

Message from Mayor Hruby - April 23 2021

City of Brecksville

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From the Office of the Mayor
Jerry N. Hruby

This Saturday, April 24th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., vaccinations for Covid-19 will be inoculated to those 16 years old and older at the Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School, located at 6380 Mill Road. This is an excellent opportunity to receive your first and second inoculations. The second dose will be held on May 22 at the same location. You will be receiving the Pfizer vaccine for Covid-19. Only 800 out of the 2,000 available vaccines have been signed up for. To register, you may go to <https://gettheshot.coronavirus.oh.gov/> or call 211 and advise the operator that you are interested in the Brecksville-Broadview Heights Vaccine Clinic. So, I repeat, this is a wonderful opportunity for you to be administered the vaccine so close to home. Our Fire Department along with adjoining community fire departments will participate in this program and we thank our Fire Department as well as the surrounding departments and the County Board of Health who together are providing this vaccination opportunity.

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Vaccinations are coming to Brecksville, Broadview Hts. High School on April 24 & May 22

Residents of Brecksville, Broadview Hts, Independence, Brooklyn Hts, Seven Hills and Valley View can sign-up two ways:

Option #1: via Phone (now available!)

Residents can call 211. An automated message will commence and residents will need to select option #3 for Cuyahoga County COVID Vaccine Appointment. Following this prompt, you will then need to select option #1 for vaccine site information.

Residents will then be forwarded to a live agent, who will ask for your zip code (44141). Residents should request the event taking place at the Brecksville-Broadview Hts. High School on April 24th. They are now taking reservations for this event. Time slots are between 10:30am and 4:45pm.

Option #2: Online (this option to register through the State system will not be available until Saturday, April 17)

Starting this weekend, residents should be able to log into the website and find the event at the Brecksville-Broadview Hts. High School. Here is the link: <https://gettheshot.coronavirus.ohio.gov>.

The first shot will be given on April 24 and the second shot will be given on May 22. The location will have the capacity to vaccinate 2,000 persons per day. This vaccination event is taking place under the guidance of the Cuyahoga County Board of Health.



May 4th Election Day

The City at the request of Sherwin-Williams and the unanimous recommendation of our Planning Commission and City Counsel have placed Issue 1 on the Ballot. This issue rezones a track of the Sherwin-Williams property from R-8 Residential to OL Office/Laboratory. This, then, will provide that all of the Sherwin-



Williams' owned properties within in Valor Acres will be consistently zoned Office/Laboratory. It is important that registered Brecksville voters place their vote – either Yes, in favor of the zoning change or No, in opposition to the zoning change. Our concern is that due to the fact there is only one issue on the ballot, our voters will not extend this simple effort to vote on this one issue. A 55% majority is required and we certainly encourage you to vote on May 4th.



Recreation Director Tom Tupa is retiring as Recreation Director effective May 7th after serving the past 15 years as our Recreation Director. Tom has overseen many facility improvements; namely, the lighted turf field at Blossom (Tony Niccoli Field), the soon to open addition to the Community Center Natatorium and construction of the new outdoor pool. Tom has also been involved in other expansion proposals at our Community Center, as well as the addition of various new programs. We thank Tom for his many contributions and efforts towards enhancing our recreation programs and facilities. We thank Tom's family – his three sons, his daughter and his lovely wife for sharing their father and husband with the residents of our community. Tom leaves a legacy of friendship and coaching to the many young men and women he coached or in some way guided during their scholastic athletic careers. In 2018, Tom was inducted into the Greater Cleveland Sports Hall of Fame. He was quarterback of the Brecksville High School State Championship Team in 1983. Tom was a four-year member of The Ohio State Buckeye Team, where he punted and was their starting quarterback. In 1987, Tom was selected as All-American punter and All Big-10 punter, played in the 1988 Hula Bowl, was drafted into the NFL as the 68th overall pick and had an exceptional career during his 18 years. He was named to the NFL Pro Bowl and earned Pro Bowl Honors, was a member of the Super Bowl 37 Championship Team and is the in the Pro Football Hall of Fame for being the first to successfully complete a Two-Point Conversion in 1994, which earned the title, "Two Point Tupa." His father, the late Tom Tupa, was an outstanding Brecksville athlete and Mr. Tupa along with Carol Tupa, Tom's mother, were two of Tom's most loyal fans throughout his entire athletic career. We wish Tom all the best during his retirement. May it be healthy and may it be long.



Police Chief William Goodrich is retiring effective May 4th after serving nearly 33 years on the Brecksville Police Department. He was first appointed in 1988. He served as a patrol officer, SWAT Team Member, Juvenile Officer, DARE officer, and Patrol Supervisor upon being promoted to Sergeant and eventually as Police Chief for the past six years. He also served as a Canine Officer for the City's Police Department and received many accolades as Juvenile and DARE Officer. He has been described as loyal, honest and hardworking throughout his career. He received numerous citations, certificates and letters of accommodation. He is a father of two adult children, along with their spouses and an adoring grandfather. He is a loving husband to Janell and a resident of this community who firmly believes in giving back to our community. He is a member of the Cuyahoga County Chiefs Association, as well as State Chiefs Association. He is well respected by his colleagues and we appreciate his many contributions to our community. We wish him the very best in his retirement and we return him to his family in fine health.



Memorial Day Parade. This year, as last year, we will parade our streets with city vehicles and we are inviting those who wish to decorate their own vehicles with appropriate signage and displays to join the parade. The parade steps off at 9:00 a.m. and the parade route will be publicized very soon. Those who wish to participate, must fill out the form that appears in the Brecksville Bulletin. No walkers.



The City of Brecksville has employment opportunities for students age 16 or above to work the summer season with our Service Department and Horticultural Department. Applications are available at the City Hall Reception Desk. Positions will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis. Do not hesitate and please sign up as soon as possible. Further questions, call our Service Department at 440-526-2628.

God Bless,
Jerry N. Hruby

Mayor

