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Chatham Twp. tapped for well meeting



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An orphan gas well off Tail Feather Drive in Meadow Lakes, North Ridgeville, is being capped to prevent air and groundwater contamination. The well is preventing K. Hovanian Homes from putting up more homes in the development.

Steve Fogarty The Chronicle-Telegram

companies have Utility drilled about 270,000 oil and natural gas wells in Ohio since the Civil War.

The majority has long since been capped, but an unknown number remain uncapped, including some in Lorain and Medina counties.

Since 1977, the Orphan Well Program operated by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources has sealed off about 1,000 wells to prevent possible contamination of groundwater or venting of natural gas into the

The ongoing job of plugging these wells is the subject of a meeting 3 p.m. Monday at Letha House Park West in Chatham Township, when ODNR and

Agency officials will discuss their efforts.

Well Program works, plus a visit to an active well near a Medina County park that is being plugged.

'There are a lot of wells in Lorain and Medina counties," said Mark Bruce, ODNR spokesman. "That's why we're holding the meeting in this

The program also is capping a well in the Meadow Lakes housing development in North Ridgeville.

Statewide, about 400 wells are being investigated, including performing title searches to try to determine who owns them.

"That is what makes them

The event will include an building in downtown Cleveexplanation of how the Orphan land as Cleveland State University was tearing down a build-

> Officials found another one under a concrete driveway being dug at a Rocky River home.

> More than half of Ohio's wells were drilled between 1920 and 1959, before the state regulated

"For decades, there were no rules in place," Bruce said. "Many wells had dirt thrown over them and were forgotten about. That's why we have to take care of them now."

Many were drilled by nowdefunct oil or gas companies that put up no bonds to cover

Ohio Environmental Protection orphan wells, when no owner drilling and capping costs, as can be identified," Bruce said. well as potential damage, or "One was found beneath a companies whose bonds have long since been revoked, Bruce

"We now have laws in place that make the driller responsible for plugging wells," Bruce

Orphan wells are typically sealed shut by a combination of excavation, adding casings at the top of wells and inserting cement into the well bore. Wells generally range from several hundred to 6,000 feet deep.

The North Ridgeville well at the end of Tail Feather Drive near a development of homes being built by K. Hovnanian Homes — is estimated at 2,500 feet deep, Bruce said.

The ODNR spokesman said

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Online grocery ordering coming to county

Steve Fogarty The Chronicle-Telegram

NORTH RIDGEVILLE — Busy families who can't seem to fit it all in will have a new option: A Cleveland-based business is expanding its online grocery-ordering and home delivery service to North Ridgeville and Avon.

Presto Fresh Grocery, which began operations at the end of November, is entering Lorain County boasting close to 5,000 grocery items including fresh meats, produce and seafood, that are available for home delivery on its www.prestofreshgrocery.com website, according to owner and founder Steve deMoulpied.

The fast-growing business now serves Cleveland and all of Cuyahoga County as well as Willoughby, Wickliffe and Eastlake in Lake County.

The selection of Avon and North Ridgeville in Lorain County came after deMoulpied studied entry into west-side markets for a time.

The two communities were chosen in part for the presence of a good number of white-collar, professional households as well as a desire to boost what deMoulpied said is the miniscule level of business in the world of e-commerce related to the food industry, he said.

'This is a huge opportunity in an area in which 1 percent of total grocery sales occur over the Internet," deMoulpied said.

The website currently has 400 to 450 registered shoppers.

A sizable number of households in Avon and North Ridgeville represent the "segment of society that is very busy and places a premium on their time, and often finds it difficult to get to the store due to time constraints," deMoulpied said.

And, he said, Presto Fresh Grocery has been getting quite a bit of interest from people in both towns asking about a possible expansion into Lorain County.

"This seemed to be the next natural location for us," he said.

Similar in scope to other major online shopping operations, the grocery-ordering business lets customers fill orders after browsing its thousands of pictured grocery items in categories ranging from "breakfast and cereal," "meat and seafood," and "grains, pasta, beans," to "organic and natural," "deli" and "laundry, paper, cleaning.'

