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VILLAGE DIRECTORY

THE VILLAGE OF
NORTH RANDALL



<i>Village Hall</i>	(216) 662-0430
<i>Civic Center</i>	(216) 510-0002
<i>Police Department</i>	(216) 663-1235
<i>Fire Department</i>	(216) 587-9283
<i>Mayor's Court</i>	(216) 518-3130

<i>Finance Department</i>	(216) 518-3129
<i>Building Department</i>	(216) 587-9281
<i>Service Department</i>	(216) 587-9279
<i>Senior Bus Appointment Line</i>	(216) 518-3132

21937 MILES RD
NORTH RANDALL OH, 44128



MESSAGE FROM MAYOR SMITH

I was overjoyed by the appreciation that was shown to our administration for the community block grant. Thank you for the cards, phone calls, and the show of appreciation. We are proud to have the opportunity to give back to those who qualify to receive home-improvement assistance and to see lifelong projects completed. Our intentions are to follow up with the same program next year, allowing the families that did not get the opportunity this year to reapply.

I want to thank everyone who came to our Resident Appreciation Day at the Randall Park Apartments. We look forward to having this event again next year. In addition, I am excited to announce that we will be having a ribbon-cutting ceremony for our new Village Hall in the month of October. As you can see from the outside, the project will be completed soon. I'm asking all residents to please join us for this historical moment in time. I will be sending out an official notice to confirm the date and time of this monumental occasion. There will be a short presentation, food, live music and fun for all.

As we prepare for the changing of seasons, we will begin receiving bids for our snow removal services for the winter. We are looking for better service than we've experienced in the past. It is my commitment to ensure that the snow removal service improves. We are also in the process of having all of the tree stumps and dead trees that are on the tree lawns removed in anticipation and preparation of our tree grant. The grant will be applied for and commenced in Spring of 2024.

In the spirit of appreciation and the opening of our New Village Hall, we're going to put forth an effort to have our first senior prom in the month of October and first Christmas party at the new location. I'm working hard to make sure that these events take place.

This winter you'll also see an improvement of our sidewalk reconstruction process. We have purchased a new piece of equipment to enable us to perform that service. This will hopefully minimize and eliminate the need for our children to walk in the street when catching the bus or walking to and from school.

I will end by saying how proud I am to have served as your Mayor for the past 20 years and even more excited to witness our transformation. The Village continually receives compliments and recognition from other leaders, across Cuyahoga County, of how proud they are of the progress that we've made. Together we stand, divided and we fall. Let's continue to support our administration for the history that we are making together.

Thank you for your support

Mayor David Smith





YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR

Ribbon Cutting **CEREMONY**

JOIN US FOR THE GRAND REVEAL OF OUR
NEW VILLAGE HALL

Come enjoy food, live music and an
official tour of the facility

12-3 PM | SAT 10.14.23

4610 NORTHFIELD RD



2023



Civic Center

event calendar

October

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 - Chair Yoga 3:15 - 4:15 PM	3 - Bingo 1:30 PM	4 - Chair Yoga 3:15 - 4:15 PM - Women's Group 6:30 PM	5 - AA Meeting 7 PM	6	7
8	9 CLOSED	10	11 - Chair Yoga 3:15 - 4:15 PM - Women's Group 6:30 PM	12 - AA Meeting 7 PM	13	14 - New Village Hall Ribbon Cutting 10 AM-3 PM
15	16 - Chair Yoga 3:15 - 4:15 PM	17 - Bingo 1:30 PM	18 - Chair Yoga 3:15 - 4:15 PM - Women's Group 6:30 PM	19 - AA Meeting 7 PM	20 - Senior Prom 5-9:30 PM	21
22	23 - Senior Meeting 12-3 PM - Chair Yoga 3:15 - 4:15 PM	24 - Bingo 1:30 PM	25 - Chess w/ Mr. Stroud 11 AM - Chair Yoga 3:15 - 4:15 PM - Women's Group 6:30 PM	26 - AA Meeting 7 PM	27	28
29	30 - Chair Yoga 3:15 - 4:15 PM	31 <i>Happy Halloween</i> 				

4750 Northfield Rd
North Randall, OH 44128

To RSVP for events please call 216-510-0002



City Leader/President - Mayor Michael L. Booker
Vice President - Barbara Le'Vert
Secretary - Wendy McGhee-Jones
Corresponding Secretary - Renee Strong
Financial Secretary - Beatrice Jefferson
Treasurer - Lillian Moore
Sergeant at Arms - Deborah Hill

