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June 2004

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2004 RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Swimming Pool	440-442-2423	
		Voice Mail #
Pool Coordinators	April Harpp	245
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MEETING SCHEDULE

(Subject to Change)

Regular Meetings of Council

2nd & 4th Tuesday at 8:00 p.m.

Council Committee of the Whole

1st & 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Architectural Review Board

2nd & 4th Monday at 1:30 p.m.

Planning & Zoning Commission

2nd & 4th Monday at 8:00 p.m.

Park & Recreation Commission

3rd Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

City Council Committees:

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 216-443-7500
 Cuyahoga County Board of Elections
 216-443-3200
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 Engineering (Plugged sewers, dye tests)
 216-443-8201
 Illuminating Co. (Power Outage)
 1-888-544-4877
 Lyndhurst Municipal Court
 440-461-6500
 Mayfield Library
 440-473-0350
 NOPEC - 1-866-579-9487
 Tri City Consortium on Aging
 216-291-3902

**Message from Mayor
Scott Coleman**

Home Days

When I was a child growing up on Rose Blvd., Home Days was held at what was then called Sheahan Park located on Bishop Road just south of the County airport. The piece of land (now owned by Swagelok) was owned by Cuyahoga County and named after S.J. Sheahan who was the 10th Mayor of Highland Heights and served the city from 1954-1959.

The event was very simple with a few homemade games, food and pony rides. I can remember asking my parents if I could do extra chores around the house so I could have money to play the games and perhaps win a stuffed animal that I didn't need or a gold fish that would not make it through the day.

A day or two before the event, the Highland Heights police would drive through the neighborhood and announce the times and attractions of the event. It was such a nice way to help people get excited for the annual event. This year, I have asked Police Chief Jim Cook if he could bring back this old tradition.

The 2004 Highland Heights Home Days promises to be one of the best. We have a very enthusiastic committee who are all anxious to make Home Days something we will all look forward to in years to come.

David C. Frew Field

If you spend a lot of time at our city park watching baseball games, you may have noticed a sign on the backstop of diamond #1 that reads "David C. Frew Field". Recently I was watching a game and a resident asked me if I knew who David Frew was. Having lived in the city for nearly my entire life, I was embarrassed to not know the answer. With the help of Jean Buchak and Diana Lydic at city hall, we found out the following:

David Frew was a long time resident who was passionately active with the recreation programs at the park. He was also one of the co-founders of the Dad's Club which was very active in the late 60's and 70's. He served on Highland Heights' city council for ten years from 1962 through 1971 including one term as council president and was also a long time member of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

After his untimely death in 1976, Mayor Roy Mayes and Highland Heights city council passed a resolution on February 13, 1976 changing the formal name of diamond #1 from Lion's field (named after the Highland Heights Lions Club) to David C. Frew Field.

If anyone has any interesting stories like this or would like us to research the history of something within the city, please contact my executive assistant Diana Lydic.

Fire Chief Ed Bencin

In the last newsletter, it was mentioned that we would be featuring people or families that have helped to enrich our community. Ed Bencin moved into the city when he was six years old in 1952. (Ed's very sensitive about his age so I told him I wouldn't put it in.)

He originally lived on Bishop Road in a house built by his parents and lived right next to the house his grandparents built. If you know Ed and have ever had a conversation with him about Highland Heights, he speaks with passion and nostalgia about his home town. He is a fountain of knowledge about our city's history and will frequently reminisce about how things used to be.

In grade school, Ed attended the old 4-room school house on SOM Center road. He was also a member of the last class to graduate from Mayfield High School in what is now the Mayfield Middle School.

Ed was hired as a firefighter for his beloved city in 1973. As a firefighter, Ed wrote the first set of Departmental Rules and Regulations adopted by the city, was certified as a State instructor in fire technology, appointed training officer and taught the first training class for firefighters in Highland Heights.

In 1976 he was promoted to Fire Lieutenant and became Chief in 1982.

According to Ed, the most challenging aspect of his job is trying to separate emotions from the task at hand. With only six months on the job, Ed recalls the day that a plane crashed into a house on Bishop Road killing six people including an elderly person confined to a wheelchair. That was a very traumatic day for the young inexperienced firefighter.

