

Fall Bulletin Patricia Rogers Councilperson Ward 4



Sewer Issues



Earlier this year, the Village experienced a heavy rainfall resulting in flooded basements for a number of residents including sewage back-up via floor drains and laundry tubs. Our engineer is working with the Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works to determine the cause. of the flooding and prepare a remedial action plan.

It is important for every homeowner to inspect and confirm that their sump pumps and Downspouts are not connected to the sanitary sewer system. Illegal connections can cause over-overflow of sewage into neighboring homes. Ordinance 1974-82 states that "It is unlawful for

any owner, agent lessee, tenant or occupant of any lot or parcel of land located within the Village of Oakwood, Ohio, to discharge into the sanitary sewers of the Village any roof water, surface or subsoil drainage or other clean waste water or to discharge into the storm sewers or drains of the Village any sanitary sewage or industrial waste". Violation of this ordinance is subject to fines based on each day that such violation continues.



Oakwood is Ready

Oakwood has become the 7th community in the county to be certified with the **Cuyahoga County Ready Certified** award.

The **ReadyCuyahoga** Certification Program is an emergency management certification program designed for Cuyahoga County communities to assess their ability to respond to natural or man-made disasters or emergencies.

The Police and Fire Departments worked together to meet the requirements of this stringent program.

Council Clerk Recognized

The Council Clerk and Ward 4 resident, Debra Hladky, was recognized by the Ohio Municipal Clerks for her work on the Hawthorne Valley Youth Council (HVYC)



The HVYC is comprised of Bedford City School children from Oakwood, Bedford, Bedford Hts., and Walton Hills. Debra will be teaching other communities how to form their own youth council.

Report Noxious Odors

The Oakwood Police and Fire Departments have received numerous complaints about noxious odors emanating from industry near the I-271 corridor. If you notice such odors please file a report with both the Oakwood Police Department & the EPA.



- Call the Oakwood PD Non-emergency number @ 440.232.1035 to *report the occurrence*.
- Also it is very important to call EPA 24 hour hotline
 @ 216.664.2324 to file a complaint and ask that a report of their findings be sent to Police Chief Garratt at the following email: mgarratt@oakwoodpolice.org.

Recycle for Our Youth!

Donate to the Hawthorne Valley Youth Council by dropping off your newspapers, magazines,



office paper, cardboard, notepaper, etc. at the green bin located at Chaloupkas Sandwich Shop at the corner of Pettibone and Broadway. The Youth Council will benefit from your generosity and so will the environment.