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VOTERS TO DECIDE ON NOPEC

Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council Natural Gas Program

Beachwood City Council recently voted to place an issue on the City's November ballot to enroll our city residents in a natural gas program offered by the Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC).

NOPEC is an energy "aggregator" that uses bulk buying practices to buy gas at attractive rates. NOPEC then passes those rates on to their customers.

There are 174 communities in 10 Northeast Ohio counties that are served by NOPEC.

Beachwood has been enrolled in NOPEC's electricity program for years and has experienced no problems. NOPEC officials estimate that NOPEC saves Beachwood electric customers as much as \$250,000 annually citywide by offering discounted electricity.

Beachwood's voters must approve this measure before it can be enacted. If voters defeat the measure, residents will continue to buy natural gas as they do now and NOPEC will not be an option. The decision will be determined by the voters.

If it is approved by voters in November, all residents will have the option to "opt out" of NOPEC – meaning they would still be free to contract with natural gas providers other than NOPEC.

If the NOPEC measure is approved by the voters of Beachwood, there will be two public hearings conducted to further discuss this issue. These hearings would likely be held in December. The first delivery of NOPEC gas would arrive as early as March 2015.

Beachwood voters are urged to be informed about this issue. More information can be found at www.nopecinfo.org.



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BEACHWOOD SAFETY TOWN

Beachwood Safety Town held its annual graduation ceremonies in August. Children learned about traffic, bus and bicycle safety, how to recognize, understand and enlist help from our City's safety forces, playground safety, and how to cross the street.

Pictured: 1.) Gianna Preston shows off her diploma. 2.) Yujin Do, Sadie Barnholtz @ Shai Gottesman demonstrate safe driving skills. 3.) Investigator Lisa Budney and Patrol Officer Jackie Zywiec served as this year's Safety Town Officers. 4.) Ben Chao driving. 5.) Safety Town course.



50-YEAR RESIDENT SALUTE

On August 12, the City of Beachwood hosted its final Tuesday concert of its Summer Evening Concert Series to a packed crowd in the Beachwood Community Center. Prior to listening to the Red Light Roxy, Mayor Merle S. Gorden recognized 50-Year residents, presented them with an official city blanket, certificate and thanked them for supporting Beachwood.



Pictured L to R: Bernice Koelewyn, Shirley Goldberg, Mort @ Joan Rogoff, Sharon @ Richard Cohen, Lois @ Howard Israel, Yvette @ Shale Sonkin, Marvin @ Anita Sicherman, Richard Sheldon, Gene @ Sandy Zuckerman, Dennis Levin, Barbara Heller, Goldie Kaplan, Thelma Jaffe, Anthony @ Mary Ann Pedalino, Carol Levin, Phyllis Kertesz, Loretta Magden, Florence Dobrin, Mayor Merle S. Gorden. Not pictured: Herb Magden and May Hershey.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

CITY COUNCIL

Usually meets the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. Upcoming meetings: Monday, September 15 and October 6. Questions? Call 216.595.5462.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Usually meets the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Upcoming meeting: Thursday, September 18. Questions? Call 216.292.1914.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

Meets at 5:30 p.m. Upcoming meetings: Monday, September 15 and October 6. Questions? Please call 216.292.1914.

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9/11 REMEMBRANCE DAY

No one will ever forget where they were on the morning of September 11, 2001, when they learned of the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, a tragedy that touched the lives of every American. On the anniversary of 9/11, The City of Beachwood encourages you to spend a few minutes reflecting upon this event.

When Beachwood resident Richard Barson watched the devastation of 9/11, he felt that Beachwood should have a memorial. His persistence paid off. In February, 2003, Federal Express delivered, free of charge, a sizable piece of steel that was donated by the Twin Towers' demolition company.



On September 11, 2014, residents are invited to visit the memorial that includes the steel structure, postcards, articles, and photos. The lobby of Fire Station #1 on Richmond Road is open Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

STOP FOR SCHOOL BUSES

Ord. 432.30: Driver of a vehicle upon meeting or overtaking from either direction any stopped school bus with stop arm and lights activated shall stop at least 10 feet from the front or rear of the school bus and shall not proceed until signaled to do so by school bus driver. Where a highway has been divided into four or more traffic lanes, a driver need not stop for a school bus approaching from the opposite direction.



PATRIOT AWARD

Mayor Merle S. Gorden recently received the Patriot Award from the U.S. Department of Defense, via Brian Reali, Beachwood's Law Director.

The Patriot Award is a special honor that begins with a nomination from an employee who is an active member of the National Guard or Army Reserve.

The award is designed to recognize employers who support members of the military in the National Guard or Reserves through a wide range of accommodations including flexible schedules, time off and leaves of absence if needed.

"The City of Beachwood supports and values the military service of our employees," Mayor Gorden said. "I have long understood the importance of supporting the brave men and women who serve our country and I am thankful for this recognition."

Reali is a Major in the Ohio Army National Guard.



BEACHWOOD WELCOMES HOPE JONES

The City of Beachwood welcomes Hope Jones as its new full-time Assistant Law Director. Jones joins us from Cuyahoga Falls and we are happy to have her onboard.

HONKIN' HAULIN' HANDS-ON TRUCKS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
1:00 – 3:00 P.M.
MUNICIPAL SERVICE CENTER

Get into the driver's seat of over 20 trucks including: Fire Engines, Ambulance, Rubbish Truck, Front End Loader, Dump Truck and more!



