

# HIGHLAND HIGHLIGHTS

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From the City of Highland Heights

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Fall 2006



## Remember to vote on November 7, 2006

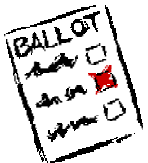
Ward	Precinct	Voting Locations
1	A	Highland Heights Community Center
1	B	Highland Heights Community Center
2	A	Wellington's Catering
2	B	Highland Heights Community Center
3	A	Highland Heights Community Center
3	B	Wellington's Catering
4	A	Millridge School
4	B	Millridge School

Highland Heights Community Center is located at 5827 Highland Road.  
Millridge School is located at 950 Millridge Road.  
Wellington's is located at 777 Alpha Drive.

*For questions on your Ward Number, Precinct Number or polling location, please call the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections at 216-443-3200 or visit their web page at <http://boe.cuyahogacounty.us>.*

### **CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2006 AT 8:00 P.M.**

Dennis Anderson from the community outreach department of the Board of Elections will provide information on voter registration, absentee ballot applications, how to navigate their web site and upcoming election dates.



*Please see pages 6 & 7 for important information on ballot issue #87.*

**2006 CITY ROSTER**

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Community Center Coordinator      Judy Dick      440-461-2440  
Finance Director      Anthony Ianiro      440-442-7404  
Fire Chief      Ed Bencin      440-442-7406  
Law Director      Tim Paluf      216-696-9555  
Park and Recreation Director      David Ianiro      440-461-2440  
Police Chief      James Cook      440-442-8825  
Prosecutor      Dan Taylor      216-241-1400  
Service Director      Thom Evans      440-461-2440

Highland Heights Community Pool      5905 Wilson Mills Rd.      440-442-2423

**MAYFIELD BD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT #1819**      440-995-7200

**LYNDHURST MUNICIPAL COURT**      440-461-6500

**COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS:**

Mayfield Public Library      440-473-0350  
Tri City Consortium on Aging      216-291-3901  
Highland Heights 50+ Club      440-442-0470  
Highland Heights Garden Club      216-526-9360  
Highland Heights Lion's Club      440-449-2119  
Hillcrest Rotary      216-381-1700  
Kiwanis Club      440-386-8204  
Democratic Club      440-449-0680  
Republican Club      440-449-8420

For information on utility rates, please call PUCO at 1-800-686-7826  
For more information on NOPEC, please call 1-866-579-9487

**HIGHLAND HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER** - If you are planning a party, there are two rooms at the Community Center and a large kitchen available to rent. Please call Judy Dick at 440-461-2440, extension 149 to check on the availability or send an e-mail to [jdick@highlandhts.com](mailto:jdick@highlandhts.com). A room can be reserved one year in advance from the current month. You can find more information on the room rentals at [www.highlandhts.com](http://www.highlandhts.com).

**MEETING SCHEDULE**  
**(Subject to Change)**

**Regular Meetings of Council**  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.  
**Council Committee of the Whole**  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.  
**Architectural Review Board**  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 1:30 p.m.  
**Planning & Zoning Commission**  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 8:00 p.m.  
**Park & Recreation Commission**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

**City Council Committees:**

**Legislative and Finance**  
Frank Legan, Chairperson  
Scott Mills  
Cathy Murphy

**Safety and Service**  
Ed Hargate, Chairperson  
Rocco Dolciato  
Frank Legan

**Drainage**  
Scott Mills, Chairperson  
Jim Austin  
Cathy Murphy

**Miscellaneous Phone Numbers:**

Cuyahoga County Board of Health  
216-201-2000  
Cleveland Division of Water  
216-664-3060  
Cuyahoga County Auditor  
216-443-7010  
Cuyahoga County Bd. of Elections  
216-443-3200

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State Senator District 18  
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**MAYOR SCOTT COLEMAN**

**INCOME TAX INCREASE**

City Council and I have unanimously approved to once again put an issue on the ballot this November for your consideration. The issue, if passed, would raise the city's income tax rate from 1.5% to 2.0%. Collectively, we feel this is necessary for our city and for your consideration.

As mentioned in the past, our revenues do not currently meet our day-to-day operating needs. Additionally, there are many infrastructure projects and safety and service equipment needs that cannot be addressed with our current revenue stream.

Should the tax increase pass, we feel we will have the funds necessary to continue to provide the high level of services you have grown accustomed to and deserve. We also feel this will allow us to address many projects that have been put on hold. Some of these include:

- Major Road Improvements
- Storm Sewer Improvements
- Water Main Replacements
- Relief (Sanitary) Sewer Improvements
- Highland/Bishop Roads Intersection Improvement
- Stream Cleaning
- Park Safety Improvements

Should the tax increase fail, city council and I are committed to balancing the budget for 2007. We currently have roughly a \$500,000 shortfall. In order to balance the budget, we will need to consider cutting safety and service personnel, office personnel, services to residents, programs in the park, raise property taxes or a combination of any of the above.

City council does have the ability to increase property taxes but this would affect every homeowner and business owner in the city. **The underlying objective of this decision was to affect the least number of residents as possible. It is estimated that, if the issue passes, only about 20% of the wage earning residents in the city would be impacted. No one on fixed income from social security or pensions would be affected. Conversely, if the property tax millage was increased, all homeowners and businesses that own property would pay more taxes.**

None of these decisions will be easy, nor was it an easy decision to ask the voters for this increase. I urge you to read Finance Director Tony Ianiro's article on pages 6 and 7 that provides you with more information.

You will be receiving additional information as we approach the November election. We hope you will consider this issue and we welcome your comments and questions.

## MAYOR SCOTT COLEMAN

### HIGHLAND HEIGHTS - FROM VILLAGE TO CITY STATUS - THE SLOE FAMILY



From left to right top row: Mayor Brennan, Linda, Tom, Jeff, John, Marylou  
From left to right bottom row: Kathy, Therese, Mike, Laura, Pete, Marge & Robbie

In 1920, a small number of residents of Mayfield Township who lived in what is now Highland Heights voted to incorporate as a Village.

In 1966, a charter commission of 15 members was elected and wrote a charter based on the traditional mayor-council form of government and the charter was overwhelmingly adopted by the voters of Highland Heights in 1966. A special Federal Census in 1966 was done to verify the fact that Highland Heights had more than 5,000 persons in the community.

The results of the special count resulted in the Director of the Bureau of the Census proclaiming that the municipality of Highland Heights will be known as a city thirty days after the April 24, 1969 date of proclamation.

The changing of Highland Heights from a Village to a City was due to the population change when one big family moved into Highland Heights and pushed the census numbers over the "city limit". Peter and Marge Sloe moved their family of 11 from Bay Village all the way across town to Lynford Circle 38 years ago. Mayor William Brennan went to the Sloe home and took count of all the kids to be sure the census report was correct. Little did he know, there was one more little Sloe baby coming later that year.

