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RECREATION DEPARTMENT NEWS

BROADVIEW HEIGHTS



PARKS & RECREATION

WELCOME BACK!

The Broadview Heights Community and Recreation Center
is NOW OPEN!

Temporary Operating Hours:
Monday through Friday: 7am – 8pm
Saturday and Sunday: 9am – 4pm

RECREATION CENTER INFORMATION AS OF 6/26/2020: *(all plans are subject to change)*

OPENING:

The facility is now open in a limited capacity. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, there are new policies and procedures in place to maintain compliance with the guidelines established by the Ohio Department of Health. Please review the updated protocols and procedures at www.bhrec.org prior to visiting. **All plans are subject to change.** In addition to operating within all of the guidelines, our highest priority will be to offer a safe and enjoyable experience for our patrons.

GENERAL COMMUNITY AND RECREATION CENTER PROTOCOLS:

- We will temporarily operate under a new online registration system. The functionality of the current protocols will be evaluated weekly and protocols are subject to change as we are able to open more amenities and increase capacity and/or operating hours.
- During this first phase of re-opening use of the facilities will be limited to **MEMBERS ONLY**. Any **MEMBER** wishing to utilize the available facilities will need to register in-advance online to reserve a time slot. **ALL MEMBERS STILL NEED TO SCAN IN WITH THEIR KEY FOB AT ENTRY.** See **additional**

information below regarding membership extensions and instructions on how to use the new online registration system.

- New members can register for new memberships in-person at the Recreation Center. Only new membership sales and membership renewals will be completed in-person. All other registrations will be offered online only.
- Silver Sneaker, Renew Active and Prime patrons will need to register for a timeslot online and then swipe their membership card at entry.
- If you need assistance with online registration, please contact us during our amended operating hours M-F 7am to 8pm, Sat/Sun 9am-4pm.
- Due to the strict guidelines we are required to follow and the limited options available to children, use of the facility is **temporarily being limited to patrons 15 years of age and up**.

MEMBERSHIPS: Memberships have all been extended by 120 days (4 months) to make up for the days missed from our closing date of 3/16/2020 through 7/13/2020. We hope to be able to open under more normal operating protocols by 7/13/2020. If we are not able to, we will review current conditions and extend memberships out again until we can open fully. This means that any member coming in between 6/22/2020 and 7/13/2020 is doing so under “free use” and these days are not being counted as membership days. **We will continue to extend memberships until we are able to lift some of the guidelines, expand our operating hours and open all facilities to all ages.**

ONLINE REGISTRATION SYSTEM: While the facility is operating under guidelines that restrict the available facilities and require monitoring of maximum capacity, there will be a **new online registration system** in place which will allow **MEMBERS ONLY** to reserve a timeslot **AT NO CHARGE** to utilize the facility. We plan to remove the timeslot registration system as soon as possible. We will monitor how the system works and will make adjustments as needed.

- **Instructions on how to utilize the new registration system are posted at www.bhrec.org. Please log in and register for your time slots! Please note that if you have a membership, you already have an online account created in the system. You will use the “forgot user name” option on the log in screen to have your user name emailed to you and then you will be able to create a password and log in.**
- All patrons who wish to utilize the facility during this time will need to use our **temporary** online registration system to reserve a specific time slot for a specific area within the building.
- There will be a registration kiosk available in the lobby for those without access to the internet.
- Reservations will be limited to patrons 15 years of age and up. This restriction will be lifted once we are able to open the gymnasiums to more patrons and/or are permitted to open the play features in the natatorium.
- Patrons will not be permitted to enter the facility until their scheduled starting time. We ask that you please wait outside or in your vehicle until your scheduled start time.
- Patrons must check in with their key fob or membership number at the front desk prior to entering.
- Patrons will need to enter and exit promptly as scheduled. An announcement will be made approximately 10 minutes prior to each departure time to please exit the building within the next 10 minutes.
- Available timeslots:
Monday through Friday: 7am-8am, 8:30am-9:30am, 10am-11am, 11:30am-12:30pm, 1pm-2pm, 2:30pm-3:30pm, 4pm-5pm, 5:30pm-6:30pm, 7pm-8pm.
Saturday/Sunday: 9am-10am, 10:30am-11:30am, 12pm-1pm, 1:30pm-2:30pm, 3pm-4pm.
- Current maximum timeslots available per area:

Pool (lap lane): Max 4
Pool (non-lap lane): Max 14
Fitness (between the 3 spaces): Max 55
Gym: Max 7

These max counts may increase based on the success of operating at these counts for a period of time.

