

CITY OF *Beachwood* Insider

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THANK YOU, FAISAL

Mayor Martin Horwitz, Police Chief Gary Haba and Fire Chief Steven Holtzman recognized and honored Beachwood Middle School student Faisal Alazawi, 11, for his calm, brave heroism as a translator when his friend, Hadi Alajmi, was overcome by a medical emergency. Additional information is on page 14.



MAYOR RICHARD BAIN COMMENDS BEACHWOOD ADMINISTRATORS, SAFETY FORCES



Pepper Pike Mayor Richard Bain attended the November 18 City Council meeting to extend heartfelt appreciation to Mayor Horwitz, City Council, the Beachwood Dispatch Center and Beachwood staff for springing into action to help after a gas-line explosion caused a large fire on Brainard Road. The explosion took place on November 15 at 1:00 AM, displacing several residents after they lost power. Members of Beachwood's Police, Fire & Rescue, and Community Services Departments helped residents who were displaced.

COPS VS. FIREFIGHTERS CHARITY TURKEY BOWL

The Beachwood Police and Fire & Rescue Departments squared off in the first annual Cops vs. Firefighters Charity Turkey Bowl: a friendly competition of touch football. Together, the Fraternal Order of Police and Association of Beachwood Professional Firefighters Local 2388 raised \$500 to benefit The Gathering Place. The firefighters took the inaugural trophy and bragging rights with a big win.



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HOLIDAY HOURS AND RUBBISH PICK-UP

Rubbish and recycling will not be collected by the City on New Year's Day (Wed., Jan. 1) and Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Mon., Jan. 20). After each holiday, collections will be delayed one day, so if your regular collection day is Monday, your collection day will be Tuesday and Wednesday's collection will be on Thursday.

SLEDDING HILL

The Beachwood City Park West Sledding Hill is located on the south end of the park. Bring your friends and family for a great winter activity.



SENIOR TRASH ASSISTANCE

Are you 80+ years or disabled with no one in your single-family home to assist you with your rubbish and recycling cans? The City of Beachwood can help. For details, call 216-292-1922

RECYCLE BROKEN HOLIDAY LIGHTS AND POWER CORDS



The Public Works Department will accept broken holiday lights and power cords for recycling in January between the hours of 7:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Missed a Council Meeting?

Listen to audio recordings or view live & archived videos by visiting www.BeachwoodOhio.com.

BEACHWOOD RECREATION COMMUNITY THEATER ANNOUNCES AUDITIONS

SHREK

THE MUSICAL

All auditions are by appointment **ONLY**.
To schedule an appointment, email
Jill.Koslen-Freireich@BeachwoodOhio.com

- Sunday, January 12: Students Grades 3 - 6
Beachwood Community Center
- Monday, January 13: Students Grades 6 -12
Beachwood Middle School
- Tuesday, January 14: Adults
Beachwood Middle School
- Wednesday, January 15: Call Backs
Beachwood Middle School

MONOLOGUES

Available at www.BeachwoodOhio.com
(Listed under Community Theater)

QUESTIONS? 216.292.1970



to all our residents and
businesses for a great
2020 from the
City of Beachwood

UPCOMING MEETINGS

CITY COUNCIL

Monday, January 6 at 7:00 PM
Tuesday, January 21 at 7:00 PM
Questions? Call 216.595.5462

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

Thursday, January 30 at 7:00 PM
Questions? Call 216.292.1914

ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW

Monday, January 6 at 5:30 PM
Tuesday, January 21 at 5:30 PM
Questions? Call 216.292.1914

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SEVERE WEATHER?

When Beachwood City Schools are closed due to severe weather, all Beachwood Recreation and Upperclassmen programs will be cancelled.



DON'T CROWD THE PLOW



Give snow plow operators space to work. A fully loaded snow plow vehicle can weigh between 20–40 tons and cannot easily stop. In a contest between a snow plow and other vehicle, the snow plow will be the clear winner. Stay at least 100 ft. behind the plow when driving.

SNOW ORDINANCE

Beachwood Ordinances states when snow falls over a 24-hour period to a depth of 2" or more, an emergency is declared and parking may be prohibited on all City streets. We will make a reasonable attempt to notify the public by tweeting and using local press. Vehicle owners are responsible to comply with the emergency parking regulations.



WE CAN'T HELP YOU IF WE CAN'T FIND YOU!