## MAYOR SCOTT COLEMAN

Marge and Peter Sloe were expecting #12 in October. So, 12 kids, 6 boys and 6 girls, plus mom and dad made Highland Heights a city.

It was a new adventure for the Sloe family...new town...new schools...new church and...for the first time, the Sloe family experienced pizza.

The reason for the long distance move was to give Pete Sloe a shorter commute to King Musical Instruments. He had traveled from Bay Village to Eastlake to work for over 3 years. Pete wanted to have more time to coach the boys and girls baseball teams at Highland Heights Community park, which he did for many years.

Four of the Sloe kids have chosen Highland Heights as the town to raise their families and call home. Ken and Mary Lou (Sloe) McManus live in Williamsburg; Mike and Gina Sloe live on Rose Blvd. with their family of three girls; Bob and Therese (Sloe) Razzante live in that same house on Lynford Circle with their six boys, and last but not least, the baby of the family who was born in Highland Heights 37 years ago just moved back from Atlanta to raise her family here. Todd and Jane (Sloe) Osler just moved into Highland Woods West with their two children. All but Rob Sloe, who lives in Atlanta, live in the area of Highland Heights, in Chesterland, Newbury, Aurora and Twinsburg.

The second generation is active in many ways in Highland Heights. Two of Peter's grandchildren work as camp counselors at the park and 4 grandsons work as umpires during summer baseball. Many play on sports teams and Mark coaches two teams.

Therese (Sloe) Razzante says that through the years, areas do change in growth and development. "Most of the time, change is good and sometimes change is difficult, however, the BEST part of Highland Heights has always remained the same...it's about family and friends and a great community to live in."

Highland Heights has long been the home for many multigenerational and large families. In fact, at the time the city was incorporated, nearly 1 percent of the population of Highland Heights was made up from three families, The Velottas (9 children), The Bieleks (11 children) and The Sloes (12 children). Members of all three of these families still reside in their original homes on Rose Blvd., Wilson Mills Road and Lynford Circle.

As I watch our city grow, I am amazed at how many people move from one home to another within the city. Many of the residents of our newest developments in Aberdeen and Maypine Farms have moved from another area of the city.

Many thanks to Therese Razzante (Sloe) for the information she shared with me for this article. Incidentally, Theresa was recently inducted to the Mayfield High School Hall of Fame (Class of 1981). Thank you and Congratulations Therese!!!!

## MAYOR SCOTT COLEMAN

*This space in the newsletter usually features a Highland Heights business. However, I felt it was more fitting to pay tribute to one of our own fine civil servants whose untimely death September 28, saddened us all at Highland Heights.*

### **Fire Captain Edward Jenik**

It is with deepest regret and sorrow that we announce the death of Fire Captain Edward Jenik. The City of Highland Heights and its residents have lost a great Fire Fighter and friend.

Ed began his 30 year career with the City of Highland Heights in 1976 after serving in the United States Navy. Ed was promoted to the position of Lieutenant in 1980 and to Captain/Executive Officer in 1996.

Ed had many responsibilities during his career with the fire department including being the EMS Coordinator from 1982 to 1993, the Fire Prevention Officer and serving on the Hillcrest Fire Investigative Team and many committees. Ed was a respected professional and community leader.

In addition to his dedication to this community, Ed was a loving husband, father and grandfather. Ed is survived by his wife Kathy, son Dan, daughter Michelle and granddaughter Hanna.

Ed will be missed by all.

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### **FORMER MAYOR FEATURE**

#### **ROBERT BARRIS, JAN. 1, 1960 TO DEC. 31, 1963**

Robert Barris took office during a transition period in Highland Heights history when Highland Heights was changing from a farm community to a suburban community. Many things were accomplished during Robert Barris' term. The first brand new, full size, fire engine pumper for the Fire Department was purchased which helped keep the homeowners insurance rates at a minimum. The city also built its first Service Building to house service equipment and the first full time Service Director was hired. The first fleet of snow plows and salt spreaders was also purchased. With staffing at a minimum, Mayor Barris often worked the equipment if needed because of storms and the time demands of the other men working.

During Mayor Barris' term in office, various drainage districts were created. The first major tree planting program was introduced and the initial street lighting program was begun. Two large housing developments were constructed on the north side of Wilson Mills in the Kenbridge-Radford areas. The first sidewalks in Highland Heights were put in at that time in those areas along with sidewalks on other main streets. The first sanitary sewers were installed during his administration. The first organized baseball program, day nursery school with a registered nurse, a swimming program as well as a winter ice skating program on the outdoor city-constructed ice rink were also established during this time.

As we look at our city now, who could imagine our housing developments without sidewalks, without roads that were properly paved, without a community park, without safety and service forces available 24 hours each day, 7 days a week? Who could imagine seeing their mayor driving a snow plow? For some reason, I just can't picture myself or former Mayors Hogg, Swanson and Hughes behind the wheel of one of those trucks. Times were sure different then. Many of these firsts happened largely through the efforts and vision of Mayor Barris. In Mayor Barris' two terms in office, Highland Heights really went from being a rural community to a suburban community.

**A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY  
HIGHLAND HEIGHTS  
GARDEN CLUB**



The Highland Heights Garden Club held an organizational meeting at the Village Hall on March 11, 1964 to elect officers and begin the basic structure of the club. Officers elected were: Chairman Helen Fabry; Co-chairman Eva Pawlak; Treasurer Lou Knowles and Advisor Louise Taylor.

The main objectives of the Garden Club set forth at this meeting were, among other things, to help foster the improvement of the community by spreading the knowledge and love of gardening and by undertaking from time to time projects for the beautification of public property. At this time, the Garden Club was considered a branch of the Women's Community Club. As the Garden Club became more self-sufficient, it was decided that the Garden Club could function as a separate entity. The Garden Club joined Garden Club of Ohio and became affiliated with The National Council of State Garden Clubs.

The Garden Club was asked by village officials if they would assist them in urging residents to plant trees on their tree lawns. The club accepted the challenge and the Twiggy Committee was born. The club assisted in the planting of approximately five hundred trees and during this time, the village became a city. At the Garden Club's request a resolution was introduced and adopted designating the "Flowering Crabapple" as the Official Village Tree.

Flower shows came into the picture in a big way and the ladies met the challenge head on and in many cases came out on top in state competition. Young people were being exposed to the various aspects of Garden Club work and "The Groovy Gardeners" came into being. The leader of this group was Eva Pawlak who the kids promptly dubbed "ladybug". The kids received much recognition for their exhibits and picture stories appeared in The National Gardener and Garden Greetings.

The Garden Club ultimately reached their peak in 1972 when they won top honors and were named the Garden Club of the Year. In professional Garden Club competition, the club took eight first place awards, one of them being a national honor and one runner up position in competing with about 450 clubs throughout Ohio.

The Garden Club ladies continue their hard work which once again brought them the distinction of being named the Garden Club of the Year in 2005, topping all other clubs in twelve different categories. They are the only member of the Garden Club of Ohio to receive this distinction for the second time.

