

THE ROSE G@RDEN



LEFT, THE EATON TEAM TAKES A PHOTO BREAK. ABOVE, A GROUP OF EATON'S NEW HIRES PAINT THE HALLWAYS

Eaton Employees Bring a Fresh Look to Rose-Mary

In July and August, two teams of volunteers from Eaton Corporation in nearby Dublin, OH came to the Rose-Mary Center and provided invaluable help to the Rose-Mary staff.

On July 20, a group of Eaton retirees showed up early in the morning,

bringing their own donuts. They spent the day landscaping, weeding, dusting, and sorting.

One particularly challenging job involved sorting craft materials into packets for easy access by staff members starting craft projects. It was

a difficult job to organize, but the retirees banded together and got everything done.

Eaton's volunteers were organized by Hands On Ohio. Hands On sent a group leader to oversee the project

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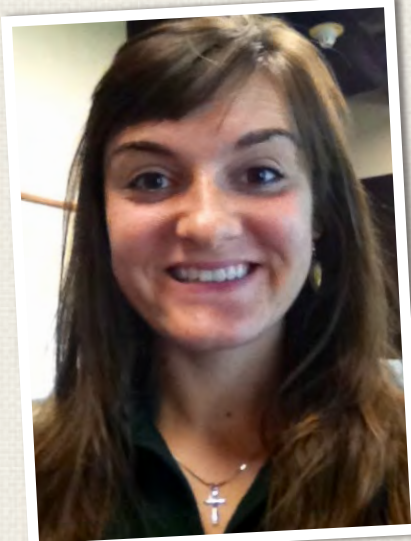
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MEET OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

Lena Chapin joined the Rose-Mary Center team in late July as the latest in a line of phenomenal development directors. Lena came to Rose-Mary from a position as Manager of Marketing and Public Relations for a promotional product company in her hometown of McConnelsville in rural Southeastern Ohio.

She is no stranger to Cleveland, however, having graduated from John Carroll University in 2010 with a Bachelors of Arts in both English and Communications. She also claims Ohio University as an Alma mater, earning her masters of Science in Journalism and PR in May of 2013. Lena's non-profit development background includes Ohio University Libraries, The Ronald McDonald House of Cleveland, AmeriCorps, and the Labre Project at JCU.

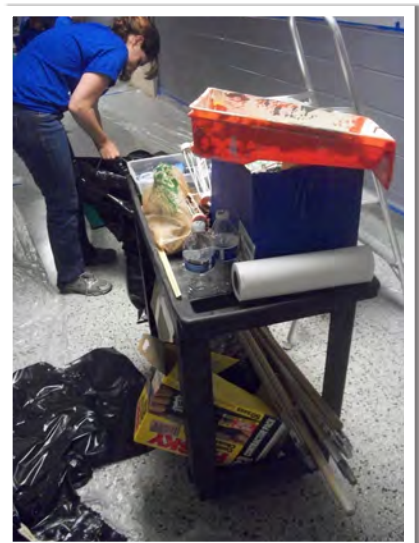
Lena's draw to the Rose-Mary Center goes beyond her experience in development; she has a desire to serve others and says that this opportunity allows her to do so.

"Service is a passion, a way of life – not something you do once a year," She said. "I really believe in using your talents and skills to make others lives better. That's my job at RMC and honestly it couldn't be a better fit."

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and organize the workers and their tasks. Everyone had a lot of fun, and the volunteer efforts helped the staff a great deal – not to mention saving a great deal of time and money for Rose-Mary. This was the first time that Rose-Mary has worked with Hands On, and we are already looking forward to next year.

Thanks to all the Eaton new hires and retirees, their group leader Jenn, and Hands on Ohio for all their help!



Let's Get Digital!

Rose-Mary Center is stepping into the digital age with the launch of our eNewsletter, The Rose G@rden, and two social media pages. We are now on Facebook ([Rose-Mary Center](#)) and Twitter ([@RoseMaryCenter](#)) with hopes of expanding to LinkedIn, Pinterest and Instagram soon.

"We are looking to create a more open persona online," said Lena Chapin, Director of Development. "Our whole mission is about building a compassionate and inclusive community, and this is a necessary part of that goal."

