

Village of Cuyahoga Heights

June 2018

Continuing to move our legacy community forward.

Upcoming Dates and Reminders

June 26 & 28 - Blue Wave Swim Meets

June 30 - Village-wide Garage Sale from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

July 1 - Men & Women Softball Registration Deadline

July 4 - Happy Birthday America! Village Hall & Service Department Closed

July 5 - Charity Pick Up

July 10 & 12 - Blue Wave Swim Meets

July 14 - Village Shred Day 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

July 15 - Fall Soccer, Flag Football & Cheerleading Registration Deadline

July 25 - Christmas in July Pool Party

August 10 & 11 - Anniversary Celebration

Agenda/Minutes of our council meetings are posted every month under the government tab and under Village Council on our website.
www.cuyahogaheights.com



At the Village Hall

Council Meetings

2nd Wednesday of the Month
Caucus 6pm, Meeting 7pm

Economic Development Committee

2nd Wednesday of the Month
4:30pm

Public Works Meeting

2nd Wednesday of the Month
5pm

Finance Committee Meeting

2nd Wednesday of the Month
5:30pm

Zoning Board Meetings

3rd Wednesday of the Month
at 6pm

Work Sessions of Council

4th Wednesday of the Month
at 6pm (Only in January, February, March, April, May, Oct.)

Village Hall office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

From the Mayor's Desk

Thank you to our residents, employees, friends and family who took time out from their busy schedules and joined us for our annual Memorial Day parade and service in paying homage to those men and women who laid down their lives in service. During the Memorial Day holiday, we find ourselves reflecting on the men and women who bravely risked life and limb in the face of grave danger. We remember those who left the comforts of home to fight for us and our freedom - but never returned to one day trade the title of soldier, sailor, airman, coast guardsman or marine - for veteran. We are forever grateful to these heroes - God Bless America!

Around town

I had the honor of observing the "Fish Bowl" competition at the Cuyahoga Heights Elementary School which consisted of fourth and fifth grade gifted students. The event took place on May 24 in Mrs. Boswell's room, and six teams (made up of 2-3 students) presented their entrepreneurial ideas to the panel of "Big Fish" entrepreneurs, inspired by the television show *Shark Tank*. I had a great time listening to such creative and impressive young students, and I hope that this competition continues to be a part of the school's program in the future.

Best wishes and congratulations to the students of the Cuyahoga Heights High School Class of 2018 who graduated on Sunday, May 27. Village residents are Louis Bacci III, Tyler Hughes, Paige Meriwether, Tyler Snoddy, Alexa Sokolowski, Tabitha Spears, Dyllan Thompson and Megan Vitanza. *"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."*

Congratulations to Samantha Volek who graduated from the C. Blake McDowell Law Center at the University of Akron on Sunday, May 20. Best of luck to Samantha as she begins this new chapter in her life.

Don't forget that the deadline to sign up for our Village trip to Cedar Point is **Friday, June 29!** Tickets for Village residents are \$33 and include an unlimited drink wristband (fountain drinks) and one meal. The trip is scheduled for Saturday, July 21 and the Village Bus will be available to those who wish to use it. Please see the attached flyer and contact the Village Hall as soon as possible to sign up.



Fish Bowl competitors



From the Mayor's Desk (continued)

Tentatively, pending interest and/or participation, our Village will provide transportation for our residents on Wednesdays to the Seven Hills Recreation Center. The bus will pick you up from your home so that you arrive at the Rec Center by 9:00 a.m.; the bus will return at 1:00 p.m. to take you back home. Contact the Village Hall to be put on the list. Please note that we need a minimum of three people signed up to provide transportation.

Centennial Celebration

In case you missed my letter that was inserted in the Neighborhood News two weeks ago, the Village of Cuyahoga Heights is celebrating its Centennial with a two-day celebration on Friday evening, August 10 and Saturday, August 11.

If you wish to participate in any way, whether it be voluntarily for the event or taking part in the parade with a float, antique car, or something of the like, please let us know and we will get you in touch with our committee members.

Tentative schedule for the celebration on Friday is Klima Gardens from 6:00 p.m. until midnight with food and entertainment. On Saturday, we're kicking off with a parade at 1:00 p.m. followed by activities, food and entertainment at Klima Gardens, as well as a host of events for our younger people at Bacci Park from 2:00-8:00 p.m. We will close out the celebration at dusk at Klima Gardens on Saturday with fireworks. Hope to see you there.

