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# THE HOPE TREE

Founded by Leonard Reichelt

We are so appreciative of the response to the Project Hope Tree! The generosity of so many residents truly makes the holiday special for our disadvantaged families.

Many thanks to the Women's Service Club. the Men's Service Club, our local businesses. and all of the residents who donated to Project Hope. It's wonderful to live in a community with people that are so giving, caring and compassionate to their neighbors.

Thank you!

Community Services Dept.

## SANTA'S COMING

Santa's coming SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20th. Santa will be riding through the village once again this year. There will be treats for children 12 years of age and under.

Santa has a busy year and will be stopping for groups of children while following the time schedule below. Santa will also be at the Community Center for those who miss him at their houses, or if the weather is too bad.

Listen for the siren in your area. Bundle up and gather together with your friends and Santa will stop on your street.

Weather permitting, we will follow this schedule as close as we can:

Schaaf Road/Van Epps . . 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Tuxedo Area ..... 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. Community Center . . . . 2:30 -

## **BREEZE NOTICE**

Starting with the January 2015 Breeze, the Breeze will be out on the first Saturday of the month. The deadline is Dec. 23 for the Jan. 3 issue of the Breeze

# **2014 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS** TURN IN YOUR GRADES GET A CHECK. (IT'S THAT SIMPLE)

Attention all 2014 Brooklyn Heights Men's Service Club winners. It's time to turn in your first semester or first quarter grades and redeem your \$500 scholarship. There are several ways to do tis, and all of them are simple and relatively painless.

- 1. Mail John Black a copy of your grades to 5178 West 5th Street, Brooklyn Heights, OH 44131.
- 2. E-mail John Black copy (PDF's а recommended) of your grades blackio29@gmail.com. Please label the email "BH Men's Club Scholarship Grade Submission"
- 3. Please note whatever you provide must show the name, logo or seal of the university, college or training school vou attend. Please do not send instructions on how we can obtain your grades from a website or ask us to go to a web address. Doing so will only delay your check. Checks will only be made out to the individual scholarship recipient.

Questions, all John Black at 216-374-4518 or Tim Clymer at 749-4300.

## **BREEZE DELIVERY**

We are compiling a list of names of young adults who are interested in delivering the Breeze once a month. Ages 14 & older, if interested, please call Carol Rucinski at 216-661-4449 to be put on the list. As openings become available you will be called and you can decide at that time if you are still interested. This is a paid position.

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## **OBITUARY**

ELAINE LEWANDOWSKI, wife of Michael, mother of Kimberly Dopson (Randall), Stephanie Kropp (Matthew), and Rachel (Adam Dugas), grandma of Aiden Michael,& Madison Rose, passed away November 16. Arrangements were by Rybicki & Son. Services were at St. Leo Church on November 22. Elaine will be greatly missed by her many friends and neighbors in Brooklyn Heights.

LAURENCE ULLMO, husband of Sharon, passed away November 15. Larry was a dedicated owner of Modern Parts House of Cleveland. A Life Celebration was held November 30 at The Ridge Manor. Larry will be greatly missed by his many friends and neighbors in Brooklyn Heights.

VIRGINIA MARTIN, wife of Clarke Martin, mother of Millicent (Penny) Martin-Shultz, passed away December 4. Arrangements were by Bush Funeral Home on Pearl Road. Services were held at Pearl Road Methodist Church. Virginia will be missed by her many friends and neighbors in Brooklyn Heights.

The Breeze extends sympathy to our bereaved families.

**OUR CONDOLENCES TO** Thea Guilfoyle on the recent loss of her mother Evelyn Mae Amacher and to Daniel & Jennifer Guilfoyle on the loss of their grandmother.

**OUR CONDOLENCES TO** Steve Burnham on the loss of his wife, Deborah Burnham and to Evalyn Burnham on the loss of her daughter-in-law. Deborah was the daughter of Eleanor Wagner (deceased).

# THANK YOU NOTE

A heartfelt thank you to the two ladies, especially the one with the backpack blower, and the 5 boys & girls for cleaning the leaves from my yard & Mayor Mike for promoting this.