"In some areas as dairy, we may not have the

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Eric Nord Award for Excellence in Leadership recipient, Brian Frederick; Excellence in Leadership award recipient Claudia Jones; Excellence in Leadership award recipients Sue Bowers, Marcia Miller, Nancy Sullivan and Libby Thuning, all founders of "100 Women Who Care About Lorain County;" and Excellence in Leadership award for an organization, PolyOne Corp. accepted by Bob Patterson, executive vice president and chief operating officer with PolyOne Corporation.

Saluting the Difference Makers

Melissa Linebrink

- Leadership Lorain County honored those who have put forth significant time to help others during the annual Difference Makers Gala on Friday at the Spitzer Conference Center.

This year's recipients include: Brian Frederick, president and CEO at Community Foundation of Lorain County; Claudia Jones, retired associate director of fund development at Oberlin College; 100 Women Who Care About Lorain County founding members Sue Bowers, president of Mercy Allen Hospital; Marcia Miller, director of investments at Oberlin College; Nancy Sullivan, associate professor and program chairwoman at Tiffin University; and Libby Thuning, vice president of U.S. Bank National Association; and PolyOne Corp.

"The gala honors individuals and an organization that have demonstrated remarkable leadership, while making a significant impact on the community,' said Beth Maiden, president and CEO of Leadership Lorain County.

Brian Frederick

Frederick received the Eric Nord Award for Excellence in

Frederick moved to Lorain better." Frederick told the audi-County Board of Mental Health until 1990 when he left to create a consulting firm. In 1998, Frederick became the president and CEO of the Community Founda-

tion of Lorain County. Frederick is involved in many local and regional civic efforts including serving as first vice chairman of the Fund for Our Economic Future, a regional consortium of philanthropy promoting the economic competitiveness of NE Ohio, and as a board Girl Scouts of North East Ohio. member and Governance Chairman of Team Lorain County. He was the founding Board Chairman of the Civic Commons. He also has served as the co-chairman of the economic development committee for the Oberlin

Project. From 1999 to 2011, Frederick of the Transatlantic Community Foundation Network and was a as the associate director of fund founding member of the advisory committee to the German has embraced her "second Marshall Fund for the Commu- career" as an community volunnity Foundation Transatlantic Fellowship.

"If my grandchildren were to of the New Sunrise Properties ask me, 'Gramps, what do you do?' I would tell them, 'I do what-

County in 1983, and served as an ence Friday. "We don't do this for associate director of the Lorain awards; we do it for a job well

Claudia Jones

Jones received the Excellence in Leadership Award. She credits her ambition to make the world a better place through Girl Scouts.

Jones, a Girl Scout since the

1940s, is a past board chairwoman for the Girl Scouts of Erie Shores legacy council (Lorain County) and she continues as a board member-at-large for the This past year, she chaired the task committee that conducted a national search to recruit GSNEO's new CEO, and she received the President's Award for her volunteer leadership. Jones also was recognized as a Girl Scout Woman of Distinction.

Jones recently retired after 35 was one of 11 U.S. ambassadors years with Oberlin College, where she most recently served development. Since retiring, she

Additionally, she is a member

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Second **Harvest** gets \$75K donation from **Wal-Mart**

Steve Fogarty The Chronicle-Telegram

LORAIN — Second Harvest Foodbank of North Central Ohio will get a financial shot in the arm with a \$75,000 donation from the Wal-Mart Foundation.

The money is part of nearly \$600,000 the foundation is giving to eight nonprofit Ohio food banks to support their collective fight against hunger.

The grant to Second Harvest will assist its farmers market program within its four-county serv-

Money will boost local outreach, make healthier food more available, and increase food deliveries to more people in need, said Doug Yost, Wal-Mart regional general manager for northern Ohio.

"Collectively, these organizations serve almost every county in Ohio with a wide range of services to ensure families and children have access to food," Yost said.

Wal-Mart presented grants through its State Giving Program during events in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Logan and Toledo.

Regionally, \$100,000 went to the Cleveland Foodbank to expand community outreach and access to services, while \$70,000 was given to the Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank to buy a vehicle and increase community outreach.

