

The Fourth Annual TeamNEO Development Plus Awards were announced at a dinner on July 23, 2010 at Akron's John S. Knight Center. This event celebrates the "wins" in Northeast Ohio with projects that are helping to diversify and advance our economy. Over 650 people with diverse interests in Economic Development attended this stellar event.

Team Lorain County, the City of North Ridgeville, the City of Oberlin and the Lorain County Growth Partnership collaborated to win the award in the important category **Business Attraction** for our collaboration in attracting Greenfield Solar Corp. to Lorain County. Northeast Ohio provides a warm environment for this startup firm that makes cost efficient solar panels.



N. David Gillock
Mayor

Greenfield Solar Corp. makes solar panels using a patented technology called PhotoVOLT for which tiny cells collect sunlight to generate power at a lower cost to consumers. After considering Arizona, New Mexico, Oregon and Texas (all places with large semi-conductor markets vital to the solar energy industry) Greenfield selected Oberlin for its laboratory and headquarters and North Ridgeville for its manufacturing facility.



TeamNEO Development Plus Award
presented to Mayor Gillock
on July 23, 2010.



City of Oberlin Manager, Eric Norenberg;
Team Lorain County President/CEO, Steve Morey;
Mayor Dave Gillock; Greenfield Solar CEO, Neil Sater;
Greenfield Solar Director of Operations, Jim Latham

Steve Morey, President and CEO of Team Lorain County, recognized the value of attracting a growing advanced energy company like Greenfield which builds on the base of manufacturing that we're already known for and place it squarely into the new century. Greenfield Solar initially employed a team of 10, which has now increased to 25 and is projected to be a 200 employee company by 2012. Of the new jobs, 120 will be located in North Ridgeville.

On July 7th I received a Certificate of **Special Congressional Recognition** for receiving the 2010 Team NEO Business Attraction Award through the office of Congresswoman Betty Sutton of the 13th Congressional District. She added her congratulations and stated that, "You have made a tremendous impact on Northeast Ohio. Your efforts will not only help the economy of Northeast Ohio, but will also help create local jobs and prove that our region is ripe for growth and prosperity. You have made a difference in your community and it is wonderful that you are being recognized for your efforts."

North Ridgeville Police Department Helps in a "Special" Way



Members of the North Ridgeville Police Department are shown during the North Ridgeville leg of the Torch Run.

(Photo Courtesy of tmcnews.net)

On June 21st, members of the North Ridgeville Police Department participated in the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics for the fourth consecutive year. The route began in Avon, traveled through North Ridgeville and ended at the Ohio State Highway Patrol Post in Elyria.

The Torch Run is popular with the officers that participate in it and has grown each year in Lorain County. This year the Torch Run included officers from Avon, Avon Lake, North Olmsted, North Ridgeville, Case Western Reserve University Police Departments, the Lorain County Sheriff's Department, Ohio State Highway Patrol, the Lorain County Community College Police Academy and the U.S. Marshall's Service. In all, over fifty-five law enforcement officers and police academy students participated in this year's Torch Run. To date, this event has raised over \$10,000.00 in donations for Ohio Special Olympics.

The North Ridgeville Police Department is looking forward to another successful Torch Run in 2011.



In the photos above, members of the North Ridgeville Police Department carry the torch during the 2010 Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics.

(Photos courtesy of tmcnews.net)

Income Tax Reminder

The 2010 second quarter estimated tax bills were recently mailed. Tax Payments are due **July 31, 2010.**

The estimated tax can be paid online with UBILL. For more information regarding UBILL, visit the city's website at www.nridgeville.org.

If you have any questions regarding your city tax, contact our office at 440-353-0846, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

Flu Shots!

Flu shots will be available October 12 from 9 AM to 1 PM at the Senior Center. Cost: flu \$30, pneumonia \$45, or may be paid by Medicare and some other insurances. For additional Flu Shot Clinics around Lorain County visit: www.loraincountyhealth.com or call the Lorain County Health Department at 440-322-6367. Stay healthy this winter!

Current and Up-Coming City Projects

Boulder Drive Culvert Replacement

Work is progressing nicely with the north side almost completed. Installation is expected to be completed by the end of July.