The job has also provided Ed with some very amusing anecdotes. One that he recalls with fondness happened on his first day on the job. Chief Strumbly sent him home on his first day because he thought his hair was too long.

Ed now lives in his fourth house in the city on Whiteford Road with his wife Karen where they have raised their two daughters, Stephanie and Amanda.

Ed, thank you for your many years of valued service to the City of Highland Heights and caring enough to help make a difference.

Business Highlight Wellington's

We all know of Wellington's located on Alpha Drive but if you haven't held a function there, you may not know of all they have to offer. Wellington's is owned and operated by two Highland

Heights' residents, Michael Collins and Kathy Duble and they are very proud of their facility and the services they provide.

Wellington Catering, a Party/Conference Center, with its elegant classical interior is perfect for up to 550 guests for weddings, ceremonies, anniversaries, bridal showers and rehearsal dinners. Smaller rooms are also available for 30+ guests. Fully equipped for meetings and conferences, the facility can handle your organization or business needs.

Unlike most catering/banquet facilities, Wellington's is also open for lunch Tuesdays through Fridays, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and the Lounge remains open until 7:00 p.m. The lunch menu includes daily specials and carry out service. Call the banquet sales office at 440-461-9211 for information or visit the website at www.wellingtoncatering.com.

Kudos to Highland Heights Service Stations

I received a letter on June 1st from the Cuyahoga County Board of Health (CCBH). The purpose of the letter was to inform me of the CCBH's random and unannounced inspection of tobacco vendors. The inspection was to ensure compliance with the law concerning sale of tobacco to minors. On Saturday April 24th, the Shell, Marathon, Sunoco and BP stations on Wilson Mills Road were visited by an

underage youth (age 14-16) attempting to purchase tobacco products. I am happy to report that all four locations refused the sale to the underage patrons.

Veterans Memorial

A special thank you to Weert Ley, and Vince Varanese, co-founders of the Veterans Peace Memorial, who plan and coordinate our Memorial Day Observance each year.

In addition, I want to thank the following people who participated in this year's event.

Neil Zurcher - Reporter,
"One Tank Trips", Fox8TV

Steve LaTourette,
Representative to the U.S.
Congress, Ohio District 14

Brigadier General Ronald
G. Young, Assistant
Adjutant General, Ohio
Army National Guard

Father Thomas Smithson,
S.S.S., Associate Pastor,
St. Paschal Baylon Church

St. Paschal Baylon Honors
Choir

Christina Stickan for flute
accompaniment

Daniel Coleman for
playing taps

Jason Ina for playing taps

Donald Willis for playing
Amazing Grace

Matthew Lawler for his reading of:

“No, Freedom isn’t Free”

I watched the flag pass by one day. It fluttered in the breeze. A young Marine saluted it, and then he stood at ease. I looked at him in uniform, so young, so tall, so proud, with hair cut square and eyes alert, he’d stand out in any crowd.

I thought how many men like him, had fallen through the years. How many died on foreign soil? How many mothers’ tears? How many pilots’ planes shot down? How many died at sea? How many foxholes were soldiers’ graves? No, freedom isn’t free.

I heard the sound of taps one night, when everything was still. I listened to the bugler play and felt a sudden chill. I wondered just how many times that taps had meant “Amen.” When a flag had draped a coffin of a brother or a friend.

I thought of all the children of the mothers and the wives, of fathers, sons and husbands with interrupted lives. I thought about a graveyard at the bottom of the sea, of unmarked graves in Arlington. No freedom isn’t free.

Author Unknown

**LAW DIRECTOR
Tim Paluf**

On May 25, 2004, City Council passed an ordinance that repealed previous Code Section 1141.08 and enacted an entirely new prohibition against the overnight parking of commercial vehicles/trucks in residential areas.

After much discussion over the past one and one-half (1½) years and many changes to the language used in order to adequately set forth Council’s intent, the Ordinance now reasonably safeguards the City’s residential characteristics, maintains aesthetics, and protects the public health, safety, and welfare. The following are highlights from the legislation and should not be considered legal directive concerning the Ordinance’s application to individual residences without a review of Section 1141.08 in its entirety.

