

Village Of Cuyahoga Heights

August 2015

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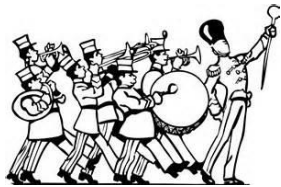
Activities:

Swimming pool is open Saturday, August 22; Sunday, August 23; Saturday, August 29 (Luau Party 7-10 p.m.) and Sunday, August 30. Pool closes for the season at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 30.

Monday, August 24 – Senior Citizens trip to Kelleys Island

Tuesday, August 25 – Senior Citizens annual picnic at Klima Gardens

Friday, September 11 – Tune in to the morning show on Fox 8 News as the Cuyahoga Heights High School Marching Band will be performing live from the Rock-n-Roll Hall of Fame throughout the program.



Saturday, October 3 – Village-sponsored trip to see Marvel Universe Live at Quicken Loans Arena. See attached flyer for more information. Registration deadline is September 4.



Meeting Reminders:

Council Meetings

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

Special Council Meeting

Wednesday, August 26th at 5 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.

Economic Development Committee

2nd Wednesday of the month at 5 p.m.
Only in Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May & Oct

Finance Committee

2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.
Only in Jan, Feb, Mar, Apr, May & Oct

Village Hall office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00-4:30 p.m.

Future Important Dates:

September 7 – Labor Day. Village Hall and Service Department closed; Trash pick-up, special pick-up and charity pick up delayed one day.

LABOR DAY

Village Hall

Phone: 216-641-7020 Fax: 216-641-8485

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From the Mayor:

Summer is just about winding down – vacations are over and the kids are back to school. Please be attentive and keep an eye out for our little ones while driving through town – especially pulling in and out of your driveway.

Our office is gearing up for several key events that will take place during the next several months. In fact, I'm looking forward to this coming Monday. My senior staff and I will be spending the day with 25 of our senior residents at Kelley's Island. It's a nice way to get away from the office and spend quality time with our elders. The following week, we will be hosting our annual luncheon at Klima Gardens with the businesses of our community. This is a great opportunity for our administration and elected officials for some face time, out of the office, with our business leaders. Lee Ann and I are also preparing for our flu shot event with our seniors. Information is included with this newsletter and we hope our seniors will take advantage of this special service. We will again be serving a warm breakfast for those that attend. During last year's event, it was so nice to see our seniors stay for a couple of hours and visit with some of their neighbors they usually don't get a chance to see. And finally, *all hands on deck* for the main event – our Corn Roast which will be held on Saturday, October 10 at Bacci Park. We are also looking for adult volunteers to help us out in our food booths. If you are able to volunteer a couple hours of your time, we would greatly appreciate it. Don't forget, all proceeds from the day help support our community groups, volunteer organizations and our school district. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Lee Ann or Angel at the Village Hall during normal business hours. *Thank you!*

Our pool managers and staff have done a great job this summer with fun events for our patrons. Their Christmas Eve in July party was a huge success with over 100 people in attendance. Several weeks ago they held a movie night and showed "Jaws" for the older kids, and next Saturday, August 29 they will finish off the season with their "Wiki Wiki Luau Party" from 7:00-10:00 p.m. Hope our residents, and especially the little ones, will attend.

Very special birthday wishes to Mrs. Elisa Venchi who turned 98 on August 12, Mr. Micky Sajetowski who turned 80 on August 16, and to Mrs. Bernie Blue who turns 97 on August 24. Happy birthday and best wishes!

Congratulations to Village residents Randy Wood and Jackie Horky who recently got married. On behalf of our officials, staff and residents – best wishes to the newlyweds!

Don't forget the General Election is Tuesday, November 3. If you're a new resident and need to change your address, *or* if you never voted before and need to register, *or* you need a vote by mail application, please call or stop by the Village Hall; we will give you the necessary forms. **Registration deadline is Monday, October 5.**

In closing, please continue to keep several of our residents in your thoughts and prayers: Theresa Bentejewski, Mrs. Bernice Blue, Mrs. Ernestine Deliberato, Mrs. Pat Miller, Guy Mitchell, Mr. Frank Trusso, Sr., Mrs. Kitty Wey, and my Mom – Mrs. Lillian Bacci.

