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## Dates to Remember

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- Monday, July 4** City Hall and the Community Center closed for Independence Day  
Cumberland Pool open 12:00-6:00 pm
- July 8, 9, 10** Cain Park Arts Festival: Friday, 3:00-8:00 pm; Saturday, 10:00 am-8:00 pm; Sunday, 12:00 noon-5:00 pm
- Saturday, July 9** Adult Softball Leagues All-Star Games;  
Hall of Fame Induction
- Tuesday, July 26** Landlord Training Program, 7:00-10:00 pm  
at the Police Academy, 2595 Noble Road
- Tuesday, August 9** Cumberland Pool Water Show, 8:30 pm
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### COUNCIL MEETINGS

Cleveland Heights City Council meets on the first and third Mondays of each month in City Hall Council Chambers, 40 Severance Circle. For the latest information on Council and other City meetings, visit [www.clevelandheights.com](http://www.clevelandheights.com).

● On the cover: Cain Park on a summer evening

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## CLEVELAND HEIGHTS

Dear Cleveland Heights Residents and Businesses:

Effective July 1, 2011, the Regional Income Tax Agency (R.I.T.A.) will begin collecting municipal income tax for the City of Cleveland Heights. R.I.T.A. is a non-profit governmental agency established in 1971 under chapter 167 of the Ohio Revised Code and is the largest municipal income tax collection agency in the State of Ohio. The City of Cleveland Heights chose the Regional Income Tax Agency to maximize the City's tax collection efforts. R.I.T.A. will be responsible for the administration and collection of all income taxes and will serve as an Agent of the City of Cleveland Heights in this capacity.

After July 1, 2011, all City of Cleveland Heights tax payments and tax forms, for current or prior tax years are to be sent to R.I.T.A. We encourage you to utilize R.I.T.A.'s electronic filing and payment system as it is fast and simple to use, and it is secure and free. The system will be available for your use beginning September 15, 2011.

For those wishing to utilize mail, the remittance address for our secured lockbox center is:

**R.I.T.A.  
P.O. Box 477900  
Broadview Hts, Ohio 44147-7900**

Checks or money orders should be payable to the Regional Income Tax Agency or R.I.T.A. Please include your Social Security Number or Federal Identification Number on all payments and correspondence.

**City of Cleveland Heights residents** will receive a 2011 individual tax return by the end of January 2012. **Business accounts** will receive 2011 Net Profit returns by the end of January 2012 and 2011 Withholding Remittance forms shortly. If you have an existing account with R.I.T.A. and are already remitting withholding taxes for another R.I.T.A. municipality, simply add the Cleveland Heights withholding tax payment to the R.I.T.A. Form 11.

For individual and business forms, plus e-file and e-payment service, visit the R.I.T.A. website at [www.ritaohio.com](http://www.ritaohio.com).

Effective July 1, 2011, R.I.T.A. will open an office at **Cleveland Heights City Hall, 40 Severance Circle**, for walk-in assistance. Hours of operation are: **Monday through Friday, 8:30 am-5:00 pm.**

If you have any questions regarding your City of Cleveland Heights income tax, please contact R.I.T.A.'s customer service representatives at (Brecksville Office) **1-800-860-7482**. You may also contact the City of Cleveland Heights at **216-291-3978**.

Sincerely,

Rick Carbone, Executive Director  
Regional Income Tax Agency

Edward J. Kelley, Mayor  
City of Cleveland Heights

### CLEVELAND HEIGHTS COUNCIL

Edward J. Kelley, Mayor  
Phyllis L. Evans, Vice Mayor  
Bonita W. Caplan, Kenneth Montlack, Jason S. Stein, Cheryl L. Stephens, Dennis R. Wilcox  
Robert C. Downey, City Manager

# Emergency Preparedness

The Cuyahoga County Board of Health and our Safety Forces have recently advised that residents should be reminded of Emergency Preparedness. While we published this information in a FOCUS Magazine in 2005, the information is still timely and is still as important as ever. Please clip and save these pages for reference.

Several years back, a massive blackout affected 50 million people over a 9,300-square-mile area, including Northeast Ohio. A few years ago, a vicious winter storm knocked out power and heat to many Cleveland Heights homes for almost a week. While we don't have to worry about hurricanes in our area like our friends along coastal areas, we know we are not immune to natural disasters. Summer storms, including high winds, or a tornado could cut off basic services - gas, water, electricity and telephones - for days. **And in today's world, it is important for all of us to be prepared in the case of an emergency. Natural and human-caused disasters can strike suddenly, at any time and anywhere.**

**There are things that you can do now to make sure your family is prepared.**

## Prepare a Kit

Prepare a kit of emergency supplies that will allow you and your family to survive comfortably for at least three days in the event an emergency happens. Think about items that you might need if you had to stay in the same place for up to three days. The kit should include basic items like water, food, battery-powered radio, flashlights and a first aid kit.

### Water and Food

- Keep a three-day supply of water on hand for evacuation; a gallon of water per person per day for drinking and sanitation (keep a two-week supply for home.) Use bottled water or store water tightly in clean plastic containers such as soft drink bottles.
- Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select foods that require no refrigeration, preparation or cooking and little or no water. Include food items like canned meats, fruits, juices, soups and vegetables; protein bars; peanut butter; dried fruit; nuts; staples; non-perishable, pasteurized milk; and comfort/stress foods (cookies, hard candy, etc). You might also want to include vitamins.
- Pack a manual can opener.
- Include paper plates, cups, napkins and towels, and plastic eating utensils.

### First Aid

Most households have a first aid kit on hand. If you do not, you may want to assemble one. Include:

- Latex or other sterile gloves
- Sterile dressings
- Cleansing agent/soap, antibiotic towelettes
- Hand sanitizer
- Antibiotic ointment and burn ointment to prevent infection
- Adhesive bandages in a variety of sizes
- Eye wash solution
- Thermometer
- Prescription medications you take every day, such as insulin, heart medicine and asthma inhalers (rotate medicines to account for expiration dates)
- Prescribed medical supplies such as glucose and blood pressure monitoring equipment
- Medical supplies like hearing aids with extra batteries, glasses, contact lenses, a cane
- Scissors and tweezers
- Non-prescription drugs like pain relievers, antacids, laxatives, etc.

### Additional Items for Your Kit

- Battery-operated radio
- Battery-operated flashlights (**Do NOT use candles or open flame for emergency lighting.**)
- Extra batteries
- Moist towelettes
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape
- Baby items, such as diapers and formula
- Games and activities for children
- Personal items for the elderly if needed
- Garbage bags
- Personal hygiene items
- Pet supplies (collar, leash, ID, food, carrier, bowl)
- Cell phone (with a charger for the car)
- Two-way radio or walkie-talkies
- Identification for each family member
- Glow stick
- Cash (If the power is out, ATMs may not be working. It may also be a good idea to have some small bills on hand, as merchants may not be able to make change.)
- Important family documents
- Extra set of house and car keys

## Make a Plan

Your family may not be together if disaster strikes, so plan how you will contact one another and review what you will do in different situations. Draw up a **Family Communications Plan** and include the following:

- ❑ **Out-of-state contact person**, phone number and email for this contact. It may be easier to make a long-distance phone call than to call across town, so an out-of-town contact may be in a better position to communicate among separated family members. Be sure every member of your family knows the phone number and has coins or a **prepaid phone card** to call the emergency contact.
- ❑ **Have a list** of the following information for each family member and keep it up-to-date: name, date of birth, and important medical information.
- ❑ **Where to go in an emergency:** write down where your family spends the most time: work, school and other places you frequent. Include: address, phone number, a neighborhood meeting place and a regional meeting place for home, school and places you frequent.
- ❑ **The name, telephone, policy number**, etc. for your:
  - doctors
  - pharmacist
  - medical insurance
  - homeowners/rental insurance
  - other useful phone numbers
- ❑ **Each family member should carry an abbreviated copy of your Family Communications Plan**, which should include:
  - contact name and telephone
  - out-of-town contact name and telephone
  - neighborhood meeting place and telephone
  - emergency phone numbers (9-1-1 for emergencies)
  - other important phone numbers and information.

## Important Family Documents

Keep these records in a waterproof, portable container:

- Wills, insurance policies, contracts, deeds, stocks and bonds
- Passports, Social Security cards, immunization records
- Bank account numbers
- Credit card account numbers and companies
- Inventory of valuable household goods, important telephone numbers
- Family records (birth, marriage, death certificates)

## Utilities

It is a good idea to locate the main electric fuse box, water service main and natural gas main for your home. Learn how and when to turn these utilities off, and teach all responsible family members. Keep necessary tools near gas and water shut-off valves. Remember, turn off the utilities only if you suspect the lines are damaged or if you are instructed to do so. **If you turn the gas off, you will need a professional to turn it back on.**

## Be Informed

Visit the following web sites to find out about different emergencies and how to prepare for them:

**www.ready.gov** - U.S. Department of Homeland Security; download a Family Communications Plan.

**www.redcross.org** - American Red Cross; purchase ready-made emergency preparedness kits online.

**www.fema.gov** - Federal Emergency Management Agency helps you prepare for an emergency.

**www.disasterassistance.gov** - offers "Are You Ready? An In-depth Guide to Citizen Preparedness," a comprehensive source on individual, family, and community preparedness.

