



## Village of Cuyahoga Heights Newsletter ~ July 2012

### July Activities:

#### Swimming Pool Hours

##### Monday-Friday

9:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m. ~ Blue Wave Swim Practice  
 10:00 a.m. -12:15 p.m. ~ Swim Lessons  
 12:15 p.m.-1:00 p.m. ~ Pool Closed for Lunch  
 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. ~ Open Swim  
 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. ~ Adult Lap Swim  
 6:00 p.m.-7:45 p.m. ~ Open Swim (Friday until 9p.m.)  
 7:45 p.m. -8:45 p.m. ~ Blue Wave Swim Practice  
 (Not on Friday)

##### Saturday-Sunday

1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. ~ Open Swim  
 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. ~ Adult Lap Swim  
 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. ~ Open Swim

Pool closes at 4 p.m. for swim meets July 10th & 26th

#### Playground Instructor available weekdays 9-5

Children may begin arriving at the pool each day at 9:00 a.m. The Village bus will pick up the children on East 49<sup>th</sup> Street beginning at 9:00 a.m. Please call the Village Hall by 3:00 p.m. the day before to let us know if your child will need a ride to the pool. Village bus will do a return bus run for children on E.49th at 4 p.m.



#### Village Hall

4863 E.49th Street  
 Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio 44125

216-641-7020 phone  
 216-641-8485 fax

[www.cuyahogaheights.com](http://www.cuyahogaheights.com)

### Meeting Reminders:

#### Council Meetings (regular)

2nd Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m.

#### Work Sessions of Council

4th Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m.  
 only in Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May & Oct

#### Zoning Board Meetings

3rd Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m.

#### Beautification/Go Green Meetings

1st Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m.

### Future Important Dates:

#### Wednesday, August 1

Sports sign-up deadline  
 Cheerleading  
 Football  
 Soccer

#### Saturday, August 4

Pool CLOSED ~Championship Swim meet

#### Saturday, August 11 from 6-9p.m.

Pool Party -All Residents invited  
 Fun, Games, Refreshments

#### Friday, August 17

Pool Closes for Season at 9 p.m.

#### Wednesday, August 22

1st Day of School

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### From the Mayor:



I can't believe the 4<sup>th</sup> of July is already behind us; it seemed like yesterday that the kids were just getting out of school. I hope everyone is doing well and enjoying themselves this summer. Our outdoor swimming pool has been very busy and filled with many children; taking swimming lessons, participating in swim team or just having some fun with their friends. I'm very happy to see so many using the pool. Things are running well and our pool staff is doing an exceptional job as usual!

Here's a brief snapshot of what's been going on around town.

- I attended Alcoa's Advisory Board meeting on May 29 and met with their new Location Manager, Mike Kinney. In addition, I was also invited by Eric Roegner, their President, to a luncheon and meeting at their facility on June 20 with members from their Board of Directors as well as key state and community leaders of Ohio, Alcoa's Executive Team, Alcoa's Cleveland-based CEO's, and 50 Alcoa employees. Our administration continually strives to work together with businesses of our community in showing our support for their future success.
- the annual garage sales went off without a hitch on June 16; there were approximately 23 homes that were involved in the event. Because of its popularity, we will have it again next June.
- congratulations to another milestone birthday! Mrs. Helen Kosicki celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sunday, June 17. On behalf of your friends, family and neighbors, we hope you had a wonderful birthday... *best wishes to you for a happy and healthy year!*
- June birthday wishes to employees: Bryan Rini – June 1; Neal Cash – June 4; Stanley Schab – June 8; Pete Panizzutti – June 19; and Doug Pallini – June 21.
- congratulations to Village employees Frank Domzalski and Diane Simmons; they recently celebrated their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary working for our Village. Frank's anniversary date was June 12; Diane's was June 18.
- our condolences to Richard Wallace; his mother Ann passed away on June 21 at the age of 99. Mrs. Wallace was a fixture in our community for many, many years and was involved with such Village organizations as the Women's Club and Senior Citizens. She truly will be missed. In addition, Mr. John Len recently passed away; he is survived by his wife Dolores. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Wallace and Len families.

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### From the Mayor (continued):

Last August, I took about 24 of our Village resident senior citizens for a day at Kelly's Island. We drove around on golf carts touring the island and enjoying its scenic views; we even stopped at the Glacier Grooves to see this amazing site. Afterwards, we all enjoyed perch and walleye for lunch at the Captain's Corner. It was a great opportunity for me to converse and enjoy time with our seniors! In fact, it was so well received that I am doing it again this year. For those senior citizens (60+ and over) that don't attend the regularly monthly senior citizen meetings, I wanted to make sure you also had the opportunity to join us. The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Kelly's Island Day will be Monday, August 27. If you haven't already signed up with Nancy McAleer, President of the Senior Citizens organization, and would like to join me on this trip, please call Lee Ann at the Village Hall for further information.