Wal-Mart, along with its sister Sam's Club stores, is the largest donor to Second Harvest, according to Executive Director Julie Chase-Morefield,

The Lorain County-based organization, which serves thousands in Lorain, Erie, Huron and Crawford counties, receives just under 30 percent of its food donations from mega-retailers including Wal-Mart, BJ's Wholesale Club, Target and Giant Eagle.

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Mary C. Evans Mary C. Evans, 83, of Oberlin, died Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at Kendal at Oberlin. Dicken Funeral Home, Elyria is handling arrangements.

Brenda J. Potantus

Brenda J. Potantus (nee Bates), 61, of Grafton, passed away Wednesday, February 19, 2014. Brenda was born January 26, 1953 in Kentucky.

She worked for Ford Motor Company in POTANTUS Brook Park and retired after 34 years. Brenda ceive friends Sunday, Febloved to read, shop and spend time with her family.

She is survived by her husband of 31 years, Robert; four children, Tracie Hatchett of Cleveland, Thomas Feher (Lisa) of Medina, Michele Exley (David) of Dover and Kimberly Potantus of Brunswick; five grandchildren and one greatgranddaughter; her parents, Arthur and Virginia Bates of



Sharon Rhome (Scott); three brothers, Frank (Sandy), Mike (Teri) and Chris (Pauline) Bates and many nieces and nephews. The family will re-

ruary 23, 2014, from 12 Noon until the time of the service at 3 P.M., at Liston Funeral Home, 36403 Center Ridge Rd. (at Stoney Ridge Rd.), North Ridgeville. Pastor Robert Smalley will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kidney Foundation.

To leave an online condolence, please visit www.listonfuneralhome.com

George R. Rodachy

George R. Rodachy, 94, of Elyria, died Thursday, February 20, 2014. He was born May 19, 1919 in Elyria and was a 1937 graduate of Elyria



Elvy Jean Mosley-Johnson

MOSLEY

-JOHNSON

High School. During the depression he and worked with the Civilian Conservation Corps. During WWII he served in the U.S. Navy as a pattern maker on the ships Neshoba, Hamul and Renville and was also stationed in Okinawa. He continued his skills as a pattern maker with Elyria Foundry for 42 years retiring

George was a collector of Indian artifacts and enjoyed woodwork, collecting and refinishing antiques, hunting, golfing and archery. He was a former member of Ohio Archaeological Society and Izaack Walton League of

in 1982.

George is survived by a

Elvy Jean Mosley-

Johnson, 68, of Lorain,

passed away Tuesday,

February 18, 2014, at

6:14 P.M., at Mercy

Hospital in Lorain.

She was born in Jack-

sonville Florida, Sep-

tember 3, 1945, to the

union of Frank and

Elvyrta Mosley (nee)

Kentucky.

Scott, coming to Lorain 47

years ago from Wheelwright,

Jean, as her friends re-

ferred to her, was employed

by the City of Elyria as a

water meter reader, where

she retired. She found other

employment at National

Molded Products, auxiliary

police and lastly, a school

crossing guard for the Lo-

She attended Friendship

Baptist Church in Lorain and

was a devoted mother, grand-

mother, friend and confidant.

She enjoyed playing the lot-

tery, internet cafes, traveling

and spending her time with

She is survived by her

rain City Schools.

friends and family.

RODACHY

daughter, Patricia A. (Blaine) Naylor Elyria; son, Randolph G. Rodachy RichofVirginia; mond, grandchildren, (Molly) Kevin Naylor, Victor (Sheila) Naylor

Tammy (Robert) Gunderman and six greatgrandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 70 years, Gertrude (nee Vargo) in 2012; parents, Gilbert and Anna Rodachy and brothers, John, Frank and Joseph Rodachy.

Friends will be received Sunday, February 23, 2014 from 5 to 7 P.M. at Dicken Funeral Home, 323 Middle Avenue, Elyria. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery, Elyria.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of The Western Reserve, 17876 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, OH 44110-9915.

