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If you would prefer to receive FUTURE Village Newsletters ELECTRONICALLY, please send an email to that effect to:

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Work is being done to review, refresh and update the Village website. As 2015 progresses, we hope to be able to post meeting agendas and minutes for residents' review, along with other pertinent Village information. A copy of this newsletter is already posted online.

Please visit:
www.villageofbostonheights.com



Easter Egg Hunt!

Hop on Over to the Village of Boston Heights!

Sat., March 21st; 12:00-1:30 PM

Matthews Thomas Park

Visit the Easter Bunny; Stories by Mother Nature, Crafts, Coloring Contest, Games, Girl and Boy Raffle Baskets, Raffle Items, Prizes and Treats!

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER!

MATTHEWS THOMAS PARK POOL

Open Sat., May 23 through Mon., Sept. 7
12:00-8:00 PM each day (weather permitting)



Memorial Day, Mon., May 25 is

FREE ADMISSION DAY FOR EVERYONE!

Come enjoy the pool with your family and friends at NO cost!

SEE THIS NEWSLETTER FOR MORE
MATTHEWS THOMAS PARK AND POOL

PHOTO CONTEST!
"PICTURE" SMALLER
LAWNS!



The Summit Soil and Water Conservation District is accepting entries for the 2015 Clean Water photography contest. **Entries may be submitted now through September 1, 2015.**

The contest theme for 2015 is "Honey-I Shrunk the Lawn" (Reducing the size of your lawn's grassed area, using Native Plants and Healthy Landscaping Practices to Improve Water Quality.)

In other words, redefining your yard space by down-sizing your turf grass area so that when it rains, more stormwater will remain on your land and out of the storm drains.

Winning photo(s) will receive a cash prize and may be displayed on a billboard in Summit County, to further our water quality improvement and education efforts.

For submission details and more information, visit www.summitswcd.org, contact Summit SWCD at 330-929-2871 or email staff@summitswcd.org.

Tables and Chairs: Tables and chairs are available for rent. 1 Table and 8 chairs are \$5.00; rental period is 2 days. **Contact Chief Riedel at 330-657-2292** or at riedel@valleyfire.us for more information.

Village Office Will Be Closed:

April 3: Good Friday
May 5: Election Day
May 25: Memorial Day

Service Department Update

Branch Pick Up: Branch Pick Up continues as needed for storm damage, weather permitting. Each branch cannot be larger than 5 feet in length.

Senior Watch Program

The Boston Heights Police Department offers a Senior Watch Program which pairs an officer with senior citizen residents. Officers will make brief visits on a regular basis to those residents who are registered. Officers will check on their safety, security and well-being.

Applications can be obtained at Village Hall or downloaded from the Village website:
www.villageofbostonheights.com. For further information, please contact the Boston Heights Police Department (330)-650-4111.

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2015 Council Meetings

April 14
May 12
June 9

Finance Meetings

April 28
May 26
June 23

Planning Commission/BZA

April 1
May 6
June 3

IMPORTANT USPS MAIL INFORMATION: The United States Postal Service has approved a request by Mayor Goncy to use "Boston Heights, OH" as a last line address. This means that residents can begin using "Boston Heights" as their mailing address instead of Hudson or Peninsula.

Boston Heights, OH 44236
(or Hudson, OH 44236)

Boston Heights, OH 44264
(or Peninsula, OH 44264)

Mail will continue to be delivered as addressed if mailers use Hudson or Peninsula as the last line of address.

Valley Firefighters Association

invites you to our

Annual Pancake Breakfast

All the Pancakes You Can Eat!

Including: Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Orange Juice, Milk and Coffee.

Sunday May 3, 2015
8:00am to 1:00pm

At Valley Fire Station
5287 Dogwood Drive
Peninsula Ohio, 44264

\$8.00 for Adults

\$4.00 for Kids 10 and under.

Tickets will be available at the door.

For more information
call the station 330-657-2292.

*Any checks must be made out to:
Valley Firefighters Incorporation*



Above: Mayor Bill Goncy and the recycling container the Village received for FREE from the company, Max-R. This receptacle was made from 981 recycled milk jugs!



Did you know?

- The average person throws away 68 lbs. of clothing per year.
- Clothing and housewares account for approximately 10% of the municipal waste stream.
- 85% of clothing does not get recycled or donated; it gets thrown away.

In 2014, the Village of Boston Heights began offering a new recycling program. **Simple Recycling, Inc.** is a clothing and household discard soft recycling company. "**Soft Recycling**" items include clothing, blankets, curtains, sewing scraps, sleeping bags, and etc., and are being collected weekly, mirroring the regular trash service day. For more details about the program, contact Village Hall, (330)-650-4111. For more information about Simple Recycling, check the website: www.simplerecycling.com.

2014 RESULTS FOR BOSTON HEIGHTS

Simple Recycling Launch Date: July 2014

Total Pounds Diverted from Landfills: 4,262*

Total # participating Residents: 201

Estimated Annual Participate Rate: 79%

*4,262 pounds is equivalent to the weight of 10 motorcycles!



Dear Residents,

In 2014, we saw the beginning of multi-year roadway and storm sewer improvements in Boston Heights. The West Hines Hill storm water drainage and road improvement was completed in the Spring. The Akron-Cleveland Road Bridge replacement began in 2014. The tunnel bike trail replacement with a new roadway will be completed in 2015. The Ohio Public Works funding helped with drainage repairs on Walters Road, south of Meadowridge Way and storm sewer improvements off Wooded View and Pinewood Drive and Court which will be completed in 2015.



