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A Message from your Jackson Township Officials

JACKSON TRUSTEES ORGANIZE FOR 2023



The Jackson Township Trustees have organized the Board for 2023, electing Todd J. Hawke as Chairman and John E. Pizzino as Vice Chairman. Board of Trustee meetings are the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Executive session and/or work session at 4:00 pm, with the general session at 5:00 pm.

(Left to Right) Randy Gonzalez, Fiscal Officer/Economic Development Director, Todd J. Hawke, Chairman, Justin B. Hardesty, Trustee, John E. Pizzino, Vice Chairman.

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PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION

Jackson Parks are some of the finest in Ohio. With a little something for everyone. Originally built for green space, but now has a variety of athletic fields, tennis, basketball and volleyball courts, play grounds, walking tracks, fishing, shelters, picnicking and many other festivities. In recent years much more has been added for broader ages and uses such as, pickle ball courts, an ice skating rink and The Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater. All have been heavily used and are welcomed additions. The addition of the new amphitheater parking lot in North Park gave a new configuration and location for the Community Celebration, which resulted in the best attended and successful event in recent years.

Coming in 2023, a new restroom, concession stand and video wall will be added to the amphitheater. Construction will begin at the new 40 acre soccer/lacrosse tournament facility at the Kirk Schuring Park. The vast majority of the cost for these projects comes from leveraging our park levy dollars to attain Federal and State grants. We have received over \$6 million to supplement the funding for our community park projects.

This year the Jackson Parks & Recreation Division replacement levy will be on your ballot. The 1 mill levy was originally passed ten years ago in 2013, and is now down to .7 mills. The ballot issue is to take the levy back to the original 1 mill for 5 years. If passed this would be an increase of \$11.00 per one hundred thousand of your homes valuation. For example; if your home is appraised by the county auditor at \$200,000, your additional cost would be \$22.00 per year or about 6 cents per day.

Jackson's Parks are one of the best attractions and investments for our community. The parks help keep our property values up and add places for us to gather while enjoying one another. Furthermore, the parks provide our children great places for healthy outdoor activities that strengthen them both mentally and physically. Whether it's a concert, festival, ball game or just walking the track, we often hear how proud our community is of our parks. Let's be Jackson Proud!

H.B. 140 - BALLOT LANGUAGE CHANGES BEGIN MAY OF 2023

On June 14, 2022, Governor Michael DeWine signed the Ballot Uniformity and Transparency Act (H.B. 140) into law, which became effective on November 13, 2022. Local governments, like Jackson Township, typically receive funding from a variety of sources, and property taxes are often a key source of funding.

The county auditor in each of Ohio's 88 counties is the official charged with valuing every parcel of real property located within their respective county. Every property is assigned an appraised (market) value by the county auditor. All real property is then assessed for taxation at 35% of the appraised value; this 35% valuation is referred to as the assessed or taxable value of a property.

All property taxes are ultimately applied to individual properties at a certain property tax millage rate. One mill is one-thousandth of a dollar (one-tenth of a cent), and a one-mill tax equals \$1 in property tax levied per \$1,000 of a property's assessed value.

Both unvoted and voted property taxes are applied to all properties in Ohio. Unvoted taxes, referred to as inside millage, are limited by state law to 10 mills of a property's assessed value and are divided among the overlapping local governments by statutory formula. Usually all or almost all of that unvoted 10 mills is levied on properties statewide. Voted taxes, referred to as outside millage, are levied at whatever millage rates are approved by a majority of voters of the local government levying the tax.

House Bill (HB) 140 makes significant changes to ballot language for voted property tax levies starting with the May 2023 election and thereafter. The primary changes it makes are:

- Requires most ballot language to include the estimated total amount the levy would collect annually, which previously was only required for certain fixed-sum levies; and
- Requires ballot language to convey a levy's cost in dollars for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value meaning the full market value. Previously the cost for a tax levy was stated in dollars and cents for each \$100 of taxable (assessed) value, which is 35% of the appraised value for real property.

The Stark County Board of Elections' website permits you to view your ballot for your precinct days prior to early voting commencing. Go to www.starkcounty.gov/government/offices/board_of_elections, and click on the "Show Me My Ballot" tab. Thank you to the Ohio Township Association for providing key portions of this article.

MEET NEW TRUSTEE JUSTIN B. HARDESTY



Jackson Township has a new Trustee. Justin B. Hardesty, the owner of Hardesty Partners, has been sworn in as Jackson Township's newest Trustee. Twenty-eight candidates applied for the position, and the field was narrowed to six after a full day of public interviews.

Hardesty said he applied for the trustee position to give back to the community. "I like to be involved with my community, and I think I'll find the work here interesting."

Mr. Hardesty graduated from Malone University in 1997 with a degree in accounting and business administration with an emphasis in finance. Upon graduating, he began his career in the investment advisory business.

Born and raised in Garrettsville, Ohio. Justin has lived in Stark County since 1995. Justin resides in Jackson Township with his wife, Alicia, and two children, Haley (15) and Cole (13). In his free time, he enjoys golf, tennis, and volunteering in the community.

Justin will fill the vacant seat of former Trustee Jim Thomas, who was elected to the Ohio House of Representatives, and will fill the remainder of Thomas' four-year term, which expires at the end of 2023. Trustee Hardesty will have the pleasure of serving the residents of one of the largest townships in Stark County, where it is a great place to live, work, play, and to raise a family.



Justin B. Hardesty is sworn in as Jackson Township's newest Trustee by Todd J. Hawke, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, along with Fiscal Officer/Economic Development Director Randy Gonzalez and Vice-Chairman John E. Pizzino.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT PRESENTATION

At the March 4, 2023, Jackson Township Board of Trustees meeting, Boy Scout Joseph Lynn from Troop 927 presented the Jackson Police Department with 26 Bail Out Bags. As an eagle scout project Joseph raised \$4,000 through private donations and purchased the bags. Included in the bags are quickclot, tourniquet, chest seal, nasal airways, door stoppers, scissors, window breakers, zip-ties, gloves and a sharpie. Joseph said, "I hope that someday if there is ever a tragedy in Jackson Township, that these bags can save lives."

Thank you, Joseph, for including us in your Eagle Scout Project.



(left to right) Fiscal Officer/Economic Development Director Randy Gonzalez, Chairman Todd Hawke, Scout Joseph Lynn, Trustee Justin Hardesty, Vice-Chairman John Pizzino.



(left to right) Police Lt. Jason Collins, Scout Joseph Lynn, Police Chief Mark Brink

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Jackson Township Fire Department News



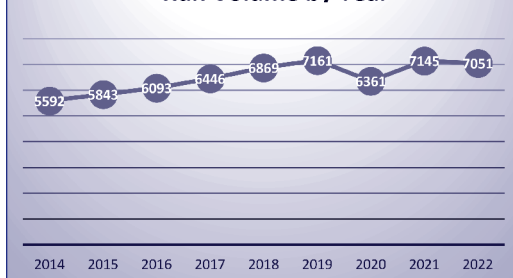
Tim Berczik, Fire Chief

In this article last year, my message was about putting COVID-19 behind us and getting back to a 'new normal'. For all, the new normal means that small outbreaks of the virus will be with us for some time. As the members of the Jackson Township Fire Department

(JTFD) have always put safety and the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) at the top of our priority list, we've learned the importance of never letting our guard down. In 2022, we have trained harder on all aspects from officer development, basic fire skills, paramedic recertification, fire code enforcement, along with engaging our public education messages to all ages.

A quick look back at 2022 indicates just how busy we were, as we served our community.