### From the Village Clerk/Treasurer:



We continue to closely monitor our expenses and revenue. According to our RITA revenue chart, the money that we collect from taxes has increased from the same time last year. We are again on track to balance our General Fund, and after we close the books on June, we will have a better financial picture of the first half of 2012. I will be able to give you that information in the August newsletter.

If anyone has any questions or concerns, please call or stop by, my office is always open.

Enjoy the summer!

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### From the Village Clerk/Treasurer (continued):



#### Monthly R.I.T.A.

| Month Distributed | 2009                | 2010                | 2011                | 2012                | Difference from 2011 | % change from 2011 |
|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| JANUARY           | 839,756.92          | 464,817.62          | 584,669.79          | 531,947.49          | (52,722.30)          | -9.90%             |
| FEBRUARY          | 633,667.41          | 502,634.63          | 537,785.87          | 645,702.65          | 107,916.78           | 16.80%             |
| MARCH             | 617,599.33          | 705,699.36          | 824,604.94          | 818,935.60          | (5,669.34)           | -0.70%             |
| APRIL             | 575,241.04          | 504,911.06          | 520,849.63          | 532,060.38          | 11,210.75            | 2.10%              |
| MAY               | 523,152.87          | 606,055.61          | 557,801.31          | 685,629.54          | 127,828.23           | 18.70%             |
| JUNE              | 555,157.80          | 579,983.55          | 639,614.36          | 619,557.23          | (20,057.13)          | -3.23%             |
| JULY              | 594,458.48          | 538,533.45          | 545,762.77          | 618,245.38          |                      |                    |
| AUGUST            | 349,297.01          | 403,205.45          | 498,636.91          |                     |                      |                    |
| SEPTEMBER         | 483,393.62          | 607,779.83          | 589,364.22          |                     |                      |                    |
| OCTOBER           | 533,833.33          | 632,278.31          | 654,241.55          |                     |                      |                    |
| NOVEMBER          | 497,619.96          | 519,145.39          | 511,005.62          |                     |                      |                    |
| DECEMBER          | 711,206.69          | 680,167.66          | 657,839.82          |                     |                      |                    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>      | <b>6,914,384.46</b> | <b>6,745,211.92</b> | <b>7,122,176.79</b> | <b>4,452,078.27</b> | <b>168,506.99</b>    | <b>3.96%</b>       |

### Village Hall:

Join us in saying Happy Birthday to the Mayor! He celebrated his special day on July 2nd.

**Happy Birthday Mayor Bacci!**

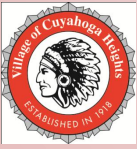
### U.S. Flags

Village residents needing to discard their U.S. flag can drop it off at the service garage during normal business hours. The Young Marines will retire the flags in a traditional flag ceremony on an annual basis.

### Doctor Appointments

Transport services are available for our senior citizens who are otherwise unable to get to their doctor appointments. If any senior citizen has a doctor's visit and are in need of transportation, please contact Lee Ann at the Village Hall during normal business hours one week prior to the scheduled doctor's visit.

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### Dispatch:



Attention residents, never approach an animal which you have not come in contact with before. Please call the Police Department at 216-883-6800 we will contact our animal control person. Also, remind your children to be careful around animals they are unfamiliar with. Even the friendliest dogs can become grumpy during the hot summer months.

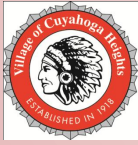


### Service Department:

#### 95-Gallon Tote (Rubbish Container) Reminders

- Village totes should only be used for refuse removal
- All refuse placed in your tote must be bagged, do not put unbagged garbage in the Village tote containers
- Any excess refuse that will not fit in the new tote must be bagged and placed at the curb by the resident on Monday morning, no earlier than 5:00 a.m.
- If you have more refuse than is reasonable to carry to the curb, please call the Village Hall by Monday prior to 4:00 p.m. for a special pick-up.
- There will be no changes regarding recycling
- If you would like to dispose of your old containers, please call the Service Department
- Yard waste must be placed in separate trash bags. Yard waste should not be placed in your Village 95-gallon tote container.
- Do not place your name, address, or anything else on the container.
- Each container is linked to each address by a serial number. If you would like to purchase an additional container, please contact the Service Department. The price is currently \$50.00.
- The tote containers remain the property of the Village of Cuyahoga Heights and should not be intentionally, defaced, altered or damaged.
- Should you have recently purchased a new trash can, tote, or container, please contact the Service Director to exchange your container for a second Village owned tote at no additional charge.
- Our pick-up date and procedures remain the same. Garbage collection is Monday morning with the exception of weeks when Monday is a holiday. Trash pick-up will occur on Tuesday in this event.

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### Fire Department:

#### Safety Town

The Cuyahoga Heights Fire Department along with other agencies helped put on the yearly Safety Town at the Elementary School the last week of June. "B" Shift with Lt. Contipelli discussed and demonstrated various aspects of fire safety using the regional safety trailer and our firefighters, gear, and equipment. Officer Mike Tulcewicz from the Brooklyn Heights Police Department was there to discuss other safety issues and is to be thanked for the pictures of the event.

