

Village of Cuyahoga Heights

February 2020

Continuing to move our legacy community forward...

Upcoming Dates and Reminders

March 4 - Charity Pick Up

March 7 - West Side Market Trip

March 8 - Daylight Saving Time Begins

March 15 - Youth Baseball & Softball Registration Deadline

April 4 - Kennedy House Open 10:00 am-12:00 pm

April 11 - Easter Egg Hunt



Agenda/Minutes of our council meetings are posted every month under the government tab



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, October)

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

From the Mayor's Desk

Business community

In midsummer of 2019, Arconic announced that it would separate into two standalone companies in 2020, and their business segments comprising of Engineered Products and Forgings will take on the name of Howmet Aerospace, and its business segments comprising of Global Rolled Products will be known as Arconic. Aronic's Ohio operations will now be known as Howmet Aerospace with locations in Barberton, Canton, Chillicothe, Cleveland/Cuyahoga Heights and Niles. This operation serves the aerospace, industrial and transportation industries, producing the world's largest aluminum and titanium aircraft structural forgings, the world's lightest weight aluminum truck wheels, and titanium for the F-35 Lightning II Joint Strike Fighter. Their operations in our village are in the process of changing their signage to Howmet. We wanted to share this information with our residents in case you saw that their name had changed while traveling past their facility on Harvard Avenue.

Economic development

As many of you may know, one of the major "goals" of our administration is to make the north end of East 71st Street a welcoming entrance to our community. With that goal in mind, we have been actively negotiating the purchase of 4400-4440 East 71st Street (the former site of the Benjamin Moore Paint Company) for more than a year. I am pleased to report that last month, through the Cuyahoga Heights Community Improvement Corporation ("CIC"), council administration were able to leverage County demolition grant funds and other financing vehicles for the CIC to become the new owner of the former Benjamin Moore Paint Company site without having a significant impact to the village's annual budget. This property has been on the market for some time, and during that time, much of the property remained vacant and fell into disrepair. Now that the CIC is the owner, the CIC and the village are now evaluating opportunities to demolish and re-develop the site using grant funding and other financial awards. This is an exciting "next step" in our continued goal of making the north end of East 71st Street more welcoming. Village council should be commended for its leadership and commitment to improving our community.

*Benjamin Moore was in the village prior to Cuyahoga Heights becoming a village in 1918. Pictured top right is what it looked like in the 1920s. The additional two pictures are what the facility looks like today.









From the Mayor's Desk (continued)

Around town

I'm sure many of you have already noticed while driving on East 71st Street that a newly constructed marquee now sits on the front lawn of the school. As you can see in our design, we utilized our three columns to signify and embrace the three communities that make up our school district. Our village purchased the sign, and the school will landscape and maintain it into the future. We are so fortunate to partner with the school on this venture. The sign will continue to announce all upcoming events and meetings for our community, as well as school announcements.

I will be working with council on getting a digital sign for the marquee that is currently on East 49th Street near the entrance of the Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation. Once again, I would like to thank council for their support, as well as approving this purchase.

It's been four years in the making—but the collaboration between St. Mary's Cemetery and our administration turned out beautiful! The newly installed fencing, pillars and lighting truly make this area aesthetically pleasing to all who ride through town or visit the cemetery.

Recycling

Our village has been looking at a different type of recycling program, as well as a new vendor with lower costs. A one-page informational sheet is included with this newsletter on what you can recycle. Additional material will be forthcoming from our Service Department in a future newsletter. Stay tuned and *Go Green*.

Events

Save the date for the village's annual Easter egg hunt which will take place on Saturday, April 11 at Klima Gardens. The event is open to all Cuyahoga Heights children and grandchildren 0-12 years of age. Anyone wishing to donate Easter baskets, gift cards, or other items for the event can do so by dropping it off to the Mayor's office during regular business hours. All items raffled will benefit Boy Scout Troop 28. Any students needing community service hours, or adult volunteers that are willing to help should contact the village hall.







