

## From the Mayor's Desk

I hope all of our fathers had a great day last Sunday...I know I sure did! I don't think anything will ever take away from *(not even this mess, we call 2020)* spending alone time with my girls. We didn't do anything special, just spent a day on the lake, making memories. Sometimes I have to remind them of how important memories are as you get older. That's one thing our seniors have always taught me, *"the best things in life are the people we love, the places we've been and the memories we've made along the way."*

Our community has nothing to report outside of what everyone already knows. Numbers of confirmed cases will most certainly continue to rise as testing availability increases and folks get out and gather more often. All we can ask is that you respect others and their safety when coming into contact with them in public places. We are also attempting to allow the use of some of our facilities throughout the village starting in July. Noting there are certain restrictions and responsibilities on the user(s), as well as fees for sanitizing certain areas after use.

### Monthly Revenue Update

At our last business meeting, I briefed Council as our numbers continue to trend downward through June as anticipated, knowing that June, July, August and September would most likely be hardest hit. But again, we have been prepared since the onset and continue to make the necessary adjustments as/if needed, while all essential services remain.

Some of our businesses have already overcome the learning curve on how to operate within the government's guidelines and feel that over the course of the remainder of the year they will heal, slowly. Others, like the steel industry and the likes have had to lay off as many as 300 employees...but as they await orders to begin filling the calendar, they look to bring back as many folks as they can throughout the next 6-8 months in anticipation of our economy regaining strength.



*Making memories and getting caught in a pop-up downpour while riding in a golf cart.*

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As a community we will heal, our businesses are working extremely hard to sustain their employees and we have worked right alongside them. I did want to mention that our State Representative Jeffrey Crossman has been an incredible advocate in Columbus for us and has worked with us directly to assist in any state and federal funding for our business folks. He also worked with Charter Steel to help their employees navigate through some issues they were having with the "Ohio Works" program. "Hats off" to our State Rep... great job!

### Around Town

It is so nice to see so many of our children involved in our summer youth recreational activities program that is managed by Recreation Director Deal. The kids are laughing, smiling, running around and just being kids! Mr. Deal and his staff are doing an amazing job. Some of the activities include crafts, board games, kick ball, and many other fun things. On June 10<sup>th</sup>, the entire group walked down to the Village Hall from Klima Gardens with a thank you sign and letter for the Village Hall staff for continuously working through the pandemic. They also gave a thank you letter to our police, fire, and service departments. Each child signed their name next to an imprint of their hand on the sign, and ours is proudly displayed in the hallway at the village hall. If you haven't had the opportunity to sign your child(ren) up but would like to do so, please contact Recreation Director Deal at [chvrec@cuyahogaheights.com](mailto:chvrec@cuyahogaheights.com) or (330) 703-9175. Please note that children under 6 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. The program is for village resident children.



We received positive feedback from our residents about our food truck program at Bacci Park, and I wanted to thank Concession Stand Manager Hartman for handling this task. It was nice to see so many residents at the park during the week of June 15<sup>th</sup>—our first week with food trucks! The following food trucks will be at the park from 4:00-7:00 p.m.: Wednesday, July 8 - *Slammers Patty Wagon*; Thursday, July 16 - *Jackpot Chicken*; Tuesday, July 21 - *Smash Time*; Wednesday, July 29 - *SWAT*; and Wednesday, August 5 - *Smokin' Rock and Roll*.



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our shredding vendor has cancelled all shredding events for 2020. Please note the information on your village calendar that our event for Saturday, July 11 has been cancelled.

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## Congratulations

Village residents Dave & Stephanie Volek are "over the moon." Their daughter Samantha got engaged on May 2<sup>nd</sup> to Garrett Hodge. Best wishes to the happy couple as they begin planning their big day which will take place in the fall of 2021.

Kudos to village resident Michael Hartman who was named to the Dean's List for the spring 2020 semester at Baldwin Wallace University. Michael is majoring in early childhood education. Great job Michael—keep up the good work!

## Birthdays

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

## Thoughts and Prayers

Mr. Donald Boing, lifelong resident passed away on June 20<sup>th</sup>; he was 90 years old. For those that didn't know, Mr. Boing was appointed as a police officer in our village in 1954 by Mayor William Gerdon. He retired as Lieutenant from the department in 1981. Mr. Boing was also a U.S. Air Force veteran.

Earlier this month, village residents Nichole Tritsarolis and Wendy Santiago lost their mother Jacqueline Albondante; she was 72 years old. Please keep the families in your thoughts and prayers.

As always, please continue to keep several of our residents in your prayers: Mrs. Barbara Combs, Mr. Howard Combs, Mrs. Helen Krusinski, Ms. Marti Malek, Miss Delia Trevisani, Mr. Dan "Tuzzy" Tucholski and Joe Vitanza.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Fourth of July. A day that represents the Declaration of Independence and the birth of the United States of America as an independent nation. God Bless America!

*"I like to see a man proud of the place in which he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will be proud of him."*

*~ Abraham Lincoln*

