

Orange Village

Community News

Fall 2014



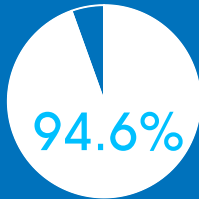
The Results Are In!

Surveys were mailed to every residence in Orange Village in June. A special thank you to the 474 residents that took the time to complete the survey. The overall survey response rate was 37.0% with a 95% confidence level and a +/- 3.6% statistical error rate.

Village Qualities

Respondents showed overwhelmingly positive feelings about living in Orange Village. The most valued qualities were the school system (54.8%), sense of safety and security (53.3%) and convenience to highways (47.4%).

Services



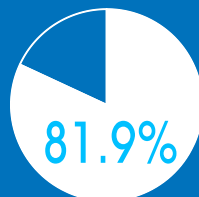
of respondents say the Village's overall service system is
Good or Excellent

Quality of Life



more than 9.6 out of 10 respondents say
the quality of life is
Good or Excellent
in Orange Village

New Trails



of respondents are in favor of new trails

The Cuyahoga County Planning Commission will offer a presentation on Wednesday, October 8th at 8:00 pm. The survey results will also be posted on our website www.orangevillage.com

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Council Meeting

1st & 2nd Wed of each month
8:00 p.m.

Finance Meeting

1st Wed of each month
7:30 p.m.

Planning and Zoning

1st & 3rd Tues of each month
7:30 p.m.



Employee Spotlight

Assistant Fire Chief Daniel Fritz

They say a man often follows in his father's footsteps. That path is the route taken by Orange Village Assistant Fire Chief Daniel Fritz. As a little boy Daniel would visit the fire station with his father, Fred Fritz, who was Chief of the department for 25 years. It was during these visits that Daniel decided he would be a firefighter when he grew up.

After graduating from Ohio University in 1990 Daniel worked in Public Relations for the Department of Transportation. But "the calling", as firefighters often refer to it, became strong. Daniel moved back to Cleveland and began working for the Orange Village Fire Department in 1994. While working full time for the Department of Transportation and part-time at Orange Village, Daniel attended Paramedic School at night. He then began testing for full time employment in the fire service. "Orange Village gave me a chance and launched me into a career that I will always love. For that I will be eternally grateful."

Daniel was hired full time by the Bedford Heights Fire Department in 1998 and was promoted to Lieutenant and then to the rank of Captain. At Orange he was promoted to Lieutenant and then to his current position as Assistant Chief. Daniel is also actively involved in local politics and is currently in his second term as a Moreland Hills Councilman.

One of Daniel's goals is to integrate the department into the community above and beyond the primary purpose of providing emergency services. "I work in an environment that encourages community involvement. Village Administration has given us the support we need to provide community events such as our Open House, Holiday Gift Delivery, Birthday Parties and our first annual Halloween Party to be held on October 31st." Recent survey results show that residents are very pleased with the fire department's emergency services and community presence. "I'm incredibly proud of the men and women who serve in this department. Residents should know we are always working to ensure that the department is providing top quality state-of-the-art fire and EMS coverage." But Daniel strongly feels the mission goes beyond that. "We love to get out to block parties and host events for the families. A firefighter will tell you that nothing beats a smile on a child's face when he or she visits the fire station"

Daniel lives in Moreland Hills with his wife Colleen and their three children.

Sign up for E-mail News

Sign up for Orange Village e-mail at www.orangevillage.com. Bi-monthly newsletters provide a great way to stay up to date with everything happening in our community.



Reminders will be sent about the many great activities we have scheduled and reminders such as; holiday trash collection, construction updates, Music at the Muni and other Village information.



Trick or Treat

October 31st 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Stop by the 1st Annual Fire Department Halloween Fun Fest from
5:00 pm to 7:30 pm on October 31st

Enjoy the "Not So Spooky" Haunted Trails, Crafts, Games, Pizza and Goodie Bags. There will be a Kids Costume Contest and Parade at 6:00 pm.

