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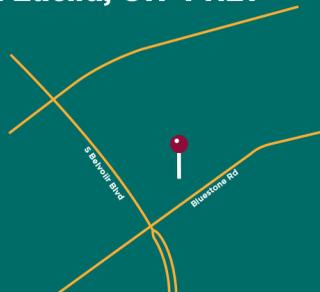
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Georgine Welo

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Special thanks to resident Jean Nadeau for her editing and proofreading expertise!



In South Euclid we have a great story to tell about coming together to overcome great challenges, adapting to adversity and working hard to keep our community a safe, strong and stable place to live, work and play.



Mayor Georgine Welo
216.381.0400

Ten years ago, South Euclid, like many inner-ring suburbs in the Cleveland area, was suffering from major challenges as a result of the unprecedented recession and

housing crisis which resulted in over 20% of South Euclid's housing stock in foreclosure.

However, with thoughtful leadership, collaboration, award-winning innovation, and most importantly – the support of residents – South Euclid is again a vibrant and thriving community.

While we still have challenges to overcome, because of your faith and support - many great things are happening - and we are a city moving forward. Here are some of the many successes we have achieved together in just the last ten years:

- Median Housing Prices are up 54.5% in just the last five years and 80% of our homes are owner-occupied.
- There has been over \$60 million in new residential investments in our neighborhoods since 2010 and mortgage foreclosures are now down to pre-1995 levels.
- There has been over \$100 million in commercial redevelopment since 2010.
- With your support of the Road Levy, we have made over \$20 million in road improvements.
- We have obtained over \$2.5 million in grant funds to revitalize our neighborhoods and public spaces.
- With your support of the safety levy, we have improved, diversified and maintained our excellent police, fire and emergency services.
- We worked together through public-private partnerships to spark the rebirth of the Mayfield & Green Business District and Cedar Center & Warrensville Business Districts.
- Helped city businesses AeroControlex and Rochling Glastic expand their businesses that are adding over 100 new high-paying jobs.



Old Cedar Center



New Cedar Center

- Worked with Notre Dame College as they have grown into one of the region's premiere places of higher education.
- Taken care and improved services for our seniors and youth with innovative partnerships with the Community Partnership on Aging and the implementation of the MyCom Youth Development program.
- Created One South Euclid, our community development corporation, which has given back over \$400,000 to residents and community projects in just the last five years!

Celebrating Success at Cedar Center

With the opening of the new Planet Fitness, the construction of Cedar Center North is 100% complete!

The revitalization of Cedar Center was critical to revitalizing and stabilizing adjacent neighborhoods. *It's easy to forget that the old Cedar Center plaza was blighted with graffiti, crime, vacant storefronts and a boarded-up movie theater that was vacant and extremely unsafe for over a decade.* The need to spark change at Cedar Center was not new. In 1999 City Council and residents adopted a master plan aimed at redeveloping the blighted strip center and in 2004 City Council embarked on moving forward with a once-in-a-generation redevelopment.

The new Cedar Center is not only a critical investment in our community necessary to remove blight and contaminated property – it benefits South Euclid residents today – and future residents of tomorrow. The tax dollars generated by the businesses at Cedar Center go exclusively to help pay down the costs associated with the redevelopment of the formally contaminated and blighted property and in a survey of South Euclid residents for the new Master Plan, nearly 85% approved of the City's role in taking action at Cedar Center.

The redevelopment was and continues to be critical to the future health and vitality of our City and affirms that South Euclid remains a stable, vital and vibrant place to work and call home.

Safety Levy Renewal (Issue 66).

Issue 66 will be on the ballot on November 5th for your consideration. The Safety Levy is on the ballot every three years and provides approximately \$2 million to help maintain our critical police, fire and emergency services and by law the funds can only be used for Police, Fire and Emergency Services.

- **Will the Safety Levy Renewal raise my taxes?** No. Renewing the levy will not raise your taxes.
- **What will happen if the Safety Levy Renewal Fails?** The Failure of Issue 66 will result in difficult decisions affecting city safety services and the City's capacity to continue to provide critical emergency services for South Euclid residents.

Moving Forward!

In South Euclid, we have been proactive, working together as residents to move our community forward and lead us towards a brighter future by being innovative, trying new ideas and taking reasonable risks. Our unique efforts have been recognized in both national and international media and through regional awards and grant funding!

We are laser-focused on doing what is right in making South Euclid truly a place where we can accomplish great things and continue to make South Euclid a place where we can all "come together and thrive". Please do not hesitate to contact me at mayor@seuclid.com or 216.381.0400 if you have any questions, ideas or want to become more involved in the future of our great community.

Finally, as this is the last issue of the magazine for 2019 – on behalf of all of our hard-working public employees and all members of city council – we thank you for your input, participation, support, and commitment to keeping South Euclid a great place to live, work and play. Without you, none of our many successes would be possible. Have a safe and happy holiday season and a great New Year!

With gratitude, Georgine

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SAFETY LEVY RENEWAL

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NOT A TAX INCREASE!

Continuing the levy will not raise your taxes.

HOW LONG WILL IT LAST?

The levy expires after 3 years

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO FUND OUR SAFETY FORCES:

It costs nearly \$10 million a year to fund:

- Fire 2019: \$4,080,640
- Police 2019: \$5,385,058

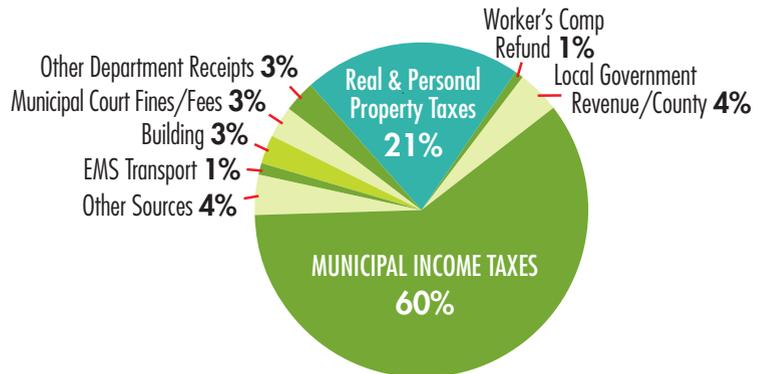
HOW MUCH MONEY WILL THE SAFETY LEVY GENERATE?

If approved, the Safety Levy will continue to generate approximately \$2 million a year, with the remaining necessary funds (approximately \$8 million) coming from the City's General Fund.

WHAT CAN THE SAFETY LEVY MONEY BE USED FOR?

Safety Levy funds can **ONLY** be used by our Safety Forces for services related to POLICE, FIRE, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) and DISPATCH. They do **NOT** go into the general fund and cannot be spent for any other purpose.

CITY OF SOUTH EUCLID ESTIMATED GENERAL FUND REVENUES

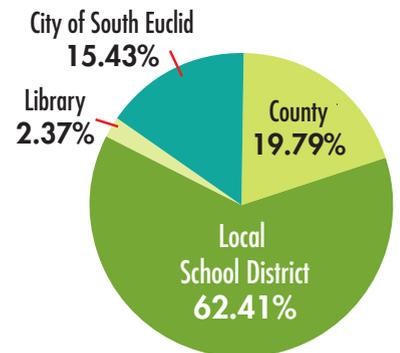


The Levy generates approximately \$2 million per year with the remainder (about \$8 million) coming from the City's general fund.

LOST CITY REVENUE DUE TO GOVERNMENT CUTS:

- Local Government Fund
2010: \$1 million
2018: \$554,000
- Real & Personal Property Tax
2010: \$4.6 million
2018: \$3.4 million
- Commercial Activity Tax
2010: \$170,000
2018: \$0
- Estate Tax
2010: \$500,000
2018: \$0

PROPERTY TAX ALLOCATION



Only 15¢ out of every Property Tax dollar goes to the City of South Euclid.

Myth Check: South Euclid isn't as safe as it used to be.

Facts:

- Because of our strong safety services the average response time for Police priority 911 calls is 2 minutes! Police & Fire are there when you need them the most.
- The majority of offenses are related to crimes like shoplifting, which, unfortunately, is common in communities with major retail centers
 - The city invests in working with and educating residents through its Youth Police Academy and Citizens Police Academy, and protects residents with our Canine Unit, Regional Mobile Field Force Unit, and multi-jurisdictional SWAT team!

