

Village of Cuyahoga Heights

July 2018

*Continuing to move our
legacy community forward.*

Upcoming Dates and Reminders

August 1 - Charity Pick Up

August 10 & 11 - Anniversary
Celebration

August 15 - First Day of
School

August 27 - Mayor's Trip to
Kelleys Island with Senior
Citizens

August 28 - Senior Citizens
Picnic

September 3 - Labor Day
Village Hall & Service
Department Closed

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: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
and 1:00- 4:30 pm**

From the Mayor's Desk

We are two weeks out from our much-anticipated Centennial celebration! Our Service Department crews are working diligently throughout the community, tidying up, landscaping, painting - making sure everything is just right for the event. We heard that a few former residents who grew up here in town will be traveling to Cuyahoga Heights for our big day...*some as far as San Francisco, others as close as New York.* Our Village Hall staff and Centennial volunteers are also in full swing mode making sure everything is in order. In the next few weeks, we will be providing an itinerary to our residents on this two-day celebration. We hope that you will be able to share and enjoy this very memorable and joyous occasion with us as our Village celebrates its 100th birthday!

Around town

It is with deep sadness we inform our residents that Village resident Sue Revak passed away on June 19; she would have been 92 on November 18. Sue was a very sweet and sharp lady who always smiled and said hello, she truly will be missed. Pictured to the right is Sue at our senior citizens flu shot event last September.

For those residents that don't know, the second Saturday in July is designated as our Village Wide Shred Day. This is an opportunity for our residents to shred as much documents as they want, free of charge. In addition, we partnered with Gateway Recycling, which is a business in town to make this event happen. Angie Wade, Senior Account Executive at Gateway, and Service Department employees Jesse James and Michaela Bloam were on hand to carry the boxes of paper from our resident's vehicles and take it directly to the shredder. We will continue this service for our residents -- look for the date in our 2019 Village Calendar which will be passed out to our residents in December.

I would like to thank all the residents who sent a card or greeting to me earlier this month for my birthday. I was lucky enough to spend my 50th with family and friends. I am truly blessed for everyone making this milestone birthday so special. Thank you again!

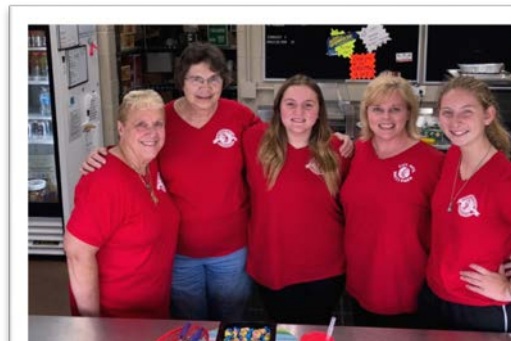


From the Mayor's Desk (continued)

Pool Manager Jason Deal and his staff are doing a tremendous job at our pool this summer. With the weather as hot as it has been, the pool is filled with children and adults alike. Our playground instructors are doing a great job as well with the little ones and keeping them entertained; we couldn't be more pleased with how things are going. Pictured to the right are some of the neighborhood kids enjoying the pool.



Our Concession Stand Manager Kelly Hartman and her staff are also doing a fantastic job. Their Italian Day sausage and Friday pulled pork specials are phenomenal. We've received positive feedback from residents, friends and businesses that they truly enjoy stopping at the concession stand. Keep up the good work ladies! Pictured to the right are some of the staff.



Senior citizens

Last chance! Our annual trip to Kelleys Island 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. This is a great opportunity for me and the department heads to spend time with our seniors. If you're not a member of our senior citizens organization and haven't signed up, 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 are a few photos from last year's event.



Our senior citizens held their annual anniversary dinner on June 26 at the Blue Canyon Kitchen & Tavern located in Twinsburg. Senior liaison and Council President Cheryl Harris informed us that everyone had a great time - *good food, good company*. Pictured at the bottom right is a group photo of those seniors that attended the event.



Flu shots

In cooperation with Independence Discount Drug Mart and my office, we will be offering flu shots to our Village senior residents (60 years of age and older). If you are 65 years of age or older, please bring your Medicare Card as we will seek Medicare payment for qualifying seniors. Just like we have done in the past, our 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 \$32.00; payment of "exact" cash or check is due the day of the shot.



From the Mayor's Desk (continued)

The flu shots will be administered on Friday, September 28 in the Village Hall Auditorium between the hours of 9:00-10:00 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 her if you need a ride to and from the event. Deadline to register is Wednesday, September 12.

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.

