## From Mayor Bacci's Desk

First and foremost, I wanted to thank village hall, service, police and fire personnel, our elected officials, and all the countless volunteers who helped out at our corn roast. We had an amazing turnout—even though the weather didn't cooperate. We had light and heavy rain, gusts of strong winds, dark clouds, sun shining, and even hail. But that didn't seem to stop people from attending the event—we are beyond blessed. I was also glad that we were able to shoot off the fireworks which were incredible—as was the fireball at the end! Shortly after, the weather turned bad with heavy rain and then the thunder and lightning came and we had to close up and take cover. Again, thank you to everyone who helped in some way. It truly is genuine that it takes a village to pull off an event like this. Mark your calendar and save the date for next year's corn roast which will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2024. Pictured is Councilwoman Lois Henley with our corn roast mascot, Cornelius.



Tuesday, October 31 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. kids can go trick-or-treating in town. Residents that wish to pass out candy, please leave your front porch light on so that children know they are welcome at your home. In addition, our fire and police personnel will be riding around town at that time. Happy Halloween! Have fun, be respectful and stay safe.

#### General Election

Tuesday, November 7 is the General Election—noting that three council positions are up. Also, Ohio voters will have the chance to vote on statewide ballot issues: Issue 1 A Self-Executing Amendment Relating to Abortion and Other Reproductive Decisions and Issue 2 To Commercialize, Regulate, Legalize, and Tax the Adult Use of Cannabis. The official ballot language, explanation, arguments for and against, and the full text of the statewide issues is posted at VoteOhio.gov. In addition, the Cuyahoga Heights School District has a very important levy on the ballot.

#### Road Closure – Harvard Avenue

Harvard Avenue will be closed to through traffic between the Denison Avenue Bridge and Jennings Road. The road is closed to enable relocation of a water line for the City of Cleveland's Harvard Denison 42" Transmission Main Rehabilitation Project. The Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation Trailhead will still be accessible from Jennings Road. During the closure, a detour with signage will be provided for traffic maintenance.

The temporary road closure of Harvard Avenue from the Denison Avenue Bridge to Jennings Road will take place from November 6 through November 17, 2023. If the work does not proceed on the aforementioned dates, the backup dates for the project are November 9 through November 23, 2023.











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### **Veterans Day**

November 10 is Veterans Day, a day to honor our military veterans for their service to our country. It's a day to salute our heroes for the sacrifices they made for our nation. The origin of Veterans Day can be traced back to World War I. The Armistice with Germany, which formally ended the war, went into effect at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918. It takes tremendous courage for a soldier to risk it all to protect his/her country—the least we can do is to offer our thanks to these extraordinary men and women. On behalf of our village, I would like to thank and acknowledge the following residents who are Veterans:

John Baranowski, Richard Cockrell, Howie Combs, Dave Domzalski, Ed Gaida, Rich Grabowski, John Lipnick, Tim Krenisky, Josh Murray, Tom Nova Sr., Ed Ranch, John Reiger, Bobby Santiago, Ray Smosarski, Frank Trusso Jr., Vince Trusso, Brad Unger, Scott Wadsworth and Richard Wallace.

If we missed any residents that have served, please call our office so we can include you in the future. Again, thank you and God Bless our Veterans!

### Congratulations

Councilman David Volek and his wife Stephanie became grandparents for the very first time. Their daughter Samantha gave birth to twin girls. Evelyn Grace was born on September 30th and Catherine Elizabeth was born on October 1st. Grandpa and Grandma Volek are over the moon! Best wishes and God bless to first-time parents, Samantha and Garrett.

Recently, village resident Sandy Fouts received her milestone donor pin "be proud to wear it" from the American Red Cross for donating platelets—over 400! Sandy began donating in 1996 and continues to do so every two weeks at the American Red Cross on Euclid Avenue in downtown Cleveland. Millions of Americans need platelet donations to survive and fight cancer, chronic diseases, or traumatic injuries. On behalf of our village, thank you Sandy for your generosity—keep up the good work and God Bless. Pictured is Sandy pointing to her donor pin.

### **Birthdays**

November birthday wishes to employees: (1) Pat Koran, Tom Nova; (2) Robert Stewart, (10) Tom Kekelis, (13) Carl Smith, (27) Councilman Bob Unger, and (28) Mark Hine.

#### Offices Closed

Please note that the village hall and service department will be closed on Friday, November 10; Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 in observance of the holidays.







## From Mayor Bacci's Desk (continued)

### Santa Claus is Coming to Cuyahoga Heights

It's almost that time! We received notice from our friends at the North Pole that Santa Claus and the Mrs. will be visiting Bacci Park on Sunday, December 17 from 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. This event is for our resident children and grandchildren between the ages of 0-12.Dress appropriately for the weather—we'll have a fire going, hot cocoa and cookies. Pictures will be taken and each child will receive a goody bag.Please note that you must sign up for the event. Please contact the village hall during regular business hours at 216-641-7020 or email Lee Ann in my office at <a href="lischoeffler@cuyahogaheights.com">lischoeffler@cuyahogaheights.com</a>. We will need to know the name(s) of your children/grandchildren and their ages. Deadline to register for the event is Monday, December 4.

# Christmas Decorating Contest

Don't forget to turn on your lights at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 17 for our annual Christmas decorating contest. To participate, just turn your holiday lights on by 5:00 p.m. There will be cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place...good luck!





