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## City of Canal Fulton Lawrence Township Village of Clinton

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### A Message from Lawrence Township Trustee, Shawn Lockhart

**“Volunteers are not paid—not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.” (Author Unknown)**

Volunteering helps a person to make a positive impact on his or her community. For generations people have volunteered to help friends, family members, neighbors, organizations, and etc. Volunteering is not a new concept. It not only helps the people or organization you are volunteering for; but it also benefits the individual doing the volunteering. It has been my privilege to volunteer my time and work closely with the Lawrence Township Road Department in their daily process of keeping our roads clean and maintained by addressing drainage concerns throughout Lawrence Township. During the year, our Road Department is out on the roads frequently. Please be cautious and courteous when you find our crews working in your neighborhood trying to improve your environment.

I have also had the opportunity to volunteer and be closely involved with the Northwest Senior Center for the past six years. The Senior Center offers a variety of venues in which you can volunteer your time and talents. For instance, as a fundraiser for the Senior Center, a Swiss Steak Dinner is held once a month during the fall and winter months. There is an Applesauce Making Day which the applesauce made is then served with the dinners for the year. The Senior Center provides activities and a gathering place for bingo, cards, painting classes and theater productions for the residents of our communities. These offerings could not be continued without the countless hours and generosity of people volunteering their time and talent. This is just one of the many opportunities to volunteer and give back to your community. Make a difference where you live and volunteer.



### A Message from Canal Fulton Mayor, Joseph A. Schultz

Hello Neighbors and Friends,

Welcome to the second edition of the Community News. We hope you like this issue better than the last one. We are focusing on volunteers in our communities with this issues. It is impossible to recognize all of the volunteers that enable us to live, be entertained and be served without missing someone. Therefore, let me apologize before I start if I forget someone you know of who should be recognized. My inspiration and definition of being a volunteer comes from the 13th chapter of the first book of Corinthians in the Holy Bible. Some versions of the Bible use the word love instead of charity. For me, charity is more like being a volunteer. You give away your time and effort and expect absolutely nothing in return. I heard it said once, “you don’t know you have an expectation until it’s not met.” When I examine my motives for volunteering, I try to ask myself if I am expecting anything in return, even a thank you. With this said, I would like to spotlight the Canal Fulton Heritage Society and their members and their service to our community.



Our current board of Trustees are: Ed Shuman - President, David Brown - Vice-President, Dennis Downing - Secretary, Joann Donnenwirth - Treasurer - Jimmy Harris, Dan Mayberry, Chuck Kull, Lynda Lynch - HPC Representative, Robert Hodges - Administrative Assistant

As Mayor, I am asking you to do three things after reading this issue the Community News. First of all, take some time to visit the Canal Fulton Heritage Society’s website and email them to say thank you, even though they don’t expect it. Secondly, make some time in your schedule to visit the museum. And finally, consider what gifts and talents God has blessed you with to be ready willing and able to serve others with in our community.



### A Message from Village of Clinton Mayor, Al Knack

#### **Volunteers Help Clinton Grow in Many Ways**

In my office, going over the final preparations for our Bicentennial Celebration with Marissa, I looked out the west window and noticed, none to my surprise, Diane, Tom, & Loraine working diligently in the flower beds of the village greens. Out of the south window, I saw Susan and Gerry washing windows and sweeping the entry way to the Rhodes Harter House. I strolled down Main Street and spotted “The Wood Guy” hanging our banners. Then, I observed Sharley and Debbie on their way to the Limbach building for an afternoon of cleaning and setting up historic displays. Over the next several hours, we were overwhelmed at the Village Hall, by citizens coming in and asking how they could volunteer their talents for the benefit of Clinton.

I grabbed my brown bag lunch that my lovely wife made me and headed to the Ohio Veteran’s Park. I ran into John who graciously volunteered to run our car show. At the Veteran’s Park, as always, the volunteers were bustling with activity to keep the park in its pristine shape. Ken, Sharon, Gary, Don, Chuck, Carol, Tony, and Richard working so hard, made me wish I would have packed more sandwiches!

As I strolled back to the Village hall, I couldn’t help but notice, I was surrounded by people who love Clinton as much as I do.

For those of you who are looking for a way to spend time giving back, sharing your knowledge, or just have a desire to help others, think about being a volunteer. Churches, garden clubs, hospitals, civic organizations, hospice and many others rely on the knowledge, caring, hard work and enthusiasm that volunteers have to offer.

I want to say “THANK YOU” to all of our volunteers in Clinton who spend countless hours helping and giving back to make our community a better place to live, work and raise our families.



# City of Canal Fulton

## City Manager - Mark Cozy

In August, City Council voted to put a 1-mill fire levy on the November ballot. The primary purpose of the levy is to provide funding to replace fire trucks and ambulances. Back in 2008 the City of Canal Fulton increased the income tax by 0.4% and removed the 1-mill police and 1-mill fire levies in an attempt to shore up our finances to add police officers, provide 24-hour EMS/fire staffing, improve streets maintenance, and provide for truck and vehicle replacements.

Unfortunately for us and the communities around us, in 2009, the State of Ohio decided to cut Local Government Funding to all cities, villages, and townships in order to balance the State budget. Canal Fulton was able to provide most of what we wanted to our citizens, but when the cost of one fire truck is about \$500,000, we just couldn't set aside the funds after losing over \$120,000 per year in revenue from the State.

Since 2010 the communities around Canal Fulton (Lawrence Township, Jackson Township, New Franklin, Clinton, and Massillon) have raised local taxes in order to make up for the loss in Local Government Funds. Canal Fulton is the one community not to do so yet. We've even researched forming a joint fire district and cooperative purchasing with Lawrence Township and are still doing so. But, we've found that we would still need additional funding to replace fire trucks and ambulances, because sharing vehicles causes them to wear out sooner requiring even more frequent replacements.

In my last article we were planning to start construction at Locust and Cherry in June and complete it by the end of this year. But, we began looking over the detour routes and saw that leaving Cherry Street open would actually cause as many traffic delays as closing the intersection down entirely. The Mayor asked us to work with the engineer and contractor on an alternative plan that would get the project completed by Thanksgiving as opposed to by Christmas. With the intersection now closed entirely the contractor can get the project completed much quicker and also at reduced cost.

In August, Canal Fulton City Council approved drafting new Letters of Intent with the Central Stark YMCA, the Northwest Stark Senior Citizens Commission, Summa, and the University of Akron for development of the Canal Fulton Community Campus. It will have a reduced footprint with the indoor pool, indoor walking track, gym, and park development now removed from Phase I of the project. There will be no tax increase requested for this. All the partners will pay for their portions of the project. The City will explore options to secure grants and other funding sources to build a new Senior Citizens Center as part of this new Community Campus. The Northwest Local Schools will also be involved in the planning process to improve educational, health, and recreational opportunities for our entire community.

Lastly, many of you have read in the newspaper that the Ohio Department of Transportation plans to construct a Restricted Crossing U-turn (RCUT) Intersection at Butterbridge and State Route 21 in order to improve traffic safety. In response we scheduled a meeting at the ODOT District 4 office to discuss the proposed project. In attendance were Lawrence Township Trustee, Mike Stevens; Canal Fulton Mayor, Joe Schultz; Mike Hoffman of Lindsay PreCast and myself. This new RCUT Intersection would eliminate all Butterbridge traffic crossing directly over SR 21 and all left hand turns directly on to Butterbridge off SR 21. Individuals crossing or turning left will need to make U-turns on SR 21 about 1,000 feet on either side of the Butterbridge intersection.

Discussed were the needs to accommodate Lindsay PreCast's and other local businesses' 200 plus tractor trailer trips per week through that intersection, the need for a bicycle crossing, future development of the SR 21 corridor, impacts to downtown Canal Fulton traffic, and the Arcadia and Marshallville Street(s) crossings at SR 21. The ODOT staff was very receptive to everyone's concerns and will look to incorporate these into their plan. They plan to schedule a public meeting early next year to gather more community input as part of their project planning process.

