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Dear Residents,

Fall is upon us and I wanted to give you some updates, a few of which I hope will help lift your spirits as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact our day-to-day routines. As we have done since March, we continue to follow Ohio Governor Mike DeWine's guidance and, at this time, the 10-person limitation for gatherings remains in effect. Therefore, we continue to meet remotely and prohibit meetings or gatherings at our public buildings/facilities.

Below are updates and information about programs and special events being planned as we approach the holidays that we believe can be accomplished without any risk to safety:

**VILLAGE FACILITIES.** As you know, some Village facilities, including Parkview Pool, the Greenway Trail, the softball fields, soccer fields, tennis courts and bocce courts, opened in mid-June. Pavilions are also open for use but are not available for rent. The Civic Center and Community Room remain closed for meetings, programming and private rentals and will not re-open until the 10-person limitation is lifted. Parkview Inclusive Playground is now open and many have been out to enjoy this beautiful new outdoor facility. The Playground will be cleaned and sanitized regularly through early November, so please try to stop by.

**VILLAGE PERSONNEL.** All Village personnel have been back at work since July and remain ready to assist you. General questions or comments should be sent to [contactus@mayfieldvillage.com](mailto:contactus@mayfieldvillage.com) or call 440-461-2210.

**COUNCIL MEETINGS.** Council and various Commissions and Boards have continued to meet remotely. Meetings are all live-streamed on YouTube. This format appears to be convenient and we are finding that more people are watching the meetings from home than usually show up in person. Links to the meetings are posted on our website several minutes before the meeting begins and, if you cannot watch it live, the recording is available to watch later. If residents have questions or comments for Council, they can be sent in ahead of the meeting and will be read into the record.

**NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION.** The Civic Center will be open for voting on election day from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. The Secretary of State's Office has indicated that although no one will be denied the right to vote, masks and social distancing will be required as long as the Governor's mandate for indoor spaces remains in place. Voters who choose not to wear a mask indoors will be offered one or asked to vote curbside. Please vote by mail or early, if you can, and if you come to the Civic Center on election day, please help keep our employees and poll workers safe by wearing a mask.

**SENIOR SNOW PLOWING.** Deadline extended to Friday, October 16, 2020.

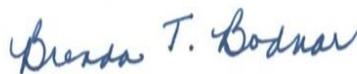
**SENIOR PROGRAMING** will not resume until further notice. Hillcrest Meals on Wheels and the Community Partnership on Aging (CPA) continue to offer meals to seniors and other eligible residents on a delivery basis. If you are able to assist with meal delivery or if you are in need, please call the CPA at 216-291-3902.

## SPECIAL EVENTS:

- **Halloween.** Mayfield Village is not officially sponsoring Trick-or-Treating this year, but will rely on neighborhoods and parents/guardians to make decisions about participating. That being said, our Police Department will increase patrols in the neighborhoods on **Saturday, October 31 from 6 to 8 p.m.** On the afternoon of October 24, our Recreation Department is hosting a Trick-or-Treat Trail that is proving to be very popular. Time slots are all reserved and over 40 family groups will be attending. Thanks to our Recreation Board and volunteers for helping with this new event!
- **Holiday Decorating Contest.** Enclosed is a flyer describing another new program that we think will be popular with residents and is a win-win for all. Neighborhoods will be nicely decorated, we can help support local businesses by purchasing gift cards from them, and we can all enjoy a friendly competition!
- **Santa Rides Through the Village.** This year, on **Saturday, December 5, from 12 to 4 p.m.**, Santa and Mrs. Claus will be riding through the Village on an awesome float with many elves. Unfortunately, Santa will not be able to leave his float this year for group pictures but would love to have some taken and shared on Facebook. Santa is also asking everyone to decorate a holiday box and leave it at the end of the driveway so his elves can drop a gift off for all the boys, girls and parents too! Please call the Recreation Department at 440.461.5163 to register.
- **Tree Lighting.** After Santa's ride is over on **Saturday, December 5**, the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will be underway at the Gazebo at 6:00 p.m. We are working on another special event to follow the Tree Lighting and will send details as soon as plans are finalized.
- **Menorah Lighting.** On **Thursday, December 10, at 7 p.m.**, another annual event, the lighting of the menorah to celebrate the start of Hanukkah, will take place at the Gazebo.

Thank you again for your cooperation and patience and for doing what you can to help slow the spread of COVID-19. I encourage all of you to continue to follow the recommendations of the CDC and our State and local Health Departments.

Sincerely,



Brenda T. Bodnar  
Mayor

Enclosures: Responsible Restart Ohio – Guidance on Celebrating Halloween  
Holiday Decorating Contest 2020 Flyer

# Responsible RestartOhio

## Celebrating Halloween



Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, it is important to use caution and plan ahead for Halloween festivities. Decisions on whether to participate should be made by local communities, individuals, and parents/guardians.

