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SERVICE DIRECTOR DALE PEKAREK RETIRES

Dale Pekarek recently retired after 33 years of dedicated service to the City. Dale began his career as a clerk in 1985. He worked through the ranks and was promoted to Assistant Service Director in 1996 and Service Director in 1997. Dale oversaw snow removal, lighting, trees, sewers, vehicle maintenance, trash, recycling, plus the maintenance of 6,000 tree lawns, 100 miles of storm and sanitary lines, 750 daily trash stops and much more. At the December 17 City Council meeting, Dale was recognized and thanked by Mayor Horwitz and City Council.

CHRIS ARRIETTA: OUR NEW PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Chris Arrietta came to work in Beachwood as a part-time summer employee. He was then a full-time Laborer, Crew Leader and Superintendent. Four years ago, Chris became Assistant Service Director and is now the Public Works Director. (As part of the approved Charter amendments, the Service Department's name changed to the Department of Public Works as of January 1, 2019.) Former Service Director Dale Pekarek said, "The only place you can find success before work is in the dictionary and nothing pleases me more than knowing that my replacement has the same mindset, drive, thoughts and abilities that I've had throughout my tenure. In this town, every time the music plays, they want you to dance. My legs have given out, so I pass the baton to someone who can dance." Chris was sworn in at the January 7 meeting.



Dale Pekarek and Chris Arrietta



Dale Pekarek (black hat) and Chris Arrietta (center) with members of the Department of Public Works



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YEAR IN REVIEW

At the January 7 City Council meeting, Mayor Martin Horwitz presented a "Year in Review" that featured these select highlights:

- Our City hired a full-time Communications Coordinator.
- The City's new Public Safety Center opened.
- A new police station is being proposed.
- The City's website is fully ADA-compliant and a new website design is being created.
- Our City Charter was updated and approved by voters.
- City Council approved a dog park: Barkwood.
- Senior rubbish curbside pickup with Village in the Heights continues to benefit seniors.
- Beachwood's housing rules and employment practices now include protection against discrimination of the LGBTQ community.
- Council passed progressive legislation to allow City employees paid parental leave.
- In an effort to achieve greater operational efficiency, Council hired Municipal Solutions to do a City-wide operational audit.
- Council passed a landmark piece of legislation to pay for seatbelts on school busses, put forth by Hilltop's third grade students.

"The state of the City of Beachwood is vibrant, dynamic and forward thinking," said Mayor Martin Horwitz. "We are building on our past successes, continuously improving the quality of life for all residents, and are committed to expanding our strong commercial base. We are all excited for an even greater 2019."

To read the complete report or view a pictorial "Year in Review" presentation, visit www.beachwoodohio.com and click on the Mayor's Desk.

Missed a Council Meeting? Listen to audio recordings or view live & archived videos by visiting www.BeachwoodOhio.com.



LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL

Hilltop student Julia Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance at the January 7 City Council meeting. Her favorite subject is writing and her favorite activity is Taekwondo.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

BLOOD DRIVE

WITH THE RED CROSS

NEW HOURS: 2:00 - 7:00 p.m.

SENIOR RUBBISH ASSISTANCE

Are you 80+ years of age or disabled with no one in your single-family home to assist you with your trash & recycling cans? In cooperation with volunteers from Village in the Heights, the City of Beachwood can help. Call 216.292.1922 to register.

City Hall

will be closed on Monday, February 18, in observance of Presidents' Day. Rubbish pickup will be delayed one day. Monday's collection will be made on Tuesday, February 19.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

CITY COUNCIL

Monday, February 4,
Tuesday, February 19, and
Monday, March 4 at 7:00 p.m.
Questions? Call 216.595.5462.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Thursday, February 28 at 7:00 p.m.
Questions? Call 216.292.1914.

ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW

Monday, February 4, Tuesday,
February 19, and Monday, March 4
at 5:30 p.m.
Questions? Call 216.292.1914.

THANK YOU!

The City of Beachwood welcomes and thanks the following individuals for serving.

Pete Smith

Member of Civil Service Commission

Craig S. Cohen

Member of Planning and Zoning Commission

Bryan Zabel

Member of Planning and Zoning Commission

G. Gifford Dyer

Plans Examiner/Architect

Paul Kowalczyk

Plan Examiner/City Architect

Michael H. Wildermuth

Plans Examiner/City Architect

KEEPING WALKWAYS CLEAR

Part of home and commercial building ownership is the responsibility to maintain outside surfaces when it snows or when temperatures cause water to freeze and form ice on driveways and walkways. Keep walkways clear so they are safe for everyone and are easily accessible for emergency services if needed.



A HEALTHY PROGRAM

(HEALTH AND EDUCATION LEARNING TOGETHER HELPS YOU)

Beachwood Community Center

Tuesday, February 26 • 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

LIVING (AGING) IN PLACE: MAKING YOUR HOME YOUR SAFE HAVEN

PRESENTED BY ROSALIND STRICKLAND, INTERIOR DESIGNER

Learn creative and practical changes you can make to your living space to enable you to stay in your home as long as possible. Learn how a home can be modified for maximum function, design and accessibility.

Reservations required by February 21.

