# Village Of Cuyahoga Heights



## March 2013

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#### March Activities:

Sunday, March 17 Happy St. Patrick's Day!

**Friday, March 29** Good Friday, Village Hall and Service Department Closed

Saturday, March 30 Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, March 31 Happy Easter!



#### **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.

Master Plan Meetings 3rd Thursday of the month at 6 p.m. in Mar, Apr, May, & Jun

#### **Future Important Dates:**

**Monday, April 1** Village Hall and Service Department Closed in observance of the Easter Holiday

Monday, April 1 Baseball registrations due (please put in the mailbox at Village Hall if dropped off when offices are closed)

**Friday, April 26** Arbor Day Celebration, Bacci Park

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annual parade; hopefully, the weather will be cooperative.

From the Mayor:

Kelleys Island event.





many issues in last week's State of the Village. Our deepest condolences to the Piasecki family; long-time Village resident Felicia Piasecki passed away suddenly on March 10. Mrs. Piasecki was an active member in our Senior Citizens organization and attended just about all Village functions – she truly will be missed. Please keep Cheri Piasecki, Marisa & Marcus Contipelli, as well as the rest of her family, in your thoughts and prayers. The picture of Mrs. Piasecki was taken last August at our

I would like to wish everyone a very happy and safe St. Patrick's Day this Sunday. I know several residents who will be downtown enjoying Cleveland's

This month's snapshot is shorter than the norm since I touched base on so

Resident, Ann Brown passed away on March 8; she was 93 years old. Please keep her daughter Jacqueline and grandson Jay, who also reside in our Village in your thoughts and prayers as well.



Welcome home PFC Hunter Krenisky. He arrived back home last Friday from Marine Corp boot camp and is visiting Mom and Dad (*Cindy/Tim*), and friends for ten days before heading off to Camp Geiger Marine combat training. Please keep PFC Krenisky and all military men and women in your thoughts and prayers for success, as well as a safe return home.

Some of our residents noticed that the Bacci Park sign was pulled out earlier this month; it was causing confusion as to where to enter the park. We plan on relocating the sign in the spring.

A copy of Ordinance 2013-5 on the "Community Housing Maintenance Grant Program" is attached with this newsletter, as well as information from Building Commissioner Casini explaining the program. I would like to thank Council for their continued support of this program over the next five years. It truly is a very wonderful tool to allow our residents to reinvest in our housing stock.

March birthday wishes to employees: Brian Sturgill – March 8; Joe Wallace – March 11; Angel Meriwether – March 12; Jeremy Grabowski – March 15; Cathy Zmija – March 24, and Barb Cash – March 25.

Congratulations to Village employee Ray Smosarski who celebrated his  $25^{\text{th}}$  anniversary on the Fire Department March 1.

Wishing everyone a very happy and blessed Easter. God Bless!

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## Village Hall:

#### Heritage Home Program

Earlier this year, our Village entered into an agreement with the Cleveland Restoration Society Heritage Program which is aimed for homes 50 years and older. This program offers homeowners free advice on a variety of the maintenance and repair issues that are unique to these older homes. Through its free technical assistance service, the Heritage Home Program makes on-site visits with its construction or other specialists to discuss your concerns and questions, provides preservation advice and resources about restoring and maintaining the style and features of your home, and much more. Qualified homeowners also have the option of applying for a low-interest, fixed-rate Heritage Home Program loan. Attached with this newsletter is a brochure on the program.

#### **Easter Egg Hunt**

The Village of Cuyahoga Heights will be holding their annual Easter egg hunt at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 30 at Klima Gardens; rain-or-shine! The egg hunt is open to all Cuyahoga Heights' children and grandchildren; 0-12 years of age.

Anyone wishing to donate Easter baskets, stuffed animals, etc., for the egg hunt can do so by dropping off your item at the Village Hall during regular business hours prior to Thursday, March 28. All items being raffled will benefit Cuyahoga Heights Boy Scout Troop 28. Several of our Boy Scouts will be on hand during the egg hunt selling raffle tickets.

CHHS students looking for additional community service hours can do so by helping out during the egg hunt. Please contact either Lee Ann or Angel at the Village Hall prior to March 28 to sign up.

#### Arbor Day Celebration



Come join us as we celebrate our sixth annual Arbor Day celebration on Friday, April 26, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. at Bacci Park. This special day has been set aside for the planting of trees and is observed throughout the nation!

In 2008, the Village of Cuyahoga Heights put a program into place for its residents to honor departed family members through the planting of a memorial tree in Bacci Park. The memorial trees are planted once a year, and only on or about Arbor Day. Village residents may purchase a tree through the Village for \$200 which includes your choice of tree (*Pin Oak, Red Oak, Norway Maple, Green Mountain, Sugar Maple or Red Maple*), its planting and initial maintenance, and a memorial plaque.

The application, along with payment, must be turned into the Village Hall c/o Lee Ann Schoeffler by Thursday, March 28, 2013. Blank applications were delivered with your Neighborhood News on Wednesday, March 6. If you've misplaced your application, please contact the Village Hall and we will supply you with the form. As always, thank you in advance for your cooperation.



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#### For Sale:

5026 Willowbrook Drive Double side by side Unit #1: 4 bedroom, 2.5-bath Unit #2: 2 bedroom, 1.5-bath Excellent condition and updates throughout including A/C. \$229,000 Call (216) 856-1050 for more info.

### For Rent:

<u>4963 East 71<sup>st</sup> St.</u> Front Apt - Upstairs Details: 3 bedrooms with kitchen, dining room; also includes garage Call (440) 838-1793 **Sesonal Employment Applications:** 

Employment applications are available for Lifeguards, Pool Attendants, Cashiers, Playground Monitors, and Park Monitors at the Village Hall **on or after** <u>April 2, 2013</u>, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00-4:30 p.m. Please be advised that by submitting an application does not guarantee employment.

Lifeguards must be a Certified Lifeguard, CPR Certificated and WSI *(if applicable)* when turning in their application. Lifeguards, Park Monitors, Cashiers, and Playground Monitors must be 16 years old and Pool Attendents must be 15 years old by Saturday June 8, 2013. Non-resident lifeguards will only be hired if there are not enough certified lifeguards in the Village. Applications <u>must</u> be turned into the Village Hall by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 3.

Please be advised that applications will not be accepted after this date.

Park Monitors will start as soon as the weather permits! The Swimming Pool opens on <u>Saturday, June 8, 2013</u>!

## **Building Department:**

#### **Overview of Community Housing Maintenance Grant Program**

**Ordinance No. 2013-5** provides grants from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2017 (five year period).

Owners of dwelling must apply using **Part I – Application** (available online at <u>www.cuyahogaheights.com</u> or at the Building Department) so that work to be completed is inspected by the Building Department.

Owners of dwelling shall provide **Part II – Application** (available online at <u>www.cuyahogaheights.com</u> or at the Building Department) with proof of ownership of dwelling and paid invoices of work completed. (Homeowners' labor costs not permitted). Two (2) grants are available within a five (5) year period but only one (1) grant per structure (dwelling) per calendar year. Example of improvements:

Exterior Work Drives and Walks Roofing Siding Brick Work Painting Window/Doors Porches Retaining Walls Landscaping Irrigation <u>Interior work</u> Furnace – High Efficiency Hot Water Tanks Exterior Wall Insulation Ceiling Insulation Main Electrical Panels

If you have any questions, please contact Norm Casini at the Building Department (216) 641-7020. Please note some restrictions apply.