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## Welcome City Church, Sixmo, and Proof Bar-B-Q to Tremont



### City Church Opens in Tremont

Written by Pastor Nate Fridrichsen

City Church has moved to Tremont in the former Iglesia Nuevo Renacer building at the corner of College Avenue and Tremont Avenue. The church began in 2017, renting time at another church on the Near West Side. The church buying this new building allowed Iglesia Nuevo Renacer to move to a new location that will better serve their needs. And with Iglesia Nuevo Renacer's blessing, City Church looks forward to using the building to continue to serve the community.

The church was drawn to Tremont because of the social connectedness within the neighborhood among diverse peoples. They invite you to join them for a service on Sundays at 10am or one of their in-home community meals around the Near West Side.

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### SIXMO ARCHITECTS | ENGINEERS

Written by Patrick Thornton

Sixmo is an architecture and engineering firm formed in 2012 in Rocky River. We quickly outgrew our small storefront space on Lake Road and soon moved to a larger, more traditional professional office space in Westlake. No sooner were we settled in that Westlake space than we found the growth of our firm was going to be too much for the 2500 square foot office. At that point we began the search for a permanent home, and this time we intended to control our own destiny by purchasing a property. During the years long search for that perfect home we found other small development opportunities that matched our desire to grow geographically, but struggled to find that permanent anchor in Northeast Ohio. Out of pure luck we stumbled upon a stunning property in Tremont and immediately fell in love with it. The former C.R. Studio, also known as the Ukrainian Labor Temple, would be that permanent home for Sixmo, sufficient in size for our current staff and capable to house the growth that we have forecast for the firm.

The Tremont office is located at 1101 Auburn Avenue – at the intersection of West 11th and Auburn Avenue. We currently occupy the upper floor with a staff of 16 architects and engineers. This talented staff has been responsible for projects you may recognize in the area, such as Bookhouse Brewing on West 25th and the new townhome development known as “West 19” at the south end of West 19th overlooking Tremont from Duck Island.

We chose Tremont not just because we found this absolute gem of a building, but because we wanted to be a part of a vibrant neighborhood, and we wanted a place that was impressive to our clients. This building provides both in spades. In developing the property, we wanted to preserve the beauty and history of the building – and as such we simply made cosmetic repairs to the interior to bring the life back to the former theater, and then fitted it with furnishings. We did not want to overpower the existing open space with traditional offices, so we utilized open office furnishings and materials and colors that simply complimented the already significant existing architecture. While we have occupied the upper level, the lower level was not initially developed. We currently plan to offer individual private furnished offices for lease on the lower level, complete with concierge and administrative support in a casual collaborative setting. This allows us to take advantage of the valuable leasable space the wonderful property provides while offering our firm with unobstructed future expansion capability.

I invite you to visit our website at [sixmoae.com](http://sixmoae.com) to learn more about our team and our business. If you are interested in one of our private offices, feel free to stop in!

### Proof Bar-B-Q Set to Open on Professor Avenue

Cousins Michael Griffin and Dave Ferrante are bringing more to experience in the former Komorowski Funeral Home Building located at 2258 Professor Avenue. The second floor of the building is home to Visible Voice Books, a local small business where you can shop for a great read; enjoy a cup of coffee, craft beer or glass of wine. They host many events each month from book reading and signings to live music. The main floor of the building is home to Crust Pizza. Crust makes their breads, pastas, gnocchi and doughs fresh daily and is a neighborhood favorite.

Tremont is home to many great places to dine, Proof will be the neighborhoods first official Bar-B-Q spot. Knowing the quality of food Crust presents, the scratch-made tender meats that are smoked low and slow are going to be a quick favorite for locals and visitors alike. Michael made a good choice in consulting with Pete Joyce of the former Bistro on Lincoln Park. Proof will offer many different types of food including mozzarella, cheddar, portabella mushrooms, brisket, pork and turkey breast. The smoked meats will be accompanied by house made sauces in the many different styles from the Carolinas, Kansas City and Texas. Their house sauce is their own creation of cherry bourbon.

The play on words in Bar-B-Q is a hint at Proofs other delicacy, craft cocktails. The smokey flavor is in their drinks too! Try their Smokey Bacon Manhattan or their Smoked-Orange Old Fashioned. There will be an extensive list of beers on tap and many wines to enjoy!

Now in the midst of winter, Proof has us dreaming of patio weather because when it arrives it will reveal a new patio with bar and small outdoor kitchen behind the building.

In this new venture, Dave and Michael are welcoming Erin Ruppel to the team, she is the General Manager of Proof. Welcome to Tremont, Erin!

And, welcome, Proof! They plan to open in early February and their hours will be Tuesday through Sunday 4pm to 10pm, visit them online at [proofcleveland.com](http://proofcleveland.com).



# Inside Tremont

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## Welcome, Julie Dahlhausen, Community Engagement Specialist



Hello, neighbors! My name is Julie Dahlhausen and I'm excited to serve Tremont as your Community

Engagement Specialist. I come to you from the Department of Aging, and before that Kamm's Corners Development Corporation. Please feel free to contact me for information about the City of Cleveland's Paint Program (see below) and home repair assistance. In my spare time you can find me making a racket on my drums, or watching hockey with my cat Bolivar. I'm looking forward to getting to know all of you. Talk soon.

## Tremont West Membership Forms Due April 1, 2020 for Eligibility to Vote at the May Membership Meeting

Membership in Tremont West is a great way to show support for your community and qualifies residents and representatives of community businesses and institutions to vote on leadership, governance and community issues at the Annual Membership Meeting in May of each year.

Tremont West's Board of Directors is comprised of 15 community members. These members are democratically elected by the membership on a rotating basis; each year the membership elects a Board President (one year term) and 4 or 5 Directors who will serve a three year term.

Membership in Tremont West is Free – there are no membership dues or fees. To apply, complete a Membership application, and submit it by e-mail or by US mail.

experience.tremont.com/tremont-west/membership/

You may also request an application

to be emailed or mailed to you by contacting Scott Rosenstein (scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org) or at 216-575-0920, ext. 106.

