



From Mayor Bacci's Desk

I wanted to take a moment and thank all who showed up for our memorial day service this past Monday, as we recognized and honored those Veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for our great nation.

Village Hall Playground

We were all very excited that the last of the turf was finally installed by the contractor and we were able to open up the village hall playground on May 15. The first residents to come and try out the new swings and playground equipment that afternoon were the Brauer family. The family had fun, but unfortunately Kristin wasn't able to stay too long because it was so hot that afternoon and the little ones wanted to go home....lol!

Miss & Master Poppy

Prior to our council meeting last month, I had the honor of introducing the American Legion Post 627 Miss Poppy, Harley Cafardi and Master Poppy Jason Seymour. Harley earned her eligibility through her great grandfather, James Rodes, Sr., US Navy, World War II. Jason earned his eligibility to the Sons of the American Legion through his grandfather, Norbert Priebe, US Army, Korea.

RiverSweep

Thank you to Council President Renato Contipelli for again assisting with the RiverSweep event last month at Bacci Park. Even though the weather was cold and wet, around 40 volunteers showed up to help pick up trash and debris along Millcreek in Bacci Park. Thank you also to Councilman Rick Centa and all the volunteers who helped out.

Spring Fling Tea Party

The Cuyahoga Heights senior citizens, along with Laura Bacci-Merhaut hosted a brunchon in the village hall auditorium last month. Laura's daughter, Courtney Rice made and served up homemade ravioli in a beef stock in homage to her grandma Lillian Bacci. In addition, chicken salad croissants, fruit salad and tons of desserts were served. A string quartet from the Cuyahoga Heights High School played during the event and all that attended had a wonderful time.



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Class of 2025

Best wishes and congratulations to the Cuyahoga Heights High School students from the class of 2025 who will graduate on Sunday, June 1. Village resident students are Danielle Andrews, Nicholas Armbrust, Paige Henley, Tyler Herman, Nia Koloini-Hunter, Zachary Unger, and Brooke Urbassik. "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."



Concession Stand

The concession stand officially opened for the season this past Tuesday. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Food trucks kick off in June from 4:00-7:00 p.m. **June 11** – Off the Griddle; **June 18** – Betty's Bomb A\$\$ Burgers; **June 25** – CLE Cookie Dough & Southern Thangs. Please follow our social media account with updates on food trucks.



Last Day of School

Cuyahoga Heights Schools last day for students is Thursday, June 5. With that being said, please use extra caution when driving and pulling in/out of your driveway as kids will be playing, riding their bikes, or walking—and they don't always pay attention.



Blue Wave Swim Team

Come out and support our resident children who belong to the Blue Wave swim team. The following meets are home starting at 6:00 p.m. at the William R. Gerdon Swimming Pool: June 19, June 24, July 10 and July 22.



Garage Sale

Wednesday, June 11 is your last chance to register for the village-wide garage sale which takes place on Saturday, June 28 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Contact the village hall during normal business hours to sign up.



Shred Day

Our annual shred day is set for Saturday, July 12 at Gateway Products Recycling located at 4223 East 49th Street from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Please note that we will have a service department employee on site to assist you with your bags/boxes of shredding material. *Please note that paper to be shredded should be in cardboard boxes or paper bags—no plastic bags or containers.



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Kelleys Island

My annual trip to Kelleys Island with our village resident senior citizens (55 years of age and older) takes place on Monday, August 25. 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 for further information. The deadline to register is Tuesday, July 15. Pictured is the group from last year.



Birthdays

June birthday wishes to employees: (1) Bryan Rini; (2) Jason Martin; (3) Michael Cuthbertson; (6) Anthony Kotar; (8) Stanley Schab; (11) Viktor Zsigmond; (15) Patrick Goldsworth; (17) Councilman Matthew Schoeffler; (20) Mark Chase; and (23) Bob Krajewski.



If you would like to share any exciting news with us (milestone birthday, newborn, achievements, award, etc.) please email the information and picture to our office at l.schoeffler@cuyahogaheights.com and we will include it in the newsletter.

Condolences

As many of you know, long-time resident Denis Vanek passed away at the age of 90 years old on May 8. I had the privilege of knowing Mr. Vanek for almost a lifetime. Growing up in the village, I served as his paperboy, a police officer, and for the past 18 years as his mayor. As you may know, Mr. Vanek and I had different political views which sometimes led to amusing conversations and communications. However, we also shared an incredible mutual respect for one another which enabled us to collaborate on common goals, exchange ideas, and pursue our aspirations for the betterment of our community. He, along with many others, and I share that same mutual respect that have made me a better leader and contributed to my personal growth. For that, I am truly grateful, and he will be dearly missed. Please keep Marilyn Duszynski and his family in your thoughts and prayers. Pictured are Denis Vanek and Marilyn Duszynski throughout the years at our senior trips to Kelleys Island.



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