

MAPLE HEIGHTS DISTRICT 2 NEWSLETTER

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New home construction in Maple Heights!

Earlier this year two new homes were completed on Jefferson Avenue. In late Spring, a developer approached the City to purchase 3 vacant lots on Dunham and one on Woodbrook for the construction of new homes and just last month another developer approached the City to purchase a vacant lot on Greendale to build a new home. On top of that, the City sold land to PIRHL Developers who applied and are receiving financing through the State of Ohio to construct a 50 unit senior living facility off Hazelwood Court.

STREET CONDITIONS: Many residents are voicing concerns of their street conditions. The Ohio gas tax last year was to enable the City to receive \$1 Million Dollars in 2020 for street resurfacing for the entire City. With COVID having more people working from home and less driving during the pandemic, the dollar amount plummeted. However, The City Engineer and Service Director will be 'grading' the street conditions in each District this Summer.

FAT CAT'S PIZZERIA BAR AND GRILL is opening soon! Please support new businesses in Maple Heights. They are located in the old Reddi's Pizza building at Rockside and Dunham.

WASTE MANAGEMENT: I am in weekly contact with WM regarding concerns. Currently they are looking for drivers (so are the other competitors) and are short handed. Since the drivers have a CDL, there are limitations to the hours they can drive each week, and with the amount of bulk trash (meaning more than just your cans) they are making more drives to the dump during pickup time. Please be patient, and please let me know your contact info if you live in District 2 so I can notify you if there is an issue. I do post on Facebook but it does not reach everyone.

MUSIC IN THE PARK RETURNS to Stafford Park! July 27-Blue Lunch, August 24-Hubb's Grove, August 31-Kevin Conwell and the Footprints. Concerts begin at 6:30PM, bring a chair! Food available by Stix & Buns.

EARLY VOTING BEGINS JULY 7-AUGUST 2, PRIMARY ELECTION AUGUST 3 for the 11th Congressional District seat that was vacated earlier with the appointment of Marcia Fudge as President Biden's Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

MORE INFORMATION:

- MOBILE FOOD PANTRY AT ST ANDREW'S EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH AT 16029 MAPLE PARK DRIVE. The Mobile Food Pantry will be open the 3rd Thursday of each month from 9:30 11:30AM. Please bring your own bags.
- **PROPERTY TAX ASSISTANCE FOR SENIORS**-if you are behind in your property tax and are a senior or on disability, ESOP may be able to assist through a 0% interest loan for repayment of taxes. They will also set up a monthly plan for current taxes. Contact them at 216-361-0718 for more information. Cuyahoga County Treasurer's Office will also work with you to establish a payment plan, call 21-443-7420.
- HOME REPAIR ASSISTANCE: The City of Maple Heights has a paint program for eligible homeowners, please call the building department for more info. The County has a HELP Program that reduces the prime rate by 3% and is available through Huntington Bank. Rebuilding Together Northeast Ohio can assist with handrails, door repairs or bathroom modifications, call 216-800-8556 x2103. CHN Housing Partners has a zero percent loan up to \$20,000, visit www.chnhousingcapital.org/homerepair/ Eligibility requirements you must be current in property tax and a family of one must make under \$63,840, visit the website for the application and more information.
- **<u>DOG WARDEN</u>** works for the Service Department and can be reached at 662-5884 or email at <u>aulee@mapleheightsohio.com</u>.
- **<u>RENTAL ASSISTANCE</u>** is available through <u>www.chnhousingpartners.org/rentalassistance</u> if you are behind in your rent.
- LANDLORD TENANT HANDBOOK is available at the Building Department and online at www.citymapleheights.org that outlines responsibilities of both landlords and tenants, quality of life issues.
- Please contact me at 216-650-5409 or by email at tjonesd2@hotmail.com for any questions or concerns. I also have a Council Facebook page at: Toni Jones, Maple Heights Council District 2 where I post events regarding the City and Council news.

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