**SAFETY APPLICATION SUMMARY**  
**STA - SR 21 - 16.53**  
 SR 21/Butterbridge Rd (TR 356) Intersection  
 Lawrence Township, Stark County  
 2013 Safety Analyst Rural Intersection #83  
 May 2016

**Problem Statement**  
 Angle crashes result from drivers on Butterbridge Road attempting to cross SR 21 and colliding with vehicles on far side  
 High speeds have resulted in high crash severities

Category	Scoring Value	Points Awarded	Points Possible
Expected Crash Frequency	10.15	6	10
Ratio of Observed Fatal and Serious Injuries to Observed Total Crashes	0.00	0	5
% of the Potential for Safety Improvement to Total Expected Crashes	0.00%	0	20
Relative Severity Index	\$46,834	10	10
Equivalent Property Damage Only Index	6.86	5	5
Volume to Capacity Ratio	0.70	3	10
Benefit Cost Ratio	11.27	30	30
Safety Funding Request Percentage	100.00%	0	10
<b>Total</b>		<b>54</b>	<b>100</b>

**Recommendation**

Install a Restricted Crossing U-Turn Intersection (RCUT) with no direct left turns. This would completely remove the median opening at the intersection. Left turn and through traffic from northeast bound and southwest bound Butterbridge Road would turn right and access their destination via median U-Turn opening.

Funding					
Project Phase	Fiscal Year	Proj Phase Complete	Previous Safety	New Safety	Total
Safety Study	2016	✓			\$0
Environmental/PE	2017			\$150,000	\$150,000
Detailed Design	2018				\$0
ROW/Utilities					\$0
Construction	2019			\$801,000	\$801,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$951,000</b>	<b>\$951,000</b>

# Zoning Inspector - Johnson Belford

This article is primarily addressed to the residents and business owners who are within the boundaries of the Canal Fulton Historic District. You need to be aware of the fact that any changes made to the exterior features of buildings in the Historic District require the review and approval of the Historic Preservation Commission. Chapter 1175 of the Codified Ordinances of Canal Fulton describes these regulations. You may view this ordinance on the City's web site by going to [www.cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov](http://www.cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov), under codified ordinances, or by contacting the Zoning Department for a copy.



The Historic District and regulations were created almost 25 years ago to protect and preserve the historic character of the City and serve to enhance property values and the quality of life of all residents. However, we are aware that many residents and business owners do not know about these regulations. In order to obtain approval from the Historic Preservation Commission, you need to submit an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness detailing your proposed changes. There is no charge for this certificate, and the form may be obtained from the Zoning Office.

If you have any questions about any exterior changes you plan to make to your property, please contact the Canal Fulton Zoning Department. Our office hours are Monday and Tuesday from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM and on Wednesday and Thursday from 7:30 AM to 11.30 AM, the office is closed on Friday.

The Canal Fulton Zoning Office is located directly behind City Hall (In the old fire station.)  
117 N. High St.

The Zoning Office can be reached at 330-854-0590.

# Finance Department Finance Director - William Rouse

## Updates & Accomplishments

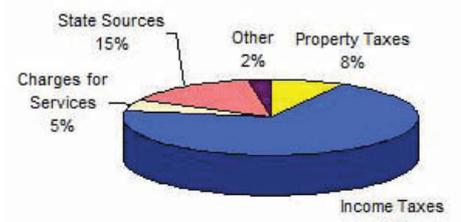
- The City received a "clean" audit report for its 2015 financial statements, which means there were no findings for recovery, significant deficiencies, or questioned costs.
- The City's utility customers now have the option to view and pay their water and sewer utility account balances on-line. The utility bill pay application can be accessed on the home page of the City of Canal Fulton's website ([www.cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov](http://www.cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov)).
- The Finance Department recently modified its hours of operation in order to better serve citizens with limited daytime availability. The new hours are 7:30 am to 4:00 pm Monday thru Friday.

## City Finances – At a Glance

The following is an overview of the City's 2015 tax related revenues and expenses. The revenues and expenses derived from the water and sewer utilities are excluded from this analysis. However, they will be summarized and explained in future newsletters.

**Revenues:** Funding for the City's government activities comes from several different sources, the most significant being the City's municipal income tax. Other prominent sources include property taxes, revenues distributed by the State of Ohio (grants, gas taxes, motor vehicle license taxes, etc.), and charges for certain services. In 2015, the City received total operating revenues of approximately \$3.5 million, and issued another \$1.2 million in debt/transfers to finance several long-term capital projects. The City's 2015 total operating revenue (\$3.5 million) declined from 2014 (\$3.8 million). A large part of this decline was due to receiving a one-time capital grant in 2014 to fund the resurfacing of Locust Street. All other revenue sources were relatively consistent from 2014 and 2015.

City Revenues by Source - 2015



The City's income tax rate is 1.5% with a 50% credit for taxes paid to other municipalities. The City's reliance on income taxes means that its ability to fund its operations is heavily dependant on local economic factors. It is for this reason that infrastructure related projects that promote economic growth such as widening the Locust Cherry intersection, resurfacing and extending utilities on Locust Street, and demolishing the old elementary school can be important tools in promoting the City's long-term financial stability.

City Expenditures by Function - 2015



**Expenditures:** The City spent a total of approximately \$4.1 million in 2015, which was higher than 2014 when the City spent \$3.9 million. The increase can be attributed to general inflationary increases for personnel and operating costs, and various infrastructure improvements.

The City dedicates the largest portion of its budget toward providing police and fire protection services. The Police Department is a full-time 24-hour a day, 365 – days a year department with a chief, administrative assistant, and nine patrolman comprising the full-time employees, and two part-time patrolmen. The Fire Department consists of approximately 40 part-time firefighter/paramedics who partner with the Lawrence Township Fire Department to provide both communities with full-time fire and EMS services. The Street

Department consists of four employees that are responsible for plowing and maintaining all City streets and storm sewers, mowing and general upkeep on the City's parks and buildings, and maintaining the City's vehicles. The capital and debt classification includes expenses related to various infrastructure projects and support equipment. Examples of these types of expenditures include the annual street resurfacing program, new vehicle purchases, and payments on debt originally issued to make these types of purchases. The general government classification represents the City's cost of providing overall administration and support and includes the City Manager's Office, the Finance Department, the Law Department, Engineering, Zoning and Parks and Recreation.

**Fund/Reserve Balance:** Fund balance represents the amount of money remaining after all expenditures have been paid. If the revenues exceed the expenditures, the ending fund balance will increase from the prior year and vice versa. The ending 2015 fund balances for the City's tax related funds increased approximately \$600,000, due in part, to the debt issued to finance the construction projects.

**Conclusion:** This report was intended to provide a high level overview of the City's use of tax related revenues. The full 2015 financial statements can be viewed on the City's website. If there are any questions related to the City's finances, please contact the Finance Director, William Rouse, at 330-854-6761.

# Police Department - Chief Doug Swartz



Telephones have come a long way in just a short period of time. Parents didn't have much responsibility in educating their children for safety issues when their child was tied to a box hanging on the wall. All the parent had to do was conveniently be in the area working on something during the course of their child's conversation and listen. Trouble started brewing, however, when cordless phones allowed cautious kids to retreat into their bedrooms for a more private conversation. Parents battled that problem by clicking in on another device which proved to have a high fail rate. We then moved along to flip phones and even phones that allowed us to take pictures. I still remember how excited I was that I could store 10 pictures on my phone. And, if I erased one of the factory set backgrounds I could maybe get two more pictures saved. Life was good. But since those days technology has continued to roll along bringing new challenges for parents. Children now have a more capable computer in their hands than did the astronauts who first flew to the moon. With this, children are being victims of heinous crimes and as a parent, there is a lot you can do to help reduce your child's chances of becoming a victim.

The age at which we give a cell phone to our child has been a very popular debate. It is estimated that one-fifth of third graders have cell phones. Some parents supply a phone to their child for a variety of reasons including safety precautions, keeping in contact with family, playing games, or just so they can keep up with their own friends. Whatever the reason, you should set the phone's capabilities to your desired restriction. Limit who the child can send a text or phone call to as well as who they can receive a text or phone call from. Limit what time during the day the phone is operable or how long they are allowed to have access to the internet.

*Although the following list will not completely reduce your child's chances of being victimized via the internet, it will greatly reduce their chances if they abide by the checklist below. Thank you for reading and stay safe everyone:*

## Internet Safety Tips for Kids and Teens

1. Spend time having fun with your parents online and helping them understand technology!
2. Never post your personal information, such as a cell phone number, home number, home address, or your location on any social networking site or through mobile apps like Snapchat or Instagram.
3. Never meet in person with anyone you first "met" on the internet. If someone asks to meet you, tell your parents or guardian right away. Some people may not be who they say they are.
4. Check with your parents before you post pictures of yourself or others online. Do not post inappropriate pictures of anyone.
5. Never respond to mean or rude texts, messages, and e-mails. Delete any unwanted messages. You may need to delete friends who continuously bother you or post things that are not appropriate.
6. NEVER share your password with anyone, including your best friend. The only people who should know your password are your parents or guardian.
7. If you wouldn't say something to another person's face, don't text it or post it online.
8. Do not download or install software or anything on your computer or cell phone before checking with your parents or guardian.
9. Use the privacy settings of social networking sites.
10. If anything makes you feel uncomfortable online, while gaming or when using your cell phone, talk with your parents or guardian right away.