Senior citizens

My office is gearing up for our annual trip to Kelleys Island which takes place on Monday, August 27 with our Village resident senior citizens (*60 years of age and older.*) 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. As I've said it before, 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 during normal business hours. **The deadline to register is Friday, August 3.** Get out of town and spend a day in Lake Erie's Western Basin. *Pictured to the right is our group from last year.*



From the Mayor's Desk (continued)

Birthday wishes

Special birthday wishes to Mr. Frank Schoeffler who celebrated his "65th" on June 10. Wishing you good health and happiness.

June birthday wishes to employees: (1) Bryan Rini; (6) Anthony Kotar; (8) Stanley Schab; (11) Viktor Zsigmond; (15) Patrick Goldsworth; (17) Councilman Matt Schoeffler; (18) Jason Birk; (23) Nicole Fontaine, Bob Krajewski and William Malovrh.

Our office continues to collect dates of our resident's birthdays. If you would like to share this information with us, please email it to Lee Ann at l.schoeffler@cuyahogaheights.com. **Happy Birthday!**

Thoughts and prayers

Please continue to keep several of our residents in your thoughts and prayers: Theresa Bentejewski, Mrs. Ernestine Deliberato, Mrs. Helen Krusinski, Mrs. Helen Leciejewski, Mrs. Donna Pellini, Paul Skerl and Mrs. Dorothy Sonoda.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a very fun and safe Fourth of July holiday!

It is very inspiring, my friends, to come to this that may be called the original fountain of independence and liberty in America and here drink draughts of patriotic feeling which seem to renew the blood in one's veins.

*President
Woodrow Wilson*



Where does the money go . .

I have spotlighted budget breakouts over the last several months. Below is a full representation of where the expenses are allocated based on 2018 budgeted monies to be spent.



Chief Fiscal Officer
Angel Meriwether

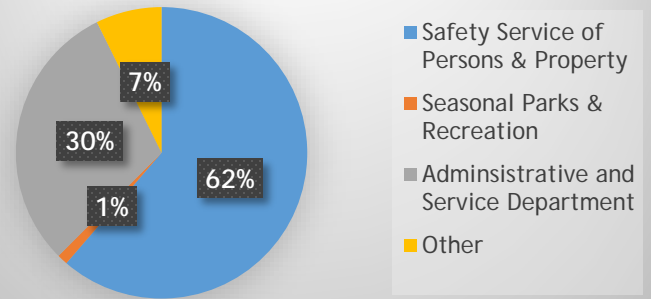
Administrative Accounting Assistants
Amanda Domzalski, Payroll
Christina Pace, Accounts Payable

VILLAGE OF CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS 2018 TOTAL BUDGETED DISTRIBUTIONS

Personal Service	7,388,332
Training & Travel	26,300
Contractual Services	2,328,222
Supplies & Materials	802,250
Capital Outlay	1,062,100
General Fund Budget	11,607,204

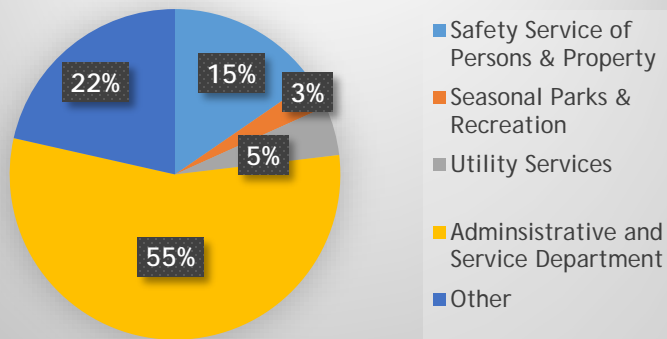
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Employee Costs

