

VOICE OF VILLAGE

FALL 2024

State and County Grants Provide Needed Assistance Allowing Village to Add and Improve Infrastructure



With the help of its local representatives, Mayfield Village has been fortunate to receive several State and County grants to assist with the purchase of equipment and the construction of new facilities. Most recently, Mayfield Village received two \$250,000 grants from Cuyahoga County ARPA Funds to construct new restrooms at The Grove and to make improvements to the Civic Center. A grant for \$75,000 was also received from the State of Ohio Recycling and Litter Prevention Program to install a new roof on the salt shed. The Village's County Council Representative, Jack Schron, was thanked by Mayor Bodnar at The Grove for the County grants (left) and District 23 State Representative Dan Troy attended a concert to present the Village with the \$75,000 check (right). Cover story on Page 4

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With a Little Help From Our Friends

Memo from the Mayor / Brenda T. Bodnar

As Mayor, I have the opportunity and privilege to get to know our State and County officials. Two of them have been instrumental in assisting the Village with obtaining grant funds available for a variety of muchneeded infrastructure repairs and additions.



District 6 County Council Member Jack H. Schron, Jr.

Over the past nine years, the Village has received several County grants to help build and improve The Grove-from the original bandshell and green room to, most recently, а \$250,000 grant to construct permanent restrooms with indoor plumbing. Jack Schron has been rep-

resenting Mayfield Village and 16 other communities as the District 6 County Council Representative since 2011 and has been instrumental in assisting us with building out this beautiful and popular outdoor venue.

The County, using Federal American Rescue Plan Act funds, also provided Mayfield Village with another \$250,000 grant to make ADA and energy-efficiency improvements to the Civic Center. As I write this article, new energy efficient windows and doors are being installed in the entire building and we await a new HVAC unit and ADA ramp to serve Reserve Hall, the Civic Center's auditorium/theater space. Personal thanks to our Director of Administration, Diane Wolgamuth, who did a great job on both of these grant applications.

Jack has lived in Cuyahoga County for almost all his life. He returned to the county more

than forty years ago following his military service. He has been reelected to a series of four year County Council terms. His first priority is job creation in traditional and new and emerging sectors and the second is continuing to rebuild the credibility of Cuyahoga County's government. He has been instrumental in building up NE Ohio as a smart manufacturing hub.

Jack has led Jergens, Inc., a successful Cleveland manufacturing company, as President and CEO for over 30 years, as well as cofounding an internet education business called Tooling University. He served 28 years in the United States Army, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel. A 1966 graduate of Chagrin Falls High School, Jack received a Bachelor of Science in 1970 from Florida Southern College and a Juris Doctorate from Ohio Northern University in 1975. He is licensed to practice law in Ohio and Florida.

Jack has served us with intelligence, honesty and fairness and we appreciate his leadership.



Ohio District 23 State Representative Dan Troy

Dan Troy has served as a State legislator for many years, primarily representing communities in Lake County. Two years ago, due to redistricting, Dan became the representative for Mayfield Village. Initially, I wasn't sure how that was going to work out, but I am pleased to say that it has worked out ex-



Mayor Brenda T. Bodnar

Memo from the Mayor, continued.

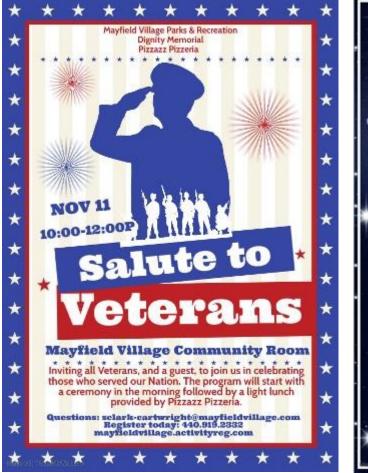
tremely well. Dan has been accessible, positive and helpful to Mayfield Village, and those are things we value in local government.

Dan's focus has always been on protecting our great Lake Erie, on strengthening our public schools, and growing Ohio's economy by creating an environment that is both pro-business and pro-worker. Maybe most importantly, Dan looks after the communities he represents.

In that vein, several months ago, our Service Director, Frank Stupczy, applied for grant funding to the State of Ohio Recycling and Litter Prevention Program to install a new roof on the salt shed, which is in very poor condition. We did not receive funding in the first round and were about to give up when we received word from Dan Troy that we had received the maximum grant (\$75,000) in the second round of funding. Dan was looking out for us in Columbus and we appreciate that.

A resident of Willowick, Dan Troy is a veteran of the US army and is a 50-year building trades union member. We are thankful for his knowledge, experience and assistance.

I wish you all a beautiful fall and a joyous holiday season. I look forward to seeing some of you at an upcoming Village event. As you will see in this issue, there are many from which to choose!





CANON MEDICAL ACADEMY USA OPENS DOORS ON BETA DRIVE

By Mayor Brenda T. Bodnar



On September 18, 2024, Canon Medical Systems USA President & CEO Yuji Hamada, Mayfield Village Mayor Brenda Bodnar, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, Canon USA Executive VP, Chief Administrative Officer & General Counsel Seymour Liebman, Cuyahoga County Executive Chris Ronayne, Cleveland Council President Blaine Griffin, and numerous other guests and dignitaries, participated in a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the grant opening of Canon Medical Academy USA on Beta Drive.

Photo courtesy of Canon Medical Systems USA.

I was honored to be invited to participate in and speak at the ribbon cutting and grand opening of Canon Medical Academy USA, a new, modern, training facility on Beta Drive led by President and CEO Yuji Hamada. Its mission is to create a dynamic learning environment where healthcare professionals can elevate their expertise and address healthcare challenges with the help of advanced education and training. Canon Medical Academy USA offers comprehensive training on Canon's advanced medical imaging products, with a curriculum crafted by expert faculty in collaboration with Canon Medical Systems USA, providing a unique learning experience for healthcare professionals.

