

# THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS

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# *The* CITY EDITION

## ATTENTION: RESIDENTS

### CHANGES TO

### TRASH AND RECYCLING

### STARTING IN JANUARY

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## VOLUNTEER/SPONSOR APPRECIATION DINNER

Volunteer help and sponsors are essential to the success of the many activities that the Richmond Heights Recreation Department has offered to its residents. On Saturday, February 9, the Recreation Department is hosting a Volunteer/Sponsor Appreciation Dinner to say thank you and recognize the individuals who volunteered or were a sponsor for a City event or activity in the **last calendar year**. This fun-filled event will take place from 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at the Kiwanis Lodge. If you have volunteered or sponsored and would like to attend, please contact the Recreation Department at (216) 383-6313 before January 14.

## JOIN THE FUN!

### RECREATION DEPARTMENT

### LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

### TO HELP WITH CITY EVENTS

(216) 383-6313

## A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR DAVID H. ROCHE

Happy New Year! As 2018 was winding down we wished Police Chief Gene Rowe a happy retirement and welcomed new Police Chief Thomas Wetzel and new Police Patrolmen Joseph Klepac and Ryan Pate. We also brought Firefighter Justin D. Magill from part-time to full-time status and added new Part-time Firefighters Matthew O'Donnell and Justin A. Corbe. Dollar General opened in August and the Cuyahoga County Airport renovations are now complete.

The City continues to apply for, receive, and utilize grants as well as collaborate with other government resources to help fund city improvements and update equipment and facilities. A Source Capture Exhaust System to remove vehicle exhaust emissions from the fire station apparatus bay is 100% funded by grant monies and 35 portable radios for police were replaced with grant assistance through Cuyahoga Emergency Communications Systems. A federal block grant distributed through Cuyahoga County provides 75% of the funds for the Kiwanis Lodge updates for new bathrooms, a kitchenette, and showers and will qualify the lodge to be used as an emergency shelter. Grants also helped fund the Greenwood Farm sewer connection and several county road improvements that were completed this year.

Many interested residents attended the October Community Conversations event to view and discuss plans and progress within the city. Watch for an announcement and plan to join us when we host the next Community Conversations event the evening of April 30.

Over 200 residents completed the Richmond Heights Needs Assessment Recreation Survey online and on paper. A summary of the results, which indicated residents are happy with current offerings, were presented to City Council in November. The majority of respondents feel our city parks are clean and safe and have used them at least once in the past year. The Recreation Department's organized events such as the Summer Concert Series, Breakfast With Santa, Easter Egg Hunt, and the annual bus trip scored well. We are reviewing all the comments and suggestions to stay current with and best serve our residents interests.

The success of our recreation activities wouldn't be possible without our wonderful volunteers and event sponsors. I'm looking forward to celebrating and recognizing their efforts and generous contributions at our annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner in February. If you have a little spare time or business to promote we have a fun group and can always use assistance for upcoming events, programs, and activities.

Bookmark our website [richmondheightsohio.org](http://richmondheightsohio.org) on your cell phone to get the latest City information wherever you are. I look forward to seeing you soon at our upcoming activities.

**R & B LINE DANCE**  
**EXERCISE BY TINA**  
**Are you trying to lose weight**  
**or start living a healthy**  
**lifestyle? This fun class is a**  
**great form of exercise.**

**WEDNESDAYS**  
**6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**  
**Kiwanis Lodge**

**For more information,**  
**contact Tina (216) 347-4551**

### SENIOR FITNESS CLASSES

Seniors come join the Wednesday & Friday morning fitness classes at 9:30 a.m. Light weights, chair exercises, Zumba Gold (Latin dance & fitness moves) and Zumba toning. Please wear comfortable clothing and shoes with light traction. Bring light hand weights, hand towel and water. No registration required, open to all.

Cost: \$3.00 per class.

For more information, please contact Cindy at (216) 346-8909

### RICHMOND HEIGHTS YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE TEAM SPONSORS

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**Richmond Heights Kiwanis**

**THANK YOU SPONSORS!**

### YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUES STARTING IN RICHMOND HEIGHTS

The Richmond Heights Recreation Department and the South Euclid Lyndhurst Soccer Club have formed a partnership to bring youth soccer to Richmond Heights. The boys and girls youth soccer leagues registration has begun. The first games will be played this spring. All regular season games for grades K-6 are played at the new DeSan Park Soccer Field. Register for the league at SELSC.org. For more information, call (216) 383-6313.