A grateful 92 year old Army Veteran

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# THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you to all our neighbors, the Fire Department and the Police Department for their kindness and support during the terrible fire we had. We are fine and living in Tremont and hope to be back in our home sometime in the Spring.

Dennis & Mary Savas

# STEPS TO TAKE TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM IDENTITY THEFT

The steps you need to take will vary depending on the type of information that was exposed.

If it was a credit card or bank account, close any compromised accounts and open new ones. If your Social Security number was taken, you're at higher risk of new account fraud, a more

serious kind of crime in which someone posing as you opens new accounts that may be hard to detect.

To fight back, start by putting a fraud alert on your account. There are two types. Put an initial, 90-day fraud alert on your credit report immediately. Calling any credit bureau will put the alert on your file at all three. Fraud alerts warn creditors they need to verify that the person who's applying for credit is really you. In the meantime, start work getting an extended, 7-year fraud alert.

**RIGHT NOW**: To put an immediate 90-day initial fraud alert on your account, contact 1 of the 3 credit bureaus. Each is required to share that information with the other two:

Equifax: 1-800-525-6285, www.equifax.com Experian: 1-888-397-3742, www.experian.com TransUnion: 1-800-680-7289, www.transunion.com

**LONG TERM**: To file an extended, 7-year fraud alert, check with each bureau for its requirements. **MORE INFO**: For a step-by-step guide to ID theft & for affidavits to file with credit bureaus, go to:

www.consumer.gov/idtheft or call 1-877-438-4338.

Call Dennis Derbin at the Brooklyn Hts. Police Department at 216-741-1327 with any questions.

# REMINDER TO VILLAGE RESIDENTS . . OVERNIGHT PARKING & SNOW EMERGENCY ORDINANCES

# **452.13 OVERNIGHT PARKING PROHIBITED**

No person shall; park or cause to be parked, any motor vehicle on any residential street in the Village from 3:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

(Ord. 13-75. Passed 3-4-75).

# **452.17 SNOW EMERGENCIES**

- (a) Whenever, during any period of 24 hours or less, snow falls in the Village to a depth of 2 inches or more, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, in that such a heavy snow storm constitutes a serious public hazard, impairing transportation, the movement of food and fuel supplies, medical care, fire, health and police protection, and other vital facilities of the Village. Such emergency shall continue until an announcement by the Mayor that snow plowing operations have been completed, which announcement shall be made in the same manner as set forth in subsection (b) hereof for the commencement of the emergency.
- (b) Whenever such an emergency exists, the Mayor shall request the cooperation of the local press and of the radio and television stations to announce the emergency and the time that emergency parking regulations will become effective, which time shall be

- no sooner than one hour after the first announcement, and such announcement, by two local radio stations or local television stations, or in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the Village, shall constitute notice to the general public of the existence of the emergency. However, the owners and operators of motor vehicles shall have full responsibility to determine existing weather conditions and the depth of the snow and to comply with the emergency parking regulations.
- (c) During the period of such emergency, no person shall park, cause to be parked, permit to be parked, permit to remain parked, abandon or leave unattended any vehicle of any kind upon any street or highway within the Village, provided, however, that vehicles may be parked for a period of not longer than 5 minutes for actual loading or unloading of property, if such loading and unloading do not otherwise violate another ordinance of the Village.

(Ord. 16-76. Passed 3-2-76).

Call Dennis Derbin at our Brooklyn Heights Police Department at 216-741-1327 with any questions.