To be eligible to vote at the May meeting, membership forms must be turned in on or before April 1. Forms received after that date will give you voting rights at the following year's Membership Meeting.

Please mail or drop off application to:  
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Other benefits of being a member of Tremont West include receiving the *Inside Tremont* newspaper delivered monthly to your mailbox, as well as receiving weekly e-news – both printed and digital media include information about neighborhood projects, events and activities. Best of all, membership provides a boost in your civic pride; to know that you have a voice in the future of our neighborhoods!

**Please note:** To be eligible for membership, you must be at least 18 years of age or older, and a resident of Tremont, Duck Island, or Irishtown Bend –OR– a designated representative of a local business or institution.

## City of Cleveland Announces the Return of the Paint Program!

Mayor Frank G. Jackson announced that the City of Cleveland's popular Exterior Paint Program will resume. The program is part of the Healthy Homes Interdepartmental Initiative, a citywide effort to improve quality of life through enhancements in housing stock. Legislation for the program was introduced in Aug. 2019: <https://bit.ly/2C0IHcE>

"The City of Cleveland invites residents to take advantage of our 2020 Exterior Paint Program," said Mayor Jackson. "Our goal is to help residents leverage these and other city services which can help protect their home investments, improve housing stock in our neighborhoods and create a better quality of life."

The Exterior Paint Program provides paint and materials to homeowners who wish to paint the exterior of their homes. Labor is not included. The goal for 2020 is 500 homes with a total allocation of \$500,000 for the program.

Homeowners, as well as tenants, who meet income guidelines, are welcome to apply for the program. Funds cover the cost of up to \$1,500 for owner occupants or up to \$750 for tenants in paint and materials. Inspections of the property must be conducted. **Applications must be received by Feb. 28, 2020** and the painting must be completed by Oct. 31, 2020.

The Department of Community Development's Division of Neighborhood Services administers services on a first-come, first-served basis. Please email [contact@tremontwest.org](mailto:contact@tremontwest.org) for an application.

### Exterior Paint Program Income Guidelines

FAMILY SIZE	LOW/MODERATE	FAMILY SIZE	LOW/MODERATE
1	\$51,600	5	\$79,600
2	\$59,000	6	\$85,500
3	\$66,350	7	\$91,400
4	\$73,700	8	\$97,300

## Tremont West Awarded Building Resilience Grant from ArcelorMittal, RFP Announced

ArcelorMittal was overwhelmed with the response from their nonprofit partners proposals to "Building Resilience: Investing in nonprofit sustainability." They received 50 applications with funding requests totaling more than \$1.4 million. Similar to past years, their decision-making process was very challenging. Many incredible projects were submitted, and they were able to award 15 organizations a total of \$350,000, Tremont West was one of the grantees.

Tremont West is going to use this opportunity to review and plan for the future of our free community programming. The "Request for Proposals" is posted on [experiencetremont.com](http://experiencetremont.com). Proposals are due by Monday, March 1, 2020. The Tremont West staff is eager to get working on this process and to learn more about how to best serve the Tremont community in the coming years.

### Energy Assistance Programs

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, Keith Moore, (216) 533-5612.

### Safety Updates

Updates and information about crime and safety in the neighborhood can be found at [NearWestSafety.org](http://NearWestSafety.org). if you would like to be added to the Safety Update Mailing list please sign up at [NearWestSafety.org/newsletters](http://NearWestSafety.org/newsletters)

### 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. Please call Khalid Hawthorne at 216-575-0920, ext. 113.

### Commercial Space for Sale or Lease

Are you looking to lease, purchase or market commercial space in Tremont? Remember, if you are planning to open a business in Tremont, you must contact the City of Cleveland to see what variances or permits are required for your desired location. The Department of Building and Housing can be reached at 216-664-2282. There are some great loan reimbursement programs through the city and county for vacant building rehab, storefront renovations, signage and Brownfield clean-up. Please call Khalid Hawthorne at 216-575-0920, ext. 113.

### 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.

## Towpath Trail Construction

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).

## City of Cleveland Holiday Waste Pick-Up

Bulk Pick-Up (3 items only) in Tremont is Friday, February 7th. There will be a day delay for pick up after President's Day. Tremont's trash will be picked up on Saturday, 2/22. Questions? 216-664-3711 or [cleveland-oh.gov](http://cleveland-oh.gov)

## Cleveland Public Library Recognized 150 Unsung Heroes



Congratulations to those recognized on January 20, 2020 as part of the 150 Unsung Heroes and Change Makers by the Cleveland Public Library at the 35th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Commemorative Ceremony.

The following were nominated for the honor by our local South and Jefferson Branch Libraries:

- Sister Corita Ambro
- Mary Ann Balog
- Norma Castro
- Mike Koski
- Sue Krosel (above middle)
- Dan Leamon
- Dan Lotz
- Mattie Matusik (above left)
- Selina Pagan
- Erin Randel
- Sandy Smith
- Richard Soseko
- Beverly Wurm (above right)

Well-deserved awards! These are our Heroes and Change Makers!

## Congratulations to Auburn Lincoln Park and Duck Island Block Clubs, Winners of the Tremont Food Drive Competition!

*Tremont-Duck Island-Irishtown Bend Holiday Food Drive – Announcing Totals & Reigning Champs – and Thank You to All!*

In November, Metro North invited other block clubs to engage in a "friendly competition" to see which group could bring in the most donations in the annual Tremont, Duck Island and Irishtown Bend Holiday Food Drive – of nonperishable food items, paper products and cash/check donations. The ultimate goal is to help food pantries, like St. Augustine, Pilgrim Congregational, St. John Cantius, St. Michael the Archangel, Immanuel Lutheran, Westside Catholic Center, St. Malachi and Greater Cleveland Food Bank to feed our Duck Island, Irishtown Bend and Tremont families and children in need in the holiday season.

