



# VOICE OF THE VILLAGE

Summer 2021



*Photos courtesy of Andy Daugherty*

Scenes from the Village's post-Covid Independence Day celebration held at Parkview Pool and The Grove. The weather was beautiful and all who came enjoyed a fun-filled day, a great concert, and a fireworks finale!

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# Are We There Yet?

## Memo from the Mayor / Brenda T. Bodnar

As a kid, my family made countless trips to the Pittsburgh area to visit relatives. Although it was a relatively short trip (made shorter when the turnpike was built), I was always anxious to get there. My favorite Aunt Louise had crimson mohair furniture and brown eggs (which my sister and I called chocolate eggs), both of which seemed exotic to me. She lived in the country and had a big front porch where we sat and listened to Pirates' games on the radio, and a backyard that connected us to all the kids in the neighborhood. My Aunt Hazel and Uncle Steve had a porch swing and a beagle named Trixie, and all my relatives couldn't be happier to see us and feed us homemade Italian food.

Now, I know we are all anxious to get to our destination too—post-COVID land. But, just as my father patiently reminded me when I was young, we're not there yet. It's going to be a little while longer.

By now, most of us have received our vaccines and have minimized our personal risk. But we still have an economic impact to face. To date, our revenues have been strong. However, in the recently-passed Ohio operating budget, state legislators included two provisions that will impact us. (We fought them both.)

One allows for taxpayers to apply for municipal income tax refunds from the municipality they would normally work in if, in fact, they worked at home during COVID-19. This provision would allow refunds retroactive to January 1, 2021. We won't know the full impact of this provision until next April, when tax returns for 2021 will be filed.

The second provision provides that the

old 20-day rule goes back into effect beginning in mid-July, meaning that employees who are working from home instead of their normal place of work in the Village, and have been doing so for at least 20 days, will be considered to be employees of their home city, not the Village. As our largest employer is just gradually bringing people back to their offices here, the resurrection of the 20-day rule will significantly impact our income tax stream for the second half of 2021. (Yes, we also have residents who normally work outside of Mayfield Village who are now working at home and will now pay income taxes to the Village, but the equation is lopsided – far more people normally work inside the Village than live here.) Next year, we are hopeful that things will get back to the old normal. The reality is that we just don't know.

But, like our ancestors who founded Mayfield Village 100 years ago, we must be prepared for challenges and poised to succeed in a future that is less certain than we would like. We are prepared and we are poised to succeed. Due to sound financial planning and conservative spending, our nest egg is approaching 40 million dollars. While we have no intention of spending all of that money, or even a large percentage of it, we can fall back on our reserves to help us through the short-term bumps in the road. When the dust is more settled, we can adapt our plans accordingly. For the time being, we are watching our spending but keeping up with the high level of services our Village has come to expect.

Our plans for the future include, as they always have, working to build and expand our business base on a limited



Mayor Brenda T. Bodnar

### Memo from the Mayor, continued.

footprint, connecting people to jobs here in the Village, and finding creative ways to assure positive outcomes for both our business and residential citizens.

Are we there yet? Not yet. We've only just gotten through our first 100 years. We have a long and prosperous future ahead of us and, really, it's the journey that matters. There are many changes and challenges we will face along the way, although I believe we will always remain a quietly confident community of friends, families and neighbors. It is those relationships that will sustain us, give meaning to our journey, and propel us to strive for a better future for ourselves, our community and our children.

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On another note, I had the honor of speaking at this year's Memorial Day celebration and sharing the stage with our own Police Chief, Paul Matias. It was a cool and blustery day, but many came out to honor veterans of all wars, listen to our speeches and share a cookie or two. Thanks go out again this year to resident Mary Singer who has organized this annual event for decades. Not only does she plan and work the event, securing speakers and entertainment, but she and volunteers place flags at the graves of veterans at all of the Village cemeteries—over 4,000 flags in all.



WWII and Korean War Army Veteran Merv Singer at this year's Memorial Day celebration at Whitehaven Memorial Park, pictured here with Director of Administration Diane Wolgamuth.

Mary has worked tirelessly for the Village in many capacities, as a member of the Recreation Board and the Citizens Advisory Committee, and volunteering to serve at a variety of special events over the years. She and her husband Merv were named Outstanding Citizens by Mayor Rinker back in 2009 and they have remained active members of the community since that time.

Thank you, Mary, for your dedication to honoring veterans and thank you to the other Memorial Day participants, including Council President Steve Schutt who served as the Master of Ceremonies, Pastor Bret Smith, Bonnie Cottingham, the members of the Erie Heights Brass Ensemble, the Greater Lake County Young Marines and Boy Scout Troop 289.

*Brenda T. Bodnar*



Above, Mayor Bodnar speaking at the Memorial Day ceremony with Police Chief Matias waiting to follow up her remarks. Left, a Scout from Troop 289 carries the American flag as part of the Color Guard ceremony. Below, some of the thousands of flags placed by volunteers at the graves of veterans.





## Building Commissioner John Marrelli Retires

On June 7, 2021, Mayor Bodnar and Council recognized outgoing Building Commissioner John Marrelli with a Resolution honoring him for 17 years of service with Mayfield Village. John retired effective June 4th and turned over the reins to incoming Building Commissioner Daniel Russell.

John was hired by Mayor Bruce Rinker in 2004 and, over the past two decades, he oversaw many Village projects. John also worked closely with the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Board of Zoning Appeals and the Architectural Review Board in their duties regarding zoning, land use, and building issues that affect Mayfield Village.

As stated in the Resolution, John distinguished himself as a dedicated public servant, at all times committed to helping the community, administering building code regulations with a sense of fairness, and building cooperative relationships with residents, local business owners, contractors, and other government organizations.

John's colleagues know him as a calm, steady co-worker and friend who takes pride in his work and is always ready to lend support or help when needed. While we welcome the addition of Dan Russell to our ranks, we already miss John and his quiet good humor.



Left to right: New Building Commissioner Daniel Russell, Building Inspector Tony Carbone and retired Building Commissioner John Marrelli. Missing from this photo is the final member of the Building Department team, Executive Assistant Debbie Garbo.

## A Note from Building Commissioner Daniel Russell...

I began my building inspector career in 1996 working part-time in the City of Westlake. During that tenure, a full-time position was advertised for the City of Lakewood. I was hired by Lakewood and eventually became the Assistant Building Commissioner there. I stayed in this position for approximately 12 years. Then another opportunity arose in the City of Olmsted Falls, which happened to be my hometown. I was hired there as the Assistant Building Commission/Zoning Administrator and I worked there until the building department was disbanded. I was fortunate enough to secure an Assistant Building Commissioner position in North Olmsted where I grew up. I stayed there for approximately six years. Most recently, I had a short stint in Medina County before being hired by Mayfield Village.

During the interview process here, I knew this was the right place for me. I was honored to receive the offer for the Building Commissioner position from Mayor Bodnar. I accepted the position and I have never been happier to work within a community. I was welcomed with open arms by my co-workers, business community and homeowners. After 24 years in the business, I am excited to offer my knowledge and expertise to the Village. I am dedicating to upholding the safety, welfare and dignity of this fine community.

