

CHARLOTTE COMMUNITY NEWS July / August 2022



A Publication of the Charlotte Community Association - our 59th year serving Charlotte- A Community that Cares!

Charlotte Community Association Mission and Vision Statements

Vission: To build a stronger community and to enhance the lives of our residents by providing a forum for sharing information, connecting neighbors and stakeholders, and fostering civic engagement while preserving and promoting the heritage of the Village of Charlotte. Vision: A safe, vibrant, and inviting place to live, work and visit; a family-friendly community and a year-round destination celebrated for its rich history and natural resources.

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- ♦ Monday, July 11, 2022 In Person
- ♦ Monday, Aug 1, 2022 In Person
- ♦ Monday, Sept 12, 2022 In Person

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From the desk of Sue Roethel, CCA President

Future of the Charlotte Community Association

"New leadership on the

Board of Directors is

imperative to keep the

CCA alive. The call to join

is urgent!"

he CCA turns 60 next year, but its future is uncertain. New leadership is urgently needed!

Established in 1963, the CCA will celebrate 60 years in existence next year in 2023. But

without volunteers to keep it going, the organization's future is uncertain at best, and at worst, may need to close its operations. Developing a succession plan for 2023 and beyond is a **top priority** at this time!

If you love Charlotte and want to support its continued growth and wellbeing, now is the time to step up and volunteer. There are several different ways you can get involved.

Per the Bylaws, the CCA operates with a Board of Directors that should consist of no less than 7 and no more than 11 individuals who are at least 18 years old. The Board is elected by the membership and is to be led by five officers — President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Communications Officer. The Board meets monthly and also hosts a monthly General Meeting as a forum for the community.

Elections are held each year in the Fall.

Nominations for the Board are due in

September, the candidate slate is announced in

October, and the elections are held in

November. Each board member serves a twoyear term, from January to December. Terms
are staggered so that half of the board seats
are elected one year, and the other half elected
the next year.

Currently, there are seven board members

serving: President Sue Roethel, Vice President Lindy Litwak, Secretary Patti O'Brien, Treasurer RoseMary Shaw, and three Directors—Tony Micciche, Jonathan Hardin, and Tom Bruce. The Communications Officer seat and three Director seats are vacant, and they can be

appointed at any time outside of the annual election cycle. This Fall, the following seats are open for election: President, Secretary, and three Directors. Sue Roethel has announced that she will not seek re-election and in fact will step down from the board when her current terms ends in December 2022, after serving eight years.

New leadership on the Board of Directors is imperative to keep the CCA alive. The call to join is urgent! Anyone interested in serving on the board should contact RoseMary Shaw at infocharlottecca@gmail.com.

There are many other ways to get involved, if you can't make the commitment to becoming a board member. You can join any of 12 committees—Beautification; Business Alliance; Communications; Community Development; Fundraising; Governance; Membership, Nominating; Programming; Safety & Security; Scholarship; and Youth Engagement—or you can volunteer as needed for specific events. You can always engage simply by attending the monthly CCA General Meetings (see https://charlottecca.org for schedule). Please contact infocharlottecca@gmail.com to express your interests.



Volunteer Spotlight ~ Lorie Barnum

orie Barnum is one of CCA's hardest-working volunteers. She has served on the Community Development Committee for several years and has been instrumental in helping CCA secure government funding to support much-needed improvements in Charlotte.

Working closely with the offices of NYS Senator Jeremy Cooney, NYS Assemblywoman Sarah Clark, Monroe County Executive Adam Bello, Monroe County Parks Commissioner Patrick Meredith, and City of Rochester Mayor

Malik Evans, and Western New York Landmark
Society, Lorie has helped those offices facilitate the
procurement of grant funds by representing what the
Charlotte community wants for development in the
neighborhood. Specifically, Lorie's input has helped
secure funding to refurbish the Roger Robach
Community Center with windows and doors, HVAC
systems, and new accessible bathrooms; and



Lorie Barnum

lighting in Ontario Beach Park. She is currently working with the municipalities to fund replacements of wayfinding and historical informational signage at the Bill Davis Overlook at Stutson and River Streets, and on the community's vision plan for an ice skating rink in Ontario Beach Park.