Meetings held 2nd Tuesday of the month
 Warrensville Civic Center
 4567 Green Road
 Warrensville Heights, Ohio 44128
website: thetricitydemocraticclub.com
twitter: [@Tricitydemclub](https://twitter.com/Tricitydemclub)
Facebook/Instagram: [@Tricitydemclub](https://www.facebook.com/Tricitydemclub)
Email: Tricitydemclub@gmail.com

Meet the Candidates

2 Nights - 2 Locations

October 3, 2023 @ 7pm
Village of Highland Hills

Both meetings may be viewed via:



Meeting ID#
814 3198 9877

(Village Hall Ballroom, 3700 Northfield Road, Highland Hills, Ohio)
All current Tri-City candidates for Mayor, Council and school board are encouraged to participate.

October 10, 2023 @ 7pm
Village of North Randall

New North Randall Civic Center, 4750 Northfield Road, North Randall, Ohio 44128
(This will follow our normal meeting of the Tri-City Democrats held every 2nd Tuesday of the Month)

All current Tri-City candidates for Mayor, Council and school board are encouraged to participate.

Moderated by:

Former Warrensville City Councilwoman and current Tri-City Democratic Club Sergeant-at-Arms
Deborah A. Hill



*Resident
Appreciation
Day 2023*





SERVICE DEPARTMENT

RICHARD SOKOLOWSKI, SERVICE DIRECTOR

NEW EQUIPMENT

The Village recently purchased new equipment to help improve snow removal (see photos to the right).

DISPOSAL INFORMATION

Please place all disposables in an orderly fashion on tree lawn.

- Old cans of paint, pesticides, & other hazardous household chemicals, phone books & computer equipment may also be placed out for collection.
- NO LATEX PAINT. To dispose of it, just open the lid to let the paint dry out and become a solid. Then put it out with your regular trash.

FALL LEAF COLLECTION

The North Randall Service Department will begin its FALL PROGRAM in MID-OCTOBER. Rake leaves onto your tree lawn and remove branches, twigs, rocks and other debris. Piles that contain items other than leaves WILL NOT be picked up. If you have branches or brush, you may tie them into small bundles no more than 4-feet long. Do not place leaves in the roadway. The Service Department will make recurring trips around the Village until the weather becomes inclement.



BUILDING DEPARTMENT

CHARLES HORVATH, BUILDING COMMISSIONER

IT IS TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT TAKING CARE OF YOUR HOUSE FOR THE WINTER.

HERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT THINGS YOU SHOULD REMEMBER:

1. Clean the gutters after all the leaves have fallen
2. Remove any overhanging tree branches that could damage the roof shingles
3. Have your furnace cleaned and serviced
4. Have your clothes dryer vent system cleaned of flammable lint accumulation
5. Have your roof checked for missing shingles, loose flashing, etc.
6. Check the batteries in all smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors. **THEY SAVE LIVES**
7. **REMEMBER-** make sure any contractors you have doing work get the necessary permits from our building department. Ask to see the permit, and feel free to call me on my cell phone (216-244-4274) to verify that they are in compliance with Village Ordinances.

****Don't use rock salt on any concrete or masonry areas. Use CALCIUM CHLORIDE pellets or flakes for ice removal ****

Your Official Election Information November 7, 2023 General Election

Important Election Information

General Election

- The Secretary of State is not mailing Vote-by-Mail applications to voters for this election. A new application is needed for each election.
- If you choose to Vote-by-Mail for this election, check the "November General Election" box on the application.
- For important election updates, follow us on social media @CuyahogaBoE.

Please review the most current election law changes at www.443vote.us



Voting Before Election Day

Vote-by-Mail

All voters can vote from home!

Avoid the lines, take your time to research what is on your ballot, and vote from the comfort of your home.



Voting from home is easy!

- 1 Submit a ballot application to vote from home. You can print or request a ballot application online at www.443vote.us or by calling **216-443-VOTE (8683)**.
 - 2 We will mail your ballot to you with a return envelope.
 - 3 Vote and return your signed ballot envelope before Election Day.
- * Use the **Track Your Vote-by-Mail Ballot** tool on our website to track your ballot throughout the process!

