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## **Parkview Playground Open for Play!**



Mayor Brenda Bodnar cut the ribbon on August 31, 2020 to open the new all-inclusive Parkview Playground. Ohio Senator Matt Dolan and Katie Burger, the District Outreach Representative for Congressman Dave Joyce, attended the grand opening ceremony and offered their congratulations on this new outdoor facility that will be enjoyed by residents and friends for decades to come. Recreation Director Shane McAvinew, Assistant Recreation Director Danielle Echt and Program & Facilities Manager Sean Supler participated in the ceremony. Several Village Department Heads attended, along with Council President Steve Schutt, and Council Members Patsy Mills, George Williams, Al Meyers and Jennifer Jurcisek. See page 10 for more grand opening photos.

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All Emergencies / 911

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Civic Center / 440-461-2210

Lyndhurst Municipal Court / 440-461-6500

Parkview Pool / 440-446-1688

Mayfield City Schools / 440-995-6800

Mayfield Library / 440-473-0350

Kimble Cos. (rubbish pickup) / 800-201-0005



2020
Community Recycling Dates

Nov 7 - 14

Drop off old Computers, Scrap Tires and Household Hazardous Waste at the Service Dept.

610 SOM Center Road Mon-Fri 7am to 3 pm / Sat 9 am to 1 pm

## Service and Commitment for the Long Haul

### Memo from the Mayor / Brenda T. Bodnar

September 5th was a sad day here in the Village. It was the day we lost our dear friend, neighbor and retired Councilman, Tom Marrie. Tom served on our Council until December 2017, before he retired at the age of 83. His fifteen plus years of service to our Village gave us the benefit of stability, sound judgment and drama-free leadership.



Thomas J. Marrie Council-At-Large 2002-2017

Tom's love of family and of Mayfield Village was genuine, as was the twinkle in his Irish eves and the friendship he offered to everyone he met. His experience as the Corporate Director of Customer Relations for Swagelok gave him "people" skills that were unparalled. Tom's smile warmed the room and reflected his positive spirit of leadership.

We needed Tom way more than Tom needed us. After all, Tom had a multitude of friends and a strong and loving Irish family to keep him busy. Yet he chose to continue serving us-his longstanding commitment to Mayfield Village was based on his dedication and unselfish spirit. He enjoyed helping and serving. Tom, I miss you and I learned a lot from you. Thank you for your 15 years as a mostadmired and respected Council Representative. We are much in your debt.

Others too have dedicated many years of their lives to serving our Village. Bruce Rinker served as Mayor for almost 23 years, and as a Council Representative for six years before that. Bruce's vision led us through times of challenge, prosperity and growth, ultimately providing for modernization while maintaining our cozy, friendly-neighborhood feel, and building a solid business base which sustains our high level of services.



Mayor Brenda T. Bodnar

Patsy Mills and Bill Marquardt are also long-term Council representatives here. Combined, they account for more than 46 years of service on Council. Each is knowledgeable about just about everything here in the Village, from backyards to businesses, from roads to recreation, and from festivities to finances. Patsy and Bill serve to preserve the traditions we value, and to lead us into the future with positive guidance.

Several of our current Council Representatives are new or newer, but they have quickly demonstrated their dedication to the Village. They come prepared to meetings and ask questions with the goal of bettering the Village and serving you, their constituents. There is great talent and leadership in this group and I hope that they, like Tom, Bruce, Patsy and Bill, will continue to serve us into the future, paving our path to continued success with sound, positive, drama-free leadership.

I'm venturing to guess that most local elected officials get phone calls when there is a problem. And that's okay – that's what we signed up for. But today I'm taking a moment to call them out for the good things they do everyday, to thank them for their service and their stewardship, and to encourage them to continue to join together to lead us, like Tom, in the spirit of friendship, and for a good long time.

Bressa T. Bodnar

### **Congressman Dave Joyce Visits Beta Drive Businesses**

On Tuesday, October 14th, US Representative Dave Joyce paid a visit to two esteemed Village manufacturers, Mayfran International and Quality Electrodynamics (QED). Mayor Brenda Bodnar, Council President Steve Schutt and Economic Development Manager John Marquart, joined company officials in welcoming the Congressman to the Village for informative meetings and plant tours.



Mayfran President Frank Sraj and members of his team provided Congressman Joyce with a tour of their Beta Drive facility.



Congressman Joyce also stopped to visit Quality Electrodynamics (QED) . CEO Dr. Hioyuki Fujita and his staff also provided a tour. Both companies discussed with Congressman Joyce the steps they are taking to remain in operation during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mayfran President, Frank Sraj, kicked off the day's events at the company's North American headquarters at 6650 Beta Drive. Originally established in 1933, and now a subsidiary of Japan's Tsubakimoto Chain Co., Mayfran is one of the world's leading manufacturers of material handling / conveying equipment for various industries. Indeed, the company's client list reads like a real Who's Who of the world's leading companies who rely on Mayfran to engineer and build the world's best steel-chain conveyor systems from here in Mayfield Village. www.mayfran.com