Section 1141.08 entitled “Parking of Commercial Vehicles” is aimed at reducing the number of commercial vehicles regularly parked in the City’s residential zones overnight. The Ordinance sets forth definitions of “commercial vehicles” and “trucks”. The Ordinance allows for the parking of commercial trucks at reasonable times and for customary purposes such as deliveries, pick ups, and construction; for governmental use; and for uses incident to the operations of apartments, hotels and/or motels.

The Ordinance sets forth that a commercial vehicle or truck may be parked overnight at a residence as long as it is not more than one (1) ton in capacity and is parked in a covered/closed garage or otherwise completely out of sight.

The Ordinance allows for the parking of commercial vehicles less than one (1) ton that are used for businesses to be parked overnight outside of a covered/closed garage only if the lettering, signage or other commercial indicia is appropriately covered and any/all equipment is removed while parking overnight.

The Building Department shall be responsible for identifying violations of this Ordinance and the issuance of violation notices. The effective date of this Ordinance is June 24, 2004 which is 30 days after it was passed by City Council. Those that are not in compliance with this Ordinance shall be given a reasonable time to comply.

Violations of the Ordinance will be charged in the Lyndhurst Municipal Court as minor misdemeanors unless the offense is repeated within one (1) year, for which the violation is a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If you have any questions or need further information concerning the application of this legislation, please call Tom Jamieson in the Building Department at (440) 442-7403.

**Lyndhurst Municipal Court
Judge Mary Kaye Bozza**

Judge Mary Kaye Bozza continues to provide educational opportunities for students in our jurisdiction through senior projects and class field trips to the Court. One of the most educational field trips involved 19 exchange students from Frankfurt, Germany who are part of the International Experience group from Mayfield and Brush High Schools. These students observed an arraignment session on March 31st.

They viewed a mix of criminal and traffic matters heard before the Judge. Judge Bozza participated as a mentor for Brush High School student Katie Foulds, who completed her senior project at the Court. Among the many cases Katie was able to view first hand was an accident bench trial.

The Judge also took part in the Notre Dame Cathedral Latin Career Experience Program by providing Rosemarri DiFranco and Megan Wantz with the opportunity to gain observational and actual working experience at the Lyndhurst Municipal Court.

The Court recently had a new L.E.A.D.S terminal installed to obtain immediate information regarding a defendant's traffic record. Having a terminal installed at the Court will help facilitate Judge Bozza's efforts to educate and help defendant's reinstate their driver's licenses through

her Driver's Intervention Program.

There are many reasons a person's driver's license can be suspended in Ohio. Some reasons include failure to pay traffic fines, non-insurance, hit-skip accidents, driving while under the influence, 12 points within two years and delinquent child support cases. Judge Bozza's program has a positive impact upon families who are dependent upon child support when she educates defendants and allows them reasonable time to clear the child support issues. The goal is to have insured responsible drivers throughout our community.

**Finance Department
Anthony Ianiro**

Property Tax Bills

The second half property tax bills for the 2004 collection year have been mailed and are due by July 8th. Payments received and/or postmarked after July 8, 2004 must be charged a 10% penalty and interest as required by Ohio law. Failure to receive a tax bill does not excuse payment of any interest or penalties accrued. You may obtain a copy of your bill from the County Treasurers website at <http://www.cuyahoga.oh.us/treasurer/taxbill.htm>, or by calling 216-443-7420.

We enjoy the 6th LOWEST tax rate of over 65 communities in Cuyahoga County. Our effective tax rate is 48.24 mills,

meaning that for each \$1,000 of taxable value, you pay \$48.24.

To calculate your tax bill, there are two basic methods. The first is quite simple. Take the MARKET VALUE of your home and multiply it by 1.48%. Please keep in mind that your market value may not be, and often times is not, the same value that the County has assigned to your property. To this amount are added any special assessments that might be attached to your property. The 1.48% figure includes any rollbacks offered by the State.

All residents pay a sewer maintenance and street lighting assessment. Additional assessments are possible depending on your location within the City.

The second method is a bit more cumbersome. Take the MARKET VALUE of your home and multiply it by 35%. This is your ASSESSED VALUE or taxable value. Take this amount and divide by 1000 and multiply by 48.24. You then take that figure and multiply it by .88 to take into consideration the rollbacks and reductions that are allowed by the State. Once again, to this amount are added any special assessments.

