

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

March 06, 2026



Greetings!

I apologize for missing my Mayor's Message last week, but my wife and I were both hit pretty hard with the flu and have been taking it easier than we normally do. It's been a rough couple of weeks at our house, but things are finally getting back to normal. When I first started feeling poorly, I hoped that a few days of much-needed rest might be enough, but by Day 3, it became obvious that I wasn't getting any better. Unfortunately, as I was leaving the doctor's office, I suffered a minor medical emergency and the need arose to call the Broadview Heights rescue squad. It came as no surprise to my wife and me that they conducted themselves with the utmost professionalism as they used their skills to assess the situation and come up with the best course of action. She and I both appreciated how communicative and kind they were to us, so I would like to publicly and enthusiastically thank Firefighter/Paramedics Chase Reagan, Daniel Spoto, and Nathaniel Dloniak. They represented their department and their colleagues very well. Broadview Heights is extremely fortunate to have such wonderful men looking out for all of us!

As the month of March begins, we recognize Women's History Month, a time to celebrate the critical impact and achievements of women throughout history. We honor those who have made vital contributions to our society, often overcoming significant hurdles and breaking barriers along the way. They have significantly impacted science, industry, social policies, and laws that have made the world a better place, thus creating lasting and positive changes.

This month, I invite everyone to celebrate the women in their lives and to continue encouraging our daughters to keep pursuing their own dreams and to be a part of a future that ensures equal opportunities for everyone. I'd personally like to recognize my mother, Darlene, for all of her hard work raising five children under sometimes difficult financial circumstances. She always made sure that we were well fed, did our best in school, and comforted us when we were sad or hurt. My mom instilled in me the value of hard work, respect for others, and the importance of knowing right from wrong. But above all else, I always knew that I had a mother who loved me, believed in me, and was there for me no matter what. Today, even in her 80's, my mom is still in my corner, cheering me on and encouraging me to always do my best.

As a stay-at-home wife and mother until I was in my 30's, my mother decided that she wanted to pursue a career in real estate. She obtained her broker's licence in the early 90's and went to work at Realty One, where she quickly became a million dollar seller. Her desire to help clients find their perfect home, especially when working with first-time home buyers, brought her great joy and satisfaction. In fact, it was my mom who found my house here in Broadview Heights nearly three decades ago. After looking for the perfect home for nearly two years, my mom knew that this one was going to be the one, and she was so right!

I'm proud of all that my mother has accomplished. Coming from very humble beginnings, she went on to raise a family with my father, both of whom worked very hard to move us from a double house in Cleveland to a beautiful home in Seven Hills when I was an adolescent. In retirement, she still enjoys spending time with all of us, going out with her friends, and occasional trips to the casino. All in all, she's had a wonderful life, and I thank her for being the best mom I could ask for.

Each Friday this month, I'd like to highlight a female Broadview Heights citizen who has made a positive impact on our community. This week, it's Virginia (Ginny) Little. Born in West Virginia in 1938, she earned her Bachelor of Education in English and Economics from Concord University and her Master's Degree in Counseling from John Carroll University. Ginny was an educator for thirty years, spending most of her career as a school counselor at Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School. Early on, Ginny coached high school girls basketball, leading her team to two state championships. Her impact upon students was legendary, and she was known for being a caring and supportive staff member who touched countless lives throughout her years at our high school.

Virginia also enjoyed her time as an active member of our community. She loved gardening and was a member of the Emerald Necklace Garden Club in Brecksville. She also proudly served for twenty-five years on the Broadview Heights City Tree Commission, becoming its longest-standing volunteer. As a die-hard Cleveland sports fan, Ginny enjoyed watching the Cavs and Indians on TV. She was a life-long supporter of our school community, too, attending BBH football games for 53 years, cheering on the students and eventually her own grandchildren.

But above all, Virginia was devoted to her family. In her recent obituary, her family shared the following:

“Virginia was loving, hardworking, and endlessly proud of those she loved. She always spoke highly of others’ accomplishments and took genuine interest in everyone’s lives. Her Italian roots shone through in her incredible cooking and her deep appreciation for family traditions. She was always organized and prepared, whether planning meals, events, or simply making sure everyone felt cared for.

She cherished time with her grandchildren and was especially grateful to spend time with her great-granddaughter. Virginia had a strong motherly instinct and a natural warmth toward children, always eager to support and encourage them in their activities and milestones.”