INFORMATION ON PROGRAMS, FACILITY RENTALS AND EVENTS:

- **FACILITY/FIELD/PAVILION RENTALS:** If you are interested in a future rental, you can complete an online facility rental request at www.bhrec.org. New facility rental contracts are not currently being approved but we are accepting requests so that we can process these once rentals become available. We are awaiting additional guidance on rentals and more information will be released as it becomes available.
- **GROUP EXERCISE (INCLUDING SILVER SNEAKER CLASSES):** Updates on group exercise and Silver Sneaker classes will be posted as they become available. The Broadview Heights Group Exercise Passes continue to remain “on hold” and pass expirations will be extended by the amount of time we are closed/not providing classes. We will be working to bring the group exercise and Silver Sneaker classes back, while maintaining compliance with all established guidelines, as soon as possible. We are hoping to resume programming by some point in July/August.
- **JAZZERCISE:** Is now running classes.
- **PROGRAMS PREVIOUSLY CANCELLED INCLUDE:**
 - **SUMMER CAMP**
 - **SWIM LESSONS (Through August)**
 - **THEATER CAMP**
 - **BROADVIEW HEIGHTS SUMMER LACROSSE PROGRAM**
 - **ADULT SOFTBALL**
 - **YOUTH BASEBALL/SOFTBALL/TEE BALL**
 - **TRAVEL BASEBALL/SOFTBALL:** In-house program cancelled. Approximately 4 of the in-house travel teams will be permitted to rent fields on a very limited basis and they will be responsible for ensuring all guidelines are being followed. No other field rentals are being permitted at this time.
- **MAYOR ALAI'S 5K AND THE COMMUNITY PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** These events are currently being postponed and we hope to be able to offer them at a date later than originally planned.
- **OTHER PROGRAMS/EVENTS:** All other programs and events are still currently being postponed until further notice. We continue to work through the updates and will provide additional information as it is available.

OUTDOOR FACILITIES

TENNIS COURTS: Re-opened on Tuesday, May 26th. Guidelines, mandates and safety signage are posted. All visitors must adhere to the posted guidelines, mandates and safety recommendations. If there are issues with compliance, visitors may be asked to leave &/or facilities may be closed. Please review the tips and recommendations being provided by the United States Tennis Association (USTA) for playing tennis safely prior to visiting the tennis courts:

https://www.usta.com/content/dam/usta/sections/midwest/pdfs/general/18266_USTA_COVID19_PlayingTennisSafely-Poster%20v3.pdf

OUTDOOR PICKLEBALL: Pickleball nets are available at the outdoor tennis courts and new guidelines for safe play have been posted. Maximum capacity inside the tennis court fencing is 10. We ask that you consider playing doubles only with those who reside within your household. All visitors must adhere to the posted

guidelines, mandates and safety recommendations. If there are issues with compliance, visitors may be asked to leave &/or facilities may be closed. Please review the tips and recommendations being provided by the USA Pickleball Association: https://www.usapa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/COVID-19-RETURN-TO-PLAY_USAPA.pdf.

RESTROOM FACILITIES: A restroom is available at “The Fields” maintenance building M-F when full time staff are scheduled, typically 7:30am to 3:30pm. There are portable restroom units available at The Fields and Broadview Center.

PLAYGROUNDS ARE OPEN! While playgrounds are now open, families are asked to follow the guidelines below provided by the Ohio Department of Health and the Cuyahoga County Board of Health.