Quality Electrodynamics (QED) has truly come of age right here in Mayfield Village: from the company's inception in 2006, growing to becoming the world's leading independent supplier of RF coils for the magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) industry, and now to becoming a subsidiary of Canon, Inc. Having quickly outgrown its first two facilities in the Village, the company now occupies its third 77,000 squarefoot home at 6655 Beta Drive, home to the best and brightest innovators, engineers and technicians you'll find anywhere. Founder and CEO, Dr. Hiroyuki Fujita, PhD, made certain to note his appreciation for the Village's support and partnership over the years. www.qedinnovations.com

Mayfield Village thanks Congressman Joyce for spending the morning with two of our largest and most noteworthy employers. We likewise thank Mayfran President, Frank Sraj, and QED CEO, Dr. Hiroyuki Fujita, PhD, and their respective teams for hosting these enlightening and productive sessions. (Photos courtesy of Katie Burger).



## **Winning Categories and Prizes**

#### **People's Choice Award**

\$300 Local Gift Cards plus 2021 Family Membership to Parkview Pool

#### **Clark Griswold Award (Tribute to the Movie)**

\$500 Local Gift Cards plus 2021 Family Membership to Parkview Pool

#### **Neighborhood Participation**

Parkview Pool Private Rental for you and your neighbors —up to 200 people plus \$200 Gift Card towards food for your party!

#### **Best Business Award**

Parkview Pool Private Rental for your employees—up to 200 people plus \$200 Gift Card towards food for your party!

#### Most "Village"

\$300 Local Gift Cards plus 2021 Family Membership to Parkview Pool

#### Best of Show (You blew the judges' minds!)

\$500 Local Gift Cards plus 2021 Family Membership to Parkview Pool



#### **Contest Rules**

Must be located n Mayfield Village

Register your house or business by Nov. 20 with the Recreation Department at 440.461.5163

All participants must have their house or business decorated by 5 P on December 11, 2020

For additional information, please call Recreation at 440.461.5163

## Stephen Schutt / Council President

Hello neighbors! I hope you and yours are doing well! It's great to see neighbors out and about while practicing social distancing! As we gear up for winter, remember to check on fellow neighbors. We will get through this together!

Just a few reminders:

- Leaf pick began on Monday, October 19th and will run through mid-December weather permitting. Please do not push the leaves onto the streets as this can be dangerous to all.
- There has been an increase in automobile break-ins in surrounding communities. Please make sure you remove valuables from your vehicles including your keys! Also remember to lock your doors!
- Election Day is almost here! Your voice can only be heard if you vote!
   In-person voting is on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30 AM 7:30 PM at the Civic Center.

Please reach out if I can help in any way! Stay healthy and safe and wear your masks in public! I hope you have a wonderful Holiday season! Take care!



Stephen Schutt Council President

### Patsy Mills / Council Ward 2

Time seems to go faster and faster. The spring, summer and fall went quickly even though we are confined and not able to do what we are used to doing and when. It is very important that we all maintain the proper etiquette by wearing our masks, keeping proper distance from others and washing our hands.

The Mayor and the staff at the Civic Center have done an excellent job of maintaining services for the Villagers. The new Parkview Playground is a wonderful addition to the recreational area. There is something for everyone to play with or swing on the swings. Thank you, Recreation Department for all your work completing this park upgrade.

The Records Commission hosted the annual Shred Day on October 31. Recreation offered Exercise Programs, and a Halloween Walk for children in October. November was the Presidential Election which included Judges in the various Courts, and Charter changes. Mayfield Village Council and other Committees have their meetings by Zoom which are available for the residents to view.

Reminder! When the snow starts, beware of the fire hydrants and make sure that the snow does not hide them. Make sure your house number is also visible.

Happy Holidays to Everyone and a Healthy New Year.



Patsy Mills Council, Ward 2

### Jennifer Jurcisek / Council-at-Large

I hope everyone had a pleasant summer although it may have looked a bit different. We saw more residents than ever out walking in neighborhoods and enjoying the area trails and we continue to have a lot of fun at the new Parkview Playground. Thank you again to Danielle Echt and the entire Recreation Department. It was their vision for this amazing area that has allowed children of all ages and abilities (and adults) to experience playtime in new, exciting, and stimulating ways. If you have not yet visited, I encourage you to do so.

The new sidewalks on Wilson Mills are also complete which has helped connect Echo Drive and Village Trail residents to the rest of the Village. I personally have met many new residents when out walking in this area.

As we approach the holiday season, it again may look a bit different but there are some exciting changes. My family and I enjoyed the new Halloween Trick or Treat Trail that seemed to be highly anticipated. The Recreation Department continued to open more time slots in order to accommodate families so that as many residents as possible were able to experience this new and unique way to celebrate the holiday in the safest way considering the current social distancing regulations. Thank you to all the students who painted festive fall windows and thank you to the area businesses who welcomed these students. The students look forward to this every year and it brings a sense of community between the Village and Schools.

Speaking of community, do not forget to register your house or business for the holiday decorating contest this winter. Looking forward to seeing all the decorations on the streets of the Village and seeing Santa on a float this year!

Wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday season!