I currently reside in Olmsted Falls with my wonderful wife, two sons (ages 17 and 16) and a beautiful daughter (age 14). They have never seen me happier.

## Steve Schutt/ Council President & At-Large

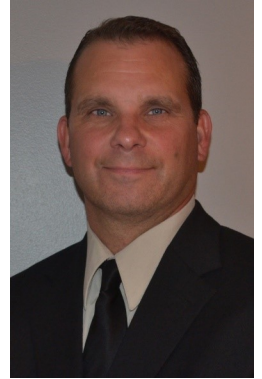
Hello Summer.....although it seems more like Spring with all the rain we have been getting! It was great seeing our Village residents enjoying the Independence Day celebration that was held on Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup> as well as the concerts at The Grove! A special thanks to our Parks and Recreation, Police, Fire, and Service Departments for working together to make these events a success.

Now that we have opened our Village buildings and venues for in-person meetings and gatherings and are gearing up for the Mayfield Village Centennial Celebration on Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup> and

Cruise Night on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, please continue to protect yourself and loved ones as Coronavirus cases have been on the rise the past couple of weeks. Also consider receiving the vaccine if you haven't already done so.

Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns. I hope the rest of your summer is enjoyable with warmer weather!

Stay well and take care!



Steve Schutt  
Council President & At-Large

## Patsy Mills / Council Ward 2

100 Years! I wonder what the settlers of the Mayfield Village Township would think of Mayfield Village as it is today? Things certainly have changed from two lane streets on Wilson Mills and SOM Center Roads to four lanes, the Administration offices in the Methodist church, a new Community Room, Gazebo, new Police, Fire and Service Departments, a greenway walking trail, many recreational amenities and access for the many businesses, large and small, because of the



Council Member Patsy Mills and Women's Club Member Betty Jo Mooney at the Flag Day ceremony.

Interstate. Mayfield Village is truly a wonderful place to reside in and enjoy almost country living.

Now that the wonderful summer programs at the Grove and Gazebo are well underway, it's time to start thinking about the fall season and what's next in the Village. Many thanks to the Recreation Department for all their hours and planning for a wonderful summer. There was a great variety of music and fun things to do. I especially appreciate being able to mingle with people again.

In June, I attended the Flag Day ceremony held at the First Responders Memorial and watched as Boy Scout Troop 289 disposed of old and tattered U.S. flags with honor. It was a very nice event and the boys and their Troop leaders did an excellent job. Thanks also to the Fire Department for their role in overseeing the event.

This fall, remember to rake your leaves to the tree lawn not into the street. It is easier for the Service Department to pick the leaves up from the grassy areas.



Patsy Mills  
Council, Ward 2



## Jennifer Juncisek / Council-at-Large

As I write this, summer is in full swing! I am happy to see so many residents enjoying all the Village activities—the concerts at the Grove and the Gazebo, the pool, the playground, the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. A BIG thank you to all the Mayfield Village staff and services that worked to make the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration a success and entertaining for all.

While you are out and about enjoying the various events this summer, I want to make sure you do not forget about

a “hidden gem” located right here in our Village next to the police department—the Mayfield Township Historical Society and Museum. Some may not even realize that this museum has over a dozen restored rooms to reflect various historical time periods, including an old schoolhouse and log cabin.

The museum is filled with historical artifacts, pictures, and documents from the Mayfield Township area. It is amazing to see the pictures of what the Village and sur-

rounding areas looked like and the growth that has blossomed. Local Mayfield elementary students are fortunate to enjoy a field trip to this Museum.

I am grateful for the many dedicated volunteers that maintain this piece of history right here in our community. Are you or someone you know interested in the local history of our township? Or maybe you have an hour or two to spare and are interested and willing to donate time to help in the yard in spring and fall, or to spend an hour to assist with light maintenance/office work or willing to assist with sponsored events? Volunteers are needed and welcomed.

Please reach out to [mayfieldtownshiphistoricalsociety@yahoo.com](mailto:mayfieldtownshiphistoricalsociety@yahoo.com) or call 440.461.0055 if you are interested in visiting this piece of history or would like to volunteer. And don't forget about the ice cream social that will be back this fall!

As you are enjoying the remaining summer weeks, please mark your calendars for the Centennial Celebration for all Mayfield Village Residents and Families on Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.

I hope to see many in attendance at this wonderful event as well as at many other Village sponsored events throughout the summer!



Jennifer Juncisek  
Council-at-Large



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# It Comes Down to Being a Good Neighbor

## Scott Sipos / Service Director

*In my first several months as your new Service Director, I have seen situations that lead me to believe that some residents may not realize that things they are doing on their property conflict with the ordinances of the Village or are contrary to Village policy. The Administration and the Service Department have historically done all they can to assist residents with difficult or unusual situations, but at some point it is not appropriate for the Village to spend substantial amounts of time and manpower to resolve issues that can be avoided by following some simple guidelines.*



Scott Sipos  
Service Director

**Trash Removal.** Mayfield Village has several ordinances that govern trash removal.

- Section 521.08 provides that no person shall fail to confine trash or other waste material on their property and allow it to litter the streets of the Village.
- Section 521.12 provides that garbage, rubbish or other refuse intended for regular trash pickup cannot be placed on the tree lawn earlier than 6 p.m. on the day before pickup is scheduled.
- Section 1363.04 adds that property owners must maintain their premises free of garbage not contained in receptacles.

These sections taken individually or together means that a situation like that pictured below should never happen.



This situation occurred recently at a Village property, in violation of several ordinances.

The Village contracts with the Kimble Cos. for weekly rubbish and recycling removal, however, all trash must be contained in totes. Weekly bulk pickup is also provided but that is for items like appliances and furniture. For the rules on bulk pickup, please see the Service Department page of our website.

Violating Ord. Section 521.08 constitutes a misdemeanor in the fourth degree and violating Section 521.04 constitutes a minor misdemeanor. Ord. 1363.04 provides that residents who fail to maintain their premises free of garbage, rubbish, refuse, litter or waste material of any kind, are to be given a written notice to remove by the Building Commissioner. If after ten days the waste material has not been removed, the Village is authorized to make arrangements to have it removed with the cost for removal, plus interest, charged to the property owner. If the amount charged is not paid, a lien can ultimately be placed on the property.

Please follow the law and be a good neighbor with respect to trash removal:

- Don't take out the trash until after 6 p.m. the night before.
- If you are moving or cleaning out the basement and know you will have excessive amounts of trash, make arrangements for a roll-off container.
- Break down boxes before you place them in the recycling toter.
- Make sure the lid of your toter closes so that items do not blow around the neighborhood.
- Pick up litter to keep your neighborhood looking good.

**Removal of Branches & Trees.** Again, the Village has historically been very good about picking up branches and trees, particularly following large storms that cause extensive



damage. This practice, unfortunately, has recently resulted in entire trees being left on the tree lawn with the expectation that the Village will take care of disposal. Kimble's contract with the Village provides that they will take yard waste, but tree limbs must be cut to 4-ft. lengths and left in bundles of 60 lbs. or less. Most times, this is not a problem for a homeowner trimming or pruning the trees on their property.

