) Block Club's most recent gathering was Thursday, August 23, and served as the block club's annual summer picnic. Thanks to Briana and Eric Ishida for the use of their side yard! Food, drinks and socialization were enjoyed by all. Also, thank you to all who helped in the organization of the picnic. For more information on our block club and activities, please check out our Facebook page, or contact Co-Chairs, Chris Roy ([christopheroy@aol.com](mailto:christopheroy@aol.com)) or Jim Smith ([jim@allsmiths.org.uk](mailto:jim@allsmiths.org.uk)) or Community Involvement Manager, Scott Rosenstein at Tremont West at 216-575-0920 x106 ([scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org)). **Please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, September 18, at Post 1 Polish Veterans Alliance.** We look forward to seeing you!

### South of Jefferson

The August 14th meeting of the South of Jefferson block club was held at Roosevelt Post 58. Cleveland Police Sgt. Tim Maffo-Judd led off the meeting by updating the members on recent safety related developments and to take any questions. The sergeant noted a recent robbery and the persistent problem of dirt bikes on city streets. Plans were solidified for the SOJ Summer party to be held at 4pm on Saturday, August 25th at the home of Co-Chair Debbie Smith on Professor Avenue. A list of school supplies was discussed to benefit the science teachers Mrs. Lardie and Mrs. Beck at Tremont Montessori. Co-Chair Debbie Smith then made the announcement that the block club's Tremont Trek grant application to beautify Lucky Park along its rear portion had been fully approved! Debbie said she was looking for ideas from members in the creative process and execution of the project. Randi Zubin announced Lucky Park cleanup will continue on the third Wednesday of every month with a major clean up planned in the Fall. The SOJ Bylaws will continue to be examined and a committee of Debbie Smith along with volunteers Tom Tosuksri and Madison Trainer will assist in streamlining a standard operating procedure for the block club that is easy for members to understand and reference. One member raised the issue of homes on Brayton with high grass. The club agreed that elderly or disabled homeowners should be assisted or that neighbors should cut the grass. If the case is an absentee landlord and tenants are not cutting grass members were encouraged to use the code enforcement option and call the city help desk and contact Sgt. Maffo-Judd. Kate Carden announced the Celebrate Tremont fundraiser event set for Saturday, October 6th at 6.30pm. Ten percent of the money raise will benefit the APL this year as well as helping fund TWDC. Scott Rosenstein previewed the Arts & Cultural Festival which is celebrating it's 20th year and made a call for volunteers. This year's festival will also add a new special sidebar this year – Focus on the Artists – featuring minority and underrepresented artists. This first of a new three-year cycle program is billed as Sin Fronteras/Beyond Borders: A celebration of Latino artists in Cleveland. For questions about the block club and its activities, contact Co-Chairs, Debbie Smith ([ebussmith11@gmail.com](mailto:ebussmith11@gmail.com)) and Greg Kobe ([egreg\\_99@yahoo.com](mailto:egreg_99@yahoo.com)) or Community Involvement Manager, Scott Rosenstein at Tremont West at 216-575-0920 ext.106 ([scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org)). **The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 11th, 2018, at Roosevelt Post 58 at 6.30pm.**

### Post 58 - 2442 Professor Avenue

Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A. will be having their national convention here in Cleveland from September 27 - 30th, 2018. The dinner banquet is on September 29th, 2018. As you know, Taras (Terry) Zacharyj is the State PLAV Commander and his staff have been putting together a fantastic weekend for the expected 250 PLAV guests. Here in Tremont, Post 58, Post 30 and Post 1 are all part of the PLAV and their members will be participating in this weekend event. The guest speakers at the dinner banquet will be His Excellency Piotr Wilczek, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland. Additionally, Tremont resident and Post member, Tom Matia, has a cousin, Brigadier General Matthew C. Matia, who will also be a guest speaker at the dinner banquet. This convention is truly an honor to present and it will make Cleveland and its PLAV members very proud.



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# Tremont Arts & Cultural Festival 2018 ART JURORS' BIOS

**John Farina**, a Long Island, New York native, came to Cleveland in 1991 and now resides in the Collinwood neighborhood of Cleveland with his husband, Adam Tully. John and Adam are co-owners of Maria Neil Art Project, For four years (2013-2017) and around 30 exhibits the Maria Nell Art Project operated a commercial art gallery in the Waterloo neighborhood of Cleveland, specializing in emerging and established Cleveland artists. John and Adam are currently doing pop-up art shows in a variety of venues. John chairs the Waterloo Arts & Entertainment District Merchants Association. John served as the Executive Director (2014-2017) of ARTneo, the museum of Northeast Ohio art, leading the 30 year old organization through a relocation and revitalization. Farina has served in leadership positions for several social service and arts organizations including SPACES, the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland, the Cleveland Museum of Art and the Beck Center for the Arts. He has managed successful levy campaigns for Cuyahoga Arts & Culture, the Cleveland/Cuyahoga County Port Authority, Cuyahoga County Public Library and the Cuyahoga County Board of Developmental Disabilities. In 2014, he was the co-chair of the highly successful six-day Festival Village for Gay Games 9 and is an active participant in many area organizations including the Print Club of Cleveland and the Cleveland International Film Festival. In 2015, the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland honored Farina with the 'ArtCares Icon' award for his commitment to the HIV/AIDS and arts communities.