I’d say that’s a life well-lived, wouldn’t you? I’m proud to recognize Ginny Little in this first week of Women’s History Month.

In closing, I’d like to share my favorite weekly quote from my daughter’s classroom: “Fight for the things you care about, but do it in a way that will lead others to join you”. (Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg) Known for her tireless work as a champion for women’s rights and gender equality, Justice Ginsberg’s powerful dissents on the Supreme Court and her role in advancing equal justice are well known. Her legacy includes landmark legal arguments and opinions both before and during her tenure as a Supreme Court Justice. Because of her brilliant mind and never-ending quest for civil rights, she became known as the “Notorious RBG”.

As a student at Harvard Law School in the 1950’s, one of only nine women in her class, RBG faced significant gender discrimination. She eventually transferred to Columbia Law School where she was the first female member of the Harvard Law Review. When she graduated from Columbia in 1959, Ruth Bader Ginsberg tied for first place in her graduating class. Despite her impressive credentials, she was unable to find a job as a lawyer. Eventually, she was hired as a clerk for the U.S. District Judge, Edmund L. Palmieri

Ruth Bader Ginsburg was the first Jewish woman and only the second woman overall on the U.S. Supreme Court. She was known for her iconic "dissent collar", a spiky, rhinestone-studded necklace that she wore on days she issued strong dissents, which she described as "fitting for dissent". On other days, she wore a lace collar to feminize the black robe and to distinguish herself as a woman amongst a typically-male group.

The quote above is emblematic of the life and career of Justice Ginsberg, and she is a fitting example of a woman who deserves to be highlighted during Women's History Month. Her fight as a lawyer for equal rights for women officially started on the first day she entered Columbia. As a practicing attorney in the 1970's, she argued six cases in front of the Supreme Court, winning five of them. All were gender equality cases. RBG believed in advocating for a cause, recognizing that long-term change is best achieved through positive and collaborative actions, not divisive aggression. She was a shining example of how and why to build bridges. Being passionate about your beliefs is necessary, but it's how you wage the battle that ultimately determines your success. To create lasting change, people need to work together as a team, because it IS possible to find common ground, even when there are some opposing views.

As a public servant in Broadview Heights, I continually strive to be a part of the incremental, positive changes taking place in our beautiful community. When I was first elected as a Council member in 2003, I had a vision for our future. I knew that it would be a marathon, not a sprint. We had so many wonderful things happening here...things we could build upon. Since that time, I've been fortunate to be surrounded by all kinds of people who share in my love for this city and who see its boundless opportunities. When I ran for mayor in 2007, I said that Broadview Heights was a great place to live, work, and raise a family. I still believe that to my core, and I'm grateful for the continued opportunity to work on behalf of all of you. Thank you for continuing to believe in your city government and for supporting all of us who work for you. It is much appreciated!

Regards,

Sam 

Community News



CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION FABULOUS FISH FRY

Stop by the Church of the Assumption at 9183 Broadview Rd. every Friday during Lent from 4:00PM -7:00PM for the Fabulous Fish Fry! A perfect night for food, friends, and fellowship! Pre-order is now open! Check out the menu, and place your order on their website www.coabvm.org



THE BRECKSVILLE-BROADVIEW HEIGHTS PRESCHOOL MOTHERS CLUB CONSIGNMENT SALE

The best Consignment Sale in NEO is here! Nearly 50+ sellers (all moms), super clean, super organized, with quality control! Come shop for Spring/Summer clothes sizes newborn to 12, shoes, swimwear, baby gear and strollers, toys, puzzles, games, books and maternity. Join us at the Brecksville Broadview Heights Middle School at 6376 Mill Rd on Thursday, March 19th from 6:30PM - 9:00PM and Friday, March 20th from 5:00PM-7:30PM. For more information click [HERE](#).