#### **RECYCLING IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER!**

#### Susan Jerome / Service Dept. Executive Assistant

With more people staying home and eating at home during the pandemic, the amount of residential trash being generated has increased by almost 25%. Even before this year, when we talk about waste, the United States is number one, using 70% of the world's natural resources and each of us generating 4.5 lbs. of waste each day. According to National Geographic's Greendex, the U.S. ranked last in the 17 countries surveyed in regard to sustainable behavior. For those of us who want to change those numbers, the following ideas will assist you in implementing sustainable practices:



Food is the largest resource in our waste stream and its disposal has a cost to the environment.

What you can do: Don't over-buy; before you go shopping, make a list of the meals you plan on making and what ingredients you'll need; consider buying "ugly" fruits and vegetables so the grocer doesn't throw them out; keep your serving sizes in check so you're not throwing out food at the end of the meal; eat leftovers; compost food that absolutely has to be thrown out.

See the following link for composting from the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District: <a href="https://cuyahogarecycles.org/compost\_workshops">https://cuyahogarecycles.org/compost\_workshops</a> and bins



**Paper.** Americans use approximately 680 lbs. of paper a year, per person; the second largest resource in our waste stream. According to the US Toxic Release Inventory, pulp and paper mills are some of the worst industrial polluters in the country.

**What you can do**: Use both sides of the paper; buy recycled paper; stop junk mail delivery; use on-line magazine and newspaper subscriptions; recycle home and office paper.



**Plastics** are so versatile and inexpensive to make, that it is a preferred product to use. But plastic, as it degrades, only becomes smaller pieces of plastic getting into our oceans, lakes, and streams and harming wildlife who ingest it.

**What you can do**: say no to plastic straws; use a reusable water bottle; use reusable produce bags; bring your own container for left-overs at a restaurant; use cloth bags for shopping; ask take-out food establishments not to give you the plasticware.



**Metals.** Extracting the minerals to make metal requires a large amount of energy, toxic chemicals such as mercury and cyanide, and the destruction to hills and mountains.

**What you can do:** use cast iron pans or any pan without the non-stick feature since these cannot be recycled; use aluminum foil repeatedly by washing it between uses; recycle your aluminum and steel cans; sort all your scrap metals and take them to a metal recycler.

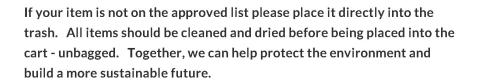


#### **CONTACT US WITH QUESTIONS**

1-800-201-0005 www.kimblecompanies.com

Since 1994, Kimble Recycling & Disposal, Inc. has provided convenient recycling service to our Eastern Ohio customers. Take a minute to learn about our easy recycling program and what we recycle.

The biggest issue with curbside recycling for all recycling haulers is the large amount of contaminates received within the recycling carts (see pictured). Items such as trash bags, food residue, styrofoam, batteries, electronics, etc. are among the top contaminates and are not accepted at our recycling center.







## **RECYCLING RIGHT - In 3 Easy Steps...**







## 1 When in doubt... THROW IT OUT!

Make sure that all items are on the Kimble Recycling Center's approved list of accepted recyclables. If the item is not on the list or if you are unsure place it directly into the trash.

## 2 Recyclables must be clean and dry.

Food is considered a contaminate. No dirty peanut butter jars or bottles with water still in them. Cardboard must also be clean and dry. Greasy pizza boxes are not recyclable.

## No need to sort or bag your items

Place your approved recyclables in your Kimble Recycling Cart all together. Items should be loose and unbagged. Bags are a contaminate at our Recycling Center.

## **Parkview Playground Complete and Fabulous!**

**Grand Opening Held August 31, 2020** 







State Senator Matt Dolan made remarks at the Grand Opening Ceremony along with Mayor Brenda Bodnar, who stated, "Although the restrictions of COVID-19 have kept us from celebrating in grander fashion with a larger crowd here today, I know that our community will have many years to enjoy this place and share it with neighbors and

friends." Council President Steve Schutt was on hand for the festivities and, as you can see, enjoyed trying out some of the new equipment.

Recreation Director Shane McAvinew and Assistant Recreation Director Danielle Echt report that the playground has been popular since its opening and that patrons have been very cooperative with mask wearing and following social distancing guidelines.

The Parkview Playground now offers play equipment that is all-inclusive and appropriate for all ages and all abilities.



Council Member Patsy Mills, Mary Lou Bregitzer and Betty Jo Mooney enjoyed a lovely afternoon at the playground.

## Mayfield High School Student Alexis Ochi Receives Girl Scout Gold Award for Building Bluebird Houses



The Gold Award is the highest honor that a girl can earn in Girl Scouting; it is awarded for outstanding achievement in several areas, including leadership and community service. Alexis Ochi, a Mayfield High School student with an impressive 3.9 GPA, and the daughter of Jennifer Danzo, has been a Girl Scout since Kindergarten. In 4th grade, Alexis received the Bronze Award for raising money to purchase supplies for Rescue Village. During Alexis's Cadette level, she earned the Silver Award for creating geocaches throughout the Mayfield area (that she still maintains). Alexis has also achieved the Four-Star Award, Program Aide Award, six Presidential Volunteer Service Awards and two Summit awards.