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BEACHWOOD PREPARES FOR THE 2015 REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION

It is a great time to live in Northeast Ohio. Whether you're here in Beachwood or across town in Westlake, you can feel the positive energy following the news of LeBron's return home and Cleveland being awarded the 2016 Republican National Convention (RNC).

Beachwood is excited for the role it will play during the RNC, which is anticipated to bring 40,000 guests to Northeast Ohio, many of whom will lodge, dine and conduct business in Beachwood.

With eight hotels and over 1,300 rooms, Beachwood is a logical destination for RNC attendees. Patty Lampert, President of the Beachwood Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB), is already working to block out hotel rooms. "We look forward to doing all we can to make our guests feel welcome and comfortable," she said.



A NOTICE FROM OUR POLICE DEPT.

A number of recent "utility scams" have been reported in communities across Northeast Ohio. These scams involve an individual who represents himself as an employee of a utility company who needs to perform an inspection. While the homeowner is assisting this individual, an accomplice enters the home and steals valuables such as cash and jewelry. In order to avoid these scams, here are a few tips to remember:

- Don't unlock/open the door for unannounced strangers.
- Talk to them through the door, ask them their business and remember that legitimate utility workers rarely make unannounced home visits without an appointment.
- Do not be fooled by uniforms or apparent I.D. badges.
- Tell the individual that you are going to verify who they are with the utility company.
- Call 911 and ask for an officer to confirm the issue.



**American
Red Cross**

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17 FROM 1:00 – 7:00 P.M.
BEACHWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER

DID YOU KNOW?

RX DRUG DROP BOX IN POLICE DEPT. LOBBY

A prescription drug drop-off box is located in the Police Department lobby for unused, unwanted or expired prescription drugs.



Drugs can be dropped off Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
No liquids or needles. No special containers needed.

ART EXHIBIT

Beachwood Community Center



MONDAY – FRIDAY • 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
SATURDAY • 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
SUNDAY • 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

THE ARTISTS GROUP TEN GALLERY IN KENT

Show Dates: September 10 – 27

3D ART - DRAW, DOODLE, DABBLE

Kristen Stitzel, Debi Salzman @ Cline Siegenthaler

Show Dates: October 1 – 20

Artists' Reception: Sunday, Oct. 5, 1 – 2:30 p.m.

OF SPECIAL NOTE PERSONAL SHRED DAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 • 9 A.M. – NOON

BEACHWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER
PARKING LOT

Beachwood residents can have up to 12 blue grocery bags or 6 banker boxes shredded on site for free. Proof of residency required. Rain or shine.

HAZARDOUS WASTE ROUND-UP

Residents are invited to dispose of unwanted oil-based paint, pesticides and other household hazardous wastes (no materials from a commercial source). Resident Household Hazardous Waste Round-Up will be held:

SEPTEMBER 15 – 20, 2014

7:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

BEACHWOOD SERVICE DEPARTMENT
23355 MERCANTILE ROAD

MATERIALS ACCEPTED

- Oil or solvent-based paint, sealers, primers, or coatings (aerosols or liquids)
- Varnishes, polyurethanes, shellacs
- Paint thinner, mineral spirits, turpentine
- Pesticides, herbicides, fungicides
- Caustic household cleaners
- Automotive fluids, motor oil, car batteries
- Adhesives, roof tar, driveway sealer
- Kerosene, gasoline, lighter fluid
- Mercury, fluorescent bulbs



MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED

- Latex paint
- Explosives, gun powder, ammunition, flares
- Medical waste, pharmaceuticals, sharps
- Radioactive waste (i.e. smoke detectors)

INFINITI OF BEACHWOOD CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING

On July 17, Infiniti of Beachwood celebrated its grand opening. This \$9 million project brought 60 new jobs to Beachwood. Along with Buick GMC of Beachwood, The Collection Auto Group, led by President Bernie Moreno, now has two dealerships in our city. The beautiful 37,000 square foot facility is the first of the new Infiniti Retail Environment design.

An American success story, Mr. Moreno first visited Cleveland in 2005 to explore an opportunity to purchase an under-performing Mercedes Benz dealership. The purchase and turnaround of that dealership by Mr. Moreno was the impetus that created and sustains The Collection Auto Group's success story today. As of 2014, Mr. Moreno has now acquired 26 dealerships featuring more than 30 brands including Mercedes Benz, Rolls Royce, Porsche, Aston Martin and Infiniti.

In recognition of the opening of the Infiniti dealership, Mayor Merle S. Gorden and City Council proclaimed July 17 as The Collection Auto Group Day in the City of Beachwood.

"I applaud Mr. Moreno for his phenomenal business philosophy, as well as his commitment to our community," Mayor Merle S. Gorden said. "We are fortunate to have a business of this caliber select Beachwood for two of its locations and I extend congratulations and a wish for continued success to Bernie and The Collection Auto Group team."



JUMP BACK JOG 5K Run / 2K Walk

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12 FROM 8:00 A.M. – 12:00 NOON
BEACHWOOD CITY PARK WEST

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. Race starts at 10:00 a.m.

5K Run - \$11 pre-register, \$13 day of race

2K Walk - \$10 pre-register, \$12 day of race

Questions? Call 216.292.1970 or register at www.beachwoodohio.com

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