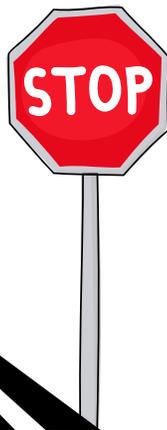
LET'S VISIT THE RICHFIELD COLISEUM (1974-1994)

The Broadview Heights Historical Society is hosting “Let’s Visit the Richfield Coliseum (1974-1994)” presented by Gerry Nemeth. Join us Thursday, March 26th at 6:00 PM at the Broadview Heights Community Center in the Willow Room to relive the history of one of Northeast Ohio’s most iconic venues—from Frank Sinatra’s grand opening to the final event with Roger Daltrey of The Who. Featuring legendary concerts, the Cleveland Cavaliers, the Cleveland Force, and more—plus prizes and surprises! Refreshments will be served. Reservations are required, please contact Louise Fiszler at 440-829-4812 or lfiszler1@gmail.com

SAFETY TOWN REGISTRATION

Open registration starts in person on April 8, 2026, from 4pm to 6pm at the Broadview Heights Police Kloka Training Facility (across from the Police Department), 9543 Broadview Rd, Broadview Heights, Ohio 44147. Safety Town is open to any child (resident or non-resident). For more information, please contact Kim Cook at 440-526-5401 or

kcook@broadviewheightspd.org.



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Let's Get Social



Important Reminders

BECOME A SPONSOR

Your organization has the opportunity to play a significant role in the success of our community. Our new sponsorship program will maximize the benefit to you by creating levels that combine both our city events and sports programs so that we can double your exposure. For more information or to become a sponsor click [HERE](#).



[City Meetings and Agendas](#)

[City Calendar](#)

2026 CHARTER REVIEW

The City Charter is reviewed every four years by the City Boards and Commissions, Council, and the Mayor, and a select group of qualified individuals representing Wards 1-4. The Charter Review Meeting started on Tuesday, February 17th, and will continue as needed to examine the City Charter, determine whether changes are required, and make recommendations for voters to consider at the November election. For information and updates visit our website [HERE](#).



NO OVERNIGHT PARKING ON CITY STREETS

NO OVERNIGHT PARKING ON CITY STREETS [Codified Ordinance](#) section 452.05(c) (1) prohibits parking on city streets between the hours of 3:00AM and 6:00AM. Per Codified Ordinance section 452.20 (a), signs are posted at city limits.

For a list of all city ordinances, please visit https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/broadviewhts/latest/broadview_oh/0-0-0-1

FULL TIME

[CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)

SERVICE WORKER Performs a variety of service department jobs related to construction, maintenance, repair and general labor, including landscaping, leaf collection, snowplowing and salting, and assisting on road/sewer crews. Must have CDL or willing to obtain within 6 months of hire.

PART TIME

[CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)

CUSTODIAN Performs general custodial duties, including dusting, picking up trash, mopping, vacuuming, cleaning and restocking restrooms, setting up/taking down chairs, tables and equipment for meetings and events, and cleaning and sanitizing surfaces and equipment. Must be able to work independently and as part of a team.

LIFEGUARD Guard our indoor pools, lazy river and play feature. Work approximately 15-24 hours/week. Work is primarily Monday – Friday, DAYSHIFT and/or EARLY MORNING OPENER. Must be interested in working year-round, this is not a seasonal position. Must be at least 15 years of age and with certification as a Lifeguard.

PART TIME BUILDING DEPARTMENT CLERK Answers phones and greets visitors and performs secretarial and clerical duties: data entry, filing, research of permit history, preparation of invoices and reports, record maintenance. Monday – Friday, days, up to 28 hours/week. Requires excellent customer service skills and solid knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel and Outlook. Experience with a building, zoning or planning agency preferred but not required.

**CHECK THE CITY WEBSITE FOR UPDATED
JOB POSTINGS THROUGHOUT THE WEEK.**

SERVICE DEPARTMENT



CATCH BASIN UPKEEP

Catch basins collect storm water and release it into the municipal storm sewer system. Regular clearing improves drainage and helps to prevent flooding.

Remember as you are maintaining your yards, to clear any leaves and debris so that rain water and melting snow can drain properly.

ON SITE DROP OFF

Spring cleaning? Did you know that some household items can be dropped off with the city for proper disposal? These items include vehicle batteries, computers/printers, hazardous household waste, oil, and oil-based paints. Items can be dropped off at the Service Garage (Building 10) off Oakes Road weekdays from 7:00AM - 3:00PM. For questions call 440-717-4022.

