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EUCLID

Celebrate Watershed Week

Litter cleanup, water sampling and a boat tour will be part of the third annual Euclid Creek Watershed Week event, Tuesday through Saturday, Sept. 17. This year's theme is "Back to the Future - Explore the Past, Understand the Present and Realize the Future of Euclid Creek." Events will stretch over five days to provide different experiences to learn, help out and explore the watershed, which touches 11 eastern Cuyahoga and Lake county communities before emptying into Lake Erie. Events start Tuesday with "Introduction to Building a Rain Garden," a program from 6 to 8 p.m. at Mayfield Regional Library, 6080 Wilson Mills Road. The bulk of the events will be Saturday, Sept. 17, at different sites along the creek, such as Lyndhurst Library and Euclid Creek Reservation. Call Lynn Garrity at 216-524-6580, Ext. 16

CLEVELAND

Descendants' Day Saturday

The Soldiers and Sailors Monument Support Group will present Descendants' Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Cuyahoga County Soldiers and Sailors Monument, 3 Public Square. Speakers will include several descendants of Civil War soldiers discussing their ancestors listed on the monument walls. There will be a dedication of new Civil War items, including a fife, sharpshooter's eyeglasses and new Civil War-era flags. The free event will include music, cake and ice cream, and monument tours.

Not getting special education

The first month of testing students at the Juvenile Detention Center for learning disabilities found that 24 of 30 likely need special education they have not been receiving in the Cleveland schools, Juvenile Court attorney Mark Majer said Thursday. Court officials plan to present the findings to the schools and insist on more testing and followup, citing federal laws that require school districts to provide learning disabled students with individualized education plans. For assistance obtaining testing for a student, call Legal Aid Society attorneys at 216-687-1900.

SHAKER HEIGHTS

Firefighters to flush hydrants

The Shaker Heights Fire Department will be flushing and oiling hydrants from Monday through Sept. 24. Signs will be posted to indicate when each area of the city will be flushed. Residents are urged to check water for rust when washing clothes between these dates. Running water for several minutes should clear the rust, said the Shaker Heights Fire Department.

LORAIN COUNTY

Training group recognized

County law enforcement agencies voted to officially recognize the county's first police training group, the Lorain County Law Enforcement Trainers' Association. The group's mission is to help officer training and educational programs across the county. The long-term goal is to establish new training areas for firearms, classrooms, emergency vehicle driving facilities and buildings for scenario- based training. The group hopes to work with businesses willing to donate land, equipment and materials to accomplish its mission. The organization's Web site is www.lcleta.org.

AKRON

Death penalty forum Sept. 27

A forum on the death penalty will be from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, at First Congregational Church, 292 East Market St. The forum is being organized by a coalition of area organizations opposed to the death penalty. It will include a representative from the Summit County prosecutor's office, the president of Ohioans to Stop Executions and the son of a couple who were killed in a robbery in 1974. The luncheon costs \$12. Reservations can be made by calling 330-535-2787 by Sept. 20.

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