Eight block clubs took them up on the challenge for 2019/2020: Auburn-Lincoln Park, Central Tremont, Duck Island, Holmden-Buhrer-Rowley & Mentor-Castle-Clark, Irishtown Bend, North of Literary, and South of Jefferson. Joined by the Tremont West staff – our teams collected lots of canned goods, paper products and check/cash

donations – the equivalent of 18,621 items (or \$13,567 in cash/checks and 1,487 food items)!

We are announcing the "reigning champs" block club – based on the number of total food items and checks / cash donated. This block club will have "bragging rights" in the competition for the coming year – until next year's Holiday Food Drive! Well, here are the final standings for the block club donations in the friendly competition of the Holiday Food Drive 2019/2020: Awesome, job Auburn-Lincoln Park and Duck Island Block Clubs!! Both block clubs won in their respective categories of cash/checks/overall points and food items for the first time in the history of the neighborhood Holiday Food Drive competition! Many thanks!

All the block clubs can be proud of their efforts and the generosity of their memberships. The chart below, compares this year to 2018/2019 and 2017/2018. These are the final totals and reflect food items and cash/check donations contributed through the Food Drive deadline of January 13, 2020.

Rank 2020	Rank 2019	Rank 2018	Block Club	Food Items 2019/2020	Food Items 2018/2019	Food Items 2017/2018	Cash/Checks 2019/2020	Cash/Checks 2018/2019	Cash/Checks 2017/2018	Point Total 2019/2020	Point Total 2018/2019	Point Total 2017/2018	% Change 2018 to 2020
1	2	3	Auburn-Lincoln Park	360	80	103	\$3,330	\$3,300	\$2,000	7,020	6,680	4,103	71.09%
2	1	5	Metro North	0	5,477	420	\$3,266	\$3,800	\$1,330	6,532	13,077	3,080	86.10%
3	5	6	Duck Island	385	126	920	\$1,531	\$1,500	\$1,070	3,447	3,126	3,060	12.65%
4	3	4	North of Literary	61	197	76	\$1,528	\$2,295	\$1,640	3,117	4,787	3,356	-7.12%
5	4	1	Central Tremont	59	76	6	\$1,307	\$1,625	\$4,366 (vehicle donation)	2,673	3,326	6,732	-60.29%
6	6	2	South of Jefferson	230	338	495	\$1,200	\$1,228	\$2,000	2,630	2,794	4,495	-48.68%
7	7	7	Irishtown Bend	32	33	0	\$915	\$820	\$815	1,862	1,673	1,630	14.23%
8	8	8	Tremont West Staff	100	45	128	\$365	\$384	\$160	830	855	448	85.27%
9	9	9	Holmden-Buhrer-Rowley/Mentor-Castle Clark	260	242	133	\$125	\$190	\$80	510	622	293	39.29%
TOTALS - ROUND 2				1,487	6,614	2,281	\$13,567	\$15,142	\$10,275 plus \$4,366 vehicle donation	28,621	36,940	27,197	0.73%

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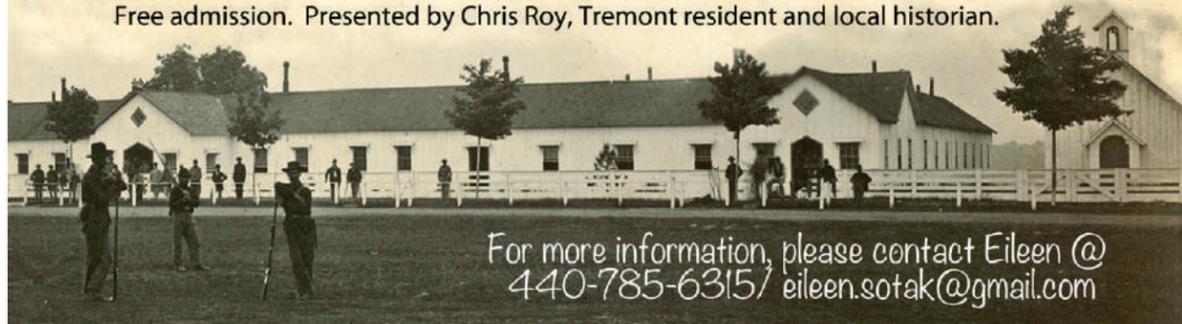
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For more information, please contact Eileen @ 440-785-6315 / eileen.sotak@gmail.com

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The voter registration deadline for the Presidential Primary Election of March 17th (St. Patrick's Day) is February 18th. Make sure you are registered at your current address and that you know your voting location. Visit the Board's website: [www.443VOTE.us](http://www.443VOTE.us) to confirm your registration information. You may also register online and at all public libraries.

### VOTE BY MAIL:

Vote-by-Mail in the Presidential Primary Election of March 17th (St. Patrick's Day) and you'll be free to celebrate the holiday without worrying about missing the Election. Get your ballot application on the Board of Elections website at: [www.443VOTE.us](http://www.443VOTE.us). Ballot applications are also available at all public libraries.

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## Canalway Partners, Welcomes New Executive Director, Mera Cardenas

Mera Cardenas moved to Cleveland to become the new Executive Director of Canalway Partners. Tim Donovan is retiring from his position, but will stay with the organization during the transition. Mera brings experience and knowledge about running a National Heritage Area because she was the Executive Director of the nonprofit for the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area near Atlanta. As Stage 4 of the Towpath Trail in Tremont broke ground late last fall, Canalway Partners, with the City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, and Cleveland MetroParks are underway planning for the final touch, a 20-acre park at Canal Basin. Welcome, Mera!



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### CONVERGENCE-CONTINUUM PRESENTS 2020 NEOMFA PLAYWRIGHTS FESTIVAL OPENING THURS, FEB 13 AT THE LIMINIS THEATER ON SCRANTON RD.



For the ninth year, **convergence-continuum** continues its successful collaboration with the **Northeast Ohio Master of Fine Arts (NEOMFA) in Creative Writing Program**. The Festival runs two weekends, Thursday-Saturday at 8pm, with different plays each weekend.