The grand opening was held on September 18, 2024, and many dignitaries attended to tour the new facility, including Governor Mike DeWine, Cuyahoga County Executive Chris Ronayne, and Cleveland City Council President Blaine Griffin. In addition to the tour of the new facility, guests were treated to a Daruma Doll Ceremony, at which the eyes of the doll are colored in to manifest a goal and help it come true, and a traditional Japanese Sake Ceremony, a sacred ceremony which brings people together to mark a new beginning.



Pictured on the left, is the Daruma Doll used at Canon Medical Academy USA's grand opening. On the right, is the sake barrel and ladles used for the traditional ceremony.

Since November of 2022, Canon Inc., a respected and renowned Japanese multinational corporation having, as one of its specialties, the development and manufacture of cutting-edge medical equipment, announced the establishment of a new subsidiary, Canon Healthcare USA, Inc., a business which would strengthen Canon's presence in the American medical market and accelerate the growth of its medical business. Canon Healthcare USA was positioned in the Cleveland area and works closely with customers nationwide with easy access from both coasts. In addition, Quality Electrodynamics, LLC ("QED"), a Canon subsidiary and Mayfield Village company, also resides here. Founded and headed by Dr. Hiroyuki Fujita, it utilizes Canon's state-of-the-art imaging and electronics technology to promote greater growth and innovation in medical technology.

Canon Medical Academy, USA is expected to bolster the local healthcare workforce and enrich the NE Ohio community by nurturing talent and fostering innovations, and it will advance healthcare both locally and globally. I am very proud



that QED, Canon, Inc. and Canon Healthcare USA felt that Mayfield Village was the right location for their new training facility and I know that we all welcome them as new members of our local business community.



At the grand opening, Mayor Bodnar presented a Proclamation welcoming Canon Medical Academy USA to Mayfield Village. She is pictured here with the Founder and CEO of Quality Electrodynamics, Dr. Hiroyuki Fujita.







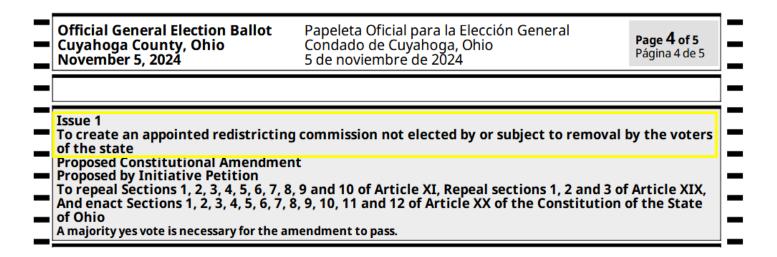


Above are photos of the modern training facility—Canon Medical Academy USA—toured by all attendees of the grand opening.

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Ohio Issue 1 on November 5, 2024 Ballot

Ohio Issue 1 is the ballot initiative meant to address gerrymandering or the redistricting process in the State of Ohio. Below is a copy of the ballot language that you can expect to see as you cast your vote in the November 5, 2024 election. Regardless of your position on Issue 1, it is important to understand the impact of your vote. We hope this information is helpful.



VOTE NO ON ISSUE 1 TO KEEP THE STATUS QUO

 If Issue 1 does not pass, Ohio would keep its current system in which the Ohio Redistricting Commission is made up of seven seats. Two seats go to Republican lawmakers and two seats to Democrat lawmakers in the Statehouse. The three remaining seats include the sitting Governor, Secretary of State and Auditor.

VOTE <u>YES</u> ON ISSUE 1 TO CREATE A NEW CITIZEN REDISTRICTING PANEL

 Passing Issue 1 would establish a 15-member Ohio Citizens Redistricting Commission, made up of Republican, Democratic and Independent citizens. It would ban current or former politicians, political party officials, lobbyists and large political donors from sitting on the commission. The new commission would be charged with ensuring each district has a reasonably equal population and that communities of interest are kept together.



Similar messaging on both sides of Issue 1 may be causing confusion among voters.

Lyndhurst Municipal Court Awarded \$77,000 Grant to Hire Full-Time Victim Advocate Dominic J. Coletta / Presiding Judge

The Court is excited to announce that it was recently awarded a \$77,313 grant through the Ohio Attorney General's Office to hire a full-time victim advocate. This will be the Court's first full-time victim advocate.

The essential functions of the Court's victim advocate will be:

- Ensure that crime victims are informed about the progress and status of their case and are given a voice throughout the criminal justice process;
- Maintain all victim contact information for all criminal cases and provide timely notification of court appearances in compliance with the Ohio Constitution;
- Act as a liaison between victims, law enforcement, prosecuting attorneys and other agencies to ensure the victim's rights are honored;
- Accompany crime victims to all court appearances;
- Verify that victims are notified of all court proceedings and maintain contact with victims through the conclusion of each case;
- Interview victims to determine specific needs and services; and
- Coordinate crisis resources for victims and make appropriate referrals.

Victims of crime face many hardships and setbacks as a result of their tragic and unexpected circumstances. The Court's victim advocate will assist victims throughout this difficult process to ensure their needs are met and voices heard.





Dominic J. Coletta Lyndhurst Municipal Court Presiding Judge

Let It Snow!

Michael E. Cicero, Village Prosecutor

As the weather begins to change, I wanted to take this opportunity to remind residents of certain requirements related to snow removal!

First, the Mayfield Village Codified Ordinances provide that any company hired to remove snow from private driveways or parking areas must first obtain a permit to operate from the Village Building Commissioner. If the company has multiple vehicles, it must obtain a permit for each vehicle in its fleet. While this may seem like a nonsensical requirement, it is, in fact, to protect you, the residents.

This permitting requirement ensures that companies engaged in snow plowing with the Village meet the standards of the Village and comply with all applicable rules and regulations. This includes registering the make and model of each vehicle, as well as the owner and operator of same. It also ensures that if a private plow vehicle violates traffic laws or causes damage while plowing, the business and/or operator can be held accountable if a traffic or criminal violation has been committed.