If, however, you hire a contractor to take down a tree on your property, it is the contractor's responsibility to properly dispose of that tree. Please do not instruct them to leave it on the tree lawn for the Village to handle. And remember that we have a new tree removal ordinance (Chapter 1359) that requires a permit from the Building Department before removing three or more live trees from a property. There is also an ordinance regarding a property owner's responsibility to remove nuisance or dangerous trees (Section 1353.075). All of the Village's ordinances are available on the website or please contact us with questions.

**Animal Trapping.** Mayfield Village contracts with A&S Animal Control to pick up and board stray cats and dogs, respond to calls of sick or injured wildlife, dispose of dead animals, and assist with animal complaints. The Animal Warden's duties also includes the trapping and proper handling of "nuisance" animals which are defined as "animals that have invaded the living space of residences."

This means the Animal Warden will come out to trap raccoons that have moved into your attic. It does not mean that the animal warden will come out to trap a squirrel or a chipmunk that is digging in your garden or a skunk that is walking in your backyard. The Animal Warden will provide assistance in these situations by coming out to talk to you about ways to deal with whatever animal issue you might be having. Trapping, however, must be limited to animals that have invaded your home or taken up residence in your yard (i.e., under your deck or shed).



A nuisance animal is one that has invaded your living space. Only nuisance animals will be trapped by the Animal Warden.

Mayfield Village is fortunate to have the North Chagrin Reservation within its borders, along with a good amount of additional green space. Many residents say that the "rural feel" of the Village is the reason they moved here or continue to live here. With green space comes wildlife and we need to find ways to live with the animals rather than ask the Warden to trap them and take them somewhere else.

**Keeping Swales and Ditches Free of Debris.** Many homes in Mayfield Village have swales or ditches running through their properties to convey water. It is the homeowners' responsibility to make sure that these areas stay clear of trash, leaves, branches, and anything that blocks that flow. It is important that these areas remain clear in order to prevent flooding and ensure proper drainage.

As stated earlier, under Section 1363.04, property owners must maintain their properties free and clear of rubbish. This includes yard clippings, leaves, wood, tree limbs and logs. Further, under Section 521.05 the Village can require any resident to remove all obstructions from culverts, covered drains or natural watercourses. Below is an example an obstructed watercourse in violation of the Village ordinances:



The Village is responsible for keeping the swales that run alongside the roadway free of debris and we ask that you call the Service Department at 440-442-5506 if these swales becomes clogged, impeding the flow of water. Please do your part by keeping the swales and ditches on your property free of debris.

I hope that these reminders are helpful to residents. The ordinances are there for a reason and we can all be better neighbors by following them.

# Only Rain Down the Drain

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Most pollution affecting our streams and lakes comes from nonpoint sources, such as storm drains. This means that pollution does not come from a single point, but comes from stormwater (rainwater) running across the land, picking up motor oil, pet waste, insecticides, fertilizers, road salts, and garbage before depositing it in our local waterways. This pollution is not only dangerous for fish and wildlife, but it is also dangerous for people!



Storm drains along many neighborhood streets collect the contaminated water and dump it directly into streams, without being treated first. Storm drains are merely pipes of waste transfer; from our streets to our creeks. The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District estimates that in the Cuyahoga River and Lake Erie watersheds, there are 19.7 billion gallons of stormwater emptied into streams each year!

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# Mayfield City Schools

**EVERY STUDENT. EVERY DAY.**



Dr. Michael J. Barnes, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

Dear Mayfield Community,

I am incredibly excited to be coming home to the Mayfield City Schools family. I began my career here in 1995 as a social studies teacher and served as athletic director, the director of human resources, and the assistant superintendent before serving as Lakewood City Schools' superintendent.

It is a great honor to follow Dr. Keith Kelly and carry on the excellence our community has come to expect from our district. My personal vision – the advancement of education for every student, every day – incorporates both Mayfield's mission, "Every Student. Every Day," and vision, "A promise for learning, dignity, and respect for all."

Education is a powerful tool, essential for the growth of young people, communities, states, nations, and the world. At Mayfield, we are developing good citizens through personalized education. Mayfield will continue to embrace diversity, collaboration, and the unique gifts and talents of each individual student.

The Mayfield family is strong. Our phenomenal staff led us through one of the most difficult school years to date with an enthusiasm that kept our students moving forward. I am excited to see us continue to thrive in our return to normalcy. I am looking forward to once again experiencing #MayfieldTogether and I am proud of #MyChoiceMayfield.

Sincerely,

Dr. Michael J. Barnes, Ed.D., Superintendent



## Recyclable Items Include:

- Clothing
- Coats and Jackets
- Shoes and Purses
- Jewelry
- Hats
- Toys
- Blankets
- Drapes/Curtains
- Sheets and Pillows
- Sleeping Bags
- Silverware and Dishes
- Tools

**Simple Recycling has resumed operations with some scheduling changes. Instead of picking up soft recyclables on rubbish day, residents can now schedule a pickup by going to [simplerecycling.com](https://www.simplerecycling.com) or calling 866-835-5068. Simply put your items in a plastic bag (you no longer need to use a Simple Recycling bag) and place them on your tree lawn prior to your scheduled pickup.**

# Photo Speed Enforcement

## Prosecutor Michael E. Cicero & Police Chief Paul Matias

An ordinance is being introduced for Council's consideration that would implement a civil traffic enforcement program through the use of hand-held cameras to be operated by Mayfield Village Police officers on I-271 ("Photo Speed Enforcement"). The idea for Photo Speed Enforcement in Mayfield Village began last summer, when we started to regularly monitor the ODOT Automatic Traffic Recorder that is located on I-271 just north of Highland Rd. The ATR monitors vehicle volume and speed 24/7 and is used by ODOT for traffic engineering studies.

When comparing the 2020 data against the 2019 data, we could see a clear increase in speeds, including a significant increase in vehicles traveling at high speeds. Over the past year, we can see a consistent pattern from pre-Covid-19 data of a 100% increase of vehicles traveling 85+ miles per hour.

In January 2021, the Police Department conducted speed details on I-271 north-bound and using the ATR monitors to see the impact. Since then, we have issued nearly 200 speeding tickets on I-271 with an average speed of 88.9mph, almost 30 mph over the posted speed limit. These speeds are simply unsafe, particularly during rush hour.

For our officers, it can also be very dangerous. When an officer clocks a vehicle at such high speeds, they must then pull out into traffic, catch up to the vehicle, and conduct a traffic stop while navigating through other motorists on a busy freeway. Many times, the officer is not able to pull the motorist over safely until the vehicle is on I-90 in Lake County. The officer then must sit on the side of the interstate while issuing the citation, which is always dangerous, for both the motorist and the officer. The entire process of identifying a speeding vehicle, safely

stopping it, and issuing a citation to a motorist typically takes 15 to 20 minutes. So, at best, officers can issue 3 or 4 traditional speeding tickets in an hour.

Photo Speed Enforcement would be a supplement to, not a replacement for, our traditional enforcement operations. Our department will continue to conduct traffic stops and issue citations. However, using photo enforcement will be beneficial primarily for two reasons.