Early this year, Alexis identified a reduction in the bluebird population in this area due to nest competition mainly caused by sparrows. Alexis learned that giving bluebirds an easily accessible way to nest with less sparrow interference would greatly assist the growth of the population. Alexis contacted the Village to see if she would be permitted to install bluebird houses at 24 locations on the The Bruce G. Rinker Greenway Trail, bringing additional beauty to Mayfield Village while positively impacting the bluebird population in Northeast Ohio. This effort earned Alexis the Gold Award, allowing her to join the small percentage of young women who have achieved this honor.

Alexis was invited to participate in the remote Council meeting held on October 19 where Mayor Bodnar presented her with a Proclamation congratulating her on this achievement.

## Attorney Ann D'Amico Receives Public Service Honor from Italian-American Heritage Committee



The Cleveland Italian American Heritage Committee is comprised of volunteers devoted to preserving the culture and heritage of Italian Americans in Northeast Ohio. Each year, individuals and businesses are recognized for outstanding contributions to the community. This year, Mayfield Village attorney Ann D'Amico was their Public Service honoree. Congratulations Ann!

## Prosecuting During a Pandemic Michael E. Cicero / Village Prosecutor

I hope this article finds each of you and your families in good health and good spirits. For many families, including mine, the world was turned upside down in early March 2020. At this point in time, I wanted to take a few moments to let the Village residents know what I, in my capacity as the Village's Prosecutor, have been doing during the pandemic.

Under the various orders issued by both the Governor and former Director of Health, legal services were, and continue to be, considered essential. Therefore, while many individuals were forced to stay at home, or were laid off by their employer, I continued to work – day in and day out. I am very fortunate in that regard. Beginning in mid-March through today, I watch the press conferences like many others (not always live, however) to obtain information that may impact me professionally, as well as personally.

As soon as orders or "Sector Specific Guidelines" are issued, I obtain an official copy. This is not always a simple task. I then analyze each through the viewpoint of how it affects the safety of our community, and the legal and practical implications of how or if it can be enforced by Mayfield Village Police Department. I distill the information and prepare a memorandum for Mayor Bodnar and Chief Matias as soon as possible, usually within a few hours.

This has been and remains critical, so our Police Department can provide the best protection to our community. I

have had many discussions with Chief Matias and members of the Police Department regarding the intricacies of various orders and guidelines, and the possible scenarios and crimes that may arise from them. As the Chief and every member of the Police Department knows, I am available for questions or to discuss concerns at any time, day or night.

Lyndhurst Municipal Court dockets continue as well. Since April 1st, I have been present at Court at least once per week conducting criminal and traffic pretrials via telephone. These telephonic pretrials are extremely productive, and enable me to timely and meaningfully discuss a case with a defense lawyer, unrepresented defendant, or victim, while at the same time keeping all parties distanced and safe. In my discussions with the Court, this practice may continue in some form, even after the pandemic has subsided.

Again, it is my sincerest hope that all of you and your families be and remain well. So for the foreseeable future, please stay safe, refine your Zoom meeting techniques and backgrounds (I have become very proficient), and take the time to enjoy your family and home.



Michael E. Cicero Village Prosecutor

## **Service Department Fall Reminders Doug Metzung / Service Director**



#### LEAF PICKUP HAS BEGUN AND WILL CONTINUE THROUGH MID-DECEMBER.

Please note that the program is weather dependent. If it snows before all leaves are collected, residents must bag them and dispose of them with their regular rubbish. The Village does not offer Spring pick-up of leaves.

The Service Department vacuums the leaves at every residence with the goal of reaching each street once a week. Leaves should be raked to the treelawn and not put in the street. Leaves left in the street cause a danger, especially when wet and the roads be-

come slick. Branches and other non-leaf debris should be removed from the pile on the treelawn. If picked-up with the leaves, these items cause damage to the vacuum truck.

#### COMPUTER AND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

#### THIS YEAR'S COLLECTION INCLUDES CAMPAIGN SIGNS!

#### November 7 - 14

Bring old computers, printers, keyboards, etc., household hazardous waste, and political campaign signs to the Service Department at 610 SOM Center Road for recycling. Visit <a href="https://www.mayfieldvillage.com/service-department">www.mayfieldvillage.com/service-department</a> or call 440-442-5506 for details about what items are accepted.

#### Times:

Monday - Friday: 7:00 am - 3:00 pm Saturday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

#### **FACE COVERINGS AND DISTANCING SAVES LIVES!**



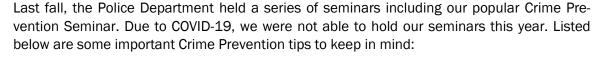
## **Ohio Public Health Advisory System**

LEVEL 1 LEVEL 2 LEVEL 3 4-5 Indicators Triggered 6-7 Indicators Triggered 2-3 Indicators Triggered **Public Emergency Public Emergency Public Emergency Public Emergency** Active exposure and spread. Increased exposure and spread. Very high exposure and spread. Severe exposure and spread. Follow all current health Exercise high degree of caution. Limit activities as much as Only leave home for supplies Follow all current health orders. possible. Follow all current and services. Follow all current orders. health orders. health orders.