**Family Communications Plan** can be found on the City's website: [www.clevelandheights.com/citydept\\_safety\\_emergency.asp](http://www.clevelandheights.com/citydept_safety_emergency.asp)

# CityNews

## Landlord Training Program

### Tuesday, July 26 at the Police Academy

The Cleveland Heights Police Department and Cleveland Heights Relocation Services will offer a Landlord Training Program to discuss basic Landlord-Tenant Law and ways in which landlords and property managers can keep illegal activity out of their units.

This training program will take place **Tuesday, July 26, 7:00-10:00 pm** at the **Martin G. Lentz Police Academy, 2595 Noble Road**. The curriculum is a version of a program developed by Bureau of Justice Assistance of the U. S. Department of Justice, which has been presented to thousands of landlords nationwide.

Landlords and property managers who are aware of their rights and duties and those of their tenants can see the following benefits:

- A stable, satisfied tenant base and increased demand for rentals
- Lower maintenance and repair costs
- Improved property values
- An improved level of personal safety for tenants and neighbors
- Peace of mind and less time spent on crisis control.

Landlords who complete the program will be featured on the City's website and will be included in packets distributed to promote living in Cleveland Heights. There is **no cost** to attend the training, but registration is required because seating is limited. Please call Relocation Services, **216-291-5959**, to reserve your place.



The City of Cleveland Heights has made sustainability a priority for many years. Beginning in the 1970s with one of the first city-wide recycling programs to present day projects, our residents have made sustaining our community part of their lives.

During the last two years the City has received over \$700,000 in grants that support sustainable/green projects. They are:

- Two solar powered bus shelters will be installed on Mayfield Road funded through RTA from a Federal Transportation \$100,000 grant.
- An EPA grant for \$238,726 was awarded for improvements to the Cumberland Parking lot to address uncontrolled runoff from the lot by incorporating storm water techniques of bio-retention basins and parking lot islands to reduce surface temperatures. The project also has an educational component of students from CSU and Heights High who will analyze water samples.
- The Cedar Lee parking deck has solar panels installed to augment the cost of electricity.
- The City received a stimulus grant from the Department of Energy for \$220,000 to retrofit the Community Center lighting throughout the building. All fixtures were changed to accommodate energy efficient fixtures and bulbs.
- Two Transportation for Livable Communities grants from the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency totaling \$115,000 were awarded. The projects will result in a comprehensive plan with University Circle regarding bicycle, pedestrian and transit connections.

In addition, the City, through a bidding process, hired the Camiros firm to conduct a sustainability audit of our current zoning code. This was followed by community meetings for input from our residents regarding sustainability options. The green zoning code recommendations are currently being reviewed by Council and staff. There will be additional public meetings to present any proposed amendments.

## News From The Police Department

### Bicycle Patrol

The Cleveland Heights Police Department began its Bicycle Patrol Unit on May 28. Patrols are focusing on Cain, Cumberland and Forest Hill parks along with business districts as needed. Bike patrol units are becoming more common in various cities across the country, as it provides easy maneuverability in parks and commercial areas. In addition, emergency call boxes have been installed in Cain, Cumberland and Forest Hill parks.

### Meet Your Police:

**Thursdays, 6:00-8:00 pm at City Hall**

Realizing that problem solving in a community is a two-way communication between citizens and their Police Department, the Cleveland Heights Meet Your Police program continues each **Thursday, 6:00-8:00 pm in the City Hall cafeteria area (lower level), 40 Severance Circle.** It is an open forum discussion designed to provide direct contact between citizens and a ranking Cleveland Heights Police Officer. The Police-citizen contacts help Police acquire and analyze information from these contacts and develop a plan of action to solve the problem. Citizens will be contacted by the ranking Officer with a disposition or progress update.

In addition to problem-solving within the community, the Meet Your Police program focuses on providing the following:

- an avenue for community members to learn about their Police Officers and the Police Department;
- a non-law enforcement atmosphere where adults and youth can interact with a Police Officer;
- crime-prevention information to residents;
- a timely dissemination of information regarding incidents occurring in neighborhoods; and
- information on other services provided by the City and information on other Departments in City Hall.

## Economic Development

### Ohio Hubs of Innovation and Opportunity Program Puts Cleveland Heights in the "Spotlight"

They say "location, location, location" is the essence of economic development and attracting new investment and talent. If that is the case, the City of Cleveland Heights is positioned in a unique vortex of activity that is taking shape across the State and blossoming with excitement through Northeast Ohio.

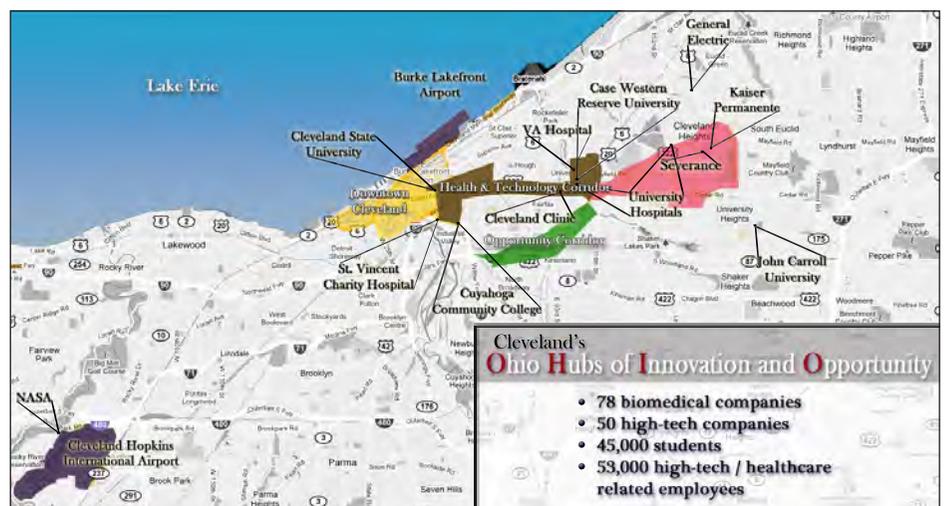
The State program called Ohio Hubs of Innovation and Opportunity are geographically targeted zones designated by a conglomerate of industry and education. Cleveland's zone extends from the Playhouse Square area to University Circle. The main players are well known and include key organizations such as the Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center, Cleveland Clinic, University Hospitals and St. Vincent Charity Medical Center. Prominent institutions in the zone include Cleveland State University, Case Western Reserve University and Cuyahoga Community College.

The zone concept provides a simple method for the State to classify a specific area. On a macro level, it actually lends

itself to define the regional assets of the entire community. The illustration below highlights our regional strengths when you incorporate NASA, General Electric, John Carroll and Kaiser Permanente.

This regional economic engine translates to huge amounts of talent, brainpower and jobs. Just a quick overall calculation and the region boasts approximately 45,000 students, 53,000 high tech/medical sector employees and over 100 high tech, medically-oriented companies.

For Cleveland Heights, the opportunity will be to engage and incorporate our existing assets, such as the city's rich variety of housing options, our unique commercial districts and exciting restaurant scene, to attract the students and employees who are looking for homes. The City's Relocation Services office (**216-291-5813, [relocationservices@clvhts.com](mailto:relocationservices@clvhts.com)**) works with the hospitals, universities and other businesses and institutions doing just that, through its outreach program and the City's partnership with University Circle. In addition, the City continues to consider the opportunities for projects that will bring highly skilled knowledge workers to the community.



## Housing Inspections

### 2011 Exterior Systematic Inspection Schedule

The maintenance of our housing stock is key to the well being of our city. With that in mind, all owner-occupied properties are subject to exterior systematic inspections every five years (all single-, two- and multi-family rental properties undergo exterior and interior inspections every three years). Last inspected in 2006, owner-occupied, single-family homes on the following streets are scheduled to have exterior systematic housing inspections conducted this year:

Arlington	Fairmount	Oakdale
Ashton	(Coventry to Canterbury)	Ormond
Bradford	Guilford	Princeton
Briarwood	Idlewood	Queenston
Canterbury	Kensington	Rexwood
Cedar	Kerrwood	Rinard
(Coventry to Lee)	Kingston	Scarborough
Clarkson	Lamberton	Shaker
Clarendon	Lee (Cedar to North Park)	Shelburne
Coleridge	Maplewood	Stillman
Corydon	Marlboro	(Scarborough to Cedar)
Cottage Grove	Meadowbrook	Stratford
Dartmoor	Monmouth	Taylor
Dellwood	Nordway	(Meadowbrook to
Essex	Northcliffe	Fairmount)
Exeter	North Park	Wellington
Fairfax	(Coventry to the Shaker Line)	Westminster
		N. Woodland

For an inspection checklist, visit the City's website:

[http://www.clevelandheights.com/citydept\\_housing\\_inspection.asp](http://www.clevelandheights.com/citydept_housing_inspection.asp)

## Water Quality Report Available

A part of the Safe Drinking Water Act, the City of Cleveland Heights is required to provide an annual Consumer Confidence Report, which details a summary of the water quality in Cleveland Heights. The 2010 report is now available, at no cost, in the Division of Water office at City Hall, 40 Severance Circle. This report may also be found in its entirety on the City's website, [www.clevelandheights.com/publications.asp](http://www.clevelandheights.com/publications.asp). If you have any questions concerning the report, call 216-291-5995.

