

Welcome to the  
City of Richmond Heights, Ohio  
e-newsletter

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE FOR "A BRIGHTER TOMORROW"



So many exciting events have been happening this week. Watch for the newly formatted **CITY EDITION** coming soon to your mailbox.

We are very fortunate here in our City to wake up each day and have it be "A Brighter

Tomorrow".

Yours truly,  
Mayor Kim A. Thomas



Auxiliary Sergeant  
Nicholas Lecate



HIGHLAND ROAD IS FULLY  
OPEN

Register Now for  
ReadyNotify



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

FEBRUARY

REGISTER FOR  
READYNOTIFY  
FOR ALL EMERGENCY  
COMMUNICATION ALERTS

Check out the [City of Richmond Heights Recreation Department Facebook page](#) for



**DO YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR HELPING OTHERS?** Become a Community Ambassador. Help develop positive relationships with the community by volunteering at events, assist in planning events, help with community outreach, and so much more.

**Contact**

**Anthony Gimellia, Assistant Recreation Director**  
at 216-383-6313 or  
**assist.recdir@richmondheightsohio.org**

**CAREER & COMMUNITY  
SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES  
WITH THE CITY OF  
RICHMOND HEIGHTS**

**Now Hiring for full-time and  
part-time positions as well  
as Boards & Commissions:**

- **Recreation Director**
- **Tax Administrator**
- **General Equipment Operator/ Laborer**
- **Planning Commission**
- **Architectural Review Board**
- **Civil Service Commission**
- **Zoning Board of Appeals**
- **Board of Ethics**



**FIND YOUR NEXT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY  
AT:**

**[OHIO MEANS JOBS PORTAL](#)**

**EMPLOYEES OF  
THE MONTH**



Patty Sycz, Building Dept.  
Zack Musarra, Service Dept.  
Michael Kocmit, Fire  
Sgt. Joe Arbogast, Police  
Anthony Gimellia, Recreation  
Rachel Gardiner, Economic Development

**[COVID-19 TESTING RESOURCES](#)**



Mayor Thomas  
is scheduling  
Civil Wedding Ceremonies  
for Richmond Heights Residents  
Please contact the  
**Mayor's Special Assistant,**  
**Tara Grimm,**  
for more details.

Check the City's website  
**Event Calendar** for detailed  
meeting information or the  
entire website at  
**[www.richmondheightsohio.org](http://www.richmondheightsohio.org)**

**FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED BY  
ALL EMPLOYEES AND VISITORS  
TO ENTER ANY CITY BUILDINGS**

**FEBRUARY 24, 2022**

SPECIAL Architectural  
Review Board  
9:30 a.m. @ Caucus Room

SPECIAL Civil Service  
Commission Meeting  
4:30 p.m. @ Caucus Room

**MARCH 1, 2022**

Audit Committee  
6:30 p.m. @ Council Chambers

Planning & Zoning Committee  
7:30 p.m. @ Council Chambers

Service & Recreation Committee  
8:30 p.m. @ Council Chambers

**MARCH 7, 2022**

Architectural Review Board  
9:30 a.m. @ Caucus Room

**MARCH 8, 2022**

Committee of the Whole

Richmond Heights, Euclid, and Wickliffe Police  
present

**Roller Skating  
with  
First Responders**

**Sunday, February 27, 2022  
11:00 – 1:00 p.m.**

**United Skates of America**  
30325 Palisades Parkway  
Wickliffe, OH

**FREE  
ADMISSION  
&  
ROLLERSKATE  
RENTAL**

**UNITED  
SKATES  
OF AMERICA, INC.**

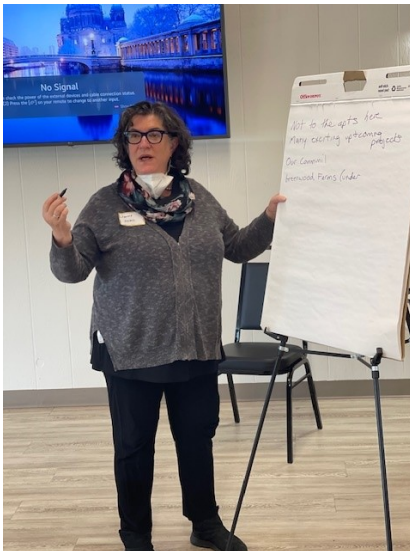
City Council  
8:15 p.m. @ Council Chambers

**MARCH 15, 2022**  
Recreation Board  
6:00 p.m. @ Caucus Room

Safety Committee  
7:30 p.m. @ Council Chambers

Finance Committee  
8:30 p.m. @ Council Chambers

Monday we held our first employee retreat at the Kiwanis Lodge. Employees started the morning off with guest speaker, Janus Small, who engaged us with fun team building exercises, followed by diversity and inclusion training by guest speaker, Dr. Glen Warren.



Yesterday, I performed my first wedding ceremony at City Hall. It was a beautiful event enjoyed by a happy bride and groom and their immediate family. Congratulations Mr. & Mrs. Spikes!