#### **ATTENTION VILLAGE RESIDENTS**

Just a reminder that winter is upon us, and the rules for snow plowing are as follows: 660.16 DEPOSIT OF SNOW AND ICE

- (A) On Public Sidewalks and Streets. No person shall deposit or cause to be deposited, any snow or ice from private property, including, but not limited to, driveways and private sidewalks, onto a public sidewalk or the traveled portion of a street. The presence of deposited snow or ice on a public sidewalk or the traveled portion of a street shall be prima-facie evidence that the owner or owners of the private property abutting such deposit made such deposit or caused the same to be made.
- (B) On Public Streets and Tree Lawns.
- (1) No person shall remove snow from his or her property, or from those portions of a highway commonly called a tree lawn, being those portions of the highway on either side thereof, including the apron driveways constructed therein, between the dedicated or established boundary lines of the highway and the traveled portion thereof, and deposit the same upon any portion of the highway, including the traveled portion thereof, or upon any tree lawn.
- (2) The provisions of paragraph (b) (1) hereof shall not apply to or prohibit a person from removing snow from his or her apron driveway and depositing the same in another portion of his or her tree lawn. (Ord. 25-70. Passed 3-17-70)



# COMMUNITY SERVICES



Office Phone ~ 739-3702

Information Line ~ 739-3713

Office Fax ~ 661-9328

233 Tuxedo Avenue (in Service Building), 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday Applications can be found at the Municipal & Community Services offices and at <a href="https://www.brooklynhts.org">www.brooklynhts.org</a>

DECEMBER, 2014

# Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the Senior Leaf Raking Program!



# **AARP TAX PREPARATION**

The AARP service is for low-income individuals who have non-complicated tax returns. The program will be held on **Monday**, **February 23rd** and **Monday**, **March 9th**. Returns will be computerized and can be e-filed. You will have a printed copy of your return as well as a faster refund if applicable. If the listed dates are not convenient for you, please call our office for other available sites. Pre-registration is necessary and appointments will be made on a first-come, first-serve basis beginning on January 15th.



# **EMERGENCY BLOOD DRIVE - DECEMBER 29TH**

The American Red Cross has requested we hold another blood drive to meet their urgent need for blood. We have a drive scheduled for Monday, December 29th, 1:30 - 6:30 p.m. at the Community Center. Please consider stopping by and giving the gift of life!



# **CUYAHOGA COUNTY HOME REPAIR LOAN PROGRAMS**

The HELP (Housing Enhancement Loan Program) requires bank underwriting but lets the homeowner control the scope of work and contractor selection. The in-house program has income limits and work is targeted to essential system repairs - roof, heating, electrical, plumbing (including sewer/septic). You are welcome to call (216) 348-4066 for more information.

Brooklyn Heights also offers its homeowners Heritage Home Loans under an agreement with the Cleveland Restoration Society. Current information on Heritage Home Loans is found at <a href="http://www.heritagehomeprogram.org/loans/loans.php">http://www.heritagehomeprogram.org/loans/loans.php</a>.



# ART IN THE PARK ~ HOLIDAY STYLE!

Art in the Park will have a two-day session at the Community Center over the Christmas break! They will be held on **Monday**, **December 22nd** and **Tuesday**, **December 30th** from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. **Children MUST be pre-registered** by calling (216) 739-3702 **no later than Friday**, **December 12th.** It is for resident children only, ages 5-10 at the time of the program.

# Senior Socials

Community Services holds a senior social twice-monthly at the Community Center. All seniors are welcome and encouraged to attend! Socials are from Noon to 2:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted. Please RSVP by calling 739-3702!

Tuesday, December 16th	Christmas Celebration, Entertainment by CHS Scarlet Angels & Jazz Band, White Elephant Gift Exchange	Catered Breaded Pork Cutlet Dinner
Tuesday, January 6th	Birthday Recognition, Mayor Mike, New Year's Eve Party & Games	Pulled Pork Sandwiches & Party Appetizers
Tuesday, January 20th	Movie / Comedy	Soup & Sandwiches, Popcorn

# COMMUNITY SERVICES CONTINUED...

# GoldenBuckeye.com Pass to Discounts & Activities Link to Elder Caregiver & Aging Services For more information: 1-800-422-1976 Ohio Department of Aging

#### About Golden Buckeye -

Ohio's Golden Buckeye program is the oldest and largest partnership in the country between businesses and state government to benefit older Ohioans and people with disabilities. Established in 1976 and operated by the Ohio Department of Aging, the Golden Buckeye Card Program is open to more than 2 million Ohio residents, and 20,000 businesses statewide participate in it. All Ohioans 60 or older, and as adults 18 through 59 who have disabilities as

defined by Social Security, are eligible for a free Golden Buckeye card.