## **Mayfield Police Department Patrol Division**

#### Paul Matias / Chief of Police

The backbone of the Mayfield Village Police Department is its Patrol Division. Patrol is the most visible operation within the department. Our highly trained Patrol Officers as assigned to one of four platoons that efficiently and effectively serve the residents, and businesses of Mayfield Village 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. Our Officers are responsible for patrolling the community, responding to calls for service, investigating complaints, traffic enforcement, and being proactive in preventing crime. Our officers are committed to serving the community, safeguarding lives and property, protecting the innocent, keeping the peace, ensuring the rights of all, and the equality of justice. Patrol Officers respond to every kind of incident, even when the incident has nothing to do with violations of law. There are few jobs in any profession that require such a breadth of knowledge and skills. I want to thank everyone in the Patrol Division for their dedication and professionalism.



- Always lock your cars and your home. Most thefts from cars are from unlocked vehicles.
   For your home, use locks with deadbolts for your doors and have windows with sturdy locking mechanisms.
- Keep your shrubs trimmed, so that burglars cannot hide behind them, and install and use appropriate lighting to illuminate entrances and walkways.
- Protect your identity and avoid scams by never providing personal information except to trusted sources. Never open or reply to unsolicited or suspicious emails and never pay for anything when someone asks you to pay using gift cards or wire transfers. Before sending money or giving information to anyone, call our SCAM HOTLINE at (440)461-1236.



Paul Matias Chief of Police



### **MVPD SCAM HOTLINE**

440-461-1236

If someone contacts you asking for money, gift cards, bank account information, or any other personal information, you can call the SCAM HOTLINE. You will be connected to staff at the Police Department that can answer questions and help you determine if something is legitimate or a scam. I encourage anyone to call before giving out any information or sending any money.

## **Mayfield Village Patrols on Duty to Serve You**



**A Platoon:** Sgt. Josh Manypenny, Officer Stipe Bajan, Officer Zach Reiland, and Officer Brandon Sokolowski.



**B Platoon:** Officer Chuck Pona, Officer Matt Hocevar, Sergeant Jay Argie, and Officer Tom Dearden.



**C Platoon:** Sgt. Matt Kostrab, Officer Rich Suchy, Officer Mark Schooler, Officer Bob Grose



**D Platoon:** Officer Scott Seabolt, Sergeant Kathy Troyer, Officer Dan Predovic, and Officer Steve Palka

## DID YOU MISS THE MESSAGES ABOUT THE WATER MAIN BREAK LAST MONTH? STAY INFORMED OF LOCAL EMERGENCIES



## Sign Up for "Your 911"

The Safety Application for smart phones that links you directly to local safety forces.

Emergency and weather notifications are available through Your 911.

Residents can sign up on the Mayfield Village website

or by calling the Police Dept. at 440-461-1234.

## **Economic Development in Mayfield Village**

#### John Marquart / Economic Development Manager

#### HOLIDAY INN TO RECEIVE MAJOR UPGRADES

The Holiday Inn at 780 Beta Dr. has served as an important anchor in Mayfield Village for over 40 years. Major improvements now planned by the new ownership group will result in a modern, amenity-filled hotel and banquet center more complementary to the Village, and positioning the property for decades of continued success.

The hotel and the beloved Alfredo's at the Inn restaurant were acquired by Spark Hotels in October, 2019, making it the 5<sup>th</sup> northeast Ohio hotel in the growing Spark portfolio. The new owners got right to work behind the scenes retaining long-time staffers and making mechanical and code corrections. In advance of the renovations, they've also upgraded internet access throughout the property and added a long-needed guest shuttle.

Beginning this fall, Spark Hotels will begin a major, multi-year interior and exterior renovation that touches every square foot of the 108-room property. Inside and out, guests can expect to see improvements throughout to meet or exceed the latest International Hotel Group standards. The first thing you'll notice – other than Alfredo's delicious Italian comfort food remaining just as you remember it – is a striking modern upgrade to the building's exterior.

Spark Hotels President, Amit Patel, explains, "We grew up right up the road in Willoughby Hills, and we're truly excited about this project. The hotel will undergo a major upgrade to meet the needs and demands of today's business and leisure travelers. The look and feel of the hotel will be a huge game changer for our loyal guests."

Inside the building, the lobby will be enlarged and renovated to become a brighter, more inviting and welcoming space. Alfredo's will be refreshed, and all 108 guest rooms will be renewed top-to-bottom. Work will be done in phases, and all necessary safety measures will be put in place to avoid any disruptions to overnight guests or patrons dining at Alfredo's. Spark Hotels is committed to the Village for the long haul, as Mr. Patel continues, "We view this as a win-win for all – the community, our guests, and our associates. We thank the Village for your continued support, and look forward to serving you for years to come."