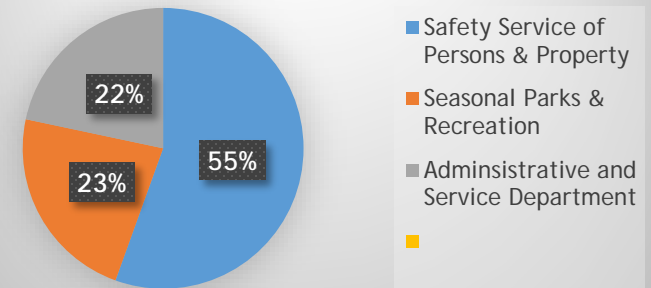


Contractual Services

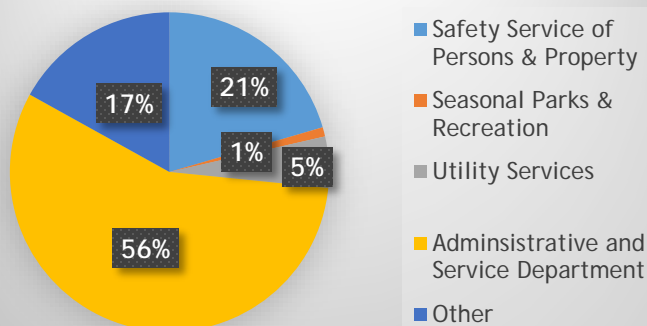
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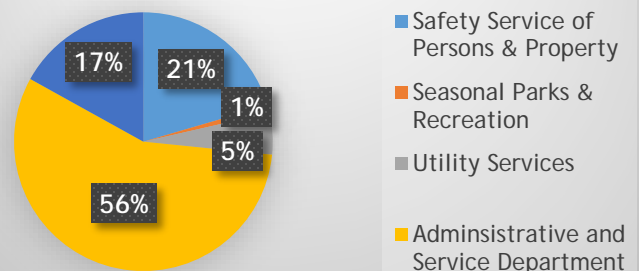
Travel & Training



Supplies & Materials



Capital Outlay



From the Police Department

The Cuyahoga Heights Police Department participated in the annual Greater Cleveland Peace Officers Memorial Society Parade on Friday, May 18, 2018. Starting at 06:00AM until 02:00PM, police officers from around the area took turns standing guard at the memorial. The names of each and every officer killed in the line of duty were read continuously during this detail. Afterwards, a parade was held, followed by a closing memorial service at which guest speakers and survivors were invited to speak.



CHPD Officers attending the 2018 Police Memorial
(L to R) Ptl. Mackiewicz, Chief Sturgill, Dep. Chief Davis, Ptl. Berdysz, Ptl. D. Lukas, Ptl. Morrow, Lt. Schoeffler & Ptl. Stack



CHPD Officers Standing Guard in Police Memorial Square



From the Police Department

Please remember the following:

Curfew

Now that school is out for the summer and more children will be out during evening hours, curfew hours will be enforced in an effort to keep our children safe.

Parents, please reference the following schedule:

Village Ordinance 648.10

- 12 years of age and under -- 9:00pm to 6:00am of the following day
- 13 and 14 years of age -- 10:00pm to 6:00am of the following day
- 15 and 16 years of age -- 11:00pm to 6:00am of the following day
- 17 years of age -- 12:00 midnight to 6:00am

Also, please remember if children are in your yard and it is past their curfew time, an adult must be present outside with them.

Park Rules

Permits are required for fishing at Bacci Park. Residents may obtain permits at the Police Station. (8a-4p M-F). As always, the pond is catch and release only.

Use of the ball fields are by permit only. Please contact the Village Hall regarding these permits.

Also remember that your dogs need to be on a leash in the park just like when walking your dog on the sidewalks of the Village. Please pick up after your pets.
(CH Ordinance-618.01).

As always, 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. Let's be partners in keeping our community a safe place to live, work, and play.

Stay Safe!!!

Respectfully,

Chief Sturgill

From the Fire Department

The Cuyahoga Heights Fire Department will be offering a new feature for our senior citizens, a Residential Knox Box. As more individuals within the senior community choose to live at home rather than move to retirement communities, gaining access during a medical emergency can be an issue for first responders, particularly if an individual has medical or mobility difficulties. While help is always just a call away, what happens when you can't come to the door? With a Knox Residential Box, first responders are able to remove the entrance key stored inside with the Knox Master Key, a high security master key, and let themselves in to provide medical assistance. This summer we will be setting up all residents that currently have a Health Watch System with a Residential Knox Box.