For online condolences, visit www.dickenfuneralhome.com

daughter,

LeShawn

Anderson of Oberlin;

grandchildren, Robert

and Sydnee Rhajean

Anderson, both of

Oberlin and other

family and friends

She was preceded in

death by her parents,

from far and near.

Frank and Elvyrta Mosley

(nee) Scott; her husband,

Clinton Johnson Jr.; her best

friend in life and now in

death, Harold Kimbro and

Friends may call Tuesday,

February 25, 2014, at 11 A.M.,

until time of service at 12

Noon, at Friendship Baptist

Church, 2160 Reeves Ave.,

Lorain. Pastor John Jackson

will officiate the service.

Burial will be in Brookdale

Arrangements entrusted to

Carter Funeral Homes, 3001

Elyria Ave., Lorain, (440-244-

5200). Online condolences can

www.Carter

funeralhomesinc.com

Cemetery in Elyria.

be sent to

her brother, Lloyd Mosley.

Cheryl

Anderson

Florence "Bobbie" Dunn Carlson

Florence Louise "Bobbie" Carlson, 95, Oberlin, passed away Sunday, February 16, 2014 after a brief illness. She was born July 9, 1918 in Seattle, Washington, to James Parfet Dunn and Sarah CARLSON let describing local Littlefield Bailey Dunn.



Bobbie graduated from Berkeley High School in 1936 and like her parents, attended Oberlin College. After completing her degree in 1940, Bobbie went to China to teach English as a representative of the Oberlin Shansi Association. It was there that she met and married another Shansi representative, Ellsworth "Ells" Carlson, on December 25, 1943. As Japanese forces drew closer to their school in Sichuan Province in 1944, Bobbie and Ells returned to United States, where they both took jobs with the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) in Washington, D.C. Bobbie compiled biographies of Chinese leaders that were used by the allies for intelligence to end the Japanese occupation. In 1947 she moved to Boston, where Ells completed his PhD in Chinese History at Harvard University. Bobbie devoted her attention to their growing family, after Ells accepted a position with the History Department at Oberlin Col-

lege in 1950. Beginning in 1957, the family spent two years living abroad in the Philippines and India. Once back in Oberlin, Bobbie decided to upgrade her teaching certificate. She was a first grade teacher at Eastwood School from 1961 to 1968. In 1969, she taught English to high school students in Hong Kong, where Ells spent his sabbatical year.

After returning to Oberlin, Bobbie supported Ells during his two short tenures as Acting President of Oberlin College in 1970 and again during 1974-1975. Always active in community affairs, she worked to improve the relationship between college and town by organizing events at the presidents house on Forest Street. During the 1970's, Bobbie also taught fourth and fifth grades in the Oberlin public schools. She later accepted a position at Oberlin College in an Asian Outreach Program to raise awareness about Asia in the public schools of Lorain County. As part of this job, she produced a program newsletter and made classroom visits.

Bobbie did not sit still after she retired. She audited courses on history, politics, geology and astronomy and attended lectures and concerts at the college. She served as a volunteer in the community and worked as a tutor at Eastwood School. Bobbie regularly attended the First Church in Oberlin

and was a member of the Oberlin Sorosis. Along with other women in Oberlin, she contributed to a patchwork quilt that now hangs in Mudd Library and assembled a book-

history depicted on the quilt. Bobbie also helped produce a workbook on the history of Oberlin. In 2008, she wrote a memoir of her years in China, entitled Lost in Time. Shortly before her death, she was working on a history of houses in Cleve-

Bobbie was an avid reader of history and biography. She traveled extensively in the United States and abroad. Her tours, that combined academic study with field trips, continued into her 90's. She wrote extensively about her travels and prepared albums filled with her most memorable adventures. Bobbie also worked on tracing the genealogy of the Dunn and Carlson families. More recently, she took up watercolor painting and enjoyed participating in a group of writers at Kendal. She continued gardening and hiking until her death.

Bobbie was preceded in death by her husband of 55 Ellsworth Carlson: vears. sister, Helen Dunn and brother, James Dunn.