## Historic Preservation Awards

The Cleveland Heights Landmark Commission is accepting nominations for the annual Historic Preservation Awards. They are looking for properties that have undergone recent exterior and/or interior preservation, restoration, rehabilitation, adaptive use, landscape restoration or sympathetic additions. For a nomination form, call 216-291-4885 or download a form at <http://www.clevelandheights.com/forms.asp>. Nominations must be received by August 12, 2011. Awards will be presented at the Community Improvement Awards ceremony on October 6, 2011.

## Community Improvement Awards Accepting Nominations

**Your input is needed!** Please take the time to nominate a deserving homeowner for a Community Improvement Award or a Tender Loving Care Award. If you've worked hard to improve your property, nominate yourself. For a property to qualify, the improvements must be visible from a public right-of-way. You may nominate a property for: restoration, renovation, an addition, outdoor furniture or sitting areas, lighting, new construction, signage, painting and excellent maintenance.

Call Community Relations at 216-291-2323 for a nomination form, which should be returned to the City by August 12. Nomination forms may also be found at [www.clevelandheights.com/forms.asp](http://www.clevelandheights.com/forms.asp). The winners will be honored at the Community Improvement Awards Ceremony on Thursday, October 6, 2011.

## Point of Dispensing (POD) Volunteers Needed

Cleveland Heights is working with the Cuyahoga County Board of Health to plan to administer vaccines or to distribute medicine during a possible community-wide public health emergency. To do this, Cleveland Heights must have plans in place and volunteers ready.

### Who should volunteer?

- Cleveland Heights residents 16 or older
- Health care professionals (nurses, physicians, pharmacists, etc.)
- Other people with organizational skills, teaching experience, fluent in languages other than English

### Next steps:

- Interest your friends and colleagues in volunteering.
- Let us know when (provide several dates and times) and where you want training (training can be your venue: church, school, etc., or we can provide a venue in a Cleveland Heights facility).

For information, email [clvhtscert@gmail.com](mailto:clvhtscert@gmail.com) or call Community Relations: 216-291-2323.

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## FOCUS

magazine is now accepting advertisements.

For ad specifications, cost and to reserve space, contact Jennifer Kuzma at 216-291-2854 or [jkuzma@clvhts.com](mailto:jkuzma@clvhts.com).

## News from Public Works

### Streets to be Resurfaced/Surface Treated

- To be resurfaced this year:

**Clarkson** (Coventry to Westminster)

**Cleveland Heights Blvd.**

(Monticello to Kirkwood)

**Derbyshire** (Coventry to Lamberton)

**Forest Hills Blvd.** (Mayfield to Hollister)

**North Park Blvd.** (Bellfield to 2811 North Park)

**Overlook Lane** (Berkshire to Overlook)

**Preyer** (cul-de-sac only)

**Runnymede** (cul-de-sac to Edgerly)

**Taylor** (Cedar to Superior, with U.H.)

**Washington Blvd.** (Yorkshire to Coventry)

- To be surface-treated this year:

**Berkshire**

(Coventry to Norfolk, Norfolk to Euclid Heights)

**Briarwood** (Meadowbrook to Kensington, Cedar to Meadowbrook)

**Canterbury** (Fairmount to Scarborough)

**Dellwood** (Lee to Taylor)

**Derbyshire** (Kenilworth to Edgehill)

**Edgehill** (Washington to Woodward)

**Grandview** (W. St. James to Cedar)

**Mt. Vernon Blvd.** (Forest Hills to Northvale)

**Newbury** (Mayfield to Monticello)

**Oakridge**

(Glenwood to Yellowstone, Mayfield to Glenwood)

**Rumson** (Taylor to Forest Hills)

**Bolton** (Lee to Monticello)

**Chelsea**

(Blackmore to Newbury, Forest Hills to Blackmore)

**Dartmoor** (E. Monmouth to Fairmount)

**Elandon** (Chestnut Hills to Denton)

**E. Overlook** (Goodnor to Lee)

**Kew** (Rumson to Chelsea)

**Monmouth** (Lee to Arlington)

**Westover** (Rumson to Chelsea)

### Yard Waste Reminder

Yard waste, including grass clippings, leaves, twigs, weeds and trimmings from flowers and/or bushes, must be placed in paper bags (Kraft or brown grocery bags). **It will NOT be collected in plastic bags**, cardboard boxes, animal feed or other food bags. Bags may weigh no more than 40 pounds each.

# Boards & Commissions

## Citizens Advisory Committee

Cleveland Heights Council recently appointed eight new members to the Citizens Advisory Committee, which assists in the evaluation and preparation of the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) yearly application, participates in monitoring the implementation of the CDBG program, and reviews the City's annual CDBG budget. The new appointees are **Vetella Camper, Robert Koonce, Rebecca Yingst Price, Amanda Shaffer, Robert Taylor, Diana Wellman, Parker Zabell** and **Kevin Ziegler**.

Ms. Camper, of Brewster Road, is Quality Assurance and Operations Manager at University Hospitals of Cleveland. Mr. Koonce, who lives on Coleridge Road, is Director of Development at Western Reserve Land Conservancy. Ms. Yingst Price, an Essex Road resident, is an attorney with Gallup & Burns. Ms. Shaffer, of East Fairfax Road, is Project Director, Institutions Developing Excellence in Academic Leadership at Case Western Reserve University. Mr. Taylor, who lives on Rossmoor Road, is a Criminal Investigator with Cuyahoga County. Ms. Wellman, an Inglewood Drive resident, is Principal and Owner of Preservation Principles Consulting. She prepared the successful Inglewood Historic District National Register Nomination. Mr. Zabell, a lawyer with Cary J. Zabell Co., L.P.A., lives on Westminster Road. Mr. Ziegler lives on Lennox Road and is Manager of Communications and Public Affairs at Cleveland Clinic.

Reappointed to this committee are the following: **Jeffrey Bendix, Douglas Dykes, Robert Fischer, Jonathan Goldman, William Hubbard, Allison McCallum, Dr. Marian Morton, Thomas Naypauer, Jr., Donalene Poduska, David Shriver, Carol Staiger, Jason Stein, Kéba Sylla** and **Stephen Titchenal**.

## Get Involved!

Are you looking for an opportunity to become involved in your city? Serving on a Cleveland Heights board or commission is a good way to use your time and talent to help keep our community strong! City Council appoints board and commission members and encourages citizens to apply for open positions, which occur from time to time. For an application and a description of each board, visit [www.clevelandheights.com/citygovt\\_boardscommissions.asp](http://www.clevelandheights.com/citygovt_boardscommissions.asp).

## Holiday Collection Schedule:

The refuse and recycling collection holiday schedule is as follows:

**Independence Day is Monday, July 4.**

Monday-Thursday collection will be delayed by one day. Friday's route will be collected on the regular day.

**Labor Day is Monday, September 5.**

Monday-Thursday collection will be delayed by one day. Friday's route will be collected on the regular day.

# Recreation

## Summer in Cleveland Heights

Have some fun this summer right here in our community! Enjoy summer festivals, beautiful parks, performances at Cain Park (see page 12), an outdoor swimming pool, tennis courts, and an indoor ice rink for those hot summer days. Also, check out the Spring/Summer Parks and Recreation Brochure (find it at [www.clevelandheights.com/publications.asp](http://www.clevelandheights.com/publications.asp)) to see what else is happening.

## Start with a Recreation ID Card

Make sure your Cleveland Heights Recreation ID card is current. Cards may be purchased at the Community Center, Monticello Boulevard and Mayfield Road. (Proof of residency is required; call **216-691-7373** for more information). For \$5 for a full year, here's what having a Cleveland Heights Recreation ID card offers you:

- Use of the Community Center track, fitness center and basketball courts (Note: Residents must first purchase an ID card in order to purchase a Community Center Field House [annual or 30-day] pass or pay a daily usage fee for the Field House.)
- Free use of lighted tennis courts, outdoor basketball courts, and skate park
- Use of six outdoor picnic shelters (permit \$25)
- Free use of the Cumberland wading pool
- Reduced rates for all Community Center classes, workshops, programs and field trips
- Reduced rates for public ice skating sessions and other skating programs
- Reduced rates for swimming and aquatic programs
- Reduced rates for tennis lessons and youth and adult sports programs.

## Planning a Picnic?

If you're planning a party, reunion or just a summer cookout for your family, there are five picnic shelter sites in our parks you may reserve now until October 15 on a space-available basis. Reservations are available only to those with Cleveland Heights Recreation ID cards. Call **216-691-7373** for more information.