Source: Netwsmartz.org and safekids.com.

## Resources for Information On Internet Safety for Kids

- <http://www.netwsmartzkids.org>
- <http://www.getnetwise.com>
- <http://www.safekids.com/kids-rules-for-online-safety>
- <http://www.fbi.gov/fun-games/kids/kids-safety>
- <http://www.justice.gov/usao/sd/docs/InternetSafetyTips5.5.11.pdf>
- <https://www.aacc.edu/technology/file/GamingTips.pdf>



## Lawrence Township & Canal Fulton Fire Departments LTFD Chief Mark Stewart CFFD Chief Ray Durkee



Fire Prevention Week is from October 9th through the 15th 2016. The Lawrence Township and Canal Fulton Fire Departments encourage everyone to please check and change the batteries in your smoke alarms. Also, smoke alarms should be replaced every 10 years to ensure that they are in good working order. Please check the date on the back of your smoke alarm and replace if it is over 10 years old. Fire department personnel will also be visiting the schools during this week to do fire safety presentations.

The Lawrence Township and Canal Fulton Fire Departments will be hosting an Open House on October 9th 2016 from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm at all three fire stations:

- 12270 Strausser Ave NW
- 1165 South Locust St.
- 393 South Milan St.

All are welcome to stop out and visit and learn more about how your local fire departments are working together to provide the community with superior fire and medical services through a unified cooperative system.



## Local Government Safety Capital Grant

Lawrence Township Fire Department (LTFD) has received a number of grants recently due to aggressively seeking out grant funding to assist in the purchase of large capital items. We are pleased to announce that we have received the new Local Government Safety Capital Grant through the State of Ohio for \$98,000. This grant will allow LTFD to purchase much needed fire gear and air packs for department members. Fire gear must be replaced per industry standards every 10 years. The gear includes; from head to toe, a helmet, hood, air mask, coat, bunkers (pants), **suspenders, belt, and boots.** **This gear can cost thousands of dollars per member and is usually custom fit to provide optimal protection in** the harshest of environments. Many times, industry and government regulations require fire departments to comply with new standards in an effort to improve safety and decrease injuries without funding mechanisms. A grant of this nature allows the department to be fiscally responsible with taxpayer dollars and purchase much of the current equipment needed through the grant programs. We would like to thank the State of Ohio for allowing us this opportunity for additional funding.

# Fire Department Cont'd

## Canal Fulton Fire Department Capital Levy

A vote by Canal Fulton City Council authorized a levy to be placed on the November general election ballot to replace Fire Department Capital equipment. The main reason for the levy is to replace aging fire trucks and EMS ambulances. A new firetruck has been a topic for many years. Canal Fulton has two fire pumpers, Engine 5 is 30 years old and Engine 3 is 19 years old. Our ambulances Medic 7 and Medic 8 are 14 years old and 10 years old. The age of these vehicles is a testimony to the care they have received. Even with proper maintenance components like vehicle wiring, steering, brakes and suspension systems of vehicles wear down over time.



A fire apparatus is an emergency vehicle that must be relied on to transport firefighters safely to and from an incident and to operate reliably and properly to support the mission of the fire department. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus 1901 there have been significant changes, upgrades and fine tuning to the standard especially in the area of safety, fire departments should seriously consider the value (or risk) to firefighters of keeping apparatus more than 15 years old in first line service.

Apparatus that were not manufactured to the applicable NFPA fire apparatus standards or that are over 25 years old should be replaced.

Fire trucks, like automobiles benefit from new features to make them easier to use and new standards to make them safer for firefighters and others they encounter on the roadways. A new equipped fire pumper will cost approximately \$450,000. The levy is for a 1 mil property tax and will raise \$94,342 a year, according to the Stark County auditor's office. It will cost the owner of a \$100,000 home \$32 a year in additional property taxes. We have personnel available that would be happy to speak to your organization about this need.



### Congratulations to Fire Captain Shawn Yerian!

Captain Yerian was recently received two prestigious honors.

Captain Yerian was accepted into the National Fire Academy's, Executive Fire Officer Program.

This program provides senior fire officers with a broad perspective on various facets of fire and emergency services administration. The courses and research over a four-year period examine how to exercise leadership when dealing with difficult or unique problems within communities.

Captain Yerian was also selected as the Ohio Fire Officer of the Year by the Ohio Division of State Fire Marshal and the Ohio Division of EMS. Captain Yerian will receive the award at a ceremony at the Division of State Fire Marshall September 21.

Thank you Captain Yerian for your efforts! We're proud you are part of the Canal Fulton and Lawrence Township Fire Departments.

## Domino's Pizza & NFPA Partner With Canal Fulton & Lawrence Township Fire Departments To Promote Fire Safety During Fire Prevention Week

**WHAT:** Domino's Pizza, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and the Canal Fulton and Lawrence Township Fire Departments are joining forces to promote Fire Prevention Week. On Wednesday, October 12 from 5 – 7:00 Anyone who orders a Domino's pizza may be randomly selected and surprised at the door when their pizza arrives aboard a fire engine. If all the smoke alarms in the home are working, the pizza is FREE! If the smoke alarms are not working, the firefighters will replace the batteries or install a fully functioning alarm.

**WHO:** Canal Fulton Domino's Pizza, NFPA, and Canal Fulton and Lawrence Township Fire Departments.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, October 12, 2016 from 5-7:00pm

**WHERE:** Domino's Pizza, 2077 Locust Street, Canal Fulton, Ohio.

**WHY:** "Fire safety is vitally important, and Fire Prevention Week is a great time of year to check your smoke alarm batteries," said Sean Conti, franchise owner of Domino's Pizza in Canal Fulton. "We are thrilled to work with the NFPA and the fire departments on a program to promote the safety of our friends and neighbors and to reward those who make fire safety a priority."



The Canal Fulton and Lawrence Township Fire Departments have instructors that are available for CPR instruction. You can inquire about a class by calling 330 854-2456 or checking our facebook site to see if a class is being offered.

## **Reminders from from the Street Superintendent - Mark Petersen**

### Leaf Pickup

Leaf Pick-up is scheduled to take place from October 1st - November 23rd

Remember: Keep Leaves Out of the Street - Move them to the edge of the curb so the leaf vacuum can pick them up. NO BRANCHES OR YARD DEBRIS

### Tree Maintenance

Please trim tree branches back away from the curb and out from the street. This allows for visability through the City streets.

### Winter Season Reminders

Per Ordinance - DO NOT SHOVEL SNOW INTO THE STREET.

Keep your sidewalks clear of snow and ice.

Make sure your mailbox is secure so that heavy snow that is plowed does not knock your mailbox over.



**Have a Safe Holiday and a Happy New Year!!**

# Canal Fulton Parks & Recreation ~ Fall/Winter 2016



## Trunk Or Treat ~ Saturday, October 29th ~ 4-6:00pm

The Canal Fulton Parks and Recreation Department is hosting Trunk or Treat, Saturday, October 29th from 4 to 6 p.m.

Stop by local merchants and booths along Canal Street in historic downtown Canal Fulton for this fun, family-friendly event to celebrate the fall season. Local merchants and organizations will be downtown passing out treats and playing games. The Canal Fulton recreation department will host face painting, a photo booth with crazy props, a pet parade and more! Continue to check the city website for more information at [cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov](http://cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov).

If you are an area business or local organization and want to set-up a booth or participate, please contact Erin at [canalway@cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov](mailto:canalway@cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov).



## Christmas on the Canal ~ December 3rd

The City of Canal Fulton is hosting Christmas on the Canal: Bigger and Brighter! Saturday, December 3rd in Historic Downtown Canal Fulton. Wood and Ice carvers, entertainment, electric light parade, Santa and the lighting of the tree.

The city is looking for sponsors for this year's ice carvers and entertainment tent. If your business or organization is interested in sponsoring this event, please contact Erin at [canalway@cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov](mailto:canalway@cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov).

Local musicians, choirs and entertainment groups that would like to be a part of Christmas on the Canal please contact Erin at [canalway@cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov](mailto:canalway@cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov).