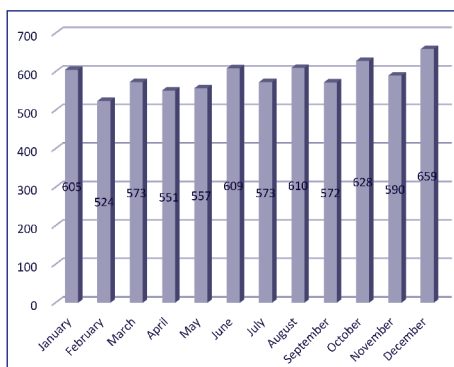
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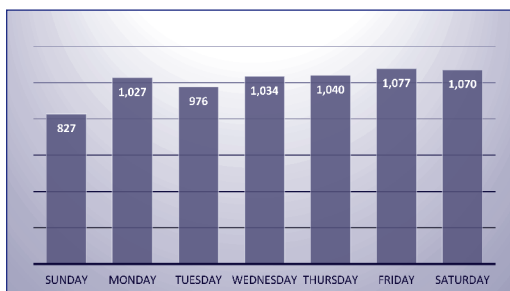
Consistent with most communities, our calls for service decreased slightly this past year, largely due to the fact that society still preferred not to seek medical treatment through the emergency

room. Unfortunately, we did respond to an increased number of drug overdose and mental health related incidents.

December continually brings the most activity for both Fire and EMS responses. Every other month was fairly consistent. Once again, February had the least amount of activity.



The average daily activity remained constant, which mirrors the previous year. Sunday historically, has the least amount of calls for service.



FIRE / EMS EXCELLENCE:

Firefighters of the year:

Captain Harrison, Captain Sullivan, Firefighter Gladysz

The 2022 Jackson Township Firefighter of the year has been awarded to not one, but three firefighters for their contributions to what an exemplary firefighter can be. Captain Gary Harrison demonstrates great knowledge of the job, has mentored many new firefighters, and instructs whenever he has the opportunity. Captain Ryan Sullivan has implemented new incident and patient care reporting software as the lead program administrator. He is always proposing new ways for the Jackson Township Fire Department to function better through technology. Firefighter Adam Gladysz has facilitated the implementation of the department's medical control standing orders, new medications and new EMS equipment through the Cleveland Clinic Mercy Medical Center.



Captain Gary Harrison, Chief Tim Berczik, and Firefighter Adam Gladysz



Chief Tim Berczik, and Captain Ryan Sullivan

K1 SPEED CPR



Cory Salerno, Jayson Gajewski, Mr. Allen, and James Burley

On a Sunday afternoon, Medic 3 and Rescue 1 were dispatched to K1 Speed on Port Jackson Avenue. With the life-saving efforts of James Burley, Jayson Gajewski and Cory Salerno, they accomplished critical links in the chain of survival. These heroes recognized the cardiac event, called 9-1-1, administered CPR with chest compressions, and rapidly defibrillated with an AED. All three

were recognized by Fire Chief Tim Berczik and the Jackson Township Elected Officials as Community Heroes.

JORDAN MILLER CPR TRAINING

Mr. Jordan Miller from Jordan Miller News / WHBC spent an afternoon getting CPR certified at the Jackson Township Fire Department.

Captain Ryan Sullivan, Jordan Miller, and Firefighter Scott Applegate



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Fire Prevention Breakfast, 2022 Legacy Award Recipient Harold (Herbie) Shreiner

Harold (Herbie) Shreiner was one of the recipients of the 2022 Legacy Award which is awarded to honor an individual's efforts given during their career in the areas of fire prevention and education. Harold (Herbie) Shreiner was appointed to the Jackson Township Fire Department (JTFD) on March 16, 1972 as one of the original full-time members of the organization. In 1976, Herbie became the first full-time Fire Inspector with the sole purpose of conducting fire inspections, review plans for new commercial/business construction, conduct educational programs and perform fire investigations. Through the years, the JTFD Fire Prevention Bureau has expanded and is an integral part of the fire service of Jackson. It all started with the foundation established by him. In April, 1977 he was formally promoted to the rank of Assistant Chief (AC) of the Fire Prevention Bureau. Reaching out beyond Stark County, AC Shreiner helped organize and establish the Ohio Arson School that is still hosted annually in Ashland, Ohio. Harold Shreiner was promoted to Deputy Chief in August, 1999 and served the department in this capacity until his retirement in

April, 2011.
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all you have
done for our
community!

Jackie Shreiner
and Deputy Chief
Harold Shreiner



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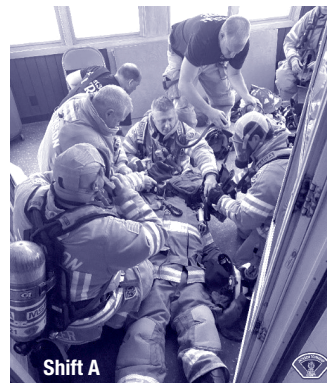


Deputy Chief Kai Rieger, Captain Gary Martin, Firefighter Jason Berczik, Firefighter Scott Applegate, Firefighter Kevin Shoup, Firefighter Andrew Kendrick, Firefighter Steve Rabatin, and Captain Jason Robinson

The Jackson Township Fire Department prepared for and was on standby with trained ice rescue personnel, to assist those who dared to take the plunge for the Jackson Polar Bear Plunge. It was a record turnout

with just under 500 participants this year. The estimated \$65,000 raised is for the Jackson Local Schools Foundation and partner charities for Jackson students.

FIREFIGHTER CPR



Heart attacks are one of the leading causes of line of duty deaths (LODD) for firefighters. Sudden cardiac death requires CPR as soon as possible, yet CPR for a firefighter in full PPE is difficult. The key to survival is starting chest compressions quickly and removing the turnout gear in order to gain access for more efficient CPR. This must be practiced before it is needed. The lifesaving process

requires complete team effort and execution.

VEHICLE STABILIZATION AND RESCUE

Jackson Fire crews practiced vehicle stabilization and rescue extrication techniques. Thank you Canton Towing and Oscar's Towing for providing the opportunity for us to practice and better prepare for vehicular incidents.



ROPE RESCUE OPERATIONS

Jackson Firefighters practicing rope rescue operations.



SEASONAL SAFETY MESSAGE

KNOX BOX INFO



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A residential Knox Box is a secure box installed on the outside of your home that provides Jackson Township Fire & EMS with quick access in the event of an emergency. This box contains a key to your home, which can be used by firefighters, and/or paramedics in situations where access to your home is necessary but may be difficult to obtain.

Having a residential Knox Box is important for several reasons. First and foremost, it can save valuable time in an emergency. When first responders arrive at your home, they may need to gain access quickly to provide life-saving assistance. If they are unable to gain access, it can delay their response and potentially put lives at risk. With a Knox Box, first responders can quickly and easily enter your home to provide assistance.

Another benefit of having a residential Knox Box is increased security. Rather than leaving a spare key under a doormat or in another easily accessible location, a Knox Box provides a secure way to provide access to your home in emergency situations. The box is tamper-proof and can only be accessed with a key held by authorized personnel.

Finally, having a residential Knox Box can provide peace of mind for you and your family. Knowing that first responders can quickly access your home in an emergency can alleviate some of the stress and anxiety that often accompanies these situations.

FIRE HYDRANT VISIBILITY

In order to provide efficient fire protection for you and your neighbors, the Jackson Township Fire Department relies on easily found and accessible fire hydrants for water supply. Quickly finding and accessing these hydrants in the event of an emergency is critical and can mean the difference between a little or

a lot of property loss. When fire department personnel respond to put out a structure fire, the fire engines carry enough water to make an initial fire attack, but they soon need a continuous water supply from a fire hydrant to extinguish some fires. This is why finding and connecting to a fire hydrant is one of the firefighters' first priorities. GPS mapping technology on fire engines have enhanced firefighters' ability to locate hydrant locations more quickly, but getting to them when they are shrouded in shrubs, blocked by cars or covered in snow can be a challenge. This is where the public can help. Your assistance is needed in helping keep the hydrants clear of obstacles.

