



Faith Connections August 2021

Snag Great Deals and Support Flat Rock Homes!

The **Roll it Forward Rummage Sale** is **Friday, August 27, and Saturday the 28th**! Donations* may be dropped off at Roll It Forward, 11001 US Highway 250 N. in Milan, Ohio on Wednesday, August 25 from 9 AM-12 PM, and Thursday, August 26th from 9 AM-12 PM and 3 PM-5 PM. Donations will also be accepted during sale hours on August 27 and 28 from 9 AM-3 PM. For additional information contact Cynthia Geiger at 567.228.7383 or cgeiger@flatrockhomes.org. As always, we are thankful for your partnership!

*Some items cannot be accepted: Bed Pillows, Reference Books (Encyclopedia type), box type TVs, TV/Entertainment Stands, outdated gym equipment, baby cribs, bumper pads, or mattresses. All items should be free of rips, tears, stains, and smells.

Fundraise for Flat Rock

Recently, Flat Rock Homes was the recipient of a \$1,957.00 donation raised at two golf outing fundraisers at Green Hills Golf Course and Woussickett Golf Course and a \$150 donation raised at Kona Ice of Sandusky's Giveback Tuesday. We are grateful for these partners and their generosity.

Fundraisers are a great way area businesses, clubs, and organizations can support Flat Rock Homes as well as promote your business at the same time. If you would like to inquire about hosting a fundraiser for Flat Rock, contact Cynthia at cgeiger@flatrockhomes.org or 567.228.7383.

The Wall of Hope

The Wall of Hope project continues the 155-year promise to provide shelter, security, and safety to those we serve. Just:

1. Choose an envelope marked with a donation amount.
2. Enclose your donation.
3. Bring to your church by Thanksgiving.
4. The church will send it to Flat Rock!

Follow this link to learn more about the Wall of Hope:

<https://www.flatrockhomes.org/wall-of-hope/>



Sensory Walk Eagle Scout Project

16-year-old Eagle Scout, Ian Palinkas, from Troop 330, created a sensory walk as his Eagle Scout project. His project is bringing joy to the children of the "Love Our Community" thrift store in Lake Township. While parents shop, children explore colorful vinyl floor images of a winding river, a pond with waterlilies, a tree, a fun hopscotch board, and more. Ian has always enjoyed working with children. His creative project was halted last year because of the pandemic but was recently installed to the delight of all. Congratulations, Ian! Thank you for serving your community! Boy Scout Troop 330 meets at Green Valley UMC (Canal District, UMC).



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Flat Rock continues its collaboration with the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church and the Ohio Disability and Ministry Collaborative (ODMC).

Watch for the September newsletter!

Join Our Team!

Flat Rock is hiring various positions in Seneca, Sandusky, Huron, Erie, and Lorain counties in North-Central Ohio. Share the news with a family member or friend seeking employment! Click here for info or to apply:

<https://www.flatrockhomes.org/careers/join-our-team>

Adopt-A-Home

Reach out and build a closer relationship with our Flat Rock Care Center residents and Flat Rock Community Services by adopting one of our Care Center or Community Services homes! Several churches or individuals may share a home adoption! Contact Sherri Buehl at sbuehl@flatrockhomes.org, or Rose Darling at rdarling@flatrockhomes.org Follow this link to learn more. <https://www.flatrockhomes.org/adopt-a-home/>

Legacy Giving Seminar

To learn more about the benefits of Legacy Giving, you are invited to a **complimentary** Legacy Giving Seminar presented by Flat Rock Homes.

Thursday, September 16, 2021

10:00 – 11:15 AM

Seybert United Methodist Church

442 West Main Street, Bellevue, Ohio 44811

The seminar presenter is Brian Sheetz, Executive Director of The Methodist Foundation of Ohio. **Admission is free, but RSVPs are encouraged and appreciated.** To RSVP or if you have questions, please contact Jill Kinser at jkinser@flatrockhomes.org or 567.228.7408. If you are unable to attend in person but would like a recording of the session, please email Jill.

Speaker's Bureau

Flat Rock's Church & Community Engagement Coordinators, Deaconess Sherri Buehl and Rose M. Darling are available for pulpit supply, DisAbility Awareness messages and interactive presentations, music supply (Rose), and retreats (Sherri) Contact Sherri at sbuehl@flatrockhomes.org or Rose at rdarling@flatrockhomes.org. Let us help you meet your missions, DisAbility Awareness Sunday, and UMW Sunday needs, as well as vacation supply and more! References are available. No church is too small or too far in Ohio.



TRL Outdoor Therapeutic Center Update

Summer is here and many are enjoying the outdoor activities. At Flat Rock Homes, our thoughts are also turned outdoors to the TRL Outdoor Therapeutic Center. The new area will be a fitting use of Flat Rock's beautiful setting and will provide enhanced recreational, social, and therapeutic spaces. The outdated playground equipment has been removed and new age-appropriate recreational equipment has been purchased and will be installed once the proper ground covering is chosen and funding is obtained. Several named memorial gifts have been received, and we are choosing engraved benches, pavers, and beautiful musical installations. The memorial walking path and prayer labyrinth are being designed and will be installed once the demolition of several buildings is complete. As we continue to plan, fundraise, and lay the groundwork for the exciting TRL Outdoor Therapeutic Center, we invite you to join us in this life-enhancing development. Please contact Jill or Cynthia for more information on partnering with this project. Follow this link to learn more: <https://www.flatrockhomes.org/trl-outdoor-therapeutic-center/>

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