Renewing the Safety Levy - **AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO YOU** - will help us maintain our excellent safety services that keep you and your family safe and South Euclid a great place to call home.

Keeping Your Safety Services Safe and Strong

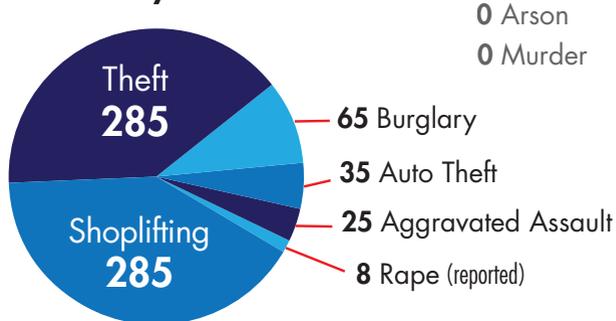


South Euclid Police Dept. GENERAL STATISTICS

- Number of Officers: **37**
- Number of Auxiliary Officers: **5**
- Total Number of Police Personnel: **46**
- K9 Officers: **3**
- Nuisance Abatement Properties: **225**
- Security Alarm Calls: **1,592**
- Total Arrests: **844**
- Total Prisoners: **540 Male & 304 Female**
- Total Cost to House & Feed Prisoners: **\$36,978.74**
- Number of Traffic Accidents: **763**
- Injuries from Traffic Accidents: **125**
- Property Damage from Traffic Accidents: **637**
- Fatal Traffic Accidents: **1**
- Driving Under the Influence: **41**
- Parking Violations: **3,509**

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POLICE DEPT.

2018 CRIME STATISTICS*
City of South Euclid



Total number of offenses: 1,827

* These statistics are a partial list of offenses.

SEPD TRAINING AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Approaching Alzheimer's
Autism-First Responder Training
CPR/AED First Aid
Crime Victim's Rights - Marsy's Law
Critical Survival Skills for Patrol Officers
Domestic Violence
K-9 Tracking/Drugs
MidWest Crisis Negotiators
Mobile Field Force Command
Narcotics Detection K-9

Patrol Drug Operations
Read - Recognize - Respond De-Escalation
Search and Seizure - Legal Update
Street Crimes
Subject Control Operator - Arrest & Control
Suspect Tactics and Perimeter Containment
Veterans, Police Officers, and Communities in Crisis
Weapons of Mass Destruction
Workplace Conduct and Management Practices



K-9 Unit

SEPD HAS 3 K-9 TEAMS

K-9 Partners purchased through generous donations by individuals and organizations.

K-9 Units respond to:

- **Drug detection**
- Location of hidden persons
- **Defusing tense situations**
- Protection during high risk traffic stops

Attend community policing activities, events, trainings, and school classrooms.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

In addition to law enforcement and public safety, SEPD provides these services to the community:

- Citizens Police Academy
- Youth Police Academy
- "Officer Phil" Program
- Safety Town
- 3rd Grade Seatbelt Training
- Bike Safety Training
- National Night Out
- FREE Home and Business Safety Inspections

SEPD also sponsors safety and crime prevention training programs available to South Euclid and neighboring communities and organizations.



Keeping Your Safety
Services Safe and
Strong



south euclid 2019 FIRE & RESCUE

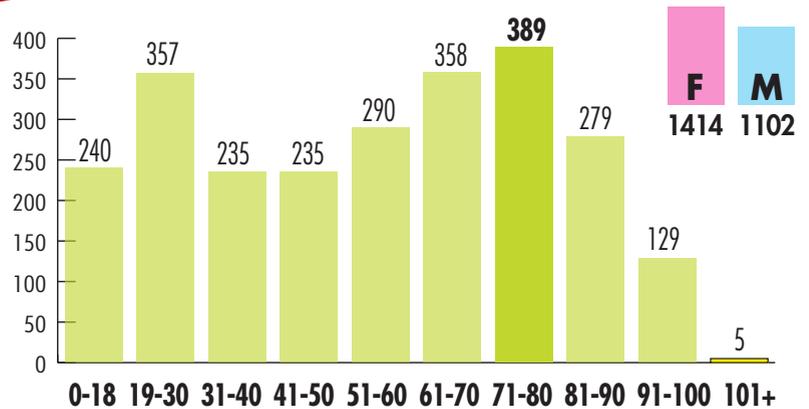
South Euclid Fire Dept. GENERAL STATISTICS

- Responded to 3,859 Emergency Calls for service
- Up 2.1% from 2017
- Responded to 49 structure fires
- Zero (0) fire fatalities
- Responded to 2,597 medical emergencies
- Busiest days: Mondays
- Busiest time of day: noon
- Slowest days: Saturdays
- Expenditures 2018: \$4,946,333
- Cost per Incident: \$1,281.77
- Cost per Capita - Daily Cost: \$.62 (up \$.17 from 2016)

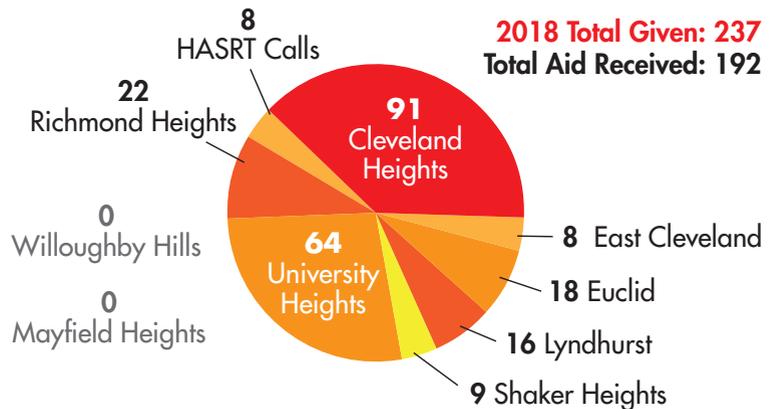
Personnel Statistics

- SEFD members total 494 years of service
- 14.5 average years of service per member
- 29 years longest service / 8 months least
- SEFD for a total of 6,615 man hours of training in 2018

EMS CALLS BY AGE/GENDER



SEFD Aid Given To Other Communities



SEFD Services Provided Annually:



2,597
Emergency Medical
Service Calls Received



1,729
Patients Transported
to Hospitals



1,557
Fire Inspections by
SE Fire Inspector

SEFD responded to multiple
emergencies at the same time: **27.83%**



TYPE OF CALL	# INCIDENTS
Fires	49
Rescue & Emergency Medical Service	2,597
Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	214
Service Call	172
Good Intent Call.....	252
False Alarm & False Call.....	542
Special Incident Type	2
TOTAL CALLS RECEIVED	3,859



Your Community Services

Ten years ago, South Euclid, like most cities in the Cleveland area, was suffering the effects of an unprecedented recession and housing crisis. Over 20 percent of South Euclid's housing had a foreclosure filed. With thoughtful leadership, collaboration, award-winning innovation, and most importantly--the support of residents, South Euclid is again a vibrant and thriving community. Here are some examples of what has been accomplished:

Important Facts About Your Community:

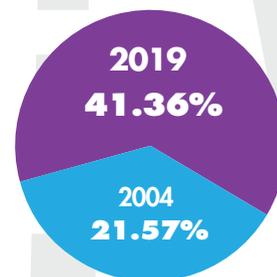
- Median Housing Prices up 54.5% in the last 6 years with average sales price of over \$105,000.
- 80% of all homes are owner-occupied.
- Over \$60 million invested in our housing stock since 2010.
- Over 35 new homes built since 2010, resulting in over \$7 million in new investment and an average sale price of over \$170,000.
- In the last two years 172 former rental homes were sold to owner-occupants. As the market has improved more rental owners are selling and owner-occupants are buying!
- Since the housing and foreclosure crisis in 2010 over 1,000 formally vacant homes have been fully renovated and are now occupied, tax producing properties.
- Mortgage Foreclosures are down to levels not seen since 1995 and tax delinquencies are lower than our peer cities.
- The city has partnered with One South Euclid, our non-profit community development corporation to redevelop more than 50 properties since 2013, resulting in more than \$6 million in investment. Proceeds from these sales have been put back into our neighborhoods since 2016 through an innovative grant program for home repair and maintenance, neighborhood events, beautification projects, and storefront renovation. Over \$400,000 of grants have been awarded, leveraging more than \$700,000 of projects.
- The city obtained over \$2.5 million in grant funds to revitalize our neighborhoods and public spaces. Since 2010, 10 community gardens and three neighborhood parks have been created, with 21 brand new acres of parks and greenspace since 2011.