Lorain Road Re-Construction Phase 3A

Work has slowed on this project because the high water table resulted in more extensive problems than originally expected with the installation of the sanitary sewer. To date, only the east portion has been completed with the west portion to be started after dewatering operations are completed. Construction of the temporary pavement on the south side of Lorain Road has been completed as well as the work required by the gas company. As soon as the sanitary installation is completed, work will begin on the new permanent concrete pavement on the north side of Lorain Road followed by construction of the permanent concrete pavement on the south side. Traffic will be maintained in both directions during this time, but there may still be delays encountered. Work is scheduled to be completed by September 15, 2010.

Repair of Deteriorated Concrete Pavement

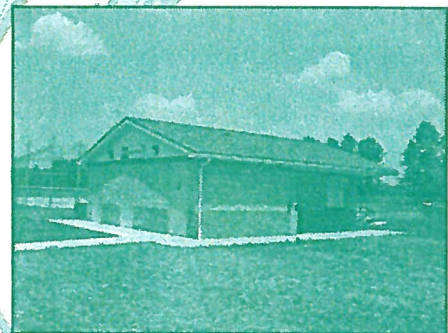
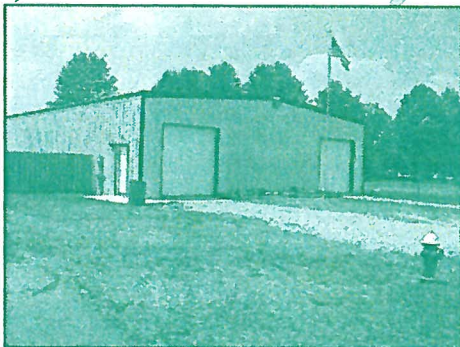
Construction will begin on July 12 to repair deteriorated concrete pavement, catch basins and add curb ramps on a number of streets in the city. Work will be completed on streets in the following order; at 7299 Wil-Lou Lane, Debbie Drive from 6575 to 6617; Browning Drive at Miller Drive Intersection; Browning Drive at Nicoll Drive intersection; 6700 to 6720 Nicoll Drive; Nicoll Drive and Mitchell Drive intersection; Fox Hollow at Hickory Trail intersection; Hawthorne Hollow at Hickory Trail intersection; Gem Circle and Jewel Circle cul-de-sacs. Only \$200,000.00 is available for these projects, thus, work will be stopped as soon as that figure is reached.

Lorain Road Re-Construction Phase 3B

Bids will be opened for the re-constitution of Lorain Road from Honeycut to Island Road on July 12, 2010. If all goes well with this Ohio Public Works Commission project, work could begin about the middle of August. Hopefully, most of the paving work will be completed this construction year with landscape work being completed in early 2011.

Shady Drive Complex Improvements































Last year new bathrooms were installed at the Shady Drive Complex through CDBG Grant money obtained. This year a new concession stand has been added to the recently built building. This was funded by the Baseball Boosters and a \$5,000 grant from the Cleveland Indians (see picture at right).



In addition, batting cages (as shown to the left) have been installed for use by the youth of North Ridgeville. Tracy Arendt, who is in charge of the baseball program, is also overseeing these cages. This facility was built with funding from the Park & Rec Improvement Fund and the Baseball Boosters.

Stop out at the Shady Drive Complex and visit the recent improvements to our popular facility.