If the company or operator is not registered, it, he or she may be charged with a crime.

Of course, you are free to hire whoever you wish to remove snow from your property. However, please make sure the company or operator is registered with the Village. This is also for your protection. Also, I would like to remind you that there is also a list of approved snowplow operators that have registered with the Village. This list is available through the Building Department by calling 440-461-2213.

As with every Cleveland winter, who knows what the weather will bring? Hopefully the information provided helps residents stay safe and enable you to select a reliable snow removal company.



Michael E. Cicero Village Prosecutor



Emergency Preparedness Tips

Our local CERT has been working to develop a series of emergency tips for residents called "do 1 thing" that we are happy to share in the VOV. Watch for a tip in every issue.

do 1 thing: First Aid.

Be prepared to render First Aid while waiting for an ambulance: Tip 1

- Prompt first aid is essential in accidents, falls or other emergencies:
- Call 911 and do NOT move severely injured or unconscious persons unless instructed by an emergency responder.
- Do NOT give food or water to patients unless instructed by emergency personnel.
- Have someone watch for an ambulance and direct responders to the emergency.
- Remain calm and try to keep patients calm.
- Cover a cold patient with a blanket.

Source: do1thing.com Provided by <u>www.TriCommunityCERT.com</u>

Volunteers Thanked at Annual Appreciation Event This Year with a Wild West Theme!

On September 13, 2024, at the Community Room, the Village and Mayor Bodnar hosted a western themed dinner to thank all the volunteers that serve on Committees, Boards and Commissions and who donate their time to work at Village special events. At this event each year, several individuals are recognized as Outstanding Citizens. This year's recipients of the award included long-time Ward 1 Council Member Bill Marquardt, Board of Zoning Appeals Member John Michalko, and two Commission on Aging Members—Ralph Tarsitano and Audrey Schmidt. Outstanding Citizens are given individual plaques at the event and are added to the "wall of fame" inside the Civic Center.



At left, Bill Marguardt with Mayor Bodnar following presentation of the Outstanding Citizen awards for 2024. Bill was recently re-elected to serve his eighth term as the Ward 1 member of Council, serving on Council for over 28 years. Bill also served on the Planning & Zoning, Civil Service, and Charter **Review Commissions** prior to being elected to Council. At right is the wall of fame displayed in the hallway of the Civic Center.





Audrey Schmidt, member of the Commission on Aging, was a 2024 recipient of the Outstanding Citizen award.



John Michalko, member of the Board of Zoning Appeals since 2016, and serving on the Volunteer Fire Dependents Fund Board, was also recognized by Mayor Bodnar.



Ralph Tarsitano, long-time member of the Commission on Aging, prior member of the Civil Service Commission, and occasional Santa, was named an Outstanding Citizen.

Soldiers and Sailors Monument Stone Used to Honor Police Department Personnel Paul Matias / Chief of Police

The Soldiers and Sailors Monument honors more than 9,000 Soldiers who served in the Union Army during the Civil War. The monument was dedicated in 1894 and is located on Public Square in downtown Cleveland. During renovations several years ago, dressed granite pavers and dimensional curb stones were removed from the Court of Honor on the lower esplanade. The Soldiers and Sailors Monument Commission made the granite stones available for projects that honor the service of military and first responders. Understanding the unique opportunity to bring a piece of an iconic and historic monument to Mayfield Village, members of the Police Department designed a project and selected a stone to honor all who have served the Mayfield Village Police Department.

The recent Mayfield Village centennial reminds us of all those who came before us, those serving now, and the future of our Police Department. Some may have served just a short time or their entire career as Department members. In all cases, they gave some part of their lives to be part of our family that serves and protects our wonderful community. The monument is dedicated to all who served the Mayfield Village Police Department past, present, and future.

Thank you to the Soldiers and Sailors Monument Commission for donating the stone, The Johns-Carabelli Co. for engraving the stone, and the Mayfield Village Service Department for installing the stone. The monument is located near the staff entrance of the Police Department.





Paul Matias Chief of Police





A piece of granite from the Soldiers and Sailors monument was used to create a local monument dedicated to employees of the Mayfield Village Police Department.

Fire Department Personnel Changes Eugene Carcioppolo / Fire Chief



Assistant Chief Michael Libens recently retired from the MV Fire Dept. He is pictured here with former A/C Michael Girbino and new A/C Jeff Federico.

On July 19, 2024, Assistant Chief Michael Libens retired from the fire service after serving Mayfield Village for the past five years. A/C Libens came to Mayfield Village in 2019 after working the first 28 years of his full-time career for the City of Richmond Heights, Ohio. A/C Libens brought our department years of fire service wisdom and experi-



Eugene Carciopplo Fire Chief

ence to help our younger organization carry on the mission of our department and the fire service. Now retired, A/C Libens has been spending more time with his wife, Winnie.

With A/C Libens's departure came a new promotion within our Fire Department. FF Jeff Federico took on this important and difficult position to help our community and department accomplish its duties. FF Federico began his career here in 2020 during the COVID 19 Pandemic. Jeff's prior working experience included working for his family's restaurants, serving in the United States Navy, and working at Euclid Fire Department as a Firefighter/

Paramedic. Jeff's work history showcases his intrinsic motivation to serve people. His willingness to seek this promotional opportunity highlights his desire to serve the department and the community. Assistant Chief Federico will be continuing the fire prevention mission of our organization and you will begin seeing him regularly around the community.

Assistant Chief Federico's promotion created a firefighter vacancy. To fill this position, our newest full-time Firefighter, Makyle Grant, was sworn in at the August Council meeting. Makyle is a graduate of Brush High School and the Excel TECC Fire and EMS Academy. Makyle followed in his older brother's footsteps by attending the Fire and EMS Academy while still in high school. He continued on this path by working in the field at several departments in the area until he could find a career department to call home. Makyle enjoys cooking and exercising and is in the process of teaching himself how to play the piano. We are happy to have Makyle join our department and be a part of our team.