**PICKLEBALL**  
**RICHMOND HEIGHTS**

**Tuesdays 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. January 8 - March 19**  
**Christian Assembly Church 25595 Chardon Road**  
**11 sessions - \$33 Open to beginner and intermediate!**

### Easter Egg Hunt

**Date: Saturday, April 13, starts at 10:00 a.m.**

**Location: Richmond Heights Community Park**

**What's included: Candy and prizes!**  
**Visit with the Easter bunny! Bring a basket/bag**

**Who: Ages 12 and under**

### Community Garage Sale

**Participants Needed!**

**WHEN: Saturday, May 4, from 9:00 a.m.- 1:30 p.m.**  
**(Setup: 7:00 a.m.- 8:30 a.m.)**

**WHERE: Richmond Heights Community Park**  
**27285 Highland Road**

**COST: Participant spaces are \$15 each**  
**Registration form - richmondheightsohio.org**  
**or at Richmond Heights City Hall**

**INFO: Call the Recreation Department at (216) 383-6313**

### **SPRING CLEANUP!**

**Tidy your closets, garage & basement. Opportunity to make extra cash!**

## POLICE CHIEF GENE ROWE RETIRES



Chief Gene Rowe retired after serving as the City's Police Chief for 25 ½ years. Chief Rowe's last day was Friday, November 2. Prior to beginning his municipal law enforcement career, Chief Rowe served four years in the United States Air Force 1966-1970. He completed his Basic Peace Officer Training at the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy in 1972. He has been the Chief in Richmond Heights since 1993. Prior to joining the Richmond Heights Police Department, he served 21 years with the Warrensville Heights Police Department, as a Patrol Officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant, Detective Bureau Commander, Executive Officer and Chief of Police. Also, while a member of the Warrensville Heights Police Department he served as the agency's firearms instructor and was the SWAT Team Commander for 9 years. He has been a Chief of Police for 30 years and has been a supervisor 42 of his 46 years in municipal law enforcement.

### NEW OFFICERS HIRED

Ptl. Joseph Klepac and Ptl. Ryan Pate were hired as new officers.

Ptl. Klepac had served previously with the Highland Heights Police Department for seven years.

Ptl. Pate graduated from Lakeland Community College in 2015 with a degree in Criminal Justice. He is also working on a double major for his bachelor's degree in Psychology and Criminal Justice at Youngstown State.

## TOM WETZEL APPOINTED NEW POLICE CHIEF

Tom Wetzel has been appointed as the new Richmond Heights Police Chief. Chief Wetzel has 31 years of experience in law enforcement with the City of Beachwood Police Department where his duties included managing investigation, overseeing police force activities, conducting comprehensive training programs; serving as SWAT TEAM Commander; and providing oversight on community policing and training for the Beachwood Police Department. He also assisted in the design and implementation of the Children's On-Line Protection Program (e-COPP).



Chief Wetzel is highly skilled at directing and leading police personnel to meet law enforcement objectives, while serving the needs of residents and the general public. He has excellent interpersonal skills and the ability to analyze situations effectively and react quickly, calmly and appropriately.

He holds a Criminal Justice degree from Lakeland Community College, is a graduate of the Police Executive Leadership College and is a Certified Law Enforcement Executive. Currently he is an adjunct professor in community policing at Lakeland Community College and is also an instructor at the North Coast Polytechnic Institute which provides training to police officers throughout Northeast Ohio.

Our new Chief knows Richmond Heights well as he grew up here and has deep roots within the community. Prior to his employment with Beachwood, Tom was a dispatcher for the City of Richmond Heights from 1985 – 1987. He serves as a volunteer lay minister at University Hospital/Richmond Medical Center and Waterford Nursing Center.

Chief Wetzel has a deep appreciation for the principles of community policing and recognizes the value of developing strong and positive relationships throughout the community. His goal is to provide a high level of professional police services to Richmond Heights and build on the trust and confidence of those served. He is very much looking forward to the opportunity of serving his hometown through his new position as Richmond Heights Police Chief.

### VISIT THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS ONLINE TO OBTAIN READYNOTIFY ALERTS, E-NEWSLETTER AND MORE!