Congratulations

Christina Pace recently married Adam Caporuscio on June 23 in an intimate ceremony in Chagrin Falls. Wishing the newlyweds happiness and health. Pictured to the right is the happy couple.

Birthday wishes

Very special birthday wishes to Mrs. Donna Pellini who celebrated her "91st" birthday on July 7.

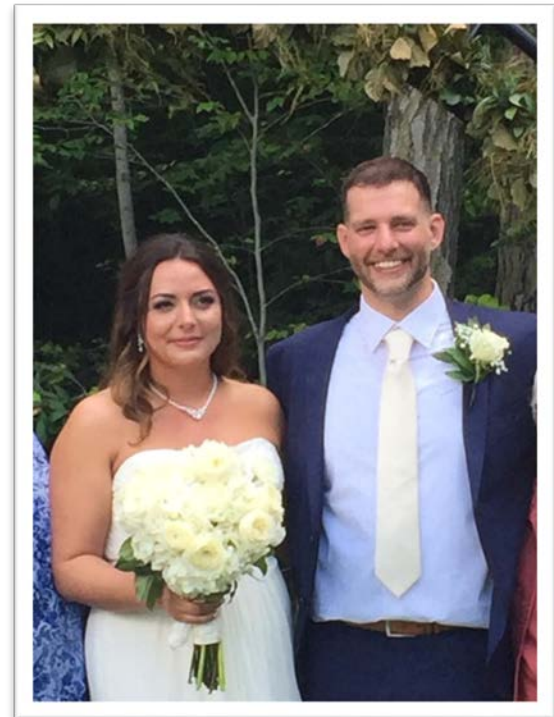
July birthday wishes to employees: (1) Tony Casavecchia; (2) David Lukas & Christina Caporuscio ... *incidentally, they also share a birthday with me*; (5) Rick Henley; (14) Jude Kaliszewski; (17) Tony Dorris & Joseph Kappa; (19) Steven Sokolich; (23) Bob Guilfoyle; (26) Frank Domzalski; (27) Fire Chief Michael Suhy; and (31) Georgette Hodge.

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, and Mrs. Dorothy Sonoda.

"Associate yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for 'tis better to be alone than in bad company."

President George Washington



From the Police Department

From the desk of Chief Sturgill...

We hope you are having an enjoyable summer! Please use caution driving throughout the village as many children are out playing and riding their bikes.

Vacation Notifications

Remember to call the CH Dispatch Center at (216) 883-6800 to schedule your house watch when you go on vacation. This way we know that you are not home. We will keep a closer look on your home and also physically check the exterior once a shift.

Bacci Park Reminders

Police officers once again are working in Bacci Park M-F 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and on the weekends from 1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (*weather permitting*). If you are enjoying the park and notice any problems, please stop any officer on duty and let them know.

Also, please remember to keep all dogs leashed at all times and to pick up after your pet. Bags are provided throughout the park.

Another reminder is to avoid parking or driving on any lawn or grass area. The Service Department works very hard to keep the park very scenic and manicured for all to enjoy. Nothing will harm the park's lawns quicker than a parked, hot vehicle or wheel ruts.

Safety Town 2018:

For two weeks (June 11-June 22) over 50 children from the three villages attended the 2018 Safety Town. Over 26 volunteer CHS students, CHS staff, CH Pool Staff, Police officers and Fire Fighters instructed at this year's program. Safety Town is used to jumpstart our youngster's awareness to everyday hazards and dangers. It also teaches them on how to safely deal with and avoid these situations. Topics include, but are not limited to bicycle safety, pedestrian & traffic safety, fire safety, "Stranger Danger," 911 procedures, etc.

Special appreciation goes out to the following: BHPD Ptl. Michael Tulcewicz (*who has organized this program for nearly 10 years*); CHES Secretary Tracy Deal; all of the assisting safety force members and finally all of the CHS volunteer students. It is because of their hard work that this program is and will continue to be a great success. We've included photos with the newsletter. **Stay Safe!**