Enjoy the little things in life for one day you'll look back and realize they were the big things. ~ Kurt Vonnegut

Around Town



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From the Clerk:

The Village pool was a huge success this year and summer is coming to an end too soon. We are into our eighth month of the year and our finances are looking solid. There have been no major financial concerns so far this year. Our General Fund is at \$1.4 million, and we are looking to end the year with over a million dollars in the bank after all of our bills are paid.

Although a million dollars in the bank is comfortable, we need to start looking at future costs and future projects. I am currently doing our five year projection, and all costs are rising. Our medical alone went up 5% this year, and when we pay a million dollars a year for medical that is a \$50,000.00 increase. Five percent raises every year for five years is an extra \$250,000.00.

Although we are in good shape financially this year, in the near future, we will need to look at increasing our revenue to continue to keep up with inflation. If you have any questions or concerns, my door is always open.

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JANUARY	531,947.49	644,593.83	701,203.65	806,899.10	105,695.45	13.10%
FEBRUARY	645,702.65	638,258.93	542,645.46	626,184.73	83,539.27	13.34%
MARCH	818,935.60	817,199.06	929,321.38	838,149.44	(91,171.94)	-10.88%
APRIL	532,060.38	636,179.02	711,647.56	623,337.78	(88,309.78)	-14.17%
MAY	685,629.54	633,944.39	617,963.16	783,999.52	166,036.36	21.18%
JUNE	619,557.23	646,774.82	643,339.71	578,703.87	(64,635.84)	-11.17%
JULY	637,580.56	590,649.46	744,253.53	630,699.68	(113,553.85)	-18.00%
AUGUST	602,701.42	591,619.13	616,110.30	562,903.98		
SEPTEMBER	593,358.57	641,230.39	607,652.11			
OCTOBER	733,896.34	598,372.95	676,923.26			
NOVEMBER	597,551.17	628,902.62	638,874.48			
DECEMBER	528,832.16	605,547.68	666,050.52			
TOTAL	7,527,753.11	7,673,272.28	8,095,985.12	5,450,878.10	(2,400.33)	-1.32%

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Village Hall:



General Election

Exercise your right to vote in the upcoming General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2015. In addition to county wide issues, our Village Council Members are all up for re-election. Do your part as a citizen and vote. The polls will be open downstairs in the civic center at the Cuyahoga Heights Village Hall from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m.

If you are a new resident and haven't yet changed your address with the Board of Elections, forms are available at the Village Hall during normal business hours. In addition, we also have "Vote by Mail Ballot Applications."

Voters must be registered in Cuyahoga County in order to vote in any election. In order to vote in Cuyahoga County, you must meet the following requirements:

- You must be a United States Citizen;
- You must be at least 18 years old on the day of the General Election;
- You must be a resident of Ohio for at least 30 days;
- You must register to vote at least 30 days before an election to be eligible to vote.
- 17 year old residents can register and vote in a Primary Election if they will be 18 on or before the General Election. 17-year-olds can vote for candidates only.

Voter Identification Requirements:

Voters must bring identification to the polls in order to verify identity. Identification may include:

- A current and valid photo identification card (e.g., driver's license or state ID)
- A military identification
- A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the voter's name and current address.

Note: You cannot use as proof of identification a notice that the board of elections mailed to you. Voters who do not provide one of these documents will still be able to vote by provisional ballot. Voters who do not have any of the above forms of identification, including a social security number, will still be able to vote by signing an affirmation swearing to the voter's identity under penalty of election falsification and by casting a provisional ballot.