For Storm or Sewer Back-Ups call:
Monday - Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm
440-717-4022

After Regular Business Hours:
440-526-5400

[2026 Holiday Trash Collection Schedule](#)

REPORT A POTHOLE

Have you been driving in Broadview Heights and noticed a pothole that could use some attention. Report a pothole by filling out [THIS FORM](#) or calling 440-717-4022.



David Schroedel
Director of Public Service &
Development
440-717-4022

[Email David Schroedel](#)



POOL ETIQUETTE

We would like to take the opportunity to remind everyone of a few basic rules for good pool etiquette, so everyone can enjoy the same space safely and respectfully.

- **No Glass or Food on the Pool Deck** Glass containers are not permitted on the pool deck. Broken glass can create a serious safety hazard for bare feet and eyes. Food is also not allowed on deck – even the smallest crumbs attract ants.
- **No Personal Grooming in the Pool Area, Sauna, Steam Room, or Spa** Please do not clip nails, shave, exfoliate, use loofahs or body scrubs, or perform other grooming activities in these shared spaces.
- **No Spitting in the Pool** Spitting, blowing noses, or introducing bodily fluids into the water is not permitted. Help us keep the pool clean and healthy for everyone.
- **Respectful Lane Sharing** Please share lanes and treat fellow swimmers with courtesy and kindness.
- **Bathroom Breaks Matter** Take regular bathroom breaks and never swim if you are experiencing diarrhea. This protects everyone's health.

ADULT DANCE CLASSES

Instructor Connie King has over forty years of training, teaching, and competitive experience. She has been privileged to receive her training from the world's finest coaches from England, Australia, Germany, Denmark, Norway, and America. Now she brings all of her skills to the Broadview Heights Recreation Center. Offering instruction on dances from Ballroom to Swing! To see the classes being offered, and to register click [HERE](#).



ETIQUETTE CLASS

Children ages 7 and up will learn the following in a fun and interactive way: Setting a table from start to finish, table manners and etiquette, American style of dining, continental style of dining, proper introductions, posture, the napkin, please and thank you, dining conversation, the proper way to utilize utensils, passing the food and complimenting the chef. All students receive an Etiquette "Set Right" Placemat and a meal. Sunday, March 22nd 3:00pm -5:00pm Fee: \$60

BASEBALL & SOFTBALL REGISTRATION

The Broadview Heights Parks and Recreation Department is proud to offer baseball and softball for boys and girls in 1st thru 12th grades. Our season runs from late April when practices start to mid-July. Registration ends April 5th. Some grade levels may fill up before the registration deadline, so don't wait! Registration is by grade as of the 2025-2026 School Year. For more information and to register follow [THIS LINK!](#)

TEE BALL REGISTRATION

Early Start Tee Ball: This is a co-ed program for children ages 3 and 4. Teams are made up of 6-8 players. This is a fun, non-competitive game where parents are expected to participate with their child. For safety, foam bats and tee balls are used.

Early Start Tee ball games begin the week of June 1st and will run for 6 weeks. Games are played Saturday mornings between 9AM and Noon. If needed, a Noon start time may be added.

5 & 6 year old Tee Ball: This is a co-ed league for children 5-6 years old. The tee ball season will start with practices during the week of May 11th. Games will begin the week of June 1st and generally end by mid July. In general, teams will play two games per week Monday - Thursdays.

For more information and to register follow [THIS LINK!](#)



CHECK US OUT ON
[FACEBOOK](#) AND
[INSTAGRAM!](#)

**RECREATION CENTER
OPERATING HOURS:**

Monday - Friday
5:00AM - 9:00PM

Pool closes at 8:30PM

Saturday 7:30AM - 6:00PM

Pool closes at 5:45PM

Sunday 7:30AM - 6:00PM

Pool closes at 4PM



Amanda Hutcheson
Director of Parks & Recreation
440-838-4522

[Email Amanda Hutcheson](#)

DEPARTMENT

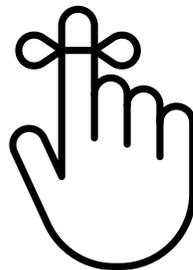


REMINDER!

The Department of Human Services provides information, resources and support to ALL residents of Broadview Heights, regardless of age. If you have questions about benefits, need help with accessing services or completing applications or just have an idea about a community program that would benefit our residents, please call us. We are here to help!

APRIL REGISTRATION

Don't forget April registration opens March 10th through March 12th for residents and opens on March 13th for non-residents.