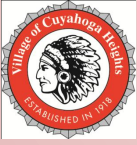


#### Hydrants

You may have noticed the newly painted hydrants around the village. The fire department painted them a nice bright safety red and thanks to the service department for the work on replacing the chains.



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### **Go Green/Beutification Committee:**

**This month's tip:** Storm water management and costs to you!

Rapid storm water runoff is a result of commercial and residential development, paving, flood plain landfills, loss of wetlands and loss of absorbent forest cover. Such conditions have contributed to occasional flooding in the Cuyahoga River valley and have resulted in financial losses. The high waters of a recent flood even threatened the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) outfall. Flooding of this treatment facility would result in millions of gallons of raw sewage entering the river and Lake Erie.

To alleviate these conditions, NEORS is creating massive underground storage facilities which catch both sanitary and storm sewer waters for storage and later treatment. The recently completed Mill Creek Tunnel resides beneath our community of Cuyahoga Heights and the Mill Creek valley. Waste water is stored in this cavernous excavation until there is available capacity at the treatment plant. Other such underground countywide storage facilities are planned.

In order to finance similar flood control projects, the NEORS has implemented a plan to assess each industrial and residential property based upon the properties impervious surface, and its resultant contribution to storm water runoff. An average-size home would pay about \$57.00 per year. However, if a rain barrel is installed to collect downspout rainfall, a \$14.00 credit would be applied to reduce the annual charge. Those residents qualifying for the Homestead Exemption will be charged at the lower rate of \$1.95/month. Collected water could be used for watering lawns and gardens, or washing a car. In addition to financing the underground storage facilities, monies would be made available for the restoration of wetlands and stream bank stabilization in order to reduce and slow storm water runoff.

A recent court decision has ruled in favor of the NEORS storm water plan, but it has since been appealed. A final decision on this appeal should be forthcoming in 2012.

### **Go Green Update:**

In the May 1, 2012 Cuyahoga Heights Newsletter Go Green article regarding the installation of bat houses in Bacci park, it was reported that the Fish and Wildlife Service estimated that the number of bats that had died from white-nose syndrome to be 1.0 – 1.5 million animals. It has since updated the number of fatalities to 7.0 million bats.

### **Newspaper & Cardboard Recycling Reminder**

Our Village has a recycling container at our Service Department for cardboard and newspapers. Please drop off your cardboard and newspapers anytime. If you have a large amount of cardboard or newspapers and are unable to take it to the container, please call the Village Hall during business hours prior to Tuesday mornings; we will put it on our "special pick up" list. Thank you for doing your part and being environmentally friends...go green!



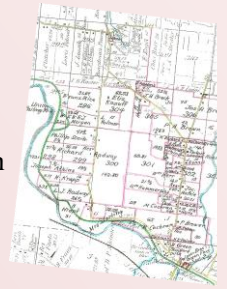
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### Historical Committee:

Our July meeting is the 7th from 10 to noon.

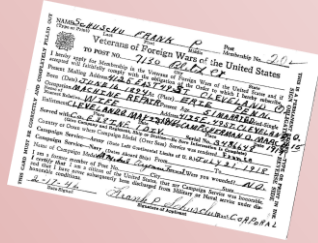


Cuyahoga Heights Historical Committee Program  
By Laura Hine



### “Digging in Your Dr. Denton’s”

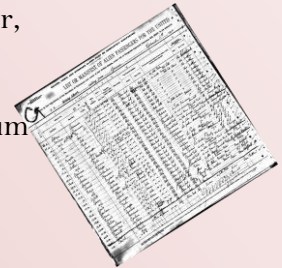
Learn how to trace your family history for FREE, on your computer, at home, in your PJs.



The Willow House  
Cuyahoga Heights Historical Museum

July 12, 2012

7:00 P. M.



### Surrounding Communities:

You are invited to Brooklyn Heights Home Days! Located at Brooklyn Heights Park from 6:00 p.m. to midnight on July 20 & 21, 2012. This year features a refreshed event program embracing the village’s greenhouse community heritage, plus additional “green” elements of locally grown, locally produced, plus recycle/reuse.



### For Sale:

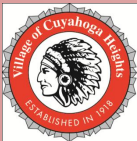
5026 Willowbrook Drive

Double side by side. Unit #1: 4 bdrm 2.5bath

Unit #2: 2 bdrm 1.5 bath

Excellent Condition and updates throughout including A/C!

Asking \$229,900 Call 216-856-1050 for more information.



### Rentals:

4708 East 71<sup>st</sup> Street

Back Apartment

Telephone #: (216) 851-0110

*Details: 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, hardwood floors; no pets, no smoking; 2-yr lease agreement*

4963 East 71<sup>st</sup> Street

Apartments Available

Telephone #: (440) 838-1793

*Details: 2 or 3 bedrooms with kitchen, dining room; also includes garage*

7200 Bletch Court

Downstairs Apartment

Telephone #: (216) 577-6264

*Details: 2 large bedrooms, walk in closets, Central Air, washer/dryer hook up, 1 car attached garage, newly remodeled*



