

From the Mayor's Desk

The weather has finally cooperated, and our crews are getting ready with outside work in preparation for our upcoming Memorial Day parade and service on Monday, May 28. If you have a minute and see our crews out working, stop by and tell them what a great job they are doing. The pride they take in keeping this town so well-manicured is second to none!

Step-off time for the parade is 10:00 a.m. from Klima Gardens; participants will march to the War Memorial in the front of the Village Hall. I would like to encourage as many individuals and groups as possible to participate in the parade. I'm hoping that those who have young children in town will also partake by having their kids ride their bike or scooter, walking, or just being pulled in a wagon by a member of their family. To make it easier on families, we provide decorations for residents to use for the parade. All you need to do is show up at Klima Gardens on Sunday, May 27th from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and decorate -- your then ready for the parade on the following day. Let's keep this long-standing tradition alive in our community, especially since it's our Centennial. I hope I can count on our residents to attend our Memorial service so that we can continue to recognize and honor those Veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for this great nation. Please show your support. After the service, feel free to join us at Klima Gardens for hot dogs and chips. *"May we never forget, freedom isn't free."*

Around Town

Please note that Kim Zarney, our photographer will be out and about in the Village during the next several weeks taking pictures to be used for our Centennial Memory Book.

Prior to the start of our council meeting this past week, Miss Poppy, Brianna Budner from Post 627 in Newburgh Heights was on hand to collect donations for poppies. For those of you who may not know, the poppy flower adorned the battlefields of Flanders Field in France during World War I and was looked upon by those serving as a living symbol of their fallen comrades' sacrifices. In 1920 after World War I, the poppy became the official flower of The American Legion Family to memorialize the soldiers who fought and died during the war. Today, the poppy is nationally recognized and worn as a symbol of sacrifice made by the men and women who served and died for their country during a time of war.



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On April 25 Darnell Davis, Unit Serving Executive from the Lake Erie Council of the Boy Scouts of America presented our Village with a Charter Certificate to the Cuyahoga Heights Scouting Association - Pack 28. In addition, Jared Bartley, Cubmaster from Pack 28 was presented with the 2017 Journey to Excellence - Silver Level Unit Award ribbon. What an honor it is to receive these awards. Thank you very much to all the parents who volunteer their time to Pack/Troop 28; we wouldn't have this organization without your support and dedication.



Amanda Hartman was one of seventeen students who was inducted into Baldwin Wallace University's Kappa Omega Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi (KDP), International Honor Society in Education. She recently graduated from BW on May 5. We wish Amanda the best as she begins this new chapter in her life.



Congratulations to Ken & Kari Bozikis on the birth of their second son. Jacob Bozikis was born on April 23; 6-lbs., 15-oz., and 20-inches long. Wishing the Bozikis' the very best with happiness and health.

You may have seen the advertisement in our last newsletter from the concession stand that their open and in full swing. Concession Stand Manager Kelly Hartman and her crew are once again offering some good eats at the park. There's plenty of ball games scheduled, so if you get the opportunity, come out and support our local teams as well as stopping by the concession stand for a snack.



The William R. Gerdon Swimming Pool will officially open on Saturday, June 2 at 1:00 p.m. for the season. Village residents will be able to purchase their pool passes at that time; single pass is \$25; and a family pass is \$75. If you have any questions relative to hours, swimming lessons, parties, etc., you can email our staff at pool@cuyahogaheights.com or call them beginning June 2 at (216) 341-7684. Check out their Facebook page - Cuyahoga Heights Recreation.

Programs

If your home in Cuyahoga Heights is 50 years old and older, you have access to free advice regarding home maintenance and improvement projects. The Heritage Home Program (HHP) offers free advice, personalized site visits, and access to fixed-rate financing as low as 1.99% to cover project costs. To schedule a free site visit or to learn about qualifying for a low-interest loan, call (216) 426-3116 or visit www.heritagehomeprogram.org.



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Senior citizens

Our transportation 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 the Village Hall during normal business hours **one week** prior to the scheduled doctor's visit.

The Village also operates a well visit clinic with a registered nurse. Residents (60+) are eligible for certain blood work at no charge once a year. The clinic is located in the Village Hall and is open by appointment year-round. Please call JoAnn Socausky, RN at (216) 401-1039. If she doesn't answer, please leave a message with your name and phone number.

Birthday wishes

Special birthday wishes to John Traffis who celebrated his "60th" on May 13.

May birthday wishes to employees: (7) Dave Sammons; (12) Brad Beaulieu; (22) Melissa Mackiewicz; (26) Kevin Stack; (28) Brandy Murphy & Cory Pucci; and (29) Jamie Lukas.

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, Mrs. Donna Pellini, Paul Skerl, and Mrs. Dorothy Sonoda.

Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifices.

President Harry S. Truman



Remember -
our fallen heroes.
They are the reason
that we are free.