## St. Helena III Boat Rides & Canalway Center

Canal Fulton Canal Way Center ~ 125 Tuscarawas St. 330-854-6835

[canalway@cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov](mailto:canalway@cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov)

### Public Rides Schedule

*Autumn (September 3 - October 9)*

Saturdays & Sundays  
1:00pm, 2:30pm

### Ticket Prices

Adults \$8  
Seniors (ages 60+) \$7  
Veterans \$7  
Children (ages 6-17) \$5  
(5 & under free with paid adult)

### 2016 Canalway Center Hours

*April & October*

Saturday & Sunday 10:00am – 4:00pm

*May through September*

Monday through Friday 10:00am – 4:00pm

Saturday & Sunday 10:00am – 6:00pm

## Canal Fulton Directory

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Scott Svab

Nellie Cihon

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Danny Losch

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George Lukinac

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*Superintendent*

George Lukinac

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Erin Bigelow

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# Lawrence Township

## North Lawrence Volunteer Fire Department Celebrates 60 Years of Service - Written by Les Kamph

Robert Baker and Robert Eicher, Sr. are two of the original twelve North Lawrence Volunteer firemen serving the community since its inception and incorporation back on April 19, 1956. They both volunteer to this day at the fire department 60 years later.

Both Baker and Eicher are pictured with the awards they recently received for their 60 years of service. Also pictured is the first fire truck purchased by the department—a 1937 Champion. Engine 1 still runs and can be seen in various local parades.

The department has grown over the years from just twelve volunteers to thirty-eight, now including both firefighters and paramedics. They not only service Lawrence Township but also parts of Tuscarawas and Baughman Townships. Their fleet of one has grown to include a much updated fire engine compared to that earlier one, a service engine, a tanker, a brush fire truck, a UTV mobile brush fire unit, a UTV medical unit, a chase vehicle and two ambulances. Since its inception, the firefighters have relied on the game of bingo to build and grow the nonprofit department. The game is held each Friday and Sunday evening in the fire department hall located at 4052 Alabama Avenue, N.W. in North Lawrence starting at 6:45 p.m.

Thanks to all the men and women that serve from the North Lawrence Volunteer Fire Department, and a special thanks to Mr. Baker and Mr. Eicher for your 60 years of service.

## Township Police Department- Sgt. Dave Brown

### Theft Prevention

Over the past few months we, Lawrence Township, along with neighboring communities saw an increase in theft from motor vehicles. In most cases the cars were parked in the driveway with the doors left unlocked. The items that were usually taken were cash/coins, electronics and other small valuables that typically get left in cars. Taking some preventive measures can help ensure that you will not become a victim of theft. The first and best measure is to lock your vehicle. Few of the reports that were taken by Lawrence Township involved forced entry. Secondly is to not leave valuables in the vehicle. If it is not an option to take property out of the vehicle, try and place items out of sight, such as in a locked glove box or in the trunk.

If you do become a victim of theft, please make a report. Even though it may feel like the value of property is minimal or the chance of catching the people is low, it is still important to call the police. In regard to the thefts we had over the past few months, many were not reported. However, through investigation, Patrolman John Barabasch from Canal Fulton Police Department was able to find a suspect who admitted to committing numerous theft offenses. Thanks to Patrolman Barabasch for a job well done.

Another way to try and prevent theft is with vacation checks. Call the station at 330-854-2096 and ask for a vacation check. The officer on duty will take some information and officers will check your house while you are gone.

### Thank You

I would like to thank Patrolman Dan Lockwood for his actions relating to an accident in June of 2016. Patrolman Lockwood was first on the scene of a tragic accident where a family lost a daughter and another daughter was severely injured. After the accident, Patrolman Lockwood kept in contact with the family and checked on the condition of their daughter, Halekay. Halekay was released from the hospital and came to the station to meet Dan. He was personally touched by this incident and relieved to hear and see that she was on the road to recovery.

Thanks, Dan, for the work that you do daily and going above and beyond to help a family in need.



## Township Road Department - Superintendent Jim Sims

Road Crew: Chuck Rohr, Jeremy Rohr  
330-854-3494

Summer Hours: April 25, 2016 – September 30, 2016 ~ 6:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Mon. – Thurs. Closed Friday

*Article By: Jeremy Rohr*

Lawrence Township Road Department had a very busy summer schedule. We teamed up with Stark County Engineers on a few projects to improve drainage issues. Also, with joint efforts from ODOT, we are able to install pipe and catch basins along State Route 93 beside the Lawrence Township Park. ODOT supplied the materials for the project, while Lawrence Township Road Department did the installation.

The roads that were chip and sealed recently will be swept the week of September 12th. Please keep vehicles off the road during the week the roads are swept.

We would like to remind residents that the fall leaf pickup will start on October 31st and end on December 2nd. Please use recyclable bags ONLY and place them out by the road. We will be around a few times during the week to pick them up. Also, the yard waste area gets very busy during the Fall, and we ask that you please dump yard waste as far back as possible to leave room for other residents and out of the dumpster exchange areas.

Christmas tree pickup will go from December 26th through January 6th; but, if you are tired of looking at your tree and don't want to wait on us, you can always dump it at our yard waste recycle area.

Unfortunately, we will be talking about snow before we are ready for it. We want to remind everyone to make sure your mailbox is on a secure post. If your post is rotted or split and you don't think it will make it through the winter, it would be best to just replace it while the weather is still nice out because replacing your mailbox and/or post in the winter is no fun. Also, any kind of markers to mark your yard while we are plowing are very helpful. When the snow gets so deep, it is very difficult to see where each yard is located.

### Reduce, Reuse and Recycle- Shawn

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you a valuable resource in our community. We are pleased to be working with the Stark Recycling District to offer our residents a yard waste and recyclable drop off at the Lawrence Township Complex located at Weygandt and Route 93. This area is available to both Lawrence Township and Canal Fulton residents to deposit cardboard, paper, glass, plastics and yard waste. Recycling is one way to help reduce waste and in turn help the community. When we recycle, everyone wins.

We have also planned an E-Cycle Day on Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. During this time residents will be able to drop off anything that plugs in or takes batteries, plus batteries themselves. There will be a small fee for tube and rear projection T.V.'s of \$10.00 for 20 inch and smaller units; and \$20.00 for 21 inch and larger units. You will be able to pay by check, cash or credit card. Look for the flyers in this paper and at local businesses for more information.



# Lawrence Township Continued...

## Who Do I Contact?

The Lawrence Township Trustees are here to help you. If you have a concern, question or comment, please contact us. We would enjoy hearing from you.

Michael Stevens, President, is the liaison for the Road Department. Mike can be reached at 330-352-8747

Shawn Lockhart, Vice President, is the liaison for the Police Department. Shawn can be reached at 330-495-6251

Lester Kamph, Trustee, is the liason for the Fire Department & Park. Les can be reached at 330-904-2219

## Zoning Question?

Do you have a question regarding building a new house, an addition, swimming pool, fence, accessory building, signs, vehicle storage or just general zoning questions and general requirements? Call our Zoning Inspector, Frank Melito, at 330-854-7118. He will be happy to talk with you and get your questions and concerns handled.

## Park Progress

(by: Les Kamph – Trustee)

Welcome Tina Vanasdal! Tina responded to our request in the last newsletter for additional park volunteers. She is the newest member of the Lawrence Township Park Board. We are always looking for new volunteers; so, if you are interested in helping with the park and overseeing its growth, please contact Les Kamph at 330-904-2219. The residents living close by the park and/or those that use the park regularly are able to offer the most effective ways to improve it.

A special thank you goes to my grandson, Ryder Orr and Greg Vendetti from Troup 933. They recently added two picnic tables to the pavilion and benches along the walking path as part of their Eagle Scout Award project. Good job; they look great! There are two more scouts working on projects for the park. These projects are just in the planning stages. We look forward to their contributions.

The electric is now on to the pavilion at the park. This is another improvement for those having picnics at the park. If you would like to reserve the pavilion for your next picnic, reunion, birthday party, and etc., please call the Lawrence Township Administrative Office at 330-854-3830 to make your reservation. The cost is \$25.00.

## Serving Lawrence Township

Lawrence Township Trustees  
5828 Manchester Avenue  
North Lawrence, OH 44666  
Phone: 330-854-3830  
Fax: 330-854-3665  
Administrative Hours

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Mon. – Thurs. Closed Friday

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Shawn Lockhart – Vice President	330-495-6251 (s_lockhart59@sbcglobal.net)
Les Kamph - Trustee	330-904-2219 (lkamph@sssnet.com)
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Carol Blose – Office Manager	330-854-3830 (cblose@lawrencetwp-oh.org)
Marita Simon – Fiscal Assistant	330-854-3830 (msimon@lawrencetwp-oh.org)
Lawrence Township Police Dept.	330-854-2096 Non-Emergency
Lawrence Township Fire Dept.	330-854-6755 Non-Emergency
North Lawrence Fire Dept.	330-832-6347 Non-Emergency

## Trash Aggregation for Lawrence Township ~ Yes or No?

(by: Lester Kamph – Trustee)

As a township, we are looking into the possibility of contracting for trash aggregation. We are comparing the pros and cons of how it is working in other communities, and we would like your thoughts, as well.

