



From Mayor Bacci's Desk

As we close out 2025—we see that without an end, there would be no new year, no new start, we should reflect and pause to remember our journey, appreciate lessons learned, and set intentions for what is to come. We all should appreciate the things in life that most of us take for granted—our health, our family, our jobs, our community. Faith makes all things possible, hope makes all things work, and love makes all things beautiful. At this time, I would like to wish you and yours a very merry and blessed Christmas.

Projects Around Town

Hillside Redevelopment

After months of delays, construction started up again at the former site of the Hillside property. Our team has worked very hard, and for a very long time, in getting this property developed. I want to give special thanks to the Ohio EPA and Dottore Companies LLC for working with us to resolve some issues at the site so that the project was able to move forward. We are very excited about welcoming Southern Glazer's Wine & Spirits to our village.



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Klima Gardens

As you may have seen, the temporary construction fence was installed around the perimeter, the facility was cleaned out and items placed in temporary storage, and the entire roof was removed during demolition. We are excited to see this much needed facelift to the existing structure to make it more user-friendly and accessible year-round. As we have stated before, these improvements will keep the facility vibrant for residents and guests alike for years to come. Below is a rendering of the new roofline and other upgrades to the facility. We hope to have it completed and ready for use by late spring. If anything changes, we will keep our residents updated.



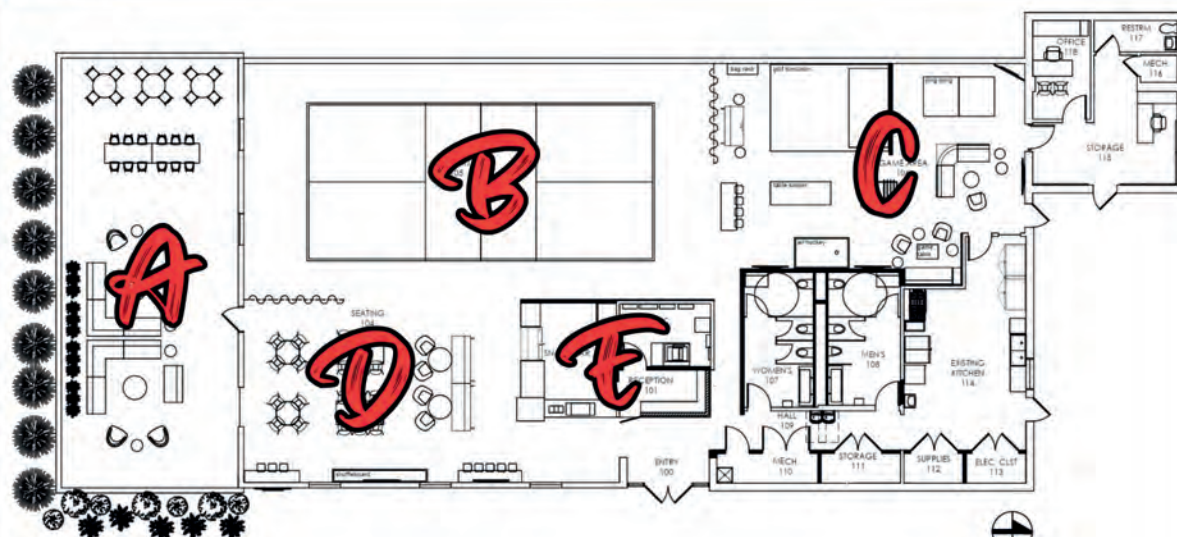
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Toscana Hall

The exterior work at Toscana is almost complete with an updated roof, painting, and windows. However, we had a little setback with our parking lot due to the size and age of the water and existing sewer lines. With an abundance of caution, we corrected these issues before the new pavement was installed. Thank you to all the adjacent neighbors for their patience and understanding during all the concrete work. Demo of the inside of the building was completed earlier in the year, and we just recently finalized the interior layout. As you can see by the rendering below, (A) the facility includes an outside patio; (B) sports area which will include, but not limited to pickleball, corn hole, shuffleboard, yoga, etc.; (C) gaming area which will include, but not limited to foosball, golf simulator, air hockey, etc.; (D) social area where young and old folks alike can share space and have a cup of coffee, sports drink or some fun snacks; (E) concession and reception area. Our plans for the facility is to be used as a clean—simplistic recreational complex for our residents and the community to enjoy. We hope to have this project completed before spring.