- Photo enforcement can detect and record multiple violations in a short period of time. These violations are civil in nature, and are not reported to the Ohio BMV. While there are no points associated with these civil violations, the civil penalty is significant. This can provide a strong deterrent effect by increasing drivers' perceived likelihood of being cited for speeding.
- Photo enforcement can operate at locations where roadside traffic stops are dangerous or infeasible and where traffic conditions are unsafe for police vehicles to enter the traffic stream and stop suspected violators.

If Council approves the legislation, Mayfield Village Police Department will start a Photo Speed Enforcement program in Mayfield Village to operate on I-271 during times of high traffic volume, targeting vehicles that are traveling 15 mph or more over the speed limit. This will give motorists the perceived likelihood of citations, which should act as a deterrent to the unsafe speeds and be a safer way for our officers to conduct traffic enforcement during high volume traffic.



Michael E. Cicero  
Village Prosecutor



Paul Matias  
Chief of Police



## Great Moments Worth Sharing

### Shane McAviney / Director of Parks & Recreation

This past week started another exciting entertainment series in Mayfield Village. The kickoff week had true variety from classical music with Apollo's Fire to an iconic Queen Tribute band. Although just hearing any music back in the Village was refreshing and wonderful, I have three great moments that I would like to share.



On the first Thursday evening concert at the Gazebo, we showcased China Grove, a Tribute to the Doobie Brothers. Throughout the week, the weather report was not looking good, but as the day of the show progressed, we decided to move forward. Even with a questionable forecast, we had hundreds of people show up. At the start of the show, it was slightly cloudy but still beautiful, and then Mother Nature changed her mind. It started to rain and what came next was the first of three great moments. The audience in one synchronized action reached down and pulled out their umbrellas as if to make the unified statement, "we are here to stay." Normally people would leave, but not on this day! Everyone was simply so happy to be out in the world again and feeling a little more normal. When the rain stopped and the sun came back out, the umbrellas came down and people continued to enjoy an evening of music with their family and friends.



I was very excited about the entertainment for the first Friday at The Grove as it was the first time I was going to hear a Queen cover band and get to see friends that I had not seen in almost two years. One moment brought me particular joy. For the sake of discussion, I will call this Mayfield Village resident "Kenny." I had not seen Kenny since the last show at The Grove in 2019. When he walked past the information table, he smiled and said, "We will dance again." As I looked over at him, he just continued to smile, gave me a casual nod, and walked into the crowd.



For the past year, I have been embracing the concept that we would one day return to normal life. This idea helped me focus on moving forward, but in reality, it is based upon a bigger idea. A few years back, I read the book, "It is Not Goodbye, It's See You Later." The book is about life and the love we share with our family and friends. Ever since reading that book, I try to remember to say, "I will see you later," because I look forward to the next time we meet!



The dictionary defines "community" as a feeling of fellowship with others. On Saturday, we hosted the Ten Band, the "World's Best Pearl Jam Tribute Band." The show brought back memories of my college days sitting in my attic apartment with friends. As the show ended and the lights came on, something wonderful happened. No one went home! The hill was filled with families and friends sitting together and kids running up and down the hill. At that moment, the scene on the hill painted the picture of the definition of "community."

In saying not good-bye-but see you later, I leave you with three great moments... getting back to feeling normal, dancing again, and community.

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# Police Dept Celebrates 100 Years of Service

Paul Matias / Chief of Police

2021 is the Mayfield Village Centennial, where we celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> birthday! During those 100 years, there have been men and women dedicated to serving and protecting Mayfield Village. The first law enforcement Officer in Mayfield Village was an elected Marshal named Seman Grootegeod, who was elected in 1921. Grootegeod was an immigrant from Holland.

Flash forward almost 50 years later; The Mayfield Village Police Department was made up of six full-time Officers with two cruisers and a Cadillac ambulance. If you had a medical emergency, the Police would load you into the ambulance and drive you to the hospital.

In 2010, the New Police Station was constructed that houses the Patrol Division, the Detective Bureau, Dispatch, and the Police Administration staff. 100 years after the election of Marshal Grootegeod, the Mayfield Police Department has a team of 24 Officers, 10 Dispatchers, and two administrative staff. This includes two Detectives, two School Resource Officers, and a Police K-9 Unit.

During this centennial year, we celebrate all the men and women who have served our Department over the past 100 years. As part of the celebration, the Mayfield Village Police Department created a new uniform patch that combines the past with the present. Pictured to the right is a collage of past Mayfield Village police patches showing the evolution of the various patches.

The earliest patches had a dark blue background with gold lettering. Later patches had a light blue background and included our iconic star.

Our new patch, adopted in June, has our star with the dark blue background from the past. The EST. 1921 is included to celebrate our centennial and remember the long line of those who went before us.



With summer upon us, please remember to stay safe and have fun. The most common complaints we receive are speeding in the neighborhoods

and loose and barking dogs. Please be neighborly by watching your speed on our streets and keeping an eye on our furry friends!



Paul Matias  
Chief of Police



**MVPD SCAM HOTLINE 440-461-1236**



## 20th Anniversary of 9/11 Approaches

### Eugene Carcioppolo / Fire Chief

September 11, 2021 marks the 20-year anniversary of the World Trade Center Attack. As this event will forever be in our history, we will host a ceremony on Saturday September 11, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. at the Mayfield Village First Responders Memorial located just north of the Fire Station, to remember a time when tragedy brought our country together with sorrow for those lost, fallen, and the living that were personally affected. Please join us if you can attend.

With fall soon approaching, I wanted to remind you all to have your furnace and appliances serviced by a licensed technician. Improperly functioning furnaces and appliances can cause excessive amounts of carbon-monoxide and these items will not function as efficiently as they are designed to if not properly maintained.

If you have a wood burning fireplace or stove, your fireplace flue should also be swept at least annually prior to burning season.

While the maintenance completed on your appliances is important, it is equally important to ensure you have at least one functioning carbon monoxide alarm, and working photoelectric sensing smoke alarms on each level of the home, in each occupied bedroom, and one in the main hallway outside of the bedrooms.

If you have any questions regarding appropriate home fire safety, please call 440-461-1208 and ask us for assistance. We can attempt to answer your questions and at your request we can even provide you a free home fire safety evaluation.



Eugene Carcioppolo  
Fire Chief



*One Hundred Years  
Wonderful*

## Centennial Celebration

**Saturday, August 7, 2021**

**Celebrate Mayfield Village's 100th birthday! Join your neighbors for family fun, great food, an evening concert at The Grove, and a fireworks finale!!**

♦ **Activities and Community Cookout**  
Handhelds by Austin's Smokin' Steakhouse

**Parkview Pool 1—4 PM**

♦ **Concert and Pizza Party**  
Food by local pizzerias—Alfredo's, Geraci's, Piccolo, Pizza Roma & Pizzazz

**The Grove 4—10 PM**

♦ **Fireworks**

**The Grove—10 PM**

**Private event for Residents and your Guests.  
Questions? Call Mayfield Village Parks & Recreation @  
440-461-5163.**



# Economic Development in Mayfield Village

**John Marquart / Economic Development Manager**



## Progressive Named to Northeast Ohio's Top Workplaces.

Once again, Progressive Insurance has scored highly in the annual *Plain Dealer / Cleveland.com* survey of top workplaces in Northeast Ohio. Among large employers (500 employees or more), Progressive grabbed second-place honors for 2021, the 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that Progressive has landed on this list.