New Firefighter Makyle Grant was sworn-in by Mayor Bodnar at the August Council Meeting. He is pictured here with Chief Carcioppolo, Assistant Chief Jeff Federico, Mayor Bodnar and other members of the department who attended the swearing-in ceremony.

Economic Development News John Marquart, Economic Development Manager



KIDTOWN CELEBRATES 2nd ANNIVERSARY

Kidtown Eduplay Center is thrilled to celebrate its second anniversary, growing as a program since its opening in September, 2022. In just two years, this unique childcare center has enriched kiddos' learning and expanded its offerings, adding more classrooms to better serve the community and surrounding area needs. Kidtown also received a Step Up to Quality Silver Level rating, a program designation from the Ohio Department of Children & Youth for providing quality child care services. "We're proud of our growth, and to continue meeting the demands of our



John Marquart **Economic Development** Manager

Step Up SILVER

kiddos and their families," said Aerica Meacham, Director of Talent and Brand Marketing. "Our focus on discovery learning through hands-on and imaginative play has truly resonated with the community, and we're excited about the future."

One of the standout events this year was their Back-to-School celebration, which brought families together for a day of fun and community spirit. Children enjoyed face painting, balloon twisting, and, of course, playful adventures in the center's custom-designed playhouses. The event also featured a back -to-school supplies giveaway, ensuring that every child was ready for the new school year.

As the year comes to a close, Kidtown is preparing for a festive holiday community event that promises to be a highlight for families. The indoor play space will be transformed into a winter wonderland for a holiday photoshoot, inviting families to dress in holiday outfits or cozy pajamas. Each family will receive a printed photo to cherish, creating lasting memories of the season. Interested in scheduling a tour or learning more about Kidtown's community events? Call 440 -421-9053, visit <u>www.kidtowneduplaycenter.com</u> or look for them on Instagram and Facebook.

OHIO AMONG BEST STATES TO START A SMALL BUSINESS

2023 was a banner year for small businesses, with a record-breaking 5.5 million new business applications filed, according to the Small Business Administration. According to a new study from Lendio, an online small business lender, Ohio is ranked among the top 10 best states in which to start a small business.

Being an entrepreneur and starting your own business has its ups and downs, and launching and operating your own company is never easy, but conditions here in the Buckeye State can make it a little easier. Lendio's study explored trends in ten metrics critical to the success of small business owners such as small business lending, cost of living, real estate, workforce, tax rates and incentives for business owners. In the end, Ohio ranked sixth among the best states to start a small business, scoring high marks for small business lending, local incentive programs and low cost of living. Lastly, Ohio was also noted for being a low-tax state compared to our peers.

The 2020's have been one of the most challenging decades in history for small businesses, with the shockwaves from the pandemic still being felt throughout the American economy. Inflation, interest rates and the unprecedented migration of workers to new locations are some the difficulties that small businesses face. We salute all of our businesses – large and small- for meeting these challenges head-on and continuing to make Mayfield Village such a strong place to do business.

FORMER CAMPUS 2 IS NOW PROGRESSIVE CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS



The site of Progressive Campus 1 has great visibility from I-271.

The Progressive office complex at 300 North Commons Blvd., formerly known as Campus 2, will be known as 'Progressive Corporate Headquarters' going forward, both internally and externally. While many departments from Campus 1, including CEO Tricia Griffith, have already relocated to PCHQ, some employees will remain at Campus 1 through November. Following those final moves, Campus 1, located at 6300 Wilson Mills Rd., will be officially closed for business.

To say Campus 1 is important to the Village is an understatement. Not only has it historically housed our largest concentration of workers, it is a mas-

sive 41-acre site located right at our front door: the interchange of 271 and Wilson Mills. As such, Mayfield Village is in constant contact with Progressive leadership and their real estate consultants to navigate a path forward for the Campus 1 property. However, it is important to consider that the best path forward for the campus may not necessarily look and feel like what we're accustomed to.

It is important to remember that Progressive, one of the largest and most admired employers anywhere, remains headquartered right here in the Village, and remains our largest employer. Additionally, Progressive is an incomparable steward of its buildings and grounds, which means you won't find more a impressive commercial property anywhere in

Ohio, or even nationally. The campus will be attractive to potential buyers, even if it's not necessarily for one large office user. Considering there are fewer and fewer office 'titans' in this age of work-from-home and corporate consolidation, we may not see another *Fortune 500* type user swoop in.

While it is still early in the process, the best use of the site remains to be seen, but the Village is committed to ensuring the best interests of the community are kept at the forefront of any decision. We recognize that jobs—whether they be office, medical, institutional or light industrial—must be our top priority to help keep municipal services strong.

WELCOME TO MAYFIELD VILLAGE! Welcome to the newest businesses calling Mayfield Village home:

- *Cleveland Reliable Draw Phlebotomy* at 781 Beta Drive
- Atrium Medical Group at 6555 Wilson Mills Road
- Canon Medical Academy USA at 6655 Beta Drive

Welcome aboard! We're glad you chose Mayfield!

Guidelines for Successful Fall Leaf Collection Frank Stupczy, Service Director

Yearly leaf collection is one of the Service Department's principal responsibilities. It is our goal to provide efficient and effective leaf collection service to the entire Village every fall. This goal can only be realized through a cooperative effort between our Service Department picking up the leaves and our residents bringing the leaves out for collection at the road. A successful leaf collection program requires the dedication of a majority of our Service Department personnel and equipment throughout the fall season. This usually means some of our other services are stopped or slowed down considerably during the fall, so we appreciate your patience in advance.