Toscana Hall



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Christmas Holiday

Holiday Gift/Food Drive

Our office has been assisting in a holiday gift and food drive for over 15 years that helps out some of our residents here in town during Christmas. Anyone wishing to donate non-perishable food items can do so by leaving your items on your front steps by 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, December 21. Several of our service department employees will pick up the items from your doorstep. For anyone wishing to donate to our cause, please call our office. Thank you in advance and we truly appreciate your kindness and generosity during the Christmas season.



Santa Claus is Coming to Cuyahoga Heights

As we noted in last month's newsletter, Santa and Mrs. Claus will be visiting Bacci Park on Sunday, December 21 from 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. This event is for our resident children and grandchildren between the ages of 0-12. Dress appropriately for the weather and we'll have a fire going to keep warm, as well as serving hot cocoa and cookies. Pictures will be taken and each child will receive a stocking. Deadline to register for the event is Friday, December 5. Please contact the village hall during regular business hours at (216) 641-7020 or email Lee Ann at my office at l.schoeffler@cuyahogaheights.gov. We will need to know the name(s) of your children/grandchildren and their ages. If it's snowing, kids should bring their sleds so they can sled ride on the hill behind the pond pavilion after visiting Santa. Or, if the pond is frozen, kids can enjoy skating on the pond.



Christmas Decorating Contest

Turn your lights on at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 21 for our annual Christmas lighting contest. The judges will be going around town and awarding cash prizes to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place homes. Happy decorating and good luck!

Offices Closed

The village hall and service department will be closed on Wednesday, December 24 and Thursday, December 25.



Senior Citizens

Chair Exercise

Parks & Recreation Director Wheaton's weekly chair exercise program for our residents is going very well, and it's great to see so many participating in this free event. The program is offered every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the upstairs auditorium at the village hall.

The Cuyahoga Heights High School is hosting an event for the senior citizens of our school district communities. On Wednesday, December 3 they will be holding a winter concert and luncheon from 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium and north gym. We want to make sure that all our senior citizens are aware of this event. If you haven't signed up, contact the school at (216) 429-5707.



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West Side Market

Don't forget that we will be starting our monthly trips to the West Side Market on the first Saturday of the month beginning with Saturday, December 6. Residents will be picked up at their home starting at 7:45 a.m. (the market opens at 8:00 a.m.) and shoppers will have a couple of hours to shop. We will then depart the market around 10:15 a.m. to bring you back to your residence. Residents must register by calling the Village Hall no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday, the day before the trip. Mark your calendar for future West Side Market trips: January 3; February 7; March 7; April 4 and May 2. Please note that children 15 years of age and younger must be accompanied by an adult to ride the bus and there is a \$5.00 non-resident bus fee.

Congratulations

Wedding Wishes

Madison Spicer (CHHS Class of 2016), daughter of village resident Erin Harris and granddaughter of village resident Cheryl Harris, recently married Joseph Stefanko (CHHS Class of 2017) on July 18, 2025 in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, Canada. Both graduated from Miami University in 2020. Madison went on to obtain her Master's of Nursing degree while Joseph graduated with his Juris Doctor, both at the University of Toledo. Madison is currently obtaining her Nurse Practitioner license while working as an operating room nurse at Cleveland Clinic Sports Health. Joseph is a transportation attorney at Amundsen Davis LLC in downtown Cleveland. Pictured are the newlyweds during their wedding.