From the Mayor's Desk (continued)

Congratulations

Kelli (Stack) Jachym, our newest police officer, was inducted into the Women's Beanpot Hall of Fame in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts on February 4. For those of you that don't know, Kelli played women's hockey for Boston College (2006-2011). While her time on the ice, she received many accolades such as MVP, Rookie of the Year, and Player of the Year. She was a member of the U.S. Women's National Team and earned a silver medal in 2010 and the 2014 Olympics; and was also a member of five gold-medal winning World Championship squads. Kelli is from Brooklyn Heights and a 2006 graduate from Cuyahoga Heights High School. She is an amazing and outstanding young lady, and we are so pleased to have her on our department.



Boston College Women's Hockey Alumna Kelli Stack Jachym'11

Wedding bells

After barely making it to work that day—I was sicker than a dog; I had the honor of marrying Kyle Keller and Jasmine Patkau in the council chambers on the morning of January 24. It also didn't stop Mrs. Connie Doan, village resident and grandmother of the groom who was also sick, from attending the nuptials. It was great to see so many of Kyle's high school buddies from CHS in attendance, including resident Matthew Hartman. Best wishes and congratulations to the newlyweds.

Senior citizens

The Cuyahoga Heights High School is planning a special viewing of this year's school play, "Aladdin." The tentative date is Thursday, March 5 at 9:00 a.m. in the high school auditorium. This is the opening performance and will be free of charge for any senior citizen resident that resides in our school district (Cuyahoga Heights, Brooklyn Heights and Valley View.)



Mayor Bacci, Mrs. Connie Doan, Jasmine & Kyle Keller and Patti Doan

Birthday wishes

We had several milestone birthdays in the month of February! Mrs. Adeline Lipiec turned 95 on February 8; Mrs. Irene Kloss turned 89 on February 3; and Mr. Tom Nova turned 80 on February 9. Best wishes and good health!

February birthday wishes to employees: (5) Jason Sagan turned "40," Dave Palucki; (13) Jack "Pie" Pietraszkiewicz turned "30;" (14) Ken LaBella; (15) Norm Casini; (16) Rick Centa & Joe Cipriano; (24) Todd Sciano and (28) Lee Ann Schoeffler.



Mrs. Lipiec and her daughter Mary Ann Ulmschneider at our flu shot event in September 2019

From the Mayor's Desk (continued)

Thoughts and prayers

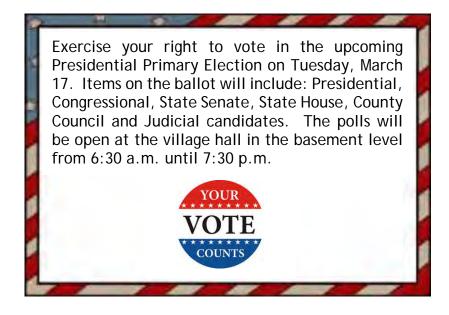
Please offer your condolences to residents Jim & Robyn Nobili. Their great-nephew Max, 21 years old, was killed in a car accident on the night of February 2. He lived in Texas with his family. For those of you who know David & Pat Nobili, Max is their grandson.

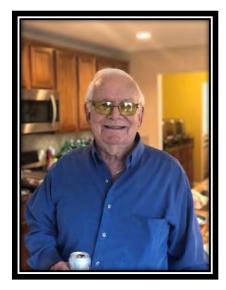
Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to part-time police officer Brad Beaulieu. He recently lost his father Bob, who had been battling cancer. Also, resident, John Deliberato recently loss two very close members in his family. Please continue to keep all these families in your thoughts and prayers.

And as always, continue to keep several residents in your prayers: John Baranowski, Mrs. Barbara Combs, Mr. John Deliberato, Mrs. Irene Kloss, Mrs. Helen Krusinski, Miss Nancy McAleer, Ms. Marti Malek, Mrs. Shireen Mitchell, Mr. Frank Schoeffler, Dennis Tritsarolis and Joe Vitanza.