**Gabriel Gonzalez** was born in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, and moved to Cleveland, Ohio at age 3 where he grew up in the W. 25th Street and Clark Avenue area neighborhood. He attended Cleveland School of the Arts. Following graduation, Gonzalez exhibited his photography in many galleries throughout Cleveland. In 2002, he became an Artist in Residence at Cleveland School of the Arts and honored as a gifted educator by the Scholastics Art and Writing Awards. Gonzalez continued his education at Ohio University where he studied Art and Photography, and was voted president of the Hip-Hop Congress - a non-profit grassroots organization that helps join the community through the arts. After returning to Cleveland, Gonzalez continued to educate at the Cleveland School of the

Arts and in his community. In 2009 Gabriel received The Representative Marcia L. Fudge Distinguished Citizens Award, which recognizes those individuals who have made valuable contributions to the community through their profession. Most recently, Gonzalez was commissioned to display a mural at Hilton Hotel Downtown Cleveland, and exhibited at MOCA with Arts Collective Acerbic. He is currently working on a body of work that explores his Puerto Rican roots, while capturing images of the spirit of his people. Gonzalez is returning to Puerto Rico this summer to document the effects of Hurricane Maria a year later, but also to reconnect with his homeland. In this search Gonzalez explores how to reconcile preserving a sense of history and pride towards his Puerto Rican lineage, while maintaining a sense of place in his current American surroundings. Gonzalez regards this work as crucial to representing Puerto Rico and preserving his cultural identity.

**Chris Pekoc** is a native of Cleveland, and has said that his early exposure to tools and construction projects in his family's hardware store ignited his interest in the art of assemblage. Pekoc has taught creative drawing at Case Western Reserve University since 1988. He has received five Ohio Arts Council Individual Artist Fellowships and an OAC sponsored two-month International Residency in the Czech Republic. In 2007 Chris was the Mid-Career Artist Winner in Visual Arts selected by the Board of Cleveland Arts Prize along with jury chairs. His work has appeared in more than 100 solo and group shows at institutions including the Cleveland Museum of Art, MOCA Cleveland, the Akron Art Museum, the National Gallery of Australia, and the Ueda Gallery in Tokyo. Pekoc's work is also in permanent collections at the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Akron Art Museum, New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Czech Center of Photography, Houston's Museum of Fine Arts, Harvard's Fogg Art Museum, the Art Institute of Chicago, the Ringling Museum in Sarasota, Florida, and the Progressive Insurance Art Collection. His late-1970s mural Night Sky is in the main hall of the downtown Cleveland's Public Library near Public Square. Now known for his experimental mixed-media work, Pekoc creates complex collages of materials and photographs. His website is <https://christopherpekoc.com>.



Councilwoman Jasmin Santana

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## Las Tienditas Del Mercado 2886 W 25th Street

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Julio "Cesi" Castro moved to Cleveland in the late 1950s and opened a bodega, Caribe Grocery, on West 25th Street in the Clark-Fulton neighborhood. Castro arrived in Cleveland from the small town of Yauco in Puerto Rico-known for its coffee. As bodegas do in many minority communities, the store became much more than a simple bodega where Cleveland Latinos could find culturally-relevant products, it became a place for people to find community. A gathering place for musicians, a destination for newcomers to learn about the City, a micro-lender for people bridging the gap between paychecks...Cesi earned the title of "Mayor of W. 25th. In 2017, Cesi passed away unexpectedly.

In 2017, the Hispanic Business Center was looking for a location to create a Hispanic/Latino business incubator program but found it challenging due to the deteriorating, dilapidated and unsafe storefront stock in the neighborhood. Due to a lack of city investment, the Clark-Fulton neighborhood did not progress like the surrounding Ohio City, Tremont, Detroit Shoreway, and Old Brooklyn neighborhoods.

After Cesi's passing, HBC worked with the family to carry his legacy forward by turning the bodega into a business incubator for hyperlocal, resident-owned

businesses that could start, build, and grow while meeting the needs of the Clark-Fulton neighborhood-home to the highest density of Latinos in the State of Ohio.

Twenty Latino entrepreneurs partook in a 4-week training program the Hispanic Business Center created to meet the needs of retail-based businesses. Seven of these entrepreneurs entered a business pitch competition that ultimately resulted in 4 businesses being awarded startup capital and subsidized space in the former bodega. You will find a Latino-owned and operated coffee and pastry shop by the name of Café Social Latinoamericano, a Puerto-Rican soup/salad/sandwich counter called Pura Cepa, and Ortiz Arts Drafts and Design-a marketing and design company. The Center is currently securing a fourth and final tenant.

