

# HEISLEY PARK HOA NEWS

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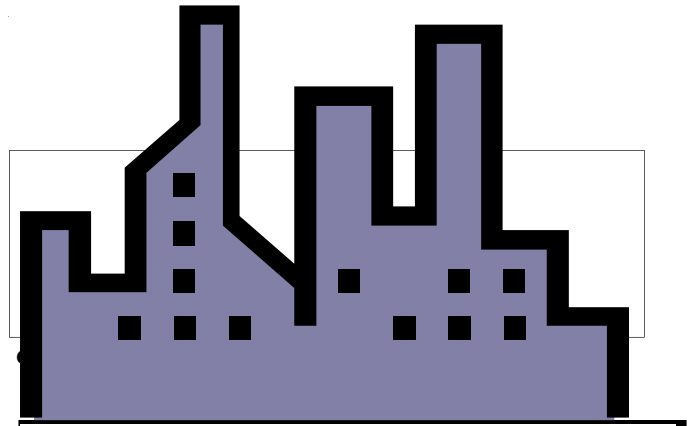
Spring is here and hopefully we are through with the snow and very cold weather. We can look forward now to all of those spring chores around the house such as our flower gardens and raking, fertilizing and cutting the lawns. With spring there continues to be an increase in the activity in the neighborhood. The new model for the development is almost completed. Not only is there increased construction activity there are more and more kids out enjoying the increasingly warmer days. With that being said, I encourage all of us to be extremely careful and on the lookout for kids on their bicycles, skateboards or just crossing the streets.

Over the past month there has been a great deal of local activity at City Hall and the City Council Meetings. Check out our news article about the former Lake East Hospital and the new request for a grant for the Shamrock Bridge.

Please see our HOA news section. A date has been set for the Heisley Park Resident Committee meetings.

If you have a story or an item or issue of interest to share with us, let us know. You can contact us [heisley-park@ameritech.net](mailto:heisley-park@ameritech.net). The HOA has requested that anyone interested in receiving the newsletter directly must sign up by sending an e-mail to the Homeowner Association's e-mail address at [news@heisleyparkhoa.org](mailto:news@heisleyparkhoa.org)

The editor



### Water Sump Pump Issue

At the last council meeting, Ms. Rita McMahon, Painesville City Manager, indicated that the city was still working with the builder/developer on problems still being encountered by some Heisley Park homeowners. Several residents informed the city and the administration that the builder was still proposing a non-green external (third) pump on their property to address the neighborhood water. These residents stated that they preferred a green solution to the problem just like the developer/builder proposed and has already begun implementing in their new Phase XII of the development (Greenfield extension).

Ms. McMahon indicated that the city will be meeting with the builder/developer on these remaining sump pump/water issues for these select residents. She indicated that the City will be discussing these items with the developer shortly.

We continue to thank the City Administration and Council for helping the builder/developer to see how important it is/and still continues to be to find a complete solution to the water/sump pump issues for these residents and the community in general. We all want to maintain our home values and fixing this problem is in the best interest of the entire community. We continue to be pleased that the builder/developer has chosen to address the problem in Phase XII with a green solution (French Drain/gravity). But, we continue to suggest that more can be done to prevent future issues with Phases I through XI. So, while this issue is not quite over for some residents, the problems seem to have been recognized by the City and Members of Council and hopefully are in the process of being addressed. Continue to stay tuned!

# Heisley Park Home Owner Association Items—Update

**Resident Committees** – We have a committee meeting date! Scott Lepa has indicated that the first committee meeting will be held on Saturday, May 1, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. at Panera Bread (9587 Mentor Avenue, Mentor, Ohio - next to Kohl's).

**Tot Lot – Status -- No Change as of 4/5/2010** – There has been no resolution on the issue of moving the Tot Lot or bringing it up to current safety standards at this time by the HOA Board of Directors. It is unclear when this issue will be addressed and resolved by the board. Again, a lot of

issues seem to get discussed but no positive board resolution on a great deal of them. This is just one item that has gone nowhere. Local board members seem to have their (votes) hands tied.