Community Calendar

	DAILY	<u>SPLASH PAD IS OPEN DAILY 10 AM - 9 PM, AT SOUTH CENTRAL PARK, FROM MEMORIAL DAY THRU LABOR DAY. FREE TO ALL!</u>
	July 22	<u>Ladies' Brunch</u> at the Senior Center with artist Jim Gundlach and his "Eagles Across Ohio" project; 10:30 - 11:30 AM.
	July 28	<u>Fishing Club</u> at the Senior Center, 1:30 - 3:00 PM. Everyone welcome!
	July 29	<u>Free Pancake Breakfast</u> at the Senior Center sponsored by LifeCare Centers of America, entertainment by the "Singing Wendt's", 9 - 10 AM.
	July 31	<u>Quarterly City Income Tax</u> for the second quarter of 2010 is due today.
	August 5	<u>Men's Breakfast</u> , rain date for Car Show or a surprise guest at the Senior Center, 9 - 10 AM.
	August 12	<u>Super Thursday Lunch</u> with "Classic Melodies" by Dona George at noon at the Senior Center.
	August 13-15	<u>Corn Festival</u> , at the Bainbridge Road Extension, between Root and Avon Belden Roads; Friday, 6 - 11 PM; Saturday, 12 - 11 PM; Sunday, 12 - 8 PM.
	August 14	<u>Lorain County Engineer Ken Carney's 20th Annual Horseshoe Tournament</u> to benefit Meals on Wheels, at South Central Park, registration 10 AM - noon; play begins after the match between County Engineer Ken Carney and SSD Jeff Armbruster which begins at noon.
	August 14	<u>3 on 3 Basketball Tournament</u> , ages 11 and up, \$65/team, at South Central Park. Register at the Parks and Recreation Office Monday - Friday, 8 AM - 4:30 PM.
	August 14	<u>Shuttle Service</u> provided by N.R. Senior's Inc., noon - 6 PM from Wilcox Elementary School, 34580 Bainbridge Road to the Corn Festival grounds and back. (Donations only will be accepted.)
	August 15	<u>Corn Festival Parade</u> , from the Post Office parking lot to the Middle School at 2:30 PM.
	August 19	<u>Men's Breakfast</u> at the Senior Center with local student Zach Melcher performing his comedy act, 9 - 10 AM.
	August 25	<u>Fishing Club</u> at the Senior Center, 1:30 - 3:00 PM. Everyone welcome!
	August 26	<u>Ladies' Brunch</u> at the Senior Center, "Singing Seniors" group performing the music of the 50's and 60's, 10:30 - 11:30 AM.
	September 2	<u>Men's Breakfast</u> at the Senior Center, guest to be announced, 9 - 10 AM.
	September 6	CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY
	September 9	<u>Super Thursday Lunch</u> at the Senior Center, melodies by John Kowalski at noon.
	September 15	<u>Glucose Screening</u> provided by St. John Medical Center and LifeCare Centers of America, at the Senior Center, 10 - 11:50 AM.
	September 16	<u>Men's Breakfast</u> at the Senior Center with Tom Kelley of Lorain County Emergency Management and Homeland Security, 9 - 10 AM.
	September 22	<u>Fishing Club</u> at the Senior Center, 1:30 - 3:00 PM. Everyone welcome!
	September 22	<u>Big Band Dance</u> at DeLuca's Place in the Park, 6075 Middle Ridge Rd., 7 - 10 PM.
	September 23	<u>Ladies' Brunch</u> at the Senior Center, "Tuning Forks Lady" of Normandy Manor, 10:30 - 11:30 AM.
	September 24	<u>Spaghetti Dinner</u> (\$6 adults, \$5 senior, \$4 kids 10 and under, \$1 desserts) at the Senior Center, 5 - 7 PM. <i>Everyone invited!</i>
	September 28	<u>LifeLine Screening</u> : Stroke, Vascular Disease and Heart Rhythm Package - \$139, call 1-888-653-6441 for information or to pre-register, 9 AM - 4 PM.
	September 30	<u>Free Pancake Breakfast</u> at the Senior Center, musical entertainment by Dona George, 9 - 10 AM.
	October 7	<u>Men's Breakfast</u> at the Senior Center, guest to be announced, 9 - 10 AM.
	October 12	<u>Flu Shots</u> at the Senior Center, 9 AM - 1 PM.
	October 14	<u>Super Thursday Lunch</u> at the Senior Center - Halloween Party! Lunch is served at noon.
	October 21	<u>Men's Breakfast</u> at the Senior Center, guest to be announced, 9 - 10 AM.
	October 22	<u>Fishing Club</u> at the Senior Center, 1:30 - 3:00 PM. Everyone welcome!
	October 29	<u>Spaghetti Dinner</u> (\$6 adults, \$5 senior, \$4 kids 10 and under, \$1 desserts) at the Senior Center, 5 - 7 PM. <i>Last dinner until January!! Everyone invited!!!</i>