Director’s Corner

Congratulations Graduates, you are now E-POWERed (electronically empowered) to go forth and share your knowledge! The more you share your experience from the Ashbury Senior Computer Community Center, the greater the awareness of the need for technology training. You have E-POWERed yourselves, now you can help us E-POWER others. Not only will your peers follow, but our local, county and state leaders will take notice. They will see the importance of providing E-POWERing resources such as high speed broadband service, technology access and digital literacy training to those in need.

Building an E-POWERed community, builds an EMPOWERed community!

Therefore do your job as we do ours…Spread the ASC³ Word!
Have a fabulous summer!

~Wanda Davis, Director

OUR MISSION
To bridge the gap in the “Digital Divide” in our inner-city communities by providing high quality, accessible, and FREE technology classes in a supportive, appropriately-paced, and nurturing environment – that encourages personal growth and enhances the quality of life for all participants.

Come Visit Us!
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www.asc3.org
Rev. Joyceann Hall-Harris

I am the oldest of seven siblings, all girls, (one deceased) raised by a single parent. I was educated in the Cleveland Public school system. I earned a BS degree from Dyke College and I have one year completed at Ashland Seminary. I was the first person in our family to go to college, setting the bar for my immediate family and the other family members. I really enjoy my classes at ASC3 & thank them for the opportunity.

I am the proud mother of four adult children (one deceased) and I have been married to Larry E. Harris for five years. I was employed at Key Bank (formerly Cleveland Trust) for thirty-nine and half years. I retired October 2007.

My spiritual formation began at the hand of my grandmother and was constant throughout my life. I stand firmly in my faith believing that without the Lord I cannot stand. I have been and continue to be a student of the Bible and a leader in Sunday school and Bible study classes.

I received training at the Cleveland Clinic to become a Chaplain. In 2001 I accepted my call to ministry and studied in Board of Examiners of the North Ohio Conference of the AME church and was ordained as a Deacon in the AME church in 2003 and an Elder in 2005. I serve in Lee Memorial AME Church. I serve as an assistant to my pastor, lead Bible study and facilitate a Bible study Boot Camp with three other women.

I am a volunteer for the Hospice of the Western Reserve. I am a co-facilitator of a re-entry group called Citizen Circle whose thrust is to re-tool ex-offenders to make them restored citizens. I also spent eight weeks each summer for the past three years in a Literacy program at St. John AME tutoring in reading.

The ASC-3 Annual Alumni Raffle is on! What are you waiting for? There’s NOTHING to lose; all proceeds benefit ASC-3. Have fun and take a chance, purchase your raffle tickets today—only $5 for a book of 6! CASH PRIZES: 1st—$500, 2nd—$200, 3rd—$100.

On the Horizon at Ashbury...

Annual Back-to-School Block Party

Bring the kids for fun, games, face painting, cartoon characters, healthy treats, free school supplies, prizes, and food!

Date: Saturday, August 17th
Time: Noon—4:00p.m.
Where: Ashbury Center of course!

The 21st Annual Holiday Fundraising Gala Extraordinaire...

“An Evening with the Stars”

Date: Saturday, December 14, 2013
Location: Tizzano’s Banquet Center, 1361 E. 260th Street in Euclid

As always, the Ashbury Center will honor our community’s local Stars / Leaders.

Come have a grand time and show your support at the BEST Holiday Affair around town!

The Gala Program:

6:00—Cocktail Hour, Open Bar
7:00—STARS Appreciation & Awards Program
8:00—Dinner Served
9:00— Fun & Fellowship

Festivities Include: Open Bar, Live Entertainment, Dancing, ASC3 Alumni Raffle, Souvenir Program Booklet, Holiday Gift.

Requested Donation, $60.00.

Your support will help ASC³ continue free technology services!
Bill is the Director of OneCommunity’s Connect Your Community Project, an $18.7 million initiative funded by the U.S. Commerce Department’s Broadband Technology Opportunity Program, which trained and equipped 26,000 “sustainable broadband adopters” between October 2010 and December 2012. More than 6,000 of these new broadband users were served by community partners in Cleveland including the Housing Network and ASC3.

Bill has worked with OneCommunity as a community program consultant since 2008, helping to develop digital inclusion strategies in connection with large-scale community broadband deployments in Cleveland, Akron, Detroit, and other cities.

From 2003 to 2008 Bill was director of Cleveland Digital Vision, the principal network of nonprofit community technology programs and other organizations working to close Cleveland’s “digital divide”. During this period he served for three years as board president of the Ohio Community Computing Network.