Economic Development

- **Over \$100 million** in commercial development since 2010.
- **Mayfield Road Corridor:** Occupancy Rate: 88% with 13 new businesses since August 2018.
- **Cedar Road Corridor:** Occupancy Rate: 92.3% 8 new businesses since August 2018.
- **Green/Monticello Corridor:** Occupancy Rate: 88.6% with 4 new businesses since August 2018.

Street & Roadway Improvement

Percentage of South Euclid's streets rated Excellent:



- Over 120 street repair, resurfacing and improvement projects since 2014.
- The dramatic improvement is directly credited to residents' support of the Road Levy.
- South Euclid has approximately 150 miles of roadway, 140 miles of sidewalk and 130 miles of storm and sanitary sewers.



WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT: Growing a Diverse Force in South Euclid

Dressed in full gear, Officer Deidra (Dee) Hollyfield commands a strong presence in any room. Employed by the South Euclid Police Department since 2003, Officer Hollyfield was the first black female on the force, a role that she did not expect to take on when she first visited Northeast Ohio as a native Southern Californian. “I came to visit friends at Oberlin, got snowed in, and ended up staying,” recounts Hollyfield. After stints serving as a bartender at the Winking Lizard, and as the Aquatics Director at the YMCA, Hollyfield was encouraged by friends from the Cleveland Heights Police Department to consider a career in law enforcement. Sixteen years later, she’s never looked back.

South Euclid has the distinction of having the highest percentage of female officers of any municipal police force in our region. 18.92% of South Euclid’s police officers are female. Only the Cleveland Metroparks Police has more female officers, at 20.69%. When asked why they think South Euclid has been able to attract and retain so many female officers, the Officers had quite a bit to say on the subject. Detective Christine Marabito believes that the administration has made a conscious effort to diversify when hiring. She explained that, “half of all the people police come in contact with each day are women. Sometimes during a crisis, it helps if the officer is someone you can relate to. People often respond less aggressively toward a female, whether on a traffic stop or in an arrest situation. People have a tendency to talk more freely to a woman, and often the simple act of talking can help diffuse a tense situation, or calm an agitated person.” Officer Shauna McCann also believes that women bring special skills to the job. “We are great listeners and problem solvers. We also possess great patience!”

Working in a male-dominated profession can have its challenges. Some of the female officers reported that their smaller size can result in being underestimated when they arrive on a scene. According to Officer McCann, “Female officers have to prove themselves more, and can sometimes not be

SOUTH EUCLID’S SEVEN FEMALE OFFICERS ARE



Detective
Christine Marabito



Sergeant
Jean Crotty



Officer
Deidra Hollyfield



Officer
Shauna McCann



Officer
Dionne Moton



Officer
Lisa Allen



Officer
Andrea Galbraith

viewed as strong, which I can attest is not the case, being the first female Sniper and SWAT operator with the South Euclid Police Department E.D.G.E.(Eastside Department Group Enforcement—a regionalized, six-city SWAT team).” At 5’3”, Officer Lisa Allen recounts the time she had to subdue an impaired driver who attempted to flee from a scene on foot. “Don’t let my size fool you,” she said. Officer Andrea Galbraith agreed that sometimes female officers are underestimated based on their size. “Sometimes we have to assert our authority sooner at a scene, as we are not always viewed the way our male counterparts are.”

The women all concur that being approachable and easy-to-talk-to has many advantages in the community. Many shared that their toughest calls involve domestic violence, especially when children are present. “Sometimes we have to be a therapist and a divorce lawyer, which gets overwhelming sometimes,” said Officer Allen.

Being present in the community and getting to know residents was mentioned by several of the officers as critically important, especially in a time of suspicion about law enforcement. “Things have gotten too adversarial. This is a department of

decent human beings. When you have good communication with people, it humanizes things. Communication is the key to breaking stereotypes,” said Officer Hollyfield. All agreed that getting to know your neighbors and not being afraid to communicate with them, would head off a lot of the problems that end up involving the police.

The officers realize that they serve as role models for girls in the community and take that responsibility seriously. Officer Hollyfield recalls one shift that occurred 16 years ago that held special significance for her. “I was working on the north end of the city on Halloween handing out candy to kids from my squad car when a young girl wearing a police costume came up to me. Kids are watching, and they embrace what they’re not afraid of.” Hollyfield hopes that by her example, young women who might not have thought of it, will consider a career in law enforcement. Officer McCann offers this advice to young women considering a career in police work, “have confidence in yourself and your ability to do the job regardless of the challenges you will encounter. Be committed to who you are and what capabilities you possess and use them to the fullest. Make yourself stronger than you have ever been.”

Excruciating leg pain? Learn more about sciatica.



Marzena Buzanowska, MD
Cleveland Clinic
Hillcrest and South Pointe
Hospitals

Do you have pain radiating down one leg, especially below the knee? How about numbness in the hip, thigh, knee or ankle? You may be experiencing sciatica, pain caused by a problem with the sciatic nerve — the longest, widest nerve in the body.

“Sciatica can cause excruciating pain for some, or just be bothersome for others,” explains Marzena Buzanowska, MD, an interventional spine specialist at Cleveland Clinic Hillcrest and South Pointe hospitals.

“Once we pinpoint the cause we can aid in relief.”

Common causes of sciatica include a herniated disk (a disk that is pushed out of place) and lumbar spine stenosis (a narrowing of the spinal cord in the lower back).

Why sciatica develops

The sciatic nerve is made up of smaller nerves that branch out from both sides of the lower spinal cord. These join together, then split in



two to run down — and bring movement and sensation to — each hip, buttock and leg.

Compression along the nerve causes symptoms, usually on the affected side. Burning or shooting pains make walking, sitting and standing up — or even coughing and sneezing — difficult.

Sciatica usually lasts for a couple of weeks, but may persist for a couple of months or even longer.

Treating sciatica

Dr. Buzanowska recommends starting treatment conservatively, with physical therapy. If that does not help, spinal injections may be considered. Surgery is usually the last resort.

“Most sciatica patients do not require surgery. Time, medication and physical therapy usually do the trick,” says Dr. Buzanowska.

To make an appointment with Dr. Buzanowska at Hillcrest or South Pointe hospitals, or another Cleveland Clinic spine specialist, call 216.636.5860.

Annual Diabetes Fair

Friday, November 1 | 1 to 4 p.m.

Cleveland Clinic South Pointe Hospital
Building B — Main Lobby
20000 Harvard Road, Warrensville Heights

Hosted by Cleveland Clinic South Pointe Hospital's Diabetes Education Center.

Health fair will include:

- Cooking demonstrations
- Endocrinologist speaker
- Diabetes patient champion testimonials
- Health screenings
- Hand and back massages
- Snacks, door prizes, and more!

Free and open to the public. No reservations required. For more information, visit SouthPointeHospital.org/Diabetes or call 216.491.7451.

For more information on Cleveland Clinic events and community programs, visit ClevelandClinic.org/CommunityCalendar.

Sports Injury Clinic

Every Saturday morning during fall sports season (Aug. 24 to Oct. 26, 2019) from 8 to 11 a.m. and the following Monday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Cleveland Clinic Sports Health
5555 Transportation Blvd., Garfield Heights

Cleveland Clinic sports medicine specialists can help athletes who suffer acute sports injuries on the weekend at its Sports Injury Clinic. Our clinic services include:

- Acute injury care for athletic-related injuries, such as sprains and strains.
- Full array of sports medicine services, including X-ray and bracing.
- Physical therapy consultation to review rehab plan, if needed.

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Officer Joe Goes Back to School!

Joe Di Lillo, School Resource Officer

Joe Di Lillo Jr. began his career with the South Euclid Police Department (SEPD) in 2006 and is a proud graduate of Brush High School where he participated in the Criminal Justice Vocational Program from 1998 to 2000 and developed an interest in a career in criminal justice.