**Week 1 (Feb 13-15)** features the full-length play *A Shape to This Ache* by MFA candidate Morgan Elswick, directed by Jonah Roth, featuring actors Joan Jankowski, Joseph Milan, Claire Scott, and Kim Woodworth.

**Week 2 (Feb 20-22)** features the one-act play *The Purple Queen* by Ralph Myers, directed by Tyson Douglas Rand, and two ten-minute plays: *First to Die Wins* by Justin Lazor, directed by Eva Nel Brettrager and *Autopoiesis* by Oana Leuca, directed by David Munnell. The Week 2 plays feature the following cast members in various roles: J.C. Cifranic, Samantha Cocco, Jamal Davidson, Mike Frye, Robert Lucchesi, Casey McCann, Grace Mitri, J.P. Peralta, Hanna Storch, Tim Tavcar and Monica Zach.

**The 2020 NEOMFA Playwrights Festival** opens Thursday, Feb. 13 and runs at 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays through Feb. 22 at the Liminis Theater, 2438 Scranton Rd.

Tickets are \$10 general admission and \$5 for students. Tickets and information are available at [convergence-continuum.org](http://convergence-continuum.org) or 216-687-0074.

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## Block Club Happenings

*"Block Club Happenings" is compiled by Tremont*

*West staff with direct input from Block Clubs.*

### Auburn-Lincoln Park

Happy 2020! Auburn-Lincoln Park Block Club members were busy in December and January wrapping up one decade and ringing in a new one! During the holidays, members rallied to compete in the friendly block club competition for Tremont's Annual Holiday Food Drive. Focused on continuing a three-year trend to move up in the standings, block members were able to increase their contributions to the Drive by 71% and move up to First Place. We want to thank all members who contributed and helped push us to the top! And, we would like to thank Block Club Food Drive Co-Coordinator Jonathan Petrea and Patti Choby for their continued leadership of this activity. Most important, though, we are grateful for our block members' efforts which help support the critical services of the food pantries in Tremont and Ohio City. Increasing our ability to give collectively is the real reward. As part of the 35th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Commemorative Ceremony on January 20th, Cleveland Public Library recognized 150 Unsung Heroes and Change Makers, including our own Dan Lotz and Sister Corita Ambro. Sister Corita and Dan were nominated by Jefferson Branch Library. Congratulations, Dan and Sister Corita! Well-deserved award! And thank you Jefferson Branch! On Monday, January 27, members met to elect Co-Chairs and Co-Secretaries for 2020 at the block club's "After the Holidays Party" at Tremont Public Works (more details in the March newsletter and by e-mail). Our thanks to Co-Chairs, Kate O'Neil and Jonathan Petrea, and Co-Secretaries, Patti Choby and Margy Judd, for their faithful service to the block club in 2019. You can keep current on all of our activities and meeting dates/locations by visiting the Auburn Block Club Facebook page [www.Facebook.com/auburnblockclub](http://www.Facebook.com/auburnblockclub). If you are interested in attending our monthly meeting or have questions for the block club please contact Block Club Co-chairs, Kate O'Neil ([auburnlincolnpark@gmail.com](mailto:auburnlincolnpark@gmail.com)) or Jonathan Petrea ([jpetrea@gmail.com](mailto:jpetrea@gmail.com)) and/or Community Involvement Manager Scott Rosenstein at Tremont West – 216-575-0920, ext. 106. We hope to see you at our February meeting to see what is on tap for Tremont in 2020! **We hope to see you around the neighborhood and at our next meeting on Monday, February 24th (NOTE: Change of Date to avoid conflict with President's Day holiday), 2020 at 6:30 pm at Rosemary Center.**

### Central Tremont

Central Tremont did not hold a meeting in the month of January, however, will hold its first meeting of the year in February. **Please join us for our next meeting on Monday, February 3rd at 6:30pm at Post 1 (2234 Professor Avenue).** On January 20th as part of the 35th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Commemorative Ceremony, Cleveland Public Library recognized 150 Unsung Heroes and Change Makers, which honored 10 Tremonters as nominated by our local South and Jefferson branches, including Central Tremont members Mattie Mattusik and Dan Leamon. Congratulations to Mattie and Dan and to all those honored – and thanks to our branch libraries for the nominations! For more information on the block club and its activities, please contact Co-chairs Jennifer Zellner ([jen.sulc7@gmail.com](mailto:jen.sulc7@gmail.com)) or Chris Zellner ([zzzellner@gmail.com](mailto:zzzellner@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 at St. Wendelin Parish Hall on December 10th. Sgt. Pat McClain came from 2nd District Cleveland Police to talk about neighborhood safety issues. Following up on a concern from the last meeting, he said the scooter activity is mostly during the day and so he referred those issues to the day shift. Officers took a look at the building on Willey, and there didn't appear to be anyone actively using the space. A question was asked about Abbey Bridge and whether anyone was living down there, but no complaints have been received. There have been a couple of incidents in central Tremont, including a carjacking, but no crimes have been reported in Duck Island lately. The suggestion was made to have local businesses accept your package deliveries for you if possible, as there have been several package thefts in the neighborhood. Jeff Burger came to speak to the block club to talk about his bid to run for State Representative for District 10. He is running in the Primary Election as a progressive Democrat; the incumbent is Terrence Upchurch. Philip and Ashley Major reported on the Holiday Food Drive. Their efforts in walking around the neighborhood on Saturday, December 7th were successful, with a nice number of canned goods donations. Forest City Brewery offered a free appetizer for donations of four or more canned goods on Thursdays through January. Fit Cleveland is offering free classes for the month for those who donate to the food drive. It was announced in mid-January that Duck Island Block Club took first place in the Canned Goods/Food Items category of this year's Food Drive friendly competition between block clubs. Congratulations!! We will receive a \$50 Award from Tremont West for our accomplishment for our block club treasury. Many thanks to all who gave generously, to DI Food Drive Coordinators, Philip and Ashley Major, to Jay Demegall and Forest City Brewery, and to Fit Cleveland! The Duck Island Green Space (DIGS) committee reported that the Summer Sprout application was submitted, along with the land bank request for the community garden. Milton Loring was re-elected as block club chair for 2020 (but meetings will need to be more infrequent due to his schedule), and Philip Major was elected to Co-Chair. Carolyn Bentley was re-elected as Ex-Officio representative from Duck Island to the TWDC Board of Directors. Brian Hannon was elected as Secretary and will receive support from Dave LaSalvia and Mary Roberts. Congratulations to all the officers! And many thanks to out-going officers for 2019, Rick Warren (Co-Chair) and Mary Roberts (Co-Secretary) for their faithful service – and thanks to those re-elected to continued service as well. It was decided at the December meeting that block club meetings in 2020 will be held every other month, beginning in February. For more information on the block club and its activities, please contact Chair, Milton Loring ([mlorring@ameritech.net](mailto:mlorring@ameritech.net)) & Co-Chair Philip Major ([coach.philip.major@gmail.com](mailto:coach.philip.major@gmail.com)) or Scott at Tremont West ([scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org)) – 216.575.0920 ext. 106. **Please join us for our next meetings on Tuesday, February 4th, 6:30pm and Tuesday, April 7th, 6:30pm at Forest City Brewery!** Bring a neighbor and join us!