One of the many endeavors of the club is to maintain the landscaping they have created around the Community Center. This summer they also assisted the city day camp program by helping the kids learn about nature and gardening through craft projects. The Garden Club is now laying a stone walkway near the community center and dedicating a Memorial Garden as well as planting a tree near the safety forces building.

**Current officers are:**

President	Judy Joseph
Vice President	Sharon Daviso
Treasurer	Anna Shaw
Recording & Corresponding Secretary	Eleanor Kuver

The Garden Club meetings take place the second Wednesday of the month at the community center at 6:30 p.m. except for January, July and August. For more information, please call Roxana Moore at 216-526-9360 or Sharon Daviso at 440-446-9395.

**Highland Heights Garden Club  
Annual Herb, Craft & Bake Sale**  
November 7, 2006  
Highland Heights Community Center

*The proceeds are used for  
community service projects*

## DEPARTMENT NEWS

FINANCE DIRECTOR - ANTHONY IANIRO

### CITY OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS - PROPOSED INCOME TAX INCREASE NOVEMBER 7, 2006

On November 7<sup>th</sup>, the voters in the City of Highland Heights will be presented with Issue 87, an opportunity to raise the municipal income tax rate from 1.5% to 2%. Highland Heights last had a municipal tax increase in 1981. At that time, the residents saw the need and elected to increase the tax rate from 1% to 1.5%. Twenty-five years later, you are now being asked to increase the rate for many of the same reasons, continuing governmental operations, capital improvements to existing facilities, capital items for existing operations and services and for other infrastructure improvements including street and sewer repair and maintenance.

The City has seen tremendous growth since the last increase was passed and with that growth comes additional needs and demands on services. Unfortunately, existing revenue sources do not provide the needed income to continue and expand on these essential services.

***Q. Why is the City asking me to increase the municipal income tax rate from 1.5% to 2%?***

A. The City of Highland Heights has experienced tremendous growth over the last several years. Quite simply, existing revenues are not supporting current levels of service. Over the last three years, the City's General Fund has spent reserves in excess of \$1,000,000 to provide these basic services.

***Q. What about just cutting expenses?***

A. The City has tightened its belt. They have saved on insurance costs, employee benefits and other areas; however, some expenses cannot be avoided in order to provide essential services. Many capital projects have either been forgone or delayed. These delays have taken a toll on operations. **Any additional cuts would be in personnel which would have a direct, adverse affect on the quality and the delivery of services to residents.**

***Q. Please explain to me how municipal income tax works?***

A. First off, only tax on earned income is affected. **Social security benefits, pensions, retirement benefits, interest earnings and any other non-wage income are exempt from taxation.** The tax rate on earned income is currently 1.5% and the City offers a 100% credit on all taxes paid on wages earned in another city. Essentially, this means your work city receives all of your taxes, while Highland Heights receives nothing. The City of Highland Heights collects roughly \$6,000,000 annually from income tax. Of that number, about 80% is paid by non-resident employees of companies doing business in Highland Heights. Any change in the tax rate and the tax credit must be approved by the electorate. The Mayor or Council cannot change either rate. Municipal Income Tax is the largest single source of revenue to the City of Highland Heights. It accounts for almost 75% of all revenues in the City's General Fund and funds many of its essential services.



***Q. Let's say the income tax increase passes. What does that mean to me in terms of my tax commitment to the City?***

A. Again, only earned income is subject to taxation. **Pensions, social security and other non-earned income are exempt from taxation.** If your work city is already at 2%, you would owe nothing additional. The increase will generate an additional \$1,800,000 to \$2,000,000 annually. Of that increase, roughly 20% will come from residents, the balance coming from non-resident wage earners. **Municipal income tax does not apply to social security benefits, pensions, retirement benefits, interest earnings and any other non-wage income.** Seniors living on these sources of income **WILL NOT PAY** one penny more!

***Q. What about all the new homes being built? Aren't they generating additional tax revenue?***

A. Highland Heights is a great community to live in as evidenced by its growth, but the truth is that for every additional dollar in taxes that is collected from new housing, the City receives only 7 cents, the balance going to the school district and county. For example, the City's share of taxes generated on a \$350,000 home is only about \$400.

***Q. Isn't there another way?***

A. There are a variety of ways to increase revenues; however, an increase in the municipal income tax rate generates the most revenue while affecting the least amount of residents. Property taxes affect everyone, regardless of income. 100% of the property owners would pay. A reduction in the credit would affect 100% of residents with earned income. An increase in the income tax rate affects only those residents with earned income *AND* who work in a city with a rate less than 2%. City council does have the ability to increase property taxes but this would affect every homeowner and business owner in the city. **The underlying objective of this decision was to affect the least number of residents as possible. It is estimated that, if the issue passes, roughly 20% of the wage earning residents in the city would be impacted. No one on fixed income from social security or pensions would be affected.**

***Q. OK, I'm convinced that the increase is necessary. What will the City use the additional funds for?***

A. First and foremost, the money is needed to balance the budget so we can continue to maintain city services to you. In addition, the City has estimated capital improvement needs alone of almost \$12,000,000 over the next 5 years as identified by the administration, department heads and council. These improvements include necessary safety items for our Police and Fire Departments, equipment needs in the Service Department, road, sewer and drainage programs, and other needs that have been identified. Additionally, demands on current services are growing as the City grows.

***Q. What will happen if the tax rate increase is defeated?***

A. Without enhancements to revenues, services will suffer. The city will simply not be able to continue providing services in the way and manner the residents have come to expect and deserve. The City will have to make difficult decisions as to what areas and services will be impacted which in turn affects ALL residents. The mayor and city council are committed to balancing the budget. This will likely include the reduction in safety and service personnel, services and equipment needs.

## SERVICE DEPARTMENT - THOM EVANS

### LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM

October 16 to December 15, 2006



The Service Department plans to begin continuous curbside leaf collection on all streets beginning on October 16. Collection will be house by house and street by street. Once a cycle of all streets being collected has been completed, we will begin the cycle again. If your landscaper places leaves out after we have passed your house, they will be collected in the next cycle. Please do not call the Service Department to come back.

The speed of collection and the length of each cycle depend upon how much material is put out for collection, weather, and equipment availability. We therefore are unable to give you information on when we will be on any particular street. However, in general, if the weather is favorable and equipment holds up, we hope to complete cycles during the heaviest part of the season in approximately 10 to 14 days.

*Please place leaves on the tree lawn for collection, not in the street.* Leaves placed in the street can be a hazard to motorists, can block drainage and become wet and matted after a rain, which dramatically slows the collection process. Please do not mix in grass or branches with the leaves. This too slows collection.

The collection program will end the second week of December. The program end date is necessary to allow the service department time for equipment change over in preparation for snow removal operations. Residents wishing to dispose of leaves beyond the cut off date may do so by composting their leaves or bagging them (40 pounds or less) for pick up by our rubbish contractor on their regular rubbish day.

