

## Village of Cuyahoga Heights Newsletter ~ January 2017



### From the Mayor:

Wishing a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year to all! I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays.

First and foremost, I wanted to take a moment to acknowledge those who generously gave and helped out several families in our Village this past Christmas. **Thank you to** the employees of Charter Steel and MilliporeSigma (*formerly SAFC/Research Organics*), and to the Garfield Heights Eagles Ladies Auxiliary #2217 for adopting several families in our Village and providing them with a Christmas they will never forget. **To** the students and staff of the Cuyahoga Valley Career Center, including Councilman Schoeffler for the overabundance of food. We were able to help out several families in our Village, as well as assisting the St. John Paul II Ozanam Center's food pantry at Holy Name which was organized by Councilwoman Henley. **To** our police officers – for the sixth year, our Mayor's Court dismissed traffic citations in lieu of defendants donating Giant Eagle gift cards. As part of our Mayor's Court outreach program, we presented St. Herman's House of Hospitality and The Greater Real Truth Church with the gift cards. Additional kudos **to** CHPD for participating in the "Shop with a Cop Program" as they were able to help out two families in our Village. **To** the members of AFSCME Local 2798 (NEORS) for Giant Eagle gift cards. **To** Bryon & Deanna Borowy, and CHFD Local #702 for donations of Toys-R-Us gift cards. Again, thank you for your kindness and generosity. *Pictured below are several employees from MilliporeSigma around their Christmas tree with gifts and food they provided to the adopted families.*



### Events

The Village Hall staff planned our first Village outing for the year at Kalahari on Saturday, January 28, and were overwhelmed that we had 41 individuals sign up for the event. We are also planning an outing to see the Lake Erie Monsters take on the Texas Stars on March 18 at Quicken Loans Arena. Please note that there are only thirty tickets available. Additional information on the event is provided with this newsletter. In addition, we will also be planning trips to Cedar Point and an Indians game over the summer...stay tuned.

We will be celebrating Arbor Day on Friday, April 28 at 5:30 p.m. at Bacci Park. Village residents may purchase a tree through the Village for \$200 which includes your choice of a tree (*Pin Oak, Red Oak, Norway Maple, Green Mountain, Sugar Maple or Red Maple*), its planting and initial maintenance, and a memorial plaque. For those residents interested in purchasing a tree, the application along with payment must be turned into the Village Hall c/o Lee Ann by Monday, March 20. Applications are available at the Village Hall or on our web site. Go to the "Department Tab" on our home page and click on "Village Hall."



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#### Heritage Home

We are pleased to announce that we have renewed our contract for 2017 with the Heritage Home Program. This program offers free technical assistance advice on preserving and improving homes that are over 50 years old. Representatives from Heritage Home will assist our homeowners in finding contractors, help review estimates from contractors, and consult colors for exterior painting. In addition, they offer low-interest equity loan programs. For more information, please call (216) 426-3116 or visit [www.heritagehomeprogram.org](http://www.heritagehomeprogram.org).

#### Senior citizens

Our transport program continues to be one of the most utilized services our Village provides. This service is available for our senior citizens (60+) 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 during normal business hours one week prior to the scheduled doctor's visit.

#### Birthday wishes

Special milestone birthday wishes to Councilwomen Cheryl Harris (*January 8*) and Lois Henley (*January 12*) who celebrated their 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. Pictured to the right are the three of us prior to the January 11<sup>th</sup> council meeting. *"Birthdays never make us older – they only make us wiser and more mature."*



January birthday wishes to employees: (4) Richard Friedl and Dan Coutleur, (13) Reno Contipelli; (16) Jimmy Henley; (19) Kyle Zuber; and (24) Jacquelyn Kaminski.

Happy  
Valentine's  
Day



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#### Flower fund

As most of you may know, our Village has a flower fund which is supported by contributions from Village residents and employees. The fund is used to send a planter, flowers, or monetary gift of \$40 to the family in memory of the Village resident who passed away. The flower fund recently received a thank you letter from the Great Lakes Caring Hospice Foundation for a donation made in memory of Mary Jean Bloam. At this time, I would like to thank all those residents and employees who have donated to this fund, and help keeping it alive.

#### Thoughts and prayers

Please continue to keep several residents in your thoughts and prayers: Theresa Bentlejewski, Mrs. Ernestine Deliberato, Mrs. Helen Krusinski, Mrs. Helen Leciejewski, Mr. Curtis McLaughlin, Mrs. Donna Pellini, Mr. Micky Sajetowski, and Mrs. Patty Smosarski.

*"Honesty is the first chapter of the book of wisdom."* -- Thomas Jefferson



### Village Hall:

#### 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](mailto: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 so that it is included in the following month's newsletter. Please email information to [w.heinzman@cuyahogaheights.com](mailto:w.heinzman@cuyahogaheights.com).