Keep in mind our crews follow a very specific route to ensure fair and equal service provision. If you see our leaf crew drive by before you have your pile out, we will be back, there is no need to call. *If you haven't already, please sign up for text messages from our Service Department through Civic Ready at* https://mayfield-village-oh.myfreealerts.com/

This year our crews will begin leaf collection Monday October 14th and cycle through the middle of December, weather permitting. With the fall season in full swing, I've provided a few guidelines to keep in mind when performing your part in this cooperative effort. If you contract your leaf cleanup, please help us by sharing these reminders with your contractor.

- **Rake Leaves in Windrows, not Piles:** Rake leaves in long piles (windrows) along the tree lawn on curbed streets, or along the *street side* of the ditch. Please do not fill the storm ditch with leaves. Our machines do not reach down into drainage ditches easily. Ditches filled with leaves are very difficult to clear out and slows our cycle-time greatly. Also, drainage ditches filled with leaves and branches create flooding and road safety hazards.
- Keep Windrows Close to the Street and Away from Obstructions: Our vacuum trailers have limited reach from the road. Leaves piled further than 8' from the road will not be picked up. Picking up leaves piled up around obstructions can cause damage to our vacuum trailers and will be left behind. Keep leaves at least 4' away from any obstructions such as street signs, mailboxes, trees, and light poles.
- Please Separate Branches from Leaves: Machines cannot pick-up leaves when they are mixed with large branches. Please make a separate pile of branches for our crews to pick-up separately.
- **Rake Early and Often:** Don't wait until the end of the season to bring your leaves to the curb. Inclement weather will cause delays. Workers and trucks that pick up leaves are the same that plow snow and spread salt. Once it begins to snow consistently, Service will not be able to pick up leaves.
- **There is no Spring pick-up:** The Village begins pick-up October 14th and ends in mid-December, on all residential streets. Leaf and yard debris to be disposed of outside of leaf collection season must be bagged in paper landscape bags no more than 50lbs each and put out with regular trash collection.



Frank Stupczy Service Director

Household Hazardous Waste

Lisa Lesner, Service Department Executive Assistant

Let's take a moment to talk about Household Hazardous Waste or HHW as you may hear it more commonly referred to. It is a term used for household items that can be toxic, corrosive, reactive, or ignitable. These items can be dangerous if they're not used for their intended purpose or disposed of properly.

Mayfield Village offers HHW collections four times a year with **our next collection beginning November 2 through November 9, 2024.** Since I have been in the Service Department, I have seen residents bring a lot of the approved items here to be recycled, which is wonderful. There are times, however, when people have brought things we cannot accept. Here is a list of some of the most common items that we turn away and alternatives to dispose of them:

- Lightbulbs: Any type of light bulb including fluorescent, incandescent, LED, or HID. Energy efficient bulbs contain a small amount of mercury that needs to be disposed of properly. Some local BatteresPlus retail stores will accept and recycle all bulbs and ballasts including fluorescent tubes for a small disposal fee. Compact Fluorescent lightbulbs, the small twisty kind, can be recycled at most Lowe's and Home Depot retail locations. Call your local store to make sure they are participating.
- **Propane tanks**: There are retail locations that offer a free recycling program for 20# grill propane tanks. If you have a gas grill propane tank that you are no longer using, you can take it to any area Blue Rhino or Tank Traders location.
- **Small Propane tanks**: Unfortunately, there are no good disposal options for small propane or butane canisters. The canisters are non-refillable and most scrap yards will not accept them for recycling.
- Latex paint: Latex paint is 99% water and is safe to dispose of with your regular trash. We will not accept it at our HHW collections. Latex paint can be dried out and then placed in with your trash. You can purchase paint hardeners, or mix the paint with kitty litter or saw dust, to speed up the drying process. Leave the lid off the top of the paint can to allow the trash hauler to verify that the paint is no longer liquid.
- **Batteries**: Do not place batteries of any kind in your recycling toter. They can be recycled or properly disposed of in other ways:
 - ⇒ **Single use alkaline batteries:** Are not hazardous and can be disposed of in the regular trash once they have reached their end-of-life use.
 - ⇒ **Rechargeable batteries:** Can be recycled for free through local Call2Recycle drop boxes that can be found in retail store such as Best Buy, Home Depot, Lowe's, and Apple stores.
 - ⇒ Lead Acid batteries: Most commonly used in vehicles, motorcycles, and wheelchairs, contain lead and sulfuric acid as a source of power. The most common way to dispose of a car battery is to exchange the battery for a core charge when you buy a replacement.

It is hard to cover everything in one article, so if you have other questions about recycling call me in the office (440-442-5506) or refer to the Solid Waste district website at <u>https://</u> <u>cuyahogarecycles.org</u> or by phone at (216) 698-7595.



Lisa Lesner Service Dept. Executive Assistant



Mayfield City Schools

KNOW THE FACTS

ISSUE 51 5.0-MILL OPERATING LEVY

- 1 Maintain excellence in the classroom
- 2 Support school safety & mental health

3 Expand literacy, math & career readiness

HOW MUCH?

INVESTMENT Of Property Value \$14.58 a month / \$100,000 \$29.16 a month / \$200,000 \$43.74 a month / \$300,000

QUESTIONS?

Ohio's school funding system is complex and confusing. If you have further questions, please contact Mayfield City Schools Treasurer Scott Snyder 440.995.7230 or email ssnyder@mayfieldschools.org



ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICIALS INTERNATIONAL

MAYFIELD CITY SCHOOLS awarded Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended 2023

8 YEARS

2016 was the last time Mayfield City Schools asked voters for additional money. It has been 8 years since MCSD have been on the ballot. Through prudent financial management the District's last levy was stretched from 4 to 8 years.

PASS

If the levy passes, the District can meet the operational needs to maintain & enhance our excellence.

FAIL

If the levy fails, the District would need to consider districtwide cuts and reductions. 5 STAR RATING 2024 OHIO STATE REPORT CARD



District earns highest achievement rating from Ohio Department of Education

including a 99% Graduation Rate



FYI

According to guidance from the Ohio State Auditor's Office, school district personnel are not permitted to advocate for or against the passage of any levy or bond issue during times they are being compensated by the Mayfield City Schools. Therefore, the District will only provide factual information about its 5.0-mill levy request.