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### RACCOONS AND RABIES



Rabies is a viral infection that affects the nervous system of mammals, including humans. The disease is almost always fatal to both people and animals. Raccoon strain rabies spreads rapidly and infects large numbers of raccoons. The disease often spreads to other

wildlife and pets, making human exposure a real concern.

The Cuyahoga County Board of Health (CCBH) distributed the oral rabies vaccine (ORV) bait in all communities east of I-77 for the second time this year in September. In conjunction with the application of the ORV, the CCBH will continue to coordinate rabies testing for certain species that appear sick or exhibit odd behavior which includes raccoons, skunks, coyotes, foxes, cats, dogs and ferrets. Please visit the Cuyahoga County Board of Health's website at [www.ccbh.net](http://www.ccbh.net) for additional information or call 1-216-201-2020 to report any incidents.

To help protect your family and pets from rabies:

**Do not feed or approach** wildlife while at a park or walking in the woods. Do not take any animal home as a pet. Do not place food outside to feed wild animals. Inspect your property to deter wildlife from finding harborage or food sources.

**Vaccinate** your companion animal(s) from the rabies virus. Check with your veterinarian to ensure that your companion animal(s) has a current vaccination. Indoor cats require rabies vaccinations because they often frequent the outdoors or they can be exposed to a rabid bat inside of your home. Annually, in the U.S. there are more cats than dogs found to be rabid!

**Educate** your children to stay away from wildlife and do not attempt to help any injured animals. Children must notify their parents if they are scratched or bitten by wildlife or a companion animal. The wildlife or companion animal should be collected/identified by an adult or animal control officer for rabies testing or verification of rabies vaccination.

### Household Hazardous Waste Round Up

The city has been conducting a household hazardous waste collection program since October 9<sup>th</sup> which will end on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. Residents may bring unwanted pesticides, household chemicals and oil based paints to the Service Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Monday through Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> and from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. Latex paint will not be accepted. For more information, contact the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District at 216-443-3749 or log on at [www.cuyahogaswd.org](http://www.cuyahogaswd.org).

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT CHIEF ED BENCIN**

Throughout the year, I receive calls from residents who are being solicited for donations from people who present themselves as being Highland Heights Fire Fighters or claim they represent the Highland Heights Fire Department. I am writing to let all residents know that the Highland Heights Fire Department does not solicit donations. Those who state that funds collected go to the Highland Heights Fire Department are less than truthful. I also receive calls alleging that a Highland Heights Fire Fighter is soliciting donations for the Burn Center. This is another false statement. The Burn Center is a worthy cause and any donations that you wish to make should be made directly to the Burn Center by calling 216-778-5627.

The fire department does participate in the national "Fill the Boot" campaign for muscular dystrophy which takes place every Labor Day weekend. The fire fighters and I wish to thank all of you who have donated to this worthy cause. If you have any problems or questions, please feel free to call me at 442-7406.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE - Bring the kids and meet your Fire Department**

The Highland Heights Fire Department will be holding an open house at the fire station on October 21, 2006 from 11:00 to 1:00. The station and equipment will be open for tours. Fire department personnel will be available to answer your questions as well as demonstrate services and equipment. The kids will have the opportunity to learn about fire safety and how to exit the home in an emergency. Informational brochures and handouts about smoke detectors, carbon monoxide monitors, fire safety checklists and exit drills in the home will be available.

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF JAMES COOK**



**HALLOWEEN 2006** will be observed on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. this year. Here are some tips to help keep our children safe this year.

**Parents:** Costumes should be bright and reflective. Make sure the costume material is flame retardant and short enough in length so

your child won't trip over it. Instead of wearing store bought costume masks that may impair your child's vision, use nontoxic hypoallergenic face paint. Costumes that have pointed props such as a sword, canes, or sticks should be avoided, but if they are used, make sure they are made of a flexible material so in the event your child falls they will be less likely to be injured. You want your child to be highly visible when trick-or-treating so add some reflective tape to their costume and trick-or-treat bag. Also have them carry a lit flashlight.

Younger children should always be accompanied by an adult. Older children should go out in groups and stay together. Older children should carry a cellular phone with the Police Department's phone number (440) 442-1221 entered into a speed dial number in case they encounter a problem that requires police assistance. All children should be instructed not to enter homes or cars of any strangers. All trick-or-treaters should only go to homes that have their exterior lights on.

Always cross the street at a designated crosswalk. Use the sidewalks and don't cut across lawns. If there are no sidewalks, then walk at the far edge of the roadway facing traffic. Instruct your children not to eat any candy until you have inspected it. Make sure your children have something to eat before they go out. This should decrease their desire to eat the candy they collect and it will give you a chance to inspect all the candy before it is eaten.

**Homeowners:** If you wish to participate in Halloween by giving out a treat, turn on your exterior lights and open your front door to welcome the children. In preparation for trick-or-treaters, remove items such as garden hoses and bicycles from your lawn, walkways, steps and porch that children could trip over. Make sure your pet(s) are contained inside your home so they won't accidentally exit your home, jump on or bite trick-or-treaters.

**Operation of Motor Vehicles:** If you are traveling on the roadways during Halloween observance hours, keep in mind there are children trick-or-treating who are preoccupied with collecting candy. Slow down and be extremely cautious of children running across the street. Take extra time when turning at intersections. The Police Department will have increased patrol during the Halloween observance hours. Immediately report any suspicious activity to the Police Department.

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
GIRLS SOFTBALL  
TONY BONDRA, COMMISSIONER  
GREG CIRA, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER**



2006 proved to be another exciting and active year at the Highland Heights park. Hopefully you were able to experience the fun of being at the park during the summer with seven ballgames all being played at the same time, with the excitement of the young children at the new playground near Field 3 and with the hundreds of family, friends and neighbors milling around the park. It really is quite an experience and we thank all of you who joined us at the park to make 2006 a successful season.

Despite the challenges offered by Mother Nature this year and the resulting numerous rain-outs and reschedules, the four 2006 Highland Heights girl's softball Leagues were able to play a full schedule, completed on time. All in all, 260 girls participated this year among our four different Leagues—they ran, slid, hit, caught, threw, and bumped and bruised their way through 120 regular season games and 27 post-season tournament games.

Congratulations and many thanks to all those young players for their active and spirited participation in numerous practices and games. It is a pleasure to witness the teamwork and camaraderie displayed on the ball field by these young players and to see their development with the skills of the sport from the start through the finish of the season.

Additionally, thank you to the numerous other persons, all who played a key role with ensuring a successful season: To the Recreation Department, Finance Department and others at City Hall, specifically Diana Lydic, for their guidance and support both before and during the season, for their timely and constant assistance organizing the details behind the scenes and for their time spent to ensure all participants were enrolled appropriately.

To boy's commissioner D.J. Rapposelli and former girl's commissioner Jim Austin, for their instruction and advice with respect to the organization and set-up of the girl's League. To Marc Mazzarino and his field crew for ensuring our fields were in great condition, despite the all-too-often rain.