Important Dates:

- 10/05/2015 Close of Registration
- 10/06/2015 Opening of Vote by Mail (Absentee) voting
- 10/31/2015 12:00 p.m. Noon - Deadline for applications by mail for an absentee ballot to be mailed
- 11/02/2015 Voting in person at the Board of Elections ends
- 11/02/2015 All Vote by Mail / Absentee ballots mailed anywhere in the U.S. must be postmarked on or before this date and received at the Board of Elections on or before 11/13/2015 in order to be counted.
- 11/03/2015 All overseas Vote by Mail ballots must be signed and submitted for mailing by 12:01 AM EDT on or before this date and received on or before 11/13/2015 in order to be counted.
- 11/03/2015 6:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Election Day - Provisional voting at the Board of Elections
- 11/03/2015 All Vote by Mail / Absentee ballots returned in person must be received at the Board of Elections by 7:30 p.m. in order to be counted.

If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Elections at (216) 443-VOTE (8683).

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Service Department:



On July 28, 2015, the Cuyahoga Heights Service Department welcomed a group of third to fifth grade students from Cuyahoga Heights Elementary School for a field trip. Service Director Scott Waldemarson talked about vehicles, equipment and daily jobs that need to be done in keeping our Village looking beautiful. He also talked about the services we offer to our residents, such as: garbage removal, senior grass cutting, transports, and do we dare even say the words "snow removal."

The children were very eager to learn about how many service vehicles we have and what kind of repairs are the most common. They even got to see a snapping turtle that was picked up from the road -- which was then returned back to the water by one of our service department employees. Their visit ended with the department offering them cookies and juice before their walk back to school.



Please note:

All trash must be placed in garbage bags prior to disposing of in the Village issued trash cans. In addition, dog litter must be bagged before placing in the trash can. Your cooperation is appreciated.



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Police Department:



It is that time of year again when students will be returning to school. The first day of classes for the Cuyahoga Heights School District is Thursday, August 20, 2015. Please keep these helpful tips in mind. Together with your cooperation we can ensure that our young ones have a safe school year

Motorists:

- Please obey the reduced School Zone Speed limit of 20 MPH.
- Stay alert and watch for children as you back out of your driveways and when crossing sidewalks.
- Stop at least 10 feet from all stopped school buses receiving and discharging students.
- Please obey all traffic direction from Police and School Crossing Guards as they supersede any traffic signal.
- Please observe all parking regulations when dropping off and picking up students.
- Remember to stop at the stop line, if you stop beyond it you could be on the crosswalk.



Parents and Students:

- Please cross the street at designated pedestrian crosswalks and avoid stepping from between parked vehicles/school buses.
- Be alert to vehicles exiting from driveways and parking lots.
- Stay on the sidewalks and lighted areas while walking both to and from school.
- Avoid horseplay while adjacent to streets and roadways.
- Please escort younger walking students to the crossing area.
- **Be alert to any suspicious persons and/or vehicles that may be along the route to campus and contact the Police ASAP!**

August 21 – September 7 ***Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over***

www.nhtsa.gov/StopImpairedDriving

September 13 – 19, 2015 is ***Child Passenger Safety Week*** www.safercar.gov



Please feel free to stop and talk to any officer, whether it is to just say hello or inform us of any problems or suspicious behavior. We may not know of all problems within our community.

FOR ALL EMERGENCIES CALL 911

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Fire Department:



Students from the Cuyahoga Heights Schools Summer Camp visited our fire station earlier this month. They received a special tour of the fire station allowing them to see each area of the station and learn, personally from the firefighters, why each room is essential. In addition, they each received a personal guide on each of the fire trucks and ambulances. Upon “graduation” of their fire safety training, the children were awarded with a helmet for their efforts.



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Fire Department (*continued*):



Dispatch:

A note from the Dispatchers: School will begin soon, please keep an eye out for the children coming and going to school. If you see anything suspicious please call the Police Department at 883-6800, we will send an officer to check it out. Also always remember to be very careful when pulling your car in and out of your driveway; sometimes children are hard to see when walking on the sidewalk.



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Senior Corner:

Hi all. It's back to school for all of our kids. The summer did not start out well for them because it was mostly rainy days, but it finished with some beautiful days. The Pool is going to stay open for a couple of more weekends so they can enjoy their fun a bit longer. I think it is a great decision. The Concession Stand will stay open until the end of August. Please come down and say hi and enjoy some refreshments.

Our seniors went to a nice lunch at the Union Depot in Berea and then did some shopping. I was not able to go with them because I was on vacation but I got a good report from many of those that went. They said the food was good and they had good service and would go back again.

