CITY OF BROADVIEW HEIGHTS

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

October 10, 2020 - BBH Robotics Team Car Wash Fundraiser 12:00 Noon-5:00PM at Nosek-McCreery Funeral Home — 8150 Brecksville Rd., Brecksville

October 11, 2020 - Clambake at Assumption Academy. There will be two seating options or take-out available at \$30/bake. Reservations accepted at Rectory Office until Oct. 5th. For more information, please call 440-526-1177 ext. 0.

OCTOBER 16, 17 & 18, 2020 - Broadview Heights Spotlights Theater Presents the LOCAL LORE GHOST WALK AT BROADVIEW CENTER. Please follow the link <u>HERE</u> for more information and to purchase tickets.

October 17-24, 2020 - The UPHILL DOWNHILL 2020 VIRTUAL RUN is designed and dedicated to bringing awareness to mental health issues, the challenges they pose, and continue a dialogue around potential solutions, not only for our community, but specifically our students. This 2.2 mile family-friendly run/walk event is open to all activity and ability levels. Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for more information and how to register!

TRICK-OR-TREAT will take place in the City of Broadview Heights on Halloween Night, Saturday, October 31, from 6-8pm. Please follow the link to review the Safety Guidelines for all Halloween Festivities.

How to Celebrate Halloween Safely

LEAF COLLECTION BEGINS MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020 – Please review the following link for leaf collection guidelines and schedule: <u>Leaf collection guidelines and schedule</u>

SEWER MAINTENANCE FEE INCREASE FOR 2020 – Please take notice that the quarterly <u>Sewer Maintenance Fee</u> is scheduled to increase for the 3rd quarter of 2020. You will notice this increase on the upcoming bill, coming out early October. For questions regarding your bill, please call Utility Billing at 440-717-4025.

CUB SCOUTS – To join Cub Scouts Assumption Pack 810 Boys Grades K-5 email cspack810@gmail.com

HISTORICAL SOCIETY ONLINE AUCTION – Due to the cancellation of the Annual Firefighters Clambake, the BHHS had to find another way to raise money to "keep the lights on"! They put the word

out to members and friends and gathered over 250 items to sell through an online auction site. Rust Belt Online Auction House will host the event beginning on October 9th at 7PM and will continue until October 16th at 7PM. The same idea as a regular auction, just without an auctioneer! Stay tuned, more information will be added to the <u>Historical Society Website</u> soon!

NOW HIRING PART TIME ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE CLERK - This position is responsible for managing the complete process of utility billing and securing revenue for all city accounts by verifying, depositing and posting all receipts (cash, check, EFT and credit card payments) in an automated office environment. Please check the website for more information and job requirements. Employment opportunities can be found here.

HYDRANT FLUSHING

The Fire Department will be flushing water mains and fire hydrants from September – November. This work will be done as part of the Fire Department's ongoing preventative maintenance program. Generally, this work will be done during the hours of 9AM-4PM, Monday through Friday. Signs will be posted at the end of each street and entranceway to developments the day before flushing begins. We understand and appreciate your efforts in landscaping your property, but remember not to obstruct the hydrants with long grasses and/or shrubs. More information concerning dirty water is posted on the Fire Department Webpage. When hydrant flushing occurs in your community, you may experience temporary water pressure reduction and discoloration of water. Check your cold water tap for discoloration prior to use. If the water is discolored, simply run the cold water for three to five minutes to allow new water to enter your pipes. If the water is still discolored, wait a few more minutes and run the water again. The temporary discoloration only affects the appearance of the water – it DOES NOT affect the safety or quality. While the water is safe to drink, you should avoid washing laundry during scheduled flushing times, as the flushed sediment could discolor white or light-colored clothing. Wait until the water runs clear at the tap, then wash a load of dark clothes first. You should also avoid using hot water until the cold water runs clear. If you experience discoloration for more than 8 hours, or if you experience a significant or prolonged loss of water pressure after hydrant flushing, please call our Water Emergency Line at 216-664-3060.

HUMAN SERVICES

PLEASE READ AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE REGARDING OUR BROADVIEW HEIGHTS HUMAN SERVICES PROTOCOLS!

The Senior Center is opening on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 with limited programming.

Please review the attached protocols HERE that outline our phased in approach to meet the mandates set forth by the Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio Department of Aging. Welcome Back Message can be viewed here:

Welcome Back (link)

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, new policies and procedures are in place to maintain compliance with the guidelines. All visitors to the Human Services Department are required to review the updated

protocols and procedures online CLICK HERE for Adult Day Senior Center Procedures. Please note that cloth masks are required and will be made available if a visitor does not have one. We will continue to monitor all information and guidelines and will adjust protocols as required as well as adjust the open/closed status of our center as mandated. In addition to operating within all of the required guidelines, our highest priority will be to offer a safe and enjoyable experience for our members. If you have any questions, please call 440-526-4074. We will be using a phased approach to return. Phases are in alignment with the State of Ohio Public Health Advisory System. Please note, we will not hold any indoor activities during Level 3 (Red) or Level 4 (Purple). We hope to see you soon! If you are high risk, please let us continue serving you remotely. If you do not pass the prescreening at the door, you will be asked to show a negative test result before entering the facility. COVID tests (Anterior Nares) that can be self-administered will soon be available. Please call 440-526-4074 for further details.