## Pavilion Fun Day Camp

Children entering grades K-5 (as of Fall 2011) will have a great time at our day camp, with activities like swimming, arts and crafts, ice skating, sports, and a lot more fun! Camp will take place at the Cleveland Heights Community Center, Monticello and Mayfield. Camp cookouts will be held the last day of each session. Session 1 will take place June 13 - July 1; Session 2 is July 5 - July 22. Discounts are available for the second and third child in a family. For information, contact Mike Discenzo at **216-691-7383** or [mdiscenzo@clvhts.com](mailto:mdiscenzo@clvhts.com).

## Make a Splash!

The Cumberland Pool season runs from Saturday, June 11 through Labor Day, Monday, September 5. Holiday hours for Monday, July 4 are 12:00 noon-6:00 pm; also, please note that there will be a reduced schedule from Monday, August 29-Friday, September 2. Get your pool passes at the Community Center, Monticello and Mayfield. For more information, contact Chris Kendel at **216-691-7347**.

Special pool events to note are **Family Fun Night**, Friday, June 24, 5:00-8:00 pm; **Learn-to-Swim Splash Party**, Friday,

July 8, 5:00-8:00 pm; **Carnival Night**, Friday July 22, 5:00-8:00 pm; and the free **Cumberland Pool Water Show**, Tuesday, August 9, 8:30 pm.

## Summer Ice Skating

Enjoy ice skating this summer from June 13 - August 14. Beginning August 15, we begin the transition towards the busy fall and two-rink schedule. Registration for the six- or seven-week summer Learn-to-Skate lessons is on-going and group lessons begin the week of June 13. Classes for preschoolers, youth, and adults are offered on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

## Birthdays on Ice

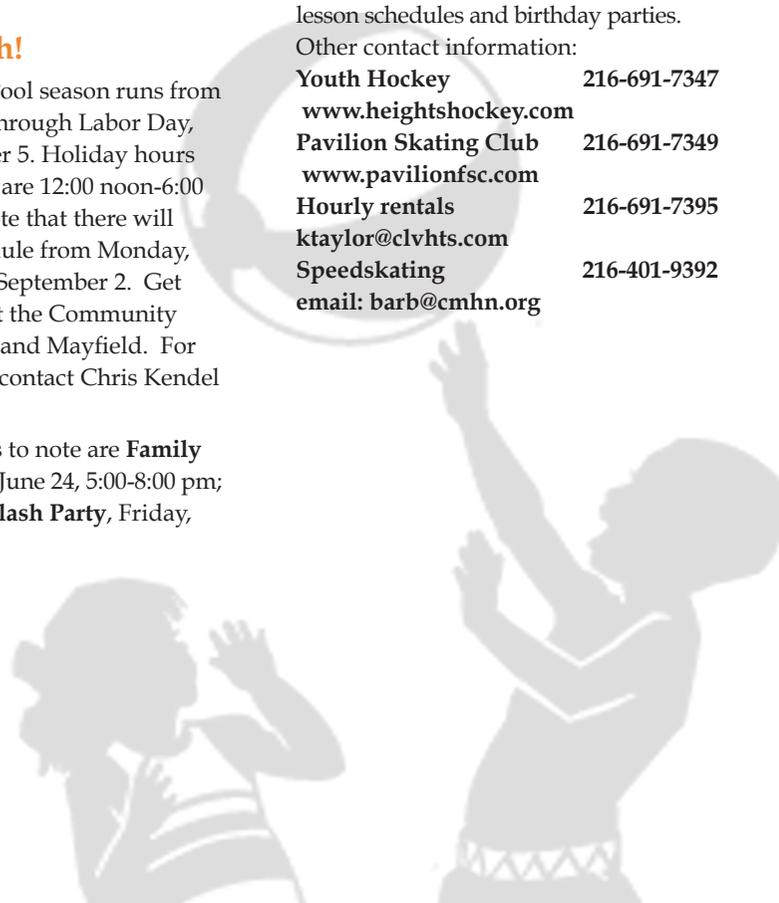
Birthday party dates go quickly! Reserve your summer party today. Parties include tables, chairs, admission, and skate rental. Residents pay \$5.00 per person - maximum of 25 children per party.

## New Direct Ice Line

The Ice Rink now has a new phone number that puts you in direct contact with rink staff: **216-691-7434**. Call for most up-to-date summer ice skating, Learn-to-Skate lesson schedules and birthday parties.

Other contact information:

<b>Youth Hockey</b>	<b>216-691-7347</b>
<b><a href="http://www.heightshockey.com">www.heightshockey.com</a></b>	
<b>Pavilion Skating Club</b>	<b>216-691-7349</b>
<b><a href="http://www.pavilionfsc.com">www.pavilionfsc.com</a></b>	
<b>Hourly rentals</b>	<b>216-691-7395</b>
<b><a href="mailto:ktaylor@clvhts.com">ktaylor@clvhts.com</a></b>	
<b>Speedskating</b>	<b>216-401-9392</b>
<b>email: <a href="mailto:barb@cmhn.org">barb@cmhn.org</a></b>	



The Ice Rink will be closed July 2-4 for the holiday weekend. The Community Center will be closed on Monday, July 4.

### **Ice Hockey –**

#### **A Cleveland Heights Tradition**

Youth Hockey is a program for both boys and girls – make it part of your family’s tradition!

- **Heights Developmental Hockey Camp**, August 15-20
- **Tot Hockey** (ages 3-5, prerequisite: must have passed Snow Plow 2)
- **Learn-to-Play Hockey** (Ages 8 and under, 9 & 10)
- **Travel Hockey** – Cleveland Heights Hockey League (ages 6-14 as of 12/31/11)
  - Mites (8 and under)
  - Squirts (9 & 10)
  - PeeWees (11 & 12)
  - Bantams (13 & 14)

Scholarships and financial assistance are available. Call Chris Kendel at **216-691-7347** for more information.

### **Youth Sports**

Keep your child busy this summer (and fall) with our youth sports programs. Call **216-691-7373** to find out more about the following:

- **Basketball**
  - Boys’ Camp, Grades 3-7 and 8-12
  - Girls’ Camp, Grades K-8
  - Boys’ Leagues, Grades K-12
  - Girls’ Leagues, Grades K-8
  - Open Gyms for Grades 9-12
- **Tennis**
  - Lessons continue until July 22 (Tots 4-6, Youth 7-12, Teens 13-17)
  - Competitive Skills Clinics for Juniors
  - Camp for ages 9-18, July 25-29
- **Independent Programs**
  - Baseball Camp, July 5-8
  - Tackle Football and Cheerleading, July 5-8
- **Soccer**
  - Fall League, grades K-6, September 10 - October 29
- **Flag Football**
  - Ages 5-8, September 10 - October 29

### **Thank You, Team Sponsors!**

Our summer sports programs are underway, and quite a few teams are sporting the names of their sponsors. We are grateful to the following businesses and individuals who are sponsoring our youth sports teams and showing their support to the youth of Cleveland Heights:

#### **Baseball Sponsors:**

Communion of Saints Parish  
Councilman Ken Montlack – Monty’s Pythons  
Councilman Dennis Wilcox – Wilcox Wildcats  
Dr. Dworkin, Orthodontics  
Graffiti  
Logos on Lee  
Nela Florist  
SDG Advisors  
Seitz-Agin Hardware

#### **Soccer Sponsors:**

Betsy Warner, State Farm Insurance  
Cutri Photo Arts

A sponsorship donation will help keep recreation programs affordable by helping to cover the costs of uniforms, caps, equipment, officials’ fees and trophies. If you are interested in sponsoring a youth sports team, contact Jennifer Kuzma at **216-291-2854**.

### **Adult Sports**

- **The Adult Softball Leagues Hall of Fame Ceremony and All-Star Night** at Forest Hill Park will take place Saturday, July 9.
- **Men’s and Women’s Basketball Leagues** play from October - March. Registration begins in August.
- **Hockey programs** are available for both men and women and there are tennis lessons for adults and seniors. Call **691-7373** for more information.

### **Earth Day Thank You!**

To those who participated in the Earth Day Run/Walk: THANK YOU! Your participation helped the Cleveland Heights Youth Recreation Scholarship Fund. Also, thanks to Zagara’s Marketplace for donating a case of bananas for the run/walk and Bremec’s Heights Garden Center for donating seeds as part of the Earth Day 5K Run/Walk awards.

### **Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed for some of our programs and special events. Safety Town Counselors are also needed. Contact Dee Marsky at **216-691-7372** or [dmarsky@clvhts.com](mailto:dmarsky@clvhts.com).

### **Forest Hill Park Nature Walk**

Enjoy the beauty of Forest Hill Park on nature walks. A naturalist will guide us through our gem of a park on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm, July 21 and August 18. Dress to hike with sturdy shoes or boots. The hike will take place rain or shine. Meet outside the Community Center and see what a natural wonder we have in our own back yard!

### **Register for Fall / Winter Programming**

Watch the mail for your Fall/Winter Recreation Brochure! Fall/winter registration will begin on Monday, August 8 for residents and August 15 for nonresidents. All registration takes place at the Community Center (Monticello and Mayfield).