Always follow current state public health orders and rules/regulations established by your local community, and check the [Ohio Public Health Advisory System](#) to determine COVID-19 risk levels in your county before making decisions about Halloween activities. Some communities may choose to cancel Halloween events, so check with local sources before making plans.

This guidance is designed to help curb the spread of COVID-19. It will be reassessed and updated as the situation evolves and we learn more in the weeks leading up to Halloween. For additional precautions, please see the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance [here](#).

## Recommended Best Practices

- It is strongly recommended that hayrides, haunted houses, and trunk-or-treating events be canceled/avoided.
- It is strongly recommended that Ohioans exercise caution when deciding to participate in trick-or-treating and other events that put them in close contact with people outside their households. According to the CDC, traditional trick-or-treating, with treats handed to children who go door-to-door, is a high-risk activity and should be avoided.
- Consider lower- or moderate-risk, socially distant ways to celebrate, such as:
  - Holding a drive-through or drive-in trick-or-treat event, with children in costume and face coverings staying in cars and collecting treats from individuals spaced at least 6 feet apart.
  - Holding drive-by costume or car-decorating contests with judges who are physically distanced.
  - Leaving treats for friends and neighbors.
  - Carving/decorating pumpkins with members of your household and displaying them or carving/decorating pumpkins outdoors, at a safe distance, with neighbors or friends.
  - Holding costume parties or pumpkin carving events or contests online, such as by video conference.
  - Hiding treats outside your home as an alternative to trick-or-treating
  - Holding a Halloween scavenger hunt, giving children lists of Halloween-themed things to look for while they walk outdoors from house to house.
  - Holding a scavenger hunt-style trick-or-treat search with your household members in or around your own home.
  - Having a Halloween movie night with people you live with or having an outdoor Halloween movie night with local family friends and people spaced at least 6 feet apart. If screaming will likely occur, greater distancing is advised.
  - For other ideas, see the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance [here](#).
- Do not hold large in-person Halloween parties. If holding smaller parties, limit attendance to 10 or fewer people and hold the event in an outdoor area where social distancing is possible. Avoid activities, such as bobbing for apples, that foster the spread of infection.
  - Lower your risk by following CDC's recommendations on [hosting gatherings or cook-outs](#).
- Always wear a face covering and stay 6 feet away from people who are not from your household, whether trick-or-treating, passing out treats, or attending attractions or events.
  - Face coverings should never be placed on children younger than 2 or anyone who cannot easily remove them.
  - A costume mask is not a substitute for a cloth mask. A costume mask should not be used unless it is made of two or more layers of breathable fabric that covers the mouth and nose and doesn't leave gaps around the face.
  - Do not wear a costume mask over a protective cloth mask because it can be dangerous if the costume mask makes it hard to breathe. Instead, consider using a Halloween-themed cloth mask.
- If you may have COVID-19 or may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you should not participate in in-person Halloween festivities and should not give out candy to trick-or-treaters.
- Carry hand sanitizer and use it often, especially after coming into contact with frequently touched surfaces and before eating candy.
- Select events/attractions that are held outdoors and allow attendees to stay in their cars (such as drive-through event with displays) or socially distance. Avoid events that involve being crowded in a small area or coming into contact with/being touched by others.
- Consider the people in your household who may be at [greater risk of complications](#) if COVID-19 is brought into the home, such as those with certain health conditions, women who are pregnant, or older family members.

## Recommended Best Practices

### For Parents/ Guardians

- If taking your children trick-or-treating, limit the number of houses you visit and ask your children to stay as far from treat-givers as possible. For small children, consider holding the bag for them.
- Wipe off candy wrappers with sanitizing wipes when you arrive home. (NOTE: Never wipe unpackaged food with wipes.)
- Allow children to eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid homemade treats made by strangers.
- If your child is at greater risk of complications from COVID-19, contact your doctor before allowing participation in Halloween activities.

### For Community Members

- For trick-or-treating, reach out to neighbors to discuss ways to ensure 6-foot social distancing, how candy can most safely be distributed, and the need for face coverings.
- Refrain from having children select their own treats from a bowl/common container or set up a hand-sanitizing station.
- Consider lining up individually wrapped goodie bags on porch steps, a table in the driveway, or the edge of the driveway or yard with a sign asking children to take only one. Or use other creative ways to distribute treats, such as using a candy "slide" made of PVC pipe, or hanging treats from a wall or fence.
  - If you are preparing goodie bags, wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 second before and after preparing the bags.