She is survived by her four children, Elizabeth Morris (Eric) of Oberlin, James Carlson (Linda Striefsky) of Cleveland Heights, Frank Carlson (Mary) of Oberlin and Sarah Seifert (Bruce) of Chesapeake, Virginia; 10 grandchildren, Matthew Williams), (Brett Morris Michael Morris (Gina Martynova), David Carlson, Paul Carlson and Daniel Carlson, Thomas Carlson, Andrew Carlson and Timothy Carlson, Karen Clune (Edward) and Brian Seifert; three great-grandchildren, Luca Morris, Kennedy Clune and Mason Clune; as well as by nephews and nieces.

The family welcomes those who knew Bobbie and her family to a Memorial Service Saturday, March 8, 2014, at 1 P.M., at The First Church in Oberlin United Church of Christ, 106 North Main Street, Oberlin. A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall. Burial will be in Westwood Cemetery, Oberlin.

The family wishes to thank friends and caregivers at Kendal at Oberlin, who provided support and encouragement over the past few months.

contributions Memorial may be made to Oberlin Weekday Community Meals, c/o Christ Episcopal Church, South Main Street, Oberlin, OH 44074.

Dicken Funeral Home, Elyria, handled arrangements.

For online condolences, visit www.dickenfuneralhome.com

Timothy V. McMullen
Timothy V. McMullen, 21, of LaGrange, passed away unexpectedly Friday, February 20 2014 in Ada, Ohio. Cowling Funeral Home Inc. & Cremation Services of Oberlin, will announce further arrangements at a later date.

Joseph S. KubisenJoseph S. Kubisen, 88, of Elyria, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, February 19, 2014, at The Cleveland Clinic. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by The Laubenthal-Mercado Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Elyria (440)322-4626.

Ronald Irvan

Ronald Irvan, 63, of Wellington, passed away Thursday, February 20, 2014 at his residence, following a five year battle with Pulmonary Fibrosis. Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by the Laubenthal-Mercado Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Elyria, (440) 322-

ROUNDUP

Elyria man faces multiple drug charges

ELYRIA — An Elyria man is facing a slew of drug charges after

police executed a search warrant early Friday. Following several weeks of investigation, Michael Thorpe, 29, was arrested at 7:30 a.m. at his residence at 28 Potomac Lane,

according to police Lt. William Pelko. Police found a "significant amount of cocaine" as well as heroin, marijuana, prescription pills and four handguns, one of which was reported stolen, inside the house, Pelko said.

Thorpe's girlfriend was at the home, but she was not charged. Thorpe was charged with trafficking cocaine, possession of cocaine, possession of heroin, weapons under disability, possession of schedule 2 and 3 drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, receiving stolen property and illegal possession of a welfare card.

He was taken to Lorain County Jail, where he is being held without bond.

Golden Acres receives '5 Star' rating

AMHERST — Golden Acres achieved the overall "5 Star" rating as posted in Nursing Home Compare, a public reporting site that includes a set of quality ratings measuring clinical outcomes, as well as health inspections and staffing.

The rating was based on the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services Nursing Home Rating report for nursing homes participating in Medicare & Medicaid based on quality measures using data from 2013.

Golden Acres Lorain County Nursing Home is a county-owned facility in Amherst.

Lorain County Office on Aging annual meeting

ELYRIA — The Lorain County Office on Aging will hold its annual meeting 3 to 4 p.m. March 20 on the second floor of 320 N. Gateway Blvd.

The annual meeting provides the public an opportunity to learn more about Lorain County Office on Aging and the services offered to improve the health, well-being and independence of aging and other adults with special needs, living throughout Lorain County.

For more information about or to RSVP, call Sue Malik, at (440)

International Referral Network meets

The International Referral Network will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at the Elyria Elks, 246 Second St., Elyria.

Lori Wagner of Insight Type and Graphics will speak. The group meets at the same time and place every week. The cost is \$10 for lunch, and first-time guests have that fee waived. To attend, park in the east parking lot and enter through the green door near the rear of the building. Contact Kent Iler at kent@iler.com with questions.

—from staff reports

From B1

the North Ridgeville well is not thought to be venting natural gas into the air or groundwater.