# Cain Park



## 2011 Season

### June 9- 26: "DREAMGIRLS"

Thursdays-Saturdays 7:00 pm. Sundays 2:00 pm. Alma Theater

### June 17: CHRIS BOTTI

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

"Summer Sippers" Wine Tasting (for Chris Botti concert ticket holders only) 6:30-7:45pm, \$8. Call 216-371-3000 for a reservation.

### June 18: KARAN CASEY AND JOHN DOYLE

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

### June 23: Workmen's Circle Yiddish Concert featuring SISTERS OF SHEYNVILLE

Evans Amphitheater, 7:30pm, FREE (no ticket necessary)

### June 24: RENNIE HARRIS PUREMOVEMENT

 Evans Amphitheater

Kids Matinee 1-2pm. Evening concert 8pm

### July 8-10: CAIN PARK ARTS FESTIVAL

Friday 3-8pm, Saturday 10am-8pm, Sunday 12-5pm. FREE ADMISSION on Friday; \$5 (13 & older) Saturday and Sunday

### July 9: TERRANCE SIMIEN AND THE ZYDECO EXPERIENCE

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

### July 15-17: GROUNDWORKS DANCETHEATER

 Alma Theater Friday & Saturday 7pm, Sunday 2pm

### July 15: THE RIPPINGTONS featuring Russ Freeman

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

"Wine Pairings for Cookouts" Wine Tasting (for Rippingtons concert ticket holders only) 6:30-7:45pm, \$8. Call 216-371-3000.

### July 16: GAELIC STORM

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

### July 19: \$2 Tuesdays—DALA

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

### July 20: Kids Matinee—"PETER AND THE WOLF"

 by Pushcart Players. Alma Theater, 1-2pm

### July 21: "SONGS OF SUMMER"

 Alma Theater, 7pm

### July 22: \$5 Fridays—LYNN TREFZGER

 Alma Theater, 7pm

### July 22: VERB BALLETS

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

### July 23: ROCKAPELLA

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

### July 26: \$2 Tuesdays—JUGGERNAUT JUG BAND

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

### July 28: INLET DANCE THEATRE

 Evans Amphitheater, 8pm. July 27 kids matinee 1-2pm. FREE

### July 28: "A FINE ROMANCE—LOVE SONG CABARET"

 Alma Theater, 7pm



**July 29: \$5 Fridays—GIRLYMAN** Alma Theater, 7pm

**July 29: ARLO GUTHRIE** Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

**July 30: LONG ROAD I'll Fly Away—A 1961 Coffeehouse,** Alma Theater, 7pm

**July 30: AN EVENING WITH MIKE FARRIS**  
and the Roseland Rhythm Revue Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

**July 31: THE SINGING ANGELS** Evans Amphitheater, 4pm. FREE

**August 2: \$2 Tuesdays—SHIVERING TIMBERS** Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

**August 4: "TOP HAT, WHITE TIE AND TAILS—Songs of Fred Astaire"** Alma Theater, 7pm

**August 5: \$5 Fridays—HEY MAVIS** Alma Theater, 7pm

**August 5: ÓRLA FALLON** Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

**August 6: CHARLIE MOSBROOK** Alma Theater, 7pm

**August 9: \$2 Tuesdays—NEWFOUND ROAD** Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

**August 11: "OPTIMISTIC VOICES"** Alma Theater, 7pm

**August 11: MOUNTAIN HEART** Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

**August 12: \$5 Fridays—GUYS WITH GUITARS** Alma Theater, 7pm

**August 13: THE DOO WOPS** Evans Amphitheater, 8pm

216-371-3000 [cainpark.com](http://cainpark.com) for a complete schedule



● Ten Thousand Villages



● Winds of Change

# Commerce

highlighting our business community

## Cedar Lee Update

Rock the Block will be back this summer to shake things up at Cedar Lee!

- The ultimate in customer appreciation, featuring complimentary appetizers, soft drinks, musical entertainment from Northeast Ohio bands, and fun door prizes kicks off on **Thursday, June 23 at The Tavern Company**. Music will be provided by *The Brighter Side Band*, a classic rock and blues group.
- **On Thursday, July 14**, Rock the Block heads to **Brennan's Colony** and features *The University of Akron Steel Drum Band Trio*, a crowd favorite from last season.
- **Thursday, July 28**, Rock the Block features Northeast Ohio indie rock favorite *Zach*.
- The final event will be held at **Taste on Thursday, August 11** and will feature the *Burning River Jazz Quartet*. In addition, this event is **Rock the Block Family Night**, so bring the kids for rides in the Euclid Beach Boys Rocket Car, free ice cream, activities at the Heights Library, and merchant giveaways.

Events will be held on the patio. In the event of rain, performances will move inside. For more information on Rock the Block events, contact Kelley Rob-

inson, Director of the Cedar Lee Special Improvement District, at **216-561-3530** or [cedarleesid@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cedarleesid@sbcglobal.net).

## Coming Soon!

Watch for the summer opening of **Sweetie Fry**, 2307 Lee Road, a gourmet ice cream concept; **Bellybackers Chicken and Fish**, 2140 Lee Road and **Bottlehouse Brewery**, 2050 Lee Road.

## Favor Bistro New on Lee Road

A banner announcing the opening of **Favor Bistro** is hanging above the door at the former Clyde's Bistro and Barroom at 1975 Lee Road. Serving up comfort cuisine in a sophisticated atmosphere, the Robinson Family and the Favor Bistro team look forward to serving you!

## Cedar Fairmount News

### Ten Thousand Villages Relocates to Cleveland Heights

Cedar Fairmount Special Improvement District is pleased to welcome Ten Thousand Villages of Cleveland (TTVC) to its new home at 12425 Cedar Road, in the space formerly occupied by the Grapevine Wine Store.

"We've moved to Cleveland Heights because ... it's awesome! Plus, many of our existing customers live in this community, and we feel our shop can benefit from the

substantial foot traffic on Cedar Road," said Corinne Wallner, chairperson of the Ten Thousand Villages board of directors.

Ten Thousand Villages is a founding member of the World Fair Trade Organization, a global network of more than 350 fair trade organizations in 70 countries. The goal of fair trade is to provide artisans in those countries with vital income to help them improve their quality of life. The new store features gifts, toys, home décor, jewelry and other products made by artisans from scores of countries around the globe. These items include hand woven scarves, hand carved bowls and statues, hand crafted jewelry, and much more.

### Cedar Fairmount Summer Festival August 7

Mark your calendar for Sunday, August 7 when the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Discover Cedar Fairmount Festival will take place from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm. This popular event is being sponsored by the Cedar Fairmount Special Improvement District and Cedar Fairmount merchants. Crafts people, vendors, musicians and entertainers are being sought. For more information, call **216-791-3172** or visit [www.cedarfairmount.org](http://www.cedarfairmount.org).

## Myxx to Replace Jillian's

Kim Lisboa has announced her plans for Cleveland Heights's newest upscale restaurant and bar called Myxx, located at 12447 Cedar Road in the former Jillian's Billiard Parlor in the Cedar Fairmount Business District.

Kim and her staff are working on a transformation to turn the former Jillian's into a chic restaurant and lounge with a South Beach/NYC vibe. A full menu will be available at all times, as well as a full service bar, offering many boutique wines and signature cocktails. Live music, comedy shows, a DJ, and other attractions will be added. Watch for the opening in June.

## Coventry Village News

### Coventry Street Fairs

Not one, but two Coventry Street Fairs this summer! Mark your calendars for **Sunday, June 26** and **Sunday, July 24**.

Both fairs will take place from **12:00 noon to 6:00 pm**. Join your friends and neighbors on Coventry Road, which will be blocked from Mayfield Road to Euclid Heights Boulevard. There will be music; street performers; hands-on art and performance projects; 100 vendors, including artists, locally grown vegetables, fruits, herbs and flowers; and food by Coventry restaurants. For more information, visit [www.coventryvillage.org](http://www.coventryvillage.org) or contact Katherine Isenhardt at **216-556-0927** or [kathisen@yahoo.com](mailto:kathisen@yahoo.com).

### Winds of Change on Coventry

Winds of Change Boutique has opened at 1780 Coventry Road between Grum's Subs and American Apparel. This is the second location for the boutique, which has had a store in Chagrin Falls for the past eight years. Winds of Change staff invite you to stop by and check out the plethora of exciting new fashions, including clothing, shoes, handbags, jewelry and accessories, from brands such as Free People, Gypsy 05', Dolce Vita, Jeffery Campbell and many more. Winds of Change will be an exciting addition to an already vibrant Coventry "garment district!"

# AroundTown

Citizens can vote for their favorite Heights businesses in FutureHeights' annual Best of the Heights awards program. The survey, which includes 22 award categories, runs through August 31. The voting rules have changed this

year. In order for a ballot to be counted, FutureHeights is asking that participants include their contact information and fill out at least half of the ballot categories. Ballots for the Best of the Heights Awards are available on the back page of the summer issues of the *Heights Observer*, at one of the many Heights independent businesses and at [www.futureheights.org](http://www.futureheights.org). FutureHeights will announce the winners at an awards ceremony in the fall. The name of one lucky survey respondent will be drawn at random at the awards ceremony to receive a gift package. Participants need not be present to win. For more information, call FutureHeights at **216-320-1423** or visit [www.futureheights.org](http://www.futureheights.org).

