PRESERVATION POCKETS: Past, Present and Future in Northeastern Ohio

What is the next generation of preservationists saying from the examples, successful and unsuccessful, they see on our landscape?

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A Preservation Pocket in Progress
History

Doan's Corners
Western Reserve University
Case School of Applied Science
Western Reserve School of Design for Women
Land donations
War and Riots
University Circle Inc
Education

- Case Western Reserve University
- Case Schools
- CIA and CIM
- The Music Settlement
- Gestalt Institute
- Montessori High School
- Hawken
- Cleveland Early College High School
- UCI Lifelong Learning Center

http://library.case.edu/ksl/collections/specialcollectionsarchives/

http://rmcelhiney.com/educational/case-western-adelbert/
Museums and Music

- Museum of Art
- Museum of Natural History
- Children's Museum
- Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum
- Dittrick Museum of Medical History
- MOCA
- Severance Hall
- The Music Settlement
- Wade Oval
- Botanical Garden
- Cinematheque

Religion and Health

- University Hospitals
- Seidman Cancer Center
- Rainbow Babies and Children's
- Louis Stokes Cleveland VA
- Hope Lodge
- Church of the Covenant
- University Circle United Methodist
- Harkness Chapel
- Amasa Stone Chapel
- Churches on Magnolia Dr.

http://www.universitycircle.org/locations/church-of-the-covenant
Community

- UCI Events and Classes
- Wade Oval Wednesdays
- Festivals and Fairs
- Residences
- Parade the Circle
- Exhibitions
University Circle in Motion

• The future of University Circle is still looking bright with projects in various stages.
• New buildings mesh in with historic buildings to create unique experiences every visit.

http://www.universitycircle.org/locations/university-circle-inc
http://www.pinterest.com/pin/68723407675/
http://www.pinterest.com/pin/265571709246974669/
GEAUGA LAKE

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Geauga Lake – “icon to eyesore”

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Geauga Lake – the History

• Geauga Lake was an amusement park outside of Cleveland, OH; specifically in the Townships of Aurora and Bainbridge.

Initially founded in 1887, the park included grassy picnic areas and the lake was open to fish and swim in.

In 1889 the park got it’s first ride, a steam powered carousel.
Geauga Lake – The History
Continued

The park took off in 1925 and built their first roller coaster, The Big Dipper.
In 1998 the park was put under new management and the property was bought by Six Flags.

In 2000 the park had its largest year. New roller coasters, and water parks were put in with other improvements made all over the park.

In 2001, Sea World was sold to Six Flags, and was renamed Six Flags World of Adventure.
Closing of the park

• 2004- Park was sold to Cedar Faire
• 2006- Dismantling of roller coasters begins; only new attractions were added to the Wildwater Kingdom
• 2007- Amusement Park side was closed
What the park looks like today...
The Big Dipper
Entrance gates
Preservation efforts

- There are no plans to preserve what little remains of the park; the city of Aurora would like to tear down all remaining structures.

Two local men, Joe Tomaro and John Frato, known as the “Euclid Beachboys” have a personal collection of amusement park memorabilia and relics.
What is being done?

• Currently, the property of Geauga Lake is owned by Cedar Faire.
• The general consensus of the people in surrounding towns is that the property is a useless eyesore to them.
• Severe drops in tourism to the area have caused many local businesses to shut down or continue operation with cut hours under economic distress.

City of Aurora officials recently held rezoning meetings in an attempt to change zoning to be more productive.
Future

• The city of Aurora would ultimately like to take pieces of the land from Geauga Lake and clean up the area – to completely get rid of the remnants of the park.

• Zoning changes consist of residential, recreational, entertainment, and business areas. This is being voted on soon by City of Aurora voters.

• The Big Dipper and the Geauga Lake property as a whole are still available for purchase from Cedar Faire.
THE CLEVELAND FLATS

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Success or failure?
The Cleveland Flats
(1.) The Beginning

Moses Cleveland

Lorenzo Carter and his cabin
(2.) Ohio becoming a state
(3.) Growth through the Canal
(4.) Railroads and other tech advances
(5.) Celebrating Cleveland’s resources 1936-1937
(6.) World War II and production
(7.) Environmental Effects

Time Magazine described the Cuyahoga – the river that "oozes rather than flows" and in which a person "does not drown but decays"
(8.) Post Industry
(9.) Now and Soon
HEINENS
at the
CLEVELAND
TRUST/AMERITRUST PLAZA

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