Just what is trash aggregation? Trash aggregation is where only one trash collector is contracted to serve a particular area. Currently there are five different trash haulers servicing Lawrence Township. By using a plan of trash aggregation, monies could be saved by the community being serviced and also by the individual.

Think about this...the five trash haulers currently used in the township travel the same roads and often the same routes. There would be less wear and tear to our roads from all of those heavy trucks if only one hauler was being used. Taxpayer dollars would be saved in repairs. Individually money would be saved, too. A trash program is less expensive when contracting to a large group rather than to an individual.

As it looks now, using an aggregation program would cost the individual approximately \$11.00 to \$14.00 per month including curbside recycling. The individual could opt out of the program and choose a different trash hauler at any time. Obviously, the program would be most cost effective with more participants.

We would appreciate your feedback. Please send or drop off the form below to the Lawrence Township Trustees at 5828 Manchester Avenue, North Lawrence, Ohio 44666. If you have questions and would like to speak with someone regarding the trash aggregation, please call Lester Kamph at 330-904-2219.

## Lawrence Township Trash Aggregation Program

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Circle

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

Yes      No

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

# Lawrence Township Fiscal Office

Cynthia Meisner – Fiscal Officer

Marita Simon – Fiscal Assistant

## DON'T FORGET TO VOTE NOVEMBER 8, 2016

(Polls Are Open From 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.)

November 8, 2016 is Election Day. Lawrence Township has a five-tenths (0.5) mill renewal levy for the Fire District for fire protection and medical services and a one and four-tenths (1.4) mill replacement levy for the Road District for general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges on the ballot. These levies are for a five-year period.

A replacement levy has the same purpose as the existing levy. It collects tax at the current assessed value rather than the rate at which the levy was initially placed on the ballot.

A renewal levy continues the life of a previously enacted tax levy. It collects tax at the same rate that is already being paid.

According to the auditor's office, a mill is computed as:

\$100,000.00	market value of property
0.35	times % to arrive at a taxable value
\$ 35,000.00	taxable value of property
1.00	millage
\$ 1,000.00	a mill is \$1 in tax per \$1,000 of taxable value
0.00100000	millage in decimal form
taxable value times millage in decimal form = gross taxes per year	
\$ 35.00	year
0.125	12.5% reduction for owner occupied homes
\$ 4.38	dollar reduction
\$ 30.63	net taxes for one year

We need your support!

If you are new to the area, contact the Stark County Board of Election on how and where to register to vote at the following sources: Email: [boe@starkcountyohio.gov](mailto:boe@starkcountyohio.gov), Fax: 330-451-7000, Phone: 330-451-8683 and website: [starkcountyohio.gov/board-of-elections](http://starkcountyohio.gov/board-of-elections).

### LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP RECYCLE DAY

WHEN: Saturday, October 1, 2016

TIME: 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

WHERE: 13468 Weygandt Street NW  
Canal Fulton, Ohio

ACCEPTED: Anything that plugs in or takes batteries. All batteries are accepted except alkaline batteries.

COSTS: Televisions of up to 20" there will be a charge of \$10.00, televisions over 21" there will be a charge of \$20.00.

Any fluorescent lighting is 25 cents a foot.



## VILLAGE OF CLINTON

**1816-2016**

**200 YEARS AND COUNTING**

## THE ODDS WERE EVER IN OUR FAVOR -- CELEBRATE, WE DID!!!

Marissa Gensimore-Community Development Chair

There was no reason for hunger, however there were games to be played. Though for forecast was suspect, Friday's Grande Parade and spectacular fireworks, came off without a hitch. Everyone was amazed at the magnitude and artistry of the display.

Saturday started with a BANG! Roger Stark brought his cannon to the OVMP to signal the start of the half marathon, 10 and 5K runs. 328 runners participated in this years, Run to the Wall. On Main Street, festival goers enjoyed a variety of musical entertainment from bag pipes, Beatles, and Blues to Johnny Cash. The food truck fare was delicious. All of the trucks ran out of most foods and one truck sold out completely. The tours of the Rhoades-Harter House and Limbach Building display saw over 500 visitors combined. The Bake Walk, face painting, kid's games, and balloon artist were a big hit. Seventy-five cars were registered with the Car Show. Among a few of the day's highlights was the presentation that Senator LaRose made to the Village. Recognition was also made of the Bicentennial's Platinum Sponsor, CCSupply, to members of the Tony Crookston family. Those present, were treated to the Gettysburg Address and President Lincoln's second inaugural speech.

Sunday's, Community Service of Thanksgiving and Worship, followed by the Community Picnic felt like "home". It was a true reminder of what this Village was built on.

An event like this takes many hands, doing many things. Beyond the committee and the CHS multiple people joined the effort. There things that are planned for and then, there those things that happen that are not. That's when you really appreciate those that are willing to step up. John Gajowski did a great job organizing the parade and car show. Ken Noon and Sharon Kerchanin of the OVMP gave of themselves personally and financially above and beyond. Resident Eric Ayers (The Wood Guy) as always, jumped in with both feet. Donating his time and boom to hang and rehang the banner, providing a generator and a fan to help keep the inflatables up and running. Scott Rader (Iron Horse Graffix) and his son Steven were, on the spot, producing posters, providing a sound system for the Bingo caller, orchestrating the set up and tear down of tables and chairs in the Firehouse. As well as trash detail. There was a group of campers from Hillside Park who volunteered to shuttle people from Main Street to the OVMP. It is refreshing to know that there are those who see a need and just fill it; because they are a part of the Community. Thank you to everyone involved. Your contribution made for a wonderful celebration.

## Clinton Historical Society

### Applefest 2016

By Susan Vison Ross

Get ready for Applefest! Clinton Historical Society's second annual fund-raising event is scheduled for Sunday, September 18, from noon until 4:00 P.M. on Clinton's Main Street. Applefest has all the essential ingredients for a delightful late summer afternoon: food, music, vendors and artisans, classic car show, raffle, free guided tours of the Rhoades-Harter House, and free old-fashioned games for children.

As for the raffle, don't miss out on it for there are plenty of great prizes to win, like a bike for a boy and one for a girl. Tickets are 6 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each. Tickets can be obtained at these participating local businesses: Rusty Railz, Clinton True Value Hardware, Clinton Family Haircare, and Beaver's Beauty Salon. On the day of Applefest, raffle tickets can still be purchased up until 3:00 P.M. Winners need not be present to win.

If you have a classic or antique ride you want to showcase at Applefest, registration begins at 10:00 A.M. at the pavilion located on Donnenwirth Street. The Magic Cruisers Car Club is sponsoring the car show and the entry fee is \$5.00 per vehicle. Get your motor running and head to Clinton to participate in this popular Applefest feature.

There are still a few Applefest booths available. A booth is a 10x10 space for \$15.00. If interested, please call Lee Ann Dreury (330-882-8137), Sandra Dreury (330-882-4170) or Beverly Waseman (330-882-2274).

This will be Clinton Historical Society's thirty-second Applefest. Music, food, cars, and fun all come together in downtown Clinton for your enjoyment. Plan to attend.

### Family Tragedy

By Susan Vison Ross, CHS Member

With hunting season soon upon us, it was decided to submit this sad "Death Notice" as a reminder on how dangerous it can be. It reads:

Sower

Melancholy Accident

Canton, Ohio, Nov. 18 - - On the 14th inst., two young men, sons of Mr. Henry Sower, of Franklin Township, in this county, went out to hunt Deer. After some time one of them perceiving something through the bushes which he supposed to be a deer - fired, and on approaching the spot found his brother a lifeless corpse! - Repository. [Republican Compiler (Gettysbur, Penn), December 8, 1824 - NP - Sub by FoFG]

At this time Green and Franklin Townships were part of Stark County. These townships were deliberately left out of the Western Reserve tract of land to the north because while Yankees were settling there, people from Pennsylvania of German origin were moving into these other two areas. The decision-makers then didn't think the New England people and the Germans would mix well. In time Franklin and Green Townships would come to be included in the newly formed Summit County. Remember, Clinton was located within Franklin Township.