Representatives of K. Hovnanian Homes could not be reached for comment Friday.

Letha House Park West is at 5800 Richman Road, Chatham Township in Medina County. To learn more about Monday's event, call the Ohio Department of Natural Resources at (614) 265-6565.

Contact Steve Fogarty at 329-7146 or sfogarty@chroniclet.com.

ONLINE

pure volume as a grocery store may have, but we try to have enough of a cross-section in those items to make you shopping experience worthwhile," deMoulpied said.

The online grocery-shopping service wants to promote area food businesses such as Twinsburg's Day Lobster.

Boston area, Florida and the said. West Coast.

Discounts of up to 15 percent are offered for volume purchases. Shoppers can keep track of

what they're spending as they order groceries via an onscreen display that keeps a running tally.

"If you get close to your

lobster and other fresh click on the shopping cart to seafood, which is shipped in reduce the number of items or every 24 hours from the eliminate them," deMoulpied

> Once a shopper has completed an order, online payment is accepted by all major credit cards, and a delivery time is set up. Home deliveries are made by the company's vans between 1 and 9 p.m. seven days a week in two-hour time blocks. Delivery fees range from

The seafood company sells budget or go over it, you can \$7.95 to \$9.95, depending on or stogarty@chroniclet.com.

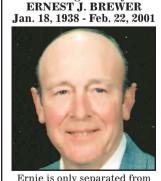
the total cost of grocery

DeMoulpied knows he won't corner the grocery shopping market, but he's hoping to carve out a successful niche for the right customers.

"We realize this isn't for everybody as some people really enjoy going to the store," he said.

Contact Steve Fogarty at 329-7146

In Memory of ...



In Loving Memory of

Ernie is only separated from the physical nature that was useful to him in the world. The essential person is actually still alive because our bodies do not make us "people"; it is because of our spirits that we "live." When we die we simply move from one world into another. This is why in the inner meaning of the Word, 'death" means resurrection and a continuation of life. Revelation 21:4 Still missed by, Wife, Elsie, Children & Grandchildren



MAKERS Board that focuses on provid-

ing affordable, permanent housing for Lorain County residents with low to moderate income or who may have moderate to severe mental illness. "I don't think you can be part

of this world and not care about this world," Jones said. "If you can do something, you should share something. Share that gift if you can."

100 Women Who Care About Lorain County founders

Sue Bowers, Marcia Miller, Nancy Sullivan and Libby Thuning met while pursuing their MBA at Tiffin University.

At an annual holiday gathering, they discussed how it

would be great to figure out a a child, but it takes 100 women of life for citizens. The majority others in lieu of exchanging gifts among themselves. The following summer, a column by Regina Brett about a group of women who met and gave money to local nonprofit organizations sparked a conversation among them and on Oct. 13, 2010, they held their first meeting of 100 Women Who Care About Lorain County. The concept is simple: Mak-

ing a difference one woman at a time. Their motto, "One Charity, One Hour, One Large Sum of Money, Purely Local Benefit" defines the organization's purpose.

Since its inception, the 100 Women Who Care have raised more than \$100,000 for 12 non-

profits across Lorain County.

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leader offering an array of specialized polymer materials, tailored services and end-to-end solutions, headquartered in Avon Lake.

For the first time in the history of the Difference Makers Gala, the Excellence in Leadership Award for an organization is being presented to a forprofit company. PolyOne leads by example in its commitment to community. The company encourages its employees to participate in community activities and charitable works of their choice.

PolyOne supports many charitable organizations com-"It may take a village to raise mitted to improving the quality

way to do something more for to help that village," Bowers of PolyOne's corporate officers serve on nonprofit boards, and dozens of other PolyOne employees also volunteer.

In 2012, PolyOne raised \$775,599 for United Way of Greater Lorain County. According to Bill Harper, executive director of United Way, the donations from PolyOne and its employees represented more than one-fourth of the total funds raised in Lorain County last year.

From blood drives to food drives, and from elementary classrooms to high school mentorship programs, Poly-One employees pitch in to help make where we live a better

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