

# "Heights Highlights"

A monthly update of recreational programs, activities & special events in our city!



MIDDLEBURG HEIGHTS  
COMMUNITY CENTER

7898 members

## April Showers Bring Many Things To Do!

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April showers traditionally bring us not only May flowers, but various activities to do at the Community Center! You can take advantage of our change-able spring weather by staying indoors and swimming, exercising, playing basketball, pickleball, table tennis & much more. On those warm & dry spring days, walk our parks, play baseball/softball or take the kids to the playground.

**Tickets for the 2019 Midd Hts. Night Out with the Tribe will go on sale on Monday, April 15! The game is Fri., July 12 vs. the Twins. \$38 will get you a game ticket in section 561 (upper deck). Ride to game on a BCSD School Bus that will pick up and drop-off at the MHCC! See Steve at the center for ticket information.**

The Middleburg Hts. Chamber of Commerce presents their annual "The State of the City" Luncheon on Thursday, April 11 from 11:30 am-1 pm with our new Mayor, Matt Castelli! Tickets are available by calling Cindy at 440-243-5599.



**The MHCC will be open on (Good) Friday, April 19 & on Saturday, April 20. The Center will be CLOSED on Easter Sunday, April 21. We will re-open at 6 am on Monday, April 22.**

### Easter Egg Hunts Are Later This Year!

Join us for our Aquatic Egg Hunt in the Indoor Pool or our Outdoor Hunt on the Ballfields on Saturday, April 20. The indoor hunt is for ages 6 months-10 yr. olds but you MUST pre-register. \$1 for members, \$2 for residents & \$5 for non-residents.

Parents must be IN THE WATER with children ages 4 & under. The outdoor hunt is free for ages 8 & under at 1 pm. Kids are divided by age group on our 3 fields (weather permitting). "Specially marked" egg have prizes for those who "find" em.

Beginning May 1 through October 31, we will charge non-resident guests \$10 per person per day to enter the Community Center or the Outdoor Pool. This is \$5 less than the “fall/winter rate” of \$15 that we charge from November through April. We trust that members and resident guests noticed more space to shoot baskets, swim, walk the track/workout upstairs!

**The 7th annual Dash for Dignity to benefit Wags 4 Warriors uniting vets with service dogs will be held at BMMS (7000 Paula Dr) on Sat., April 27 at 9 am. Search Dash4Dignity online to register!**



News & Notes

Outdoor Pavilion Rental requests are being accepted for the 2019 season for residents & yearly members (proof of residency is required)! Rental dates are available from May to mid-October, 2019. The cost is \$75 for one pavilion which can hold about 70 people. There are picnic tables, grills and electrical outlets in each of our two pavilions. Only one pavilion per person or organization can be rented on the same day. Call our Sales & Events team at 440-234-2255!

There are still spots left for this summer’s Safety Town program that will be held at the community center from Monday, June 10 thru Thursday, June 20! Call 234-2255 for more details and to register! Sessions will be held at 9 am & 11 am. Residents and those attending schools in Midd. Hts. and are about to enter kindergarten this fall or who were unable to attend last year are eligible. The fee is just \$20. Spots go fast!

Registration for Summer Adult & Youth Bocce Ball, High School Basketball, Youth Tennis & Coed Adult Volleyball will begin on May 1.

Next Household Hazardous Waste Round-up will be held on Friday, May 10 from 8 am-3 pm at the MH Service Center at 7375 Engle Rd. Some materials accepted are oil or solvent paint, sealers, primers, coatings, varnishes, shellacs, paint thinner & spray paint. For a complete list of items, go to <https://cuyahogarecycles.org/middleburg-heights>.

Two new exercise classes are starting this month at the center. All Levels Vinyasa Flow Yoga with Kristen (kesaucha@yahoo.com) will be held on Monday nights from 6:15-7:15 pm starting April 1. Parker (parker.reynolds@att.net) will teach Tai Chi Chih on Thursday nights from 6:15-7:15 pm starting April 18.

A Safe Sitter class will be held at the MHCC on Monday, April 22 (day after Easter which is an off day for the kids). For students in grades 6-8. The cost is \$50. Students should bring a lunch. Instructors will guide students to use manikins to practice rescue skills like choking and CPR. Call 216-983-1110 or email Rachel.Farinelli@UHHospitals.org for details.

Adult Dance Schedule Spring & Summer

Dances are held on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month from 1-3 pm. There is a \$5 admission fee of \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members for each dance (includes coffee and a donut).

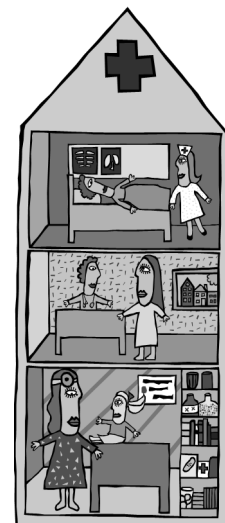
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| May 7    | Al Battistelli |
| May 21   | Wayne Tomsic   |
| June 4   | Al Battistelli |
| June 18  | Wayne Tomsic   |
| April 2  | Al Battistelli |
| April 16 | Wayne Tomsic   |
| July 2   | Al Battistelli |
| July 16  | Wayne Tomsic   |

Community Health Awareness Programs this Month

The Rec. Dept. partners with local health organizations to provide our Community the following services on the dates/times listed below:

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| Tue., April 2  | Blood Pressure Screening (8-10 am)          |
| Thur., April 4 | Blood Pressure/Glaucoma Screening (9-11 am) |
| Mon., April 8  | Blood Pressure Screening (8-11 am)          |
| Mon., April 15 | Blood Pressure Screening (8-11 am)          |
| Wed., April 17 | Blood Pressure Screening (8 am-12 pm)       |
| Mon., April 22 | Blood Pressure Screening (8-11 am)          |
| Mon., April 29 | Blood Pressure Screening (8-11 am)          |

\*All of the above programs are **FREE** except where noted  
*The next Red Cross Blood Drive is Monday, April 1 from 1-7 pm at the center!*



Summer in the City is Back at Southland in 2019!