During his time at Brush, Joe met South Euclid Police Officer Sgt. Ed Leoson who would become his mentor and eventually follow in Sgt. Leoson's footsteps to become a South Euclid Police Officer and School Resource Officer.

In June of 2019 Officer Di Lillo was appointed as the School Resource Officer for the South Euclid Police Department, a position that has not been filled since 2005. Joe will be assigned

to both Memorial Junior High School and the Greenview Upper Elementary School Campus. SEPD is looking forward to this collaboration with the South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools and building stronger relationships with youth in the community.

Prior to his new assignment, Officer Di Lillo worked as a Crisis Negotiator, Public Information Officer, and Ward 3 Liaison. He has conducted distracted driving classes at Brush High School and is a member of a team of officers responsible for the success of our Youth Academy and annual weeklong class for students in 8th grade and above.

Officer Joe is looking forward to working with our students and continuing our work to promote positive police and youth relationships in our great South Euclid Community! ✍️

ARE THERE SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS IN SOUTH EUCLID?

The South Euclid Police Department has historically embraced the implementation of technology into the work environment to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of our officers as well as making good use of the city's resources.

City Hall: Recently we upgraded the camera system at the Municipal Complex and added additional cameras.

This year we completed the installation of a new camera system at Bexley Park and the Community Center.

Next we will be working on installing new camera systems at Quarry Park and the Service Garage.

There are currently 65 cameras deployed on city property, including in our parks. The primary purpose of installing these



surveillance cameras is to act as a deterrent to crime and illicit activities. They also help to make residents feel safer. ✍️

How much does that cost? Police Vehicles

We are introducing a new feature in the magazine to help inform residents about the costs associated with regular city business. In this issue we look at the costs and necessary equipment needed to outfit one Police Car.



Have you ever wondered what it costs to outfit a patrol car?

- To start with, the cost of a 2020 Police Interceptor Utility Vehicle, under state bid pricing, is \$31,652.
- This price does not include the cost and installation of equipment (not including Mobile Data Terminals and In Car Cameras), which is an additional \$13,177.02.
- Below is a breakdown of the cost for key components:
 - Light bar \$1,999.99
 - Lights and Siren Controller \$992.80
 - Push Bumper \$320.64
 - Partition \$706.37
 - Gun Rack \$376.89
 - Transport Seat \$1,083.25
 - Window Bars \$192.06
 - Console \$375.81
 - Rear Storage/Organizer \$299.99
 - Mobile Data Terminal \$5,450.39 (plus monthly connection fee)
 - In Car Camera \$5,000
 - Radio \$2,500

How long does SEPD keep their cars?

Ideally a patrol car will be rotated out of service every 3 years, at which time they will have generally 100,000 plus actual miles. This does not include idle time which is estimated to be 25 miles for each hour. Vehicles will typically have 6,000 plus engine hours which is equivalent to 150,000 miles.

Saving Money & Promoting Sustainability

In 2020 SEPD is considering buying hybrid patrol vehicles. While there is an additional cost of \$3,595 for the hybrid model it is projected to save \$3,509 annually, which would total \$10,527 over a three-year period. ✍️



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Diversity in Law Enforcement Matters

STRIVING TO REFLECT THE COMMUNITY WE SERVE

The city of South Euclid is a diverse community and the South Euclid Police Department (SEPD) embraces such diversity by striving to have a workforce that is as diverse as the community we serve.

- SEPD currently has a total of 37 officers.
- Our first female officer was hired in 1994.
- Our first African American officer was hired in 1998.
- Since 2006 SEPD has hired 4 female officers, 2 African American officers, 1 Hispanic officer and 1 officer of Pacific Islander descent.

Attracting minority candidates to careers in Law Enforcement has been an issue that Northeast Ohio has been dealing with for several years, which is why we work with youth and young adults through the Youth Police Academy, Citizens Police Academy and in the schools to promote careers in law

enforcement.

Interested candidates for a career as a South Euclid officer must be U.S. Citizens at least 21 years of age but not older than 35 years of age, have a valid Ohio driver's license, and possess a high school diploma or GED and an Associate's Degree to be eligible to take the entrance examination. Candidates are also required to pass a physical agility test administered by Cuyahoga Community College. Extra credit is given to individuals that have been honorably discharged from the military and for candidates that hold their OPOTA certification.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss careers in law enforcement and encourage you to contact the Chief's office in the South Euclid Police Department if you'd like more information. ✍

BUILDING COMMUNITY TRUST & ADVANCING MUTUAL RESPECT

The South Euclid Police Department has worked hard and will continue to work hard on building trust and nurturing legitimacy.

Cultural Competency Training:

In South Euclid we are committed to cultural competency training that helps our police officers effectively manage police interactions with the public and strengthen relationships with the community. Training includes issues of bias, racial profiling, cross-cultural relationships and techniques to improve the public's perceptions and interactions with police officers.

Technology Used to Build Trust:

All patrol vehicles in South Euclid are equipped with dash cameras and GPS units and every officer wears a body camera. The use of these technologies (which are still not utilized by many area police departments) enables us to record and review

the vast majority of interactions that citizens and officers are having. This allows us to identify areas of improvement and to work toward greater proficiency. It is also very helpful when residents have complaints about an interaction with an officer.

The Final Report of President Obama's *Task Force on 21st Century Policing* identified building trust and nurturing legitimacy as the first pillar of the task force's report. The report outlines four core principles for police officers to build trust with community:

1. Treating people with dignity and respect
2. Giving individuals "voice" during encounters
3. Being neutral and transparent in decision making, and
4. Conveying trustworthy motives.

We choose to do these things not only because we believe in transparency – but because we want our residents to trust that we are policing using the best practices and in a professional manner. ✍



South Euclid Police Officers Sniff Out Crime!

The South Euclid Police Department K9 Unit was founded in 2002 to support the efforts of patrol officers and detectives in a variety of ways. The South Euclid Police K9 teams are trained in:

- Narcotics Detection
- Building and Area Search
- Evidence Recovery
- Tracking
- Suspect Apprehension
- Handler Protection

Our K9 unit is also the anchor agency for a regional K9 training group that meets bi-monthly to conduct in-service K9 training. The group is made up of dog teams from numerous area law enforcement agencies. The K9 teams also take part in many community policing activities throughout the year. These include formal events, such as National Night Out and the city hall open house.

K9 teams also make their presence known in the community by visiting classrooms at local schools.

The students at Adrian Elementary School in particular are well acquainted with SEPD K9 teams. Our dog teams can also be seen walking through city parks or visiting block parties. In addition to being a patrol/narcotics team, K9 Kolbe is deployed alongside the EDGE SWAT Team during tactical operations. The K9 team adds a unique set of skills to the tactical team. Deployments include searching confined spaces, high risk building searches, perimeter containment or high risk open area searches. The K9

team also provides a unique, less lethal option to the SWAT Team for subduing criminals.

The spirit of community policing is a role the K9 Unit embraces and will continue to use to foster a positive and mutually supportive relationship with the community. For more information and to help support our current and retired K9 Officers, please visit www.sepolicek9foundation.org. The foundation's mission is to supplement the training and equipment of our active K9 teams, have in place permanent funding for the addition of new dogs, educate the public regarding police service dogs, provide the best possible care for our retired K9 Officers, and to honor them when they pass away. ✍️



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(Back Parking Lot)
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Limit 3 (Three) Boxes Per Resident

Thursday, October 17, 2019

Mingle at the Mansion! @ the Museum of American Porcelain Art (Telling Mansion)
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
One South Euclid's Annual Fundraiser

Thursday, October 24, 2019

Pumpkins in the Park @ Bexley Park
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
(limit one pumpkin per family).

Mad scientist show from Dr. UR Awesome, face painting courtesy of Garfield Memorial Church, and fall treats courtesy of One South Euclid. The pumpkins are courtesy of Walmart and Giant Eagle.

Thursday, October 31, 2019

Halloween Trick-or-Treat
6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

NOVEMBER

Sunday, November 16, 2019
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Fundraiser for Community Partnership on Aging
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Vote for your favorite Chili from Fire Departments in South Euclid, Lyndhurst, Mayfield Heights, Mayfield Village and Highland Heights.
Tickets \$15. Call 216.291.3902 for more information.