To parents, grandparents, friends and other fans who showed what support and commitment is all about by supporting our young players in a myriad of ways--- everything from driving to practices and games, carpooling, supplying the "infamous drinks and snacks", to providing enthusiastic support from the stands and managing to balance the stacked schedules our kids all contend with these days.

To our adult USSSA umpires in our Pixie, Ponytail and Junior Fast Pitch Leagues and to our student umpires in our Instructional League. Their guidance, discipline and general knowledge of the game were key to ensuring a positive experience by all in attendance at games.

To our young student scorekeepers at fields 2 and 3 for their timeliness and attention to detail. And, most importantly, to our team managers and their coaches, all who contributed and volunteered countless hours in an effort to create memorable experiences for our children.

A special thank you to our first year managers who stepped-up to the plate to take on a new challenge and to devote themselves to the girl's Leagues.

## 2006 Managers

### Instructional League

John Catalano  
Marie Curtis  
Dawn Ferrante  
Bob Gephart  
Rick Ricciardi

### Ponytail Fast Pitch League

Dee Dee Bondra  
Ken Lyman  
Laura Pugel  
Greg Scott  
Bob Sisson



### Pixie League

Greg Cira  
Dave Corrado  
Barb Ford  
Mike Harden  
Dave Melito  
Sabrina Woodie

### Junior Fast Pitch League

Dante Citraro  
Rose Gype  
Rollie Skur  
Doug Steele

### U12 Fast Pitch Tournament

Dee Dee Bondra  
Jerry Cangelosi  
Tony Bondra  
Mike Brown

Congratulations to the following teams who won either League Champion titles or Post-season Tournament Championships:

### Pixie League Champs

Athletics managed by Greg Cira

### Pixie League Tournament Champs

Astros managed by Dave Corrado

### Ponytail Fast Pitch League Champs

Rockies managed by Bob Sisson

### Ponytail Fast Pitch Tournament Champs

Yankees managed by Dee Dee Bondra

### Junior Fast Pitch League Champs

Marlins managed by Rose Gype

### Junior Fast Pitch Tournament Champs

Marlins managed by Rose Gype

Next year will be here before you know it. We're looking forward to even greater numbers of participant players and teams. Exciting changes to look forward to are the return of our girl's U12 travel team (The Hot Sox), the possible addition of a U14 travel team, and the possible involvement with the Hillcrest League for our older girl's League.

If you have any questions concerning our girl's softball program or have interest in managing or coaching one of our recreation league or travel league teams, please let us know. We can be reached at (440) 461-2440 extension 235.

**BOYS BASEBALL**  
**D. J. RAPPOSELLI, BASEBALL COMMISSIONER**



You can't rely on sunshine in Cleveland...When you talk to old commissioners about the weather, they firmly believe the rain will come in buckets every three years. With this past season being my third year, I have to believe that these gentlemen knew what they were talking about. With that in mind, I can't wait for next season to arrive! We are destined to have sunshine, free from the obstruction of stormy clouds!

Although the rain came this year, the good citizens of Highland Heights and its surrounding communities, did a fabulous job communicating with their managers and commissioner. The cell phone bill didn't reach the heights it did during my rookie season and the diaper fund was intact all season long.

The regular season came to an end with most teams missing only one scheduled game. A handful of teams missed a couple of games due to the urgency of finishing the season by the predetermined end date.

Many parents questioned why we were in such a rush to get the season completed. The answer is that Highland Heights Boys Baseball is committed to not interfering with your family's summer vacation plans. We create an end of the season date and stick to it so you can make your vacation plans without worrying about missing the playoffs. We will do the same once again this upcoming season. We will attempt to avoid the end of the season rush by adding Sunday night as an additional option for regular season games. Adding Sunday night will give us a little breathing room and create a larger period of time for the playoffs.

There has been a lot of talk about changing the cut-off date for the players from August 1<sup>st</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup> due to USSSA regulations. Since we are not a member of USSSA or the Official Little League, we can create policies that best suit our community. We are planning to make some changes this upcoming season. Whether it will affect all of the divisions is yet to be determined.

**When filling out the registration form this February, pay close attention to the date we are using for each division and sign your child up accordingly.**

Once again the end of the season tournaments were a success! Unlike last year, the regular season champions continued their success throughout the playoffs and found themselves walking away with another trophy. The double-elimination set-up gave each player a chance to experience a number of games in a short period of time. The majority of our recreational players don't get the opportunity to play on the weekends. Each "Highland Heights Ballplayer" deserves the chance to experience the excitement of elimination baseball and I thank all of the parents and families for fighting through the demands placed on all of you during this thrilling time.

My sincere gratitude goes out to all of the people that make H.H.B.B. such a respectable league: Managers, Assistant Coaches, Players, Parents and Guardians, Grandparents, Siblings, Umpires, Field Crew and Service Department, Photographers, Trophy Company, Scorekeepers, Sponsors, City Council, Recreation Department, Finance Department, Secretaries, Police Security, and of course Mayor Scott Coleman.

**A special thanks to the 2006 Managers:**

<b>Mighty Mite</b>	<b>Minor</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>Pony</b>
Joe Bican	John Shirk	John Bondra	Glen Dorflinger
David Ianiro	John Grandstaff	Jesse Esplandiu	Ted Anderson
Tim Cercelle	Ron Ulizzi	Frankie Palmisano III	Brian Grandstaff
Chris Sentle	Rocco Dolciato	Ken Pasquale	David Corrado
John Velotta	John Wilson	Joe Caione	Mark Razzante
Dominic Dimora	Ray Caporale	Brian Grandstaff	
Larry Puskas	Paul Dicesare	Bob Parina	
Rich Kozich	Carl Spitaleri		
Tom Sprenger	Tom Forte		
John Grandstaff	Kevin Kemelhar		
	Paul McDonald		

Our congratulations go out to the following teams that walked away with trophies at the end of the season:

<b>Mighty Mite Division Tournament Champion:</b>	Yankees
<b>Mighty Mite Division Tournament Runner-Up:</b>	Giants
<b>Minor Division Regular Season Co-Champions:</b>	Yankees and Marlins
<b>Minor Division Tournament Champion:</b>	Yankees
<b>Minor Division Tournament Runner-Up:</b>	Cubs
<b>Major Division Regular Season Champion:</b>	Nationals
<b>Major Division Tournament Champion:</b>	Nationals
<b>Major Division Tournament Runner-Up:</b>	Cubs
<b>Pony Division Regular Season Champion:</b>	Giants
<b>Pony Division Tournament Champion:</b>	Giants
<b>Pony Division Tournament Runner Up:</b>	Yankees

Thanks again for a great season!

I look forward to seeing all of you at the ballpark in 2007!

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
DAVID IANIRO, DIRECTOR**



I hope everybody had an enjoyable summer. Our programs had to deal with periods of rain but that did not discourage your Program Directors to continue the activities this summer.