WWW.MAYFIELDSCHOOLS.ORG 440-995-7222



I am pleased to announce that **NOPEC will hold our natural gas Standard Program Price stable for the 7-month period beginning** with the November 2024 meter reads through the May 2025 meter reads for Enbridge Gas Ohio (formerly Dominion East Ohio) customers. This price stability follows a 6-month period where we held our Standard Program Price steady for May through October of this year. The new pricing for all of our product options will be:

Natural Gas: Standard Program Price

Meter Read Dates	Enbridge Gas Ohio
November 2024 through May 2025	\$4.15 per Mcf

Natural Gas: Fixed Term Pricing

Fixed Term Length	Enbridge Gas Ohio
12-months	\$3.99 per Mcf
24-months	\$4.25 per Mcf

These prices are in line – and largely below – what is currently being offered on the Apples-to-Apples shopping website and come without the hidden charges and strings attached to many retail offers. Meaning residents and small businesses can enjoy the peace of mind that NOPEC's product variety, flexibility, no early cancellation fees, ability to switch between NOPEC products without any cost, and other no risk terms provide for up to 2 years! Customers can also choose our Monthly Variable Price product; the price will be \$0.02/Mcf less than the utility's Standard Choice Offer which is reset monthly. Enrollment in the Monthly Variable Price product is limited to 3.5% of NOPEC customers in the utility service territory and therefore subject to availability. And they can take advantage of any of these great rates by simply calling NOPEC's Customer Care Center at 855-667-3201.



Get the dirt on backyard composting in this free workshop from Cuyahoga Recycles. Learn the science of composting and receive how-to-compost instruction.

Affordable composting equipment will be available for sale at the end of the program. Learn more about the equipment and pricing here:

https://cuyahogarecycles.org/buy_a_compost_bin/ Note: payment is by cash or check only, no credit.

Attendance is FREE, but PLEASE register at this link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/comreg24

Senior News / Samantha Clark-Cartwright Program & Facilities Manager / Senior Program Coordinator

Fall is upon us, and it's a great time of year to watch the leaves change colors, cheer on our favorite football teams, and enjoy delicious pumpkin spice treats. Personally, I prefer a nice hot apple cider on a crisp fall day, but whatever your drink of choice, I hope you take the time to savor this wonderful season.

On November 7th at 10:30 AM in the Community Room, we'll host **a canvas painting class featuring a piece called "Gifted Pumpkins."** It's the perfect fall decoration for your home! Melinda, the instructor from So-So Artsy Paint Studio, will provide all the supplies and offer step-by-step instructions to help you create your own unique masterpiece.

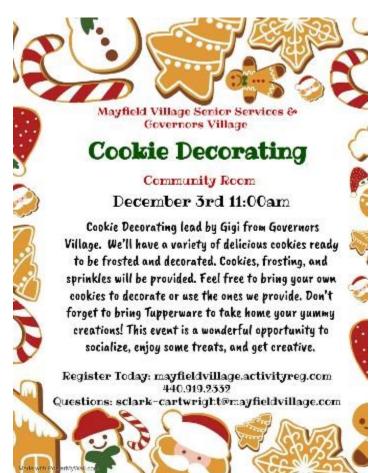
We also have special events coming up. Join us for the **Salute to Veterans Ceremony** on November 11th from 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM. We invite all veterans and their guests to celebrate those who have served our nation. The program will start with a ceremony in the morning, followed by a light lunch provided by Pizzazz Pizzeria. Additionally, we're look-



Samantha Clark-Cartwright Program & Facilities Manager Senior Program Coordinator

ing forward to our annual **Mayfield Village Senior Resident Holiday Lunch** on Thursday, December 5th from 12:00 to 2:00 PM. Signups for this festive event begin on October 30th, and registration is required.

Looking ahead to 2025, we're introducing new nighttime classes! We made these programs to include all adults and seniors who might not have a chance to participate in programs due to work. On February 6th



Fall 2024

and March 20th from 6:00 to 7:30 PM in the Community Room, we'll host **Trivia Night!** Challenge your knowledge across various categories and compete for awesome prizes! It's the perfect opportunity to socialize, laugh, and test your trivia skills. This fun evening is just \$5 per person per date, and pizza and refreshments will be provided.

Finally, on February 24th at 6:00 PM, we'll hold a **"Make and Take: Gnocchi Delights" c**lass taught by the staff of Village Butcher. In this hands-on experience, you'll learn how gnocchi is made and get to roll the dough into the classic shape. After the fun, our excellent instructor will pair the gnocchi with a delicious sauce for everyone to enjoy. You'll also take-home fresh dough to create meals after class. This culinary experience is \$60 per person and offers a wonderful opportunity to learn something new while enjoying amazing food.

As the leaves fall and the air turns crisp, let's embrace the spirit of community and connection. Whether it's participating in our activities or simply enjoying the season with family and friends, there's so much to be grateful for. We look forward to seeing you at these events and sharing in the joys of fall together!



Wendy Albin Sattin / Executive Director

www.communitypartnershiponaging.org

Coming up in November are a couple of exciting programs: first is **Yoga for Osteoporosis and Osteopenia**, a four week course that focuses on yoga movements that may improve bone density, flexibility and strength. The sessions will begin on November 18 at 2:00 pm at the Lyndhurst Community Center.

CPA begins a new program, **Art Exploration**, once a month on the first Thursday at the South Euclid Community Center. The first session is November 7 from 1:00 to 2:00 PM. Funded by the Ohio Arts Council, Art Exploration will introduce attendees to many types of artistic expression from watercolor to clay and everything in between. Interested? Call Zakiya to reserve your spot at 216-978-5050.