DECEMBER

Sunday, December 1, 2019
Holiday Lighting Ceremony @ City Hall

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You may have noticed the latest addition to South Euclid’s Art for Public Spaces!

The new mural painted on the west wall of the legendary House of Swing building was completed in September. The mural was designed by Cleveland artist Lisa Quine and reflects our community’s motto “Come Together & Thrive”. Lisa is one of Northeast Ohio’s most accomplished mural artists and has designed and painted over 30 murals in the

Greater Cleveland area.

The mural was commissioned by One South Euclid, our Community Development Corporation, as part of their commitment to work with the City to beautify and help revitalize our business districts. ✍️

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Cuyahoga County Fiscal Office:
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Cuyahoga County Board of Elections: 216-443-3298
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We've got the fire to serve!

We are honored to provide our community of residents and visitors to our city with emergency services and education. We recognize the trust you place in us as well as the responsibility we have in doing the right thing, on every emergency call, every day. The South Euclid Fire Department welcomes your interest and encourages you to contact us should you have any questions.

Our current responsibilities have expanded from our original mission of fire suppression to include the efficient delivery of the many varied types of emergency services required today. We have evolved into an all-hazards organization that provides fire suppression, advanced life support emergency medical services, technical rescue (confined space, trench, structural collapse, high and low angle rope, swift water, dive rescue & recovery), hazardous materials and disaster response and recovery. It is our expectation that in 2019, we will respond to over 4,000 calls for

service, our busiest year ever. We embrace the challenges and opportunities that are part of a diverse and thriving community. We strive to meet your needs within the financial capabilities of the City.

We are an active community partner that has established many mutually beneficial relationships with other community organizations including the South Euclid Police Department, South Euclid/Lyndhurst Schools, Heights-Hillcrest area Fire Departments and the Community Partnership on Aging to name a few.

Your fire department is continually searching for opportunities to improve as well as expand our services, promote efficiency, and increase community and firefighter safety. At each opportunity we are accomplishing these goals at a time when it is imperative to capitalize on every expenditure. We have entered into collaborative efforts with neighboring fire agencies to facilitate and promote cost savings, improve response, and



effectiveness. We will continue to increase our commitment to collaboration as an avenue of fiscal efficiency, employee safety, and community service. We are confident that we can improve our services as we are committed to community safety, firefighter safety, and financial stewardship.

The South Euclid Fire Department remains committed to preserving the past, protecting the present and leading the future.

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Community Paramedicine: The Future of Community-Based Medical Service

As with all successful government agencies, your local fire department must change with times and learn to adapt to new ways of providing service, utilizing new technology and meeting the emerging needs of our residents.

An example of this is the recent regionalization of our emergency 911 dispatch into a regional center with five other communities. An emerging example for fire departments is the integration of Community Paramedicine as a spectrum of service provided to our residents.

What is Community Paramedicine?

Community Paramedicine, sometimes called Mobile Integrated Healthcare, utilizes local fire departments to bridge the care gap that is often found when a patient returns home from the hospital. There are many obstacles to overcome when returning home from a major illness or injury to continue the process of healing. Transportation to follow-up appointments, obtaining new medications and being properly educated about the new ailment are just a few of these hurdles. One solution that has been found to have a positive impact on recently discharged patients is called Community Paramedicine.

Successful Community Paramedicine programs require collaboration between all of the stakeholders: fire departments, area hospitals, primary caregivers, pharmacies and other health-related agencies.

As we look to the future, there are many advantages to having the South Euclid Fire Department as an integral part of the Community Paramedicine Program including:

The South Euclid Fire Department is already committed to providing high-quality patient care to the community.

The transition to Community Paramedicine would only require minimal additional training tailored toward long term care. Some Community Paramedicine programs have found it to

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be beneficial that the additional training is provided by local hospitals.

The positive relationships already established between the fire department and area health systems would provide a natural pathway to obtaining the needed additional training.

Community Paramedicine does not replace emergency care. Community Paramedicine's main objective is to ensure that a resident has access to the appropriate resources to reduce the chances of having another medical emergency.

How does Community Paramedicine Work?

Let's look at a shortened version of how a home visit from a Community Paramedic would transpire for a resident who recently had pneumonia:

The fire department would be notified of the discharged patient by a local health system and an appointment for a home visit would be made.

After arriving at the resident's home, a South Euclid paramedic would perform a basic physical exam, ensure that the

patient has any necessary prescribed medications, has access to transportation to follow-up medical appointments, and is educated about their illness and recovery.

If the paramedic finds any deficiencies, he or she can arrange to correct them with the patient and medical care provider.

If the South Euclid Community Paramedic finds anything of concern during a home visit, they have direct contact with the local dispatch center to send a South Euclid ambulance immediately.

The South Euclid Fire Department is always looking for new ways to enhance the services we currently provide. Community Paramedicine is one avenue we are actively exploring. The South Euclid Fire Department thanks you for your continued support and we are proud to serve our residents. ✍️

Lieutenant Greg Duy RN-BSN 17 years in the fire service, 13 years with South Euclid Fire Department

Technology in Fire Service Saves Lives and Improves Safety

“Two hundred years of history unimpeded by progress” was a common phrase that was heard around firehouses in America. The saying refers to the emergency service’s tradition of being reluctant to change.

Much like the horse-drawn pumpers of the olden days the phrase is becoming obsolete in today’s fire service. As the 21st century marches on, it brings with it many technological advances in society. These advances change the way people look at and interact with the world.

The fire service, like society as a whole, has benefited from the advances in technology and many of these technological innovations are used on a daily basis to allow fire departments across the country – including the South Euclid Fire Department – to operate more efficiently and safely.

The technology train keeps on rolling, which means that firefighters both young and old need to get on board with our changing world. In South Euclid, we strive to embrace change and technological advances and not let “tradition” impede progress in better serving the community.

There are many examples of new technology that we are now using in the firehouse that is working to help us operate more efficiently including: new computer reporting software, computer-aided dispatch, and Smartboards.

Computer reporting software is used for many aspects of the firehouse operations including documentation of emergency responses, recording and scheduling of maintenance, fire inspections and training, daily attendance, and year-end operations reporting. Prior to the use of the emergency reporting software, many more hours were consumed accomplishing these tasks.

Computer-aided dispatching (CAD)

is helping provide more efficient responses to the location of emergencies. CAD systems utilize mobile dispatch terminals (MDTs) to quickly route responding members to calls and to help keep accurate recordings of unit response times. The CAD system can also utilize the personal cell phones of the department members to alert them to the location and type of alarm that they will be responding to.

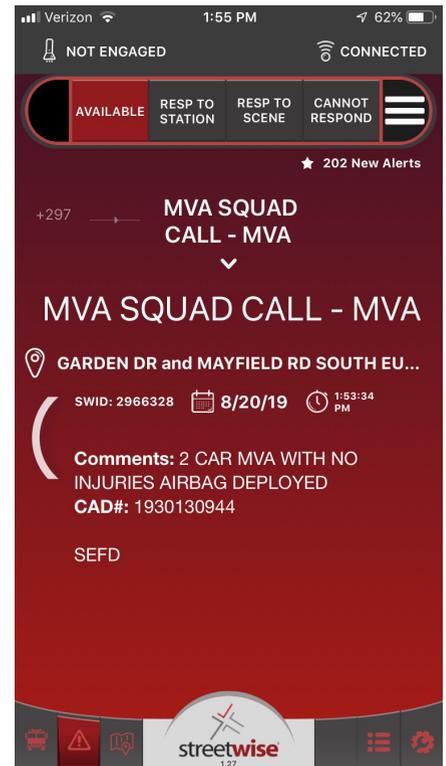
In the South Euclid Fire Department, this CAD technology is being used in conjunction with Smartboards and iPads, which are utilized as the MDTs. The Smartboards also display the type and location of the emergency as well as the best route for apparatus response.

New Technology Improves Safety

Technological innovations are not only helping make the fire service more efficient, but they are making the performance of emergency scene operations safer.