See back cover



Dear Neighbor,

Summer, 2014 flew by with lots of great activities in Orange Village. I certainly enjoyed this year's Music/Movie at the Muni series, Orange Village Fire Department Open House and, of course, the 23rd Annual Salute to Orange Village, with fantastic fireworks. I also had the opportunity to attend neighborhood block parties throughout the Village and it is always great to see everyone enjoying time with friends and family.

1st Annual Fire Department Halloween Fun Fest

There will be a new event to enjoy this autumn in Orange Village. Our wonderful Fire Department is planning a great way to celebrate Halloween for all the children in the Village as a fun addition or alternative to trick-or-treating. This is an event that used to take place annually in Orange Village which we are bringing back. We are hoping to create new fun memories for our little ones. Please plan to join us on October 31st for tricks, treats & goodies from 5:00pm – 7:30pm.

Pinecrest Update

The developers of the Pinecrest project are moving ahead with plans to start in the Spring of 2015 with construction of the retail/commercial portion. Fairmount Properties continues to be encouraged by the interest it has received from the national and regional retail and restaurant community. To date, commitments to locate in Pinecrest have been secured from tenants for over 100,000 square feet. Each one of these tenants is new to our region. I expect the developers will be ready to share the names of these tenants in the very near future.

Community Survey

I would like to thank everyone who participated in our recent Community Survey. We are pleased with all the feedback and responses we received. The survey results will be very helpful as we set priorities for the future and will provide us much guidance for years to come. The Cuyahoga County Planning Commission will be making a formal presentation to the public on our completed survey on Wednesday, October 8th at 8:00pm. Additionally, the entire survey will be available at www.orangevillage.com after that date.

94.6% of the respondents rated the Quality of Services (e.g. police & fire protection, trash removal, recycling, branch chipping, leaf pickup, snow removal, etc...) in Orange Village as Excellent or Good. This is an improvement from our 2007 survey when 86.2% rated those same services as Excellent or Good. We are very pleased with this feedback and I think it is a result of the hard work of all of our Village employees.

CodeRED

We received a lot of comments concerning the use of our Code Red system. Apparently, there are residents who are receiving NON-emergency, general notification calls who do not want that service. You have the option. The system is designed to allow you to select whether you want to receive emergency calls only..... or.... receive informational calls as well as emergency calls. If you signed up at www.orangevillage.com, you can go online and choose the option which works best for you. Alternatively, please feel free to call my administrative assistant, Anna Girardi, at 440-287-5131, and she will assist you in getting set up to receive only the calls you want.

Voting Day - November 4th

Remember to vote on Tuesday, November 4th as there are a lot of important races that will decide the future of our State, County and region for the next four years.

As always, if there is anything we can do to be of assistance; please do not hesitate to contact me or our staff.

Yours truly,

Kathy U. Mulcahy

Meet the Mayor

Wed., October 8th - 7 pm
Tues., Nov. 18th - 6:30 pm
Wed., Dec. 10th - 7 pm

November 11th



Road Work Update

2014 Asphalt Program Update

The 2014 roadway construction is finally underway. Lander Road will be receiving an asphalt overlay from Miles Road to just south of Smithfield. This work will be taking place throughout October. If you can, please avoid the area under construction as traffic will be delayed. Additional asphalt repairs will also take place in Orange Hill and Orange Tree.

2014 Concrete Repair Program Update

The Orange Village Concrete Repair Program will begin in October. The project will take about six weeks and be completed around mid November.

Repairs will be predominately on Orangewood Drive (Beechmont to Lander) and on Lander Road at the north corporation line. Traffic in these areas will be maintained however please anticipate delays.

Hidden Valley Water Main.

Orange Village was notified that it will receive a grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission for the Hidden Valley Water Main. The water main will extend about 1250' up Hidden Valley from Brainard Road. Plans will be completed and bid out over the winter months so it will be ready for construction in the spring of 2015. This project will complete the fire safety commitment made by the Village to bring all homes within 2000 linear feet of a fire hydrant.

FirstEnergy Communication Tools

Has your power flickered on and off, did your power go out? If you ever had any of these issues you must contact FirstEnergy so they are aware of the issue. FirstEnergy has new communication tools to provide customers with simple and convenient ways to get the most current information related to your electric needs.

