In no time (3 years)...

“We had a $3 million dollar building for which we paid $1.3 million.”

In the End....There was Harry

Harry spoke about many things, with OPEN M, The Valor House and his Military Service being some of his favorite subjects. He often digressed but seems digression is actually a progression of Faith and its literal “Embodiment” in the building of OPEN M Neighborhood Center.

It took 17 years but…..Harry got it done. His dream of having everyone being able to come into the building to eat and fellowship came to fruition.

The building you see standing today, built in 1999, at 941 Princeton St. is HALLOWED GROUND because of the love and dedication that IS Harry A. Donovan!

In Honor, Love and Respect for Mr. Harry A. Donovan, I wish you all a blessed life.

To read the complete rendition of “In Harry's Words” go to openm.org/harry

I covet your comments and prayers.

In Him, Bob r.titus@openm.org

To speak with a specific department, please call 330-434-0110 and the following extension:

Clinic: 413     Community Works Connection: 434     Family Development: 403     Pantry: 416     Volunteers: 409
OPEN M and a rock concert are usually not mentioned in the same sentence.

But once a year, Michael Graham of local band, The Twanglers flips that sentiment upside down.

On the last weekend of February over 100 concert goers and OPEN M staff gathered at Musica in downtown Akron for this years benefit concert for OPEN M’s clinic.

This year’s lineup featured; Michael Lee Shannon, a long time member of the Michael Stanley Band; Peep; Freezer-Burn; and of course The Twanglers.

As always it was a great show put on by all, and this years donation to the OPEN M clinic was just over $1,000! With continuously rising healthcare costs and needing to upgrade some technology, that money will be put to great use.

Join us for our 14th annual WALK THE TALK event, a 1 mile walk beginning at the Spaghetti Warehouse and ending with a celebration at OPEN M!
The clinic’s care reaching into the neighborhood

The OPEN M Medical Clinic will start a collaboration with the Kenmore Free Store and Immaculate Conception Church of Kenmore on the first Saturday of each month.

Our staff will be doing blood pressure and blood sugar checks, offering education on different topics every month, and assisting those who are undeserved to become patients at OPEN M or guide them to find other health care in the community.

We have also welcomed some new providers to our volunteer staff. Alishea Gay, DNP, APRN will be joining our provider staff on Tuesdays or Wednesdays. Dr. Mahmud Kara, MD, Internal Medicine will be joining us 2-4 days a month as well, continuing OPEN M’s commitment to bringing out clients the best possible care we can.

We’d also like to send out some “Get Well” wishes to Dr. Stephen Stone, our acupuncturist, and Dr. Irving Reisberg, our general practitioner, as they both are recovering from recent surgeries.

Big growth on the Clinic’s horizon

OPEN M will start doing venipuncture blood collections on site in March with the assistance and support of LabCare Plus.

This will enable our patients to have all their blood drawn at OPEN M on the day of their visit, rather than having to go to a LabCare Plus facility in the community on another date for their blood draws.

Lab results will be available to OPEN M within 24 hours of the blood draw.

March will also be the debut of the Clinic going fully digital with how we utilize our medical records. With the generous donations of our supporters we were able to but the 8 Samsung Tablets we need in order to make that transition a possibility!

A huge thank you from us and from our patients!

Pantry Awning is Nearly Complete

With only a few details left to finalize, we are extremely happy to say our new awning over our pantry door is up and protecting our clients!

A HUGE thanks to all that donated to make this project happen!

Commitment & Excitement pave the way for CWC Grad

Kelly Avery from CWC class 28 is currently enrolled in an STNA training program at Altercare. The two-week course ensures her STNA certification and employment with Altercare! How did she achieve this? Commitment and excitement.

When Kelly heard she had an interview, she called us to express her joy and positive energy, and she continued communication with us so that we didn’t miss picking her up the day of the interview.

Kelly was also sure to stop back at OPEN M to continue practicing her interview skills, and she was open to constructive feedback. She took that feedback and practiced each night leading up to her interview, and when the time came, she nailed it.

Kelly put forth the effort and time, and with support from the CWC staff, she achieved her goal!

Donations made in honor of:
Jesse Hurst
by Leadership Akron Alumni Association

Dr. Charles W. Reynolds
by Ms. Rose Pierce

Donations made in memory of:
Sam Keller
by OPEN M Staff

THANK YOU DONORS!
www.openm.org/donors for a full list of recent OPEN M supporters!
SUPPORTERS OF OPEN M, WE MADE IT 50 YEARS!

Any business or non-profit making it to their **50th** anniversary is no small task these days and we are celebrating it all year long.

We are gathering the history of **OPEN M** and are in need of any photos, stories or any other history you may have. We would love for you to share how your group, church, business or you yourself became affiliated with **OPEN M**.

Our plan is to get as much of the history and stories of **OPEN M** through out our 50 years documented and recorded so we can share them periodically during 2018 and especially at our **50th Anniversary Gala** on **September, 14th**! We hope to see you all there!

If you have photos or stories to share please give us a call at **330-434-0110** x. 418 or email **marketing@openm.org**!