Lorie's expert knowledge of preserving historical spaces and securing funding comes from her years as Executive Director Emeritus of the Susan B. Anthony National Museum and House; former Director of Cultural

Affairs for the City of Rochester; and Irondequoit
Town Board member. She is a member of the CCA
and has volunteered her time and expertise to the
CCA's Community Development Committee since her
involvement with the Port of Rochester charrette in
2017. Her expertise and personal connections have
been critical and essential in moving forward the
future vision of Charlotte.













All photos by Jonathan Hardin

Closure of Leadership Academy & a New High School to Open

Submitted by Jonathan W. Hardin

n June 23, 2022 Leadership Academy for Young Men (LAFYM) closed. For the past several years CCA has been working with the JROTC Program and most recently our Youth Engagement Committee (YEC) has been working in the school. Barbara Lake, Chairperson of the YEC, has been teaching life skills classes to senior students and creating a community garden with about 100 students joining the gardening club. It is our understanding that if students want to return to the new school they will be allowed, and anticipate most of the JROTC Program to return to the new school.

The Northeast College Preparatory High School is moving to Charlotte and will be renamed the **Northwest College Preparatory High School.** The new school should have double the students, and the JROTC Program will go co-ed, which is projected to double the participation in the JROTC Program and could double the request of support. CCA pre-Covid19 fundraised about \$1,000.00 per year for the program.

CCA, our elected officials, residents, teachers, and staff tried to keep LAFYM open, but it wasn't enough. The **Board Liaison to the YEC is Jonathan Hardin**, he has been in talks with members of the **Rochester City School Board**

(RCSB), and they agreed to continue the JROTC Program at the new school,. RCSB members have also agreed to host a round table with the new administration to introduce them to Jonathan and Barbara, so their work can continue.

Jonathan and Barbara both held positions on the LAFYM Community Engagement Team. It is imperative, and we are committed, to continue the community involvement work with the youth in what is next for the high school in Charlotte. CCA will be inviting the new administration to a future CCA meeting to discuss the school size, their needs for the community and ways we can strengthen our relationships.

For the past several years we have worked with some amazing kids, families and staff from LAFYM and we look forward to working with the new high school.

We will continue to keep you updated.



Clean Sweep 2022

Was a success!

We had about 100 volunteers working in three locations in Charlotte.

A special thank you to the **Greece Athena High School Baseball Team, Leadership Academy for Young Men's JROTC Program** and **Rochester Early College International High School's JROTC Program** for your community services. **Great Job and we look forward to working together next year!**



Greece Athena High School baseball team.

Photos by Jonathan Hardin





Leadership Academy for Young Men & Early College Preparation High School's Army JROTC program volunteers



Taste of the Bahamas Jamal & Gotti and daughter



Harbor Fest



The CCA and Lighthouse tables



Our dedicated volunteers awaiting visitors

To honor this year's **Bicentennial of the**

Charlotte-Genesee Lighthouse, the

Ontario Beach Park Program
Committee conceived and
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Sunday Service: 10 A.M.



Abundant Grace Church

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The Gospel

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4th Friday of Each Month

Abundant Grace Church A Birthday, a Change and an Invitation

bundant Grace church had the privilege to celebrate the **100th birthday** of one of our members. **Eloise Anderson** (Leonard Banks Aunt) turned 100 years old on June 6th and we had a party for Eloise on the 11th. Family members came from out of town to be part of this celebration. Eloise is just as sharp in her mind and body as she can be. As most people say "she is truly blessed and amazing".



カナ Happy 100th Birthday Eloise



Suzanne Kroll 1951-2022

ith fond memories we bid farewell to long time CCA member Suzanne Kroll. For many years Sue has been a tireless worker for this organization as well as Ontario Beach Park Program

Committee. Whenever



volunteers were needed, she was always the first to respond. Even after becoming ill, she did her best to help wherever she could. And always with a smiling face. She was quick to reach out to new residents with welcome and make them feel at home.

A great asset to the community, in 2018 Sue was awarded <u>Volunteer of the Year</u> by the Charlotte Community Association.