Two-way Text Messaging - Using a series of short codes, you can send text messages to 544487 (LIGHTS) to report a power outage, request a status update on a reported outage or make billing inquiries from a mobile phone.

Mobile website and smartphone app - You can easily manage your electric accounts on the go. Features include reporting power outages and access to the 24/7 Power Center outage maps, secure management of your electric account, a click-to-call feature to reach our contact centers and access to their full website. Use the keyword "FirstEnergy" to find the app.

Phone - Call 1-888-LIGHTSS (1-888-544-4877) to report outages or downed wires.

You can also stay connected with FirstEnergy on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, YouTube and Flickr. Visit www.firstenergycorp.com for more information.

Rx Drug Drop Box Program **Turn in your unused or expired medications**

Orange Village Police Department and Cuyahoga County are pleased to announce a collaborative effort to protect your home and the environment from potentially dangerous medications with the Rx Drug Drop Box Program. Law enforcement is the only entity legally able to accept these medications and process them properly so that they do not fall into the wrong hands. Law enforcement takes control of and destroys drugs on a regular basis as part of their ongoing operations. In 2012 in Ohio, more than 1,500 people died from accidental prescription drug overdoses.



The RX Drug Drop Box Program is an opportunity for residents to deposit unused, unwanted, or expired prescription drugs. You may drop off your items Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm at Orange Police Department, 4600 Lander Road. **Needles and liquids cannot be accepted.**

News from the Service Department

LEAF COLLECTION

- ❖ Collection begins October 20th and runs through November 26th
- ❖ Leaves should be placed close to the edge of the road. They should not extend onto the road. Leaves should be in a long row no farther off the road than 8 feet.
- ❖ Do not mix branches or foreign objects with the leaves. This can cause damage to the machine that picks up the leaves.
- ❖ The leaves will be turned into a rich compost that can be added to gardens and soil. The compost will be delivered next May to residents that request loads.
- ❖ Do not place leaves in ditches. They can block culvert and drive pipes resulting in flooding.



Branch chipping is complete for 2014. We will not be chipping again until 2015. If you currently have branches out they must be removed or you will be in violation of Ordinance 939.04.

Paper Shredding and Habitat for Humanity Collection ***Saturday, October 18th, 9:00 am - noon, Orange Village Hall***

Orange Village will be providing residents with the last opportunity to have their sensitive documents professionally shredded in 2014. The items will be shredded in your presence. There is a limit of 5 boxes/bags. If you are unable to attend the shredding date, we will have secured container for drop off of your materials Thursday, October 16 and Friday, October 17 at Orange Village Hall from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Habitat for Humanity will be taking donations of usable/ workable furniture, appliances, sinks, toilets, vanities, doors, hardware, electrical and plumbing supplies of all kinds, lawn and garden tools/equipment, kitchen cabinets, counter tops, lumber (6-8ft), tile. No paint, bedding or clothing. Tax receipts are available. Bring your items to Village Hall on October 18th or to arrange a pickup of larger items, call 216-429-3631.



Computer/Escrap and Household Hazardous Waste Collections

Oct. 3, Nov. 7, Dec. 5
7:00 am to 3:00 pm
4680 Lander Road



Snowplow Service from the Village

The Service Department provides free residential snowplowing to residents who qualify. You must be an Orange Village resident age 65 or older or be physically or medically handicapped, as defined in Ohio law with a combined household income of less than \$22,150 and have no able-bodied person living in your home. (ORC 935.01)

If you meet the requirements or have any questions please contact Anna Girardi at Orange Village Hall at 440-287-5131.

Check Your Mailbox



Orange Village Service Department reminds residents to inspect their mailboxes so they are able to withstand the weight of some snow being plowed onto them. Boxes must be far enough off the road so they're not in the path of a plow.

We will accept responsibility for a mailbox that is directly hit by a snow plow. We are not responsible for a mailbox that was unable to withstand the weight of snow being plowed onto them. All reported incidents will be investigated.