Any senior citizen that would like a Residential Knox Box that does not have a Health Watch System or would like more information about the Knox Box, please call the fire station to set up a visit at (216) 641-6799.

Benefits

- Helps first responders enter the home quickly
- Reduces forced entry property damage
- Makes re-securing property easier and faster



From the Dispatch Department

When you call the police

Speak calmly and clearly

- Give your full name and phone number so we can call you back if we need more information.
- Be patient, the dispatcher may have an emergency on the next line.
- If you call **911** by accident, **STAY ON THE LINE** and let the dispatcher know it was an accident.

Just a reminder to all of our residents. If you are going on vacation, you can call dispatch at (216) 883-6800 to put a special attention on your home. We are going to ask you when you will be leaving and when you will be coming home, if you have stopped your mail and paper, if you are going to leave any lights on in your home, if anyone will be stopping at your home during your absence and an emergency telephone number in case there is a problem. Dispatch will then forward that information to the Police Officers so they can check your residence throughout the day and night.

The severe storm season is underway and therefore an occasional power outage may occur.

Remember that when there is a power outage, Cuyahoga Heights' residents should call the Illuminating Company directly at 1-800-589-3101 or 1-888-544-4877. They are the experts at getting you back on line. Also, remember during a power outage, the Cuyahoga Heights Police Dispatch will be handling an influx of calls, so please be

From the Village Hall

Pest Control Program

Pest control services are available by calling Rich or Jeremy Kozlovich at Pest Management, Inc., at (216) 661-3553. Please leave a message with your name, address and nature of problem. This service is free except for termites, bed bugs, and wildlife. In addition, they will also spray the outside of your home in the spring to hinder any unwanted pests from entering your home.

Bus Trips

Our Village bus operates one to two times per week for our Village residents, free of charge; schedules are distributed with the Village newsletter. Reservations are required and obtained by call the Village Hall at (216) 641-7020 before 8:30 a.m. on the morning of the trip. For a Saturday, trip, please call the Village Hall before 3:30 p.m. on Friday. All trips leave approximately at 9:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted. In addition, pick ups and drop offs are made at the resident's home. Please note that there is a \$5.00 non-resident fee.

From the Building Department

Late Spring and Summer inspires homeowners to construct decks to enjoy the outdoor warmer weather and cookouts. When designing and constructing decks, and prior to construction, you must obtain a building permit.

Important deck information:

1. Complete building permit application (*please see our website for information*).
2. Submit two (2) sets of plans showing site location, deck size, materials and a section.
3. Post hole must be 42" deep.
4. Above grade decks more than 30" must have guardrails.
5. Call the Building Department for rear and side line setbacks.

Call the Building Department at (216) 641-7020 for any information regarding building a deck.

George M. Suhy Grant Update

At the June 13, 2018 Village Council Meeting, legislation was passed amending the George M. Suhy Grant. A homeowner may now receive three grants in a five year period; however, if three different improvements are made within a year, the homeowner may apply for grant reimbursement for the three projects in the same year, but no further reimbursements will be made during the five year period. If you need further clarification, please contact the Building Department.

Seniors Corner

Summer is finally here. It's so great to see all the yards with their beautiful flowers. It has gone from freezing to a heat wave. I was trying to pull some weeds in front, but it got so hot, I gave up. I probably should do it early in the morning when it's a bit cooler.

In May we went to Smith's restaurant in Burton. It was quite an experience. They did not have much on the menu and were out of most food and the dessert was very limited. They knew we were coming but were not prepared. The waiter was quite entertaining though so it was not all bad. We probably will not go back.

We had our Pot Luck dinner on the 22nd and it is always fun to try new recipes from our great cooks. We had a good turnout and a fun time with our friends.

This month we went to Mr. Divits. This is a miniature golf course and was great fun. Nobody broke a record golfing but we had a good time. We had dinner there at their restaurant and the food was very good.

We are going to have our Anniversary dinner on the 26th at the Blue Canyon again. We had our dinner there before but it was so good that we are returning.

In July we are going to see ABBA. I always loved their top song "Dancing Queen". It makes you want to dance immediately.

We are going on our Mackinac/Thunder Bay/Frankenmuth trip on the 24th, 25th and 26th. It is going to be so much fun. I wish all of you would consider going with us.