Under Subscriptions on the City of Richmond Heights homepage, located at [www.richmondheightsohio.org](http://www.richmondheightsohio.org), you can subscribe to ReadyNotify, Cuyahoga County's mass notification system. Cuyahoga County will use the registration information you provide to send you Countywide emergency alerts, County updates, or other available alerts. In this same Subscriptions section, you can find an electronic archive of the *City Edition* and our Richmond Heights e-newsletter. This is also the spot where you can find the registration link to subscribe to our e-newsletter. Lastly, our Subscriptions page includes a link to "Connect with City Hall," an interactive, online comment system where you may enter kudos, questions, comments, or complaints related to the City's government.

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEWS

Developer DealPoint Merrill has opened the CubeSmart indoor storage facility in the former Macy's Department store at Richmond Town Square. The Macy's store, which closed in 2015, was purchased by DealPoint Merrill in December 2017. A portion of the building's first floor and second floors have been renovated to hold 1,087 climate controlled secure storage units. Up to 37,000 square feet of retail on the first and second floors is also planned. The purchase and renovation is a \$9.9 million investment in Richmond Heights by DealPoint Merrill.

Also at Richmond Town Square, DealPoint Merrill has recently purchased the vacant Sears store, which closed in 2017, and its surrounding parking. Planning and design is now underway for a projected \$70 million mixed use development on the site that will include 375 apartment units, recreation amenities, ground floor retail, a restaurant and a small hotel. Demolition and construction should begin the second half of 2019.

A new Dollar General store, located at 26180 Chardon Road just east of Richmond Road, has opened. The 7,500 square foot store employs 10 people who assist customers by delivering low prices on items including food, health and beauty aids, cleaning supplies, paper products and seasonal items.

### NEW BUSINESS

**FIRST HANDS  
HEALTH CAREERS  
464 Richmond Road  
(216) 264-3407**

**Nursing Assistant Courses**

## RICHMOND HEIGHTS FIRE PREVENTION SMOKE ALARM BASICS

There are three types of sensor technology used in smoke alarms: Photoelectric, Ionization and a Combination or Dual Sensor that incorporates both sensors in one smoke alarm. Photoelectric is the sensor of choice.

### Locations

\* Photoelectric smoke alarms should be placed, at a minimum, on every level of the home including the basement, outside every sleeping area and in every bedroom. Smoke alarms should be mounted on the ceiling or high on the wall (smoke rises). Always follow the manufacturer's instructions.

\* Additional smoke alarms can be added to increase your protection.

### Testing and Maintenance

\* Test each smoke alarm monthly by pushing the button.

\* Replace 9 volt and AA batteries in smoke alarms twice a year. (Remember: change your clocks, change your batteries.)

\* If the alarm "chirps," warning that the battery is low, replace the battery right away.

\* All smoke alarms have a recommended service life of 10 years. Replace your smoke alarms at this time or sooner if they are not functioning properly.

\* Vacuum or dust out cobwebs that have accumulated in smoke alarms at least once per year.

### Additional Tips

\* Consider installing interconnected photoelectric smoke alarms (wired or wireless). When one detector sounds, every detector throughout the house sounds.

\* In the event of a false alarm, never remove the battery or disconnect the power source. Simply fan the smoke or steam away from the smoke alarm until the alarm stops. Some alarms come with a button you can push to temporarily silence the alarm.

\* If a contractor or supplier is installing your smoke alarm, make sure you are provided with the manufacturer's instructions.

\* Many communities provide free smoke alarms and batteries to residents who cannot afford them, and may install them for you if you require assistance. Check with your local fire department.

\* Smoke alarms are one component of a complete home fire escape plan. Have a plan and practice it.

## RICHMOND HEIGHTS BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

All City Candy recently celebrated its five-year anniversary. Located at 746 Richmond Road near Wilson Mills Road, All City Candy is a 5,000 square foot candy "wonderland" with more than 600 bins of bulk candy, candy by color, fine chocolates and fudge ranging from nostalgic favorites to today's popular items. They also produce their own line of gourmet chocolate-dipped pretzels and confections that are hand-dipped right in the store. Elisabeth Sapell, Owner & President, opened All City Candy in Richmond Heights in October 2013. When asked what she likes most about her job, Elisabeth said, "The best part of my job is seeing happy customers of all ages. Everybody loves candy and when they walk in and see the expanse of fun, colorful candy, they turn into kids all over again. Some people gasp, some shout, some just stand there in awe. We've even had customers ask if this is what heaven looks like!"

## WINTER REMINDERS

Please be patient with our snowplow drivers when we have snow, they are doing the best that they can. Don't drive too closely behind a plow truck they may stop suddenly or back up and they may not see you. We want everyone to stay safe on the roads.