### For Operators of Events/ Attractions

- Follow all state requirements and guidelines for Consumer, Retail, Services & Entertainment sectors, as well as any local requirements or guidelines.
- Do not allow groups to intermingle. Reduce capacity to allow for 6-foot social distancing between groups as well as employees/volunteers at all times. Reinforce distancing with markers or dividers.
- Have hand sanitizer readily available to all participants.
- Pre-sell tickets to ensure capacities are limited.
- Consider eliminating common seating areas or play areas where children and others might congregate. If seating is provided, keep it outdoors, separate benches/tables by at least 6 feet or use dividers, and sanitize between each use.
- Notify your local health department immediately if you learn that someone with COVID-19 has visited your attraction.

# Festival of Lights



## Mayfield Village Holiday Decorating Contest 2020

Entry Deadline is Friday, November 20, 2020 at 4:30 P - Decorating Deadline is Friday, December 11, 2020 by 5P

ENTRY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Business/Organization/Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Night Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Entry (Address) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Authorized Representative of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

**Registration:** To compete in this contest, an entry form showing intent to participate must be completed, signed, and submitted to the Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation no later than Friday, November 20, 2020.

**Who Can Enter:** Entrants must be a resident or business located in Mayfield Village to participate in the competition. There is no entry fee. Businesses, organizations, churches, clubs, school groups, and individuals may enter. **Deadline for Decorating: Entries must be decorated and lit by 5 P on Friday, December 11, 2020.**

**Decorating Requirements:** Entries will be judged on "curb appeal." Indoor decorations will not be included in the judging unless they can be viewed from outside, i.e., windows, doors, etc. All entries must include lights/illumination and be in good taste and family-oriented. All entries must remain lit and decorated from Dec.11-Jan. 1.

**Judging:** A panel of judges will examine all entries during evening hours on an unannounced date between December 12-17, 2020. Entries will be judged and winners chosen for the following categories:

**People's Choice Award**  
Entry receiving the most likes on our Facebook page voting gallery.  
*\$300 Local Gift Cards*

**Clark Griswold Award**  
The home with a spectacular lighting display or Best Tribute to the movie!  
*\$500 Local Gift Cards*

**Neighborhood Participation**  
Best and brightest MV neighborhood  
*PV Private Pool party for up to 200 plus \$200 Gift Card towards food for your party*

**Best Business Award**  
Parkview Pool Private Rental for your Employees—up to 200 people plus  
*\$200 Gift Card towards food for your party*

**Most "Village"**  
Best represents Mayfield Village!  
*\$500 Local Gift Cards plus PV Pool Family Membership*

**Best of Show**  
Blew the judges' minds!  
*\$500 Local Gift Cards plus PV Pool Family Membership*

**Bonus—All Who Participate will get a special gift from Mayfield Village**

**Announcement of Winners:** Winners will be announced and prizes awarded on Friday, December 18, 2020

**Special Notice:** Registration gives consent for entry photos to be featured in local media, Mayfield Village's website and social media. Entrants by the signature of their representative agree to defend, indemnify, and hold Mayfield Village, its officers, officials, and volunteers harmless from any and all claims, injuries, damages, losses, or suits, including attorney fees, arising out of or in connection with their participation in the Holiday Decorating Contest.

**Questions: Contact Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation at 440.461.5163**

**Mail Completed Form to:  
Mayfield Village Parks and Recreation  
6622 Wilson Mills Road  
Mayfield Village, Ohio 44143**

**Or register online at  
<https://mayfieldvillage.activityreg.com>  
By Friday, November 20, 2020**

Mayfield Village Employees and Officials are strongly encouraged to participate but are not eligible to win.



# *Mayfield Village Holiday Decorating Contest* 2020

## **Winning Categories and Prizes**

### **People's Choice Award**

\$500 Local Gift Cards plus 2021 Family Membership to Parkview Pool

### **Clark Griswold Award (Tribute to the movie)**

\$300 Local Gift Cards plus 2021 Family Membership to Parkview Pool

### **Neighborhood Participation**

Parkview Pool Private Rental for you and your neighbors —up to 200 people plus  
\$200 Gift Card towards food for your party!

### **Best Business Award**

Parkview Pool Private Rental for your employees—up to 200 people plus  
\$200 Gift Card towards food for your party!

### **Most "Village"**

\$300 Local Gift Cards plus 2021 Family Membership to Parkview Pool

### **Best of Show (You blew the judges' minds!)**

\$500 Local Gift Cards plus 2021 Family Membership to Parkview Pool

Bonus—All Who Participate will get a special gift from Mayfield Village!



## **Contest Rules**

Must be located in Mayfield Village

You must register your house or business by Nov. 20 with the Mayfield Village Recreation Department at 440.461.5163

All participants must have their house or business decorated by 5 P on December 11, 2020

Please see back side for more information

For additional questions, please call Mayfield Village Recreation at 440.461.5163