- **PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING** – Stay 6’ apart (about 2 arms’ length) and avoid congregating.
- **WASH YOUR HANDS OR USE HAND SANITIZER** – Bring hand sanitizer and use before entering the playground and immediately after use of playground.
- **WEAR A FACE COVERING** – If you have one (over age 2).
- **FOOD & BEVERAGES** – Please do not bring food or beverages to the playground.
- **DO NOT ENTER IF YOU ARE SICK OR EXHIBITING ANY COVID-19 SYMPTOMS.**

The Parks and Recreation Department will sanitize playgrounds weekly.

SPLASH PARK: The Splash Park will remain closed for the 2020 season.

OUTDOOR FACILITIES: City athletic fields and basketball courts remain closed until further notice.

WHILE VISITING OUR OUTDOOR FACILITIES, PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Athletic fields and basketball courts are currently closed.
- The ODH is requiring that individuals must at all times or as much as reasonably possible, maintain social distancing of 6 feet from any other person with the exception of family or household members.
- All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, with the exception of household or family members.
- Any gatherings of 10 people or more is prohibited.
- Stay home if you are sick and practice good hygiene. Wash your hands after touching surfaces. Avoid touching your face. Sneeze or cough into a tissue or the inside of your elbow. Place garbage in trash receptacles.

Information regarding COVID-19 can be found at the Ohio Department of Health: www.coronavirus.ohio.gov

Please check www.bhrec.org for additional updates which will be posted as soon as the information is available.

Additional questions or comments please email: recinfo@broadview-heights.org.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS – SAVE THE DATE!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – Tues., June 30 from 7:00AM-7:00PM – Cuyahoga Valley Church – Please Note: Appointment is required.

GIRLS ON THE RUN NEO is a confidence-building program for girls in 3rd - 8th grade. They are currently looking for volunteers to serve as mentors to the youth in their community. Please visit www.gotrneo.org/coach to learn more about the program and current volunteer opportunities.



HUMAN SERVICES

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BROADVIEW HEIGHTS MIND CHALLENGE TRIVIA TEAM FOR WINNING 2nd PLACE IN THE 2020 MIND CHALLENGE FOR THE NEW MAJORITY TRIVIA CHAMPIONSHIP!

We are so happy for our team and would like to acknowledge them: Tom Bendycki, John Bertschler, Richard Biasella, Connie Britain, Marlene Winter and Ken Winter. The City of Mentor has defended their title in the 2020 Mind Challenge for the New Majority championship with a 97-89 victory over Broadview Heights in a thrilling final round. Mentor was over 20 points behind at halftime in their Fact Finding Four semi-final battle with Broadview Heights, Rocky River and Cleveland Heights. They tied Rocky River for 2nd and won the tie breaker to advance to the finals where they pulled away from Broadview Heights late in the first half and held on to win. Mentor won \$2,500 for their Senior Center, Broadview Heights won \$1,500, Rocky River, the 2019 runner up won \$1,000 and Cleveland Heights won \$500. This year's tournament grew from 16 cities in 2019 to 36 cities in 2020 (pared to 34 with Parma and Parma Heights and Chardon and Chesterland combining their teams). 75 total teams and over 450 participants started out in January and continued with regional matches in February and March. Then the Covid 19 hit and closed the Senior Centers so we decided to fulfill the remainder of the tournament virtually on Facebook Live. Trivia host Lana Oriani worked diligently behind the scenes overcoming many technical glitches to conduct a great tournament.

HUMAN SERVICES IS OFFERING TWO FREE PREPARED MEALS TO THOSE OVER THE AGE OF 60 AND/OR DISABLED. Curbside pickup is preferred; however, meals can be delivered if resident has absolutely no means of transportation. Meal will be delivered by volunteers:

Friday, July 10th between Noon and 1:00 p.m.

Meal: Turkey and Provolone Sub, served with Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, and Pickle on the side, Potato Salad, and Jell-O. You must call 440-526-4074 by July 8th to reserve a meal.