### Irishtown Bend

Stakeholders of the Irishtown Bend kicked off the new year with a block club meeting on Wednesday, January 8th. After introducing new and old neighbors, the meeting started off

with Sgt. Pat McClain giving the group an update on safety and reminded everyone that the 2nd District Police Department is ready to act if anything gets reported. Cleveland Streets Commissioner Rob Mavec then showed the group the progress made on the upcoming bridge signage that will be placed around in and around the Flats. Such signs are to inform and remind drivers where the bridges are in the Flats. Additionally, Commissioner Mavec showed the group the signs that will be placed at the light on Columbus and Abbey Roads that will warn drivers going northbound on Columbus Road that the bridge is in operation. Such sign will be flashing when the Columbus Road Bridge is in operation & it should be installed in the next couple of weeks. The group then reviewed engineering drawings and plans for the Red Line Greenway Trail being built by the Metroparks. This discussion, however, was not finalized, since there's a Special Meeting with the Metroparks on 2/12/20 to discuss the complete project. It was also reminded to the group that elections for a new Chair for 2020 are upon us & nominations should be sent to Scott Rosenstein at [scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org) for the new period of 2020/2021. Elections will be held at the Special Meeting on Wednesday, February 12th. And, we would like to thank Block Club Food Drive Coordinator Marcy VanderTuig for her continued leadership of this activity. Most important, though, we are grateful for our block members' efforts which help support the critical services of St. Malachi's Back Door Ministry food pantry. Increasing our ability to give collectively is the real reward. For more information on our block club and its activities, please check out our Facebook page – or contact Block Club Chair, Jenny Rodriguez at [jrodriguez@brandes.us](mailto:jrodriguez@brandes.us) or Scott at Tremont West, 216.575.0920 ext. 106, [scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org). **The next meeting of the Irishtown Bend Block Club will be on Wednesday February 12, 2020 at 6:30pm at Hoopples.**

### Holmden Buhler Rowley/ Mentor Castle Clark

The block club hosted its holiday party on Thursday, January 9th at the Clark Bar (thanks to all who brought dishes to share and to the Clark Bar for hosting), and **will be hosting its next full block club meeting on Wednesday, February 5th at 6:30pm at Pozo Studio (1193 Holmden Avenue).** On January 20th as part of the 35th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Commemorative Ceremony, Cleveland Public Library recognized 150 Unsung Heroes and Change Makers, which honored 10 Tremonters as nominated by our local South and Jefferson branches, including MCC member and founder of Friends of Clark Field, Beverly Wurm, and HBR member and Tremont West Board member, Rich Sosenko. Congratulations to Beverly and Rich and to all those honored – and thanks to our branch libraries for the nominations! For more information on the block clubs and their activities, check out our Facebook page or contact MCC Co-Chairs Josh Wright ([jwright.cle@gmail.com](mailto:jwright.cle@gmail.com)) or Beverly Wurm ([beverlywurm@yahoo.com](mailto:beverlywurm@yahoo.com)) and HBR Co-Chair Angelica Pozo ([earth.angelapozo@gmail.com](mailto:earth.angelapozo@gmail.com)) or Dharma Valentin, Community and Equity Organizer – [dharmavalentin@tremontwest.org](mailto:dharmavalentin@tremontwest.org) – 216.575.0920 ext. 102.

### Metro North

In our annual Holiday Food Drive to benefit St. Michael's Hunger Center/Food Pantry, this season, Metro North came in second place in two categories of the Food Drive "friendly competition" with the other neighborhood block clubs – with the second most cash/checks donated – and 2nd place in the overall total standings! And, we would like to thank Block Club Food Drive Coordinators, Mary Ann Balog and Angela Guy, for their continued leadership of this activity. Most important, though, we are grateful for our block members' efforts which help support the critical services of the food pantry at St. Michael Parish. Thank you for your generosity! As for the designated bike lanes proposed on Scranton Road between Valentine and Clark, Ward 14 Councilwoman Jasmin Santana reported in November that she met several times with Streets Commissioner Rob Mavec, Matt Moss and Calley Mersmann to go over the residents' feedback. Councilwoman Santana shared with team that the residents feel that the street is dangerously tight and wouldn't support bicyclists safely. Also, local businesses have expressed that there is already limited parking on the street and further restrictions would negatively impact their businesses. As of our last meeting in November, she was told that ODOT would not be striping with bike lanes. ODOT is a little behind with their workload, so don't anticipate striping until possibly March, 2020. In the meantime, there will be temporary road striping onto the street, until final decisions have been determined. Councilwoman Santana also mentioned the frustration by residents due to minimal community engagement. Therefore, the path forward was to offer more community impact meetings, where residents and business owners can discuss the impacts of bike lanes on Scranton. Furthermore, once public meetings are secured and the dates for them set (we hope to announce one for late February, 2020), Councilwoman Santana will share on Facebook and canvass the area to reach out to the broader community that resides in Ward 14 Tremont neighborhood. The Councilwoman encourages residents to continue to offer your thoughts on the bike lanes to: Commissioner of Traffic and Engineering, Rob Mavec, [rmavec@city.cleveland.oh.us](mailto:rmavec@city.cleveland.oh.us) As part of the 35th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Commemorative Ceremony on January 20th, Cleveland Public Library recognized 150 Unsung Heroes and Change Makers, including our own Mary Ann Balog, Sue Krosel, and Sandy Smith. They were nominated by Librarian Jaime Delet and South Branch Library. Congratulations, Mary Ann, Sue, and Sandy! Well-deserved awards! And thank you Jaime and South Branch! Residents were invited to a Public Meeting with representatives of MetroHealth Medical Center on Wednesday, January 29th at South Branch Library to hear a presentation about W. 25th Street development plans. New updates will be given concerning the proposed \$60 million W. 25th Street project that will bring new housing, a workforce opportunity center, retail and more to the neighborhood. Residents were encouraged to ask questions and offer comments. Residents were joined by representatives of MetroHealth, Cleveland Ward 14 Councilwoman Jasmin Santana, Metro West Community Development, and Tremont West Development. For questions about the block club or its' 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). **The block club is still on a winter break with the next business meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 23rd, 2020, 6:30pm at the ground floor meeting room of St. Michael Church.** Please join us!