The new playground was the centerpiece of our Community Park that was surrounded by our residents actively taking advantage of our ball fields, tennis and bocce courts, pavilions, volleyball nets and pool.

It was also great to see all the residents that participated in our Family Fun Nights at the Pool and Movie Night.

I would like to give a special Buckeye Battle Cry for another Championship season by our Highland Heights Swim Team. Special thanks to Brendon Conway, who has been Head Coach of our Swim Team for the past few seasons. Great job and good luck in the future.

A special thanks to Marc Mazzarino and our Park Maintenance Crew for a good job this summer and also to our Service Department for lending a hand.

Thank you to our Program Directors, D.J., Tony, Greg, Ginenne, Toni and Brian. Good job and I'm looking forward to working with you in preparing for next season.

THANK YOU residents for your participation and have a Buckeye Day.

**A FEW ITEMS TO NOTE FOR NEXT  
YEAR 2007**

**The Tennis Program just about hit capacity so sign up early next year. We have limited court space available.**

**Our division participation dates may change for our Baseball and Softball programs. Please read sign up forms carefully and enter appropriate division.**

**POOL - GINENNE LANESE**

Another great summer has passed us at Highland Heights Pool. We had a wonderful warm summer with many great sunny days. We welcomed back all of our veteran lifeguards, along with all the new additions to our staff including: Beth Berkey, Katie Culotta, Nicole DiCillo, Chris Hughes, Mark Luciano, Irene Panin, Leah Simmons, Lauren Sterle and Rebecca Ussai. One of our highlights was the addition to our diving well of the new drop slide for patrons of all ages.

We also had a successful year of the American Red Cross Learn to Swim Program. With two sessions being offered in the mornings and evenings, we had a successful turnout with 80% of our swimmers advancing to the next levels. Those swimmers included: Mikey Allen, Julia Brozowski, John Catalano, Kayla McCarthy and Olivia Sente. From the pool staff, we wish you all a great school year and look forward to seeing you next summer.

**DAY CAMP  
TONY DILILLO**



This year marks another successful summer for Highland Height Day Camp. With new activities, field trips and surprise guests, the eight weeks of camp seemed to have flown by. New drop off and pick up procedures eased the confusion of the first few days and hopefully pleased all those involved. We traveled to some "oldie but goodie" field trips while adding in Pioneer Waterland and a visit to the movies! Another new weekly activity was our surprise guests. We all loved Outback Ray, Sparkles the Clown and who can forget The Great Brad!

This year marked the return of Arts and Crafts. We would like to thank the Highland Heights Garden Club for volunteering their time while creating great weekly crafts, such as gourd jewelry, sporty visors and pet rocks. Once again, Camp Olympics was a favorite week for all, creating competition and team unity by bringing different ages of campers together. We would like to thank the parents for allowing us to care for their children as well as for their continuing support. Also, a big thanks to all of our campers for once again filling our summer with fun and laughter, while making even those rainy days a little bit brighter. Have a wonderful school year. We hope to see you all next year.





## HIGHLAND HEIGHTS HURRICANES

The 157 member Highland Heights Hurricane swim team (for children 5-15 years old that are residents of the Mayfield School District) won all six of its dual meets this summer with victories over Euclid, South Euclid/Lyndhurst, Mentor, Eastlake, Richmond Heights and Willoughby. The Hurricanes then went on to out swim Pinegate, Wickliffe, Willowick and all six previous teams they had defeated during the dual meet season to place **first** at the **Suburban Swim League East Championship** meet.

Recapping the season, Hurricane swimmers set three new team and pool records during dual meets this summer. These swimmers were the **9-10 Boys Medley Relay team - Lee Sterle, Joey Cerer, Henry Senkfor and Jackson Morton 2:52.59** (team and pool record); **Carrie Bencic – 11-12 Girls 200 SC Meter Freestyle, 2:27.43** {team (until she broke her own team record at champs!) and pool record}; **11-12 girls 200 SC Meter Freestyle Relay team - Carrie Bencic, Maria Kolesar, Kelly Roddy and Stephanie Nemeth, 2:05.88** (team and pool record).

Hurricanes swimmers then continued their record breaking with new league records set at the two day championship meet held at Garfield Pool in Mentor and at Memorial Pool in Euclid. Hurricanes setting new records at the SSL Championship meet, their events and times were:

**Carrie Bencic - Girls 11-12 200 SC Meter Freestyle, 2:19.68** (team & league)

**Chris Hughes - Mens 13-15 100 Yard Butterfly, 58.54** (league)

**Henry Senkfor - Boys 9-10 50 Yard Butterfly, 31.92** (team & league) & **100 Yard IM, 1:13.11** (league)

**Kevin Stang - Boys 11-12 50 SC Meter Backstroke, 33.92** (team & league), **200 Free 2:20.30** (team) & **100 Individual Medley, 1:05.82** (team record)

**Zachary Hostoffer - Boys 8 & Under 50 Yard Freestyle 33.80** (league) & **25 Yard Breaststroke, 21.09** (league)

**Boys 8 & Under 100 Yard Medley Relay - Joseph Libertin, Zachary Hostoffer, Nicholas Elia, Nicky Isabella 1:20.62** (team & league)

**Girls 8 & Under 100 Medley Relay - Randy Kenney, Sarah Senkfor, Gabriela Cerer, Lindsay Sterle 1:19.15** (team)

**Boys 9-10 200 Free Relay - Joey Cerer, Andy Isabella, Henry Senkfor, Jackson Morton 2:30.25** (team)

**Boys 9-10 200 Medley Relay - Josh Egan, Joey Cerer, Henry Senkfor, Jackson Morton 2:48.27** (team)

**Girls 11-12 200 Medley Relay - Maria Kolesar, Kellie Roddy, Stephanie Nemeth, Carrier Bencic 2:22.07** (team)

## THANK YOU TO THE SUMMER TENNIS PARTICIPANTS!!!



2006 was another banner year for tennis in Highland Heights! Congratulations to those players who played on the Team Tennis teams, four of which qualified for the third straight year to the USTA Midwest Championships in Indianapolis. Well done! Among those players who qualified were many of Highland Heights very own, they are as follows: Jennifer Snyder, Anna Navatsyk, Krissy Hallett, Jimmy Goodwin, Scott Ibold, Brian Carey, Steven Kovacic, Bobby Brown, Matt Roche, Kyle Roche, Molly Drake, Hannah DeMilta, Amanda Warner, Zach Kubec, Carly Holloway, Kristina Snyder, Joy Warner, Jon Kovacic, and Michael Riley. Thank you parents for your continued support.

The Highland Heights Tournament was another success this summer!! Once again, the tournament attracted close to one hundred of the best players from Northeastern Ohio. Congratulations to everyone who came out and competed in early August for this popular annual event. A special thanks to sponsors Parker Orthodontics and Bill and Denise Mirando, your contributions were much appreciated!!