**An Explanation of
Cuyahoga County
Property Tax Rates**

Voted Tax Rate - The total rate approved by the voters in the City for support of the school district, library,

municipality, vocational school, community college, metro park system and county-wide services. This rate also includes 10 mills of unvoted taxes guaranteed by the Ohio Constitution.

Effective Tax Rate - Your tax rate after the tax reduction factor is applied. You are protected from unvoted increases in taxes by Ohio legislation known as House Bill 920. Passed in 1976, HB 920 reduces your rate as property values in your district increase during triennial reappraisals and updates.

Additional factors affecting your tax bill:

Special Assessments
Charges by the city or county to cover the cost of improvements of services. All residents pay a sewer maintenance and street lighting assessments.

Additional assessments for street improvements, sewer improvements and/or other projects may have been added to your tax bill in prior years for a specific period. If you have a question about your special assessments, please call the Finance Department.

Homestead Exemption

The Homestead Exemption is a program that lowers the real estate taxes on the residences of qualified low income seniors and disabled persons. For more information, or to apply for the Homestead Exemption contact the Cuyahoga County Auditor's Office at

216-443-7050. For any questions regarding your real estate tax bill, please call the County Treasurer at 216-443-7420. However, if it is more convenient, you may always call the Finance Department at 440-442-7404 for any information.

**Police Department
Police Chief James Cook**

Project Childsafe

A reminder that our Police Department is participating in the nationwide Project Child Safe Program that is supported by a U.S. Department of Justice Grant and the National Shooting Sports Foundation. Our department has obtained 300 gunlocks for distribution to our residents. The gunlocks are **free of charge** and are available on a first come, first serve basis. They will be available at the Police Department's Booth at Home Days, or by stopping into the Police Station, Monday thru Friday, 8:00am – 4:00pm. Contact Lt. Ken Visoky at 440-442-8825 with any questions you may have regarding the locks.

Telemarketing Scams

The Police Department has been investigating telemarketing scams involving claims of sweepstakes winners. The intended victim is always an elderly citizen. The caller will tell the resident that they have won several thousands of dollars in a sweepstakes and all they need to do to collect is to send the caller the tax money on their

winnings. Taxes on any winnings are always paid after the prize has been awarded in legitimate sweepstakes. Please do not be duped. Never send money to anyone until you have received the cash. Most of these scams originate in Canada. Identification and prosecution of the individuals responsible is very difficult and often impossible. Contact PHONEBUSTERS.COM at 1-888-495-8501 to report any people calling with this scam.

Motorized Scooters

There has been some confusion concerning the latest transportation craze, namely motorized scooters. According to the Ohio Revised Code, a motorized scooter is a motor vehicle which has to be licensed and driven by a licensed driver. The scooter does not have enough horsepower to be driven on streets and cannot legally be driven on sidewalks. A motorized scooter can only be driven on private property with the property owner's permission.

**Service Department
Director Thom Evans**

Sewer Maintenance

The city contracts with Cuyahoga County for the operation and maintenance of the city's sanitary sewer system. Most of the sewer system, with the exception of county owned interceptor sewers, is owned by the

city and maintained by the county as a result of the agreement.

The County assesses Highland Heights property owners, based on frontage, for services rendered.

Charges for sewage treatment, which are separate from the county's maintenance fees, are billed to residents quarterly by the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District.

If some of the sewer drains in your home are blocked and others seem to be working normally, the problem is most likely localized somewhere in your home and you may need the help of a plumber. If however, all of the drains in your house appear to be blocked, there may be a problem with the main lateral line that connects your home to the city's sewer main in the street. In this case you can contact the Cuyahoga County Sanitary Engineer's office for assistance. Residents with sewer problems should contact the Cuyahoga County Sanitary Engineer's office directly at (216) 443-8201.

**Building Commissioner
Tom Jamieson**

Property Maintenance

The maintenance of our homes is of the utmost importance to our community and we have guidelines to assure the quality of our housing stock. The continual care of lawns and landscaping,

proper storage of rubbish and other materials, and upgrading any deteriorating conditions will help us in all matters pertaining to property maintenance. If you have any questions or need help in your quest to maintain your property, call me at 440-442-7403.