OSHIIP Medicare Open Enrollment Counseling

OSHIIP (Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program) is a program run by the Ohio Department of Insurance. Jim Langan is a volunteer OSHIIP counselor in Broadview Heights and will be offering individual Medicare counseling sessions during Medicare Open Enrollment, which is from October 15 until December 7. During Medicare Open Enrollment, people can switch Medicare Drug Plans and Medicare Advantage Plans. This is a good time to review your plan. This year the counseling sessions will be by phone or Zoom. To make an appointment call the Broadview Heights Senior Center at 440-526-4074

NEW VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

- Caregiver/Family Dementia Support Group Every Month on the 2nd Tuesday @ 10am Join Zoom Meeting <u>CLICK HERE</u>
- Brainercise Every Month on the 3rd Tuesday @ 10am Join Zoom Meeting <u>CLICK HERE</u>
- BINGOCIZE® is a 10-week program that combines the game of bingo with fall prevention exercises (seated or standing). From the comfort of your home, play bingo and meet new people while learning techniques to reduce falls and increase cognition. We are offering Bingocize on ZOOM, so you can have fun, stay healthy and participate safely from home during COVID-19. Bingocize will meet 2x per week for one hour per session. NOTE: Participants need internet access, a computer, laptop, or tablet with camera and microphone, and basic computer skills. We will help you get set up on Zoom! Bingocize is proven to get results! Free smiles & prizes. Please see the flyer HERE for dates and registration information and great recipes to try!

PHONE SCAMS - Cuyahoga Job and Family Services issues warning of phone scams targeting SNAP recipients!!

Please see the flyer Cuyahoga County Phone Scam Warning (pdf) for more information regarding protecting yourself from phone scams!

Human Services has received a few calls this week that older adults are receiving many scam phone calls. Please read the following websites for the most recent scams and how to report them.

Federal Communications Commission (link)

Ohio Consumers Counsel (link)

Ohio Attorney General (link)

Do you like helping others? Are you a former tobacco user? If YES..... Become a mentor and help your friends, family, and neighbors quit tobacco! Sign up today to participate in a virtual 30 minute training! To register or to ask questions, email Email CAPA. All training participants will receive a \$50.00 Visa gift card. **Must be at least 18 years old to participate. ** Please visit CAPA'S Website for more information.

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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.

STATE ROUTE 82 WIDENING PROJECT (PDF)

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT HOURS are available on Wednesdays from 3:00PM-4:30PM. Please call 440-526-3651 for an appointment to meet with Mayor Alai. Thank you!

MASK COMPLIANCE IN CUYAHOGA COUNTY

Explore this <u>INTERACTIVE MAP</u> interactive map of reports made throughout Cuyahoga County, which details public reports of compliance / violations in businesses throughout the County.

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

SANITARY SEWER ISSUES – FLUSHABLE WIPES: Over the past few years we have experienced escalating issues in our sanitary sewer system caused by unsuitable materials being flushed down toilets. The increased use of "flushable" wipes has caused major clogging issues in the pump stations and, in some cases, house lateral lines. Even though the box states that they are flushable, they do not degrade quickly enough and accumulate to clog the pumps and pipes. Please do not flush anything except toilet paper! Thank you for your cooperation.

REMINDER: Disposal of pet waste into catch basins is not an acceptable method of disposal. Pet waste can contain bacteria that threaten the health of animals and people, especially children. Pet waste also contains nutrients that encourage excess weed and algae growth. This water then becomes cloudy and green — unattractive for swimming, boating and fishing. Excess nutrients are a major cause of water quality decline. When pet waste is washed into lakes and streams, the waste decays, using up oxygen and sometimes releasing ammonia. Low oxygen levels and ammonia combined with warm temperatures can kill fish and other aquatic life. Please dispose of pet waste properly by carrying disposable bags while walking your dog to pick up and dispose of the waste.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Community and Recreation Center is open!

The Community and Recreation is currently open to members and program participants. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, limited facilities are available and there are new policies and procedures in place to maintain compliance with current guidelines. All patrons are required to review the updated protocols and procedures online at www.bhrec.org prior to visiting. Please note that masks are required unless at an exercise station – additional mask policy details are available online. We will continue to monitor all information and guidelines and will adjust protocols as required as well as adjust the open/closed status of our various facilities as mandated. In addition to operating within all of the required guidelines, our highest priority will be to offer a safe and enjoyable experience for our patrons. New memberships can be purchased in-person at the Community and Recreation Center, please review the membership information at www.bhrec.org to ensure you have the required documentation to purchase a

membership prior to visiting. All registrations other than memberships are now offered ONLINE ONLY! If you have any questions, please visit us online or call 440-838-4522. We hope to see you soon!

TEMPORARY OPERATING HOURS:

Monday through Friday: 5:30am – 8pm

Saturday and Sunday: 7:30am - 3pm

NOW HIRING: We are currently hiring lifeguards and WSI's.

Email Amanda at mailto: Ahutcheson@broadview-heights.org if interested.

FACILITY UPDATES:

LOCKER ROOM USE:

Now that the weather is getting colder we understand that patrons may need a little more time to change and store their items in the lockers before getting in the pool, we are now allowing patrons with a timeslot reservation for the pool in to use the aquatic locker rooms 5 minutes prior to the reservation start time. The aquatic staff will be monitoring any lines that may form outside the pool entrance to ensure social distancing.

CABANA SHOWERS:

The CABANA showers are now open! These will be cleaned every 2 hours by the custodial staff. We will open additional showers as soon as possible.

For more information regarding the Recreation Center programs, classes, and protocols, please <u>CLICK</u> HERE to read.

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.

SAMUEL J. ALAI, MAYOR
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440-526-3651