The classes during the summer were also very successful this summer. Over three hundred kids came out and had a blast learning and competing in our instructional program making the Highland Heights Tennis program the most successful city program in the Cleveland area. Many players started the summer as beginners and ended the summer by taking part in the tournament. Well done instructors! Thank you again for all who took part in the summer tennis activities and I hope to see all of you again next year!! Brian Smallwood, Tennis Director

# CONGRATULATIONS

## TO HIGHLAND HEIGHTS THIRTEENTH ANNUAL OPEN SINGLES TOURNAMENT WINNERS

### **GIRLS 12 AND UNDER SINGLES**

Winner Alexandra Solyvev  
Runner up Caitlin Lawless  
Consolation Winner Victoria Henning

### **GIRLS 14 AND UNDER SINGLES**

Winner Courtney Thompson  
Runner up Jessica Coggins  
Consolation Winner Sarah Martin

### **GIRLS 16 AND UNDER SINGLES**

Winner Molly Drake  
Runner up Erika Douglas  
Consolation Winner Kelsey Kilbane

### **GIRLS 18 AND UNDER SINGLES**

Winner Anna Navatsyk  
Runner up Molly Drake  
Consolation Winner Allison Meglich

### **BOYS 12 AND UNDER SINGLES**

Winner Shouta Fukamachi  
Runner Up Vishal Reddy  
Consolation Winner Alex Rinaldi

### **BOYS 14 AND UNDER SINGLES**

Winner Justin Shinault  
Runner up Alex Snelly  
Consolation Winner Zach Kubec

### **BOYS 16 AND UNDER SINGLES**

Winner Brian Carey  
Runner up Matt Roche  
Consolation Winner Mark Louma

### **BOYS 18 AND UNDER SINGLES**

Winner Brian Carey  
Runner up Matt Roche  
Consolation Winner Adam Perkins

**THANK YOU**

### **TENNIS TOURNAMENT SPONSORS:**

**A. C. E. Tennis**  
**William and Denise Mirando**  
**Parker Orthodontics**

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**CONGRATULATIONS TO COREEN AND BOB NADOLSKI** on the wonderful showpiece yard they have created at their Bishop Road home. Their beautiful gardens were featured in the July 20<sup>th</sup> edition of the Sun Newspaper.

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO BROWNFLYNN ON ITS 10-YEAR ANNIVERSARY MILESTONE—AND *CIRCLE OF 10!***

Headquartered near the corner of Wilson Mills and Brainard/Bishop Roads, BrownFlynn is a community relationship management consulting firm that helps companies and organizations do good and do well through innovative corporate social responsibility practices. To recognize and celebrate its 10-year anniversary and make an impact on the community, BrownFlynn created the *Circle of 10*--a contest challenging Cleveland's nonprofit community to engage the next generation of supporters in unique ways. Through a comprehensive RFP process that generated more than 60 nominations, 10 nonprofit finalists were selected as BrownFlynn's elite *Circle of 10*. For more than seven months, these finalists have been competing on many contest criteria guidelines, and the winner (to be announced this November at the Firm's anniversary celebration) will receive a grant of \$10,000 in cash, plus \$10,000 in pro-bono services from BrownFlynn.

### **LYNDHURST MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE MARY KAYE BOZZA**



In response to the increase in alcohol related offenses involving women, Judge Bozza designed a special "Make the Right Choice" Women's Workshop held on June 2, 2006. The workshop was an enormous success with over 40 women in attendance. Judge Bozza's goal is to provide an informative and supportive environment to a diverse group of women, educating them about the physical, emotional and psychological effects of alcohol and drug usage.

The women were eager to articulate that the key feature of the workshop's success was its female exclusivity. The women found comfort in the personal setting and were enlightened by the presentation of medical facts.

The positive impact on each woman's life was apparent at the conclusion of the day. Many pledged to a reformed lifestyle, and a willingness to participate in the next event. Most of the women noted that the experience "highly exceeded their expectations". The support they felt, made them feel less alone, and better able to understand how alcohol has affected a number of women just like themselves. Judge

Bozza was delighted with the accomplishments of the day and eagerly anticipates another opportunity to extend care and support to the community outside the courtroom. Our next "Make the Right Choice" Women's Workshop is Friday November 3, 2006 at 9:15 a.m. at the Lyndhurst Community Center at 1341 Parkview Drive. There is no charge for the presentation and lunch is served.

The Court thanks and congratulates Jennifer from Brush High School and Jenna, John and Stephanie from Mayfield High School who participated in Judge Bozza's Senior Internship Program the month of May to satisfy their senior project obligations. Judge Bozza encourages the local schools to promote this opportunity as well as to schedule field trips to the Court. Special thanks to the teachers and parents who helped provide these opportunities to their students. We would welcome and encourage Richmond Heights High School to participate as well.

For additional information about the Lyndhurst Municipal Court, its community outreach programs, or to invite Judge Bozza to be a guest speaker at your favorite group or organization, please call Patti Anderson at (440) 461-6500 ext. 205 or visit our website at [www.lyndhurstmunicipalcourt.org](http://www.lyndhurstmunicipalcourt.org).



## COMMUNITY NEWS (continued)

### HIGHLAND HEIGHTS LIONS CLUB 12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HOLE IN ONE CONTEST



Each August, the Highland Heights Lions Club has its annual Hole-In-One Contest at the Airport Greens Golf Course at 28920 White Road in Willoughby Hills, Ohio. This year marked the 12<sup>th</sup> annual event. Every Saturday and Sunday, winners received a prize for closest to the pin and each winner has a chance to play in the finals on Saturday, September 2 and a chance to win a Chrysler Crossfire by getting a hole in one. Our sponsors and contestants make this event a success.

Funds raised from this event, like all Lions projects, enable the Lions to fight blindness by supporting eye research and to assist visually and hearing challenged people.

We wish to thank our 2006 sponsors and donors:

#### **SPONSORS:**

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#### **DONORS:**

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If you are interested in joining the Lions Club, please call Rick Eisenberg at 440-449-2119.



Greater Cleveland Habitat for Humanity, a Christian-based organization, develops opportunities for families and volunteers to improve lives. We create hope by building homes, strengthening neighborhoods and reweaving communities. Volunteers do not have to be skilled! We are in need of regular volunteers to help us: build porch decks; hang vinyl siding; install electric or plumbing systems; assist with the intake of donated materials; or with other building projects 1-2 days a week. For more information, please visit our website at [www.clevelandhabitat.org](http://www.clevelandhabitat.org). To help, please call Habitat at 216-429-1299 ext. 226 or 227 or email [volunteer@gchfh.org](mailto:volunteer@gchfh.org).

### **BECOME INVOLVED WITH YOUR MAYFIELD CITY SCHOOLS!**

**Contact: Susan Olson, Adult Volunteer Services, 440-995-7796**

Mayfield City Schools welcomes local residents and businesses, including our senior adults, to share their time and skills in becoming a part of Mayfield Schools. We promote this collaboration because it contributes to the health of our community while enriching the educational experiences of our students. We strive to match your interests and expectations with the needs of the school. Some volunteer positions require a weekly commitment to provide consistency in the school environment, while other positions last only as long as the project requires.