### North of Literary

North of Literary Block Club met on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at Post 1, Polish Veterans Alliance. Chris Roy and Kyle Poney co-chaired the meeting. Lt. Michael Betley and Sgt. Pat McLean from 2nd District Police discussed the arrest of

one adult and three juveniles who were caught robbing cars on West 10th Street. We also discussed problems with drivers blocking driveways, ice on sidewalks, and where guns used in crimes come from. Tom Romito and three colleagues presented a discussion about the mission and goals of the Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society and how our neighborhood can benefit from being involved with this organization. Their mission is to engage and educate people about urban birding in their neighborhoods. They stressed that the closer we are to nature, the healthier we are and the richer our community is. They encouraged us to: go outside; listen and look; pick one bird to learn, then learn more. For more information, visit their website at [www.wcaudobon.org](http://www.wcaudobon.org). Community Involvement Manager Scott Rosenstein reminded us that Tuesday, March 17, 2020 is Primary Election Day, and he provided a packet of information that included the seven charter Amendments that will be on the ballot. Kerry McCormack, our Cleveland Ward 3 Council Member, gave a brief talk about the Ward 3 Quarterly Community Meeting on January 22nd and the new LED lights that will replace the old street lights sometime late this year. The Councilman then opened the meeting for discussion and questions by NOL members. West Side Market, Clark Field Construction and the Towpath were some topics. Most interesting was the questioning of Councilman McCormack about the current proposal (on the March 17th ballot) to reduce the number of Council Members from 17 to 9. Councilman McCormack gave his impression of the results of such a reduction, and he also told us how such a proposal came about in the first place. We would like to thank Block Club Food Drive Coordinator Elizabeth Gedeon for her leadership of this activity in NOL. Most important, though, we are grateful for our block members' efforts which help support the critical services of hunger centers/food pantries in Tremont and the Near West Side of Cleveland. Increasing our ability to give collectively is the real reward. At the January meeting, we re-elected Chris Roy to a third one year term as a Co-Chair (the other Co-Chair position will be elected, hopefully, at our February meeting). We also re-elected Janet Zibert as Sign-In Secretary, and Martha Lineberger as a Co-Secretary for Minutes and the *Inside Tremont* block club summary. We will also elect a second Co-Secretary at the February meeting. Dan Cotter was elected to serve as Attendance Secretary for 2020. Our congratulations to those elected/re-elected as block club officers – and we thank those re-elected for their service. We also thanked outgoing officers, Alexandra Dattilo (Attendance Secretary), Kyle Poney (Co-Chair), and Morgan Passet (Co-Secretary) for their faithful service as well! For more information on our block club and activities, please check out our Facebook page, or contact 2020 Co-Chair, Chris Roy ([christopheroy@aol.com](mailto:christopheroy@aol.com)) or Community Involvement Manager, Scott Rosenstein at Tremont West at 216-575-0920 ext. 106 ([scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org)). **Please join us for our second meeting of 2020 on Tuesday, February 18th, 6:30pm at Post 1 which includes the election of a second Co-Chair and second Co-Secretary for 2020!!**

