

...At Your Service



Message from the Mayor

Dear Residents,

Hello! I hope you've been able to spend some time outdoors and are enjoying your summer. Thank you for the time and effort you have put into your outdoor home projects to improve your property and make our neighborhoods beautiful.

Your City Administration has been keeping a close eye on our revenue streams, watching the money coming in and being careful about how it is spent. The City was fortunate to receive over \$170,000 in grant money to improve the buildings on the City Hall campus with new windows for all buildings, a roof-top air conditioner to cool the Council Chambers and a new roof at the Building Department's building. All of these building improvements are expected to conserve energy usage and result in utility cost savings.

The Fire Department's new fire truck, called a pumper truck, was also purchased with grant dollars and put into service earlier this summer. Please remember that the Fire Department has free smoke and fire detectors that the firemen will install for residents upon request. These, too, were purchased with grant dollars.

Our new Police Chief, Chief Steve Hammett, begins his duties on August 15. Chief Hammett previously served as a Deputy Chief in Shaker Heights where he was promoted through the ranks serving as Patrolman, Sergeant, Lieutenant and Captain before assuming the duties of Deputy Chief. Chief Hammett has experience in all facets of police work. He has served as a detective in the juvenile and adult bureaus, managed patrol shifts, the jail and all administrative services. He also specialized in internal affairs. He received his police training at the Cleveland Heights Police Academy and began his career with the Cleveland Heights Police Department. His educational background is in Criminal Justice. He attended the FBI Academy in Quantico, VA, the Southern Police Institute at the University of Louisville and has completed numerous training and certification programs in police work.

The City Council will resume its normal meeting schedule in September. All Council meetings are held on the first and third Mondays of the month except when a federal holiday falls on a first or third Monday. When that happens, the Council meeting will be held the next day, on Tuesday. The meetings are held in the Council Chambers at City Hall and begin at 7:30 p.m. Please come and watch how your City government works.

Regards,

Susan Infeld
Mayor

Summer Band Concerts

The Thursday night summer band concerts continue until August 25 and are held at 7 p.m. at Wiley Middle School. Our final band concert will be a performance by the well-known Yiddish Cup Klezmer Band. If you're available, please stop by and enjoy the musical entertainment.

Purvis Park Pool

There are some talented divers among us who know how to do more than cannonballs off the diving boards but don't let that stop you from testing your skills! Summer isn't over until the pool closes so stop by the pool for a quick dip, a dive or a ride down the water slide. The last day of the pool season is Labor Day.

Senior Lecture Series at UH Library (all programs begin at 2:00 PM)

September 8 – Mayor Susan Infeld will talk about the City

September 15 – Dr. Evelyn Gates, Ph.D., executive director and CEO of the Cleveland Museum of Natural History

September 22 – Avery Cohen, University Heights 2003 Citizen of the Year, President Emeritus of the Board of Directors of the Hattie Larlham Foundation

September 29 – No gathering today in observance of Rosh Hashanah

John Carroll University News

The celebration at John Carroll University is ongoing this year as the University continues the commemoration of its 125th Anniversary. Congratulations to John Carroll for its most recent accolade, being named to President Obama's Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll. For the fourth year in a row the University has received this recognition for its commitment to volunteering, service learning and civic engagement. JCU students annually perform over 36,000 hours of community service.

Your Beautiful Home & Yard

The Service Department has instituted a new policy for educating residents on how to properly bag and bundle rubbish for collection. It is rare, but some of you may have seen a blue door-hanger note telling you what caused the garbage or yard waste to be left behind on garbage day. We have found these notices to be extremely effective with educating residents about situations when the garbage or yard waste cannot be collected. Thank you for your assistance in maintaining our City of beautiful homes!

Free Gun Safety Locks Available at Police Department

Stop by the Police Department and pick-up a lightweight, easy-to-use cable that prevents your gun from firing. Keep yourself and your children safe!

Citizen of the Year Award

Do you know of a resident who is an asset to our City?

It's time to think about who will be the next Citizen of the Year in University Heights. Past winners have included volunteers active in City projects and residents of professional acclaim who enrich our community by living here.

There are no requirements for nominations and you can submit as many names as you like. Nominations to the City Beautiful Commission should include information about your nominee and also your contact information.

Nominations can be sent to Sherri Wisnieski at City Hall, or e-mailed to info@universityheights.com. Please contact Sherri with any questions at 216.932.7800 x 203.



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