*“HOA Items update*

## City of Painesville Items

There were several items of interest that were discussed during the last several council meetings:

**Resolution Accepting the Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund Grant for former Lake Hospital Demolition Passed by City Council** - At the March 15, 2010 council meeting, City Council passed the resolution accepting the Clean Ohio Revitalization Grant. The City received the grant agreement from the Ohio Department of Development to accept the \$2,052,408 from the Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund (CORF) for the demolition of the former Lake East Hospital in Painesville. The City will match the grant funds with funds from the Lake Health contribution and previous expenditures paid by through the USEPA Brownfield Grant.

a resolution that would allow the city to make a grant application to the State of Ohio for work associated with the proposed construction of a bridge over the CSX railroad that would open the development of the 300 acre Shamrock Business Center and ultimately connect to Brookstone Boulevard. This would open the area to traffic including emergency vehicles to get to the Mentor SAMS Club/commercial areas in the Mentor Heisley Road area.

The funds from the proposed grant can be used to leverage previous investments by local communities in infrastructure which would open up land for purposes of economic development. The city will be requesting \$3.5 million toward the \$5 million bridge costs. The match for this grant will come from the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) approved by City Council in 2006. This fi-

nancing uses the property taxes paid by the development on the Shamrock Business Center property to pay for the debt service on the bonds over a 28 year period. The grant must to be submitted by April 1, 2010.

**Stop Signs/Speed Concerns** - The city has had several calls about motorists not stopping at posted stop signs and/or speeding in the neighborhood. As a result, the police department will be increasing patrols on a periodic basis within the development. Please watch your speed in the development and pay attention to posted stop signs.

*“City of Painesville  
Items “*

**Resolution Authorizing An Application to the Job Ready Sites Grant Program (Bridge over CSX Railroad Tracks)** - City Council has approved

## Neighborhood News

**Heisley Park Neighborhood Sale Update** - The neighborhood garage sale will be held on the following dates:

- Thursday, May 20, 2010
- Friday, May 21, 2010
- Saturday, May 22, 2010

A separate e-mail and facebook page for the neighborhood sale has been set up. The e-mail address to obtain more information is [HeisleyPark@yahoo.com](mailto:HeisleyPark@yahoo.com). The facebook page can be found by doing a search for "heisleypark".

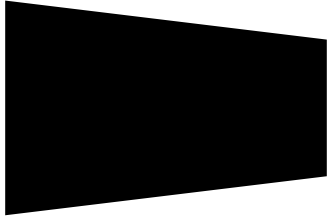
**Ryan New Model** – Work continues on the new Ryan Homes model that is being built on the former model parking lot. As expected there has been some congestion near the entrance because of the construction is going on. So, be careful.

*“Neighborhood News  
Neighborhood Sale“*

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## ***OUR PURPOSE***

*The original purpose of this newsletter was to address some issues that impacted residents of Birchwood Lane here in Heisley Park. That initial concern was to see what can and should be done for homeowners whose sump pumps run constantly; whose sump pumps have failed; and, whose basements have flooded. It was also our goal that by creating this newsletter to communicate information about our community to other homeowners who may benefit from our concerns and efforts. This original purpose has since expanded to include our joining forces with the Home Owner Association board to allow the newsletter to prosper as a communication tool for the community. We intend to work cooperatively with the City and the builder so that we do not negatively impact home values within the development further given the state of the real estate market. In doing so we also want to ensure that any future costs incurred by the city and taxes to support the community are well spent. We hope to see all of you attend the Painesville City Council meetings held the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month to remain informed about what is happening in our city and community. As this publication is now part of the HOA it will be our goal to work cooperatively with the HOA board members and encourage them to take action where action is necessary on behalf of the homeowners and to communicate to homeowners what the HOA is doing on their behalf..*

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Sign up for copies the newsletter by sending an e-mail to: [news@heisleyparkhoa.com](mailto:news@heisleyparkhoa.com). We encourage all readers to share this newsletter with residents within the community. You can also view previous issues on the HOA website.

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## **SUBMIT ARTICLES**

Articles may be submitted at any time for consideration. Please e-mail articles in a word document and include your name, address, contact number so that if we have questions about the article we can contact your. Articles should be of interest to the homeowners here in Heisley Park or Painesville Residents in general. Thanks. The Editor

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**NOTIFICATION: NOW ASSOCIATED WITH THE HEISLEY PARK HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION AS IT'S OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER.**