All Ashbrooke West roadways were repaved in the Fall after roadside drainage was installed in many areas. Repairs to Olde Eight and West Hines Hill are scheduled for this spring. Storm sewer repairs were made by the developer of Brighton Drive, and the road surface was asphalted. Parkside Estates finalized plans and were able to install drainage, pave the roadway and install some of the landscaping for the development.

Skyzone on Chittenden Road broke ground in 2014 and opened to the public late Fall. Arhaus Corporate Headquarters has started work with a proposed end of year occupancy, and Market Place at Boston Hills is progressing towards their roadway installation.

This year's snow season has placed a high demand on area salt supplies. Cargill Salt placed all communities on a delayed delivery schedule due to their stockpile being depleted. Although low on supplies, we have not been out of salt and have regulated salt usage to main roads, hills, curves and intersections.

Our village pool at Matthews Thomas Park will open May 23rd and will be managed and operated by Hastings Water Works, who will also be providing lifeguards. 2015 Rates remain unchanged and are included in this newsletter.

The Village Police are looking in on residents who have signed up for the Senior Watch program. Please contact Chief Heatwall if you wish to be placed on the list.

Summit County is celebrating the 175 year anniversary. Boston Heights is one of the 31 communities recognized by Summit County Council with a "Then and Now" history on the SC Website: https://co.summitoh.net/images/stories/175thAnniversary/BostonHeights_FINAL.pdf

Sincerely,

Bill Goncy, Mayor

Reverse Alert is a unique component to the County of Summit Emergency Notification and Warning System. This service is capable of warning citizens of severe threats to health and safety by sending emergency messages to email addresses, hearing impaired receiving devices and telephone lines (business lines, cellular phones and home numbers). Residents can register for this service at:

http://entry.inspironlogistics.com/summit_oh/wens.cfm

NEWS FROM THE FISCAL OFFICE

by Betty Klingenberg

Since coming on board in 2012, this office has:

- developed an employee handbook
- created an employee manual
- progressively implemented recycling initiatives
- instituted an in-house medical reimbursement plan for insurance deductibles for our full-time employees
- implemented an auditor approved accounting program

Year 2014

- started off with a \$1.7M carryover
- ended with over a \$2.0M carryover for 2015
- also invested in "Star Plus Ohio"

We have been very fortunate to have received thousands of dollars in grants, due to the diligence of our Village Engineer, Dave Krock, which have helped the Village to further improve our services.

Change Your Clock



Change Your Battery

SAFETY NEWS

Boston Heights Police Department applied for a government grant for body cameras for our officers. 94 departments applied and Boston Heights is one of only 6 grant recipients from Summit County.

A good time to remember to check your smoke alarm and change the batteries is when you change your clocks twice a year as Daylight Savings Time begins and ends.

The Village of Boston Heights Project Update

by Village Engineer, Dave Krock

2015 will be another busy construction season, with significant Public and Private investment:

- Private Investment Projects will include the following:
 - **Arhaus World Headquarters** will be constructed on the NW corner of **Olde Eight** and **Hines Hill Roads**, on the site of the former golf course. The company plans to invest more than \$35M in the infrastructure and facility, which will be home to more than 400 employees in the coming years. It is also the responsibility of the Developer to construct a 16” water main on **Olde Eight Road** from **Grandview** down to **Hines Hill Road** for the purposes of increased volume of water for fire protection.
 - **Market Place at Boston Hills** is a retail development being constructed on **Hines Hill Road**, between the **Arhaus site** and **SR 8**. This development also resides on the former golf course property. There will be a new street constructed into the development to serve 2 large stores and 5 to 7 outlet parcels for potential smaller retailers, restaurants, banks and similar uses. It is also the responsibility of the Developer to construct a new traffic signal on **Hines Hill Road** at the entrance to the development. A final timeline has not been set, but it is expected that stores will be constructed over the next several years until all parcels have been taken.
 - Residential home construction will continue in existing subdivisions, as well as the newest subdivision, **Parkside Estates** on **Olde Eight Road**.
- The Village will be busy constructing the following projects:
 - Reconstruction and widening of **Hines Hill Road** from **Olde Eight** to **SR 8**. This project has numerous funding sources, including JobsOhio, ODOT, and Ohio Public Works Commission.
 - The Village will also be constructing public waterlines to streets in the NW Quadrant of the Village including: **Beverly**, **Grandview**, **Richard**, **Sholle**, and **Wolcott**. Providing water to the section of the Village became necessary due to the lack of a sufficient volume of ground water and the local contamination of surface water due to failing septic systems.

MATTHEWS THOMAS PARK

POOL MEMBERSHIP - 2015

POOL SEASON: May 23, 2015, Through September 7, 2015 (Weather Permitting)

FREE ADMISSION - MEMORIAL DAY – MAY 25, 2015 –12:00 NOON – 8:00 PM

MEMBERSHIP FEE	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
Senior Single	\$30.00	\$50.00
Senior Couple	\$50.00	\$70.00
Single (Over 18)	\$100.00	\$220.00
Couple	\$125.00	\$265.00
Family (6 or Less)	\$145.00	\$310.00
Family (7 or More)	\$170.00	\$365.00
Guest (cost per day)	\$5.00	\$5.00

- **NEW THIS YEAR:** The pool will be managed this year by Hastings Water Works. They will also be providing lifeguards.
- **NEW THIS YEAR:** Guests do not need to be accompanied by a member. Guest passes are \$5.00 each, and they are available for purchase at Village Hall from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday. No passes will be issued at the pool.
- Couple and Family memberships require residency in the same household. Babysitters, governesses, nannies, and au pairs are not considered part of a family membership.
- Any resident/non-resident between the ages of 18-21 years of age and still residing at home may join under the plan. All members must abide by the rules to assure the safety and well-being of everyone.
- Pool rates will NOT be discounted nor returned anytime during the season.