Visit the Holiday Inn and Alfredo's at the Inn at 780 Beta Dr. (no hard hat required) or call 440-461-9200 for more information. www.holidayinn.com





## KITCHEN-TABLE CONVERSATIONS MEET ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Mayfield Village, local economic development partner of TeamNEO, is pleased to roll out the Emerging Talents program to help soon-to-be graduates and young adults determine which career path might be right for them. As the leading economic development agency for Northeast Ohio, TeamNEO has taken advantage of its strong data analysis capabilities to determine which leading regional industries face a shortage of talent, and market those careers to young adults to help keep our graduating talent right here at home.

The goal is to connect students' passions with real career opportunities and, in turn, help the Northeast Ohio economy continue to grow. Often, students will find that a rewarding career is closer than they thought. If you've got young adult seeking career guidance in information technology, health care, advanced manufacturing or business management, visit www.emergingtalent.teamneo.org

#### SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF FUND

It's often been said that small business is the backbone of the economy, and nowhere is that more accurate than Mayfield Village. Like every town, COVID-19 has negatively impacted our business community. While the Village has fared better than many of our peer communities overall, many small enterprises are still struggling to keep the doors open.

From the beginning of the pandemic, the Village has considered how we might best step up to assist local businesses and ensure that they weather the storm. Since so much Federal relief was being made available early, the Village decided to wait to see how those programs unfold, and if the virus itself would decline. Meantime, Village staff also did our best to educate companies how and where to apply, what their obligations would be, and where to find philanthropic assistance and other resources.

While many of our companies were able to obtain Federal assistance, once the dust settled, it became clear that not everyone who needed a helping hand was able to get it. As we all know, the virus itself unfortunately didn't go anywhere over the summer either. On September 21st, Village Council voted unani-

mously to establish the Small Business Relief Fund to help our mom-and-pop shops weather the storm. As of press time, 16 of our small enterprises applied for small grants to assist with operating expenses like rent, payroll, utilities and personal protective equipment.

"I'm very glad that we were able to roll out our grant program," said Mayor Bodnar. "Even though other programs offered some early assistance through loans and grants, that funding has pretty much been exhausted. The need, however, remains. We are hopeful that our grant program can help sustain our small businesses through these challenging times, and let them know that they are an important part of the Mayfield Village community."



## SPIRIT OF CLAY, YOUR HOMETOWN PAINT-YOUR-OWN POTTERY & ART STUDIO

In 2003, Kathy Hess took a class at Lakeland Community College called "From Dreams to Reality" and upon completion of the course, decided to take the plunge as an entrepreneur. One year later, after countless hours of research, hiring a consultant and gathering advice from other small business owners, she opened Spirit of Clay at 828 SOM Center Rd.

16 years later, the studio remains Kathy's passion, as she recognizes how art and the creative process can positively influence our lives and help us heal while in the midst of the daily struggles we all experience – the perfect prescription for the stressful times we find ourselves in lately. She is grateful to have the opportunity to provide this service to the people who walk through her studio doors.

Despite the challenges of the pandemic, Spirit of Clay has endured, offering appropriately-distanced classes and parties, or individual classes (by appointment). Have fun exploring your artistic side in hands-on media such as pottery, ceramics, hand-built clay and glass fusing. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned pro, Kathy will provide you with the tools and support for you to express your inner creativity. "I want everyone to know that we are open!" says Kathy, "You'll be surprised at what kids and adults alike can create."

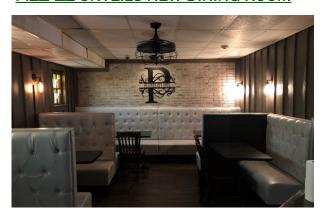
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Kathy believes strongly in supporting small businesses, and offering her services and support to the local community.

Return the favor and visit the shop, rated one of Cleveland Magazine's Best of Cleveland and definitely one of the most fun places in the Village, at 828 SOM Center Rd. (next to Heinen's) or call 440-684-0001 for more information. www.spiritofclay.net

#### PIZZAZZ UNVEILS NEW DINING ROOM





Long-time Village favorite, Pizzazz, has just wrapped up some beautiful renovations to the restaurant at 839 SOM Center Rd. Co-owner, Mark Gaspar, explains, "The dining room was long overdue for a re-model anyway, so we decided to take advantage of the recent shut-down to get it done."

Pizzazz has been serving their famous pizza and other Italian favorites in Mayfield Village since 1975, and it has never looked better. "Considering the new reality we're in these days, we actually decided to make the renovations pandemic -friendly," Gaspar continues. "We reduced the seating capacity to provide more space between tables, and all the booths are now high-backed. We've also installed new stainless food prep surfaces, a new dishwasher and sanitizing equipment in the kitchen."

For patrons who would rather enjoy a delicious pizza or calzone at home, Pizzazz has also started offering take-and-bake menu items to further adapt to the changing times. Another option growing in popularity is the Slice of Pizzazz food truck, now booking for 2021 outdoor events. Stop in at 839 SOM Center Rd. or call 440-461-2233. www.pizzazzpizzeria.com

Do you know a local business or businessperson worthy of note?

Let us know by contacting John Marquart, Economic Development Manager, at (440) 461-7894 or <a href="marquart@mayfieldvillage.com">marquart@mayfieldvillage.com</a>.