"When I was five years old, my mother always told me that happiness was the key to life. When I went to school, they asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. I wrote down 'happy.' They told me I didn't understand the assignment, and I told them they didn't understand life."

~ John Lennon





Mr. Nova celebrating his big day at a surprise party his family held for him last weekend



Pictured with Mrs. Irene Kloss (right) are Mrs. Bea Duber and Mrs. Jean Dell'Anno in Washington, D.C. in 2015

From the Police Department

From the desk of Chief Sturgill

The Cuyahoga Heights Police Department is pleased to welcome CHPD's newest full-time patrol officer, Ptl. Kelli "Stack" Jachym #107.

Ptl. Jachym grew up in Brooklyn Heights and is an alumnus of the Cuyahoga Heights HS (2006). After high school, Kelli attended Boston College. While at Boston College she was a was a two-time All-American for the BC Eagles Women's Ice-Hockey Team from 2006-11. Jachym was inducted into the BC Varsity Club Hall of Fame this past fall. She graduated in 2011 with a BA in Communications & Human Development.

During the years of 2007-2017, Jachym was a member of the USA Women's Hockey Team. During her tenure with Team USA, she won two (2) Olympic silver medals (Vancouver, Canada-2010 & Sochi, Russia-2014) and five (5) gold medals in the World Championships. After leaving Team USA, Kelli took her hockey skills to China, where she played professionally from 2018-2019.

After returning to the US, Jachym moved back to Ohio. In August of 2019, Jachym became the first full-time female officer hired in the history of the CHPD. Jachym attended a 16-week basic police academy at the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy (Class BAS20-143). While at the academy distinguished herself among her peers by winning the three (3) out of the five (5) class awards: Academics; Physical Fitness and Overall Performer. Kelli is currently assigned to the CHPD's "field training program" and is scheduled to be on solo patrol duty by early June 2020.

Kelli is married to Mr. Joe Jachym (of Massachusetts) and has 3 dogs-Bruce, Shay and Scooter. Her older brother, Ptl. Kevin Stack #105 has been serving the CHPD since 2014.

When you see PtI. Jachym out in the community, please take the time to introduce yourself.

Once again...Welcome Ptl. Kelli Jachym #107!

Stay Safe!!!

Respectfully;







The Rookies' 1st Day



New grad-Kelli & big bro Kevin



Kelli on the ice for Team USA

From the Fire Department





SAFETY TIPS

- Pets are curious. They may bump into, turn on, or knock over cooking equipment. Keep pets away from stoves and countertops.
- Keep pets away from candles, lamps, and space heaters.
- Always use a metal or heat-tempered glass screen on a fireplace and keep it in place.
- Keep pets away from a chimney's outside vents.
 Have a "pet-free zone" of at least 3 feet (1 meter)
 away from the fireplace. Glass doors and screens
 can stay dangerously hot for several hours after the
 fire goes out.
- Consider battery-operated, flameless candles.
 They can look and smell like real candles.
- Some pets are chewers. Watch pets to make sure they don't chew through electrical cords. Have any problems checked by a professional.

SMOKE ALARMS

- Have working smoke alarms on every level of the home. Test your smoke alarms at least once a month.
- If the smoke alarm sounds, get out and stay out.
- Never go back inside for pets in a fire. Tell firefighters if your pet is trapped.

Pets and Wildfires

Make sure pets are included in your family's wildfire evacuation plan. Build an evacuation kit for each pet in your household. Ensure each kit is a size and weight that can be quickly and easily loaded into a vehicle when packing to evacuate

FACT

Pets or wild animals have a part in starting about 750 home fires per year. These involve cooking equipment, fireplaces and chimneys, space heaters, lamps, bulbs, wiring, and candles.