When we are responding to an emergency, we rely on your address sign! Address signs that are obstructed by overgrown foliage or other objects can reduce our response time, and every second counts. Please make sure that your address numbers are clearly visible: the bigger the numbers the better. Help us help you!



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2020 SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION OPEN!

BEACHWOOD DAY CAMP REGISTRATION FOR RESIDENTS NOW OPEN!

Register for Kidz, Bison, Sports, Teen Travel and Theater Camp between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday, at the Beachwood Community Services Office. Proof of residency is required. An early-bird fee will be offered to residents who register before March 6, 2020.



NON-RESIDENT REGISTRATION PROCESS:

You must register at www.beachwood.com to receive a wait-list number. This is your place in line for signing up Sunday, March 8 at 10:00 AM at 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 will not guarantee your place in line.

For more information, visit www.beachwoodohio.com and click on the Recreation Guide, or call 216.292.1970.

OF SPECIAL NOTE

Never leave your car running when you are not in it and always lock your car when you leave it: even while in your driveway.

BARKWOOD OPEN YEAR-ROUND!



Join over 270 Barkwood members and their canines by registering. The park is open from dawn to dusk every day and separate areas are available for small and large dogs. Barkwood is open to Beachwood residents with mandatory registration (\$25 fee). You must have proof of residency (a current utility bill and driver's license) and

verification of vaccinations from the veterinarian. Forms and additional information are available online at www.beachwoodohio.com. Questions? Call 216.292.1970.

RESIDENTIAL EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE PROGRAM



The Residential Exterior Maintenance Program helps to protect the property value for your home, your neighborhood and the entire community. Inspections are based on a 4-year rotation schedule. Point of Sale Inspections are not performed by the City of

Beachwood, so this program helps residents recognize the repairs necessary for keeping their property in top condition. 2020 inspections will take place at:

- Allen Blvd.
- Biscayne Blvd
- Brian Drive
- Bridgeton Drive
- Cardington Drive
- Deborah Drive
- Deptford Drive
- Fairmount Blvd. (24235-26796)
- Greenwich Lane
- Hilltop Drive
- Maidstone Lane
- Margot Court
- Meadoway Drive
- North Woodland Road
- Orchard Way
- Peshurst Drive
- Ramsay Road
- Richmond Road (2116-2613)
- Sittingbourne Lane
- Tunbridge Lane
- Twickenham Drive

RX DRUG DROP BOX

A prescription drug drop-off box is located in the Police Department lobby. Residents can deposit unused, unwanted or expired prescription pills at the Drug Drop Box at the Police Department, Monday - Friday between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM. No liquids or needles are allowed.



COATS FOR KIDS

Middlefield Bank (25201 Chagrin Blvd., Ste. 120) is sponsoring a Coats for Kids coat drive through January 10. Please examine your closets, donate, and help the less fortunate.



DON'T FALL VICTIM TO SCAMS!

Too often, older Ohioans fall prey to con artists and scammers whose intent is to take advantage of them. For more information or to report a scam, call the Beachwood Police Department at 216.464.1234.

Fake Check Scams • Someone sends you a check and asks you to deposit it and return some of the money via wire transfer

Grandparent Scams • Watch for con artists posing as grandchildren

Identity Theft • This occurs when someone fraudulently uses your personal information

Investment Fraud • A scammer might offer you a “risk-free” investment only to steal your money

Living Trust Scams • Beware of people who make exaggerated claims about probate costs

Phishing • Scammers pretend to represent your bank or a government agency and request your personal information

Phony Charities • You may receive letters or calls from someone who is only pretending to represent a charity

Prizes/Sweepstakes Scams • Someone claims that you have won a lottery or other prize, but you're asked to pay a fee.

SIGNS OF A SCAM:

- You're asked to send money via wire transfer
- You win a contest you never entered
- You're pressured to “act now!”
- You must pay a fee to receive a prize
- Your personal information is requested
- A large down payment is requested
- A company refuses to give written information

Happy
New Year

City Hall will be closed on Wednesday, January 1 in observance of New Year's Day and Monday, January 20 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

BLUE JEANS RECYCLING PROGRAM

The Climate Action Team at Beachwood High School is helping the environment by running a blue jeans recycling program.