The Summer in the City Festival is BACK to Southland this year! Mark your calendar for the party of the year on Thursday, June 27 (5-11 pm), Friday, June 28 (5-11 pm) & Saturday, June 29 (Noon-11 pm)! The parade is at 6:30 pm and Back Seat Lovers will perform at 7:30 pm on opening night. The fun continues on Friday highlighted by a concert by Ace Molar at 7:30 pm. On Saturday, we'll have a Classic Car Show at Noon, the Miss Middleburg Hts. Pageant back at the Main Tent at 2 pm, contests and games, Redneck Incorporated will play at 7:30 pm and our annual fireworks display will wrap up the celebration at 10 pm that night! We'll have amusement rides, carnival games, face painting, balloon artists ALL 3 DAYS. Go to [summerinthecityfest](http://summerinthecityfest) for all the details.



The Friendly Walkers Breakfast Club meets at 9:00 am on the first Friday of the month here at the center to discuss exercise tips, plans for future meetings/special events & socializing! Breakfast follows at a nearby restaurant. If you're looking for the camaraderie of fellow walkers, please contact Laurie in the Fitness Area or leave her a note at the front desk.

The 31st Tom Nowak Big Creek Run is Coming Soon!

The annual 5K Run/1 Mile Walk or Run presented by the Midd. Hts. Chamber of Commerce & Rec. Dept. and sponsored by Phillips & Mille, LPA will be held on Mother's Day (Sunday, May 12) at 9 am! The first 300 to register by mail or online at [bigcreekrun.com](http://bigcreekrun.com) are guaranteed a shirt! Fee structure and other details are on the registration form. Hermes Sports & Events will be timing the 5K run with Chip Timing. The proceeds benefit many local programs and charitable organizations! The race is held in memory of long time race director, Tom Nowak.

If you would like to receive twice-a-month updates on everything that's happening in the Rec. Dept. via email, send an email message to Steve Dockman at [steved17@wowway.com](mailto:steved17@wowway.com), type in the word "newsletter" in the subject line & we'll link you up!

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Looking for a great place to have your child's birthday party that's close to home, inexpensive and fun?

Try our  
**Birthday Party Packages**

at the Community Center



Pick up a flyer in the lobby for more info and then contact Vicki at 440-234-2255 or at [vkimpel@middleburgheights.com](mailto:vkimpel@middleburgheights.com) to reserve your date.

WE'RE ALSO ON THE WEB AT  
[WWW.MIDDLEBURGHEIGHTS.COM](http://WWW.MIDDLEBURGHEIGHTS.COM)

**Mark your calendars for the  
 "Clash of the Heightans" 2019!!**

This annual day of fun activities for kids ages 10-15 will be held this year on Monday, April 22 (the day after Easter which is off day for students). We'll have dodgeball, tug-o-war, kickball and a variety of individual sports for the kids to play. Everyone MUST pre-register. The cost is

\$15 for residents/members & \$20 for all others. Anyone who registers before April 10 will get a FREE t-shirt. Check-in is at 8:30 am and the day will wrap up with an awards ceremony at 3 pm.



PGA Junior Golf is accepting sign-ups for their spring/summer golf program. Classes begin indoors at Force Sports in Rocky River on Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 4-6 pm and on Saturdays from 10 am-12 pm starting May 11. When the weather permits, classes will be held at the Meadowood Golf Club in Westlake.

The cost for this 10 week program is \$250. Participants will learn how to chip, putt & how to swing the club correctly. Each registrant gets 2 Garb jerseys, bag tags, t-shirt, drawstring bag, a golf ball for every match, indoor Calloway practice balls, access to the PGA merchandise store and a season-ending pizza party! Contact John Zupan at 216-767-6844 or at [johnzupan@sbcglobal.net](mailto:johnzupan@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

*More Things To Do!*

Sign up for Saturday Sitter programs (April 13 & May 18) from 4-8 pm. The cost is \$10 for members/residents & \$15 for non-residents/non-members.

Summer Club, Summer Camp & Young Ambassadors are accepting registrations NOW. Spots go fast so sign up TODAY!

Our Kidszone Summer Camp Schedule is now available!

We offer 6 Summer Camp Sessions on Tue. & Thur. from 9 am- 2 pm on 6/18 & 6/20, 6/25 & 6/27, 7/9 & 7/11, 7/16 & 7/18 and 7/23 & 7/25 & 7/30 & 8/1.

Grades K-5 are welcome. We also have a Jr. Counselor program for Grades 6-8. Details at the MHCC or at [middleburgheights.com](http://middleburgheights.com)

The Pink Ladies Baton Corp. is looking for girls who want to begin their twirling career. What is that you ask? Baton Twirling is a sport that combines twirling dancing & gymnastics to create art! You will learn to work as a group as an individual! Contact Coach Jill at 440-382-9932 or at [pinkladiescoachjill@gmail.com](mailto:pinkladiescoachjill@gmail.com) for more information.