She will be missed.

Abundant Grace continues

We have changed our monthly schedule for Carolyn's Cupboard Food Pantry. Since Covid the numbers have diminished so we decided to go down to once a month instead twice. So we are only open every 4th Friday of each month. We will be doing a community mailing soon to inform people we are open and if numbers pick back up we will go back to two Fridays a month.

On August 20th we will be having a **Back to School Party** with **games** and **food for the community**.

In addition to the party we will be distributing **backpacks** for the community youth.

The party will begin at **1:00-4:00 PM**. First come first served for the backpacks.





Followed by a Coffee Hour Additional parking at corner of Lake Ave. & Stutson St. Handicap Accessible Find us on Facebook





Joseph D. Morelle -

U.S. Representative for New York

Too many families across America know the pain of receiving a cancer diagnosis, including my own. My daughter, Lauren, battled breast cancer for two years with incredible courage, sharing her story and underscoring the importance of early detection.

We know that early detection is key to fighting this devastating disease, but unfortunately, too many women lack access to screening services that could help save their lives. This has been further compounded by the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, which have caused breast cancer screenings to decline by over 80%. It is estimated that delays in care and screening are expected to result in over 2,500 breast cancer deaths by 2030.

Those statistics are heartbreaking—and they're preventable. That's why I've introduced bipartisan legislation to bolster screening services for breast cancer and cervical cancer, making it easier for vulnerable populations to get the preemptive care they need.

My legislation, the Screening for Communities to Receive Early and Equitable Needed Services (SCREENS) for Cancer Act, would reauthorize the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (NBCCEDP) through 2027, making screening services more accessible to more people—so fewer families will suffer the loss of a loved one.

At current funding levels, NBCCEDP serves only 15% of the estimated number of eligible women for breast cancer services. *The SCREENS for Cancer Act* would provide greater funding authorizations for this critical program to strengthen outreach and accessibility, helping connect more women with screening services to detect cancer before it's too late.

I'm proud to carry on Lauren's legacy by helping all women access the critical early detection services they need, regardless of their income. I look forward to working alongside my colleagues to advance this important legislation, and I encourage everyone to remain vigilant about their health. You can find a cancer screening program near you by visiting: www.cdc.gov/cancer/nbccedp/screenings.

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Jose Peo - NW City Councilman

ope everyone had a great time at the first Harborfest in over a decade. I have been receiving feedback from residents and would love your input for the for the next Harborfest.

Congratulations to Ontario Beach Park Planning
Committee on a successful Harborfest. Let all of our
organizations to work together to make next year
even bigger and more successful. Please do not
hesitate to contact my office to assist you.

I'm currently working with the County and State to possibly put in handicap accessibility to the beach and water. My office has also heard your concerns regarding the lack of handicap parking near the Roger Robach Community Center. Furthermore, I'm requesting the City Department of Environmental Services to make upgrades to the crosswalk on Beach Avenue, again in front of the Roger Robach Community Center.

The Roger Robach Community Center is the Crown Jewel of Ontario Beach Park, and I will continue to

meet with County and State leaders for the muchneeded upgrades to the roof, bathroom, windows, doors, and concession stands on the north side of the building. I applaud work being done by CCA's Community Development Committee and I will continue to support your efforts.

I have regular meetings with RPD, the Sheriffs department and NYS Troopers about increased patrols and speed traps alone Lake Avenue. They have increased their patrols along Lake Avenue and in Ontario Beach Park. This type of relationship building is imperative to keep our community safe and our parks a destination for families.

Finally, after years of raising concerns about the drug house on Kemphurst St. it was busted by RPD and SWAT. A large amount of harmful drugs were removed, arrest were made and the house was given 10 nuisance points. Unfortunately, after the house was boarded up by RPD, the occupants of the apartments broke back into the house. RPD is aware of this and ask that you continue to call 911 when you see open drug sales and concerning activities.

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SCHEDULE of BICENTENNIAL EVENTS AT THE LIGHTHOUSE

Help celebrate our 200th Anniversary by attending these special events!