## **Mayfield Township Historical Society**

Joan Gottschling, President

or come during our open hours 12-1 on Mondays.

#### "We are looking for new ways to give history a future"

The Bennett-Van Curen Historical House All of our meetings have been canceled until the Mayfield Community Room is open and we can safely meet. The Bennett-Van Curen house is open for tours. This might be the best time to call 440-461-0055 to schedule a private tour any day for 1-2 people

Every Monday our Quilters are quilting, light yard work is being done, our research library is answering inquires and we are working on digitizing our artifacts. Join us to volunteer and bring us your talents! There are many jobs to be done here. Families are welcome. We are always interested in older photos of homes/businesses that once were

> and to interview residents who have lived in the Village and have seen the changes. Call to schedule and interview.

> Our membership month begins January and you can begin now to send in your check to 606 SOM Center Rd Mayfield 44143. \$10 Individual, \$20 Family, \$25 Contributing, \$50 Business, \$500 Lifetime. We also have our memorial bricks if your would like to remember someone for \$40 on our brick walkway (3 lines, 13 letters per row) and we have a special Veteran's Section.



Jeff Edie repairing the outhouse on the grounds.



A memorial hydrangea tree planted in memory of Edith Giglo.



The Memorial Brick walkway at the Historical House.

For additional information, call 440-461-0055 or visit our website at mayfieldtownshiphistoricsociety@yahoo.com. Tours of the Museum will soon again be available by appointment.



### Wendy Albin Sattin / Executive Director

#### www.communitypartnershiponaging.org

CPA is working on extensive plans to reopen in a phased, cautious manner to insure the utmost safety for staff, volunteers and you, our treasured participants. We are excited to be strengthening our partnership with Mayfield Village and are looking to offer exciting new programs in 2021. What programs would you enjoy? Qi Gong, (an ancient Chinese movement and breathing practice) in the winter? Bocce in the spring? Canoeing in the summer? Please let me know – the sky's the limit!

Although our on-site program offerings are limited by the requirement to physically distance, our on-line offerings are growing and can be accessed on Facebook, Zoom, or

You Tube. Please check out the calendar on our website for the most up to date schedule information. Staff and volunteers are ready to help you get on line to participate- give us a call and we will help you (albeit remotely!) jump on the internet.

Please call Marilyn at 216-291-3903 and sign up to be a technology mentor. Our goal is to get as many participants as possible using technology to stay in touch with the world. Your help is welcome!

On a final note, COVID-19 presents scammers with new ways to run old scams. For instance, have you heard about the contact trac-

er scam? It's when a con artist calls pretending to be a contact tracer and asks for your Social Security number or a payment for tracking services. Authentic contact tracers never inquire about those things. If you get questionable calls, hang up. Or don't answer unknown numbers in the first place. If you are unsure, call your social work team at 440-442-2628 or the MVPD's Scam Line at 440-461-1236.

Please stay in touch-call us at 216-291-3902 or email at contactus@communitypartnershiponagin g.org and let us know how we can serve you. Until we can get together in person, please stay safe, stay healthy and stay busy!



#### DO ANY OF THESE PROJECTS LOOK FAMILIAR?

These are all services that CARE Volunteers assist members with. Call today to learn more about being a CARE Member so you can get some these projects off your list!

Call 216-970-0599 or visit our website at www.careneo.org.

#### Yard Care

Raking
Weeding
Planting
Trimming
Watering
Mulch
General Yard Cleanup
Spring Cleanup

#### Home Exterior Projects

Minor Painting
Porch Cleanup
Window Cleaning
House Exterior Cleaning
Garage Cleanout
Outdoor furniture placement
Sweeping
Trash Removal

#### Interior General Housekeeping

Stove Cleaning
Refrigerator Cleaning
Floor Care
Window Care
Curtain Replacement
Dusting
Lightbulb & Battery Replacement
Cleaning out cabinets &
Expired Items

#### **Home Organizing**

Packing Items
Room cleanouts including basement, attic
Sorting and moving for storage, donating or trash
Paper Shredding
Large & Small Projects

#### Tech Assistance

Setting up new devices i.e. cell phones, tablets printers, computers & TVs
Support for hardware and software issues
Provide general overview of how to use products
Cable & Internet Connections

#### Handy Person Projects

Screen, storm window & door seasonal change outs Window air conditioning seasonal change outs Furnace filter replacement Minor Painting Door Lock Installations Minor Repairs



#### **Aintree North Homeowner's Association**

## Blase Pietrafese / President

Here's hoping all of our residents are doing well throughout this pandemic. Many of us have been at home a lot, and it is nice to see so many people out walking and enjoying our beautiful neighborhood. Several new families have moved in, and it is a pleasure to see more children playing outside.