Call 216.595.3733

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SUNDAY MUSIC

ENJOY FREE
MUSIC CONCERTS

FREE

2 - 3 P.M. • Beachwood Community Center

FEBRUARY 17 • Amy Tan and Chee-Hang See, piano
Nina Sandberg, violin

MARCH 3 • Marshall Griffith Trio with Virginia Crabtree,
flute and Kallen Bierly, violin

APRIL 7 • Yaron Kohlberg, piano

MAY 5 • Kimia Ghaderi, violin and Andrew Focks, piano

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UPCOMING ART EXHIBIT

IILEEN KELNER JURIED HIGH SCHOOL
ART SHOW

FREE

Sunday, February 10 – Sunday, March 3

GALLERY HOURS:

Monday-Friday 10 a.m. – 4p.m.,

Saturday 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.,

Sunday 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

OPENING RECEPTION:

Sunday, February 10 • 2:00 – 4:30 p.m.,
with awards ceremony and refreshments
at 3:00 p.m.



A free special exhibit featuring the drawings, fiber art, jewelry, paintings, photographs and sculptures by more than 100 students.

Senior Trips

The City of Beachwood announces overnight trips for senior citizens to

Portland, Oregon
May 5-9

**Niagara-on-the-Lake (Canada) and
Jamestown, New York**
August 6-8

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
September 23-25

San Antonio, Texas
October 27-31



For complete information, see
The Upperclassmen or call 216.595.3733

DON'T CROWD THE PLOW



When driving behind a snow plow, stay behind at least 100 ft. A fully loaded snow plow vehicle can weigh between 20-40 tons and cannot easily stop. In a contest between a snow plow and another vehicle, the snow plow will be the clear winner.

SNOW ORDINANCES



Beachwood Ordinances state when snow falls to a depth of 2" (or more) over a 24-hour period, an emergency is declared and parking may be prohibited on all City streets. Vehicle owners are responsible for complying with emergency parking regulations; vehicles parked in violation may be towed at the owners' expense.



CITY OF BEACHWOOD BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL LEAGUES

Beachwood Recreation is pleased to offer our Youth Baseball/Softball leagues for the Spring/Summer of 2019. Please be sure to note that you must place your child in the league based on the age they will be up through August 31, 2019. Plus, some of our Girls Softball and Boys Baseball programs will be operated in conjunction with O.C.E.R. (Orange Community Education & Recreation) and other communities.

BASEBALL PROGRAM

Novice Coed T-Ball:	5-6 year olds
Rookie Boys Coach Pitch:	7-8 year olds
Minor Boys Player Pitch:	9-10 year olds
Major Boys:	11-12 year olds
Pony Boys (Part of the Lyndhurst Dads' Club):	13-14 year olds

SOFTBALL PROGRAM

Rookie Girls Coach Pitch:	7-8 year olds
Minor Girls Player Pitch:	9-12 year olds



Detailed descriptions, ages, locations and fees for all leagues can be found in the Winter Recreation Guide or online at www.beachwoodohio.com. Questions? Call 216.292.1970 or email frank.vicchiarelli@beachwoodohio.com.

CITY EMPLOYEES HIT HARVEST FOR HUNGER FUNDRAISING GOAL

The City of Beachwood has reached its annual \$5,000 Harvest for Hunger fundraising goal. Employees may donate by buying Malley's Chocolates, paying to wear jeans on winter Fridays, participating in the indoor parking space drawing, and more. City Hall's atrium is adorned with mobiles of people cut-outs that represent meals provided based upon contributions.

IT'S COMING...InternMatch 2019

If your Beachwood business seeks a stellar summer intern, email Keri.Zipay@beachwoodohio.com. Watch for news in the March 2019 Insider.



SUMMER CAMP

RESIDENT REGISTRATION NOW

Beachwood Day Camp registration for residents is underway. Register for Kidz, Bison, Sports, Teen Travel and Theater Camp Monday through Friday at Beachwood City Hall. Proof of residency is required. An early bird resident rate expires March 8, 2019.

NEW! NON-RESIDENT REGISTRATION PROCESS

You must register at www.BeachwoodOhio.com to receive a wait-list number starting at 10:00 am Wednesday, March 6. This is your place in line for signing up on Sunday, March 10 starting at 10:00 a.m. in the Beachwood Community Center. Numbers will be called in order. Failure to be present when your number is called will forfeit your place in line. Having a wait-list number does not guarantee a place in Camp.

For more information, refer to the Winter Recreation Guide, visit www.BeachwoodOhio.com or call 216.292.1970.



SAVE TREES: RECYCLE CARDBOARD!

Cardboard packaging is generally recycled five to seven times to make new products such as cereal boxes, tissues and more cardboard. Recycling reduces the number of trees required for cardboard manufacturing.

Per CuyahogaRecycles.org, it's easy to recycle cardboard boxes and containers when you follow a few simple steps. Please note: Cardboard must be empty, clean and dry when placed in recycling. If cardboard is not recycled in the following manner, it is considered to be trash.

- Remove all packing materials, such as packing peanuts or styrofoam blocks.
- Don't worry about removing any tape or labels: those will come off during the recycling process.
- Flatten your box or container. It's okay if the box is dented, bent, ripped or damaged.
- Only place cardboard out for collection in dry weather or in a closed recycling receptacle.
- Place the flattened, clean and dry cardboard in your curbside recycling container or drop it off at a Paper Retriever / River Valley paper drop-off location. There is also a cardboard recycling bin at the Beachwood Municipal Complex behind the Community Center.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MAY BE DISPOSED OF YEAR-ROUND

THE BEACHWOOD SERVICE CENTER,
23355 MERCANTILE ROAD, WEST DRIVEWAY
MONDAY - FRIDAY 7:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

- HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (NO LATEX PAINT)
- COMPUTER RECYCLING
- SCRAP TIRE (AUTOMOTIVE ONLY, 20" AND SMALLER, MUST BE REMOVED FROM RIMS)
- OTHER SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: HABITAT TOOL DRIVES, STYROFOAM, CLOTHING, FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, ETC.

QUESTIONS? CALL 216-292-1922