One of the main pieces of the firefighter protective ensemble is the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), which is commonly referred to as the air pack. The firefighter’s air pack is the complete ensemble that a firefighter wears to allow them to breathe in smoke-filled environments. This ensemble consists of a backpack harness, an air bottle, and a facepiece. Recent advances in the SCBA have allowed for tracking of members in hostile fire environments and the ability to see through smoke. The SCBA is now equipped with “Pak Tracker” technology.

This technology enables someone using a handheld unit to locate any specific SCBA when the wearer of that SCBA activates the distress alarm that is built into the pack. The newest facepieces used for these air packs are equipped with thermal imaging cameras. The built-in cameras allow for the mask



wearer to see through smoke and use heat signatures to help find victims or hidden fire.

The South Euclid Fire Department has been progressive and proactive in keeping up with the trends in fire service. Department members appreciate the support of the community and the administration in ensuring that they have the proper equipment to help in the performance of their duties.

Officers and firefighters alike are committed to training on and learning about the newest technologies in order to provide the high levels of service the residents of the City of South Euclid deserve. ✍️

Lt. Patrick Arth is a 22 year veteran of the fire service. He has been with the City of South Euclid since 2007.

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Involving and Attracting Youth to Careers in Fire and Emergency Medical Service

In today's fire service we are seeing a sharp decline in applicants taking tests. Last year South Euclid participated in a five-city entrance exam to boost turnout and ensure that we saw as many qualified applicants as possible, especially minority and female applicants.

This decline is areawide and is not exclusive to South Euclid. In 2008 the International Association of Fire Fighters commissioned a study to try and determine the "best practices" in minority recruitment and retention. According to the study, one of the single most effective methods was a cadet program that puts high school aged students into the fire house and in South Euclid we have collaborated with our schools and neighboring communities to launch our own Boy Scouts Explorers Program.

The Explorers Program

The Explorers Program offers boys and girls from 14 to 21 an opportunity to learn about today's Fire Service and EMS. In 2012 the South Euclid and Lyndhurst Fire Departments formed Fire Explorers Post 1349 with the express purpose of exposing and educating local boys and girls in careers as firefighters and paramedics. Mayfield Heights Fire Department joined us in 2013.

Since its inception, we have maintained an average of 14-18 active youth members who spend 4-6 hours a month in the three fire stations and have the opportunity to ride along with us seven days a week.

As firefighters and paramedics, we serve as mentors to participating youth and work with them and show them the life path needed to succeed in not only the job, but life as well.

The Explorers Program has seen a lot of success with two

alumni now serving as firefighters and paramedics in Northeast Ohio and four students that are currently enrolled in paramedic programs and working part-time in the field. Additional participants have also gone on to careers in other public safety and health fields.

All youth Explorer participants are provided with station uniforms as well as dress uniforms. In addition, South Euclid Firefighters spend time in the South Euclid Lyndhurst school district with our Fire Safety Trailer and educate students about fire hazards in the home and how to escape in case of fire.

In South Euclid, we are proud of our community youth and on a daily basis we see young men and women who have what it takes to make real contributions to the fire service as a whole. Given the opportunity – they will become productive members of what we consider one of the best jobs in the world – hopefully in South Euclid! ✍

If you know of anyone interested in becoming an Explorers member, or would like to hear more about our Explorers Post, please contact Post 1349 Lead Advisor Jamie Moroney at jamoroney@seuclidfire.com.

James A. Moroney has been with the South Euclid Fire Department since 2005 and attended Cuyahoga Community College for EMT, Medic, and Fire Academy and recently graduated with his Bachelors of Science in Fire Science and Administration. Firefighter Moroney currently serves as a fire instructor at the Fire Training Academy at Cuyahoga Community College focusing primarily on high school voc-ed programs. Mr. Moroney is currently the Post Advisor for the Fire Explorers Post 1349 which serves community youth in South Euclid, Lyndhurst and Mayfield Heights.

Need to Know: Saving Lives with CPR

The South Euclid Fire Department is currently offering three life initiative courses which follow guidelines set by the American Heart Association: Basic Life Support (BLS), AHA Family and Friends - Hands only CPR w/ AED, and Stop the Bleed courses.

When an individual suffers an out-of-hospital heart attack, their survival depends greatly on receiving immediate CPR from a bystander. CPR plays a huge role in increasing the survivability of a person who goes into cardiac arrest and helps maintain blood flow to the brain and heart and is the first step in the chain of survival until paramedics arrive with more advanced care.

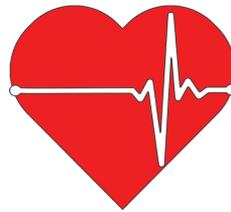
Course Descriptions:

AHA Family & Friends CPR Course is a 90 minute non-tested course that incorporates adult, child, and infant hands-only CPR. The course includes instruction on how to use an AED and what to do if adults, children or infants suffer airway blockages. These lifesaving skills are taught in a dynamic group environment using the practice-while-watching technique, which provides students with the most hands-on CPR practice time possible. Family & Friends CPR is for people who want to learn CPR but do not need a CPR course completion card to meet a job requirement. This course is ideal for community groups, new parents, grandparents, babysitters, and others interested in learning how to save a life.

The AHA BLS (Basic Life Support) Course is a 3 hour tested course that provides healthcare professionals the ability to recognize various life-threatening emergencies, provide CPR for adult, child, and infant, the use of an AED & bag-valve mask device, and the techniques to treat a person who is choking.

Stop the Bleed Course is a 90-minute course that includes a formal presentation and hands-on practice of direct pressure application, wound packing, and use of a tourniquet. The course was developed for the average resident to help address the needs of the immediate responder to control life-threatening bleeding until help arrives. The American College of Surgeons (ACS) created this course to enhance survivability from active shooter and intentional mass casualty events, but techniques learned are also applicable to everyday emergencies.

Our course instructors are also available to teach private classes, and for certification purposes, can proctor patient assessment portion of the AHA Basic Life Support course following completion of the on-line class.



Save-A-Life First Aid & CPR

As citizens of South Euclid, you are the first to encounter the emergency. Knowing what to do when the situation occurs, whether it is a cardiac episode or a traumatic injury, you could be the difference in saving a family, friend, or neighbor's life.

To find out more information about when courses will be offered and to register, please contact Fire Inspector Scott Sebastian at: 216-691-4273 or email at ssebastian@seuclidfire.com.

About Scott Sebastian

Fire Prevention Officer Scott Sebastian is a veteran of the US Army and has been a Firefighter/Paramedic for 21 years. Officer Scott has been a member of the South Euclid Fire Department for 12 years and has served as the city's fire inspector for 5 years.

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WHAT DO FIREFIGHTERS DO WHEN THEY'RE NOT RESPONDING TO EMERGENCY CALLS?

The challenge for fire department personnel is that they do not know what the next call might have in store for them. Firefighters and Firemedics must be prepared to meet any emergency that they might encounter. Examples in addition to fighting fires include treating heart attack victims and responding to automobile accidents with people trapped inside.

Training is a key component of a Firefighter's Workday:

A large part of our workday is dedicated to training and it's through training that we stay proficient in our skills and ready to face any emergency we respond to.

Every month the South Euclid Fire Department adopts a Training Plan and it is the responsibility of the shift Captains to make sure that all of the training for the month is completed. Each firefighter must complete monthly training on the following topics: EMS, Firefighting, Ground Ladders, Building Familiarization, Protocols, and using our Breathing Apparatus (SCBA).

Last year the fire department completed 6,615 training hours which averages to 200 hours of training per member of the department.

Some of our training is done at the fire station, but a lot of our training is also done out in the community. We like to do our training in the places that we might be called – so you may have seen us in your neighborhood from time to time. Some of our favorite locations to train include the field on Lowden Road, Mayflower condominium property, Bexley Park, the service garage area of Monticello and S. Green, and any home that is waiting to be taken down.

If you ever see us out in the community doing some training, please do not hesitate to stop and ask questions; we would love to explain what we are doing! 📸

Captain Paul Tepley has proudly served the community for 15 years and is a member of the Heights Hillcrest Technical Rescue Team (HHTRT) as well as the Region 2 Urban Search and Rescue Team (USAR). Some of his previous responsibilities include overseeing all fire department apparatus and the upkeep and maintenance of the fire department buildings and grounds. Captain Tepley is currently responsible for overseeing the department's training programs.



