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"At Your Service"



Message from the Mayor

Dear Residents:

We have had quite a winter season, with over 40 separate snow events. Plowing the snow from streets seems to be a round the clock activity. Although the temperatures have been unusually bitter, the City has continued collecting garbage as usual. To ensure that the Service Department crews are limiting their exposure to the cold temperatures, the crews are rotated frequently.

As you likely aware, there is a widespread shortage of road salt in Ohio and other Midwestern states. This winter, University Heights joined a consortium formed by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to purchase road salt from Morton Salt. Most other Cuyahoga County communities also participated in the ODOT road salt consortium. Throughout the season the salt deliveries to University Heights have been sporadic. However at this point we have reached the limit of what we can order through Morton Salt and our Service Director, Jeff Pokorny, negotiated a supplementary agreement with Cargill Salt. This new agreement will deliver road salt in an amount equal to 25-30% of our normal winter road salt usage. We are hopeful that this amount will be sufficient until the weather breaks and spring temperatures arrive.

The City continues to follow a sensible salting policy by applying road salt to main streets, intersections and hills. Sidewalk plows have been active this winter and will continue plowing when the snowfall reaches approximately six inches. The sidewalk plows concentrate on sidewalks in school areas first and then move to sidewalks in residential areas. If residents continue shoveling their sidewalks, then the City's sidewalk plows can supplement those efforts to improve the safe passage of pedestrians throughout our community. Please remember to drive carefully as you travel around the region.

Sincerely,

Susan Infeld

Mayor

Beautiful Home Award Winners

The Beautiful Home Awards event, sponsored by the City Beautiful Commission, celebrates the outstanding qualities of homes throughout the City. Congratulations to this year's award receipients!

- Individual Homes: 3798 Westwood, 3877 Faversham, 2436 Saybrook, 3869 Bethany, 2572 Fenwick, 4190 Silsby, 4376 Churchill, 2599 University Blvd., 2367 Canterbury, 4366 Silsby, 2304 Edgerton, 2481 Charney, 2352 Ashurst, 4441 University Pkwy, 2420 Loyola, 2408 Loyola, 4181 Silsby, 2339 Glendon, 3898 Tyndall
- Two in a Row: 2563 Dysart, 2567 Dysart, 2584 University Blvd., 2580 University Blvd., 2367 Miramar, 2340 Miramar, 2544 Traymore, 2540 Traymore
- Three in a Row: 2383 Eardley, 2379 Eardley, 2389 Eardley, 2324 Lalemant, 2328 Lalemant, 2336 Lalemant, 2335 Canterbury, 2311 Canterbury, 2304 Canterbury, 3874 Tyndall, 3882 Tyndall, 3886 Tyndall
- Best Kept Secret: 14185 Washington, 2236 S. Belvoir
- Set-a-Spell: 2595 Fenwick, 4065 Conover, 2660 Eaton

Free Paper Shredding & Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Clean out your drawers and closets and drop off your household hazardous items for recycling! Don't forget to bring your confidential papers for free shredding! This program is offered semi-annually on the weekend the clocks change. Drop—off is available Friday, March 7th, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and on Saturday, March 8th from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Please note that the City will not accept latex paint cans unless the paint can is empty or the contents are dry.

General Recycling

- o Plastic (number 1-7)
- Metal (including aluminum foil sheets and trays, aerosol cans)
- Glass bottles and jars
- Yard waste (grass clippings, branches, leaves, bushes)

Confidential paper document shredding

- You do not need to remove staples, paper clips, binder clips or rubber bands before shredding.
- The shredding truck will be on-site on Saturday, March 8th. Papers dropped off on Friday will go into a locked shredding container for shredding on Saturday.

Hazardous Waste Disposal items including

- Computers and electronics (desktops, laptops, printers, servers, cables, wires, extension cords, inkjet cartridges, cell phones, digital & video cameras).
 Please remove all confidential information from the hard drive of all devices.
 The City is not responsible for any data remaining on your hard drive.
- Household hazardous waste (oil paint, varnish, pesticides, automotive fluids, motor oil, car batteries, roof tar, driveway sealer, kerosene, gasoline, lighter fluid, mercury, fluorescent bulbs). No latex paint, smoke detectors, medical waste or pharmaceuticals.
- Tire recycling (please remove wheel rims).

City Newsletter & Important News from the Mayor is Available by Email

For residents who want to get the City newsletter and important messages via e-mail, sign-up is available by clicking the Newsletter link on the home page of the City website and the CodeRed link for phone messages.

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter

We have updated our social media! Follow us on Twitter and Facebook to get up-to-date City news and happenings.

Twitter: @UH_cityhall

Facebook: University Heights City Hall

Park Planning

The latest park concept plan has been posted on the home page of the City's website (www.universityheights.com). The next planning meeting with the architects will be Monday, March 24, at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Please come and give us your feedback, comments and suggestions!

Summer Band Concert News: Location Change

The closing of Wiley Middle School and its renovation into the temporary high school will change the location of the band concert series this summer. We have made arrangements with John Carroll University to hold concerts on their campus, outside the Library on the Hamlin Quad. With plentiful parking, easy access to rest rooms, and the Dolan auditorium as a rainy day location, we expect this new location to meet the needs of concert-goers.



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