JULY 12 (TUESDAY) 6:00-7:15 PM

- ♦ Free tours & Gift shop Open
- ♦7:15-8:15 PM Irondequoit Concert Band

AUGUST 14 (SUNDAY) 1:00 PM -5:00 PM Bicentennial Celebration of the LightHouse

- ♦1:00 PM -Free Tours of the House and Tour
- ♦1:00 -1:45 PM Music by the "ALL IN" Brass Band
- ♦2:05-3:15PM Program With Speakers
- ♦3:30 PM BIRTHDAY PARTY CELEBRATION -CAKE
- ♦3:30 -5:00 PM: Music by the "KRAZY FIREMEN"

AUGUST 20 (SAT) & AUG. 21 (SUN)

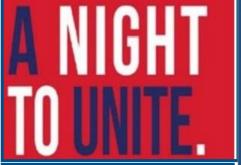
◆1:00-5:00 PM International LightHouse/LightShip WEEKEND with ham radio operators

SEPTEMBER 18, SUNDAY 1:00 PM -5:00 PM

Family Day at the LightHouse ACTIVITIES& EXHIBITS

- ♦ Lighthouse History and timeline Ontario Beach Park and Marine History
- ♦ War of 1812 International Peace Garden @ Seneca Park Z00 MOBILE
- ♦ Coloring Station Book signing with author Sally Valentine
- ♦ Visit with local meteorologists:
- ♦ 1-3:00pm STACEY PENSGEN from WHEC, Channel 103
- ♦ 5:00pm ERIC SNITIL from WROC, Channel 8

Any updates to these Bicentennial events will be posted on our website: www.geneseelighthouse.org





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Neighborhood
Association

Charlotte Community
Association

JOSANA/CHNA Neighbors

Westside Neighborhood Association

Edgerton Neighborhood Association

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Your Local Representatives, RPD, RFD and Neighbors

Will be there....How about YOU?

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2ND 2022

5:30 PM: Meet to decorate cars at 1099 Jay St.

6:00 PM: Caravan in the motorcade through out Northwest Neighborhoods.

7:00 PM: Hotdog Roast in Charlotte at the Ontario Beach Park Shoreline Pavilion!

If you can, bring a prepackaged item to share, please e-mail Jonathon Hardin at Mrhardin@yahoo.com for suggestions of needed items. We will provide will provide hot dogs, drinks, snacks, and cake.

Thanks to the City of Rochester, Monroe County Parks
Department, the Rochester Police Department, the Rochester Fire
Department, the Northwest Neighborhood Service Center, and the
Many Neighborhoods Association in the Northwest!

Charlotte-Genesee Lighthouse



70 Lighthouse Street Rochester, NY 14612 Email: info@geneseelighthouse.org www.geneseelighthouse.org

- ♦ Help to celebrate our Bicentennial in 2022
- Climb the tower to view the river and lake
- Visit the War of 1812 Peace Garden
- Explore the exhibits to experience the maritime history of the port & old Village of Charlotte

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Bruce Wilder

Bruce Wilder has been appointed to the position

Neighborhood Service Center (NSC) Administrator
of the Northwest Quadrant. Bruce is no stranger as
he has served for some time as Assistant
Administrator. We know that he will continue to
serve the community needs of residents and



commerce and make Northwest Rochester to be the best it can be.

Congratulations Bruce, we look forward to continuing our work together.



THE SHORE SERIES

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Ontario Beach Park

50 Beach Ave.

Rochester, NY 14612

All concerts begin at 7:00 PM and end at 8:30 PM Except for the Rochester Philharmonic Performance that begins at 7:30 PM*

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JULY 6	SONIDOS UNIDOS	(Latin)
JULY 13	ROCHESTER PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTER	(Classical & Pop)
JULY 20	THE INVICTAS	(ORIGINAL ROCK & ROLL)
JULY 27	BRANDED	(Country)
AUG 3	STEVE GRILLS & THE ROADMASTERS	(Blues Party& Dance)
AUG. 10	IGNITE REGGAE BAND	(Reggae)
AUG 17	MAMBO KINGS	(Latin Jazz)
AUG. 24	ALLEGRO	(Premier Party Band)
AUG 31	RUBY SHOOZ	(50's & 60's Rock & Roll)



OBPPC Information Line 865-3320 ontariobeachentertainment.org Co-sponsored by the City of Rochester and The County of Monroe







Charlotte Branch Library

Oceans of Possibilities | Adult/Teen Summer Reading Program

Tuesday, July 5 to Saturday, August 20
Take part in our **Summer Reading Program** and enter for a chance to win a gift card!