Voting at the Board of Elections

We are located at 2925 Euclid Avenue in Cleveland. Voting dates and hours below:



Weekdays*	October 11-27	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday	October 30	7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday	October 31	7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Weekdays*	November 1-3	7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Saturday	November 4	8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sunday	November 5	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays denotes Monday through Friday



Dates, Deadlines and New Rules for Voting

October 11th: The Board of Elections will begin mailing ballots to voters who have submitted Vote-by-Mail ballot applications.

New Rule: the deadline to submit Vote-by-Mail ballot applications has changed. Vote-by-Mail ballot applications must be received by the Board of Elections on or before **October 31st**.

Vote-by-Mail ballots must be postmarked on or before **November 6th**. Hand delivered ballots may be dropped off at the Board of Elections until 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.

Voting Location Changes: Your voting location may have been changed for the November 7, 2023 General Election. Voters are encouraged to confirm their voting location when making their voting plans. Confirm your voting location at www.443vote.us or by calling **216-443-VOTE (8683)**.

New Rules for Early In-Person Voting: Photo identification is required when Early In-Person Voting. The identification requirements for Early In-Person Voting are now the same as when voting on Election Day.

Voting On Election Day

Voting hours: Your polling location will be open on Election Day from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

What ID should I bring?

Acceptable forms of unexpired photo ID include:

- ✓ An Ohio Driver License
- ✓ An Ohio State ID Card
- ✓ An Ohio Interim ID form issued by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles
- ✓ A U.S. passport or passport card
- ✓ A U.S. Military ID card, Ohio National Guard ID card, or U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs ID card (that includes the voter's name and photograph)



Become an Election Day Poll Worker!

Earn between **\$220 - \$250** while serving your community and seeing democracy in action. Learn more and sign up today at our website, www.443vote.us

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Chairman

Inajo Davis Chappell
Member

Lisa M. Stickan
Member

Terence M. McCafferty
Member

Anthony W. Perlatti
Director

Anthony N. Kaloger
Deputy Director

THE NOVEMBER 7, 2023 GENERAL ELECTION

There are two statewide issues, a countywide issue and municipal issues on the November 7, 2023 General Election ballot. In addition, voters will elect municipal, school board and judicial candidates.

Voters who wish to Vote-by-Mail must complete and submit a ballot application. To request a Vote-by-Mail ballot application visit: www.443vote.us or call 216-443-VOTE (8683). Vote-by-Mail ballot applications are also available at all public libraries.

Early In-Person Voting begins on October 11, 2023. Early In-Person voting hours are posted on the Board of Elections website.

On Election Day the polls are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Voters are advised to confirm their voting location on the Board of Elections website: www.443vote.us or by calling 216-443-VOTE (8683). Voters are reminded to bring photo identification when voting Early In-Person or when voting on Election Day.

The Board of Elections is hiring Election Day Officials (Poll Workers) for the November 7, 2023 General Election. Apply online or call 216-443-3277.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Acting Police Chief, Antonio Stitt

NEW TRAFFIC UNIT

Hello. My name is Antonio F. Stitt. I am the Acting Chief of Police for our community. As I'm sure you are well aware, the community is growing. As we grow, the influx of people traveling and moving about throughout our community is also growing. With that, comes a need for adjustments in how we police. We are creating a "Traffic Unit". This unit will focus on traffic enforcement only. As it stands, officers periodically enforce traffic laws during their shift.

Going forward, shift-officers will not focus on traffic enforcement. Instead, they'll focus more on foot patrols, building checks, more direct interaction with residence and patrons that reside and interact in our community. The traffic unit will operate during designated high traffic locations and times. It will not operate daily. It will operate systematically unsystematic.

COMMUNITY FIRST

Furthermore, policing trends suggest we change our policing style from focusing largely on addressing the criminal element, to focusing (Not All) but, more on the "Community First" style of policing. Focusing more on relationship building with people and learning how we can better serve the people in our community. To assist in initiating this new concept, my administration will be adjusting our operational standards to support the "Community First" narrative. Also, we'll initiate focused conversation geared towards positively impacting officer mind-set and attitude.



NORTH RANDALL FIRE DEPARTMENT



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Over the past few months, the North Randall Fire Department has participated in multiple Public Relations events including YMCA Family Days in Warrensville Heights and the Unity Fest in North Randall.

We are preparing for more events such as Thistledown Family Days September 23rd, Village Hall Grand Opening, and the Second Annual Thistledown Mud Run on October 15th.

All proceeds from the Mud Run event go to the fire department to purchase fire equipment. Thank you Jack Thistledown!!!