If you have a special background, skill, or interest, we may be able to customize a volunteer position especially for you. New volunteers are first required to complete a brief interview with the Adult Volunteer Coordinator.

Please consider contacting us to hear more about our volunteer program or visit the Highland Heights web page at [www.highlandhts.com](http://www.highlandhts.com) for more information.

## EVENTS

### **HIGHLAND HEIGHTS 50+ CLUB ANNUAL BAKE SALE**

Tuesday, November 7, 2006  
Millridge School.




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### **HIGHLAND HEIGHTS COMMISSION ON AGING SENIORS HOLIDAY PARTY**

Tuesday, December 12, 2006  
12:30 Lunch and Entertainment  
Door Prizes - \$2.50 per person  
Call Mary Velotta at 440-461-2440, ext. 147

### **TRI-CITY CONSORTIUM ON AGING PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:**

Tri-City annual Halloween Party.  
Friday October 27 - Entertainment and refreshments beginning at 12:30 at Highland Heights Community Center. Lunch will be served at 11:45. Call 216-291-0772 for reservations.

Monday October 23 at Lyndhurst Community Center. Entertainment and dancing with Fred Sivillo from 12:30-1:30.

Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, Big Band Brunch with the Dan Zola Orchestra at the South Euclid Community Center. Doors open 11 a.m. Music and dancing from 12-2 p.m.

Call 440-473-5138 for information on upcoming Tri-City trips. For information on the Tri-City lunch and other programs, call 216-291-0772 or 440-442-2665..

### **CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN PARTY**

Saturday, October 21, 2006  
10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
at the Community Center.



**Halloween Trick or Treating** is Tuesday, October 31, 2006 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please turn your porch lights on.

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### **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Saturday, December 9, 2006  
10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
Highland Heights Community Center.

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### **LIONS CLUB HOLIDAY LIGHTING CONTEST IS THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2006.**

Please have your lights on from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. One family per ward will be selected. Winners will receive a plaque from the Club and be acknowledged in the Highland Heights newsletter. Last year's winners are not eligible this year.

### **LIONS CLUB SWEETEST DAY ROSES -**

The Lions Club will conduct its annual Sweetest Day Roses sale on Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> near Denny's in the Home Depot Shopping Center on Wilson Mills, at Bishop and Highland Roads and other Highland Heights locations. Profits from the sales are used for eye research as well as assisting visually and hearing challenged persons.

### **CLASSES OFFERED AT COMMUNITY CENTER**

**Body Sculpting, Inc. 216-313-3539**

Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.

**Exercise - Roberta Brofman, 440-461-6855**

Mondays and Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m.

**Jazzercise - Debbie Fekeshazy, 440-473-6759**

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

**Tai Chi - Sue Cady, 216-932-7717**

Mondays at 2:00 p.m.

**Kuk Sul Do - Barb Schroyer, 440-289-0389**  
Mondays at 6:00 p.m.

## 2006 LEGISLATION SUMMARY

### Ordinances

#15 - An ordinance amending the first sentence of Section 111.0501 of the codified ordinances of the City of Highland Heights, Ohio by increasing the rate of the municipal income tax to two percent per annum, providing for submission of the amendment to the electors as required by law. (This will be on the November ballot).

#16 - An ordinance levying special assessments for the improvement of Golf View Lane between certain termini by grading, draining, curbing, paving, lighting and constructing sidewalks, driveway aprons, storm sewers, sanitary sewers together with service connections therefore, water mains, traffic signalization and a bridge.

#17 - An ordinance adopting a tax budget for the City of Highland Heights.

#18 - an ordinance designating certain financial institutions as depositories for active and interim funds of the City of Highland Heights.

#19 - An ordinance authorizing participation in the Ohio Association of Public Treasurer's Workers Compensation Group Rating Program.

#20 - An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the principal amount not to exceed \$1,710,000 for the purpose of paying, in anticipation of the collection of special assessments heretofore levied, the costs of improving Golf View Lane.

#21 - An ordinance levying assessment for the payment of street lighting and the improvement or installation of additional lighting by special assessment.

#22 - An ordinance assessing the cost of abating a certain nuisance.

#23 - An ordinance assessing the cost of delinquent payments for the 2005 sidewalk rehabilitation project.

### Resolutions

#28 - A resolution of appreciation to Carol Ganser for her years of dedicated service to the City of Highland Heights, Ohio, as a police officer.

#29 - A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Concord Road Equipment Mfg., Inc. for the purchase of a 2006 Concord Minuteman Dump Body/spreader and Snow/Ice Control Equipment Package.

#31 - A resolution in support of the Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program.

#32 - A resolution authorizing the Mayor to make application to the Office of the Attorney General for Drug Abuse Resistance Education Funds.

#33 - A resolution authorizing the appointment of CT Consultants, Inc. as a consultant in regard to the Highland Road Pedestrian Improvement Project.

#34 - A resolution authorizing the adoption of the Solid Waste Management Plan for the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste Management District.

#35 - A resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to make application to the Department of Homeland Security for assistance to Firefighters Grant Program Funds.

#36 - A resolution declaring Pat Flowers, Inc. as the lowest and best bidder for the 2006 Street Striping Program.

#38 - A resolution declaring A&J Cement Contractors, Inc. as the lowest and best bidder for miscellaneous concrete repairs.



**MAYOR SCOTT COLEMAN**

**THANK YOU TO THE 2006 HOME DAYS COMMITTEE, SPONSORS & VENDORS**

**Committee: Michael Hirsch and Jim Austin, CoChairmen**

**Cathy Murphy, Parade Chairman**

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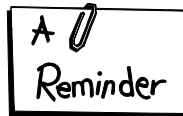
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**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME** ends on Sunday, October 29, 2006. Set your clocks back at bed time on Saturday, October 28, 2006 and remember to check the batteries in your smoke detectors.



**STREETLIGHTS** - If you see a streetlight out, please contact First Energy as soon as possible. They will check the light and repair it as quickly as possible. To report a streetlight outage, you can call automated outage reporting line at 1-888-LIGHTSS (544-4877), or go online to [www.firstenergycorp.com](http://www.firstenergycorp.com). Click on Customer Care, Online Service Requests, and then Report Streetlight Outage. Just let them know where the streetlight is located and what is wrong with it (damaged pole, light fixture broken, light flickers or comes on during the day).

	<p><b>Tri City Annual Garage Sale</b> Saturday, November 4, 2006 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Highland Heights Community Center For more information &amp; table reservations, call 216-291-3903.</p>	
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***Rubbish Collection: Thanksgiving - Thursday's route will be collected on Friday.  
Weeks of Christmas and New Years - all routes will be delayed one day.***

*City Hall will be closed for Thanksgiving on November 23 and 24, for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, December 25 and 26 and for New Years Day on January 1, 2007.*