Keep at least 3 feet of clearance around the circumference of fire hydrants at all times. The center of the largest opening must be at least 18 inches above the ground. Keep it clear year round. Keep vehicles, grass, bushes, fencing, tree branches, weeds, snow and other obstacles away from the hydrant to allow for rapid location and easy access for firefighters.



Community Outreach and Education

SHOP WITH THE SAFETY FORCES

This past Christmas, thirty-three Jackson Local Schools' students were able to spend their Saturday morning with the local safety forces. Thank you to the Jackson Township community, all of the volunteers, generous sponsors and gracious supporters for sharing your time, heart, and giving spirit.

DIAPER DRIVE

We had partnered with First Christian Church and the Heart of Ohio Diaper Bank, to provide diapers for families who are in need. Many families must decide whether to purchase basic essential needs or diapers. Without diapers, babies cannot go to childcare or participate in early childhood education. Without childcare, many parents cannot go to work or school. When babies are uncomfortable, they cry more which often leads to tension in the home and less nurturing. The diapers provided, offer needed emotional and financial stress relief for babies and families by allowing parents to focus on raising happy, healthy kids.



Collection during the
2023 Diaper Drive



GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scout Troop 60110 dropped off cookies for our fireman to say thank you for keeping them safe!

Girl Scout Troop 60110 with
Firefighter Jared Baer, and
Captain Gary Harrison

CHILDREN'S TOY FUND

Thank you Ashley Natale from Children's Toy Fund for your generous donation of stuffed animals and sensory toys for us to provide to the kiddos on our Fire/EMS and Police responses. We received 127 items, new with tags and individually packaged with a tote provided.

Firefighter Shiloh Bailey, Battalion Chief Seth Rieger, Chief Tim Berczik and Ashley Natale



FIRE PREVENTION

Thank you to The Mucci Team - Keller Williams Legacy Group Realty for distributing home fire safety information with your client packets.

Deputy Chief Kai Rieger, and Ashley Candea

MDA KICKBALL

The Jackson Township Safety Forces along with other Safety Forces in Stark County, participated in a Kickball Tournament to raise funds to "Kick Out Muscular Dystrophy". This was an all-day event that our police and fire personnel had a great time while supporting this worthy cause.



HIRES • RETIRES • PROMOTIONS

FULL-TIME HIRES



Fiscal Officer Randy Gonzalez, Chairman Todd Hawke, Firefighter Josh Bow, Firefighter Ryan Dustman, Vice-Chairman John Pizzino, and Former Trustee Jim Thomas

Josh Bow and Ryan Dustman were sworn in at the Jackson Township Board of Trustees meeting. Josh and Ryan had been functioning as part-time firefighters both bringing

enthusiastic attitudes with hard work ethics.

PROMOTIONS



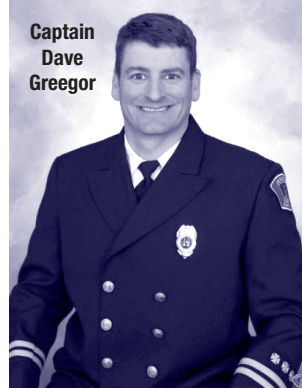
Fiscal Officer Randy Gonzalez, Chairman Todd Hawke, Captain Bob Cline, Vice-Chairman John Pizzino, and Former Trustee Jim Thomas

With hard work and dedication to the Jackson Township Fire Department and for the community, Firefighter Bob Cline has been promoted to Captain. The Jackson Township Board of Trustees officially swore

him into his new rank. We thank you and wish you continuous growth with your promoted responsibilities.

RETIREMENTS

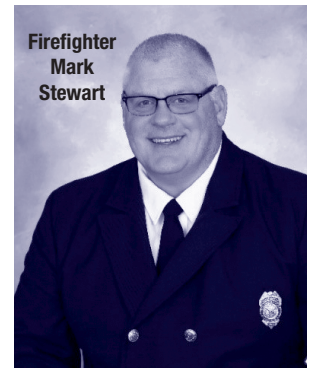
Congratulations to **Captain Dave Gregor** on his retirement from the Jackson Township Fire Department. He is retiring after 19 plus years and "can't help but be thankful for all of the wonderful people he was blessed to work with here".



John Hurst has retired after he was brought onto the Jackson Township Fire Department on October 28th, 1985 to open Station #4 (Dressler Rd NW).



After 25 years with the Jackson Township Fire Department, **Firefighter Mark Stewart** has decided to call it a career. Between calls, Mark could always be found in the kitchen cooking for his work family, it was only appropriate that he and his wife Michelle joined his Station #1 crew one last time for a Sunday brunch.



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Jackson Township Police Department



Police Chief Mark Brink

HOLIDAY GIVING

The Jackson Township Safety Forces along with the support of the community, local businesses and local law enforcement agencies were able to make the 2022 Holiday Season a bright one for many families. The Holiday sharing began when the Jackson Local Cross-Country runners collected canned goods instead of candy for Halloween Trick-or-Treat. The Holiday sharing continued for Thanksgiving at ACME Fresh Market on November 12, 2022. Members from the Jackson Township Police Department, Jackson Township Police Explorers, Jackson Township Fire Department, and Hills & Dales Police Department collected several boxes of non-perishables along with cash donations. Five families who reside in Jackson and attend

Jackson Local Schools were provided with over 200 pounds of non-perishable food items and a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. This food fed nineteen local children and their families over the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The next event was for the Christmas holiday sharing which was held at Buehler's on December 3, 2022. Members from the Jackson Township Police Department, Jackson Township Police Explorers, Jackson Township Fire Department, and the Hills and Dales Police Department collected several boxes of non-perishables along with cash donations. Ten local families were given several boxes of non-perishables along with a traditional Christmas dinner. This food fed thirty children and their families over the Christmas holiday.

The last event during Christmas time was the "Shop with the Safety Forces" program sponsored by the Jackson Township Safety Forces. This event was held on December 17, 2022. Members from the Jackson Township Police Department, Jackson Township Police Explorers, Jackson Township Fire Department, Hills & Dales Police Department, Ohio State Highway Patrol

- Canton Post and Oscar's Towing assisted with this event. The families of thirty-three children arrived at the Safety Center for breakfast treats, and a visit from Santa Claus. The families and volunteers boarded buses donated by the Jackson Local School District and were transported to Walmart where each child shopped for needed essentials and toys or gifts. The staff at Walmart also assisted the families during this event.

After the shopping was completed, the families were transported to the Cinemark - Bistro Movie Theater for a private movie screening of "Elf" and snack boxes. After the movie, all were transported back to the Safety Center to receive gift cards and vouchers from local businesses to be used for food, entertainment and essentials.

We would like to thank the following for their contributions that helped to make our annual "Shop With The Safety Forces" a joyful experience for everyone:

- The Jackson Township Community
- Jackson Local Cross-Country Runners
- Jackson Local Schools Guidance Counselors
- Jackson Local Schools Family Support Specialists
- Jackson Bus Garage
- FOP - Nick Tsaknis
- Bolivar Sportsman's Club
- North Canton Fraternal Order of Eagles
- First Commonwealth Bank
- Oscar's Towing
- BJ's Wholesale Club
- Sam's Club
- ServPro
- Cinemark Movie Bistro
- Buehler's
- ACME Fresh Market
- Spee-D-Foods
- North Canton Skate Center
- Sky Zone
- Laser Quest
- Burger King
- Lindsey's Pizza
- Domino's
- Donato's
- Marco's
- Jackson Bear Hugs
- Walmart



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**Thank you,
Chief Mark Brink**



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NEW HIRES

The Jackson Township Police Department welcomes three new full-time officers.

Officer Haddadin is new to law enforcement with Jackson Township Police Department. Officer Haddadin is working on finishing his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice and in his free time he enjoys working out, boxing and spending time with his family and friends. Officer Haddadin is also fluent in speaking and writing both Arabic and English.