Make sure to check your rural mailboxes throughout the winter months, snow and ice coming off the snowplows can loosen them and eventually knock them off. We are not responsible for repairing or replacing them if we do not directly hit them.

Do not push snow from your driveway or apron into the street, if you are seen doing this you could get a citation. Also we **do not** remove snow from driveway aprons, which is the responsibility of the homeowner, and we can't angle our plows differently so the snow doesn't go into your apron. This happens every year and we know a lot of our residents have their driveways plowed, but there is nothing that can be done about this. Please tell your snow plow drivers **do not** put snow in the middle of your cul-de-sacs, or on someone else's tree lawn, they are to put it on your tree lawn **only**.

## SNOW PLOW ORDINANCES

**783.01** No person shall remove snow, by means of a snow removal vehicle, from private driveways or parking lots in the City without first having obtained a snow plow permit from the Police Department.

**783.02** Prior to issuance of the permit required in section 783.01, the applicant shall furnish the year, make, model and license plate number of the vehicle to be used, and the name, address and telephone number of the owner. Each applicant shall pay the sum of \$10 for such permit for each vehicle, which covers October 15 to April 15 of each year.

## SERVICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

**New Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Monday – Friday**  
**Phone: (216) 731-7014**

### CHANGES TO TRASH AND RECYCLING STARTING IN JANUARY

Waste Management will be delivering new wheeled carts compatible with an automated truck to the end of Richmond Heights residents' driveways during the week of January 7. Cart deliveries are expected to take the entire week to complete. Use of the new carts starts January 14. **Fill your cart first, the cart must be filled completely before extra cans or bags may be placed outside the cart. Place your carts out by 7:30 a.m. Place the front opening towards the street and the wheels toward your home.** Please keep a **minimum of 3 feet** of space **between cart and other items**, like your mailbox. Carts must be **within 3 feet of the curb**. Please **DO NOT** park your car in front of your cart on pick up day.

***The City of Richmond Heights has suspended curbside recycling, senior newspaper pickup, and drop off for recycling at the Service Department.*** Due to changes in the world recycling market, including stricter rules regarding what is recyclable, the cost to include curbside recycling for 2019 would have more than doubled the 2018 refuse collection cost. Additional considerations include the fact that less than 10% of residents recycled on a regular basis and almost 80% of the materials intended for recycling were not properly prepared and ultimately ended up in landfills, despite attempts to inform recyclers of requirements. Paper recycling bins (for paper or cardboard only) will continue to be available behind the schools.

**For more information about recycling opportunities:** contact the Cuyahoga Solid Waste District at (216) 443-3749 or see their website [cuyahogarecycles.org](http://cuyahogarecycles.org). The City will continue to review recycling options and hopes to restart a program when circumstances change.

At this time there is no fee to pickup appliances, such as refrigerators, freezers, stoves, washers or dryers. To schedule a pickup, call the Service Department at (216) 731-7014.

**Special Recycling Programs for household hazardous waste, computers, and tires will continue in 2019. Please see the schedule on page 6.**

Call Waste Management 1 (866) 797-9018 to pick up large furniture or large waste items. It is a good idea to call first to let them know you will have it out, and to inquire about any special instructions. One special instruction they do have is: anything that is fabric, mattresses, chairs, sofas, etc. **must be wrapped in plastic and sealed with tape**, or they **will not** pick it up. If you have carpeting to get rid of you must cut it into 4-foot lengths, roll it and tie it. Make sure each roll is not too heavy for one man to pick up, or they will tag it and leave it on your tree lawn. If it looks like it might rain, try not to put the carpeting out, because the carpeting will absorb the rain and make it very heavy. There are certain items our waste hauler **will not** pick up. These items include, automotive parts, blocks of concrete, rocks, earth, and household hazardous waste materials.

Yard waste will continue to be picked up on your normal collection day by our contracted hauler, Waste Management. When you bag grass and other yard materials **do not** make them too heavier than 30 pounds or the hauler will not pick them up. They will pick up branches also, you need to have them cut in widths of 3 or 4-foot, bundled and tied, and please watch the weight of the bundles.

## ALARM PERMITS INFO

The City of Richmond Heights Chapter 791 Emergency Alarm Systems states that no person shall operate an alarm system without a valid permit. This legislation passed in 1986 is one that many residents may not be aware of. If you have a home or business in the City of Richmond Heights with an active alarm system that is monitored by an alarm company, you need to obtain an alarm permit.

