



“At Your Service”



Message from the Mayor

Dear Residents,

I hope you had a good summer and are enjoying a few weeks with less yardwork as the growing season ends. The weather these days is perfect for a game of tennis on our new tennis courts at Purvis Park, for spending time in our new Community Park, and for a block party. Please give us a call at City Hall if you would like to schedule a block party with visits from the police and fire departments. We are happy to share ideas about block party activities and welcome your efforts to build community on your street.

Our road paving projects are nearing completion. I hope you are pleased with the newly paved streets, parking lots, sidewalks and curbs. The water line replacements on Loyola and Churchill are ongoing, and Dominion's gas line replacements on streets in the Warrensville Center Road area will be completed soon. We realize that all of this construction, compressed into just a few months, has been an inconvenience and we appreciate your patience as we make these infrastructure improvements.

The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORS) has begun testing the sewer lines on various streets in University Heights. This testing is in response to an EPA mandate requiring that water in our region is delivered cleaner to Lake Erie. The testing is actually a dyed water test of street sewers to find leaks and faulty pipe connections. All work will take place in the street; not on your property. The dye is harmless and non-toxic. The NEORS will notify streets of this testing in writing, with a door hanger notice, about two weeks before it begins.

I am often asked by residents if the city could save money or offer more services by pooling resources with other cities. We regularly participate in such efforts and in the coming months I will highlight them. Please read further in this newsletter for information about a few of these programs.

Thank you to everyone who cheered on University Heights' Olympian Emily Infeld at the Olympics this summer. She had a wonderful experience in Rio and her sisters, dad and I were there to cheer her on. Rio is beautiful. The people there were very friendly and many spoke English, too. It was a trip of a lifetime for our family and we are very appreciative of all the support and good wishes sent Emily's way.

Sincerely,

Susan Infeld
Mayor

Safe Driving in University Heights

Please be safe in your driving habits. Many residents have expressed concern about the speed of cars travelling on side streets. The speed limit on side streets is 25 mph. Please watch for children and drive slowly. We want you to get to your destination safely!

Fall Leaf Pickup Begins October 15

City trucks will vacuum leaf piles on tree lawns from October 15 – December 1. The trucks are designed to vacuum leaves only, so please do not mix branches or other yard waste with the leaves. If you prefer to use paper kraft bags for yard waste, you can put them on the tree lawn for recycling. The kraft bags will be collected weekly on your garbage day.



Saving Tax Dollars through Regional Collaboration

These are a few of the programs that involve joint collaboration between University Heights and other cities.

- **Solid Waste Disposal:** A recycling contract negotiated through the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District for University Heights and 12 other cities gives us a better price on the disposal of recyclable items than we could negotiate on our own.
- **Joint Police Specialized Services:** University Heights and 4 other cities jointly deliver S.W.A.T. services within the borders of these 5 cities and also help other communities with S.W.A.T. services. The benefit to you is that all 5 cities pool training dollars and share in the cost of the equipment for this specialized unit.
- **Municipal Court Services:** The Shaker Heights Court has provided judicial and court services for decades to Shaker Heights, University Heights, Beachwood, Pepper Pike and Hunting Valley. The costs of operating the court are shared among the participating cities.
- **Joint Fire Dispatch:** The dispatch of EMS and fire services is done at a center located in Cleveland Heights that is jointly-operated by Cleveland Heights, Shaker Heights and University Heights. All employee costs and equipment costs are shared among the three cities.

Information about Voting for the Presidential Election

Please vote in the November 8th general election! If you are not sure if you are registered to vote, call (216)443-VOTE (8383) or visit www.443VOTE.com (click on the Voters tab) to check your voter registration status and voting location. The deadline to register to vote in the election is October 11th.

If you would like to vote by mail, you can obtain the request form at City Hall, at any Library location, and on the Board of Elections website at www.443VOTE.com. Vote by Mail ballots must be postmarked on or before November 7th.

If you would like to vote at the polls, you can do so on Election Day, November 8th. The polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. Bring a valid, state issued photo ID card, driver's license, or military identification. If you do not have those forms of identification, you can bring a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck or any other government document that shows your name and current address.

You can also vote before the election at the Board of Elections (30th and Euclid) from October 12th - November 7th. Weekday voting hours are 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. (Oct. 12-21), 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. (Oct. 24-28), 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. (Oct. 31 – Nov. 4). Saturday voting hours are 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday voting hours are 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

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