Among the reasons for the high ranking is Progressive's famous culture of cross-training, the ability to shift career paths, and promotion-from-within. Lori Niedhurst, the company's Chief Human Resources Officer, says that "Internal promotions have been part of the fabric of the company for decades." Progressive maintains an internal database for employees to browse available positions, job descriptions, required skills and even how to obtain those skills. Keep up the great work!

## Food & Wine Magazine Mentions Geraci's in its "Best Pizza in Every State" Issue.

*Food & Wine* named Ohio the 9<sup>th</sup> best pizza state in America in its May issue. With all of our delicious options, we're sure Mayfield Village had a lot to do with that! The ranking is a timely look at pizza, a sector of the restaurant industry that held up well during the pandemic, with its delivery system already well-established at a time when the takeout model was forced to change rapidly.

The magazine noted that "Pizza-wise, Ohio is as balkanized a state as you will find, with each city and region very much into their own style." Geraci's, now in their 65<sup>th</sup> year, was complimented on its rock-solid pan-style pizzas topped with fresh provolone.

## Heinen's Launches 'Pharmacy of the Future'

Heinen's is on a mission to promote better health for its shoppers. Mayfield Village's hometown grocer has launched a health and wellness program called Club Fx for all loyalty club members. "It's a free membership geared toward customers who want to improve their health," said Jamie Cole, Club Fx program manager. Club Fx launched in February, and 18,000 people have signed up to date.

Members receive a weekly email with a nutrition tip, a healthy recipe and a deep discount on a product, all linked by a theme, such as fiber. Through Club Fx, Heinen's also offers free services with their Wellness Consultants, which can be secured online at [www.heinensclubfx.com](http://www.heinensclubfx.com). These 30-minute sessions allow customers dedicated time to discuss any aspect of health or wellness, and can include an invaluable store tour to review products that will help them achieve specific health goals.

There are seven pillars to the Club Fx program, including *Eat the Rainbow*, *Eat Whole Grains*, and *Be Mindful of Salt and Sugar*. Based on these pillars, Heinen's has established the Top 100 Fx products, which are highlighted throughout the store in every category "to make it easy for people to shop," Cole said.

Heinen's launched Club Fx with email and social media messaging and in-store signage. The program has now expanded with the opening of the Personalized Nutrition Center within the



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Mayfield Village store. The Personalized Nutrition Center, or PNC, is home to Heinen's registered dietitians (available for paid nutrition coaching) and the Fx Robot vending machine serving healthy bowls and salads. Coming this fall, Todd Pesek, M.D., in collaboration with Heinen's and the Cleveland Heart Lab, is pleased to offer a proprietary blood panel to look at health issues such as immunity, digestion and cardiovascular risks. "We see ourselves as the pharmacy of the future," Cole said.



Cole expects to sign up more Club Fx members going forward and has been pleased to see high engagement on the weekly emails she sends out. "I see how many are being opened, how many people click through to the blog, how many click through to the recipe, and that lights me up. That validates that we are putting out the right information," she said. For more info, visit <https://www.heinens.com/club-fx/> or stop in at 860 SOM Center Rd.

### Progressive Chief Marketing Officer (CMO) Jeff Charney Awarded *Ad Age* 2021 "Brand CMO of the Year"

Progressive CMO and marketing industry leader Jeff Charney today earned the designation of 2021 "Brand CMO of the Year," presented by *Ad Age*, a premier publication for the advertising, marketing, and media industry. Charney was selected by a panel of industry judges and the *Ad Age* editorial staff from the industry-wide pool of CMOs across all areas of marketing. He is the first from the hyper-competitive insurance category to win the prestigious award.

The annual award recognizes Charney and his team's breakthrough creativity and resilience, and even their ability to bring some levity at a time when consumers needed it most. "Under Jeff's leadership, Progressive has shown an innate ability to create campaigns that not only entertain, but build long-lasting brand value," said *Ad Age* News Editor E.J. Schultz. "Dr. Rick is the latest attention-grabbing character created during his tenure; underpinning ads people actually want to watch—a rare accomplishment in today's ad-skipping environment."

Charney and his team's industry-leading "network" strategy combines some 10 different but familiar char-

acters, episodic story arcs, and 'funny because it's true' human insights. The "network" was pressure tested during a year when marketing *really* mattered—all while the team has been working from home.

"For a consumer/customer-driven company like Progressive, everything starts with the brand. During the past decade, Jeff and the Marketing team have truly established a winning creative culture in the hyper-competitive insurance category," said Tricia Griffith Chief Executive Officer of Progressive. "With a first-of-its-kind 'network' strategy and establishing an in-house agency to collaborate seamlessly with our external partners, they've not only been disruptive but also highly effective in creating efficiencies and providing greater creative control."

"Being named 'Brand CMO of the Year' is a direct reflection of working alongside the 'Marketing Department of the Year,'" said Charney. "There's no better pound-for-pound team in the country, and especially this year, they proved it to themselves, the company, and the entire marketing industry. I'm so proud of the Marketing and Media teams, our external creative agency, Arnold Worldwide, as well as the other 43,000 plus Progressive employees, for their relentless energy, unwavering commitment to our customers, and for creatively representing the great brand that I've been

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fortunate to lead for more than a decade. In a sense they 'are all marketers,' and that passion and commitment to the customer were on full display throughout 2020, and that momentum will continue."

In a company news release in March, Charney also announced his planned retirement for early 2022. The CMO search has begun and is being overseen by Griffith, Charney, and Progressive's Chief Human Resource Officer, Lori Niederst, along with the company's internal executive recruiting team.

### Progressive Hiring to Support Continued Growth.

Progressive Insurance intends to hire up to 6,400 new employees during the remainder of 2021 to support the national insurance organization's growth. With 2020 total revenues topping \$42 billion, the company continued to gain market share and increase its customer base and it will be adding more employees in claims, customer care, technology, analysis and legal throughout the country.

In the face of a global pandemic, and through a turbulent economy that has impacted individuals and workforces throughout the world, Progressive's business stability and inclusive culture have persevered and continue to thrive. The largest areas of opportunity for career development lie in Call Center positions with 3,000 remote openings across the country. Additionally, 2,900 jobs in Field and Centralized Claims will be available to help service the expanding customer base. These careers include some hybrid work-from-home and fully remote positions.

Here is a breakdown along with the approximate number of positions expected to be filled in specific business functions across the company:

- The 3,000 Call Center positions across the country include customer service representatives, inbound sales representatives, Spanish bilingual call center representatives, claims customer service representatives, and sales specialists
- The 2,900 claims positions include claims adjuster trainees, auto damage claims adjusters, bodily injury claims adjusters, property claims adjusters, catastro-

phe adjusters, medical claims representative trainees, and centralized claims adjusters. Positions include field roles, hybrid work from home/office options, and fully remote roles.