How to Get a Card - Ohio residents who hold current Ohio Driver Licenses or State ID cards automatically receive a Golden Buckeye card in the month of their 60th birthday. Individuals who do not have a current license or State ID, as well as people under age 60 who are eligible due to disability, or who otherwise do not receive their card automatically, may apply for a card at most public libraries and <u>senior centers</u>. Due to ID, age and disability (when appropriate) verification requirements, you cannot apply for a Golden Buckeye Card online or by phone. Applications can be picked up in the Community Services office.

How to Get a Replacement Card - If your Golden Buckeye Card has been lost, stolen or damaged, simply call 1-866-301-6446 to request a replacement.

How to Find a Participating Business - Look for the Golden Buckeye Card logo on doors, windows and at the cash register. If you don't see our logo ask if they offer a Golden Buckeye Card or senior discount. You can find participating businesses on our website by using the <u>Participating Business Search</u> lookup. If you do not have access to a computer, you can view the list of participating business and pharmacies on line by visiting your local library and senior center. Visit <a href="https://www.GoldenBuckeye.com">www.GoldenBuckeye.com</a> or call 1-800-422-1976 for more information.



# HOLIDAY REMEMBRANCE PROGRAM

If you participated in the Remembrance Celebration at the Community Center, please stop in our office the week of December 17th before 1:00 p.m. to pick up your keepsake ornament. Any other days, please call first!



# SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL

Seniors, age 65+ with no household member under the age of 65, and, disabled residents (with proof from a medical doctor) can apply. Cost is \$125 for the season, unless approved for HEAP for the 2014-15 year. HEAP-approved applicants will pay \$50. The HEAP discount will be applied after your acceptance letter is received by our office. Applications can be found at the Community Services and Municipal Center offices.



# SENIOR LEAF RAKING

Thank you to all who volunteered for this program on November 8th!! Your hard work was appreciated by Mayor Mike, the Community Services Department and all of the seniors!!



# **HEAP - INCREASED ELIGIBILITY AMOUNTS FOR 2014-15**

The State of Ohio has increased the eligibility amounts for the HEAP 2014-15 winter program. You may qualify if your income is \$20,422. or less for a one-person household and \$27,527. for a two-person household. For each additional person in the household, add \$7,105. HEAP assists families with winter heating bills and is a one-time credit on your account. You must reapply to this program every year with proof of income.

# **DECEMBER 2014 ~ Community Services Department ~ Bus Schedule**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 8:00a Senior Walking Group	2 11:15a Senior Social Birthdays, Mayor Mike, Guest Speaker portraying Dorothy Fuldheim, Lasagna	3 8:00a Senior Walking Group 5:00p Remembrance Celebration	4 9:45a Grocery / Acme / Aldi's	<b>5</b> 8:30a Christmas Shopping, Lunch & Malley's Chocolates	<b>6</b> 3:15p St. Leo Mass
7	8 8:00a Senior Walking Group 6:30p Novak's Florist @ Cmty Ctr	9 6:00p Bus Tour of Local Christmas Lights	<b>10</b> 10:45a Wii Games	9:45a Grocery / Bank / Marc's	12	<b>13</b> 3:15p St. Leo Mass
Please note the Grocery run is at 9:45 a.m. weekly	<b>15</b> 8:00a Senior Walking Group	16 11:15a Senior Social Christmas Celebration White Elephant Game, CHS Scarlet Angels & Jazz Band, Catered Breaded Pork Cutlet Dinner	17 8:00a Senior Walking Group	18 9:45a Grocery / Bank / Drug Mart	19	<b>20</b> 3:15p St. Leo Mass
21	<b>22</b> 8:00a Senior Walking Group	23 9:45a Grocery / Bank / Marc's	<b>24</b> No Walking	25 CHRISTMAS Offices Closed	26	27
28	29 8:00a Senior Walking Group	<b>30</b> 9:45a Grocery / Bank / Drug Mart	<b>31</b> No Walking	Call 739-3702 to make due to low enrollment If you do not receive of prior to the trip, you do	up times if you are riding e your reservation. Trip t - please call early! of confirmation call by 2 are not on our list! Plea day are made on Frida	s may be cancelled :00 p.m. on the day se call our office to