## NEWS, EVENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS



### CONGRATULATIONS Richmond Heights Varsity Boys Basketball Team

On February 19th, the Richmond Heights varsity basketball team won their home non-conference game against St. Edwards by a score of **70-66**. The team moves on to the Division IV Sectionals on Friday, February 25th at 7:00 p.m. hosted by Richmond Heights.

**2022 KIWANIS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE** The Richmond Heights Kiwanis Club sponsors an annual scholarship program. All high school graduating seniors who reside in the City of Richmond Heights, regardless of the high school they attend, and all high school graduating seniors from Charles F. Brush High School are eligible for the scholarship. **Click here** for more information. Application deadline is April 8, 2022.

Have you visited the new [Richmond Heights Branch of Cuyahoga Libraries](#) located at 449

Richmond Road? Check out all they have to offer.

#### BRANCH HOURS

Mon – Thu 9 A.M. – 9 P.M.  
Fri & Sat 9 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.  
Sun 1 – 5 P.M.



### BELLE OAKS MARKETPLACE TIMELINE UPDATE

*Anticipated Construction Schedule as of January 2022 (Subject to Change)*

Check out the Belle Oaks “Scope of Project” website [here](#)

- Sitework/Mall Demolition: Commences in Spring 2022
- Leasing Center: Construction begins April 2022; Opens December 2022
- Phase I Apartment Buildings: Construction begins Spring 2022, Opens June 2024
- Phase II Retail: Construction begins September 2022, Opens September 2023
- Meijer’s Store: Construction begins February 2023, Store Opens May 2024



## PANTRIES



**RICHMOND HEIGHTS MOBILE PANTRY EVERY 3rd THURSDAY FROM 10:00 A.M. - NOON AT RICHMOND HEIGHTS UPPER SCHOOL**

**MACE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY EVERY 4th THURSDAY FROM 5:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.** located at the **M.A.C.E. Islamic Center** 26901 Chardon Rd.



**CC'S CUPBOARD PET FOOD PANTRY** located inside the K-9 Kingdom, 26700 Highland Rd. the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month.

## SENIORS CORNER



### **Age Well. Be Well. with University Hospitals**

University Hospitals is dedicated to meeting the health and wellness needs of today's older adults. In addition to the many specialized clinical services they offer, UH has established the Age Well. Be Well. free membership club to help keep adults 55+ active and socially engaged.

Download their **calendar** for current health screenings and education opportunities. Once a member, they will send you the calendars as they are updated. If you are not yet a member, **click here** to register.

### CUYAHOGA COUNTY SENIORS AND ADULT

**SERVICES LINK** The Cuyahoga County Division of Senior and Adult Services (DSAS) empowers seniors and adults with disabilities to age successfully, by providing resources and support that preserve their independence. DSAS is the mandated provider of Adult Protective Services (APS) in Cuyahoga County and provides home-based care services, benefits assistance, outreach, and senior center programming while advocating for the needs of the County's older adults. DSAS strives to keep seniors safe, supported, and independent, so they can live their best lives.



Cuyahoga County  
**Together We Thrive**  
Division of Senior and Adult Services



### **SENIOR TRANSPORTATION CONNECTION (STC)**

Senior Transportation Connection (STC) provides coordinated, efficient, and affordable transportation to seniors and adults with disabilities throughout Cuyahoga County. STC serves individuals who have mobility challenges due to age, lack of access, disability, frailty, or inability to drive. More than 12,000 registered riders live in 36 zip codes covering 75% of Cuyahoga County. Two-thirds of passengers use a wheelchair, walker, or other aid to mobility. STC will take you to a medical appointment, including dialysis, rehabilitation and treatment, senior centers meals and programs, grocery shopping, personal service appointments, and social opportunities. We'll take you places so you can remain independent, healthy, and connected to the community. Click [here](#) to learn more or call 216-265-1489 to register.

### **COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP ON AGING (CPA) ANNOUNCES AARP FREE SIMPLE TAX RETURN PREPARATION FOR SENIORS (60+)**



### **COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP ON AGING (CPA)**

Community lunch program locations:

- \*Mondays: Richmond Hts. Kiwanis Lodge & Lyndhurst CC
- \*Tuesdays: Frozen entrée drive-through at Lyndhurst CC
- \*Wednesdays: Highland Hts. CC ONLY (NEW SITE)
- \*Fridays: Highland Hts. CC

The number for all Cafe Services reservations is 216-970-0347. You will still call 216-650-4029 for weekly meal/box orders and you will still call 440-473-5138 for program reservations/questions. Click on this [link for current Cafe Services](#) offerings or go directly to [CPA's website here](#) to see all they have to offer our Seniors. View their [February Newsletter here](#).



### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Like and follow our [Fire Department](#), [Police Department](#) and our [Recreation Department](#) on their Facebook pages for up to the minute news and events.

[Connect](#) with any department in the City  
by following this link to an easy-to-fill-out form on the City Website.