It's as simple as 1, 2, 3.

- 1. Read a book of your choice.
- 2. Complete an entry slip to win a \$30.00 gift card.
 - 3. Repeat!

Abelard Reynolds School 42

The CCA Newsletter welcomes **Abelard Reynolds School 42** for contributing and proudly sharing what has been happening within their walls. **Principal, Lisa Whitlow** says "It should be noted these were the first in

person things we have done since before the pandemic." The school also had their gym under construction but that did not stop the students from acting in a play and performing in a Choir and Band for their parents.



(Above) May 17, 2022 School 42 performed Disney's Aladdin Jr at School of the Arts, since out gym and stage are still under construction. The students sang beautifully and the stage crew transformed the stage into Agrabah, the city Aladdin lived.



(Above) June 9th, students hosted its first in person choir and band concert in two years! The students sang like angels. (Below) The band played beautifully. It was a packed house in the gym and wonderful to see all the families come out and support their children.







(Above L) May 25 one of our fifth grade student's, **Eric Belec**, won the Fire Safety Poster contest sponsored by **Lifespan** and won a ride on a fire truck with his family. **Lt. Abdoch** of the Rochester Fire Department came to School 42 to take Eric on his ride. Eric's teacher, **Mrs. Sutton (R)**, came out to see Eric off on the truck .Lt. Abdoch recognized Mrs. Sutton as his fifth grade teacher at School #36! This was a wonderful surprise to all of us.



(Above) On June 5th the Girls on the Run team from school 42 participated with all the other Girls on the Run teams in Monroe County at MCC. The young ladies had worked hard and everyone finished the race. Teachers ran as buddies with girls i was a powerful morning.

Photos provided by School 42



CCA Meeting Dates for 2022 General Meetings - Robach Center (1st Monday of every Month @ 7pm

- ♦ July 11 (change due to July 4th)
- ♦ August 1
- ♦ September 12(change due to Labor Day)

Bring your swim gear and picnic lunch for a fun day at the beach!

Saturday, July 2, 2022

1:00 - 5:00pm

Beachfront & Sandpiper Shelters

Questions? Contact us at RocLGBTQTogether@gmail.com

No Cost Event

- ♦ October 3
- ♦ November 7
- ♦ December 5







undant Grace Church 4292 Lake Ave

August 20th 1:00 - 4:00 pm at 4292 Lake Ave

> Games! ∞Food! Plus

Backpacks for Community Youth 1st come, 1st served





GREECE HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM

595 Long Pond Rd. 585-225-7221

Museum Open Sundays: 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm or by appointment

Office Hours: Mondays, 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Upcoming Event

Sunday, Aug 16, Book Signing, Rick lekel, author of "The ROC"

Story of Rochester's 100 year old airport

http://www.greecehistoricalsociety.org greecehistoricalsociety@yahoo.com "Like" us on Facebook



NATIONALNIGHT OUT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2ND 2022

Your Local Representatives, RPD, RFD and Neighbors will be there. How about YOU?

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July, 2022



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Community Membership 2022

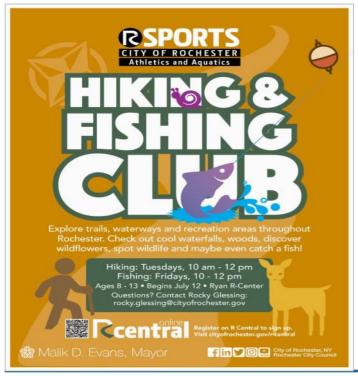
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Membership Level			
♦ Senior (age 62 and above) or Student through college			
♦ Single (any person not over 62)			
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