### How to obtain a permit?

Please come to the Police Department Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and see the Clerk. She will have you complete a permit application. A \$10 fee is required and can be paid in cash or check. You will receive a copy of the permit along with a receipt.

### What information is needed?

We will ask basic information such as name, address and phone number. Also more specific information such as alarm company name, date the alarm was installed/activated, and three emergency contacts (name, address and phone).

### How does this benefit the residents?

This allows the Richmond Heights Police Department to have contact information for you if we need to reach you regarding your property. Once dispatched to an alarm, if the officers find an open door to the residence or an unknown person on the property or around the property or any other concerns, the dispatchers can call to inform the resident. If the resident is unavailable then we can contact an alternative key holder or emergency contact.

Alarm invoices are mailed out quarterly by the Police Department. Any questions please contact the Clerk at (216) 531-3644. For the full article see [richmondheightsohio.org](http://richmondheightsohio.org)

## RICHMOND HEIGHTS SCHOOLS UPDATE

The Richmond Heights School District is completing the second phase of design for the new Upper School. Thanks to the passage of Issue 62 in November, 2017, the district looks to break ground in the spring. The demolition of the current school will occur in two phases. The present high school gym will be demolished in the summer of 2019, as that is the only part of the existing building that overlaps onto the site of the new building. The remainder of the current school will house the students and staff throughout construction, and will then be demolished upon completion of the new building near the end of 2020. The new building will be built primarily on the current high school parking lot adjacent to the football field. The new 92,000 square foot facility will be home to academic classes for students in grades 7-12; The Richmond Heights Branch of the Cuyahoga County Library; room for the YMCA's Silver Sneakers Program; and classroom space for a potential aviation curriculum. The superintendent has been cultivating many relationships with potential partners that may be interested in helping the district make an aviation program a reality. The athletic complex will serve the school with a competitive gym as well as an auxiliary gym; but will also be able to convert into multiple gyms to be able to house the city's recreation leagues in the evening. The Technology Commons will have computer labs; distance learning capability; and a "Makerspace" to promote innovation and creativity. The student dining area will be able to convert into a multipurpose area for community use in the evenings. The retractable auditorium seating will accommodate 250 people and will host not only community meetings and events but also the speaker series provided by the County Library. Architectural renditions can be seen on the district's website.

### 2019 RECYCLING EVENTS

#### AT THE SERVICE GARAGE 26260 CHARDONVIEW ROAD

#### Recycle Your Computer Dates

Months of April and August, every Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Monitors, towers, keyboards, printers, laptops, & cell phones are accepted.

#### Scrap Tire Round-Up

Every Saturday in the month of August 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Reminder:** No tires will be accepted with rims.

#### Household Hazardous Waste Disposal

Every Saturday in the months of January, April, July and October 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Accepted Items:** Oil or solvent based paint **ONLY**,

sealers, primers or coatings (aerosols or liquid); varnishes, polyurethanes, shellacs; paint thinner, mineral spirits, turpentine; pesticides, herbicides, fungicides; caustic household cleaners; pool chemicals; automotive fluids, motor oil, car batteries, adhesives, roof tar, driveway sealer; kerosene, gasoline, lighter fluid; fluorescent bulbs (6 foot max). **Materials Not Accepted:** Latex paint; explosives, gun powder, ammunition flares; medical waste, medicine, smoke detectors; tires; electronics, appliances, business or commercial waste.

## FLOWER BASKET PROGRAM

Individuals and businesses can contribute to Richmond Heights' beautification through the support of the Flower Basket Program. This summer, the City plans to purchase and install 24 flower baskets at the main intersections in Richmond Heights, and at City buildings and park locations. The Service Department will maintain the flower baskets through the summer months.

Suggested minimum support is \$100 for a business and \$50 for individuals. Baskets can be purchased "in honor of" or "in memory of" someone special. Please make checks payable to "City of Richmond Heights Flower Basket Program" and mail to: Finance Director; City of Richmond Heights; 26789 Highland Road; Richmond Heights, Ohio 44143. Donations will be accepted throughout the year. Recognition of your donation will be publicized in the "City Edition" by calendar year and on the City website.

## GREENWOOD FARM HISTORICAL CULTURAL & ARTS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

The Greenwood Farm Historical, Cultural, & Arts Association is accepting new memberships and membership renewals for 2019 at this time. If you are interested in becoming a member or helping in any way, please check the Greenwood Farm website at [www.greenwoodfarmassn.org](http://www.greenwoodfarmassn.org), or obtain a membership form at City Hall. For more information, please call (216) 486-2474.