As always, thank you to Village Council and Mayor Smith for their continued support as we continue to deliver the best possible EMS and Fire Suppression Services available.

Before You Light It... Know Ohio's Open Burning Regulations

Why is open burning a problem?

Open burning can release many kinds of toxic fumes. Leaves and plant materials send aloft millions of spores when they catch fire, causing many people with allergies to have difficulty breathing.

The pollutants released by open burning also make it more difficult to meet health-based air quality standards, especially in or near large cities. The gases released by open burning can also corrode metal siding and damage paint on buildings.

What open burning is never allowed?

Under Ohio law, these materials may not be burned anywhere in the state at any time:

- garbage—any wastes created in the process of handling, preparing, cooking or consuming food;
- materials containing rubber, grease and asphalt or made from petroleum, such as tires, cars and auto parts, plastics or plastic-coated wire; and
- dead animals—unless approved for control of disease by a governing agency.

Other restrictions:

- Open burning is not allowed when air pollution warnings, alerts or emergencies are in effect.
- Fires cannot obscure visibility for roadways, railroad tracks or air fields.
- No wastes generated off the premises may be burned. For example, a tree trimming contractor may not haul branches and limbs to another site to burn.

Does Ohio EPA ever allow exceptions to the rules?

Under certain circumstances, yes. However, to burn a prohibited material or set a fire in a restricted area, you must receive written permission from Ohio EPA *before* you begin burning. This may take two weeks.

Can a community regulate open burning?

Yes. However, local ordinances cannot be less strict than the state law.

What happens if I'm caught illegally open burning?

Ohio EPA has the authority to enforce the state's open burning laws. Violations can result in substantial penalties. If you have any questions, or would like to report a suspected open burning incident, contact your Ohio EPA district office or your local air pollution control agency. See the map in this brochure for the agency to contact in your area.

Health Concerns

Burning household waste produces many toxic chemicals and is one of the largest known sources of dioxin in the nation. Other air pollutants from open burning include particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, lead and mercury.

These pollutants have been linked to several health problems, including asthma, respiratory illnesses, nervous system damage, kidney and liver damage, and reproductive or developmental disorders.



Before You Light It...

Know Ohio's Open Burning Regulations

Open burning is any time you light an outdoor fire without a chimney or stack.

When burning refuse in burn barrels or open piles, the potential cost to your health, your home, your neighbors and your environment far exceeds the price of adequate collection services.

Protect yourself, your neighbors and your wallet by knowing the rules—what you can burn and where.

What You Can Do Instead of Open Burning

- Reduce the amount of waste you generate.
- Reuse items in another way.
- Recycle - Contact your waste disposal provider about curb-side pickup or drop-off locations for bulky or hazardous items.
- Compost yard trimmings and food scraps, while creating a natural, free fertilizer.



For a complete copy of Ohio's open burning regulations, contact:

Ohio EPA
Division of Air Pollution Control
P.O. Box 1049
Columbus, OH 43216-1049
(614) 644-2270

epa.ohio.gov/openburning

What can I burn? The following open fires are *allowed* in Ohio

Local Air Pollution Control Agencies

- AKRON** Regional Air Quality Management District
(800) 589-2480
www.scpqh.org/air-quality
- CANTON** Division of Air Pollution Control
(330) 489-3385
cantonhealth.org/apc/
- SOUTHWEST OHIO** Air Quality Agency
(800) 889-0474
southwestohioair.org/269/Open-Burning
- REGIONAL** Air Pollution Control Agency
(800) 458-2115
rapca.org
- LAKE COUNTY** Air Pollution Control
(440) 350-2543
<https://www.lcghd.org/air-pollution-control/>
- PORTSMOUTH** Air Pollution Control
(740) 353-5156
portsmouthcityhealth.org/pch-dept/air-division
- TOLEDO** Division of Environmental Services
(419) 936-3015
toledo.oh.gov/business/environment/air-quality
- CLEVELAND** Division of Air Quality
(216) 664-2297
clevelandhealth.org/programs/air/permitting/

The Division of Air Pollution Control's jurisdictional boundaries for district offices and local air agencies are not the same as Ohio EPA's standard district boundaries. Standard district boundaries, indicated by the dark lines, are for reference only.