Officer Griffiths has worked in law enforcement for ten years. He previously worked for The Village of Minerva and then The Carroll County Sheriff's Office. During his time in law enforcement, Officer Griffiths received specialized training as a drone pilot and as a departmental instructor. When he is not at work, Officer Griffiths enjoys time with his family and friends as well as cooking, spending time outdoors and watching Ohio State Football to name a few hobbies.

Officer Andrew Smith was born in Charleston, WV and moved to Ohio at the age of 7. He has been a resident of Stark County ever since. Officer Smith attended Lake Local Schools and graduated in 2015. After graduation, he enlisted in the Marine Corps and served as a CBRN (Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear) Defense Specialist. While in the Marine Corps, he deployed and had the opportunity to see the world and train with foreign nations. After he was honorably discharged from the Marine Corps, he enrolled in the police academy at The Kent State University. He completed the police academy and got a job at the Stark County Park District as a Park Ranger. Andrew was employed by Stark Parks for a little over 2 ½ years. While working as a Park Ranger he completed some advanced trainings such as a Stark County C.I.T. (Crisis Intervention Team) and ARIDE (Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement) training. Some of his hobbies include basketball, hanging out with family and friends, video games, shooting and listening to music.

These officers have successfully completed the field training program and are now working as solo officers handling all types of calls for service.

***Congratulations and welcome to the
Jackson Township Police Department!!***



Officer Zeid Haddadin



Officer Daniel Griffiths



Officer Andrew Smith

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Once you have successfully registered, your key card will need to be picked up in-person at the Jackson Township Administration Building between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

CARD RENEWAL PROCESS

If you already have a key card, please note the expiration date on your card. If you registered online using a credit card, it will automatically renew on the expiration date. If you registered in-person at township hall and paid with cash, you will need to come in to renew your card either on or before your renewal date. You may also call into the office and switch to credit card payments, if you wish at that time, as well. ***Please do not register online again at the time of your renewal. This is an automatic process.***

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Jackson Township Public Works Dept. - Highway Division



Rich Rohn
Public Works Director

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT FINANCING INFO

Over the past twenty plus years, our residents have benefited from joint projects with the Stark County Engineers and the Ohio Department of Transportation. This is largely due to our ability to provide a portion of the

projects funding from capital funds that were created with tax levy dollars. Along with this, we have received numerous grants and state funding to keep project costs at a minimum.

In all, 25 projects have been completed during this time frame with a combined cost of almost \$94 million. The portion paid by the Township has been \$18,198,524 or 19%! This is only possible due to the tax dollars that are provided to each of our levied divisions within the Public Works Department (Highway and Parks).

PROJECTS IN 2023

- Community Parkway Lighting upgrade – Updating of streetscape to match Wales and Fulton.
- Community Parkway Digital Sign – New Sign has been installed and operating.
- Amphitheater Concession / Restroom project – Project will be placed in the rear of the Amphitheater and partially funded by a \$300k grant.
- Completion of the Keck Park Circle / SR241 (Wales Ave.) intersection
- Kirk Schuring Park – Project was awarded to Beaver Excavation and will commence in spring of 2023.
- Auto Door Locks installed in all Park restrooms.
- Completion of the 2022 resurfacing & curb replacement projects.
- The contracts for resurfacing, curb replacement & striping will be placed out for bid this spring. Below are the 2023 budgeted amounts for each project:
 - ✓ Resurfacing - \$2 million
 - ✓ Curbing - \$250,000
 - ✓ Striping - \$110,000

STREETS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED TO BE RESURFACED

STREET	FROM	TO	STREET	FROM	TO
FULTON	WALES	SCHOOL DRIVE	WATERFORD	S. END	N. CDS
ARLINGTON	PORTAGE	STRAUSSER	AVALON	HARRIS	WATERFORD
ARLINGTON	STRAUSSER	MT. PLEASANT	STRATHAM CIR	AVALON	N. CDS
ARLINGTON	FULTON	CURB SECTION	LYNLEIGH CIR	HARRIS	E. CDS
BRUNNERDALE	PERRY	HILLS & DALES	BECKLEIGH CIR	HARRIS	E. CDS
RIDGECREST	AMHERST	SOUTH TWP. LINE	GROTON	HARRIS	W. CDS
BRAEWICK	RIDGECREST	WEST CDS	CARDIFF	GROTON	HYTHE
ARAMIS	OXFORD	LAURE	HYTHE	HARRIS	DUNMORE
ARAMIS	OXFORD	NEW PVMT	DUNMORE	PERRY	CARDIFF
OXFORD	STUHLREHER	HEATHERVIEW	AVALON	HARRIS	DUNMORE
HEATHERVIEW	PRINCETON	OXFORD	BILLINGS GATE	N. CDS	S. CDS
HEATHERVIEW	OXFORD	E. CDS	BLOOMSBURY	N. CDS	S. CDS
CHABLIS	HEATHERVIEW	LAUREN	TWICKENHAM	HARRIS	BILLINGS GATE
DEANNE	CHABLIS	E. CDS	KELLYDALE	TRAPHAGEN	HYATT
LAUREN	HEATHERVIEW	STUHLREHER	GLACIER	KELLYDALE	AUDUBON
BRUNSWICK	OXFORD	E. CDS	ACADIA	GLACIER	W. CDS
BRUNSWICK	OXFORD	W. CDS	BRYCE CIR	ACADIA	E. CDS
SIR THOMAS	HILLS & DALES	GROTON	RANIER	ACADIA	EASTLYNN
GROTON	BRUNNERDALE	W. END	ZION CIR	RANIER	W. CDS
BEDIVERE	GROTON	CORNWALL	LASSEN CIR	KELLYDALE	W. CDS
CORNWALL	GROTON	S. CDS	EASTLYNN	AMHERST	TRAPHAGEN
BRITON CIR	CORNWALL	S. CDS	MESA CIR	EASTLYNN	S. CDS
BRUT CIR	CORNWALL	S. CDS	TETON CIR	EASTLYNN	E. CDS
EXCALIBUR	CORNWALL	S. CDS	PARKFORD	HYATT	W. CDS
GRAIL CIR	CORNWALL	W. CDS	ISLE CIR	PARKFORD	W. CDS
CANTERBURY	BRUNNERDALE	WATERFORD	CLIFFVIEW	HIGH MILL	END OF CURB
EDINBURG CIR	CANTERBURY	S. CDS	TURNSTONE	CLIFFVIEW	S. CDS
MALORY CIR	CANTERBURY	N. CDS	HARBOR	ARMISTICE	W. CDS
MODRED CIR	CANTERBURY	S. CDS	TUSCANY	HARBOR	N. CDS
ANGLO CIR	CANTERBURY	N. CDS	ARMISTICE	SALERNO	N. CDS
GLASTONBURY	CANTERBURY	S. CDS	HARBOR	ARMISTICE	ISLAND
HADRIAN CIR	CANTERBURY	N. CDS			