We would like to address several issues that have been brought up by some of our residents:

- Trimming of the trees on our tree lawns The Village has allocated \$80,000 for tree-trimming to be done the winter of 2021.
- Sidewalk block replacements Sidewalk replacement is the responsibility of the homeowner. However, if you have sidewalk blocks in front of your home that have lifted due to tree roots, the Village will reimburse you \$125 per block, up to \$1000 per homeowner. Corner lot owners may qualify for double that amount. Please contact me if you have a sidewalk issue, and I will be happy to coordinate reimbursement with the Village. Keeping our sidewalks free from trip hazards benefits everyone.
- Yard and property maintenance The Village will
  only address the issue of yard maintenance if
  the grass at the home is over 3 inches high.
  They will not address issues of weeds, etc.
  Property maintenance issues should be directed to the Building Department. They will assess the complaint, and if deemed necessary,
  contact the property owner.
- Garbage container placement One of the complaints we have received is garbage containers being visible in driveways, which is unsightly when viewed from the street. We all want to be proud of our development so, if at all possible, a suggestion would be to hide your containers around the rear corner of your property, or perhaps in your garage.

 Village trucks going too fast on our streets - Service Director Doug Metzung has been advised of this complaint, and will speak to the employees about it.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, any member of the current Board, or our Councilman, Bill Marquardt, with any concerns or questions regarding our neighborhood. Phone numbers for everyone are in our new directory, which all residents received.

Our thanks to Bill Marquardt for his assistance in providing information for this article.

Wishing you good health,

Blase Pietrafese, President (440.461.8843) Aintree North Homeowner's Association



The need for blood is constant and patients continue to need your help during the Coronavirus pandemic.

Donation sites continue to operate, including here at the Mayfield Village Civic Center. See <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a> for dates and other local locations.

Please note that to support social distancing, appointments are required. You can make an appointment online or call 1-800-REDCROSS (800-723-2767).



A reminder that the Mayfield Village Garden Club's Annual Craft Fair has been cancelled. It is the Garden Club's hope that, in 2021, we will be able to present a spectacular Craft Fair for your Holiday Shopping.



The spectacular plantings at the Butterfly Garden were enjoyed by many this year.

The Garden Club Members recently met at the Butterfly Garden in the Village. It was the first gathering of the year. The Members enjoyed the beautiful flowers that are blooming and it was nice to visit with each other, even at a distance. We all appreciate all the work that the members have done from the onset of Garden. Many thanks to the Service Department for their assistance in the project, especially the water tower which made watering so much easier.

It is difficult for the Committee people to make many plans for a meeting or even a Garden Tour, but they are trying. A trip to Holden Arboretum was planned in mid October to see the Fall Tree colors. Other Committees are working towards the day we can meet as we have done in the past.

Please follow the rules so that we may all stay well and get back to normal.

## **Mayfield Women's Club**

The Mayfield Women's Club have had two outdoor meetings this year. The first was a box lunch and "Just to Say Hello." The next meeting was also a box lunch but the Committees met prior and decided to proceed with different projects that are performed on regular basis. We appreciate the emails and phone calls that they made. The collection of school supplies for the inner city and the annual nut sale were successful projects. It may take a little longer to get things done, but it is happening.

Collection of food products for Ronald McDonald House and the Food Pantry at Our Savior Lutheran Church and the Mitten Tree are being planned. Anyone that would like to donate to the Mitten Tree can bring mittens, scarves, gloves, socks to the Civic Center after December 1st. You can place your donations in the decorated box that will be placed at the parking lot entrance to the Civic Center. For info, call Betty Jo 440-442-7322. These simple ways of donating really do make people happy, especially during the Holidays.

Thank you for your help. Stay Safe.

#### **Calendar of Events**

• ALL IN-PERSON MAYFIELD VILLAGE MEETINGS, EVENTS AND PROGRAMS ARE CAN-CELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

- ALL PUBLIC BUILDINGS REMAIN CLOSED AND MEETINGS WILL BE HELD REMOTELY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
- A LINK TO VIEW ALL MEETINGS WILL BE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING. RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SEND IN QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.
- PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION, MEETING NOTICES, AGEN-DAS AND UPDATES AT WWW.MAYFIELDVILLAGE.COM.

#### **UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETING DATES**

(all meetings held remotely @ 7:00 p.m)

Monday, November 2 (Caucus)

Monday, November 16 (Regular Meeting)

Monday, December 7 (Caucus)
Monday, December 21 (Regular Meeting)

Monday, Nov 9 Lifeline Screening (call 1-888-653-6450 for an appointment)

Thursday, Nov 19 Red Cross Blood Drive (2-7 pm at Civic Center)

Wednesday, Nov 25 Red Cross Blood Drive (11-5 pm at Civic Center)

Thurs/Fri, Nov 26 & 27 Thanksgiving (Village Offices Closed)

Saturday, Dec 5 Santa Ride, Tree Lighting & Fireworks (see back cover for details)

Thursday, Dec 10 Hanukkah Begins, **Menorah Lighting** (7 pm at Gazebo)

Thursday, Dec 17 Red Cross Blood Drive (2-7 pm at Civic Center)

Thurs/Fri, Dec 24 & 25 Christmas (Village Offices Closed)

Thursday, Dec 31 Red Cross Blood Drive (2-7 pm at Civic Center)

Friday, Jan 1 New Year's Day (Village Offices Closed)



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