Ohio EPA District Offices

- CDO** Central District Office
(800) 686-2330* (614) 728-3778
- NEDO** Northeast District Office
(800) 686-6330* (330) 963-1200
- NWDO** Northwest District Office
(800) 686-6930* (419) 352-8461
- SEDO** Southeast District Office
(800) 686-7330* (740) 385-8501

* Toll-free numbers are for calls within Ohio.

TYPE OF FIRE	INSIDE A VILLAGE OR CITY* if generated on property	OUTSIDE A VILLAGE OR CITY* if generated on property
Barbeques, campfires, cookouts	Wood stack no larger than 2 ft. high x 3 ft. wide. Use clean, seasoned firewood or equivalent.	Wood stack no larger than 2 ft. high x 3 ft. wide. Use clean, seasoned firewood or equivalent.
Agricultural waste	Agricultural wastes and plant matter such as tree trimmings, stumps, brush, weeds, leaves, grass, shrubbery and material from crop or livestock production. This includes fence posts and scrap lumber, but does not include buildings, land clearing waste, dead animals or animal waste. Fire must be more than 1,000 feet from neighbor's inhabited building. Must notify Ohio EPA in advance.	Agricultural wastes and plant matter such as tree trimmings, stumps, brush, weeds, leaves, grass, shrubbery and material from crop or livestock production. This includes fence posts and scrap lumber, but does not include buildings, land clearing waste, dead animals or animal waste. Fire must be more than 1,000 feet from neighbor's inhabited building. Request permission from Ohio EPA if pile greater than 20 ft. wide x 10 ft. high (4,000 cubic feet). This may take two weeks.
Land-clearing waste	Not permitted in city limits.	Plant matter such as tree trimmings, stumps, brush, weeds, leaves, grass, shrubbery and crop residues. With prior written permission from Ohio EPA. This may take two weeks.
Residential waste	Not permitted in city limits.	Plant matter such as tree trimmings, stumps, brush, weeds, leaves, grass, shrubbery and crop residues. Also wastes such as wood or paper products that are generated by one-, two-, or three-family residences. Fire must be more than 1,000 feet from neighbor's inhabited building. Provide notification to Ohio EPA if pile greater than 10 ft. x 10 ft. x 10 ft. This may take two weeks.
Ceremonial fires	Wood stack no larger than 5 ft. high x 5 ft. wide. Duration no longer than three hours. Use clean, seasoned firewood or equivalent. Must notify Ohio EPA in advance.	Wood stack no larger than 5 ft. high x 5 ft. wide. Duration no longer than three hours. No notification required.
Occupational fires: welding, torches, heating tar, heating for warmth of outdoor workers and strikers	Use clean seasoned firewood. For example, a heating fire contained in a 55-gallon drum.	Use clean seasoned firewood. For example, a heating fire contained in a 55-gallon drum.
Firefighter training, Explosive material disposal	With prior written permission from Ohio EPA. This may take two weeks.	With prior written permission from Ohio EPA. This may take two weeks.
Horticultural, silvicultural, prairie management, range or wildlife management practices	With prior notification to Ohio EPA. Notification required at least ten days prior to fire.	With prior notification to Ohio EPA. Notification required at least ten days prior to fire.
Disease or pest control	Local health department, Ohio Department of Agriculture or U.S. Department of Agriculture verifies to Ohio EPA that open burning is the only appropriate control method and must notify Ohio EPA in advance.	Local health department, Ohio Department of Agriculture or U.S. Department of Agriculture verifies to Ohio EPA that open burning is the only appropriate control method.

* villages and cities are considered "restricted areas," which include:

- within the boundaries of any municipal corporation;
- within corporation limits and a 1,000-foot zone outside any municipal corporation having a population of 1,000 to 10,000; and
- within corporation limits and a one-mile zone outside any municipal corporation with a population of more than 10,000. Call your local municipality for corporation boundaries.

NOTICE:

The Village of North Randall Fire Department has partnered with the American Red Cross to provide smoke detectors to Village residents. Any resident that does not have a working smoke detector in their home may apply.

To apply contact the American Red Cross Smoke Detector Hot-line at (216) 361-5535. Provide the requested information.

Once your information has been processed, the smoke detector(s) will be delivered to the North Randall Fire Department.

A representative from the FD will contact you to arrange a time for the FD to come out and install your detector(s).

All smoke detectors must be installed by NRRFD personnel.

NO EXCEPTIONS!

If you presently have a working smoke detector, please **DO NOT** order new ones. Due to recent supply issues, supplies are limited.

Thank You



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