Jackson Township Public Works Project Financing Info

Project	Jackson Cost	Total Cost	Township %
Portage West I & Drop Right Lane	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 2,500,000	52%
Portage/ Whipple	\$ 150,000	\$ 1,400,000	11%
Fulton East	\$ 700,000	\$ 7,800,000	9%
Fulton/Wales	\$ 5,570,000	\$ 8,800,000	63%
Hills & Dales Widening East	\$ 50,000	\$ 4,310,000	1%
Hills & Dales Widening West	\$ 175,000	\$ 7,600,000	2%
Strausser/ Lutz Intersection	\$ 333,000	\$ 1,800,000	19%
Portage/ Lutz	\$ 590,000	\$ 1,100,000	54%
Strausser/ Frank/ Applegrove	\$ 760,000	\$ 4,250,000	18%
Portage West II	\$ 2,600,000	\$ 4,100,000	63%
SR 236/ High Mill	\$ 444,000	\$ 1,020,000	44%
Portage East Widening	\$ -	\$ 5,700,000	0%
Dressler Bridge	\$ -	\$ 4,900,000	0%
Shuffel Interchange	\$ -	\$ 160,000	0%
Frank /Shuffel Signal	\$ -	\$ 11,500,000	0%
Belden Village Traffic Signals	\$ -	\$ 835,000	0%
Frank Avenue Widening (Phase 1)	\$ 546,000	\$ 2,290,000	24%
Frank Avenue Widening (Phase 2)	\$ 408,000	\$ 3,500,000	12%
Fulton West Widening	\$ 312,500	\$ 8,575,000	4%
Amphitheater/Library	\$ 3,306,484	\$ 4,877,671	68%
Frank /East Lake (Signal)	\$ 20,000	\$ 169,650	12%
Jackson /Perry (Signal)	\$ 50,000	\$ 1,194,443	4%
Frank /Strausser (Signal)	\$ 20,000	\$ 169,650	12%
Fulton (Brunnerdale /Goveners)	\$ 813,540	\$ 2,673,420	30%
Portage (Safety Improvement)	\$ 50,000	\$ 2,600,000	2%
Amphitheater Concessions	Ongoing		
Schuring Park	Ongoing		
Strip /Applegrove Intersection	Ongoing		
Keck/SR 241	Ongoing		
Fulton Tunnel	Ongoing		
Jackson Total =	\$ 18,198,524		
Total Financing =		\$93,824,834	
Jackson Share or Match =			19%

PERSONNEL - NEW HIRES

We would like to welcome Sam Fuller, and Ricky Dustman as Labor Specialists in the Highway Division.



Sam Fuller



Ricky Dustman

In the near future we will have various surveys on our Facebook page and our website for residents to complete. So please check back from time to time and complete the surveys. Our Facebook page is Jackson Township Board of Trustees, Stark County, Ohio. Our website is www.jacksontwp.com.

Yard Waste & Debris Hours

JACKSON TOWNSHIP
Yard Debris Waste Site Hours

MONDAY	8 AM - 7 PM
TUESDAY	3 PM - 7 PM
WEDNESDAY	3 PM - 7 PM
THURSDAY	8 AM - 7 PM
FRIDAY	8 AM - 7 PM
SATURDAY	8 AM - 7 PM
SUNDAY	8 AM - 7 PM

HOURS WILL VARY AS THE SEASONS CHANGE.
CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR UP-TO-DATE HOURS

Stormwater

As we approach the rainy season, we ask our residents for some assistance with keeping the storm systems within the Township free of leaves and debris. As our Highway Division staff monitors certain problematic areas within the township, we are unable to see everything. By cleaning off catch basins or keeping debris outside of the roadways/open ditches, this will allow for water to flow properly and reduce the chances of backing up or even flooding. If problems are noticed, please reach out to our office for assistance as well.

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Jackson Township Zoning & Planning Department



Joni Poindexter
Zoning Inspector

CITIZEN PORTAL FOR ZONING APPLICATIONS

In May 2022, the Jackson Township Zoning Department began accepting applications electronically per the citizen's portal link, <https://jacksontwp.portal.iworq.net/portalthome/jacksontwp> that can be found on the Zoning Department page of

our website www.jacksontwp.com. This has been a great asset to the Zoning Department. Utilizing the citizen's portal link to submit an application makes the process more efficient by processing permits in a timely manner, saving time, eliminating paperwork, and the applicant can avoid a trip to the zoning office. It is important when filling out the application to include your name, address, phone number and email address so we can contact you with questions or to notify you that your permit has been processed.

Periodically, updates are made to the Jackson Township Zoning Resolution Book. Always check the zoning resolution book on our website or call the zoning office regarding zoning regulations to ensure any proposed construction or use will be in compliance with the current zoning regulations.

ZONING MAPS

Zoning maps come from the Stark County Auditor's tax maps. Periodically the Zoning Department obtains new quarter section maps from the Auditor's website due to lot lines changing, or new allotments that have been platted. Currently, we are in the process of obtaining new quarter section maps and updating them by adding the addresses and zoning classifications to each individual parcel. This is a long process due to the fact that there are a total of one hundred forty-four quarter section maps and each address and zoning classification is verified prior to being added to each individual parcel. Approximately 40% of the maps have been complete.

ZONING PERMITS ISSUED IN 2022

New Single Family	52
Multi-Family - 9	(22 units)
Residential Alterations/Additions	290
Fence	181
New Commercial	15
Commercial Alterations/Additions	77

GARAGE SALES

It is getting to be that time of year where residents are starting to have garage sales. A permit is not required for a residential garage sale sign. However, garage sale signs shall not be posted on any utility poles and shall be a minimum of 10 ft. from the edge of pavement or curb or 5 ft. from the road right-of-way. Garage sale signs must be removed upon the conclusion of the sale. Any sign that is in violation of the zoning resolution is subject to removal by the Township and disposed of at the township's discretion.

2023 Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) & Zoning Commission (ZC) Members

BZA

- Edward McDonnell
- Patrick Snyder
- Jared Singer
- Deborah Busby
- Steven Gosney
- Randy Alexander-Alternate
- Alyssa Bettis-Alternate

ZC

- John Weston
- Rich Cosgrove
- Matthew Sutter
- Justin Gantz
- David Calevski
- Justin Wiggins-Alternate



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Jackson Township Fiscal Officer News



Randy Gonzalez
Fiscal Officer

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU LIVE?

Did you know there are thirty-seven Jackson Townships in Ohio, but only one Jackson Township, Stark County, Ohio? Did you know we have seven ZIP Codes in our beloved Jackson Township, all associated with a surrounding city? This leads to our schools being referred to as "Massillon-Jackson" across the State when some of our elementary schools aren't even in the 44646 ZIP Code. In fact, many in Columbus think Jackson, Perry and Massillon Washington are all part of Massillon City Schools, as you can see from one of the OHSAA ads they published.



This identity crisis goes beyond school pride; it has many negative effects with marketing, funding and fairness to our community. Many times when a national company opens a new business here, because of the ZIP Code used in the mailing address, they think they are in a city. Many businesses mistakenly deduct local payroll taxes from their employees. In most cases, it is a hassle for those folks to get their money returned.

Other examples, a business at The Strip with a North Canton ZIP Code was hosting an event that would provide money to the local school district. Yep the check was sent to North Canton Schools, because their corporate office thought that was where they were located. This confusion is continual. When you're inside an establishment, look at the pictures/murals on the walls and see if they are proud members of your Jackson community, or if they are confused where they are. One sub shop in the heart of Jackson publishes that they give to local fire departments and the painting on the wall shows a "Canton" fire truck. Another restaurant has pictures of North Canton's Downtown and their City Hall. Both are not great examples of community pride, but they sure know who to call when they need public assistance.

Another issue is Jackson Township's population is about 43,000 people, larger than 90% of the cities in Ohio and thousands larger than any city in Stark County (except Canton which is around 71,000). When the Federal Government was disbursing funds from the American Rescue Plan it called for Counties, Cities, Villages and "Towns" to get their shares. The problem is there are no "Towns" in Ohio so our share went to the State who then decided how all Townships would get their share. We received \$4.1 million and a city in Stark County with approximately 13,000 less people got \$16.3 million. So it appears our own Federal Government has somewhat of a learning curve when it comes to townships and the State was only sending out what was left from the Feds.

So we are all very proud of where we live, not just one of thirty-seven, not some 5 digit code the post office dishes out, not just a tiny podunk burg. We are proud, we are efficient, we have little bureaucracy, we have no local income tax, and we have the best of safety forces, highways and parks!

WE ARE....JACKSON!!! WE LOVE WHERE WE LIVE!

Personnel Changes in the Fiscal Office

RETIREMENT

After nearly twenty-one years of dedicated service, Cathy Holt is setting her sights on a well-deserved retirement. Cathy began her career with Jackson Township in 2002 and has served as the Payroll Coordinator for Jackson Township during that time. Over the last two decades, our employees have benefited from Cathy's hard work and dedication to processing timely and accurate payroll. She has been an integral part of the Fiscal Office and will be greatly missed. We wish her well in her retirement!