**Commercial Vehicle
Ordinance - Code
Section 1141.08**

The Building Department is responsible for identifying violations and responding to complaints related to the parking of commercial vehicles in residential areas. The ordinance allows for commercial vehicles or trucks under one ton to be parked overnight under certain conditions as spelled out in the code. We want residents to know that we want to work in whatever way possible to help you understand the impact the ordinance may have on you and to work in helping you gain compliance. If you have any questions or need the Building Department to visit and evaluate your situation, please call me.

2004 Sidewalk Program

The 2004 Sidewalk Program repair work will begin on Tuesday, July 6, 2004 in the Williamsburg area, continue in Highland Woods and finish in Highland Woods East. The project should be completed in four to five weeks.

**Hillcrest Women's
Club/GFWC to host Gift
of Life Walk on Saturday,
August 21, 2004**

LifeBanc and the Hillcrest Women's Club/GFWC will host the 6th Annual Gift of Life Walk on Saturday, August 21 at Edgewater Park. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. followed by the three mile walk at 9:00 a.m. The event takes place rain or shine. The public is invited to join area transplant recipients and donor families to help raise awareness of organ and tissue donation. Life Banc will use all proceeds from the event to fund its public education and awareness programs.

For a registration form or more information, call LifeBanc at 216-752-5433.

Hillcrest Kiwanis

celebrates 75 years of service. The Hillcrest-Ohio Club was founded as the South Euclid-Lyndhurst Club in 1929. It became the Hillcrest-Ohio Club in 2001 and now looks to the Highland Heights, Mayfield Village, Mayfield Heights and Gates Mills communities for projects, as well as adults seeking to experience the satisfaction and fellowship that results when people work together for the good of all.

For more information or to suggest a project, call the Hillcrest Kiwanis Hotline at 440-386-8204.

**Community Center
Judy Dick, Coordinator**

A special thank you to the members of the **Garden Club**



who have beautified the area around City Hall and the Community Center with planters of flowers and a stoned pathway to the benches. The area looks beautiful and is a peaceful place to sit and relax.

Bike Helmets - Judy Dick

I have seen an increase of residents wearing bike helmets this year. Thanks. That is great!

Remember to wear your helmet correctly for the optimum protection. If the helmet is not fitting correctly, too loose, too tight or tipping off of the forehead, it may be time for an adjustment or possibly a new helmet.

Please call me at 461-2440 from 12:30 - 3:30 regarding the purchase of a helmet or adjusting your current helmet. Have a safe and fun summer!

**Recreation Department
Director David Ianiro**

**Boys Baseball
AA State Champs**



Congratulations to the Highland Heights 12 and Under Boys Baseball Tournament Team that won the USSSA 12UAA State Championship at Riverstar Park in Cincinnati, Ohio during the week of June 23 through the 27th.

Highland Heights was one of 34 teams from all around Ohio. Play began on Thursday.

The team qualified for playoff bracket play Saturday night and concluded with the Championship game on Sunday where they defeated the Lake Ohio (Union Town) Titans.

The team finished the tournament with a record of 7 and 0 and were announced the USSSA 12 and Under AA State Champs to the crowd at the ballpark.

The players also participated in the tournament parade on Thursday night at Coney Island and the Reds vs Pirates game on Friday night.

The 2004 USSSA 12 and Under State Champions are:

**Mike Brown
Mike Cappello
Kyle Flynn
David Ianiro
Kyle Koski
Jeremy Meegan
Justin Pugel
Cary Spear
Timmy Wetzel
Joey Wilson
John Wilson**

The Coaches of the 2004 USSSA 12 and Under State Championship Team are:

**David Ianiro
Jim Meegan
Ted Wetzel
John Wilson**

Reminders:

Pool Hours - Change

The pool will be closed July 23, 24 and 25 for Home Days. Please also note that parking at the pool from July 21 through July 23 will be limited.

Pool, Tennis and Swim Lessons Registration

Please register at the Finance Department at City Hall for Pool, Tennis Lessons, Session 3, July 12 to July 28, Tennis Lessons 4, July 13 to July 29 or Swim Lessons, second session, July 12 to August 6.