# ANUARY 2015 ~ Community Services Department ~ Bus Schedule

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Please note that beginning	<b>5</b> 8:00a Senior Walking Group	6 11:15a Senior Social Birthdays, Mayor Mike, New Year's Party, Pulled Pork &	<b>7</b> 8:00a Senior Walking Group	8 9:00a Grocery / Acme / Aldi's	9	<b>10</b> 3:15p St. Leo Mass
January 8th, the Grocery run will go back to the start time of 9:00 a.m.	12 8:00a Senior Walking Group	Party Appetizers  13	<b>14</b> 10:45a Wii Games	15 9:00a Grocery / Bank / Marc's	16	<b>17</b> 3:15p St. Leo Mass
18	19 MLK DAY Offices Closed	20 11:15a Senior Social, Movie/Comedy, Soup & Sandwiches	21 8:00a Senior Walking Group	9:00a Grocery / Bank / Drug Mart	23	24 3:15p St. Leo Mass
25	<b>26</b> 8:00a Senior Walking Group	27	<b>28</b> 10:45a Wii Games	29 9:00a Grocery / Bank / Marc's	30	31 3:15p St. Leo Mass

# 2014 Scouts & Students for Seniors Leaf Raking Program





**Mayor Mike - Thanks for the pizza!** 







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# Cuyahoga County Housing Enhancement Loan Program (HELP)

# 2014

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- Borrower's property taxes must be current.
- Minimum loan amount is \$3000. Maximum loan amount is \$200,000.
- Single-family, two-family, and multi-family dwellings are eligible.
- > Includes both owner-occupied and investment dwellings.
- Single and two-family dwellings must have a tax value of less than \$250,000.
- There is no tax value limit on multi-family dwellings.
- Loans may be used for alteration, repair, maintenance or improvement.
- Loans may also be used for code violation compliance and property upgrades.

# Applications are available at any branch of these participating banks:

First Federal of Lakewood PNC
U.S. Bank

KeyBank Huntington

This program is available countywide except in the communities of Bentleyville, Hunting Valley and Chagrin Falls Township.

For more information please call 216-443-2149.



# **MEDICARE AMOUNTS**

	2014	2015
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PART B DEDUCTIBLE	\$147	\$147
PART A HOSPITAL DED.	\$1,216	\$1,260
HOSPITAL CO-PAYMENTS IN-PATIENT DAYS 61-90	\$304/DAY	\$315/DAY
HOSPITAL CO-PAYMENTS BEYOND DAY 90	\$608/DAY	\$630/DAY
SKILLED NURSING FACILITY DAYS 21-100	\$152/DAY	\$157.50/DAY
PART A PREMIUM		
PREMIUM 40 OR MORE QTRS.	\$0	<b>\$</b> 0
PREMIUM 30-39 QUARTERS	\$234	\$224
PREMIUM 30 QTRS. OR LESS	\$426	\$407
* Part B premium may be higher bas	ed on income:	
Single with income of \$85,001 - \$6 Married with income of \$170,001 -	•	\$146.90
Single with income of \$107,001 - \$ Married with income of \$214,001 -		\$209.80
Single with income of \$160,001 - \$ Married with income of \$320,001 -		\$272.70
Single with income above \$214,00 Married with income above \$428,0		\$335.70

Call OSHIIP with questions: 1-800-686-1578.



# BROOKLYN HEIGHTS RESIDENTS ARE YOU 80 OR OVER?

Don't be shy.