Cathy Holt

NEW HIRE

The Fiscal Office is happy to announce the addition of Sharon Stone to our staff. Sharon brings an extensive accounting background to her new position as Payroll Coordinator. Her previous work experience will help her to be a valuable member of our department. We are glad to have Sharon as part of our team!



Sharon Stone

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Parks and Recreation Division



Michael Danner
Parks Superintendent



Michael (Mick) Ryan
Recreational
Superintendent

JACKSON TOWNSHIP PARK FACILITIES CONSIST OF 8 PARKS AND APPROXIMATELY 282 ACRES

NORTH PARK: This is a beautiful 70-acre complex located at 7660 Fulton Road N.W. (across from Jackson High School). North Park features a picnic pavilion, restrooms, fully accessible playground, 1.1 mile paved walking track, seven athletic fields used for baseball, softball, soccer and lacrosse, a multi-use track used for skating and bicycling, ten tennis courts, four basketball courts, eight Pickleball courts and two sand volleyball courts. There is also a stocked, 1½-acre fishing pond with a boardwalk and gazebo. Pets are prohibited at the North Park.

SOUTH PARK: Located at 4811 South Park Drive N.W. (next to Jackson High School). South Park includes the Jackson Bog State Nature Preserve. There are two miles of hiking trails that are accessible to the public. Trails leading through the State Nature Preserve offer a rare look into the pristine habitats of hundreds of plants that have survived the ice age. In addition to the diverse plant and wildlife environment, this 95-acre complex offers two picnic pavilions and restrooms, a playground, a sand volleyball court, horseshoe pit, seven ball fields, four soccer fields, two midget football fields, six flag football fields and a concession stand. The South Park is also the home of the park maintenance facility.

JOSEPH E. FISHER PARK: Established in 1989, this park is located at 5819 Lake O'Springs Avenue. The park has increased in size from 9 acres to 27 acres thanks to the generosity of East Ohio Gas in 1997. There are four soccer fields, five ball fields, a playground, a picnic pavilion and restrooms located on the property.



We are now operating on our spring and summer hours. The North Park is open from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., through the month of November. South Park, Joseph E. Fisher Park, Edward and Mary Zink Park, Crystal Springs Bridge Park, Stuhldreher Street Fields, and Strausser Elementary Park are open one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

Pets are permitted in all parks **EXCEPT** the North Park.

Remember to control your pet with a leash and clean up after your pet.

CRYSTAL SPRINGS BRIDGE PARK: The Bridge across the Tuscarawas River at this site was destroyed by the 1913 flood. A temporary swinging bridge forced the Crystal Springs residents to cross the river at great risk. In 1914 a new bridge was erected with a wooden floor that was replaced by iron grid in the 1940's. In 1995 when the Stark County Commissioners vacated this bridge, the Jackson Township Historical Society intervened to save it, and as a result the Jackson Township Trustees assumed responsibility for this bridge. In 1996 the bridge and road easement were formally dedicated as the Crystal Springs Bridge Park. Visitors can also enjoy a scenic hike or casual bicycle ride along the historic Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath.

EDWARD AND MARY ZINK PARK: Located at the intersection of 38th and Michael Street, this 3/4-acre mini-park was donated to the Township in 1998 to encourage beautification projects.

STUHLBREHER STREET FIELDS: Stuhldreher Street Fields, which consist of approximately 11 acres, are located at Stuhldreher Street near the intersection of Perry Drive and Hills & Dales Road. Acquired in 1998, this Jackson Park offers two large soccer fields with adjacent parking.

STRAUSSER ELEMENTARY PARK: This Park was acquired through a land lease with the Jackson Local Schools Board of Education. The park consists of three small soccer fields and two full size multipurpose fields for lacrosse or football.

KIRK SCHURING PARK: The Township has ownership of 40 acres located at the former Hills and Dales golf course which will be used for active recreation the property is being designed for a Sports complex. This park will provide direct linkage to Stark Parks and a retail area.

2023

Community Celebration

*The 2023 Community Celebration will be held
June 21 through 24, 2023.*

*Along with games, food, rides, inflatables,
fireworks and so much more, the free
Community Celebration concerts are set!*

*Mark your calendar to be at the North Park for all of the
festivities, including six free concerts on the
Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater stage:*

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

8:00 p.m. ~ Whiskey Loco

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

8:00 p.m. ~ LaFlavour

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

5:00 p.m. ~ Karissa Ella • 8:30 p.m. ~ New Wave Nation

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

5:00 p.m. ~ The Scenic Route • 8:30 p.m. ~ Disco Inferno

FACILITY RESERVATION INFORMATION

All sports and events will require a permit. Applying for a permit is convenient and easy. By applying for a permit, this will insure it will be ready for your use. To reserve a park pavilion, athletic field, tennis court, or pickleball court please visit our website at www.jacksontownship.com and select pavilion or field application under the Parks and Recreation Division. Forms are also available at the Jackson Township Administration Building. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

For Jackson Township Parks Rules and Regulation information please visit our website www.jacksontownship.com.

**PERMITS FOR
PAVILIONS OR FIELDS
MUST BE PICKED UP
ONE WEEK PRIOR TO
THE EVENT.**

PROGRAM AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION

All program registration forms and program flyers can be obtained at the Jackson Township Administration Building and on the township website at www.jacksontownship.com. For your convenience, registration forms can be dropped off after hours at our Evening Drop Off Box, located next to the main entrance at the Jackson Township Administration Building.



The Jackson Township
FARMERS
MARKET
ON THURSDAYS

The Farmers Market will return for 2023 on Thursdays and will be held in the parking lot off of Community Parkway.

The Farmers Market will be open every Thursday from July 6 through September 28. The hours are 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Jackson Township is actively seeking high-quality vendors to join our market. Vendor application and rules and regulations are available on our website.

www.jacksontownship.com

JACKSON TOWNSHIP SYNTHETIC ICE SKATING RINK



We were proud to offer a unique experience for visitors to North Park with the 80 ft. x 100 ft. synthetic ice skating rink this season. The rink was open to the public free of charge during regular park hours and free skate rentals were provided Thursdays through Sundays from November through February.

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!

Be on the lookout for more information regarding other exciting annual and new upcoming events.

- *Haunted Hayride in October*
- *Holiday in the Park in December*
- *Write a letter to Santa at Santa's Mailbox*
- *3-on-3 Basketball Tournament*
- *Youth Rugby*
- *Pickleball Tournaments*
- *And much more!*

PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMMING

In addition to offering facilities for sports organizations and the general public, Jackson Township Parks and Recreation Division hosts several special events annually.

FISHING DAY

On Saturday, May 6, Jackson Township Parks and Recreation Division will be hosting the annual Fishing Day 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. at the Jackson North Park pond. Check-in will begin at 7:30 a.m. The Fishing Day is for ages 15 and under. Children should bring their own fishing pole and bait. The Township will be stocking the pond with many fish to be caught for this event and prizes will also be awarded! All children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. The pond will reopen to adults and the general public for fishing starting at 10:00 a.m. This is a free event but registration is required. All registration forms must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, May 5. The registration forms may be obtained at the Jackson Township Administration Building or by visiting our website at www.jacksontownship.com/parks-recreation-division.

CREATIVE MOVEMENT

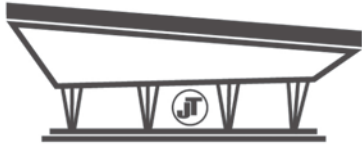
Join Barb Craven, owner of Craven Dance Studio, for some fun this summer at the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater as she leads the program, Creative Movement! This free program is designed for preschool aged girls and boys ages 3-5 years old. Children will enjoy exercising, singing, dancing, and creative movement through music. No registration is required.