Highland Heights Eleventh Annual Open Singles Tennis Classic Tournament

The scheduled dates of July 24 and July 25 published in the Sizzler for this tennis tournament are being changed. Please call City Hall for more details.

Legislation

Ordinances passed in April and May 2004

#7 - An ordinance amending Section 117.04(a) of Chapter 117 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights pertaining to purchases for expenditures and authorizations under Twenty Five Thousand Dollars.

#8 - An ordinance appropriating funds for current expenses and other expenditures of the City of Highland Heights, Ohio, for the period commencing January 1, 2004 and ending December 31, 2004.

#9 - An ordinance approving the editing and inclusion of certain ordinances as parts of the various component codes of the Codified Ordinances of Highland Heights, Ohio.

#10 - An ordinance amending Ordinance 1-2004 establishing compensation for certain employees, commencing January 1, 2004, repealing all ordinances inconsistent therewith.

#11 - An ordinance repealing previous section 1141.08 of Chapter 1141 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights pertaining to maximum spaces for residences and truck parking in its entirety and enacting new section 1141.08 pertaining to commercial vehicle parking.

#12 - An ordinance amending Sections 541.05(a), 549.01(c), 549.02 and 549.04(a) of Chapters 541 and 549 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights pertaining to property offenses, weapons and explosives, repealing all legislation inconsistent herewith.

#14 - An ordinance amending Section 1149.06 of Chapter 1149 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights pertaining to landscape plan contents, repealing all legislation inconsistent herewith.

#15 - An ordinance repealing chapter 1317, et seq. of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights pertaining to garbage disposals and compactors in its entirety.

#16 - An ordinance amending Section 1305.06 of Chapter 1305 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights pertaining to plumbing requirements in the building code, repealing all legislation inconsistent herewith.

#17 - An ordinance amending Section 1313.02(b) of Chapter 1313 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights pertaining to applications for the registration of contractors, repealing all legislation inconsistent herewith.

#18 - An ordinance repealing Section 1328.04 of Chapter 1328 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights pertaining to the regulation of existing incinerators, repealing all legislation inconsistent herewith.

#19 - An ordinance amending Sections 1337.03 of Chapter 1337 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Highland Heights pertaining to the requirements of smoke detectors and maintenance, repealing all legislation inconsistent herewith.

Resolutions adopted in April and May 2004

#37 - A resolution authorizing the provision of certain amenities to City Employees and Visitors.

#42 - A resolution of commendation to Jeremy Randall Day for having conferred upon him by Boy Scout Troop 461, Greater Cleveland Council, Boy Scouts of America, the rank of Eagle Scout on May 15, 2004.

#43 - A resolution declaring F. P. Allega Concrete Construction Corp. as the lowest and best bidder for the 2004 sidewalk repair program within the municipality authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with F. P. Allega Concrete Construction Corp. in an amount not to exceed the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Two Hundred Forty Nine Dollars rejecting all other bids received.

#44 - A resolution declaring Northeast Ohio trenching Service, Inc. as the lowest and best bidder for the replacement of the Miner Road culvert, authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with Northeast Ohio Trenching Service, Inc. in an amount not to exceed the sum of Thirty Five Thousand One Hundred Eighty Four Dollars, rejecting all other bids received.

#45 - A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Springfield Ford, Inc. for the purchase of a 2004 Ford Explorer pursuant to the Ohio Cooperative Purchasing Act in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty Three Dollars.

#46 - A resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to make application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for assistance to firefighters grant program funds for the purchase of a diesel emission evacuation system in an amount not to exceed Forty Thousand Six Hundred Forty Five Dollars.

CITY SERVICES

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief James Cook
Non-emergency 440-442-8825

Helmet Smart - Officers will be issuing a Safety Citation when they witness a child wearing a safety helmet that can be redeemed for the free food product listed on the citation and make the child eligible for a drawing for very special prizes throughout the summer.

Residential/Business Security Survey - Officers trained in crime prevention will complete a comprehensive inspection and provide you with a copy of their findings and suggestions to make your home or business more secure. For more information, call Nancy Stoneman at 440-442-8825.

Care Call - Members of our department make phone calls to our senior citizens or other qualifying residents to check on their welfare and provide information on Social Service agencies. If you need or know of **any** Highland Hts. resident that may benefit from this program, please contact Ptl. Carol Perry at 440-442-8825.