### Heights Observer launches e-newsletter and blog site

The *Heights Observer*, a local community news source published by FutureHeights, recently launched a new weekly e-newsletter and blog site. The purpose of the blog site is to give residents an informal outlet for their opinions, thoughts and observations. Anyone can contribute, but should limit posts to things concerning life in the Heights. To sign up for the e-newsletter and to view the blogs, go to [www.heightsobserver.org](http://www.heightsobserver.org).

## Heights Heritage Home & Garden Tour

Save the dates: the Heights Community Congress' 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Heights Heritage Home & Garden Tour, "*Tour Town, USA*," takes place **Sunday, September 18, 12:00 noon-6:00 pm**. Tickets are \$20, which includes the tour of each of the homes and gardens and a complimentary refreshment stop. A Preview Party will take place Saturday, September 17, at Beaumont School's Painter Mansion. Individual sponsorship and ticket prices vary. The 2011 Honorary Co-Chairs of this highly anticipated event are Gus and Jan Kious. For more information, visit [www.heightscongress.org](http://www.heightscongress.org).

## Home Repair Resource Center

### Smart home buyers save money – with or without down payment assistance

Understanding the process of purchasing a home can be complicated if you are a first-time buyer. Home buyers often make costly mistakes that they are not aware of, starting from making an offer to purchasing a home through closing the sales transaction. The decisions home buyers must make throughout the home purchasing process can result in additional costs if one does not know the options available.

Home Repair Resource Center is a HUD-certified housing counseling agency that offers free classes on how to purchase a home. You will learn negotiating strategies that will help you determine how much to offer on a home, the sequence of events and decisions you will have to make from the time an offer is made until closing the purchase transaction, plus an understanding of all the forms you will encounter during your home buying experience.

The Home Buyer Series is a total of four two-hour classes that meet the National Standard for Home Buyer Education. Classes are offered at the Heights Main

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# Senior Scene

The Office on Aging and the Senior Activity Center are located in the Cleveland Heights Community Center on Monticello Boulevard at Mayfield Road. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-5:00 pm. For more information, call 216-691-7377.

## Office on Aging Services

- Do you need information about **Medicare or Managed Care** or help with health insurance forms? Call to make an appointment for a free consultation with an Ohio Senior Health Insurance volunteer.
- **Need help with legal issues?** Call to schedule a half-hour appointment with volunteer Attorney J. Alex Morton.
- Wonder what benefits you might be entitled to? Call to schedule an appointment to receive confidential help via an online questionnaire from volunteer Gale Hessler or log on to **www.benefitscheckup.org**.
- **Have health questions?** We have a nurse available to read blood pressures and answer your questions on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00pm; 4th Thursdays, 11:00am-1:00pm; and 1st Fridays, 1:00-3:00pm. Nurses provided by Caretenders, CVS, Cedarwood Plaza and Senior Independence.
- Plan to get your **flu shot** at the Senior Center; call for date and time.
- **Need transportation?** Our medical van runs Monday through Friday 8:45 am-4:20 pm transporting residents 60 and over to medical appointments, on shopping trips and some errands. For more information and/or a brochure, call **216-691-7194**.
- **Tired of shopping and cooking?** We have the answer. A special volunteer can deliver a hot nutritious meal and a light supper to your home Monday through Friday or as many days as you like. Cost is \$6.25 per day. For more information, call **216-691-7377** and a social worker will return your call.
- **Do you have questions or need services?** The Office on Aging is fortunate to have two licensed social workers on staff. They are available to you any Monday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday. Please feel free to contact them at **216-691-7377** for help with any problems, questions, or issues.

## Have Some Fun!

Are you ready to expand your horizons, create friendships and learn something new? Try attending a Senior Center activity. We are open weekdays 8:30 am-5:00 pm offering a wide variety of activities. For specific program information, check out the *News for Senior Adults*, available online at **www.clevelandheights.com**, at City Hall, the Community Center, local libraries and banks or call **216-691-7377** for more information or to schedule a tour.

Computer classes designed especially for seniors begin in June and continue through the summer. Volunteer tutors are available to answer questions. The computer center is open from 9:00 am-4:30 pm with 12 state-of-the-art computers available for your use.

**BUS TRIP** - Join the group on Tuesday, July 27 for a fun-filled visit to Akron/Canton. Tour the Cuyahoga Valley on board a train, dine at a unique restaurant featuring World War II memorabilia, enjoy a unique horse drawn canal boat cruise and stop to shop at an outlet mall. A day not to be missed. Stop by the Senior Center for details and to register.

**AARP DRIVER SAFETY CLASS** - Thursday, August 18, 12:00-4:00 pm. A four-hour course of classroom instruction is designed to refine existing skills and develop new, safe driving techniques. Fee: \$12 for those with an AARP member card \$14, without. Register in advance as space is limited.

**NATURE WALKS IN FOREST HILL PARK** - Fridays, July 1, August 5 and September 2, 9:30am. Metroparks Naturalist Deb Marcinski leads a leisurely hike through the park. Bring water, binoculars and dress for the weather.

The 4th Annual **SAC COOKOUT** will be held on Friday, September 2, at 12:00 noon. Start your Labor Day weekend off right with great food cooked on the grill at this indoor picnic provided by Cedarwood Plaza. The event is free, but sign up by August 30 to let us know you plan to attend.

We offer exercise classes for seniors of all fitness levels. Summer sessions of **Fun with Weights, Gentle Yoga, Line Dance, Pilates, Seniorobics, Slow Flow Tai Chi, Tai Chi Chuan Exercise, Tap Dance, Walking Club, Walking Warm-Up** and more are set to begin again. We also offer art classes, classes in Spanish, lectures on health-related topics, free movies and so much more. For information and to register for these and other programs and classes, call the Senior Activity Center at **216-691-7377**.

# Historic Heights

appreciating our past, preserving our heritage

## Cleveland Historical Mobile “app” Features Cleveland Heights Stories

Recently, The Center for Public History + Digital Humanities at Cleveland State University, in partnership with the City of Cleveland Heights, rolled out a series of Cleveland Heights sites on the *Cleveland Historical* mobile app, a free mobile software application for iPhone and Android devices (available at [app.clevelandhistorical.org](http://app.clevelandhistorical.org)) that curates the history of the Cleveland area through historic and current photographs, oral history clips, archival film footage and short documentary films.

Cleveland Heights app sites highlight the history of some of the city’s noted attractions through photos, oral histories and short films. In addition to the app for smartphone users, selected content may be seen on the City Government Channel 20 and at [www.clevelandheights.com/historyarch\\_historicvideos.asp](http://www.clevelandheights.com/historyarch_historicvideos.asp). Look for “explore” posters (right) highlighting important Cleveland Heights sites like Cain Park, Cumberland Pool, the Cedar Lee Theatre, Forest Hill Park, Lake View Cemetery, the Alcazar Hotel, Superior School and Heights High. *Cleveland Historical* emerged from a decade-long process through which Professors Mark Tebeau and Mark Souther explored how urban public historians could interpret place in the digital age, specifically how they could

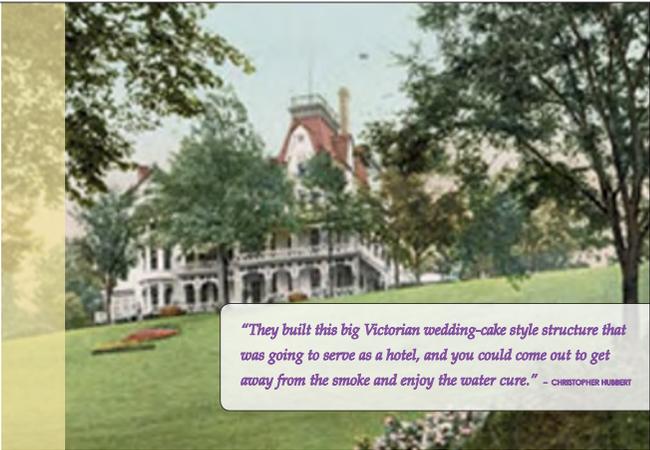
curate a city. Professor Mark

Souther, also a member of the Cleveland Heights Landmark Commission, has worked closely with Cleveland Heights staff to gather the information needed to complete the site-specific apps. CSU students mined these collections to create the fascinating histories of the many Cleveland Heights places you’ll find in the app. To learn more about the project, visit [www.clevelandhistorical.org](http://www.clevelandhistorical.org).