Hotdog Event Friday, July 31st 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **Join us for a fun drive up lunch sponsored by the Human Services Department and Mayor Alai.**

Meal Includes: Hot Dog, Chips, Dessert, and Soda. There will be a Human Services Tent next to the Pavilion (by playground) where you can pick up your lunch. You must call 440-526-4074 by Monday, July 27th to reserve a meal.

THE BROADVIEW HEIGHTS HUMAN SERVICES TRAVEL BUS is stocked and ready to stop by your house to drop off puzzles, activity books, snacks, or a simple hello. If you are interested in having the bus stop by, please contact Human Services at 440-526-4074.

THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS WORKING WITH WE THRIVE TOGETHER AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS NORTHEAST OHIO TO CREATE SOME GREAT ONLINE PROGRAMMING FOR ANYONE WHO WISHES TO PARTICIPATE. A variety of programming is being offered, including support groups, bingo, exercise classes, cooking and baking classes, trivia, presentations, and much more. You'll find a full list of programming on [WeThriveTogether.org](https://www.wethrivetogether.org). After registering for an event, you'll receive instructions to join the online program either by telephone or any internet-ready device. To RSVP for any event, email Alyssa - alyssa@WeThriveTogether.org or call (440) 478-5640 | (216) 339-2005

SPRAGUE ROAD CONSTRUCTION NOTICE: Construction has started on Sprague Road. Please see the following notices for more information. Thank you.

[SPRAGUE ROAD CONSTRUCTION NOTICE \(PDF\)](#) and [SPRAGUE ROAD DETOUR \(PDF\)](#)

IMPORTANT UPDATE ON THE S.R. 82-WIDENING PROJECT: The City of Broadview Heights intends to provide updates on a weekly basis regarding the status of the Route 82 Widening Project in a commitment to be as transparent as possible within our community.

Current details: [State Route 82 Widening Project \(PDF\)](#)

WE HAVE A LOT TO BE PROUD OF LIVING IN BROADVIEW HEIGHTS!!

Broadview Heights has been named the safest City in Ohio by Safewise – [read more in this article](#). In addition to that, Broadview Heights rated as 5th Best Suburb in Cleveland by Cleveland Magazine in their 2020 edition of “Rating the Suburbs” – [read more here](#).

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

COVID-19 BUSINESS RESOURCES: Economic Development has established a compilation of resources that may assist your business, you and your family on a wide range of topics from disease control, workforce issues, best practices, unemployment, financial resources and more. Please go to [our COVID-19 Resources page on the City website by clicking here to view](#).

NOTICE REGARDING THE QUARTERLY BROADVIEW HEIGHTS UTILITY BILL:

Due to the pandemic, THE CITY **DID NOT** ISSUE THE 1ST QUARTER 2020 BILLS. A bill for the 1st and 2ND quarter of 2020 (January through June) is being mailed today. The Bill Date is 6/30/2020 and the due date is 7/31/2020. The 1st quarter 2020 portion will appear as “PREVIOUS BALANCE”. **NO 1ST QUARTER LATE FEE WAS ASSESSED**. Should you have any questions, please call the Finance Department at 440-717-4025 or email utilitybilling@broadview-heights.org.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO COMPLETE YOUR 2020 CENSUS! The 2020 Census will determine congressional representation, provide hundreds of billions in federal funding every year, and provide data that will impact communities for the next decade. [CLICK HERE TO COMPLETE](#)