Bye for now, but hope all of you will consider joining the Cuyahoga Heights Senior Citizens club in the future and have fun with us. If you have any questions about us, please feel free to call me at 216-509-5278.

Noel Centa, President, Cuyahoga Heights Senior Citizens

From the Service Department

Community Shred Day

Our annual community shred day will take place on Saturday, July 14, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at Gateway Recycling - 4233 East 49th Street. This is a free service provided by our Village to our residents and businesses. There is no limit to the amount of paper you can shred. If you have additional questions, please contact the Service Department at (216) 641-3505.

Dumpsters

Residents may rent a Village dumpster for personal use at their home by paying \$30.00 to the Village for each dumpster load. Use of the dumpster is for demolition only. Examples of demolition are: lumber, railroad ties, windows, doors, roofing material, flooring (*not carpeting*), drywall or plaster, stones, rocks, bricks, concrete, cement blocks, etc.

Garbage Pick Up - Recycling - Yard Waste

The Village Service Department collects garbage every Monday morning beginning at 8:00 a.m. at no charge to its residents. Our Service Department will come into your yard and take your garbage tote and recycling container to the curb; afterwards they will carry it back into your yard. Please note that if a holiday falls on a Monday; the service will commence on Tuesday.

Special Pick Up

If you need a special pick up for trash that is oversized, large amounts, or hazardous waste, don't forget to call the Village Hall to be put on the special pick up list. Special pick up day is on Tuesday mornings, unless there is a holiday on Monday, at which time, the special pick up will be taken care of on Wednesday. **You must call the Village Hall by 4:00 on Monday to get on the list for Tuesday's pick up.**

Charity Pick Up

Our Service Department will pick up any usable item at your residence that you would like to donate to charity on the first Wednesday of each month. Household items, furniture, clothes, etc., are collected and donated to the West Side Catholic Center. No tax receipts are given for this service, and you must call the Village Hall prior to the first Wednesday of the month for this service.

Newspaper/Cardboard Recycling

Do your part in helping the environment; recycle cardboard and newspaper. Our Village has a recycling container which is located in Bacci Park in the rear of the back parking lot. The container is strictly for cardboard and newspaper. Stop on down and do your part in recycling. If you have a large amount and are unable to take it to the container, please call the Village Hall during normal business hours prior to Tuesday mornings; we will put it on our "special pick up" list.

Good Canine Citizen

Pet owners, please remember to pick up dog droppings while enjoying Bacci Park with your pet. There are children that play in the area, and they are not as attentive to minding where they walk or what they are walking on. In addition, **please be sure to walk your pet on a leash for safety reasons.** Your cooperation is appreciated.



From the Sports Commissioner

School's out, the sun is shining, and kids are playing ball. What more could we ask for!

Below are the registration deadlines for the remaining recreational sports in 2018.

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Men's & Women's Softball	July 1, 2018
Fall Soccer	July 15, 2018
Youth Flag Football	July 15, 2018
Cheerleading	July 15, 2018
Youth Basketball	October 1, 2018

Please note that deadlines are quickly approaching for Adult Softball, Fall Soccer, Youth Flag Football, and Cheerleading. Registration forms are available at the Village Hall and on the Village website at www.cuyahogaheights.com under Recreation - Sports.

A quick reminder for children wanting to play Fall Soccer, please remember that even if your child played for a team in the Spring, you must complete a registration form in order to be placed on a Fall team. Please reach out to me directly if you have any questions or concerns.

For all sports, please drop off your completed forms to our Village Hall. Do not drop them off to the neighboring villages or call the neighboring villages about registration. You will be asked to work directly through our Village. I will work closely with our neighboring villages to ensure that your children are taken care of.

If you have any questions or need further information, feel free to reach out to me at chvsports@cuyahogaheights.com or on my cell phone at 440-227-3801.

Centennial Memory Books

Moms and Dads of younger residents:

Can you please have your youngster, Grades 1-4, hand write what they as a young child feel

- Makes Cuyahoga Heights special to them;
- Why it feels like home; and
- What they might say or advise other children in the future 50 years from now

We'd like to capture these notes to include in our memory book

Other items we are looking for are any old political campaign literature/photos/buttons/voting registration memorabilia relating to Village elections that we can scan and return.

Please bring notes to the Village Hall for scanning.

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NEWSLETTER.