From the Village Hall

Concession Stand Cashiers & Park Monitors Wanted

Job Requirements for all the above:

- 1. All Cashiers and Park Monitors must be 16 years old by February 18, 2020.
- 2. All cashiers must possess proficient math skills, have an outgoing personality, and must be available to work weekends.
- 3. Applications <u>must</u> be turned into the Village Hall by 4:00 p.m. on <u>March</u> 27, 2020 for *Concession Stand and Park Monitors* and by 4:00 p.m.
- 4. Applications will not be accepted after these dates.

New Hire & Rehire Applications are available online at www.cuyahogaheights.com under "Employment" or at the Village Hall during normal business hours.

Park Monitors and Park Concession Stand Cashiers will start as soon as the weather permits!

Bacci Park Concession Stand opens on *Tuesday, May 26th* at 9 a.m.

Please be advised that submitting an application <u>does not</u> guarantee employment.

Pre-Kindergarten Registration/Screening

Registration/Screening for students enrolling in pre-kindergarten during the 2020/21 school year will take place on Friday, March 20. If you have a child or know of a child in our school district who is eligible to attend next year, please call the elementary school office at 216-429-5880 to make an appointment for registration. Children who will be four years old on or before August 1, 2020 are eligible for the pre-kindergarten program.



From the Village Hall (continued)

2020 CUYAHOGA HEIGHTS VILLAGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Again this year, Council has passed legislation for a Village Scholarship to assist Cuyahoga Heights graduating seniors with their future college tuition. Recipients will be awarded a \$1000.00 scholarship in the form of a tuition reimbursement.

To be eligible, the recipient must:

- 1) Be a resident of Cuyahoga Heights
- 2) Be a graduating High School senior in the Spring or Summer of 2020
- 3) Be enrolled either full or part time at an accredited college, university, community college, vocational or technical school for the fall of 2020
- 4) Complete the Fall 2020 term with a grade point average sufficient to be in good standing
- 5) Must submit proof of grades to the Clerk's office by March 1, 2021

Applications are available at the High School Guidance Office, or at the Town Hall, and must be submitted to Clerk Unger's office by May 1, 2020.

This Administration encourages and promotes higher education for all of our students and is proud to continue the Village Scholarship tradition to help our graduating seniors.

Thank You, Clerk Unger



From the Service Department

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 p.m. 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.



From the Service Department (continued)

Meals on Wheels

*Meals now prepared by Lori's Custom Catering

This service is available to any village resident that is 60 years of age or older. A lunch time meal will be delivered to your home daily, Monday through Friday, by our Service Department. This is an affordable option, the cost is \$25.00 per week, which is only \$5.00 per day (must sign-up up for a full week). To receive meals for a given week payment must be made by the Thursday prior.

If you have any questions regarding this service, please contact Mindy Armbrust at the Service Department at 216/641-3505 or m.armbrust@cuyahogaheights.com.



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.

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.



From the Sports Commissioner

Thank you to those of you that submitted your children's registration forms for the Spring 2020 soccer season. All the forms have been passed along to our league commissioner so expect to hear from coaches regarding team placements and practice days and times in the coming weeks.

In addition to soccer, the summer youth baseball and softball seasons are also on the horizon and the registration deadline for both of these sports is March 15, 2020. Forms can either be submitted via email or hard copies can be dropped off at village hall. And just a reminder, any registrations that arrive after March 15 will be subject to the \$25.00 late fee.

Lastly, preparations are starting to come together for the 2020 pool season. Anyone that is interested in applying for a seasonal pool position or any returning seasonal pool employees can access the various job descriptions and applications on the village website. Once you locate the Recreation tab on the ribbon at the top of the Cuyahoga Heights Village website, scroll down to the POOL option and you will find a listing of the various jobs that are available. All applications for summer pool employment must be dropped off at the village hall no later than April 1, 2020.

If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to send me an email at chvrec@cuyhaogaheights.com or leave a message at 330-703-9175.

Jason Deal



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OUR NEWSLETTER EMAIL LIST!

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