PLEASE BE AWARE... Scammers are contacting people claiming to be tracing COVID-19 contacts. While legitimate health agencies, including the Cuyahoga County Board of Health and the Cleveland Department of Public Health are calling people to complete contact tracing, they will never ask for your Social Security or Bank Account information. Do not click on links or respond to texts saying you have been exposed to COVID-19. Please report suspicious calls or texts to <http://ConsumerAffairs.CuyahogaCounty.US> or call 216-443-SCAM.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Permit applications are still being accepted. All applications should either be mailed or dropped off in Building Dept. drop box located on the first floor of the Recreation Dept. However, if personal assistance is needed we are now allowing residents and contractors to the Building Department one guest at a time. Note that a mask will be required to proceed into building. Dropped off plans will be reviewed and applicants will be called about permit fees. We are open from 8:30AM-4:30PM M-F. Thank you for working with us during these unprecedented times.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTS ARE NOW OPEN TO VISITORS. Please note that only **ONE PERSON** will be admitted at a time into these departments. Thank you for your cooperation as we aim to keep our residents and employees safe.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PROPERLY DISPOSE YOUR HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE! There has been an increase in hazardous household waste being improperly dropped off at the Broadview Heights Service Garage. Please note that certain items cannot be left at the Service Garage for disposal. Please go to the

below links for more information on how to properly dispose of many of these hazardous items. For questions, please call the Service Department at 440-717-4022.

<https://cuyahogarecycles.org/RecyclableDetail.aspx>

<https://oh-broadviewheights2.civicplus.com/1027/Garbage-Recycling>

RECYCLING REMAINS VIABLE AND AVAILABLE IN CUYAHOGA COUNTY: In light of recent news regarding the City of Cleveland's recycling practices, the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District would like residents to know that this situation pertains to the City of Cleveland only. Broadview Heights recycling is being recycled. Please see the following for a statement from the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District: [Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District Link](#)

DISINFECTANT WIPES (for example Clorox, Lysol...) are not to be flushed down toilets. These wipes are not made to breakdown. Please dispose of in your garbage. Thank you!

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Native seed and plant sales - We sell native seeds all year long and the spring native plant kit sale went great. The page ([Native seed and plant sales](#)) is open for the Fall sale (orders are due by July 17).

Ohio Native Plant Month - We are in the middle of the first Ohio Native Plant month. Each day we are posting a native plant of the day on [our facebook page](#). We also have a great video on "[Native Plants in My Garden](#)" featuring 5 native plants in my garden and what conditions are needed so they grow successfully.

Outreach materials - Remember, all the outreach materials are on [dropbox](#) including the three rack cards. Hard copies of those along with our newsletter will be delivered (or most likely mailed) to you at the beginning of June.

Individual Acts of Conservation -We may be keeping away from each other, but TOGETHER we can still make a difference for our local soil, water, wildlife and neighborhoods. See our [Individual Acts of Conservation page](#) for how you can report back on all the good you are doing for our environment. This is also a part of a virtual Earth Day celebration we are joining with other agencies.

Let the Flare See the Air! -We need YOU to help us save trees. Ever since the practice of volcano mulching came on the scene, we are losing hundreds of trees a year. We want to identify locations where this is happening and assist them in fixing the problem and make better choices in the future. This officially launches next Thursday during Arbor Day week, [but take a look now!](#)

RITA NOTICE: The Ohio Tax Commissioner extended the due date for filing and payment of state income tax, which in turn has extended municipal income tax filings and payments. Municipal income returns and payments for tax year 2019 with a due date of April 15, 2020 have been extended to July 15, 2020. Estimated payments for the first and second quarters of tax year 2020 have also been extended to July 15, 2020. If you have any questions please contact the Regional Income Tax Agency at 440-526-0900 or 1-800-860-7482.

MILITARY DISPLAY

The Broadview Heights Community and Recreation Center is proud to house a military display, recognizing Broadview Heights residents who have served or are currently serving in the U.S. armed forces. We are truly proud of our residents and their selfless dedication, bravery, and sacrifice to our nation. If you are a veteran and would like your military information to be included, please advise your Rank, Name, Branch of Service, Years of Service, and if you are a War Veteran, please indicate the war you served in. You can provide your information to cityhall@broadview-heights.org.

REMINDER NO OVERNIGHT PARKING ON CITY STREETS: Codified Ordinance section 452.05(c) (1) prohibits parking on city streets between the hours of 3:00AM and 6:00AM. Per Codified Ordinance section 452.20 (a), signs are posted at city limits.

NO MAYOR'S OPEN HOURS until further notice. Thank you!

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