MOVIES IN THE PARK

There will be two Movie in the Park events this summer at the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater! Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and the movie will begin at approximately 7:30 p.m. This is a free event and all are welcome. We hope to see you on Movie Nights! Stay tuned to our website for additional details.

May 26 - Minions: The Rise of Gru
August 11 - Sonic the Hedgehog 2

THE NASH FAMILY



JACKSON AMPHITHEATER

rights for the Amphitheater for the next 10 years and will be used strictly for amphitheater improvements to enhance the visitor experience. In 2023, visitors will see a new restroom, storage and refrigeration building at the rear of the Amphitheater that is being built with the Nash Family's donation. Initial estimates show that this facility might be in use before the end of the 2023 concert season.

THE PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME RETURNS AS THE 2023 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES PRESENTING SPONSOR

The Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater is thrilled to have the Pro Football Hall of Fame back as the Presenting Sponsor of the 2023 Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater Summer Concert Series. Visit the Pro Football Hall of Fame inside the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater during shows for special giveaways, announcements and more.

THE 2023 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES SCHEDULE HAS BEEN RELEASED

The 2023 schedule for the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater Summer Concert Series, presented by the Pro Football Hall of Fame, has been released. Both season passes and single show tickets are available by visiting www.jacksonamphitheater.com which will direct you to Eventbrite, our ticketing website.

June 2
June 10
June 17
July 1
July 7
July 15
July 21
August 12
August 26
September 2

Hotel California-Eagles Tribute Band
Elton Rohn - Elton John Tribute Band
Who's Bad - Michael Jackson Tribute Band
Toys in the Attic - Aerosmith Tribute Band
E5C4P3 - Journey Tribute Band
Mr. Speed - Kiss Tribute Band
Living on a Bad Name - Bon Jovi Tribute Band
Fleetwood Macked - Fleetwood Mac Tribute Band
Queen Flash - Queen Tribute Band
ZOSO - Led Zeppelin Tribute Band

The 2023 season of concerts, events and fun at the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater is almost here! We look forward to seeing old friends and making new friends at the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater this season.

THE JACKSON AMPHITHEATER IS NOW THE NASH FAMILY JACKSON AMPHITHEATER

Longtime Jackson Township residents Dennis and Elizabeth Nash made a generous donation of \$250,000 to the Jackson Amphitheater in October of 2022. This donation earned naming

FREE WEEKDAY CONCERTS & EVENTS

Free weekday concerts and events for the entire family are planned for 2023. Check the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater website and Facebook pages for news, information, announcements and updates as they become available. Better yet, sign up for our newsletter using the link on our website for updates emailed directly to your inbox.

WEBSITE:

www.jacksonamphitheater.com

FACEBOOK:

www.facebook.com/jacksonamphitheater

CONCERT SPONSORSHIPS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Businesses that partner with the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater enjoy a highly visible, high-quality, customizable investment with the potential for both outstanding customer and employee experiences. Support of the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater has a multitude of benefits and advantages. Contact Amphitheater Coordinator Chylece Head at 234.258.5003 or by email at chead@jacksontwp.com to arrange an appointment to discuss getting your brand and message in front of our audience of residents, non-residents and other high-quality businesses.

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PIPE COMMITTEE



*Jackson Township is a member of the Stark County
Public Involvement and Public Education "PIPE" Committee*

The PIPE Committee coordinates the yearly theme that is used for public involvement/participation of stormwater management through educational programs for residents and school age children.

2023 THEME

"A Wish for a Fish is Not to Swim with Rubbish"

No one practice can solve all issues related to **stormwater runoff**. The important thing to remember is that every effort helps! Any practices you follow at home will have a positive impact on water quality and will benefit you and the environment.

Don't Litter, it's the law!

And remember "ONLY RAIN GOES DOWN THE DRAIN".

Look for stormwater educational information on our
website www.jacksontwp.com.

SAVE ★ the DATE

Wednesday, June 21st through Saturday, June 24th

Make plans to join us in June to
celebrate the Jackson Township
Community during the
Jackson Township Community
Celebration at the Jackson North Park
Amphitheater parking lot.

ENJOY FUN, FOOD & FIREWORKS!



DISCUSSING DRAINAGE

WHAT'S IT MEAN TO HAVE A STREAM?

*By: Rome Marinelli, Drainage Specialist,
Stark Soil & Water Conservation District*

As the Drainage Specialist for the District, I receive calls from Stark County residents experiencing drainage issues. Big or small, I relish the opportunity to work with our community to help resolve their issues.

The call I get most often regards streams; specifically, who is responsible for maintaining them. The answer is *it might be you*. Whereas the water flowing through the stream belongs to the public as a public good and is regulated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineering, the soil beneath the water (stream bed) falls into the category of property ownership. This is where I usually stress to the caller the importance of knowing where your property boundary is. Depending on your property boundary, you may be the responsible party for maintaining the waterway.

Ohio governs water rights though Ohio Drainage Law. This law is complex but offers helpful insight. For example, water conveyances fall under the responsibility of the property owner – gutters, downspouts, French drains, yard drains, field tiles (for farmers), ponds, and streams, just to name a few. If it's moving water and it's on your property, you are responsible for its maintenance. If these systems are not maintained, you can be held potentially liable for any damage that would result from malfunction, misuse, and negligence of that water conveyance. Therefore, it's important to maintain all your drainage systems for flow and function – from pipes to streams.

If you have a stream on your property, and you want to know how to best manage it, albeit erosion, sediment buildup, etc., give me a call at 330-451-7644. This is a free service provided to all of Stark County.



*(Jackson Township is a member of the Stark
County Stormwater Public Involvement/Public
Education (P.I.P.E.) Committee)*

NEW ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

The Administration Department welcomes Shelby Curlutu as our new Receptionist/Secretary. Shelby has been with us since September 2022 and has been assisting the public and making things happen in the Jackson community.

*The Administration Department
welcomes Shelby as part of our Team!*



JACKSON TOWNSHIP MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of Jackson Township local government to provide for and promote the general health, safety, and welfare of Township residents and businesses by:

- delivering service in a professional, impartial, and cost-effective manner;
- planning for the long-range development and improvement of the township; and
- being responsive to the individual needs of the township residents and businesses with an awareness of the community's collective needs.



JACKSON TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING POLICY

If you are looking for a great way to market your business, you should consider advertising in the Jackson Township Newsletter.

The Township newsletter is published three to four times a year with a circulation of approximately 23,000 Jackson Township homes and businesses.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING RATES

Business Card size:	\$ 150.00
One fourth (1/4) page:	\$ 250.00
One half (1/2) page:	\$ 500.00
Full page:	\$1,000.00

The Jackson Township Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any advertisement for publication. Only retail ads will be accepted.

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Jackson Township HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Many people who attend a program at the Jackson Center Schoolhouse say they have never been inside. The Jackson Township Historical Society (JTHS) would like to invite everyone to visit the schoolhouse.

Over the next two years, JTHS will have displays showing the progression of the township from a farming community to what it is today. Open Houses will be the first Sunday of the month, from April-December. Programs will relate to the time period displayed. The McGuffey Kids' club programs are open to students in grades K-6. JTHS also collects items pertaining to Jackson Township, schools, sports, businesses, churches and anything having to do with living in the township. For more information about the programs, making a donation, becoming a member, or volunteering, please contact Jackson.Historical@gmail.com or visit their website or the Facebook pages.

<http://www.jacksontwphistory.org> • <https://www.facebook.com/jacksontwphistory>
<https://www.facebook.com/McGuffeyJTHS>

All programs held at JTHS- 7756 Fulton Rd. For more information, including program costs, visit the website

McGuffey Kids Club program: "Mothers Day Scrapbook"

May 4 • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Open to students in grades 1-6

Register by April 27

For more information, cost or registration, please email
McGuffeyJTHS@gmail.com

Open House- Life in the Township 1818-1920

May 7 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Displays consist of maps, pictures, families, schools and so much more. Members will be available to answer questions

Antique Appraisal Fair -by Jason Adams

May 7 • 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Jason has 30 years of experience, two degrees in Art, and is an advisor through Kiko Auctions. He will give you the "sell for" price. He also has a unique collection of antiques he will bring for display. Detailed information is on their website.