Cotton's Blue Jeans Go Green™ recycles blue jeans into various products, including building insulation which is often used for community-oriented projects like libraries, hospitals and schools. By diverting denim from landfills, Cotton's Blue Jeans Go Green™ program strives to make the world a little greener. Collection boxes will be located in Beachwood City Hall, Beachwood Community Center, Beachwood Board of Education and all Beachwood Schools from January 13 through January 24. For more information, please see page 17.



PERFECT PLEDGERS

Beachwood students are invited to lead the Pledge of Allegiance at every City Council meeting.

On November 18, Kellen Finley and Henry Ascherman had this honor. Kellen's favorite class at Hilltop is math, and he likes football and basketball. Henry's favorite classes are science and social studies.

Kennedy Allamby led the Pledge on December 2. Kennedy's favorite subjects are science and math; she enjoys skiing, ice skating, gymnastics, swimming, and playing the piano.



Kellen Finley & Henry Ascherman



Kennedy Allamby

CUYAHOGA COUNTY'S BAG BAN



Plastic bags harm our health and quality of life. The ban is being put into effect to protect Lake Erie, rivers, parks, and natural resources. Each year, more than 300 million bags are discarded in Cuyahoga County alone, and drinking water treatment plants cannot filter them out of the system. Also, water and sewer systems run more smoothly without plastic bags clogging storm drains and discharging into our lakes, streams and creeks.

Bag bans work. They have been in effect in China for more than a decade, and Ireland for 17 years. In Chicago, bag usage dropped by more than 50 percent in the first month of its program. Currently, 127 countries and 349 jurisdictions have regulations on plastic bags.

Please do your part to help our environment by using reusable bags.



According to the EPA, 102 billion plastic bags are used and discarded in the U.S. every year. We can help reduce this tremendous pollution waste.



ACTIVE-SHOOTER TRAINING

The Beachwood Police Department offers active-shooter training for Beachwood-based businesses based on the ALICE model. ALICE (**A**lert, **L**ockdown, **I**nform, **C**ounter, **E**vacuate) is a proactive options-based program for responding to a violent critical incident. To schedule a free training session or for more information, contact: Officer Jamey Appell at 216.595.3749.



PARENT COACHES NEEDED

Beachwood Recreation programs cannot be offered without parental involvement. Interested in coaching? Contact Frank Vicchiarelli at 216.292.1970. The City requires Youth Sport Volunteer Adult Coaches to submit to a background check.



KARATE TRAINING

Would you or your child like more discipline, honor and fitness, all while learning how to defend yourself? Our Beachwood Recreation Karate class is a perfect fit: a great family activity for ages 4 through adult.

The instructor, Sensei Raphael Lancry, has trained in a variety of martial art disciplines specializing in Karate spanning over a 30-year period. Sensei Lancry's curriculum will include basic, intermediate, and advanced levels of training in the Okinawan Shorin-ryu Karatedo system and self-defense. Training includes Kata (forms), self-defense techniques, striking, blocking, and falling applications.

The class takes place at the Beachwood Community Center on Mondays and Thursdays from 5:45 – 6:45 PM. Two 9-class sessions are available beginning January 9 with the cost of \$63 per Resident (\$68 Non-Resident) per session.

For more information, see page 28. To register or learn more, please call 216.292.1970.

ART EXHIBITS

BEACHWOOD
COMMUNITY CENTER



FROM CONCEPT TO MATERIAL:

RECENT WORK BY JESSICA PINSKY, REBECCA CROSS AND ANNA ROUTSON

Now – January 11

INTEGRITY SHARED:

ARTWORK BY ALAN MINTZ AND DENNIS LONG

January 15 – February 2

Artists' Reception: Sunday, January 26, 1:00 – 2:30 PM

LOCKBOX PROGRAM

In an emergency, every second counts! The Beachwood Department of Fire & Rescue (BDFR) offers a lockbox program to expedite access into homes during emergencies. Pay a one-time \$30 fee for a metal box with a spare key inside. It is accessible exclusively by the BDFR in the event of an emergency. Residents interested in purchasing a lockbox should call 216.292.1965.



NO-SHAVE NOVEMBER

During No-Shave November, the Beachwood Police Department, with support of the Fire & Rescue Department, Mayor Martin Horwitz, City Council members and other city employees, raised \$2,547 to benefit The Gathering Place. Many thanks to all who participated and/or donated to help those who have been impacted by cancer.