HOW TO REACH US

Human Services Dept.

Main Floor

9543 Broadview Road

Broadview Heights, Oh. 44147

Phone: 440-526-4074

Fax: 440-717-1256

Hours of Operation:

Monday through Friday

8:30 am to 4:30 pm

OUR NEWSLETTER



Kathy Rush-Parsson LSW

Human Services Director

Phone: 440-526-4685

[Email Kathy Rush-Parsson](#)

MOVIES & MUNCHIES

Join us for this month's movie "Bucket List" starring Morgan Freeman & Jack Nicholson. We always have plenty of munchies on hand, or feel free to bring your own. Friday, March 13th at 11:15 AM



CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

The Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group meets the first Thursday of the month at 3:00 PM in the Maple Room located in the Human Services Department. The support groups create a safe, confidential, supportive environment or community and a chance for participants to develop informal mutual support and social relationships. They also educate and inform participants about dementia and help participants develop methods and skills to solve problems. Join us Thursday, March 5th at 3:00 PM for our next group.

MEN'S NIGHT OUT

Join the guys for two games of darts and some laughs, followed by an early dinner, on Wednesday, March 18th from 3:00PM-4:00PM.



MARCH BOOK CLUB

Our Book Club will meet March 19th at 1:00PM to discuss *The Great Alone* By: Kristin Hannah. For a family in crisis, the ultimate test of survival. Ernt Allbright, a former POW, comes home from the Vietnam War a changed and volatile man. When he loses yet another job, he makes an impulsive decision: He will move his family north, to Alaska, where they will live off the grid in America's last true frontier.





To find commercial and residential applications, land use applications, regulation references, forms and more click [HERE](#).

DO YOU NEED A PERMIT?

If you are remodeling your bathroom, or building a gazebo you are going to need a permit. If you aren't sure, or want to have the application filled out before you get here, check out [THIS](#) section of our website for more information.

HERITAGE HOME PROGRAM

The Heritage Home Program is a non-profit organization operating in Northeast Ohio, mostly focusing in Cuyahoga County, that assists owners of older homes (typically over 50 years old) with maintenance, repair, and improvement projects. It provides free technical assistance, including advice, contractor information, and helps with reviewing estimates, and offers low-interest loans for eligible projects. The program helps ensure that repairs are done properly and in a way that preserves the home's architectural integrity. For more information or to apply for assistance visit their website [HERE](#).



Who Owns What? Ownership Guidelines for Your Home's Utilities

1. [THE ILLUMINATING COPDF](#)
2. [CLEVELAND WATERPDF](#)
3. [DOMINION GAS](#)



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ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT



ENBRIDGE GAS OHIO EAST WALLINGS ROAD GAS LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Enbridge Gas Ohio will be replacing the gas mainline between Broadview Road & Skyline Drive. The project is expected to begin 1-26-2026 and reach substantial completion 5-29-2026. All gas services will be replaced. Enbridge Gas Ohio will notify all affected residents. Please reach out to the Engineering Department at 440-838-4705 if you have any questions or concerns.

FIBER OPTIC INSTALLATION

Various fiber optic telecommunication lines are being installed throughout the Macintosh and New Hampton subdivisions. These installations are not City Capital Improvement Projects and are being managed by the private utility companies. The City recommends reaching out to your internet provider with questions or concerns. Please reach out to the Engineering Department at 440-838-4705 if you have any questions or concerns.

2025 AVERY ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The 2025 Avery Road Improvement Project has reached substantial completion. Avery Road (Royalton Road to Oakes Road) is open to through traffic. Permanent striping will be installed in Spring 2026. Final restoration will be completed Spring of 2026. Please reach out to the Engineering Department at 440-838-4705 if you have any questions or concerns.

POINT OF SALE INSPECTION OF SEPTIC SYSTEMS

Please see the ordinance regarding the Point of Sale Inspection for residents with septic systems. [1048.01](#)
[ORDINANCE POINT OF
SALE INSPECTIONS OF
SEPTIC SYSTEMS.](#)

WALLINGS RD BRIDGE PROJECT CLOSURE REMINDER

The Walling Road Bridge is closed. The bridge is expected to open Summer of 2026. The project is expected to reach completion in October of 2026. Please reach out to the Engineering Department at 440-838-4705 if you have any questions or concerns.



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