### South of Jefferson

The South of Jefferson Block Club met Tuesday, January 14th at Post 58. Lt. Michael Betley and Sgt. Pat McClain touched on safety concerns, noting a general increase in area car break-ins over the holidays. They noted increased enforcement efforts around blocked driveways and stop signs per community requests. If you don't want a ticket, STOP at the Stop Sign! Before the crosswalk! Sgt. McClain was able to contact RTA regarding concerns of vehicle speed. Supervisors will remind drivers, and a few residents did perceive an improvement. Daniel Brown of Rust Belt Riders visited and shared how the company helps collect and compost 60,000 pounds of food scraps per week. A new monthly subscription based service (\$10 fee) provides residential drop off locations, with St. Michael's School being one. Brown noted how they are able to compost a wider range of items that you could in a backyard compost pile. Visit [www.rustbelttriders.com](http://www.rustbelttriders.com) for more info and to sign up. Ward 3 Cleveland Councilman Kerry McCormack joined the group and provided some updates and heard community questions and feedback. He specifically noted upcoming investment for the West Side Market, renewed resources for area code enforcement, progress of the Towpath, and that a revised list of coming City security camera installations currently includes West 7th at I-490. The new LED light and camera installations for Ward 3 will be toward the end of this year. One resident commented how the investment of \$5.5 million for the Market seems so insignificant for such a facility, especially when compared to recent investments in other facilities, such as stadiums and arenas. Another noted the current poor condition of pedestrian access from downtown to where the Towpath will be extended, specifically from the RTA transit tracks through the Carter Road lift bridge. Hopefully that will be addressed to provide improved access and connection between downtown and the Towpath for both Downtowners and Tremonters. A resident shared concerns about a recent increase in lighting on the air quality monitoring station, located at the east end of Brayton Ave., at Professor. He had concern about aesthetics and light pollution. The Councilman will help by reaching out to our area state representative (presuming it's an Ohio EPA facility) to possibly get an explanation for the change. The group thanked Kate Carden and Tom Tosuksri for again volunteering as our Holiday Food Drive Coordinators. Thanks to block club members for their generous donations of food items and cash/checks to benefit the work and outreach of neighborhood food pantries/hunger centers! On January 20th Cleveland Public Library recognized 150 Unsung Heroes and Change Makers, which honored 10 Tremonters as nominated by our local South and Jefferson branches, including SOJ member Mike Koski. Congratulations to Mike and to all those honored – and thanks to our branch libraries for the nominations! SOJ members are encouraged to renew their Post 58 membership for the new year (not required for attending block club). Any donations of paper products for Post 58 are welcomed as our way of saying "thank you" to the Post for hosting us. The group adjourned for a post meeting social hour. Hope to see all our members in the new year. For more information on the block club and its activities, visit our Facebook page, and contact our Co-Chairs, Debbie Smith at [ebussmith11@gmail.com](mailto:ebussmith11@gmail.com) and Greg Kobe at [egreg\\_99@yahoo.com](mailto:egreg_99@yahoo.com) or Community Involvement Manager Scott Rosenstein at [scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org](mailto:scottrosenstein@tremontwest.org) – 216.575.0920 ext. 106. **Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 11th, 6:30PM, at Roosevelt Post 58 on Professor Ave., 2nd floor. All are welcome to join us!**

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This year, the answer is easy. You can make a difference by participating in the 2020 Census.

That’s because the census informs how billions of dollars are allocated every year to health clinics, schools, affordable housing, and hundreds of other critical services and programs that make a difference in our lives every day. Federal funding follows Census data—the population count, of our communities within our counties.

It only takes a few minutes, but the impact will be felt for years.

The momentum is strong as counties across Ohio prepare residents for the 2020 Decennial Census. Conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, the federal government’s largest statistical agency dedicated to providing current facts and figures about America’s people, places, and economy, census data is the driver that shapes communities nationwide.

**Why We Do It**

The U.S. Constitution requires that each decade we take a count— or a census—of America’s population. The United States has counted its population every 10 years since 1790. Federal law protects the confidentiality of all individual responses the Census Bureau collects.

The results of the census determine your congressional representation as well as federal funding for states and communities. Every year, more than \$675 billion goes toward hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and more.

**When You Can Take the 2020 Census**

By April 1, 2020, households will receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. You’ll then have three ways to respond, by phone, mail, and for the first time ever, you’ll be able to respond to the census online!

**Everyone Must Complete the 2020 Census**

If you live in the United States, you are required by law to participate in the 2020 count, even if you recently completed another survey from the Census Bureau. A complete and accurate count is critical, as the results of the 2020 Census will affect congressional representation, boundaries for school districts, and funding allocations for programs and services that we all enjoy, from our parks to the history center, libraries, and resources. Census data helps businesses determine if they should stay and grow, relocate here, or leave. An accurate population count impact all of us.

**Where Do I Count? Addressing Special Circumstances**

For some people, it’s not always clear how they should count themselves or the people in their home. These circumstances can include:

- Group quarters, which are places where groups of people live (such as on-campus student housing, correctional facilities, military bases, health care facilities, and shelters).
- People who live in more than one place.
- People who are moving on Census Day.
- People who are born or die on Census Day.
- People experiencing homelessness.

**Who Counts as Part of Your Residence?**

If you are filling out the census for your household, you should count anyone who is living there as of April 1, 2020. This includes anyone who is living and sleeping there most of the time.

Citizens of foreign countries who are living in the United States, including members of the diplomatic community, should be counted at the U.S. residence where they live and sleep most of time.

Citizens of foreign countries who are visiting the United States on vacation or a business trip on April 1, 2020, should not be counted.

**Students**

- Boarding school students below the college level should be counted at their parental residence.
- College students who are living at home should also be counted at their parental residence.
- College students who live away from home should count themselves at the on- or off-campus residence where they live and sleep most of the time, even if they are home or on break on Census Day.
- U.S. college students who are living outside the United States while attending college outside the country are not counted in the census.
- Foreign students living in the country while attending college in the United States should be counted at the on- or off-campus residence where they live and sleep most of the time.

LACE UP YOUR SKATES FOR A FREE, FAMILY FUN EVENT

Neighborhood Family Practice  
**Winter Wonderland Ice Skating at Halloran Ice Rink**



This free event includes admission and skates as well as:

- Celebrate Children’s Dental Health Month with the Toothfairy!
- Fun-filled craft making and activities
- Pizza Party and snacks
- Snowflake Selfie Station
- Giveaways

Gather your family and friends and meet us at the rink!

**WHEN:**  
Friday, February 7, 2020 from 5–7 p.m.

**WHERE:**  
Halloran Ice Rink  
3550 West 117<sup>th</sup> St.  
Cleveland, OH 44111



For more information, please call NFP at 216.281.8945 ext. 294



**Brite Winter - Saturday, February 22, 2020 in the West Bank of the Flats**

Enjoy music from 30+ bands, heated artist tents, interactive games, local food trucks and plenty of Cleveland beer. This event is free and family-friendly! Plan your day at [www.britewinter.com](http://www.britewinter.com). #Brite2020

**Counting Young Children**

It is important to remember to count any children who are living with you. This includes:

- All children who live in your household, including grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and the children of friends.
- Children who split their time between households, if they are living with you on April 1, 2020.
- Newborn babies, even those who are still in the hospital on April 1, 2020.

**Local Jobs**

The Census Bureau is looking to hire about 500,000 census takers nationally and hundreds of jobs locally. The part-time, flexible positions pay from \$20 per hour, depending on the position and the county in which the applicant resides. The goal is to hire local people for local jobs.

