



# City of Highland Weekly Report

August 5, 2011

## East Highlands Village Repairs Continue

### Community Development

#### East Highlands Village Repairs - Jaronski

Claudine Jaronski has lived in East Highlands Village for 58 years. Her home was affected by the December storms. Mud filled her yard and home up to a foot and a half. While Claudine could have chosen to dwell only on the negative, she wrote a very inspirational article in the Sun newspaper on December 31, 2010. It cited many miracles that also occurred during the event such as the lack of injuries and how many sentimental items that were saved.

Claudine received help from many of the volunteer efforts including the HIT clean ups and mud-out from the Southern Baptist Disaster Relief. She also participated in the Neighborhood Pride Program. Early in the clean up, Riverside Harvest Christian Fellowship provided the labor and the Grant paid for materials for interior paint, plumbing, drywall, electrical repairs, doors and carpet. Once the church was done, a contractor finished the remaining work: new windows, sliding glass door, kitchen cabinets, sink & countertop, a bathroom renovations, exterior paint, irrigation system, new roof and garage door. Claudine was able to return home in June.

#### East Highlands Village Continues Recovery - 7966 Ypsilantha

Much media attention was given to this home following the December storms. You may remember watching the network news and seeing a pink house with mud up to its windows. In an amazing effort by many parties, this home was one of the first to be repaired and re-occupied.

Ruben Martinez owns this home located on the west side of Ypsilantha, north of Merris Street. Storm damage resulted in 5 feet of mud on the exterior, 4 feet of mud in the interior and the rear wall of the garage was torn out.

Volunteers coordinated by the City and the Southern Baptist Disaster Relief worked many days to uncover the home so that the property owner's insurance company could access the damage. The insurance company made significant repairs to the interior and exterior of the property. Mr. Martinez elected not to participate in the Neighborhood Pride Grant Program. Building & Safety was able to give the home a green tag and allow occupancy in May.

## Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, August 9, 2011  
City Council Meeting - Dark



Thursday, August 11, 2011  
5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, August 16, 2011  
6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

Tuesday, August 23, 2011  
City Council Meeting - Dark

Monday, August 29, 2011  
4:00pm to 5:00pm - Blood Drive Committee Meeting - *New Members Welcome!* Jerry Lewis Community Center - 7793 Central Avenue

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# Volunteer Services

City of Highland



## IT'S BACK TO SCHOOL TIME!!! DO YOU NEED COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS?

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### Happy Birthday !

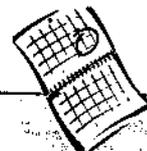
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### Famous Birthdays:

• Tony Bennet • Queen Elizabeth • Louis Armstrong • Barack Obama • Jeff Gordon • Neil Armstrong • Lucille Ball • Herbert Hoover • Alfred Hitchcock • Bill Clinton • Benjamin Harrison • Kobe Bryant • Lyndon B. Johnson • Mother Teresa • Michael Jackson

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7793 Central Avenue

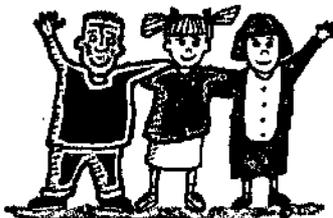
### HIGHLAND COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Over 40 people showed interest in becoming a Highland blood donor at the July blood drive. Highland was able to contribute 29 units of blood to help meet the demand in our region. You, too, can help Highland increase blood donations by spreading the word of upcoming community blood drives to family, friends and co-workers. Our next Blood Drive is Monday, September 26, 2011 from 1:30pm to 6:30pm at the Jerry Lewis Community Center - 7793 Central Avenue.

### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

The better part of one's life consists of his friendships

~Abraham Lincoln



### Happy Friendship Day 2011

# Highland Improvement Team

VOLUNTEERS CAN RECEIVE COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS BY JOINING THE HIGHLAND IMPROVEMENT TEAM (HIT). HIT MEMBERS CAN FULFILL COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS REQUIRED BY SCHOOL AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS BY PARTICIPATING IN COMMUNITY CLEAN UPS. MEMBERS CAN ALSO RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION AND OTHER INCENTIVES FOR BECOMING A HIT MEMBER. CLEAN UPS ARE TYPICALLY SCHEDULED ONE SATURDAY MORNING PER MONTH FOR APPROXIMATELY FOUR HOURS EACH.

DO NOT HESITATE, SIGN UP NOW!!!

CONTACT VOLUNTEER SERVICES FOR MORE INFORMATION.

**EARN...COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS!**

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER SERVICES

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## About August...

Flower - *Gladiolus*

Birthstone - *Peridot*

Astrological Signs

♌ Leo: July 22 - August 22

♍ Virgo August 23 - September 22

August 3 - National Watermelon Day

August 7 - Friendship Day

August 21 - Senior Citizen Day

## Did You Know...

★ On August 2, 1909, the first Lincoln Penny was issued.