SOUTH EUCLID HUMANE SOCIETY FUNDRAISER

Whiskers & Wine, benefiting South Euclid's Humane Society, will take place on Sunday, October 6 from 2-5pm at BarNone located at 2179 S. Green Road. Enjoy wine samples, dessert, raffle baskets and live music by Chuck Fink.

The South Euclid Humane Society, a not-for-profit volunteer organization, is dedicated to finding homes and providing the proper care for homeless, abandoned, injured, and sick animals. In order to continue doing so, a group of community members, led by Julie Mostov and Anne Soinski-Caminiti, have come together to help raise much needed funds to assist them with their mission.

Ticket cost for Whiskers & Wine is \$25 and includes 10 wine samples and dessert. Additional wine samples for purchase, as well as special pricing on select bottles of wine with a portion of wine bottle proceeds benefiting the SE Humane Society. Tickets can be purchased online at unation.com/event/287337233 or in person via check or cash at the South Euclid Community Center located at 1370 Victory Drive.

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- Increase physical activity to help maintain strength, balance and coordination. Check out an exercise, yoga, tai chi or balance class to help. CPA offers all of these plus a walking club;
- See your doctor regularly and discuss all changes with him or her, including medication side effects;
- Have your vision checked regularly;
- Eat right! A diet containing the right nutrients can help keep your bones strong, your brain healthy and your muscles working well. Talk to your doctor or a dietician if you have questions;
- Reduce hazards at home! Do you have loose throw rugs, long electrical cords, poor lighting or clutter? These items can all contribute to the danger of falls;
- Consider having a grab bar installed in your shower or tub or hand rails installed on stairs, if not in place already.

CPA's "Safe at Home" program helps prevent falls. Our social workers are

available to offer options to improve your safety at home including a home assessment for factors that may lead to an accidental fall, providing minor home modifications (grab bars for showers or baths, motion detector lights, hand rails and hand held shower faucets) in the homes of eligible South Euclid residents, and/or access to the durable medical equipment loan program that lends new or gently used (and sanitized) assistive devices like rolators, shower/bath chairs and canes at no cost to you. Remember – most falls are preventable and CPA is here to help you reduce the chance of an accidental fall. Please call the Community Partnership on Aging office at 216-291-3902 to speak to a social worker about how you can protect yourself against falls. ✍

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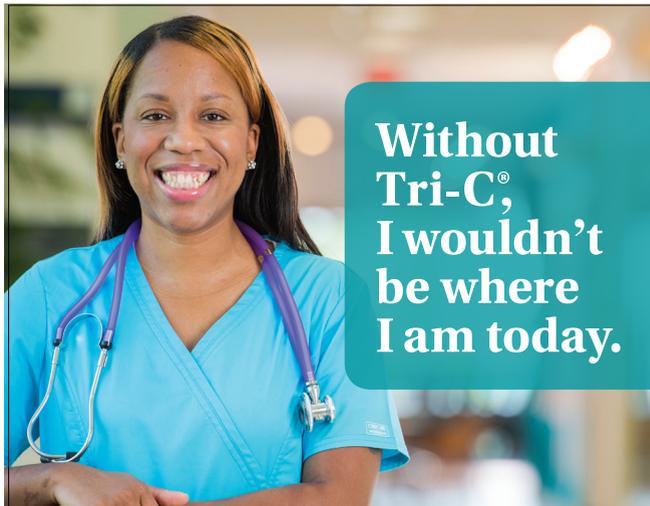
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2019-2020 School Year Launches with Excitement, Anticipation and Achievement!

The 2019-2020 school year officially launched on Thursday, August 15, 2019, when students returned to classrooms and teachers kicked off another productive year of learning and achievement. Various clap-in and welcoming activities greeted students and families. Everyone in the SEL Schools looks forward to building on the academic strides made during last school year. Please remember, the community can remain actively engaged in the events and activities of the SEL Schools by visiting us online at our regularly updated website, www.sel.k12.oh.us, friending us on Facebook by searching for South



Linda N. Reid

Euclid Lyndhurst Schools, or following us on Twitter @selschools. Updates, great stories and exciting information are made available on a daily basis. Please plan to remain connected with the SEL Schools and the Arc Pride that is certain to surge with the kick-off of the 2019-2020 school year.

The District once again hosted its annual **SEL Appreciation Day on Saturday, September 14, 2019, from 12 noon until 4 p.m. at Legacy Village.** Just having completed its 3rd year, the students and staff members who participated in this event this year saw the highly skilled talents and treasures of students in our District on full display. More than 20 activity tents were set up for fun games, learning demonstrations and more. Musical entertainment was provided by the Brush High School Marching Band and then continued all day long on the Main Stage, showcasing the vocal and instrumental performing arts talents of our students. A Chinese Raffle took place featuring the prized merchandise from Legacy Village stores, who once again graciously partnered with the SEL Schools to host this event. Special thanks go out to everyone who participated to help make this event successful. Please be sure to visit the District website and social media to see pictures of the fun and pride that was exhibited this year at our annual SEL Appreciation Day.

Finally, the SEL Schools would like to welcome Mr. Josh Hill



Superintendent Linda N. Reid with Brush High School students on the first day of school

to the District, who was officially hired as the next Treasurer of the South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools at a Special Meeting held on Monday, July 29, 2019. The hiring comes at the completion of an exhaustive hiring process, overseen by *Finding Leaders*, a renowned, professional search firm, where many highly qualified applicants were interviewed. Mr. Hill was chosen based upon his experience as Treasurer in other nearby school districts, his professionalism, and his eagerness to join our team and become part of our exciting direction as a school district. He most recently served as Treasurer in the Lorain City Schools and the Sheffield-Sheffield Lake City Schools, and also as Assistant Treasurer in the Cloverleaf Schools. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business and a Master's in Business Administration from Cleveland State University. Prior to his time in public education finance, Mr. Hill also spent time in the Cuyahoga County Auditor's Office. Please join the SEL Schools in welcoming Mr. Josh Hill as our next Treasurer! Thank you for your continued support, and let's collectively work to make the 2019-2020 School Year successful, and one filled with Arc Pride! ✍

Councilman-at-Large Dennis Fiorelli Council President

To my fellow residents and valued supporters, I would like to share a personal decision with you. Upon thoughtful consideration and reflection, I have decided not to seek a fourth term as Council-at-Large.



Dennis Fiorelli

Retirement from City Council and Council President is a choice that does not come easy, but retirement has been planned, and affords the opportunity for new and rewarding experiences and growth. Time with family. Time with friends. Time to travel. Time to give back in other areas.

It is indeed an honor and a privilege and awesome responsibility to be elected to lead and serve our City. I am truly grateful and humbled by this responsibility.

I look forward and pledge to working with you, and serving our City through the year end term, and beyond as an engaged resident.

I wish great health and prosperity to all.

My final words of encouragement: when we act as good neighbors, we act as a good community, but when we see the "good" in our neighbor, we act as a great community.

Thank you for all that you have done to make South Euclid a great community.

**President, Council-At-Large
Dennis Fiorelli: 216-269-8730**

Councilman-at-Large Marty Gelfand

On August 6 this year, in the battle between National Night Out and the weather, the weather won. Thunderstorms. South Euclid's safety forces erred on the side of safety and postponed it until the following Tuesday at our third and final "Bexley Bash" of the summer on August 13.



Marty Gelfand

National Night Out is an annual get-together held the first Tuesday evening of August by cities, towns and counties nationwide where residents get together with their neighbors, police, and firefighters to enjoy the summer evening weather together and discuss how to stay safe from crime, fires, injuries and illnesses.

With Bexley Bash in its 2nd summer season, "Intersection" in its first season, "Harvest Fest" held this year on September 7, and "Rock the Block" in June, South Euclid's residents and neighbors are able to come together on city property: Bexley Park, the municipal lot at Green and Mayfield, Quarry Park, and Mayfield Road, respectively.

National Night Out and the other city get-togethers send a message of ownership of our collective time and space. As the city, safety forces, One South Euclid, and volunteers organize these events and residents participate, we are saying that we feel safe on our streets and parks and we want to do more to ensure we stay that way.