From 1997 through 2002 Bill operated the West Side Community Computer Center, one of Cleveland’s first neighborhood technology centers, which trained more than 4,000 neighbors in basic computer skills, provided used PC systems to 700+ low income households, and developed an “Internet co-op” with a local ISP to provide affordable online access.

OneCommunity presents...Karen Mossberger, Ph.D.,
Broadband: Understanding the Fiber of our Region
Angela Seifer and Wanda Davis share comments at the City Civic Club forum on Friday, June 28, 2013

Should Digital Inclusion become a priority for Our Leaders?

Wanda Davis, executive director of Ashbury Community Services, Inc, said the need for technology in low-income communities is as great as it has ever been, so Dr. Mossberger’s comments resonated with her. “There’s a greater need in the training business for awareness to make inclusion a priority,” she said. “Then the value for everybody goes up.”

Angela Siefer, digital inclusion program manager for OCLC in Dublin, left, and Wanda Davis, executive director of Ashbury Community Services, Inc in Cleveland, hung out Friday following a speech at the City Club Friday, thrilled to talk about the digital divide in Northeast Ohio.

Angela Siefer, digital inclusion program manager for OCLC, drove from Dublin to hear Mossberger speak. She said it was worth the trip. “Of course there aren’t clear answers,” Siefer said. “But it’s awesome that so many more people are thinking about it who have never thought about it before. The more the community talks about it, the more likely it is to figure out some answers.” Marcia Pledger, Plain Dealer

Wanda and Angela both agree that the OneCommunity survey by Dr. Mossberger answers the question. Read complete survey found at www.onecommunity.org

The Ashbury center thanks Tom Miller, Community Technology Executive and the OneCommunity family for the generous donation of the high-tech Smart-Board. This is an awesome addition to our tech-tools as we E-POWER our community!
**Summer SPLASH!**
Health, Wellness, and Fitness Guide
By Shaletha Mitchell, M. Ed., ASC³ Board President

**Splash into summer – DON’T let it pass you by!!!**

**Spend** quality time with family & friends. Visit someone you haven’t seen in awhile or write them a letter.

**Physical** activity – Make movement a priority, but have fun with it. Go for a walk with friend or a pet, work in the garden, lift weights, ride a bike, go swimming. Dance like no one’s watching and just let go.

**Lend** a helping hand – VOLUNTEER for something and make a difference. There are many causes, organizations, etc. that can use your help. Consider the ASC³ Alumni Org. & the ASC³ Block Party on Aug. 17!

**Activate** your right to be informed. Join an online political action group ([www.BarackObama.org](http://www.BarackObama.org), [www.NAACP.org](http://www.NAACP.org), social media group (Facebook or Twitter), or an online library ([www.cpl.org](http://www.cpl.org)); just a few examples. Come to ASC³ open lab to log into your accounts, blog, read, or just to practice, practice, practice.

**Soak** up the sites, and yes, the sun too! Enjoy the GREAT outdoors but be sure to wear Sunscreen, SPF 30 or higher when in peak sun. Our great city has lots to do, so vow to do 1 new thing in Cleveland this summer.

**Healthful** Indulgences! Healthy food choices fit into the perfect summer diet. Enjoy plenty of colorful fresh fruits and vegetables; they are inexpensive, sweet, and delicious. Indulge in your favorites very moderately. For example, have a serving of ice cream only once per week or every two weeks. Did you know a serving is only ½ cup? Try the lighter side such as frozen yogurt or sherbert. Visit [www.choosemyplate.gov](http://www.choosemyplate.gov) for ideas on making healthier food choices or credible sites such as [www.WebMD.com](http://www.WebMD.com) for great recipes.

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**Internet Safety Humor for Everyone—Be Safe this Summer!**

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**Internet Safety**

**Never Open or Respond to Unwanted Emails**

They May Contain Viruses or Nasty Messages, or Somebody Maybe Trying to Trick You

1. Never give out personal information such as phone number address, school name, street and passwords.
2. Talk to your parents, teachers, or guardians if you feel uncomfortable with what you see on the internet.
3. Be polite and respectful of others online. Never send a message you would not say face-to-face.
4. Never post your online friend alone. Make sure you are with your parents or a trusted adult.
5. When chatting online use a Nick Name that will not reveal anything about you.

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**Internet Safety for Kids**

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**Don’t say it—No way! Always keep your personal information secret.**