We have our Seniors trip to Kelley's Island coming up on August 24th. We are looking forward to it. We always have fun come rain or shine. The next day, August 25th, the fun continues when we have our Senior Picnic at Klima Gardens. It is always a good time to visit and have a nice picnic lunch and, of course, always some dessert.

If all goes well, we are trying to join with Valley View for a trip on the Goodtime on August 29th, but we don't know yet if they have enough people to go so I will be talking to them to try to work it out.

In addition, coming up soon is a scheduled Lolly the Trolley trip on the 17th of September. We will keep you updated.

The new restaurant Slyman's in Independence has a wonderful breakfast buffet on Sunday. You can have them make your omelet to order and they have other good food. We are planning on going on Sunday the 20th. Bring your appetite!

Call me if you have any questions.

Noel Centa, President
Cuyahoga Heights Seniors



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New Residents

If you recently moved into our Village, we need your help! Please contact the Village Hall during normal business hours with your name, address and phone number so we can update our records. You may also email the information to Lee Ann at l.schoeffler@cuyahogaheights.com.

Newsletter

If you wish to submit information for our newsletters, please make sure that it is turned in to Wendy Heinzman by the 15th of the month, to be included in the following month newsletter. Please email the information to w.heinzman@cuyahogaheights.com.

Sports Registrations

Please note that there is a \$25 late fee for sports registrations that occur after the published deadline. The fee was established because late registrations create administrative and organizational difficulties when trying to plan leagues and schedules. In addition, late sign ups cause teams to grow beyond an appropriate size, which has an adverse effect on the ability of the participants to learn and develop. All registration dates are published in our newsletters, on our website, as well as promoted on our Village outdoor marquees.

Listed below are the dates of our annual deadlines for specific sports offered through our Sports Commissioner. Sports registration forms can be downloaded from www.cuyahogaheights.com under the "Sports Department" and are also available at the Village Hall. If you have any questions relative to our sports programs, please contact Sports Commissioner Joe Vitanza at (216) 883-8288, or you can email him at joseph_vitanza@yahoo.com.

ACTIVITY

DEADLINE DATE

Youth Baseball & Softball	April 1
Adult Men's & Women's Softball	July 15
Cheerleading	August 1
Youth Flag Football	August 1
Fall Soccer	August 1
Youth Basketball	October 15



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Other News:



Pest Control Program

Pest control services are available to our residents free for the inside and outside of your home. However, this service does not cover termites and bed bugs.

Vince Monaco, our dear friend and longtime exterminator, has taken ill. During his recovery period, Pest Management Inc. will assist our Village residents with their pest problems. Rich and Jeremy Kozlovich will be wearing green vests so they are easily identified by our residents. If you are having a pest problem, please leave a message with your name, address, and the nature of the problem with the Kozlovich's. You may reach them at (216) 661- 3553, 1-800-794-2035, or Rich's cell phone at (440) 343-1316.



Flu Shots

In cooperation with CVS Pharmacy and the Mayor's Office, the Village of Cuyahoga Heights will be offering flu shots to our Village senior residents (60 years of age and older). Just like we have done in the past, the Village will pay for flu shots for our Village senior residents and employees. In addition, we will offer flu shots to our Village residents who are under 60 years of age; however, those individuals are required to pay for their flu shot at a cost of \$25.00; payment of "exact" cash or check is due the day of the shot.



The flu shots will be administered on Friday, October 2, 2015 in the auditorium of the Village Hall from 9:00-10:30 a.m. As in past practice, **flu shots will be offered by reservation only.** Please call Lee Ann at the Village Hall at 641-7020, Monday through Friday during normal business hours to make your reservation. Also, please advise if you need a ride to and from the event. Deadline to register is 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 17.

Our well visit clinic will also be open that morning for our senior citizens beginning at 8:30 a.m. with our Village Nurse, Joanne Socausky – **no reservation is required.** If you plan on getting blood work, **please do not eat or drink anything after midnight the night before.** We will have a light breakfast, as well as refreshments for our senior resident participants.