# Village of Cuyahoga Heights Newsletter ~ June 2017



### From the Mayor:

We must never forget! I wanted to thank everyone who took time from their busy schedules and attended our Memorial Day prayer and service. Every year while I research information for my message, I continue to be humbled by what the great men and women of our United States military have done and continue to do for each and everyone one of us. We truly are blessed as a nation. Also, thank you to everyone who participated in the parade, and for those who volunteered their time afterwards at our cook out. Included in this newsletter is an insert with various pictures from this year's event. *Pictured to the right are me and my girls after the service.* 



#### Around town

Best wishes and congratulations to the students of the Cuyahoga Heights High School Class of 2017 who graduated on Sunday, May 28. Village residents are Neena Allen, Matthew Blake, Jennifer Cerny, Lexi Ciolek, Trey Combs, Aviana King, Jacob Mallos, Bryanne Skerl, and Gabriella Menkhaus who was named Valedictorian. "As you now go out into the world remember to connect life to what you have learned. Embrace new questions, respect old wisdom and never let go of your dream."

Kudos to Village resident, Joseph Menkhaus, Jr., who recently graduated from John Carroll University with a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy. He also received his Certificate of Completion from Borromeo Seminary and will be attending Saint Mary Seminary & Graduate School of Theology in the fall. We are all so very proud of Joe and his accomplishments. God Bless!

If you haven't been to Bacci Park, you need to check it out. The baseball field project is coming along beautifully and construction is in the final stages. We are looking forward to having the CHS Redskins Baseball team play their home games at our field next year. Also, our concession stand is fully operational for the season, seven days a week from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Concession Stand Manager Kelly Hartman and her staff have added breakfast items to their menu this year, as well as great snacks for lunch and dinner. They included a flyer with this newsletter on some of their items and prices – check it out! Lily and I stopped down at the park and ran into several of her friends from our Village; the girls had such a fun time. I hope many of our residents will also stop by and take advantage of all the amenities our park has to offer. *Pictured to the right are Lily, Kalyn and Kylee*.





Congratulations to Village residents Jason Pflug and Maria DeGeorge who recently tied the knot. I had the honor of marrying them at the Village Hall on Friday, June 9. "May your married life be full of fun, love, joy and laughter!"

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# From the Mayor (continued):

The swimming pool is officially open, seven days a week. If you have questions relative to hours, swimming lessons, parties, etc., you can email our pool staff at **pool@cuyahogaheights.com** or call (216) 341-7684. Also, for those on social media you can check them out on their Facebook page – **Cuyahoga Heights Recreation**.

### **Business community**

Last week I took a tour of our newest business member in town, Hajoca. They provide plumbing, heating and industrial supplies to homeowners and contractors. Their facility is directly behind Consolidated Electrical Distributors, which also is their sister company. They did a top-notch job on remodeling, and we are very excited to have them in our community.

I may have said this numerous times, but I want to reiterate to our constituents and let them know that I, as the Mayor, could not facilitate any growth or redevelopment in our Village without the support of our Economic Development Committee and the complete body of Council. Just as our residents reinvest in their properties, our Village's continued commitment to being the most polished and well-maintained inner-ring suburb...has not gone unnoticed in our business community.

### Senior citizens

We're beginning to organize my annual trip to Kelley's Island for our Village resident senior citizens (60 years of age and older.) The event will be held on Monday, August 28. Our bus will depart the Village Hall parking lot at 8:00 a.m.; returning back to Cuyahoga Heights around 5:30-6:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for myself and



department heads to spend time with our seniors. If you're not a member of our senior citizens organization and haven't signed up for the trip at their monthly meeting, you can contact Lee Ann at the Village Hall. The deadline to register is Tuesday, August 1. Get out of town and spend a day in Lake Erie's Western Basin. *Pictured above is me and some of the group from last year*.

### **Birthday wishes**

Very special birthday wishes to Mrs. Helen Kosicki who turned 95 on Saturday, June 17. She is such a kind and sharp lady. On behalf of our Village officials, staff and residents, we wish her a very happy birthday. "May the joy that you have spread in the past come back to you on this day." *Pictured to the right is Mrs. Kosicki with her daughter, grandchildren and great grandchildren at our Easter egg hunt this past April.* 



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Happy belated birthday to Myles Emerson Bartlett who turned 1 on May 27. *Pictured to the right is Myles at his birthday party.* 





June birthday wishes to employees: (1) Bryan Rini; (8) Stanley Schab; (11) Viktor Zsigmond; (15) Patrick Goldsworth; (17) Councilman Matt Schoeffler; (19) Pete Panizzutti; (23) Nicole Fontaine, Bob Krajewski and William Malovrh.

Our office is still collecting dates of our resident's birthdays. If you would like to share this information with us, please email it to Lee Ann. **Happy Birthday!** 

### Thoughts and prayers

Please continue to keep several of our residents in your thoughts and prayers: Theresa Bentlejewski, Mrs. Ernestine Deliberato, Mrs. Helen Krusinski, Mrs. Helen Leciejewski, Mr. Curtis McLaughlin, Mrs. Donna Pellini, and Mrs. Dorothy Sonoda.

#### Flower fund

Our Village operates a flower fund which is funded by contributions from Village residents and employees. This 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. Any resident wishing to contribute to the fund may drop off their donation at the Mayor's office during normal business hours. Please join us in keeping this tradition alive.

In closing, I want to remind our residents to **"Save the Date"** for Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> for our annual Community Corn Roast at Bacci Park beginning at 4:00 p.m. Further information will be forthcoming to our residents as we get closer to the event. In the meantime, have a fun and safe Fourth of July holiday!



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