November 6 is our next Nutrition 360 class, focusing on **Diabetes and Cutting Carbs**. The class starts at 1 PM and is held at the South Euclid Community Center. Please call 216-970-0347 to make a reservation for this very informative session.

CPA is offering an **IPhone class** starting on November 15 at the Mayfield Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, 500 SOM Center Road The class starts at 1 PM and will run for four weeks. Whether you are new to iPhones or want a refresher course about the many features on the phone, sign up for this course with Dave, our Tech Instructor. Call the main office at 216-291-3902 to register.

Peeking into December, our popular hand-dipped chocolate holiday pretzel boxes are coming! Boxes are available for \$15 and make wonderful gifts. Details will be in the November newsletter. Talking about CPA newsletters, they are available at locations throughout Mayfield Village, including the Civic Center, Community Room and the Mayfield Library. You can also access a copy on line at www.communitypartnershiponaging.org or call the office to sign up for a mailed copy.

Mayfield Women's Club GFWC/OFWC

For information on Women's Club activities or to become a member, contact Marie at 440-449-8639. Upcoming meetings and speakers:

- November 18 at the Mayfield Public Library @ 2:00 p.m. **National Alliance on Mental Illness** with guest speaker Geauga County representative Ashley.
- No meeting in December.
- January 20 at the Mayfield Public Library @ 2:00 p.m. Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Holy Redeemer Church (Collinwood area). Guest speaker Ralph Tarsitano
- February 1 @ 11:30 a.m. Come celebrate the **Lunar New Year** with lunch at Ho Wah Chinese Restaurant in Beachwood.
- February 17 at the Mayfield Public Library @ 2:00 p.m. Come join the fun and play **BINGO!** \$5 entry fee. Reservations required. Contact Barbara at 440-467-6817.



Annmarie Finch Parkview Pool Manager



Practicing Rescues



Guards and Maintenance Staff working together

Parkview Pool Summer 2024 Annmarie Finch / Parkview Pool Manager

Each year, the Parkview Pool staff strives to provide Village residents and pool guests with a safe, clean, and enjoyable experience. The summer of 2024 not only saw a return to pre-pandemic gate attendance but also surpassed it, with an expanded Learn to Swim program. Over 23,000 guests visited Parkview Pool, seeking relief from one of the warmest summers on record.

Staff training began in early spring and continued throughout the summer, ensuring safety in and around the water for both guests and employees. Parkview lifeguards performed eight rescues, a decrease from the 19 rescues recorded in 2023. Veteran head guards and managers assisted with swim tests and swimmer management, helping to

identify weaker swimmers and move them to appropriate pool areas. This proactive approach contributed to fewer rescues. Weekly in-service trainings and skills checks ensured all staff remained rescue-ready.

This year, four maintenance staff members earned certification as American Red Cross Shallow Water Lifeguards, providing an additional layer of surveillance. Alongside the Mayfield Village Service Department, Parkview Pool maintenance staff helps care for the entire Parkview Recreation Area, including restrooms, baseball and soccer fields, tennis and bocce courts, and the Green Way Trail. Their certifications also enhanced safety throughout the park, enabling staff to offer first aid when needed while performing their daily duties.

The Parkview Pool Learn to Swim program continues to grow, with nearly 800 participants, ranging from 6 months old to adults, learning water safety through group and private lessons. In addition to teaching swimming, Parkview Pool staff also trains individuals to become lifeguards and Learn to Swim instructors.

This year, American Red Cross instructors certified 18 lifeguards, 6 Water Safety Instructors, and 3 Lifeguard Instructors. All aquatic staff also renewed and updated their CPR/ AED, First Aid, and lifeguarding skills.

To some Parkview Pool guests, it might seem like the high school and college students sitting in the lifeguard stands have an easy job. However, other guests have witnessed



Swim lessons

Parkview Pool lifeguards in action when the sound of a whistle suddenly interrupts an otherwise relaxing day. At that moment, the facility's Emergency Action Plan (EAP) springs into motion, and each staff member plays a critical role. Everyone moves managers, guards on break, and, most importantly, the guard who has just entered the water to perform a rescue. This year, four lifeguards performed a total of eight rescues. Fatima Sardo-Longo had the distinction of making the first rescue of the season, while Aidan Arth and Reese Durosko each performed two rescues, and Mackenzie Pentsa completed one.

Parkview Pool has adapted Dean Cain's famous quote, "Real heroes don't wear capes," to include, "They work at Parkview Pool." Pictured below are this year's capeless heroes.



Aidan Arth



Mackensie Pentsa



Reese Durosko



Fatima Sardo-Longo

Residents have also expressed their gratitude for the staff's dedication and the facility's well-maintained environment. Patti Fioritto, a regular morning swimmer, shared her appreciation:

"On behalf of all the morning swimmers, I wanted to take a moment to let you know how much we all appreciate that Parkview Pool was open early every morning through Labor Day. The pool and diving well were always filled with many grateful, happy lap swimmers and both shallow and deep water exercisers.

Kudos to AnneMarie and her guards—Mike, Steven, Nathaniel, and Rex—and to Gary for keeping the pool crystal clear and warm!

We are fortunate to have such a beautiful and well-maintained facility in Mayfield Village. The morning swimmers are a happy, dedicated group of people that show up every day and are truly grateful for the opportunity to be at Parkview Pool. We thank you and look forward to next summer!"

SANTA FLOATS THROUGH MAYFIELD VILLAGE

Saturday, December 7, 2024

11:00 Montebello

- 11:15 Wildwood, Bramblewood, Timberline, Creekwood, Deepwood, Zorn, Metropark, Hickory Hill, Woodbine, Oakton area
- 12:15 SOM Ct., Thornapple, Meadowood, Eastgate, Oakwood, Walnut, Sandalwood, Butternut, Kenwood, Ravine, Robley area
- 12:45 Village Trail, Hanover, Hardwood Ct., Echo area
- 1:30 Bonnieview, Glenview, Seneca area
- 2:30 Aintree Park, Derby, Hunt, Beechers Brook, Chase, Northboro, Foxboro, Raleigh area
- 3:30 Joyce, Robin Circle, Hemingway, Worton Park, N. & S. Woodlane, Woodlane, Norman area

For children and grandchildren only of Mayfield Village Residents! Register your house/number of kids by calling 440.461.5163 beginning 10/16. Call in by 11/26 so Santa & his elves can be prepared with a small gift for the kids!

