

# “At Your Service”



## Message from the Mayor

Dear Residents:

The park bond issue passed! Thank you for your support of the development of a park at the former school site on Fenwick Road. This is a very exciting development for our City and will produce a permanent asset that will last for generations! The new park represents the first major investment we have made since the passage of the Purvis Park bond issue, and it will not raise your property taxes. The park bonds will collect the same \$25 per \$100,000 valuation that has been collected since the Purvis Park bond issue passed in 1994. The pool bonds will be paid off in December 2014 and the new park bond issue will, in effect, replace those bonds for a 15 year term.

The City is currently developing a Request for Proposals to solicit bids from architects to produce detailed drawings of the park features. Once the architect is selected we will have additional public meetings to finalize park features such as playground equipment, plantings, etc. The information will then be included in the final drawings that will form the construction bid package for park contractors. I will continue to keep you updated as the project progresses.

The School District has requested a meeting with the Planning Commission to present a safety and security plan for the Wiley site. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 18 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of the Dolan Science Center building at John Carroll University. It is the City's expectation that the plan will contain appropriate safety and security measures to keep the students and staff safe on the site while maintaining safety in the surrounding neighborhood. I hope you can attend the meeting.

Sincerely,

Susan Infeld  
Mayor

### Leaf Pickup from Tree Lawns

The Service Department crews will continue leaf pickup from tree lawns until Friday, December 5. The vacuum trucks are moving throughout the City continuously and will vacuum the leaves from tree lawns. Please do not put branches or yard waste in the leaf piles because those items can clog the vacuums. If you want the leaves removed as quickly as possible, you can put them into brown kraft bags and place them on your tree lawn for pickup on garbage day.

## Construction Project Update

The construction season was long in University Heights this year and you probably grew tired of dodging orange cones and barrels! The Belvoir paving project, which was managed by Cuyahoga County, was a three-city project that began in April and ended this month. As with most large construction projects, unexpected infrastructure issues extended the project completion date. Thank you for your patience throughout the process.

The gas line replacement project on Cedar Road, managed by Dominion East Ohio Gas Company, will not be completed this construction season. Dominion is replacing the gas lines with larger lines to deliver better capacity and service to east side communities. It is a multi-year project with work being performed along Cedar Road in both University Heights and Beachwood. Dominion is currently replacing sidewalks in University Heights in the Cedar Road construction area. They will continue work next year in Beachwood and return to University Heights in 2016 for additional work along Cedar Road.

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Please call us with any questions!

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## Reminders for Winterizing your Home

Although we have had a beautiful autumn, winter will be coming soon. A few steps you can take to prepare your home for winter will likely save you time and money in the coming months:

- Clean your gutters. Make sure that water can flow freely through the gutters to prevent icicles and ice dams from forming later.
- Turn off the outside water and open the faucets to drain the pipes. When water freezes, it expands. If the temperature of your pipe drops below 32 degrees Fahrenheit, and there is water in the pipe, it could freeze and possibly break the pipe.
- Replace filters in your central air and heating systems. New filters can improve the efficiency and longevity of the unit.
- Use draft guards to keep the heat inside. Place draft guards at the bottom of your doors to help prevent heat from escaping outside.

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## JCU News

Find out what's happening at John Carroll University this month in the November edition of the Carroll Connection:  
<http://sites.jcu.edu/carrollconnection/>

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