Not only does this carry the legacy of Cesi forward, but it takes with it the spirit of the hard working, entrepreneurial Latinos that came to Cleveland and made Cleveland a better place by doing so. This incubator is creating jobs, tax revenues, starting new business and will inspire future Latino-owned and operated businesses to invest into their community.

### Tremont Think and Drink

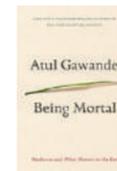
Join us for engaging book discussions while enjoying your favorite beverage, as the Jefferson Branch Library teams up with local bars for the Tremont Think and Drink.

For more information call 216-623-7004.

Discussions are held at Prosperity Social Club, 1109 Starkweather Avenue



Monday 9/10/18 7:00 pm  
The Subtle Art of Not Giving a F\*ck  
by Mark Manson



Monday 10/8/18 7:00 pm  
Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End  
by Atul Gawande



Monday 11/12/18 7:00pm  
Ordinary Light: A Memoir  
by Tracy K. Smith



## www.tremontwest.org

### Block Club Meetings

Duck Island

Holmden-Buhrer-Rowley

Mentor-Castle-Clark

Central Tremont

Lincoln Heights

South of Jefferson

Auburn-Lincoln Park

North of Literary

Metro North

Irishtown Bend

Clark Scranton

9/4 at Forest City Brewery @ 6:30pm

9/5 at Pozo's Studio (1193 Holmden) @ 6:30pm

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9/10 at Post 58 @ 6:30pm \*Note 1 week delay\*

9/10 at St. Augustine Walsh Hall @ 6pm

9/11 at Post 58 @ 6:30pm

9/17 at @ 6:30 pm

9/18 at Post 1 @ 6:30pm

9/25 at St. Michael's Meeting Room @ 6:30pm

10/10 at Hoopples @ 6:30pm

www.clarkscranton.weebly.com

### Other Committee Meetings

Tremont West Ad Hoc Arts Committee

TBD.

Tremont West Economic Development Cmt.

9/6 at TWDC Conference Room @ 6pm

Tremont West Executive Cmt.

9/13 at TWDC Conference Room @ 6:30pm

2nd District Police Community Relations

9/11 at Applewood Center @ 7pm

Tremont West Safety Cmt.

9/12 at TWDC Conference Room @ 6:30pm

Tremont History Project

9/15 at Jefferson Library @ 10am

Tremont West Board of Directors

9/20 at Jefferson Library @ 6pm

Tremont West Ad Hoc Fundraising Cmt.

TBD.

Tremont West Nominating Committee

TBD.

Tremont West Finance Cmt.

Meets Bi-Monthly. Call TWDC for next meeting.

Friends of Clark Field

TBD. Please call Bev at 310-6810.

Cleveland Lions Club (Dinner Included)

TBA

Tremont West Governance Committee

TBD.

Tremont Gardeners

TBD.

Friends of Tremont School

Please call Cory, 216-575-0920, ext. 101

### Special Events

**Painting a Better Picture in Ward 14**  
Fri., Aug. 31st, 4-7pm & Sat. Sept. 1st. 10am-2pm  
(See ad on page 7.)

**St. John Cantuis Polish Festival**  
Sunday, September 2nd, 1-11pm  
Enjoy food, games, polish imports, and dancing.  
Music provided by Lenny Gomulka & Chicago Push ,  
from 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm.

**Tremont Farmers' Market**  
4-7pm in Lincoln Park Tuesdays, through Oct. 1st

**Tremont Think & Drink**  
Monday, Sept. 10th, 7pm at Prosperity Social Club  
(See ad above.)

**Walkabout Tremont**  
Friday, September 14th, 5-10pm,  
www.walkabouttremont.com (See page 5.)

**Tremont Arts & Cultural Festival**  
Sat., Sept. 15th & Sun., Sept. 16th  
www.tremontartsfestival.com  
(See articles on page 1, 2 & 7.)

**Ward 14 Community Meeting**  
Thursday, September 27th (See ad on p. 7.)

**Celebrate Tremont**  
Saturday, October 6th, 6:30pm  
(See article on front page.)

**Looking for Work and 18 to 24 Years Old?**  
Call Ohio Means Jobs and ask about the Wage  
Pathway Program, 216-777-8186

**Blessing of the Animals**  
Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ  
2592 W. 14 Street, October 13, 2018, 2:00 PM  
(See ad on page 2.)

**East Denison Elementary School Reunion 2018**  
1700 Denison Ave. Cleveland, Ohio 44109  
If you attended East Denison throughout the school's  
history, you may want to attend the: East Denison  
"Wonder Years" School Reunion (all who attended East  
Denison). This is a chance to catch up with old friends,  
have fun, dance and make new friends. The event  
will be held on October 13th, 2018. We will tour East  
Denison at 4-6 pm then head over to the VFW hall at:  
4305 Woodrow Ave, Cleveland, OH 44134 for dinner,  
dancing and prizes from 7-11 pm. We are on Facebook  
at: East Denison "Wonder Years" School Reunion.

**Arts Renaissance Tremont**  
Sunday, October 14th, 3pm at Pilgrim Church  
(See ad on page 2.)