The Brooklyn Heights Women's Service
Club cordially invites you and a guest to
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on
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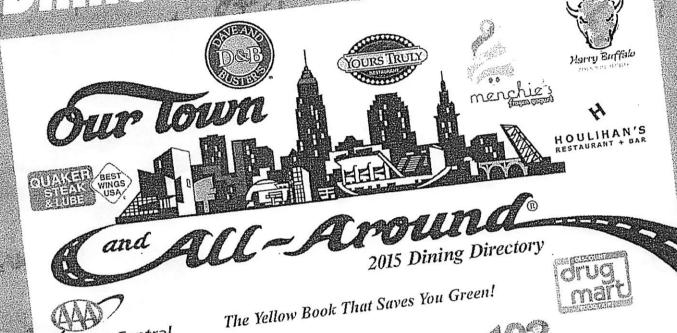
Please R.S.V.P. to Donna Tesar @216-401-2834 **By January 18,2015** 

We will have lunch and visit with friends.

Transportation is available. Please let me know when you make your reservation if you need a ride.

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Happy Holidays to all Our family, friends and neighbors. Joe & Jen Presot & Dominic

We hope that Santa makes everyone's wishes Come true. Have a happy & healthy New Year. Dawn, Jacob, Toran, Gavin, (Derbin/Cline) & Daphne & Azabella & Azrael







Happy Holidays and a New Year of Good health & happiness to everyone. Missing you all Mildred Warden & Pat

Have a warm and happy Christmas and May God bless you in the coming year. Don Schiff

May the True Spirit of Christmas Bring you peace and happiness. Jack and Dianne Toronski

Whatever you believe Have faith in the people around you M &W Allen **Merry Christmas** 

**MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR** To all the residents of Brooklyn Heights. Councilman Howard Selig & family

> Happy Holidays to all My friends and neighbors. Barbara Richardson



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PEACE AND JOY TO ALL From

Mayor Mike & Beverly Procuk

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year To all our friends and neighbors. The Robilotta's

Joyce, Larry, Keith, Kevin, Kim Ann & Ashley

May Peace and Love Be with you always **Eddie & Mary Lantz** 

A very Merry Christmas to all. Jim & Karen Vavrek

The Tesar's wish our Brooklyn Heights Family a very Blessed Christmas And a healthy New Year.



Season's Greeting . May you and yours have A joyful and warm holiday season. The Saunders Family

May the blessings and joy of this Christmas Season be with you. Clarke Martin

> May Peace and Joy Fill your heart this Christmas. Lasky Families

Merry Christmas **Happy New Year** To my friends & former neighbors I miss you all! Eleanor Janoch

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# SEASON'S GREETINGS



Although it's been said, many times, Many ways, Merry Christmas to you! From Denise Kirsch and family

Merry Christmas From The Lewandowski & Dopson Families On Park Drive

> Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. Joe & Rose Presot

> > Merry Christmas And

A Happy and Healthy New Year To all our neighbors and friends. Dave & Mary Ann Derbin, Ben, Angie, Brandon & Derek White, And Chris, Jessica, Christopher & Nicholas Triscari

Merry Christmas And Happy New Year From the Pech's Andy, Eileen, Celine, Kevin & Megan

Merry Christmas
To all our friends and neighbors,
Tom and Lu Anne Lahiff

May the New Year be filled with many Blessings and good Health.

Merry Christmas!

The Bundus Family







Sincere wishes to all for a peaceful And a joyous Christmas season. Mike & Carol D'Amico

Merry Christmas And a happy, healthy New Year. Dennis & Linda Derbin



Merry Christmas And Happy New Year. The Stankiewicz Family

Merry Christmas And Happy New Year Nancy Muffler

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR To all the residents of Brooklyn Heights. John & Susan Black

FROM OUR HOME TO YOURS
OUR HEARTS TO YOURS
OUR SINCERE WISHES FOR A
VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR.
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KAREN CHRIS CHARLIE ISHIDA
ANDREW KELSEY & JOHN PAUL
WESOLYCH SWIAT

May the warmth & peace of the holiday season
Be Yours Today and Always.
Merry Christmas.
Carol Rucinski