Program- Stark County's Stagecoach Era by Richard Haldi

May 16 • 7:00 p.m.

Life in Stark County when the horse was king. See pictures of the stagecoach stop in Jackson. Membership meeting to follow.

Program- Quilts-by Judi Malinowski

May 21 • 1:00 p.m.

Stories and information on quilters from Jackson Township.

Many quilts will be displayed during the month of May.

Open House- Life in the Township 1818-1920

June 4 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Displays consist of maps, pictures, families, schools and so much more. Play old time games, listen to vintage music and children can try on vintage clothes.

Members will be available to answer questions

Dates TBA- Yard Sale

Rent a space to sell your items, bring items for the JTHS to sell and keep the profit as a donation or to sell on consignment. Watch Facebook and the website for information.

Open House- Life in the Township 1921-1950

July 2 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The township has grown and, schools were added. See what Jackson looked like!

Members will be available to answer questions.

The 2023 Jackson Township Safety Village



The 2023 Jackson Township Safety Village will be held from June 12 through June 15, 2023 at Sauder Elementary School located at 7503 Mudbrook Street NW.

Children that reside in Jackson Township and have **completed Kindergarten or First Grade during the 2022 - 2023 school year are eligible to attend.**

The hours of Safety Village are from 8:45 a.m. until noon daily.

Fire & Police lessons include: Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety, Stranger Danger, Internet Safety, Calling 911, Fire Prevention, Two Ways Out, What's Hot/What's Not, Child Identification, and Crawling under Smoke.

Additional lessons taught throughout the week include: Poison &

Drug Safety, Personal Hygiene, Bus & Railroad Safety, and Water/Pool Safety, and Boat Safety.

The lessons are a combination of classroom and hands-on, giving the children an opportunity to see fire and police equipment up-close and to ask questions.

If you are interested in enrolling your child, information/registration forms are available at the Jackson Township Safety Center located at 7383 Fulton Drive NW. Forms may be picked up beginning Monday, April 3, 2023 and returned by Friday, May 26, 2023. *(Sorry, no forms will be mailed.)*

The cost for Safety Village is \$25.00 per child, and it is limited to 120 children.

Jackson Safety Village is a cooperative effort between the Jackson Township Fire & Police Departments and the Jackson Local Schools.

ELECTRIC RATE INCREASES

Residents may have seen recent news articles discussing upcoming increases in the utility's default supply rate (the price-to-compare) for Ohio Edison and AEP Ohio. As in every year, in June the utilities announce their new supply charges, which are set by a series of auctions, for the following year. This year those supply charges are expected to increase significantly due to rising market conditions over the past year. AEP Ohio has said they anticipate an approximately 28% increase in the bills for those on their default supply, and reporting estimates that Ohio Edison's default supply rate will roughly double in June. Residents have a choice for their electric supply and are not required to receive the default service from their local utility. The Township has electric aggregation programs available that residents can participate in for their supply rate. Energy Harbor is the Township's program supplier, and they can be reached at 866-636-3749 to learn more about the aggregation programs offerings. The Public Utility Commission of Ohio also has a website, energychoice.ohio.gov, that lists the utility's current default supply rate as well as offers available from energy suppliers. As residents may wish to shop for the supply option that suits them best, they should carefully consider the terms and conditions of any offers for factors such as early termination fees, fixed monthly charges, or automatic renewal provisions. The Township's aggregation programs may not provide the best price, but is offered as an option to the residents.

BELOW IS INFORMATION FROM NEWS ARTICLE FROM 19 WOIO CLEVELAND

CLEVELAND, Ohio (WOIO) -FirstEnergy recently had to buy electricity on the open market that was extremely high in price, which means the cost of that increase is about to make bills nearly double.

In June, the usage cost for FirstEnergy customers, which includes Ohio Edison and the Illuminating Company, will go from 5.3 cents per kilowatt hour to an expected 10.2 cents although the final prices is not set.

It's important to note not everyone will see the increase just because they get a bill from FirstEnergy, the Illuminating Company or Ohio Edison.

There are two charges on your bill; one for distribution which the cost of delivering the energy, and one for the amount of energy you use which is called consumption or usage.

On your bill the name of the company that sells you the actual electricity will be listed under consumption.

If your company is FirstEnergy, Ohio Edison or the Illuminating Company your bill will be significantly higher in June and remain that way until May of 2024.

But you do have options, and can shop around for your electricity.

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) has a Energy Choice Ohio website where you can find a new company from which to buy your electricity.

There are many options and companies to choose from.

Some offer a fix rate and may lock you into a contract for a period of time.

Some offer a variable rate.

Energy right now on the open market is relatively cheap and variable rates are low.

But things could change and those prices could rise.

In August of last year, many NOPEC customers remember seeing similar shocking bills, because they too had to buy expensive energy on the open market.

After the non-profit energy aggregate saw a huge amount of customers opting out of its program, it decided to return everyone back to their default energy provider, which in most cases was FirstEnergy.

PUCO has an entire website to help you through the process of finding a new energy supplier.

It includes questions you should ask when calling a new supplier so you understand the contract you are about to enter into:

When asked for a comment from FirstEnergy, here was their response:

"Ohio is a deregulated state, and while FirstEnergy's Ohio utilities are responsible for delivering electricity to your home or business, they do not generate that electricity. That's the role of an energy supplier. Customers can shop among a wide range of competitive energy suppliers for electric generation, which typically represents about half of a customer's monthly bill. Our Ohio utilities do not profit from the generation portion of a customer's bill.

Customers who do not shop for electricity are charged a default generation rate, called the "price to compare." FirstEnergy's Ohio utilities update their generation prices for default customers included in the "price to compare" annually based on the results of competitive procurements.

The company's Ohio utilities' (Ohio Edison, Toledo Edison and The Illuminating Company) respective prices to compare will be updated effective June 1 unless otherwise ordered by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. The prices are adjusted in September to reflect the winter season, and there are also quarterly reconciliations that impact the price to compare that occur in January, April, July and October.

While the prices to compare for June 1 are not yet finalized, they are expected to increase on June 1 based on the results of the most recent competitive procurements. The average weighted price of our three auctions was \$101.08 per megawatt hour, up from the current price of \$53.62. The current prices to compare for our Ohio utilities are approximately 5.9 cents per kilowatt hour, effective April 1.

A variety of energy pricing options and plans are available from third-party generation suppliers if a customer chooses to shop. A careful review of those options could result in potential savings this summer. When evaluating options, customers should consider:

- **Energy price**
- **Plan structure (fixed or variable rate)**
- **Contract terms and conditions**
- **Any taxes, charges or fees that may apply."**

JACKSON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY

Celebration Sponsorships

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES AVAILABLE

Fireworks (2) - \$10,000	Inflatables (5) - \$750
The Nash Family Amphitheater Music (3) - \$5,000	Grand Patron - \$500
Adult Beverage Area (3) - \$2,500	Super Patron - \$250
Entertainment (10) - \$1,000	Supporting Patron - \$100

Consider being a sponsor for the
2023 Jackson Community Celebration
which will be held
June 21 through June 24, 2023.
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911 HOUSE NUMBERING

Seconds count in emergencies. To aid safety personnel in finding your home, residents are encouraged to purchase a 911 House Numbering Sign made of blue metal background and large white reflective numbers. Signs are \$15 for pickup at Station 2, or \$20 to be shipped anywhere in the continental United States, with proceeds benefiting the Jackson Township Safety Forces Associations. On-line registration is available under the Fire Department section at jacksontwp.com or send this form to:



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