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The Mayfield Township Historical Society

You are invited to our meeting/speaker series located at the Mayfield Community Room. Free and open to the public, you don't have to be a member, bring a friend. Join us for refreshments after the program. Join our volunteer group if you feel you have a skill to help us at the historic house. We are training docents to learn one room of their choice. Call and leave your information. 440-461-0055

November 13—LOST CLEVELAND/CLEVELAND THEN & NOW. Wednesday, 7 p.m., Laura DeMarco, author and noted arts & culture writer, joins us for a tour of notable Cleveland landmarks of the past. Her presenta-



The Bennett-Van Curen Historical House

tion will paint a vivid picture of the vibrant downtown Cleveland we knew in our youth! Her book will be available for purchase. (Tonight is **Pie Night** for our refreshment. Members, please bring in your money and ticket stubs for our local restaurant Gift Card Raffle to be drawn this evening. You can still purchase tickets tonight at 6 for \$5, \$1 each. Taking nominations for officers for the February election.)

December 11—Holiday Luncheon, Wednesday, 12:00-3:00. Mayfield Village Civic Center, 6622 Wilson Mills Rd. Information will be sent out in November with menu and cost to be returned by Dec. 5 for your advance reservation or call for more information. Open to all. Ask a friend to share the holiday season and socialize with us. We have a Brown Bag Auction, 6 tickets \$5. If you have a new, gently used gift item to donate, bring it to the house by Dec. 8.

January — No meeting. Membership month. Please fill out a membership form with dues: \$15 single, \$25 family, \$50 contributing, \$500 lifetime and bring to 606 SOM Center Rd, Mayfield, OH 44143 or to the Feb. meeting.

February 12—WHO HAS SPRING/ **CLEVELAND GUARDIANS** FE-VER? Wednesday, 7 p.m., Bob DiBiasio, Senior V.P. of Public Affairs for the Guardians, will join us to kick off the Guardians' Spring Training season with stories of our Cleveland team's storied past and review the upcoming MLB season for the team. Grab your favorite team jersey or hat and join us! We'll get the popcorn ready! Officer election and swearing in.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS / NOVEMBER—JANUARY

NOVEMBER 2024

NOVEWIDER 2024					
4	Council Caucus	Civic Center	7pm		
5	Election Day	All Wards vote at the Civic Center	6:30am- 7:30pm		
7	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	12-6pm		
18	Council Regular Meeting	Civic Center	7pm		
21	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	12-6pm		
23	Garden Club Holiday Market	Community Room	9am-4pm		
28-29	Thanksgiving Holiday	Offices Closed			
DECEMBER 2024					
2	Council Caucus	Civic Center	7pm		
3	Backyard Composting Program	Civic Center (info on Page 19)	6-7 pm		
5	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	12-6pm		
6	Tree Lighting	Community Room	6pm		
7	Santa Breakfast	Community Room	8:30-10:30am		
	(Followed by Santa Float Ride)	See schedule on Page 24	11am-4pm		
16	Council Regular Meeting	Civic Center	7pm		
18	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	12-6pm		
24-25	Christmas Holiday	Offices Closed			
26	Menorah Lighting	Gazebo	6pm		
JANUARY 2025					
1	New Year's Day	Offices Closed			
2	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	12-6pm		
13	Red Cross Blood Drive	Civic Center	12-6pm		
TBD	Caucus & Council Regular Meeting	Civic Center	7 pm		

GENERAL ELECTION

Tuesday, NOVEMBER 5, 2024

All Wards Vote at the Civic Center — 6:30 A.M. TO 7:30 P.M.

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Community Recycling

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

Residents Can 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



November 2 thru 9

For information about items accepted for recycling, please call 440-442-5506 or visit the Service Department tab at https://mayfieldvillage.com



Heritage Home offers assistance and low-interest loans to residents with homes over 50 years old. Visit <u>mayfieldvillage.com</u> or <u>heritage homeprogram.org</u> 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 <u>simplerecycling</u>.com or call 866-835-5068. Details about accepted items can be found on the website.

RUST BELT RIDERS

COMPOSTING MADE EASY! Turn your food scraps into soil and help stop the production of powerful greenhouse gases. Drop-off location at Civic Center Parking Lot. Visit <u>rustbeltriders.com</u> or call 216-800-4651(Ext 2) to become a member.



Hillcrest Meals on Wheels serves the nutritional needs of homebound senior residents by delivering meals directly to their homes. The service area includes the communities of Highland Heights, Richmond Heights, Mayfield Heights, South Euclid, Lyndhurst, and Mayfield Village.

mayfieldvillage.com

Meals are prepared by the Greater Cleveland Food Bank Catering Division and delivered Monday through Friday between 11:00 and noon by volunteers. A hot meal with an option of a lunch box is provided at a nominal cost. If you would like to order meals for yourself, someone you know, or would like to volunteer to deliver, please call Judy Conkling, Program Coordinator at (440) 449-3551, or email <u>mealsonwheels@lyndhurstoh.com</u> for more information.



American Red Cross

Blood Services

The need for blood continues and patients need your help. Donation sites continue to operate, including here at the Civic Center in Mayfield Village, 6622 Wilson Mills Road.

Upcoming dates include:

November 7 & 21 from 12-6 pm December 5 & 18 from 12-6 pm January 2 & 13 from 12-6 pm

See <u>www.redcrossblood.org</u> for other local locations. Please note that appointments are required. Make an appointment online or call 1-800-REDCROSS (800-733-2767).



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