● Scan this with your smartphone to access the app.

cleveland heights historical



*“They built this big Victorian wedding-cake style structure that was going to serve as a hotel, and you could come out to get away from the smoke and enjoy the water cure.” – CHRISTOPHER HUBBERT*

## explore: Forest Hill Park



Forest Hill was once the 700-acre estate of oil baron John D. Rockefeller. Although conceived as a commercial venture in 1873, the large “water cure resort” built in Forest Hill was soon converted into the Rockefeller family’s summer home, dubbed the Homestead. The building, which burned down under mysterious circumstances in 1917, was perched atop a Forest Hill bluff presently known for its winter sledding. The Forest Hill acreage, which straddles East Cleveland and Cleveland Heights, is now approximately two-thirds parkland and one-third residential development. The earliest homes were completed in a uniform French Norman style in 1930, and the Heights Rockefeller Building on Mayfield Road provided shops and services to the anticipated large number of residents, but the Great Depression stymied further development of the planned garden city-style suburb until the post-war period. Today the park is home to the Cleveland Heights Community Center.

[www.clevelandheights.com](http://www.clevelandheights.com)



Brought to you by the City of Cleveland Heights and Cleveland State University. To learn more about this and other Cleveland Heights resources, visit [www.proudest.com/clevelandheightshumanities](http://www.proudest.com/clevelandheightshumanities) or download the Cleveland Historical app by scanning the QR code.



## Taylor Academy to Reopen as Deborah S. Delisle Educational Options Center

The comprehensive transformation of Taylor Academy is moving quickly. The facility, located at 14780 Superior Road, Cleveland Heights, is scheduled to open in the fall as the Deborah S. Delisle Educational Options Center. It will house the District's Student Registration and the Intake offices, where all transfer students will undergo academic assessment prior to classroom placement, and a number of new and existing District initiatives:

- Alternative academic programming for students who are serving suspensions or have been expelled from District schools.
- An alternative high school setting where at-risk students can earn their high school diploma.
- An online academic path to high school graduation for students that have not been successful in a traditional setting.

The building was named for former superintendent Deborah Delisle as a way of recognizing her significant contribution to the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, and education across Ohio. She served as Superintendent of the CH-UH School District for five years, and prior to that she was the District's Associate Superintendent for Educational Services. She left CH-UH in 2008 to become State Superintendent of Public Instruction under former Governor Ted Strickland. While at CH-UH, Delisle spearheaded the transformation of Cleveland Heights High School into five small schools and championed the partnership with John Carroll University that is central to the Gearity Professional Development School's unique model. Her complete focus on effective classroom teaching and closing achievement gaps is well known, not only within the District, but also throughout the state and even the nation.



# Our Schools

## news from the ch-uh heights district

### New Student Registration

It's time to register new students into the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District for the 2011-2012 School Year. All the necessary forms and registration requirements are readily available on the District website at [www.chuh.org](http://www.chuh.org). Registration is by appointment only and takes place at the Registration Office. Summer hours are 8:00 am-4:00 pm. Call 216-371-7430 to schedule your appointment.

### CH-UH Schools Continue the Transformation into 21<sup>st</sup> Century Teaching and Learning

The 2011-2012 school year will begin with four small schools and an enhanced focus on helping freshmen succeed. When done right, the small school experience ensures that teachers know the needs and ability level of each student and can make sure they are engaged and challenged each day. Each school will be based upon an instructional philosophy and an academic theme.

- **Legacy New Tech, the School of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math**, uses a discovery-based, problem-solving approach that focuses on the disciplines associated with STEM.
- **The Renaissance School of Humanities & International Studies** continues its liberal arts theme and Socratic seminar approach, focusing on disciplines such as entrepreneurship, international business, International Studies, and pre-law.
- **The Mosaic School of Creative Arts & Technology** explores the creative aspects of learning and human expression. It aligns with the disciplines of art, music, drama and multimedia, including technological innovation.
- **The Real Early College Program** will selectively identify and nurture students who are focusing on completing two-year technical degrees and/or early college admittance. In addition to this, there will be an educational options component, which will allow for flexible half-day scheduling and/or an online educational program. Incoming freshmen will choose a small school and will also be a part of a new support program called the "freshman experience." It will ease the transition from middle to high school by providing additional social and emotional support for students.

- The Cleveland Heights High School chapter of the National Honor Society recently inducted nearly 70 new members. Congratulations to these students!

## AroundTown *continued*

### Heights Senior receives Computer Certification

Heights High senior **Carlin Jackson** credits his experience at Heights High and the excellent teaching staff for receiving the CompTIA A+ certification. The certification gives him credentials for computer installation, preventative maintenance, networking, security and troubleshooting. A founding member of IT Club and also a member of the National Honor Society, Carlin's dream is to own an IT services company. He is well on his way. Carlin was accepted to Case Western Reserve University, and with the certification and his two-year Cisco Networking Academy class from Heights High, he enters with enough credits to pursue a double major in computer science and computer engineering. After that, he is considering CWRU's joint MBA/JD program.

"The opportunities I received at Heights High have been a great start for me," he said. "I'm confident I will be well prepared for Case."

Library at 2345 Lee Road in Cleveland Heights. There is no charge for these money-saving classes; however, to attend, you must register by calling Home Repair Resource Center at **216-381-6100**. The July, August and September schedule is on HRRC's website at [www.hrrc-ch.org](http://www.hrrc-ch.org).

### Dugway Brook Watershed Festival

The Forest Hill Park Boat House will be alive with activity on **Saturday, June 25, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm**. There will be educational sessions and activities for kids; Radio Disney will be on hand, and you can take a tour of the Dugway Brook through Lake View Cemetery. Call the Cuyahoga County Board of Health at **216-201-20001 x 1223** for more information.

### Shaker Lakes

Save the Date: "**Take to the Lake**" on **Saturday, July 16**. For one day only, Horseshoe Lake will be open to canoes and kayaks for a day of frolicking in our own backyard! Join the Doan Brook Watershed Partnership as it celebrates the Brook and the memory of Shaker Lakes' dedicated, founding Board member, Lester Stumpe. For details, contact Victoria Mills, **216-321-5935 x234**.

### Cleveland Sight Center relocates (temporarily) to our town

A majority of services provided by Cleveland Sight Center will move to the Rockefeller Point building located at the corner of Mayfield and Lee roads in Cleveland Heights while their current building in University Circle undergoes extensive renovations, due to be completed in 2012. The Cleveland Sight Center Preschool and Call Center Training Program will move to the former Coventry Elementary School, Coventry Road and Euclid Heights Boulevard. Cleveland Sight Center is the only agency in Northeast Ohio offering comprehensive educational, rehabilitative, preventative, and support services to people who are blind or visually impaired.

At Coventry School, Cleveland Sight Center and its partner, InfoCision, Inc, will house a Call Center Training Program which is helping people with visual impairment or blindness achieve competitive employment. In addition, there will be up to 20 children with visual impairments and blindness, ages 0-5, in the Early Intervention and Preschool programs located at Coventry School. Included in this program are children not visually impaired, who serve as peer models to the other children in the program. Parents interested in enrolling their children in the preschool are encouraged to call the agency.

The main offices and other vision rehabilitation services of the Cleveland Sight Center will be located at the Rockefeller Pointe Building.

For more information and to become involved with the Cleveland Sight Center, call **216-791-8118** or visit [www.ClevelandSightCenter.org](http://www.ClevelandSightCenter.org).



- Congratulations and thank you are in order for four Monticello Middle School students who read their winning essays at the Cleveland Heights Memorial Day ceremony on May 30. Pictured (from left) are Councilman Dennis Wilcox, Councilwoman Bonnie Caplan, Jamari Hale, Vice Mayor Phyllis Evans, Ashton Conway, Kelia Todd, Mayor Ed Kelley, Kyra Germany, Councilwoman Cheryl Stephens and Councilman Ken Montlack. For more photos of Memorial Day 2011, visit [www.clevelandheights.com/gallery.asp](http://www.clevelandheights.com/gallery.asp).

# The Early Years

news for families with young children



● Forest Hill playground fun.

## Cleveland Heights-University Heights Department of Early Childhood

### Before/After School Program

Registration for the Before/ After School Program is ongoing throughout the summer. The program description, fees and downloadable registration forms may be found on the district website: [www.chuh.org](http://www.chuh.org). Go to the “for Parents” tab at the top of the home page and choose Before/ After School Program. For more information, please call the Early Childhood Office at **216-371-7356**. Summer office hours are 8:00 am-3:00 pm, Monday-Friday.

### Early Childhood Preschool

Registration for the CH-UH Early Child Program’s Half-Day and Full-Day Preschool is ongoing. Program descriptions and fees may be found at [www.chuh.org](http://www.chuh.org). Under the “Our School” tab, choose Early Childhood Department, then choose Gearity Preschool. In addition to the Gearity Preschool site, a new half-day program will open at Noble Elementary in the fall for families in the Oxford, Boulevard and Noble neighborhoods. Watch the website for further details related to the Noble Preschool. The registration process begins with a tour with the Early Childhood Program Specialist, Beverly Metzger. For more information and/or to schedule a tour, please call the Early Childhood Office at **216-371-7356**.

## Family Connections

### Family Connections of Northeast Ohio

#### (formerly Heights Parent Center) Relocating to Coventry School

The CH-UH School District is relocating Family Connections from Taylor Academy to the former Coventry School building, 2843 Washington Boulevard. Things will be up and running at Coventry by July 5.