### President Lincoln Visits Limbach Buildings

The historic Village of Clinton was honored to be visited by President Abraham Lincoln during the recent Bicentennial celebration. Between deliveries of his famous Gettysburg Address, Honest Abe found time to visit the historic Limbach Buildings on Main Street. The first brick buildings in Clinton were constructed by German immigrant brothers Adam and Martin Limbach in 1874. Due to their significance as part of the Ohio and Erie Canal National Heritage Corridor, the property was acquired around 2008 by the Ohio and Erie Canalway Coalition. Restored and structurally stabilized by the Coalition, the Limbach Block Historic District is a local landmark in the community. Open to the public as part of the Bicentennial celebrations, visitors were treated to exhibits featuring early Clinton artifacts, war memorabilia, newspapers and magazines from World War Two, quilts and hobby items. A specially prepared "Then and Now" video compared historic photographs of Clinton landmarks with photographs of the same sites taken today.



More than 325 visitors passed through the building, lingering over the displays.

Many stopped to ask questions about the history of the structures and to share childhood memories of the period when Howard Duma's grocery and Kunkle Hardware occupied the space, centerpieces of the community for many years. Unexpected visitors included Limbach family descendants Dave and Velda Limbach from Massillon. While reading the article about the Clinton Bicentennial in the Massillon Independent, Velda was surprised to turn the page and see a photograph of the Limbach buildings, previously unknown to them. In turn, visitors to the building enjoyed meeting relatives of the building's namesakes. Bicentennial t-shirts were bought, stories were exchanged and Clinton has made many new friends.



### Bicentennial Pics!!



## *A Treasure Housed Within the Village*

By Anna Gensimore

The Ohio Veterans Memorial Park was established in 2007 to honor Ohio's fallen from all wars and peacetime conflicts. Its main feature is the 40 foot long (the longest freestanding structure of its kind) wall that commemorates those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. The front lists the 3,096 names of Ohioans who fought and died in the Vietnam War including Sharon Lane, the only female from our state to do so. On the other side of the wall every conflict that Ohio has been a part of is featured along with information about the conflicts as well as the names of Ohioans killed in action. Its beauty is a somber reminder of the sacrifices our fellow states people have made.

Aside from the wall itself, the park features other monuments such as the Family of Heroes Hall. This newest monument features a Soldier's Cross in the ceiling of the pavilion adorned with 32,768 dog tags representing all Ohioans fallen from World War I to present day. 23,000 of these dog tags represent World War II veterans alone. It is bordered by over 320 stars, each representing 100 Gold Star families and is adorned with the seals of each branch of the Armed Forces. Standing beneath the cross is breathtaking, the reflection in the floor's black granite somehow makes the monument's impact even greater. This is just the latest project that the OVMP has accomplished in the past nine years. The Family of Heroes Hall can be reserved for private events. Although no fee is charged, one should seriously consider donating toward helping the OVMP continue its mission.



Completely privately funded, the park has gained support through various events throughout the year such as the yearly golf outing, The Run to the Wall, the reverse raffle, and various concerts. You can show your support by donating through the website, participating in upcoming events such as the 3095 Hero Ride (honoring first responders) on September 11th, The Reverse Raffle on November 12th, or The Christmas Tree and Wall Lighting Service on December 10th. Check the website: [www.ovmp.org](http://www.ovmp.org) for more information to plan your visit or ways to get involved.

## *Warwick Park Pavilion Gets a Facelift*

Debbie Ikens- Streets, Parks and Rec- Chair

The Warwick Park picnic pavilion beside the bandstand got a major facelift this year thanks to the efforts of Manchester Christian Church and Meister Roofing. The Manchester congregation annually designates a Sunday to send teams of volunteers out into their community to provide a "day of service". Members of the congregation who grew up in the area had fond memories of time spent in Warwick Park and wanted to help maintain it for others' use. They offered to paint the swing set and interior of the picnic pavilion as their service project. The volunteers provided labor and the Village provided paint and supplies and prepared the pavilion for painting. Completing the job to their satisfaction required an extra day of service and the volunteers returned, working around weather delays, to complete their task. The results were impressive – the pavilion is now clean, bright and inviting. To top it off, Meister Roofing donated shingle repairs and the addition of a drip-edge, extending the life of the pavilion roof. It all made for a pleasant location for the community worship service held as part of the Village's Bicentennial celebration. The event was well-attended and the setting was enjoyed thanks to the helpful volunteers of Manchester Christian Church and Meister Roofing.



## *Your Tax Dollars At Work*

Like many communities, the Village of Clinton residents are subject to a 1% annual R.I.T.A. (Regional Income Tax Agency) tax on earned income. (Earned income includes wages and salaries, but not pensions or social security.) Those tax dollars go toward supporting the operation of the Village, including improvements to roads. This summer a portion of your tax dollars went to replace five storm water catch basins – two at the intersection of Clinton Road and Cleveland-Massillon Road; one at the intersection in front of the Post Office; one at the intersection of Main Street and Cleveland-Massillon Road; and one at the entrance to the old Clinton Elementary School. Due to the regular traffic flow at these locations, over time turning vehicles had damaged the catch basins and created a potential problem for drivers. The project revealed a bit of Clinton history, as excavations uncovered decades-old limestones and clay pipe used in the original construction of the storm water system. The new catch basins are reinforced to support modern vehicles, with bike-friendly grates designed to keep bike tires from getting caught in grate openings. The work was completed in time for the Bicentennial celebration - your tax dollars at work!



## *Village of Clinton Information*

330-882-4782

Office Hours: Tues., Thur., Fri. 9-1 PM

Council Meetings: 1st and 3rd Tuesday, Monthly

### **Mayor and Council Members**

Mayor Al Knack

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Cemetery Information

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### **Administration**

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**Fire Chief:** [bfrey@clintonvillageohio.com](mailto:bfrey@clintonvillageohio.com) [clintonfire1413@aol.com](mailto:clintonfire1413@aol.com)

### **Zoning**

**Zoning Inspector:** William Funk: [wfunk@clintonvillageohio.com](mailto:wfunk@clintonvillageohio.com)  
330-417-2298

(Monthly Hours) 1st Tues., 4-6 PM, 3rd Sat., 8-10 AM

### **Income Tax Questions**

R.I.T.A.- Brian Thunberg, 1-800-860-7482, ext. 3244

Refunds call: 1-866-252-0913

## Community Commission on Disabilities- Established August 2, 2016

~ Promoting and Enhancing Community Integration and Inclusion for People with Special Needs ~ Ric Brown, Echoing Hills Village, Inc.

One of the ways a person can measure the worth of their community is by the way the community takes care of its own citizens; addressing and meeting their needs, their wants, their wishes and their desire to be a part of the whole. When everyone is included, everyone wins. From my perspective, the human landscape of a community needs to include diversity, inclusiveness, acceptance and benevolence, all of which contribute to community wellness.

Canal Fulton's "Talk About Potential" (T.A.P.) and "Team Sunshine" groups are to me, the epitome of diversity, inclusion, acceptance and benevolence at the core. These groups and their members have not only identified the need to support people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities within the Canal Fulton and surrounding areas, but are making personal sacrifices and commitments to make this happen. Volunteerism by members of these groups on regular outings in the community, or volunteering at sites where people with special needs receive services has become a growing practice. These opportunities create friendships, natural supports, purpose and meaning for all involved. Through continued and growing involvement, individuals develop meaningful relationships, they develop life-long skills that help create independence, they explore their communities, they discover work and/or volunteer opportunities, and they expand their choices and options to participate in "full life" experiences,



often becoming more satisfied with life.

Recently, the Mayor of the City of Canal Fulton, the City Manager, City Council members and others agreed to form what is known as a Community Commission on Disabilities. Established by Ordinance #17-16 on August 2, 2016, the Commission will operate with the following mission and objectives:

**MISSION:** To facilitate full and equal participation in all aspects of life by persons with intellectual or physical disabilities in the community thus enhancing their place and contribution to society.

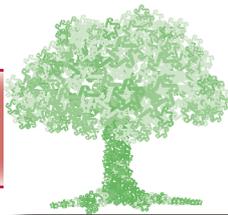
To strive to reduce architectural, procedural, attitudinal and communication barriers that affect our community members with special needs.

### OBJECTIVES:

- Promote and encourage public awareness of the concerns of persons with disabilities.
- Educate the community about the skills of persons with disabilities fostering greater employment opportunities.
- Encourage the inclusion of persons with disabilities in recreational, social and cultural activities in the community.
- Serve as a resource for citizens with disabilities and their families to express concerns and Resolutions affecting them.

The Commission structure is designed with a minimum of ten (10) volunteer citizens with expertise and/or a strong interest in disability advocacy as appointed by the Mayor. This should include five (5) members from the special needs community, five (5) members with expertise and/or intense interest in disability advocacy and representatives from Police and Fire departments as advisors. Specific time frames related to the length of time of an appointment as a Commission member and times/dates/location of meetings will be announced.