One new National Night Out activity this year was the Dog Walk. People who walk their dogs in their neighborhoods are the eyes and ears of their streets and blocks. The Dog Walk recognized the importance of people (and their dogs) being out and about on our streets and paying attention.

Speaking of safety, please support Issue 66, the Safety Levy on November's ballot. It is a 3-year renewal of the 5.75 mill levy that maintains our safety forces. It will not raise taxes but will ensure that South Euclid will maintain the current staffing levels for our city's first responders.

**President Protem, Council-At-Large,
Marty Gelfand: 216-932-1216**

Councilman-at-Large Justin Tisdale

While walking the beautiful streets of South Euclid and meeting and speaking with our lovely residents, I took away some important issues. First, our residents expressed concerns about the increased number of deer in the city. Next, I was surprised by the number of house addresses that can't be seen or did not exist.



Justin Tisdale

Given that the growing deer population is an ongoing concern for City Council as well, I want to encourage all South Euclid residents to please go to the South Euclid City website and complete the deer survey. The survey will assist City Council in understanding the residents, various opinions on the best way to address the growing deer population.

There are also several helpful articles with information about living with deer including deer resistant plants and a deer management fact sheet.

As for the house addresses, it is vitally important for our fire and police responders to be able to easily identify the correct house needing assistance. When house numbers don't exist or are not visible, emergency services in the community are at a disadvantage. Vehicles responding to a call waste valuable time trying to identify the right home. At night, as you can imagine, it's extremely difficult without a visual aide. House numbers also function as the final piece of information for everyday delivery services. It's what they count on to get your order to the right place. Without proper and visible house addresses, valuable response time will be lost.

I believe having unique and vibrant house numbers will allow owners to display their creativity while continuing to add to the city's collective beauty. So let the creative juices flow and create some beautiful house numbers.

Council-At-Large, Justin Tisdale: 216-965-4242

Municipal Court Judge Gayle Williams-Byers

Illegal Robocalls

Annoyed by unwanted and even illegal calls from telemarketers and scammers? There may be some relief coming soon.

Twelve of the nation's largest telecommunications companies and attorneys general from all 50 states and DC have come to a voluntary agreement to prevent and even punish illegal robocallers.



Judge Gayle Williams-Byers

Not all robocalls are illegal, but unsolicited robocalls have become a rising concern in the United States as many people fall victim to financial fraud. In the first half of 2019, Americans received 25.3 billion robocalls, according to reports.

Large telecom companies like Sprint, Verizon, ATT and T-Mobile have agreed to crackdown on the illegal spam calls. The Federal Trade Commission has also implemented plans to provide phone carriers with the ability to block the unwanted calls. The US Congress has two bills aimed at expanding the government's power to reduce illegal robocalls.

If you are experiencing unwanted robocalls, many professionals advise to not answer the call, as doing so only leads to more and more calls coming your way. If you fall victim to financial fraud due to these illegal robocalls, contact your local law enforcement agency right away.

Judge Gayle Williams-Byers: 216-381-2880

Councilwoman Ruth Gray: Ward 1

The City Council's Recreation Committee will conduct a public hearing on November 25, 2019 at 6 pm at South Euclid City Hall to reveal and discuss the data collected from over 600 South Euclid residents. The committee will also provide up-to-date information on the deer population trends in our community. This public hearing is part of South Euclid's commitment to deer management education campaign.



Ruth Gray

The Resident Recreation Advisory Committee has formalized a set of recommendations for the city parks and playgrounds prioritizing a plan for our parks and recreation services. The plan will be presented to City Council, followed by a public hearing in late October or early November. The committee has proposed a model for Victory Park to expand and enhance leisure amenities primarily for seniors and disabled citizens. If awarded, the project would be funded in part by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Nature Works Grant.

I am very proud to announce that the City Council will implement a new Civil Rights Review Board comprised of three citizens, the Mayor and a member of Council. The Civil Rights Review Board incorporates the older Fair Housing Board and will add consideration of public accommodation and employment to the Board's Responsibilities. This fall and winter, South Euclid will host a series of training programs focused on the following: Review Board responsibilities and Implementation, Local, State, & Federal Law regarding: Fair Housing, Employment and Public Accommodations. I firmly believe that the protection of human rights is a fundamental expectation that citizens desire from their elected officials in a democratic system. Lastly, the next Ward One Community Meeting will be held on November 20th at 7 pm at the South Euclid Community Center. I look forward to seeing everyone at the meetings!

Ruth I. Gray

"I am because we are. Because we, therefore, I am"

Ward 1 Council Ruth Gray: 216-926-4960

Councilwoman Sara Continenza: Ward 3

What a summer it has been! Thank you to all who attended our Bexley Bash concert series...it keeps getting better and better! We are so excited to keep building the Bexley Community Group, which will continue to meet on second Thursdays of each month, now from 7-8pm. Please join the discussions on making Bexley Park a hub of activity and opportunity for people of ALL AGES! We especially want to bring more activities for teenage youth. Bring your ideas! Visit <https://www.onesoutheuclid.org/bexley/> for more information.



Sara Continenza

Additionally, I am holding another Ward 3 Community Meeting on October 9 from 6-7:30pm in the Community Room at South Euclid City Hall, 2nd Floor (elevator available if needed). I will be joined by City Personnel and officials to give updates on what is going on in our City, and answer questions. See you there!

If you would like to be a part of my email list, please email me at FriendsOfSaraC@gmail.com, or call me at 216-816-1577. Also, don't forget that NextDoor.com is a wonderful social network for neighborhoods, and is totally free to join!

Ward 3 Council Sara Continenza: 216-816-1577

Councilman Joe Frank: Ward 2

Oh my, has the Summer gone by so fast. Bexley Bashes, Intersections, National Night Out, Taste of Cedar Center, many Block Parties and finally Harvest Fest, to name a few, filled our summer, bringing us to fall. School is back in session and it looks like an exciting fall for our City. With the Fall comes yard cleaning, pool closing and cooler nights. It also brings our fall elections.



Joe Frank

Once again this year the City of South Euclid is asking for your support for our Police and Fire Departments with the renewal of our Safety Levy. The renewal means that we are not asking for more money, just a renewal of the current levy.

The Safety Levy generates approximately \$2 million which is a little over 10% of our Annual Revenue. The money generated goes DIRECTLY to our Safety Forces ONLY! Your support has allowed the City to maintain our current level of personnel, keeping our families safe and businesses protected.

Without your support, we cannot keep the current level of protection. I hope you join me in support of our Safety Forces and vote yes this November for our Safety Levy!

Ward 2 Council Joe Frank: 216-246-5614

Councilwoman Jane Goodman: Ward 4

I hope you've had a wonderful summer enjoying the shade and cooling air our tree canopy provides. We love the look when leaves turn our neighborhoods beautiful colors of red and gold. When we have to rake them, not so much. Our service department will vacuum up the leaves from your tree lawn starting in mid-October and ending mid-December. Beginning the first week of November you can call 216-381-0402 every day after 4:30pm for a recorded message saying where the vac truck will be on the following day.



Jane Goodman

Please don't bag the leaves, don't park in front of the piles, don't include other yard waste (that goes in paper bags or bundles,) and please keep the leaves off the street so they don't clog the storm sewers. We do not vacuum leaves in the spring or summer, so if you're a late raker you'll need to paper-bag them. Better yet, use the leaves as much in your own garden beds or compost them and turn them into rich soil in your backyard compost pile. The more we can keep out of the landfill the less our trash collection costs.

Trash and waste are the city services that everyone experiences most directly, and what you do can make a difference in how our city works and how your neighborhood looks. Be a better recycler. Don't contaminate the bright green bin with trash or the whole load might have to go to the landfill. Read the instructions on the bin about what you can and can't recycle. Don't leave your bins out after pickup day. And please pick up litter wherever you see it. Your street is an extension of your home, after all. Check out the service department page on the city website for all kinds of information about special recycling schedules and shred days, and what to do with electronics and other items. Have a wonderful autumn!

Ward 4 Council Jane Goodman: 216-291-0442

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Members of the Brush High School Marching Band.



SEL students of all ages enjoyed activities throughout the day!



The Brush Alumni Association Showcased Historic Items and Pictures.



Arc Pride was alive on Saturday, September 14, 2019!



Superintendent Linda N. Reid with Brush Arcettes.



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