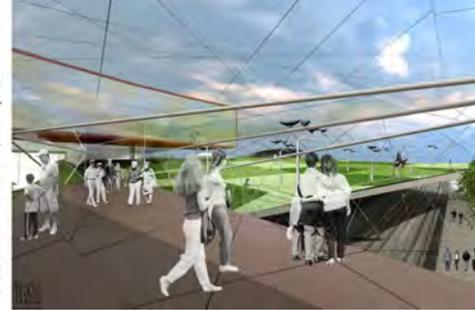
Family Connections has both **family literacy programs**, which focus on helping parents build their child’s early literacy skills and **family support programs** that help strengthen the parent-child relationship and offer support that helps parents be good nurturers and providers. Programs include *Baby & Me*, resources and sharing for parents and caregivers of children from birth-12 months; *Parenting Classes*; *Little Heights* at the Heights Library, which allows you to play with your child while building school readiness skills; the *Family-School Connection*, a program in all CH-UH elementary schools that promotes children’s literacy skills; and the *Family Playroom* where you and your child, aged birth to age 5, will have a fun, relaxing and resource-filled play session.

### Kindergarten Kickoff

If your child is starting Kindergarten in the CH-UH School District this fall, help him or her get a jumpstart on school. Join Family Connections for fun-filled activities that will help ease the transition to Kindergarten. This two-session program, which runs from 6:00-8:00 pm, is for children who will attend these schools in the fall: *Roxboro Elementary*, Tuesdays, August 2 and 9; *Fairfax Elementary*, Wednesdays, August 3 and 10; *Gearity Professional Development School*, Thursdays, August 4 and 11; *Canterbury Elementary*, Mondays, August 15 and 22; *Boulevard Elementary*, Tuesdays, August 16 and 23; *Noble Elementary*, Wednesdays, August 17 and 24; and *Oxford Elementary*, Thursdays, August 18 and 25.

**Registration is required:** call Family Connections at **216-321-0079** to RSVP for your school. **Please plan to attend both sessions.** Dinner and childcare for siblings is provided.

# Home to the Arts



## Ensemble Theatre of Cleveland Summer Program Classes

Ensemble Theatre has announced their 2011 Summer Program at the former Coventry School (located at Coventry and Euclid Heights Boulevard). The classes are designed to provide multiple “hands-on” materials and tools to allow students of all ages a large range for artistic expression. Classes are held every weekday and Saturday mornings. To register for any of the following courses, call Ensemble at **216-321-2930** or visit [www.ensemble-theatre.org](http://www.ensemble-theatre.org) for more information.

- **“Performing with Percy,”** based on Rick Riordan’s “Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief” based on the Prometheus myth, along with Ancient and Native American myths. Students are asked to create a mythical character, costume, history and other identity features, based on scenes in the book. Students are supplied various art materials and media to visibly express color, form, dress and movement of the “character.” (Ages 12+, 8 weeks, \$85, Sat 10-1, offered in July).
- **“Acting an Avatar-Inhabiting a World,”** an acting course based on creating an avatar, a creation that interacts in non-violent scenes based on the fantasy world of Pandora, referenced to Pandorapedia, and the film, “Avatar,” with strong themes of ecology and shared community. Boxed lunches included with this class (Grades 4-8, 8 weeks, \$95, Thursdays 11-3, offered in July and September).
- **“The Empty Space,”** based on Peter Brook’s book and his theatrical theories concerning the four “atmospheres” – Deadly, Holy, Rough, Immediate – and the theatre impressions manifested by

them. The instructor will share written “pages” with the students on the four conceptions, what “scenes” are actualized, and to provide context and framework for new discussions. (Ages 18+, 8 weeks, \$85, Tues 4-7 offered in July and September).

- **“Struts and Frets,”** a comprehensive theatrical experience based on John Skovron’s juvenile bestseller, this course focuses on creating a performance based on the Skovron book. This workshop will feature guest artists and communication with the author John Skovron. Written parental permission is required due to mature themes expressed in the text (Ages 14-18, 12 weeks, \$110, Thurs 4-7, offered in July).
- **“All about Clothes”** is a course based on costume history and design. Students read about historical and native costume dress and generate designs for stagewear and streetwear based on historical dress. Fabrics, accessories, and tools necessary to make models are supplied to students. (Ages 13+, 8 weeks, \$85, Mon 3-6, offered in July.)
- **“Join the Movement”** – Morning workshops focus on skills to express thoughts and emotions through the body. Participants learn body awareness through articulation, breath, rhythm, cause and effect. Afternoon workshops consist of improvisations with skills learned in the morning (Ages 15+, 3 weeks, \$300 full day, \$150 mornings only, offered June 20-July 8; July 18-August 5 only).

## Heights Youth Theatre To Present “Annie”

The sun will come out this fall when the Heights Youth Theatre presents “Annie” the last three weekends in October (October 14-30) in Wiley Middle School Auditorium in University Heights. Please check [www.heightsyouththeatre.org](http://www.heightsyouththeatre.org) in late August for details.

## HEIGHTSARTS

### A Summer of Architecture and Construction

This summer, Heights Arts, a nonprofit community arts organization, wants to get people talking about architecture and construction. There is high-quality architecture happening today in Cleveland, and Heights Arts is showcasing some outstanding local work.

#### **Building Below the Radar**

(now through July 23) showcases excellence in architecture, highlighting the work of three firms – StudioTechne, Kordalski Architects, Inc. and Anthony Paskevich & Associates (above) – and includes an original installation design. This will be the first exhibit of living, local architects by a Cleveland arts organization in a generation. Heights Arts hopes that this exhibit and the programming associated with it will generate a local dialogue about our built environment and how our cities can continue to evolve. There is quality design in Cleveland, and there are thoughtful conversations happening; Heights Arts wants to bring them together and celebrate them. For more information, call **216-371-3457** or visit [www.heightsarts.org](http://www.heightsarts.org).



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## Arbor Day 2011

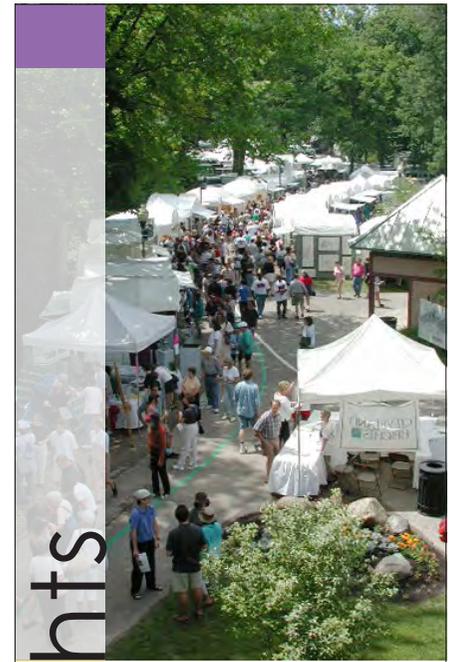
The threat of rain didn't stop Boulevard Elementary School students from celebrating Arbor Day on April 29 at the historic Superior Schoolhouse. Cleveland Heights Forester Dan Krizner and his crew prepared the site in advance, so that the tree, a Red Sunset Maple, was already in place. Councilwoman Bonnie Caplan, Chair of the Municipal Services Committee, talked with the students about Arbor Day's history and the importance of trees to our environment (photo above). The children then took turns with the shovels. Years from now, they will be able to point to the tree with pride and say, "I helped to plant that tree!"

## City Recognized For Banning Pesticides

Councilwoman Bonnie Caplan, Chair of the Municipal Services Committee, recently accepted, on behalf of the City, a Certificate of Commendation presented by the Cleveland Botanical Garden and Beyond Pesticides Ohio. The City of Cleveland Heights was recognized for passing landmark legislation banning pesticides on public property, including city lands, schools, parks, libraries and daycare centers. The commendation states "Cleveland Heights demonstrates the importance of safeguarding the health of people, especially children, pets and the environment. Cleveland Heights' actions are a wise model for greater Cleveland and the nation."

## Tree City USA Designation

The City of Cleveland Heights is proud to have been recognized by the nonprofit Arbor Day Foundation as a Tree City USA community for its commitment to urban forestry. It is the 33<sup>rd</sup> year Cleveland Heights has earned this national designation. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service. To be awarded the designation, cities must meet certain standards, including having a comprehensive community forestry program.



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## explore: Heights High

Cleveland High School, commonly known simply as "Heights", opened in 1918 on the site of present-day Beaman Elementary School. In its opening class of 1918, 100 students attended the new building of Cedar street in 1927. It was built to resemble a large brick structure with a tower reminiscent of a grand school building of our time constructed in 1928. Heights has been a part of the city's history since its founding in 1852. It is one of the oldest schools in the city and has a rich history of excellence in education, athletics, and the arts.

"I remember sitting in class and watching the boys' hair getting longer and longer and longer. Now at that point [in the 1960s] we girls still had to wear skirts."  
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