Not only are these jobs ideal for seasonal workers, students, retirees, and temporary workers looking for their next gig, but they are critical to the 2020 Census.

Whether completing your census or working for the census, your participation will help to ensure federal funding flows right back here to Ohio and stays in our communities.

The Decennial Census is no easy undertaking. That is why is important that each person in Ohio is counted. Do your part – when you receive your invitation to respond in the mail in the spring, take a few minutes to answer ten questions. Go online, pickup the phone, or respond to the paper form. It’s easy. It’s safe, and it is secure.

You don’t need to be an inventor, a scientist, or a Member of Congress (Governor, Mayor, etc.) to shape your future of your community. You just need to be someone who cares about your community.

Remember, by being counted in the 2020 Census, you will help inform funding for local school programs, senior services, emergency services, and roads in our community. You’ll help shape not only your future, but the future of everyone for the next ten years, so don’t miss out on your chance to make a difference.

We all count, and we all get to shape our future by participating in the 2020 Census.

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## Congratulations Tremont Storefront Incubator, refold.!

*refold. wins ADELANTE Business Pitch Competition and a one-year extension on the incubator space on Professor Avenue!*

ADELANTE Business Pitch Competition is held each year by the Hispanic Business Center, located at the corner of West 25th and Clark Avenue. Each contestant had to put together a pitch via video. refold. won third place! With her winnings, Priscilla Florin, owner of refold., is hoping to make some small (but mighty!) changes in the new year to make the boutique more accessible and work towards bringing some pretty cool sustainability ideas to life too!

The Hispanic Business Center and their wonderful team that works there has been helpful in guiding Priscilla towards new opportunities for growth and learning in her business! Thank you for being a true resource for the community! The HBC is a community resource for all, you do not need to be Hispanic to seek their guidance.

Tremont West is impressed with the presence refold. has brought to their storefront located at 2406 Professor. She participates fully in Walkabout Tremont and is a welcoming spot in our community. Tremont West has decided to extend their lease for another year.

Photographed above with the giant check is Randy Cedeño, Small Business Development Center Director at HBC; Jenice Contreras, Executive Director of the Hispanic Business Center; and Priscilla Florin, owner of refold.



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Near West Community Development Corporations are working to find ways to connect residents to local employment opportunities.



# [www.tremontwest.org](http://www.tremontwest.org)

### Block Club Meetings

Central Tremont	2/3 at Post 1 @ 6:30pm
Duck Island	2/4 at Forest City Brewery @ 6:30pm
Holmden-Buhrer-Rowley	2/5 at Pozo's Studio @ 6:30pm
Mentor-Castle-Clark	2/5 at Pozo's Studio @ 6:30pm
South of Jefferson	2/11 at Post 58 @ 6:30pm
Irishtown Bend	2/12 at Hoopples @ 6:30pm
North of Literary	2/18 at Post 1 @ 6:30pm
Auburn-Lincoln Park	2/24 at Rosemary Center @ 6:30 pm
Metro North	3/23 at St. Michael's Meeting Room @ 6:30pm

### Other Committee Meetings

Tremont West Economic Development Cmt.	2/6 at South Branch Library @ 6:30pm
2nd District Police Community Relations	2/11 at Applewood Center @ 7pm
Tremont West Safety Cmt.	2/12 at TWDC Conference Room @ 6:30pm
Tremont West Ad Hoc Arts Committee	TBD.
Tremont History Project	2/15 at Jefferson Library @ 10am
Ward 3 Democratic Club	2/19 at Tremont Pointe @ 6pm
Ward 12 Democratic Club	2/19 at Gino's @ 6:30pm
Tremont West Board of Directors	2/20 at South Branch Library @ 6:30pm
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.
Tremont West Governance Committee	TBD.
Tremont Gardeners	TBD.
Friends of Tremont School	Please call Cory, 216-575-0920, ext. 101

## Special Events

- Cleveland Public Library**  
11th Annual Pancake Barkfeast Fundraiser  
Saturday, February 1st, 9am-12noon at St. Ignatius  
Rand Dining Hall [seconhandmutts.org](http://seconhandmutts.org)
- Near West Recreation Casino Night**  
Saturday, February 1st, 6:30-9:30pm at West Side  
Alliance Church, 3800 Bridge
- All **Cleveland Public Libraries** now serve **FREE Meals** to children 18 and under Monday through Friday from 3:30pm-4:30pm!
- Tremont Think & Drink Book Club**  
Monday, February 10th, 7pm at Prosperity
- Winter Wonderland Ice Skating**  
Friday, February 7th, 5-7pm at Halloran Ice Rink  
(See ad page 7.)
- 2020 NEOMFA Playwrights Festival**  
February 13th - 22nd at the Liminis Theater  
(See article on page 5.)
- Walkabout Tremont**  
Friday, February 14th, 5-10pm  
(See ad on page 5.)
- Neighborhood Connections Grant Applications Due**  
Friday, February 14th <http://neighborupcle.org/>
- Cupid's Undie Run Cleveland**  
Saturday, February 15th, 12-4pm at The South Side  
<https://my.cupids.org/cur/city/cleveland>
- Register to Vote**  
February 18th is the last day to register to vote for the March 17th Primary (See page 3 for details.)
- Welcome to Camp Cleveland**  
Saturday, February 22nd, 1-3pm at St. Theodosius  
(See page 3 for details.)
- Brite Winter**  
Saturday, February 22nd (See ad on page 7)
- City of Cleveland Paint Program**  
February 22nd is the deadline to apply.  
(Please see page 2 for details.)
- Arts Renaissance Tremont**  
Sunday, March 22nd, 3pm at Pilgrim Church  
(See ad on page 3.)
- Fish Fry Season**  
Lenten Fish Frys start on Friday, February 28th
- Cleveland International Film Festival**  
March 25-April 5 (See ad on page 5.)
- Ukrainian Easter Bazaar 2020**  
March 27 - April 4 Register early for their "Pysanky" Making Workshops (See ad on page. 4)