- There will be over 300 jobs available within the technology team. Those positions include developers, data engineers, IT analysts, systems engineers and more.
- The legal group plans to fill 150 more jobs with our House Counsel team, which includes attorneys and legal support staff.

Hiring also includes approximately 60 jobs in data and analytics, which includes data scientists, data analysts, BI developers, pricing analysts, product analysts, marketing analysts and more. Additionally, openings in corporate business areas such as HR, Marketing, and Product Management are available. "Our people and our culture are at the forefront of everything we do, and we are excited to welcome thousands more to our team," said Chief Human Resource Officer, Lori Niederst. "As we continue to grow our business, our people continue to grow their careers at Progressive. We consistently fill over 80% of our jobs above the entry level by promoting from within. You may come to Progressive for the job, but we're confident you'll stay for the career."

There is a myriad of development opportunities within the corporation that include IT, Marketing and Claims 'Universities' where new applicants can immerse themselves into their careers. Additionally, an internal career development hub with learning tools that include multicultural leadership development and mentoring possibilities allow employees to sharpen skill sets to advance and potentially change career paths within the company. Not all positions within Progressive require in-depth training and having a background in the insurance field is not necessary for [many] entry level positions.

New hires are eligible to participate in the company's annual bonus plan. Progressive also offers medical, dental, vision and life insurance benefits, as well as four weeks of paid parental leave for moms and dads – including same-sex partners, adoptive parents and foster parents. Dedicated to employees' professional success, Progressive also provides extensive training programs and career development resources.



## Summer 2021 in the Village

Paige Muttillio / Parks and Recreation Intern

I have lived in Mayfield Village for the majority of my life. I spent my childhood swimming at Parkview Pool, playing on the Parkview Playground, and participating in events planned by the Parks and Recreation Department. Over the years, I have watched Mayfield Village change for the better, with the addition of the Grove and the renovation of Parkview Playground. I never thought that I would have the chance to be a part of making Mayfield Village a better place. However, I was granted the opportunity this summer when I became the Parks and Recreation Department Intern.

The first major event that we celebrated this summer was the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration that took place on June 26<sup>th</sup>. The Diamond Project's Patriotic Neil Diamond show and The United States Air Force Band of Flight-Flight One provided a memorable music-filled night. Balloon artists and face painters kept the children (and the adults) entertained throughout the evening. I actually received a beautiful balloon bracelet and firework artwork on my arm to reward me for all my hard work. At the end of the night, we were able to enjoy a phenomenal firework show. What a way to kick off the summer! It was amazing to see the community come together and celebrate once again after having to cancel the events last summer.

If you will be attending a concert at The Grove this summer, stay on the look out for me! I will be walking around and working at many of the concerts. Personally, I'm looking forward to THW- A Nashville Recording Artist playing at The Grove because I love country music. Don't worry if you're not a country fan, we have a variety of entertainers coming to play concerts! Check out the Grove Concert Schedule to

find a band that you would like to see perform. In addition, there will be concerts at the Gazebo on Wednesday afternoons and Thursday nights! There will be some excellent bands there so be sure to look at the schedule!

On August 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting our Centennial event. In the afternoon, a variety of children's entertainment will be available at Parkview Pool. This includes balloon artists, a magician, a reptile show, the Rocket Car, etc. As the afternoon continues, we will move towards the Grove, where more entertainment will be provided throughout the night. For example, a contortionist, photo booth, and a dance party. At the end of the night, there will be a Centennial Fireworks Display! As a resident of Mayfield Village, I couldn't be more excited to celebrate this huge milestone for our community. We have been through so much over the past year and this is our chance to come together and celebrate our home!

Over the years, I have gone to Cruise Night with my family and it has been one of my favorite events to attend! Last year, I was extremely disappointed when it was canceled. However, it is back on and will be happening on September 18<sup>th</sup>! There will be great entertainment, great local food, and some of the best classic cars throughout Ohio and farther. My cousin and her husband will actually be participating in Cruise Night this year so keep your eyes peeled for a 1979 Yellow Jeep!

In addition to helping with the bigger events, I assist with the Mayfield Village Summer Camp! This aspect of the job is especially fun because I get to spend the day playing kickball, doing crafts, and going on fun-filled field trips with the children of Mayfield Village. Our most recent field trip was to the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. The campers enjoyed the zoo and their favorite part was the swirly slide and the elephants!

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone this summer at all of the concerts and the events that will be taking place over the next few months! It is great to finally get back to normal and be able to enjoy the summer as a community.



Paige Muttillio  
Parks & Recreation  
Intern



## Mayfield Women's Club GFWC/OWFC

### Flag Day 2021

Each year the Mayfield Women's Club, with Mayfield Village, sponsors the annual American Flag Ceremony. This year it was held on Flag Day, June 14 at 6:30 at the entrance of the Bruce Rinker Greenway Trail near the 9/11 First Responders Memorial.

Boy Scout Troop #289 performed the ceremony, burning old flags with honor. Flags are collected all year by the Club & also at the disposal container near the parking lot at the Civic. Please remember, if you have a flag you no longer use, put it in the container so it can receive the honor it deserves.

Stasia McCullough  
Mayfield Women's Club Inc./ Ohio



During the pandemic, the Mayfield Women's Club found ways to generate funds for scholarships, food banks, items for special needs groups, books for kids and other projects.

The Members will once again be meeting in the Mayfield Village Community Room, Wilson Mills & SOM Center Roads at 7 pm. On October 11, members will be designing greeting cards to be given to local retirement homes in the area. The speaker for the November meeting is yet to be announced.

Thank you to everyone who donated their distressed American Flags for the Flag Day Ceremony. Special thanks to Troop 289 for their assistance in the ceremony and the Mayfield Village Fire Department for overseeing the event. Please continue to bring your flags to the Civic Center Drop-off Box.

For more information, contact Pat @ 440-220-0345. Membership is open to all. Please join us!





# Litter Prevention and Control

Susan Jerome / Service Department Executive Assistant

**Keep America Beautiful** (<https://kab.org/>) is an organization that offers education, resources, and programs to help people end litter, recycle better, and beautify neighborhoods.

The latest study of litter in communities found the following:

- Nearly 50 billion pieces of litter along U.S. roadways and waterways;
- Slightly more litter along waterways (25.9B) than roadways (23.7B);
- 152 items for each U.S. resident;
- More than 2,000 pieces of litter per mile (both roadway and waterway);
- 90% of people surveyed believe litter is a problem in their state;
- 6 billion pieces of litter more than 4 inches in size;
- The most littered item remains cigarette butts, but this litter is down almost 70%; and
- 207.1M PPE items littered.

Keep America Beautiful encourages all individuals to help end littering. Here are ways to get involved:

1. Set a goal to pick up litter outside for at least 15 minutes each day.
2. Join our new 152 Challenge and pick up 152 pieces of litter. Why 152? According to our 2020 National Litter Study, if everyone made the individual action of picking up 152 pieces of litter (all at once) there would be no litter on the ground unless someone littered again. Share your experience on social media by tagging Keep America Beautiful and including #152AndYou.
3. Get plogging. Plogging combines jogging with picking up litter, offering exercise benefits while support-

ing your community and the environment.