# **BROOKLYN HEIGHTS POLICE BLOTTER**

11/1/14	Noise complaint on West 5 <sup>th</sup> block party. Party strongly warned.
11/2/14	Cleveland PD reporting converter thefts from car lot on Brookpark Road. Area checked. Unable to locate. Assisted Independence PD with breaking and entering at local business. One in custody.
11/5/14	Report of an unwanted party on West Schaaf. Party advised to leave and complied.
11/6/14	Report from local business of repetitive incoming calls originating from New York. Advised to contact AT&T to have number blocked. Party reporting victim of "grandparent scam." Directed same to Cleveland PD.
11/7/14	Welfare check on resident. Party checks ok. Phone out of service. Report of vehicle with dog inside stolen from local business. Recovered vehicle in Valley View. Investigation to follow. Report from local business of ongoing harassment from ex-client. Statement obtained.
11/8/14	Report of parties in a black vehicle throwing eggs at another motorist in Lancaster area. Unable to locate. Report of house fire on Shady Ridge Lane.
11/9/14	Report by resident of male in military uniform on porch. Same intoxicated and transported to hotel on Rockside Road. Same turned over to his commanding officer.
11/10/14	Dog from stolen vehicle located.
11/11/14	Report of suspicious vehicle on West 5 <sup>th</sup> with party stealing landscaping equipment. Located vehicle parked in driveway on Tuxedo. Male ran and jumped over fence. Call for mutual aid and perimeter established. Initially, unable to locate suspect; party taken into custody later in day.
11/13/14	Resident concerned possible break-in to garage. Checks ok.
11/14/14	Assisted Cleveland PD with traffic control for accident. Report of telephone harassment taken for employee of local business.
11/15/14	Report of barking dog on Galway Circle. All quiet on arrival.
11/17/14	Vandalism report taken at local business for spray-painting on side of building. Advised AT&T / Direct TV solicitors to obtain permit.
11/22/14	Report of possible intoxicated driver on Tuxedo Avenue. Same arrested for OVI/expired driver's license.
11/25/14	Observed erratic driver on Granger Road. Same arrested for OVI, speed, and weaving course. Report of a stolen pick-up truck from business on Valley Belt.

## Plan This Winter to Improve Your Watershed Next Spring

We all live in a watershed, and there is never a bad time of the year to think about what can be done to improve it. What better way is there to escape from Old Man Winter's impending visit than to start planning for springtime projects? Here are some ideas that will do just that, and will also kick start your efforts to improve and protect your local water resources.

- Plan a Rain Garden There are numerous on-line resources to get you started...simply search "rain garden plans" in your browser. Another option is to contact a local watershed —based organization or your local county soil & water conservation district to request a copy of "Rain Garden Manual for Homeowners". If you're feeling more adventurous, there is still time to actually construct your rain garden and prepare it for a springtime planting. Be sure to contact your community's building department for any permits that may be required.
- <u>Build a Rain Barrel</u> Be ready to capture the rain from those springtime storms, and have plenty of water available when you are ready to plant your vegetable gardens and new landscaping.
- Construct a Compost Bin Again, there are numerous plans on-line, and there are a wide variety of materials that can be used. The best designs provide three bins: one to add fresh produce scraps and yard wastes to; one to "cook" the compost; and the last to store the finished compost.
- <u>Perform Soil Tests</u> Know what nutrients your soil has too little of, or perhaps too much of, so you can prescribe the best early-season fertilizer application. Contact your local Ohio State University Extension office.

Don't know what to get that person who has everything? Consider the following holiday and wintertime birthday gift ideas that will help friends and loved-ones get a head start on their own watershed-friendly projects:

- Faucet aerators and low-flow water fixtures (remember...the less water we use, the less water we pollute).
- Soaker hoses
- A water filter system or a water filter pitcher (pair these with a reusable water bottle, or just gift them a water bottle with a built-in filter)
- A compost tumbler or a pre-fabricated compost bin (pair these with a compost pail and a pitchfork)
- A pre-fabricated rain barrel or a do-it-yourself rain barrel kit.
- Soil test kits
- Books on any of the above topics