



2020 Ward 3 Spring Newsletter



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Hello, I wish to introduce myself as your new 2020 Ward 3 Council Representative. My name is Melanie Sanders and I have been a Village resident 20 years. I am very excited about this new opportunity to serve you and our community and look forward to getting to know everyone better in the very near future! Please check out the Ward 3 Facebook Page to find up-to-date information at <https://www.facebook.com/Oakwood-Village-Ward-3>. You may contact me at msanders@oakwoodvillageoh.com or by calling 440.856.6213.

Oakwood has a new website!

It is fantastic! Do not miss out on all the great programs Oakwood Village offers its residents! Please check out everything going on in the community at <https://www.oakwoodvillageoh.com>



Winter is in full swing now, if you are over the age of 65 or disabled please see the benefits Oakwood Village has for you. Please stay warm and remember our furry friends should not be left outside for extended periods of time as they too can experience the effects of cold weather.

Voting information

Presidential Primaries are right around the corner, please make sure you are registered to vote for the upcoming election. If you are not registered, you can easily register online at: www.443vote.us no later than February 18th. Voting will take place on March 17th at the Oakwood Village Community Center.

Time to be counted!

Expect to receive a form in the mail during March asking for your demographic information. You may also see Census team members going door to door to gather information. This information is vital for our government to ensure we are adequately represented in the House, to secure proper funding according to our population and gather important statistical information. You can fill out this information via the website @ <https://www.census.gov/>, phone it in or mail in the response card. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and participation.

Is your house number displayed?

According to Code: 1372.01 DISPLAY OF ADDRESS SIGNS.

“All main buildings and dwellings used for residential, commercial, and industrial purposes shall include the display of a sign denoting the numerical address of that building or dwelling. Such sign shall be constructed and located in such a fashion as to be visible and readable from the front lot line as determined by the Building and Zoning Inspector and shall conform to all applicable zoning and building ordinances”.

This helps with lot identification, deliveries, first responders and the postal service.

Oakwood Village Early Notification Program!

The Oakwood Village Police Department (OVPD) Early Notification Program was developed in response the Ohio House Bill 115 to provide First Responders with information to assist calls involving individuals with communication disabilities. When responding officers are made aware of residents with communication disabilities prior to arrival, they are better equipped to understand and respond appropriately to the situation. The main purpose of the program is to provide a mechanism for residents with communication disabilities to register their specific information with the OVPD. Any and all confidential information provided during the registration process will only be used for First Responder purposes.

The following list represents those individuals who could potentially benefit from this program. It is not intended to be all-inclusive, as each request will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

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| Autism | Alzheimer’s/Dementia | Down’s Syndrome |
| Deaf/Hard of Hearing | Developmental Disability | Mental Illness |
| Physical Disabilities | Visually Impaired | |

The Oakwood Village Early Notification Program allows caregivers or residents with communication disabilities to provide information to police, fire and EMS personnel to be kept in a confidential database maintained by our dispatch center.

Any Oakwood Village caregiver or resident with communication disabilities mentioned above is eligible to register by completing the [OVPD Early Notification Form](#). The resident must currently be or have previously been treated, for the condition to qualify for the program. Persons wishing to be registered but are unable to do so based on their specific condition, may be registered by a legal guardian or court appointed caregiver. Parents may also register their children if they share a residence. Visit <https://www.oakwoodpolice.org/> to download the form.

We need your updated information!



The Village of Oakwood has partnered with ReadyNotify through Cuyahoga County in offering the CodeRed emergency notification system to its residents and businesses. *Please update your information* by going to <https://www.oakwoodvillageoh.com/> and scroll to CodeRed. This service is FREE to all residents and businesses.

CodeRED is a fast communication service allowing Village of Oakwood officials to notify residents of an emergency or weather-related situation.

Don't be Scammed!

Please beware of scam calls. There was a call made to one of Oakwood's local business's stating they were Ohio Edison attempting to coerce them into paying money they did not owe. Always remember utility companies will send business mail notifications regarding your account via the U.S. mail.

Stay informed by registering on the Village website with the "Stay Informed" tab to be made aware via email of happenings in our community.

Upcoming Events

February 27th- 7pm Village Hall

Are you interested in starting a neighborhood Block Watch? Come join me for a Meet and Greet at Village Hall to discuss this and all that is going on in your Ward! Light refreshments will be served.

February 11th & 25th -7pm Village Hall

Please feel free to join me at the Village Council Meetings every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month to stay informed about what is happening in your community.

May 16th

Hawthorne Valley Youth Council will be participating in a Stream Cleanup, in conjunction with Cuyahoga County Soil and Water Conservation District. If you would like to participate in this fun event, contact Jacki Zevenbergen at 216-524-6580 to register.

Upcoming Events Continued

June 13th 9am-12pm

Oakwood Village Shred Day- Bring your sensitive documents to the Oakwood Community Park off Mt. Zion Circle to be shredded and disposed of. Up to four legal size boxes per resident/ household will be accepted.

July 4th

Keep posted for more about this event.

August

Community Yard Sale- Keep posted for details on this this event – date to be determined.

September 10th

OVPD Citizens Academy – get more information at oakwoodpolice.org/events.

Upcoming Projects

Oakwood Village is always looking to improve the community, so it is more functional and pleasurable to live in for the benefit of our residents.

Oakwood Village Community Park

Oakwood Community Park will be getting some much-needed TLC this summer. Keep posted to see when these repairs will be made. And don't forget you can rent the Park Pavilion space for your outdoor summer needs. It is booked first come, first serve through the Mayor's Office.

Pick up poo!



It is that time of year again where most of us long for the arrival of spring and begin planning for outdoor activities. The first time we can see our lawns and grass in the local parks is when we see the unsightly reminder of what we have been neglecting all winter. The little brown blossoms that are our pet's waste litter the landscape and need proper disposal. The springtime thaw period is a stressful time for stream ecosystems with low oxygen caused by decomposing organic matter and from all the salt applied to the roadways during the winter and this is exacerbated by our pet's waste. Visit the Cuyahoga Soil and Water Conservation District website for more information at www.cuyahogaswcd.org Oakwood has a pooper-scooper law which states owners must pick up after their pet. The Oakwood Pooper Scooper law can be found in Section 505.18 of the codified ordinances.