SNOW PLOW CONTRACTORS MUST REGISTER

Please advise your contractor that they must obtain a written permit from the Village and a decal which should be prominently displayed on the registered vehicle(s). Instruct your snow plow service provider to apply with the Orange Village Building Department and pay an annual license fee in the amount of \$25.00 and \$5.00 for each additional vehicle. For your safety, please remind your contractor to keep snow and debris out of the roadway and do not block the fire hydrants.



Emergency and/or General Notifications

In the Spring of 2013, Orange Village contracted with Emergency Communications Network to license its CodeRED emergency notification service. CodeRED transferred the information we had on the Reverse 911 system and imported information from an outside source. You may sign up for emergency (highly recommended) and/or general notifications calls/texts/emails. Emergency information would include boiling alerts for water, gas leaks and any other incidents where rapid and accurate notification is essential. General notifications will include reminder of paper shredding, Music at the Muni events, changes to trash schedules and other non-emergency items.

If you do not have access to a computer and would like to receive any of these notifications or if you are currently receiving notifications and wish to be removed from the non-emergency, please contact Anna Girardi at 440-287-5131.

Please take the time to help us reach you in case of any emergency and to keep you informed.



Salute to Orange - Special Thank You

We would like to acknowledge the following businesses that supported our Salute to Orange event:

- * **Pinecrest Development**
- * **University Hospital Ahuja**
- * **Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & WineBar**
- * **Bahama Breeze**



- * **Honey Hut**
- * **Romano & Sons Nursery**
- * **Firehouse Subs**
- * **Miles Farmer's Market**
- * **Zeppe's Tavern & Pizzeria**



Summer Fun in Orange Village



**Music/Movie
at
the Muni**



**Salute to
Orange**



**Block
Parties**



**Fire Department
Open House**



New Parking Lot Retrofit Project Complete.

The Orange Village Green Parking Lot at the new Service Facility is now complete. Residents are encouraged to visit the new site and learn about going green. Information signs are posted on site and brochures are available for residents who wish to learn more. The site's main feature is a permeable paver parking lot, which allows water to pass through the pavement and slowly dissipate back into the ground rather than being directly discharged into the storm sewer. Also featured is a bio-retention cell which captures the water from the roof drains, stores the water and then allows the plants and ground to slowly absorb the water rather than being directly discharged into the storm sewer. Finally the Service Facility is home of the Orange Village Recycling Center where residents are able to drop off items for Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District collection programs.



Project Information Sign



New Permeable Parking Lot



Planted Bio-Retention Basin



Recycling Center Drop Off

Winter Driving Tips

The following is a good reminder of how to properly drive in the snow as seen on the AAA webpage.

Tips for driving in the snow:

- Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Applying the gas slowly to accelerate is the best method for regaining traction and avoiding skids. Don't try to get moving in a hurry. And take time to slow down for a stoplight. Remember: It takes longer to slow down on icy roads.
- Drive slowly. Everything takes longer on snow-covered roads. Accelerating, stopping, turning - nothing happens as quickly as on dry pavement. Give yourself time to maneuver by driving slowly.
- The normal dry pavement following distance of three to four seconds should be increased to eight to ten seconds. This increased margin of safety will provide the longer distance needed if you have to stop.
- Know your brakes. Whether you have antilock brakes or not, the best way to stop is threshold breaking. Keep the heel of your foot on the floor and use the ball of your foot to apply firm, steady pressure on the brake pedal.
- Don't stop if you can avoid it. There's a big difference in the amount of inertia it takes to start moving from a full stop versus how much it takes to get moving while still rolling. If you can slow down enough to keep rolling until a traffic light changes, do it.
- Don't power up hills. Applying extra gas on snow-covered roads just starts your wheels spinning. Try to get a little inertia going before you reach the hill and let that inertia carry you to the top. As you reach the crest of the hill, reduce your speed and proceed down hill as slowly as possible.
- Don't stop going up a hill. There's nothing worse than trying to get moving up a hill on an icy road. Get some inertia going on a flat roadway before you take on the hill.
- Stay home. If you really don't have to go out, don't. Even if you can drive well in the snow, not everyone else can. Don't tempt fate: If you don't have somewhere you have to be, watch the snow from indoors.

A Community for all Generations...



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EMERGENCY 911

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FIRE NON-EMERGENCY (440) 498-4402

Police Response

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