## RICHMOND HEIGHTS KIWANIS CLUB

The Richmond Heights Kiwanis Club is a place where you can help sustain the local community, with a special focus on supporting youths. They are the longest, continuously running service organization in Richmond Heights. They are youth-focused with the whole organization designed to support children. The Kiwanis provided books for the Richmond Heights Elementary School Library and distributed toys to pediatric patients at Cleveland MetroHealth Medical Center and sponsor a Richmond Heights Youth Basketball League team.

The club is open to folks ages 21 and older—including both males and females—and members pay a small annual membership fee of \$110. General meetings are held each Thursday at the Lodge at 6:30 p.m. The group starts with a standard opening, and then members enjoy a delicious meal together (cost, \$8) before engaging in a general meeting format. At times, meetings include a special guest speaker. On occasion, the group engages in special entertainment, such as hosting clam bakes, organizing Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day and other holiday festivities, attending horse harness races, enjoying a Kiwanis Night at the Captains, and more.

The Kiwanis Club is free to check out, and members of the public are welcome to join a general meeting to explore what the club is about. For more information, please contact Ron Lew at (216) 509-2216.

## KIWANIS BENCH PROGRAM

The Richmond Heights Kiwanis Club is furnishing individuals and organizations the opportunity to sponsor a Richmond Heights Community Park bench that can feature personalized plaques. Up to two plaques can be featured on each bench. Richmond Heights Kiwanis has already placed six benches with plaques in the park and has two remaining benches to be placed. Sponsorship is \$250 per plaque. For more details about this program, contact Kiwanis Club member Aire Roche at (216) 291-2207.

## RICHMOND HEIGHTS SENIOR CITIZEN CLUB NEWS

As part of the Richmond Heights Senior Citizen Club, you will reap the benefits of an accepting, friendly atmosphere coupled with the joy that comes with mingling with friends and neighbors. You must simply be a Richmond Heights resident who is 50 years of age or older to enjoy this highly social, intrinsically rewarding group.

The Senior Club is looking to grow, so come alone—or better yet, bring a friend or neighbor who is also 50 years or older. Dues are a mere \$10 annually, and general meetings include a snack, in addition to entertainment or a live speaker. General meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. at the Kiwanis Lodge, located at 27285 Highland Road. For more information, please contact Senior Club President Mitzi Binder at (216) 531-1585.

## RICHMOND HEIGHTS GARDEN CLUB

The Richmond Heights Garden is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> year. There are interesting garden related programs planned for March through June 2019 including the "Annual Spring Luncheon" in April and a field trip in May. The Garden Club meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Yearly dues are \$10.00. If you are interested in joining the Garden Club or for more information, please contact Dolores Scialino at 216-382-7866.

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## THE LUNCH BUNCH

Join us for the social gathering of the year! Participants will be sent to various restaurants in the surrounding area to try new and delightful cuisines and get to know each other on their lunch dates together. \$12 per person for the YEAR! 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month; reservations are at 1:00 p.m. The upcoming dates with restaurants and locations are as follows: **February 7 - Vittorio's in Wickliffe; March 7 - Jack's Deli in University Heights; April 4 - Petie's Restaurant in Willowick; May 2 - Ho Wah in Beachwood;** \*Participants are responsible for their own transportation and meal check.

## RICHMOND HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

**Tuesday, April 30 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

**Kiwanis Lodge**

Mayor David H. Roche, City Council, and members of the City of Richmond Heights administration ask residents to mark their calendars to join us on Tuesday, April 30 for an evening of small group resident-driven roundtable discussions about the City of Richmond Heights in an informative event called Community Conversations. The City would also like to thank residents who attended last fall's event as well as our guest representatives from DealPoint Merrill (developer of the former Macy's and Sears at Richmond Town Square), Richmond Heights Local School Superintendent Dr. Renee Willis, Honorable Judge Dominic Coletta of Lyndhurst Municipal Court, Cuyahoga County Planning Commission, and the Charter Review Committee. Guest representatives for the upcoming spring Community Conversations will be announced later.

## SET CLOCKS AHEAD DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

Don't forget it's time to "SPRING AHEAD." Set your clocks ahead one (1) hour on Sunday, March 10, at 2:00 a.m.

## UPCOMING RICHMOND HEIGHTS ACTIVITIES

Volunteer/Sponsor Appreciation Dinner  
Saturday, February 9  
5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Kiwanis Lodge

Easter Egg Hunt  
Saturday, April 13  
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Community Garage Sale  
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