Teach children to properly dispose and recycle with fun activities and **Waste in Place lessons** (<https://kab.org/education/waste-in-place/>):

1. Properly dispose of cigarette butts in ash receptacles and portable ashtrays.
2. Keep storm drains clear of litter and debris.
3. Recycle on the go or hold on to your recyclables until you can get to a recycling bin.
4. Lead by example and do not litter. The less litter in an area, the more likely people will keep it clean.
5. Keep a litter bag in your car to dispose of trash.
6. Secure your loads to prevent trash and debris from creating litter on the roads.
7. Revitalize and clean up a local park or playground.
8. Plant native species. Native trees, for instance, can benefit local wildlife, moderate ground temperature, and remove carbon dioxide from the air.
9. Adopt an alley, highway, or street near you.
10. Pick up after your pets.
11. Clean inside your home and check locally for sites to donate or recycle unwanted clothing and electronics.

We all have an obligation to take care of our world, be it through litter prevention and control, recycling of products, reuse of the products we have, or simply eliminating the purchase of products where applicable. Thank you for caring!



Help eliminate roadside litter by following the tips found at the website of America the Beautiful. (<https://kab.org/>)



The Mistletoe Market Craft Show is scheduled for Saturday, November 6, 2021 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Mayfield Village Community Room at 6621 Wilson Mills & SOM Center Roads. Please note the change of location.

Come out to enjoy handmade crafts made by local artisans. Also, the Garden Club will again feature Grandma's Closet with decorative and useful items, bakery, a raffle and holiday green arrangements. For information regarding table rental please contact Karen at 440-442-7491 or email [karenprevite@yahoo.com](mailto:karenprevite@yahoo.com). Products must be handmade.



The Garden Club's Meetings are held at the Mayfield Village Community Room at 7 p.m. On November 17, Holiday Design Show of the Chelsea Flower Show of England and Holiday Workshop for the Members. Visitors are welcome. Join us and become a Member. Contact Betty Jo at 440-442-7322.

Please visit the Butterfly Garden at the Parkview Pool area. Take a rest on the benches and enjoy the beautiful flowers the members have cultivated in this area.





## Mayfield Township Historical Society

Please join us at one of our upcoming events, all open to the public. Follow us on Facebook for the latest updates. All events are located at the Mayfield Village Community Room, 6621 Wilson Mills Rd., unless noted otherwise. Call for more information or if you need a ride to the meetings. 440-461-0055.



The Bennett-Van Curen Historical House

Volunteer opportunities are open for docents, research librarians, light yard work, cleaning, computer entry and curating the collections. Come visit us at our table which will be at several events. We are celebrating the MV centennial by asking owners of homes or a tree located on your property that is 100 years or older to contact us so you can receive a centennial certificate recognizing it.

**August 5**, Thursday, 6:30 pm. at the MV Gazebo. Ruby Shooz playing 50's-60's music. Visit us at our information table.

**August 7**, Saturday, MV Centennial Celebration. Visit us at our information table.

**August 21**, Saturday, 3:00-4:00 pm. Dedication of the Bennett-Van Curen home in honor of the Negrellis and the Plastines. All are welcome. 606 SOM Center Rd. Refreshments will be provided.

**August 25**, Wednesday, 12:00 noon at the MV Gazebo. Pop Tarts playing 50'60's music. Visit our information table.

**September 8**, Wednesday, 6:30-8 pm. **Ice Cream Social**. Join us at Wiley Park, 610 S.O.M. Center Rd. for homemade cookies and ice cream sundaes in the outdoor pavilion with a house tour. \$3 donation, \$1 kids.

**October 13**, Wednesday, 7-9 pm. Join us as Bob McKimm presents a program about **Francis P. Bolton** and her life, career, and living in Lyndhurst. She was the first woman from Ohio elected to congress. She was ahead of her time.

**November 10**, Wednesday, 7-9 pm. Join us as photographer Jeff Stroup joins us with a photo journey of **Abandoned Cleveland**, photographs of places, buildings, businesses left in our town to decay. Beautiful, haunting, interesting, historical. His book will be available for purchase.



## Wendy Albin Sattin / Executive Director

[www.communitypartnershiponaging.org](http://www.communitypartnershiponaging.org)

Community Partnership on Aging is busy planning for our official reopening, right after Labor Day weekend. Because CPA is considered a senior center by the State of Ohio, we adhere to a bit stricter protocol to ensure the safety of our participants and staff. The CDC recommends keeping activities virtual or outside as long as possible while maintaining social distancing.

If programs are brought inside, social distancing is still maintained and staff should wear masks when possible. Routine cleaning and disinfecting practices will continue and CPA encourages all participants to get the vaccine if they are able. As the virus counts continue to decline, protocols will be altered accordingly and we encourage you to check our website for the latest recommendations.

The week of September 13 is going to be a big one for CPA as we resume most of our activities and community lunches. Lunches will be available, in person, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Lunch participants will receive a hot lunch to eat on site and a boxed lunch to take home. The schedule is:

- Mondays: Lunches served at Lyndhurst and Richmond Heights.

- Wednesdays: Lunches served at South Euclid and Mayfield Heights.

- Fridays: Lunches served at Highland Heights.

For those of you that prefer the curbside pickup of five frozen entrees once a week, we will continue offering that option only at Lyndhurst on Tuesdays. Call 216-650-4029 for reservations or more information.

And finally, Lunch Box, the delicious \$5 takeaway meals cooked by Chef Mary Beth a few times a month, will continue with curbside distribution at South Euclid. Interested in Lunch Box? Call Mary Beth at 216-970-0347.

Carolyn has been busy setting up the Fall calendar of programs for you. Some of our new programming includes Bingocise (a fun mix of bingo and exercise), Qigong (practices that coordinate body, breath and mind) and Chair Yoga (adaptions of yoga poses using a chair for balance). Old favorites like line dancing, yoga and movies are returning. Unfortunately, we have to wait for Lunch N Movie till January 2022 when the renovations to the Mayfield Village Civic Center are completed—stay tuned!

And talking about the early fall, I want to remind you that the second year of Random Acts of Fun will start on September 12 and run through September 22 with a wrap up celebration on September 26. This 10-day, six city scavenger hunt raises funds for CPA's Home Repair programming.

Participants can meet our Mayors, learn interesting facts about the CPA cities, perform good deeds and so much more. Random Acts of Fun is a great activity to do with your family, especially grandchildren. And the best part is that for most of it, you can do the scavenger hunt tasks on your own schedule. Registration is \$35 an adult (\$15 for youth age 16 and younger) and includes a goodie bag and the wrap up celebration. Questions or to register call Therese at 216-291-0772.

Finally- enjoy your summer- remember to wear sunscreen, hydrate, bring a mask along and exercise safely- We will see you in the fall!



