

Greetings!

We hope you are enjoying your summer break; whatever that means for you! This month's *Mandel Monthly* highlights the work the Mandel Council has been putting in this summer, as well as cool events around Cleveland for those of you who stayed local. See below for exciting updates and ways to stay engaged throughout the summer!

May in Review

Council Achievements

- Hosted a fun night out at Maple Heights Lanes to celebrate the end of the Spring semester

Brittany Rabb, Executive Director

- Facilitated engagement among Mandel Council Members
- Presented award at Spring Commencement

Lindsey Gopinath, Director of Communications

- Continued collaboration with Council members and MSASS staff to plan a mentorship program for incoming students this fall
- Served as Social Work Representative on the steering committee for the Cleveland Clinic Community Collaboration

Rhonda Jones, Director of Programming

- Engaged with new and existing student groups to review bylaws and set them up for success
- Created organizational system for student group management

Rebecca Smucker, Director of Finance

- Facilitated funding requests from students and student groups
- Volunteered at Spring Commencement

James Ankeny, Intensive Weekend Representative

- Revised Mandel Council Constitution
- Advocated on behalf of Intensive Weekend student interests

Abigail Schranz, Online Representative

- Provided invaluable insight in Mandel Council meetings from the perspective of online students

Xinyuan Cui, International Student Representative

- Provided invaluable insight in Mandel Council meetings from the perspective of international students

Shannon Gardener, GSC Representative

- Collaborated with students to create a sports meetup - check it out on Facebook (CLE Summer Soccer League)
- Continued planning Social Justice Book Club to build community among MSASS students during the summer

Donovan Young, GSC Representative

- Collaborated with Council members to plan a mentorship program for incoming students this fall
- Spoke about the impact of scholarships at the Visiting Committee meeting
- Volunteered at Spring Commencement

Bridie McDonough, GSC Representative

- Continued planning Social Justice Book Club to build community among MSASS students during the summer
- Volunteered at Spring Commencement

Brenden Stinson, GSC Representative

- Provided invaluable insight in Mandel Council meetings

Melissa Riskin, *Advanced Standing Representative*

- Provided invaluable insight in Mandel Council meetings from the perspective of advanced standing students
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Looking Forward

Here's what's going on in June:

- June 6 - Thwing Furniture Sale at the Thwing Center from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- June 7 - Thwing Furniture Sale at the Thwing Center from 9 a.m. to noon
- June 8 - Parade the Circle at Wade Oval from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- June 11 - Day of Giving from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- June 11 - Safe Zone Friend Session at the Sears Building, Room 326 from 10 a.m. to noon
- June 12 & 13 - 2019 Labor Research and Action Network National Conference at Tinkham Veale University Center from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- June 15 - Larchmere PorchFest from 1 p.m. to 10 p.m.
- June 19 - Juneteenth Celebration at Tinkham Veale University Center from 2 to 4 p.m.

Check the [event calendar](#) for more events and details!

Summer Opportunities

We've been working on a lot of cool ideas to stay connected! Be on the lookout for:

- Social Justice Book Club
- Sports Get Togethers - CLE Summer Soccer League on Facebook
- Mentoring Program

Reach out to mandelcouncil@case.edu if you want to participate or just want to know more.

Leadership

Are YOU looking to get involved in the MSASS community? Want to take on a leadership role? See below for opportunities:

- **Time Sensitive** Volunteers are needed to conduct surveys of households previously surveyed during a pre-test phase, in order to generate comparison data that will help us understand if project activities made a difference in attitudes and relationships on the block we worked with for the Cleveland Effective Neighboring project. Volunteers will be trained to conduct 30-minute surveys with residents. We will be conducting surveys until June 30th. Dependent upon your availability we will ask you to volunteer for 2-hour shifts during this period, as few or as many shifts as you are able. Please note you must be CREC certified to participate in this research

activity. Contact **Xinyuan Cui** at xxc375@case.edu by **June 7th** for details about how you can help.

- The Cleveland Clinic is developing a collaborative project with the Lerner College of Medicine, CWRU College of Medicine, MSASS, and the Fairfax CDC to implement a nine-month longitudinal project with the goal of improving health outcomes. This is a great IPE experience for **macro students** interested in **public health** and deepening **community connections**. Funding is provided. Reach out to Lindsey Gopinath at lhs56@case.edu for more details.
- Is there something you'd like to see at the Mandel School that isn't being done? You have the opportunity to activate a student group! New groups must have 4 leaders and a constitution. Check out our [website](#) to find out how!

Email mandelcouncil@case.edu if you are interested in any of these excellent opportunities.

Appreciation

We want to thank our students, Brittany Rabb, Rebecca Smucker, Donovan Young, Bridie McDonough, Sam Williams and Sam Meluch, for volunteering their time to assist with Commencement on May 19th.

Student Spotlight

Are you or another student you know doing something *inspiring* in the community? Fill out [this survey](#) to let us know, and you'll be featured in our next edition of the Mandel Monthly!

Leslie Trotter is a creative entrepreneur who loves mission-based projects. She loves that the MNO class sizes are small enough that she gets to know all of her peers. Her interest in global creative consulting stems from her desire to connect marginalized artisans and entrepreneurs to strategic partnerships, small business training and infrastructure. She plans to focus primarily on the apparel industry. A fun fact about Leslie is that she loves to hike!

What We Are...

Listening to: MILCK'S ["A Little Peace"](#)

Reading: National Geographic's [Call to the Wild: This Is Your Brain on Nature](#) (*Psst...it's summer! Spend some time outside.*)

Watching: REI Co-op's [Safe Haven](#)

Advocating for: [Washington II Washington](#)

Thanks for reading! Have a restful summer break, *Change Agents!*

Best wishes,

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