As I have mentioned throughout my career and wherever I go, I believe it takes a network of passionate, community-minded and support-minded people to support people with special needs. This support becomes the foundation and cornerstone of our identity, personally, or as a city. I encourage everyone to become involved in Canal Fulton's Community Commission on Disabilities in a variety of ways and to foster the work they intend to do. To learn more about the Community Commission on Disabilities, please feel free to call the Mayor's office at 330.854.2225.



## REDUCE ~ REUSE ~ RECYCLE

City of Canal Fulton Trash Aggregation Program with Republic Services



Residents of Canal Fulton that have OPTED OUT of the City Trash Aggregation Program can enter the program at any time. Please consider participating to minimize the impact of more large trucks on your neighborhood streets. The price for unlimited trash service including a 96 gallon cart for waste collection and a 64 gallon recycling cart is \$11.24 per month. Call Republic Services at 1-800-247-3644.

### Recycling - Follow These Simple Steps

Collect your GLASS, PLASTIC & METAL recyclables and place them together in your bin.

**GLASS** - All Food Beverage containers made of glass can be recycled regardless of color. Simply remove the cap, rinse them and place in the bin. No need to remove labels. Please, no herbicide or pesticide containers, window glass, light bulbs, mirrors or ceramics.

**PLASTIC** - All Food and Beverage containers with the #1 thru #7 printed on the bottom can be recycled. Please rinse and place containers in your bin. Motor Oil, antifreeze, pesticide and herbicide containers should be placed in your trash when empty.

**METAL** - Rinse all aluminum and steel food and beverage containers and place them in your bin. Removing labels is not required. For added space in your cart, consider cutting tops and bottoms out and flattening the cans.

**NEWSPAPER AND CORRUGATED CARDBOARD** - Place newspapers in bin. Old corrugated cardboard containers should be cut down to fit in your bin. If you are placing it outside the cart, after cutting it down into squares, secure with string.

**ITEMS NOT PART OF RECYCLING PROGRAM** - Aerosol Cans, Metal Caps, Batteries, Mirrors, Pyrex, Oil/Paint, Window Panes, Crystal, Windshields, Glass Doors, Wood, Ceramics, Hazardous Chemicals

***Yard Waste - Republic will collect leaves, grass clippings or decomposable natural yard waste, if placed in bags or other suitable containers, and placed at the point of collection. More than ten bags of yard waste will be billed at \$1.00 per bag.***

*Remember.....just because you throw it away, doesn't mean it goes away!*



# Kids Corner - we have a hand in our future!

## What can you make with toilet paper rolls????

Help decorate your home for the holidays! It is amazing what a little imagination can do with an empty toilet paper roll!



### TOILET ROLL BAT BUDDIES

- 3 Simple steps: 1. Fold in the top of the toilet roll to create the bat ears, glue the fold into position (use kitchen paper tubes if you prefer)
  2. Cut the wings out of black craft paper and glue to the sides of the TP roll
  3. Draw on the goofy facial features
- That's it!!  
Check out all the cool toilet paper crafts at [mollymoo.com](http://mollymoo.com)



### TOILET PAPER ROLL THANKSGIVING TURKEY

Here's what you'll need...

- TP roll
- Scissors
- Construction paper in fall colors
- Pencil
- 2 googly eyes, or black marker
- Glue

Here's how to make it...

1. Cut two slits into your TP roll to make a triangle, and fold up to make your Turkey's bill (as shown in the picture)
2. Trace your hand print onto the construction paper and cut out.
3. From your construction paper (preferably red color) cut out a "J" shape for under your turkey's neck. Glue onto the TP roll just under his beak. Glue the hand prints around the base of your TP roll. To finish it off, glue on googly eyes, or draw on eyes with a black marker. You've just created an adorable Thanksgiving turkey!



### TOILET ROLL CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT

1. Flatten toilet paper roll
2. Cut in 1/2 inch strips
3. Staple or glue in snowflake shape
4. Have fun and decorate your ornament with glitter, sequins and markers (Use your imagination!)
5. Attach a ribbon to hang

Make these for family gifts and write a personal message on the back with your name. Let your family know that you used recycled material to make your ornament!

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**TIME: 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

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## DON'T FORGET THE BIRDS THIS WINTER!

- grab yourself an old plastic bottle
- carefully cut a hole in the side of the bottle – how big and how high up the bottle will depend on your bird – if your bottle is strong enough you can cut a hole in each side
- carefully cut a small hole on either side of the bottle for your perch
- find a nice sturdy stick and slide it through the two holes
- add your wild bird seed
- twist on the cap tightly and tie a loop of string
- hang it from a branch and wait for the birds to feast



## Where do I Vote? Am I Registered to Vote? Can I Get an Absentee Ballot?

These are all questions that can be answered by logging on the Stark County Board of Elections website or calling them.

<http://www.starkcountyohio.gov/board-of-elections>

330-451-8683

### Absentee Voting ~ How to Vote Early

Voters have two options to cast their ballot early. Both options offer voters the flexibility to cast their ballot when it works best for them. Vote in person at the Board of Elections or request a ballot by mail.

#### In-Person Voting

Voters may vote early in person at the Stark County Board of Elections office starting 29 days prior to the election.

Voters will be required to complete an application that requests identification information.

In-Person voting will take place from October 12 - November 7. The hours for in-person voting are below:

October 12 - October 21      8:00 am – 5:00 pm (Monday - Friday)

October 24 - October 28      8:00 am – 6:00 pm (Monday – Friday)

October 29                      8:00 am - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

October 30                      1:00 pm - 5:00 pm (Sunday)

October 31 - November 4      8:00 am - 7:00 pm (Monday - Friday)

November 5                     8:00 am - 4:00 pm (Saturday)

November 6                     1:00 pm - 5:00 pm (Sunday)

November 7                     8:00 am - 2:00 pm (Monday)

You will be required to fill out an application to vote in-person. On this application, you will be required to provide a form of identification.

The office is located at: 3525 Regent Ave NE, Canton, Ohio 44705

#### Vote By Mail

Voters may request an absentee ballot by mail. Ballots are mailed starting 29 days prior to the election.

Voting by mail takes place October 12 - November 5.

*Below are the steps you need to complete in order to successfully vote by mail:*

Step 1 - Complete an application form. (In order for a ballot to be mailed to you, an application form will need to be filled out for each election.)

Download an application form.

Step 2 - Mail the completed form to the Stark County Board of Elections.

Step 3 - Once your form is received and processed a ballot will be mailed to you beginning October 12th.

Step 4 - Fill out your ballot and ID envelope completely.

Step 5 - Mail your ballot back to the Board of Elections. Congratulations your ballot has been cast!

*In order for your application to be accepted, the following information MUST be correct on the form:*

Your name and voting residence

Your birthdate and proper identification information (see application)

Statement that you are a qualified elector

The election for which you are requesting a ballot

Your party choice if the election is a primary, or that you want to vote an issues-only ballot

The mailing address to which you want your ballot sent

Your signature

*For your absentee ballot to be counted, it must be received as follows:*

If cast from anywhere in the U.S. and you return it by mail, it must be postmarked\* (the day before the election) and received by the board of elections no later than 10 days after the election. If you return it in person or if a near relative delivers it to the board for you, it must be delivered to the board of elections no later than the close of polls on Election Day.

If you are a voter outside the U.S. on Election Day, your ballot envelope must be signed and postmarked by the close of polls on Election Day and received by your county board of elections not later than the 20th day after the presidential primary election or by the 10th day after a special or general election.

If returned in-person to the board of elections, absentee ballots must be received at your local county board of elections on Election Day by 7:30 p.m. (the close of the polls).

\* The U.S. Postage Service estimates that it may take 2-5 days for your voted absentee ballot to be delivered to the board of elections by mail. To make sure your absentee ballot is counted, you have the responsibility for returning your ballot by the deadline.

\* Postmarked does not include a date marked by a postage evidence system such as a postage meter.

#### Election Day Medical Emergency

In the case of a medical emergency, the deadline for absentee ballot requests is 3 p.m. on Election Day. To be eligible under this provision, you must be confined in a hospital because of a medical emergency. A close relative may deliver and return your ballot if you so request and state the relative's name and relationship on the application, or representatives of the board of elections can be requested to deliver the ballot. The application form to vote in the event of a medical emergency can be downloaded here.

Contact Us:

Phone: 330-451-7004, 330-451-VOTE (8683)

Toll Free: 866-878-VOTE(8683)

Email: [boe@starkcountyohio.gov](mailto:boe@starkcountyohio.gov)

# Things you need to know... Stark Soil & Water Conservation District

## What is storm water?

Storm water is defined as the flow of water that results from precipitation which occurs immediately following a rainfall event or results from a snowmelt.