## SENIOR PROGRAMMING NEWS

### Sean Supler / Senior Program Coordinator



Sean Supler  
Senior Program  
Coordinator

I think we can all agree that the last several months have brought us much needed relief, with lessening Covid-19 restrictions, vaccines becoming available, and the restart of many Senior Activities. We used the spring/summer months as a method to test how our eventual full reopening of programs would go, and we feel very confident on what the upcoming fall will bring. Let's first look back on some activities that our Seniors enjoyed, then a glance at what's to come for the rest of the year!

At the beginning of 2021, I partnered with JKL Tours to set up monthly excursions, and judging by repeat customers and positive feedback, I think it was a great decision. They went on a trip to visit **Historical Churches of Cleveland** and had lunch at Pier W; indulged in **Chocolates & Wine** including the beautiful Gervasi Vineyard; kicked off Summer with a trip to **Amish Country** with lunch at the Amish Door; got surprised with hidden destinations on our **Mystery Trip #1**; and will be enjoying a **Summer Day at Put-in-Bay on August 10!** We're also hard at work on planning Fall Trips including the **Barberton MUM Festival**, **Franklin Conservatory Pumpkin Festival**, and a **wine tasting!** Keep a look out for more information on these in the coming weeks.

We also had a couple of our staple programs return such as **Watercolor Painting Classes**; **Spanish Lessons**; **One-Stroke Acrylic Painting**; **Bereavement Support Group**; **Brainercize**; and **Balance & Chair Yoga**. Some new activities we held to work on your health and wellness included **Mediation**, **Movement & Breathing**, and **Chair Fitness**.

We hope by now that you've been able to attend one of the Summer Concerts at the Gazebo. Our Wednesday Afternoon Lunch Series from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. is always a big hit. The remaining schedule includes: **Red Light Roxy (Swing Time!) on August 4**; **Walt Sanders (Memories of Elvis) on August 11**; and **Pop Tarts (Your Favorite 50s & 60s) on August 25**. For more information on these or to hear about the Thursday Evening Series at the Gazebo and all the concerts scheduled at The Grove, call the Senior Service Office!

Now, for what lies ahead in the coming months as we look to get back to our normal programming routine. We are excited to welcome back our **Card players on Thursdays starting September 9** and **Mah Jongg on Mondays starting September 13**, both from **1:00-4:00 p.m.** Along with bringing back all of our programs listed above, the return of Lunch 'n Learns, Lunch 'n Movies at Governor's Village, and many new Special Presentations are being planned.

**Lunch 'n Learns** scheduled so far include **"Estate Planning" hosted by Baron Law LLC on September 8** and **"Why Plan Ahead" hosted by Murphy Funeral Home on October 26**, both starting at 12:00 p.m. On Tuesday, September 21 **Bandagski Insurance** will host a special presentation on **Medicare vs. Managed Care**, and what to look for in making the best decisions for your health insurance needs.

On **Tuesday, September 14**, **AARP Safe Driving Course** will be held from 10:00 am-2:30 pm at the Civic Center. Participants will be refreshed on "rules of the road." \$20/AARP Member \$25/non member.

Kemper Wellness will be hosting a **Brain Boot Camp** that will start a free presentation on Monday, September 20, followed by a 4-week program in October that will be sure to get those brain cells pumping!

As always, **Foot Clinic Appointments** with Dr. Whaley are being scheduled on the following upcoming Fridays from 1:00-3:15 p.m. at the Community Room: August 13 and 27; September 24; October 22; November 12 and 19; and December 10 and 17.

For more information on these programs, to find out about more offerings, or to register for any activities, please contact the Senior Services Office at 440-919-2332. We look forward to seeing all of you soon!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### AUGUST 2021

2	Council Caucus	Civic Center	7pm
7	Centennial Celebration	Parkview Pool The Grove	1-4pm 4-10pm
19	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	2-7pm
16	Council Regular Meeting	Civic Center	7pm

### SEPTEMBER 2021

2	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	2-7pm
6	Labor Day—Offices Closed	Rubbish Delayed One Day	
7	Council Caucus	Civic Center	7pm
18	Cruise Night (Rain Date: 9/19)	Town Center	5:30-9:30
20	Council Regular Meeting	Civic Center	7pm
23	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	2-7pm

### OCTOBER 2021

4	Council Caucus	Civic Center	7pm
7	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	2-7pm
18	Council Regular Meeting	Civic Center	7pm
21	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	2-7pm
23	Halloween Party	TBD	TBD





## Community Recycling

In cooperation with the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District, Mayfield Village sponsors quarterly week-long recycling events for residents.

### Drop off old Computers, Scrap Tires and Household Hazardous Waste at the Service Department

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



- August 7 to 14
- November 6 to 13

For information about items accepted for recycling, please call 440-442-5506 or visit our website at [mayfield-village.com/services/service-department](http://mayfield-village.com/services/service-department)



Heritage Home offers assistance and low-interest loans to residents with homes over 50 years old. Visit [mayfield-village.com](http://mayfield-village.com) or [heritagehomeprogram.org](http://heritagehomeprogram.org) for details.



Recycle old clothing, shoes, pillows, linens, household items and other soft recyclables through Simple Recycling. Bag your items and schedule a FREE pickup at [simpler recycling.com](http://simpler recycling.com) or call 866-835-5068. Details about accepted items can also be found on the website.



**American  
Red Cross**

Blood  
Services

The need for blood continues and patients need your help. There is currently a severe blood shortage.

Donation sites continue to operate, including here at the Mayfield Village Civic Center. Upcoming dates include:

- **Thursday, August 19 from 2-7 p.m.**
- **Thursday, Sept 2 & 23 from 2-7 p.m.**
- **Thursday, Oct 7 & 21 from 2-7 p.m.**

See [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) for other local locations. Please note that appointments are required. You can make an appointment online or call 1-800-REDCROSS (800-723-2767).

## SHRED DAY!

**Saturday, May 14, 2022**

**9 A.M. to Noon**

### CIVIC CENTER PARKING LOT

6622 Wilson Mills Road

*Our last Shred Day was a great success with over 6,500 lbs. of paper recycled. Save the date and plan for next year's Shred Day. Residents may bring up to 5 boxes of paper documents to be shred, free of charge. Paper is shred twice for security and is 100% recycled.*

Please check the Mayfield Village website or call us at 440-461-2210 for updates as the date approaches.

*Save the Date!!*



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**Want to know what's happening in the Village? Join our E-mail List!**

Send an e-mail to [contactus@mayfieldvillage.com](mailto:contactus@mayfieldvillage.com) and ask to be included in e-mail notifications.

The poster has a dark background with colorful, glowing lines. At the top, it says 'Mayfield Village Family' in white, flanked by two orange flame-like icons. Below this, the words 'CRUISE' and 'NIGHT' are in large, bold, orange letters, with a red classic car (license plate 2021) positioned between them. In the center, there's a white rounded rectangle containing the text 'SEPT 18'. To the left of this, in an orange rounded rectangle, is 'SAVE THE DATE'. Below these, in white text, is 'SATURDAY 5:30-9:30P'. At the bottom, a red rounded rectangle contains the text 'CARS · MUSIC · ENTERTAINMENT · FOOD · AND MORE', flanked by two orange flame-like icons. At the very bottom, in white text, is 'www.mayfieldvillage.com | 440-461-5163'.