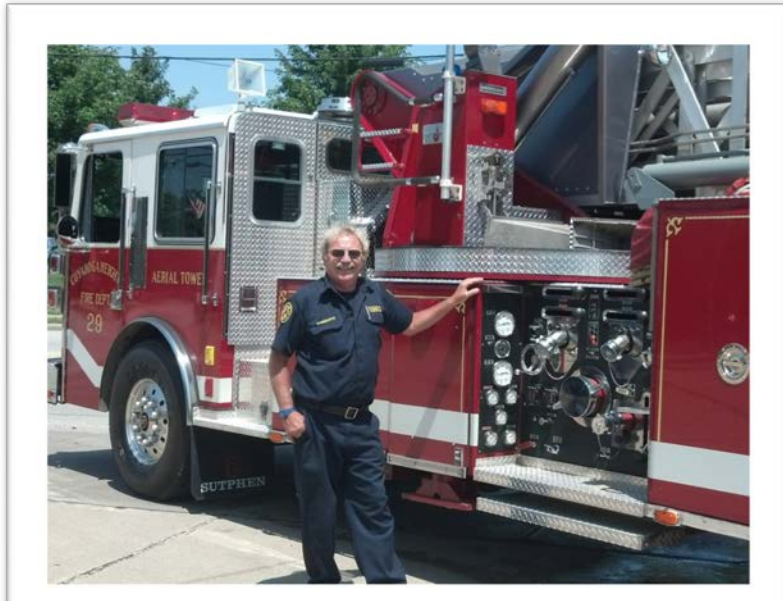
Respectfully;

Chief Sturgill



From the Fire Department

The Cuyahoga Heights Fire Department would like to wish Firefighter Peter Panizzutti all the best in his retirement. Firefighter Panizzutti was a member of the Cuyahoga Heights Fire Department for 33 years. While on the Fire Department, Pete was a Paramedic, member of Local 702, and served as our resident Santa Claus the past few years.



From the Dispatch Department

Summertime Reminders

- Drink plenty of water, dehydration can happen anytime of the year.
- Beware of weather conditions, they can change very quickly in the spring and summer, seek shelter in case of a storm.
- Protect yourself from the sun whenever you are working outside.



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 calling 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.

East 49th Street Parking Lot

As many of you may know, in an effort to assist our East 49th Street residents that require additional parking from time to time for visitors, parties, etc., you are able to use the new parking lot on the west side of the street. Please note that use of the parking lot will be by **permit only**; just as we do when a resident needs to rent Klima Gardens, the Village Hall, Bacci Park pavilions, and so forth. To secure your permit, please stop at the Village Hall during normal business hours, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00-4:30 p.m. No deposit fee is required.

From the Building Department

George M. Suhy Grant Program

To all homeowners in the Village looking to enhance their property value with exterior and limited interior repairs, don't forget about the George M. Suhy Grant Program. The program is designed to help assist and encourage residents in the Village to maintain and beautify their homes which will enhance property values throughout the Village. Homeowners can receive up to \$3,000 in a five year period (2018-2022) or use three grants in one year for three separate projects totaling \$3,000. The max dollar amount you can receive for one grant is \$1,000.

Please be sure to follow the correct procedure when applying for the grant program. The paperwork consists of a Part One (pre-inspection) and Part Two (final inspection) form. You can get forms online at www.cuyahogaheights.com or stop by the Building Department at the Village Hall.

Please be sure to have your contractor register with the Building Department and fill out the permit application. Please contact the Building Department with any questions at (216) 641-7020 and speak with Norm Casini or Ken LaBella.

From the Service Department

Tree Trimming/Removal Service

The Village will provide a professional tree trimmer to remove or trim a tree on a resident's property. Please note that tree trimming/removal is limited to two (2) trims per year and one (1) removal. If a crane is needed for tree removal, it is the responsibility of the homeowner to pay for the service. In addition, if a stump needs ground, it is the responsibility of the homeowner to pay for this service, whether the homeowner uses the tree company that the Village has a contract with or another tree company. Forms are available on our website and at the Village Hall during normal business hours.

Table & Chair Rental

A limited number of tables and chairs (*maximum of 3 tables, 30 chairs*) are available for use by residents having parties *at their residence*, free of charge. Please contact the Service Department at (216) 641-3505 to arrange a time when you can pick them up during normal business hours.

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.

From the Sports Commissioner

Summer is in full swing and we have had many new teams renting the softball and hardball fields this year. It's great to see the fields being used so much. If you know anyone interested in renting the fields, please have them reach out. We'd be happy to welcome them!

We had 14 children register for fall soccer and are working with the villages of Valley View and Brooklyn Heights to place them on teams. Coaches should be reaching out to parents in the next several weeks to begin scheduling practices. We also had 5 children sign up for flag football and 3 for cheerleading.

Unfortunately, there wasn't enough interest for either an adult men's or women's softball team this year. Valley View and Brooklyn Heights are working to place residents on teams, but since full rosters are submitted to the villages, there is no guarantee that our residents will be placed on teams. We should know more soon.

Noted below is the remaining registration deadline for 2018:

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Youth Basketball	October 1, 2018

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