When a rainfall event occurs, the precipitation is “absorbed” by the environment. The water may soak into the soil recharging groundwater supplies, while some is taken up by plants, and some is evaporated into the atmosphere. All the other water that flows or runs off the land is considered storm water. Unfortunately, as development increases, the ability of our environment to perform its natural process of “absorption” decreases. This is because the natural landscape that was once able to absorb and clean storm water is covered by impervious surface. Impervious surface is simply a surface that water is unable to penetrate. Rooftops, driveways, and roads are all examples of impervious surfaces.

Increased impervious surface results in both an increased amount of storm water runoff and an increased chance for pollution to enter our waterways through our storm sewer systems. This type of pollution that results from storm water runoff is called nonpoint source pollution.

What is Nonpoint Source Pollution?

Did you know that two-thirds of the nation’s polluted runoff comes from highways and roads (the same roads that run through our neighborhoods)? It is a shocking statistic, considering that a majority of the population believes that they do not have any affect on the pollution problem.

What is a Watershed?

No matter where you live, you’re in a watershed. A watershed is a geographic area that water flows across or under on its way to a stream, river, or lake. The boundaries of each watershed are determined by the landscape and the topography.

The landscape is made up of many interconnected basins, or watersheds. Within each watershed, all the water runs to the lowest point— a stream, lake, or river. On its way, water travels over the surface and across farm fields, forest land, suburban lawns, and city streets, or it seeps into the soil and travels as ground water. Check out the map showing Watersheds in Stark County.

For more articles on Storm Water please visit Stark Soil & Water Conservation District website at [info@starkswcd.org](mailto:info@starkswcd.org)



### Upcoming events:

Stark Landowner’s Workshop  
Wednesday, September 28, 6:00pm - R.G. Drage Career Center  
(2800 Richville Dr SE Massillon OH 44646)

Stark Equine Grazing Workshop  
Saturday, October 15, 9:00am - 3:00pm - Red Star Vet Clinic

We are located at 2650 Richville Drive SE, Suite 100, Massillon, Ohio 44646. Take US 30 to the Richville Drive exit, head north on Richville Drive and we are on the east side of the road about .4 miles from the highway (right next to Anchor Baptist Church).

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2650 Richville Drive SE, Suite 100, Massillon OH 44646  
Ph: 330-451-SOIL (7645)  
[info@starkswcd.org](mailto:info@starkswcd.org)

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## Bountiful Gifts - Who are we and what do we do?

We are Bountiful Gifts, a local ministry. We are comprised of a local group of caring people who have come together for the benefit of our whole community. We, as a group or as individuals, have identified you and or your organization as one that exemplifies a servant’s heart for those in need.

To clarify, Bountiful Gifts is designed to be a local “go to”! resource for those in need of variety of support. We intend to facilitate meeting these needs 24/7 through our website, contacts and connections to various local ministries, services, and hotlines. In short we are designed to be a resource hub connecting those with needs to the available resources. We believe that this will allow the body of Christ to operate fully at a grander scale to serve and love others by simplifying the search process for those in need.



With this in mind and as we embark on another school year, children will be entering school from homes that are struggling to pay the bills, putting food on the table, supplying clothes for their bodies, and having joy in their hearts. Parents will be searching for resources to help with matters that are all too common to the stressed family unit.

Unfortunately, many view the word ‘hope’ as Just another four letter word. As followers of Christ, we are assured that His love provides hope, not only to get through the day-to-day struggles, but to create an optimistic legacy for others to follow. We believe Jeremiah said it best. “For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.” Jeremiah 29:11.

## - School Lunch Money

Several Canal Fulton area churches and individuals are providing lunch money for students from families that are just over the income limit to get reduced price lunches. Bountiful Gifts is coordinating this effort. Bountiful Gifts, founded in 2012, is a local ministry in the greater Canal Fulton area comprised of people from various churches.

The mission is to connect people who have needs with organizations and ministries that can help meet the needs. It’s bringing the body of Christ together to serve others. The website is [www.bountifulgifts.org](http://www.bountifulgifts.org), and the telephone number is 330-828-NEED.

# What's Going on In Your Community...

## Canal Fulton Heritage Society Fund Raising Raffle to Benefit Museums

The Canal Fulton Heritage Society is selling raffle tickets to raise funds in order to continue its education efforts and preservation of its museums. Preservation of historic buildings, artifacts, and historical documents isn't cheap. To help fund the preservation of Canal Fulton heritage, the Canal Fulton Heritage Society is raffling a quilt. The tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. The drawing will be held Halloween Night, Oct. 31, 2016. It is Queen size, 74"x 75". The quilt was made by Joanne Fox using a Kilted stitch. Tickets are available at the Society's Heritage House museum, the Canal Fulton Public Library, and other community minded supporters. For more information, call 330-854-3808, or visit the Canal Fulton Heritage Society web site at <http://cfheritage.org> or email [cfhs@discovercanalfulton.com](mailto:cfhs@discovercanalfulton.com)



*Trick or Treat:*  
Canal Fulton & Lawrence Township- October 31, 2016 6-8:00pm

## Canal Fulton - City Meetings & Events

*The public is encouraged to attend Council and Committee Meetings. Your Voice Matters!*

Council Meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of Every month at 7:00pm

HPC/PC Meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month at 6:30

Park Board Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm

**Watch the City's website at [www.cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov](http://www.cityofcanalfulton-oh.gov) for Committee meetings and meeting changes.**

## *Santa Comes to Clinton*

*Presented By*  
*Clinton Historical Society*

Sunday, December 4th  
2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Clinton Village Hall Social Room

This is our annual free holiday event for the children and grandchildren of Clinton residents. Each



child visits with Santa and receives a gift. Festive refreshments are served for all to enjoy.

Don't forget your camera/phone to capture those special moments

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Throughout the years the Clinton Historical Society has appreciated the support of Clinton and surrounding communities.  
Thank you!

## Northwest Stark Senior Center

Center Hours:

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm

Wednesday – Closed

Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

WEEKLY/MONTHLY EVENTS

Monday – Tong 5:00PM Euchre 7:00pm

Monday and Thursday – Bingo 12:30pm

Monday and Friday – Silver Sneakers 9:05am

First and Third Tuesday – Writers Group 10:00am

Tuesday – Painting Classes 1:30pm

Thursday – Chair Yoga 9:30am

Friday – Bridge 11:30am

HALL RENTAL AVAILABLE – QUESTIONS PLEASE

CALL 330-854-6307

## September is National Library Card Month

*If you haven't used your library card in the past two years, haven't ever had a library card, or need to get your children signed up for a library card, now is the time to visit your library and get a library card. To apply for a library card, bring a photo ID with an address. The application process takes only minutes, and the benefits are immeasurable.*

*The library is a school district public library in the Northwest Local School District that includes Canal Fulton, Lawrence Township, and portions of Doylestown, Clinton, and New Franklin. (The Canal Fulton Public Library district is the same as the Northwest Schools.) If you have any questions about library cards or our resources, please stop in and ask our friendly staff, call us at 330-854-4148, or visit us online 24/7 at [www.canalfultonlibrary.org](http://www.canalfultonlibrary.org)*

*"LIVE MUSIC SATURDAYS at The Speak Easy Coffee Shop in downtown Canal Fulton (128 N. Canal St.) from 7:30pm-9:30pm every Saturday. Come check out the great music stylings of local musicians!"*

## *Dragonfly Tea Room*

October 8th, Saturday

Pumpkin Jamboree, kids decorate their own pumpkins, games, crafts and performance on our porch by the Ruby Sisters!

December 2nd, Friday

Christmas Candlelight Tea, Dinner & harpist

December 3rd, Saturday

Christmas on the Canal, gift shop sales, free scone & tea samples & performance on our porch by the Ruby Sisters!

December 10th, Saturday

Childrens Christmas event, fun Princess themed lunch, crafts & Disney Princesses!

Call for Reservation: 330-854-4832

## **Lawrence Township**

Township Administrative Building  
5828 Manchester Avenue, North Lawrence

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|----------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| September 12, 2016         | Board of Trustees | 6:30 p.m. |
| September 26, 2016         | Board of Trustees | 4:30 p.m. |
| October 11, 2016 (Tuesday) | Board of Trustees | 6:30 p.m. |
| October 24, 2016           | Board of Trustees | 4:30 p.m. |
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**Village of Clinton ~ Council Meetings: 1st and 3rd Tuesday, Monthly**