With Rose-Mary Center only a click away, keeping up to date with the Center is easier, and so is sharing us with your family and friends.

"We want to create a forum for donors, staff, and parents to all come together to give and gain tips, knowledge and inspiration; this is it," said Chapin.

Be sure to be a part of our community by following the links below.



[Join us on Facebook](#)



[Join Us on Twitter](#)

RMC HandiWorks Store Opens

Every Friday between 1 and 2 PM, students in the Day Program get to show their entrepreneurial spirits at their own in-house store.

The store, called RMC HandiWorks, features baked goods such as cookies and brownies, as well as artwork and various craft items. All can be had for a small donation.

Students bake the brownies and cookies, create the art and crafts, and man the sales tables. In addition to the great experience the students get from running their own business, they also have lots of fun!

BELOW: STUDENT ENTREPRENEURS FROM THE DAY PROGRAM ARE HAPPY TO ASSIST CUSTOMERS.

SOMETHING'S COOKING



ADDING COOKIE DOUGH TO THE PAN BEFORE BAKING

MIXING IT ALL TOGETHER



A New School Year Begins



The new school year began for Rose-Mary residents on August 22. After a fun-filled summer at camp, many of the residents looked forward to resuming their school-year routines.

Preparations for the first day began the night before, as the staff helped excited students pick out their back-to-school outfits and gather their school supplies into book bags.

When the school buses pulled up to the curb the next morning, there was a mixture of excitement and nerves in the air. Some students felt a little extra excited from having to wait a few extra days to start – but overall, things went smoothly. The sight of the buses on their way to school brought proud smiles to the faces of many staff members and residents alike.

Katie Smith contributed to this article.



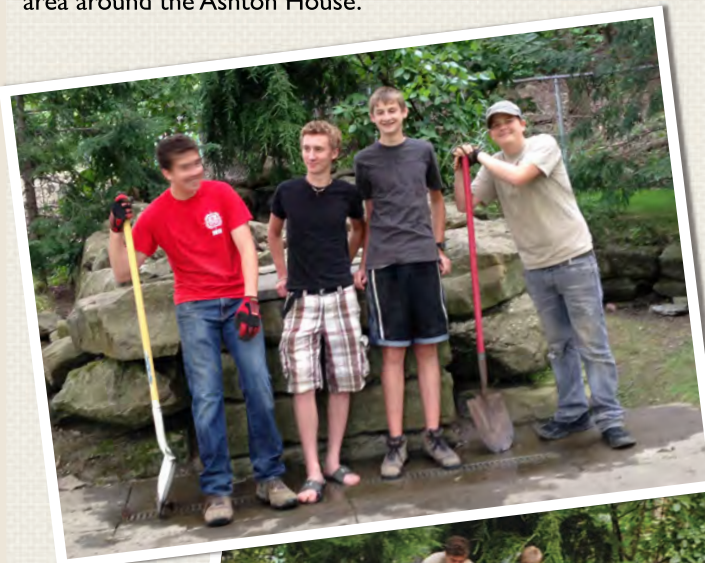
EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT REVIVES WATERFALL

Next spring, visitors to the Sensory Garden will be able to enjoy the sight and sound of the waterfall once again, thanks to the efforts of Boy Scout Matthew Barris.

Matthew, who has done landscaping in the past, chose to restore the waterfall as his Eagle Scout project. He raised the money for supplies and met several times with RMC maintenance manager Steve Kogovsek to plan the restoration process.

"The waterfall project was the hardest project we had," said Kogovsek. "Matthew chose that one without hesitation. The results can be seen in the Sensory Garden anytime. My congratulations for a job well done, Matthew!"

Some photos of the waterfall project in progress are below. Other Eagle Scout projects taking place around the Rose-Mary Center include re-landscaping the area around the Ashton House.





THE SENSORY GARDEN
IN EARLY FALL. RIGHT,
THE COMPLETED
WATERFALL WAITING
FOR WATER.

WELCOME TO THE ROSE G@RDEN

We hope you like this first
edition of Rose-Mary Center's
new electronic newsletter.

Questions? Comments? Please
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