Bike Patrol - This program provides a more detailed patrol of our residential neighborhoods and City Park and offers residents greater accessibility to our officers. This year, you may see Officers Dennis McGrath, Tony Setlock, Chuck Langmack, Brian Dassatti, Hoyet DeMark or Dale Grabfelder on the bicycles.

Alarm Board - If you have a fire and/or intrusion security system in your home, you can now have the alarm directly connected into the Police Department, which is monitored 24 hours, 7 days a week. For more information, call Nancy Stoneman at 440-442-8825.

Juvenile Diversion Program A joint effort with Mayfield High School, Mayfield Village and Mayfield Heights to provide an alternative to route first time youth offenders away from formal adjudication by addressing problems that led to the behavior.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Bencin
Non-emergency 440-442-7406

Fire Response - Structure and outdoor fire response are obviously two of our primary concerns.

EMS - Paramedic Emergency Services

Technical Rescue - Provides high angle, water, collapse and trench rescue

Smoke Detectors - The fire department will assist you in placement and for those that are physically unable, we will install them and even change your batteries.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors
If your detector alarms, we can determine if there are dangerous levels of CO and attempt to isolate the problem. We will also contact an outside agency if needed.

Downed wires - The department will determine the type of wire, evaluate the hazard, secure the area and contact the appropriate utility.

Odor Investigations - Any unusual odors (gasoline, natural gas, smoke, etc.) will be investigated by the department. If we can eliminate the hazard, we will, if not, we will contact the appropriate agency.

Fire Safety Information about how to make your home and family safe is always available.

Educational Tours and Presentations - Group tours are offered to businesses, educational facilities and residents by appointment.

Fire extinguisher and fire safety training - We provide training for local businesses. During the fire extinguisher training, people will actually use an extinguisher to put out a fire, something that most people don't experience.

Child Safety Seat Inspections

Our seat technicians can assure that your safety car seat is of the proper type and size, install it and adjust it and teach you how to do it correctly.

Blood Pressure Checks - The department provides this service on the third Friday of each month during the Tri-City Consortium on Aging meeting at the Community Center. Residents that need additional blood pressure monitoring can stop at the fire station to have theirs checked.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Service Director Thom Evans

Household Hazardous Waste Collection / Computer Roundup

In addition to the curbside solid waste and recycling programs, residents can take part in programs offered in cooperation with the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District to remove household hazardous waste and computer components from the solid waste stream. These programs are conducted separately at various times throughout the year. The Solid Waste District can be reached by phone at 216-443-3749 on the web at <http://www.cuyahogawd.org/>

Brush Collection - In addition to brush disposal with their regular rubbish collection, residents may also choose to take part in the spring Brush Collection Program offered for about six weeks in the Spring. This program offers residents the opportunity to dispose of small brush without having to tie and bundle items for disposal by the city's rubbish collection contractor.

Snow & Ice Control - Snow plowing and de-icing operations are two of the Service Department's most vital winter functions. The department maintains an on-call staff available around the clock to handle plowing and de-icing and any other storm related emergencies which may arise.



SUMMER CONCERTS AT COMMUNITY CENTER

July 18 - Big Band Combo
August 8 - Carmelina and The Masquerade



Please remember to drive slowly and carefully in the Highland Heights Community Park. The speed limit is no more than 5 miles per hour. Be sure to always watch for children and anyone else crossing the road.

Ozone Action Days

Highland Heights will fly the Ozone Action Day flag on days when the air pollution is at a level that may harm human health. High levels of ozone can cause respiratory problems, shortness of breath, and eye and nose irritation. The elderly, children, and people with asthma need to be especially careful outdoors when high levels of ozone have been reported. For more information on Ozone action Days, visit www.noaca.org/oad.html or contact Pamela Davis, Senior Environmental Planner at 216-241-2414, Extension 284.

PHONE BOOK RECYCLING

The 12th Annual Phone Book Recycling Campaign will run from June 1 to August 15 this year and is brought to you by the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District. Our closest recycling Cleveland Metroparks' location is the North Chagrin Nature Center at the North Chagrin Reservation in Willoughby.

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