Sports Achievements

We are always very proud of our village resident students at CHHS and would like to recognize the following athletes from the fall season:

Volleyball - All CVC-Metro Division

1st Team: Alexandria Williams

2nd Team: Camryn Barnes

Honorable Mention: Alexis Unger

Football - All CVC-Metro Division

1st Team: Ben Armbrust, James Henley and Zander Meriwether

Football - NE Lakes All District

Honorable Mention: Ben Armbrust, James Henley and Zander Meriwether

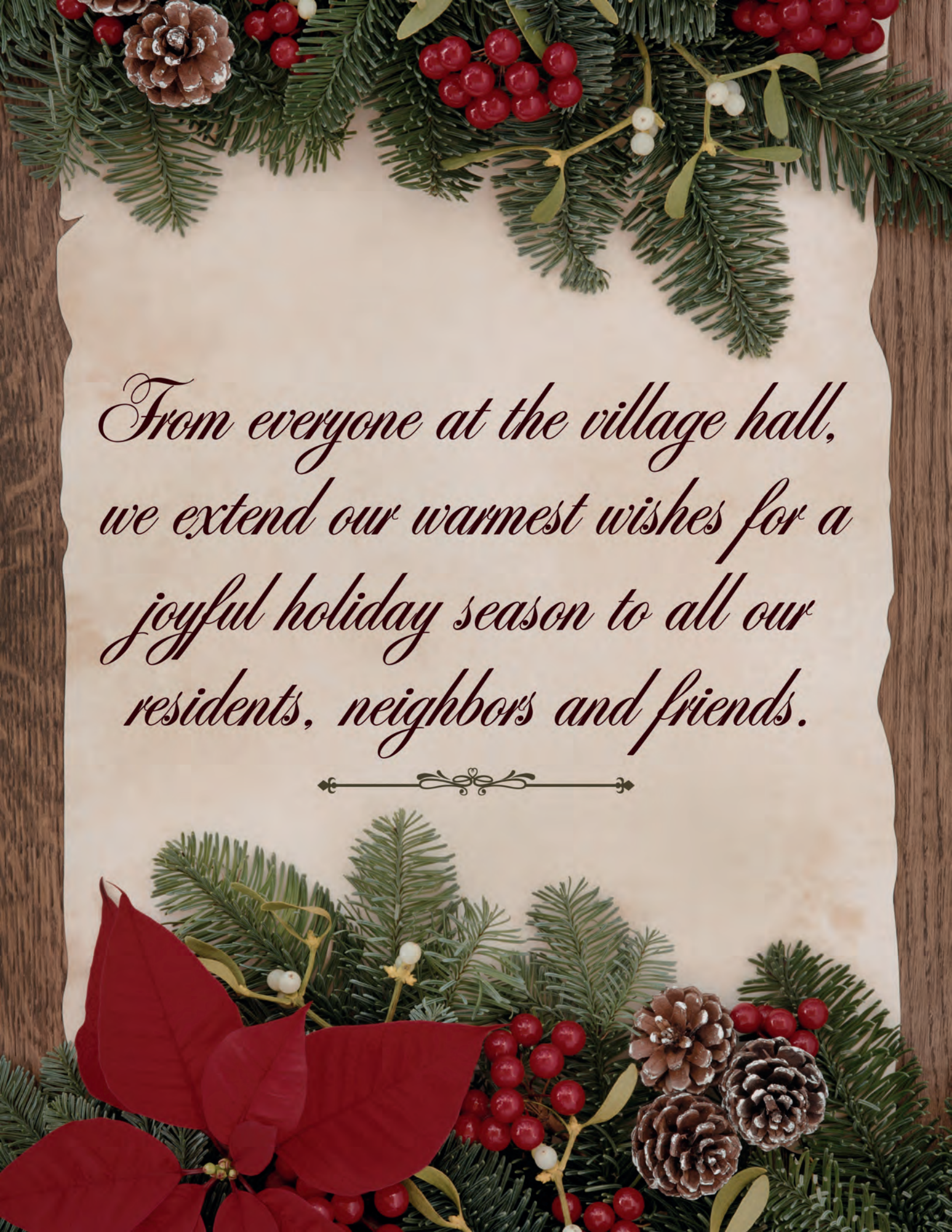


December Birthdays

Birthday wishes to employees: (8) Jesse James, (15) Diane Simmons, (16) Damon Schreiber and (24) Braden Susnik.

Birthday wishes to John Reiger who turns "70" on December 28th. If everyone knew you as well as I do, this is more than a milestone birthday...lol. Happy birthday J. Ringo! Pictured with John is Snowflake and the Grinch during our 2023 Santa visit at Bacci Park.





*From everyone at the village hall,
we extend our warmest wishes for a
joyful holiday season to all our
residents, neighbors and friends.*

