

# Jackson Township Mewsletter

# SUMMER 2023

We make things happen! A Message from your Jackson Township Officials

# SUMMERTIME IN JACKSON TOWNSHIP

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# An Invitation from your Jackson Township Officials

# 2023 JACKSON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

The Community Celebration will be held on **June 21, 22, 23, and 24, 2023** and will be located at the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater.

We invite you to enjoy one of Jackson Township's largest community celebration! The annual Jackson Community Celebration is always a great reason to celebrate your Jackson Township community with your family, friends, and neighbors.

There will be six free concerts over the course of the four day event performing on stage at the Amphitheater. So get your chairs or blankets ready to enjoy some great music.

Bates Brothers Amusement will be providing high quality rides, attractions, and games, and the kids can enjoy the bounce houses and inflatables. There will be activities for all to participate in and enjoy, and you will be able to get delicious food from area food vendors.

On Friday night come and participate in the annual 5K "Night Glow" run and 5K Walk. The race and walk will start at 9:30 p.m. The Kids  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile fun is start at 9:00 p.m.

Come and enjoy the spectacular **FIREWORKS** display at dark on Saturday.

# CELEBRATE THE REASON WHY JACKSON TOWNSHIP IS A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE, WORK, PLAY AND RAISE A FAMILY.

w" NO Rain Date for fireworks!

For additional information visit our website at www.jacksontwp.com



# July 6 through September 28, 2023 • Hours: 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The summer season and fresh produce and flowers are waiting to be sold at the farmers market.

The farmers market has been moved back to Thursdays starting July 6. Shoppers coming after work will find the market opened until 7 p.m.

Location of the market is the same as last year, at the north end of the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater/Tennis Court parking lot along Community Parkway.

We are looking forward to another great season with great vendors and visitors.

People wishing to sell their farm fresh produce and other locally-produced food and plants can contact Chylece Head or Shelby Curlutu at 330-832-7416 or send an email to chead@jacksontwp.com or scurlutu@jacksontwp.com for a vendor application and other details.



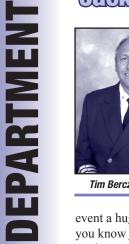


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# Jackson Township Fire Department News



Well, summer is finally upon



us; things in Jackson Township are busy. We finished up Safety Village a few weeks back. Once again, the collaboration between our partners at Jackson Local Schools and the Police Department have made this annual

Tim Berczik, Fire Chief

event a huge success. If you've been in the parks, you know just how many people spend time outdoors. The weekly amphitheater concerts have drawn more people and showcased some of the benefits of living within our community.

Currently, we are preparing for the Community Celebration. A brief history lesson regarding this annual event, back in the early '70s it was known as 'The Fireman's Festival'. At that time, we served

the community as a volunteer department. Proceeds from games and food sales helped purchase much needed items. The festival was hosted at Fisher Park on Lake O'Springs back then. These days, our Township Parks & Recreation Division takes extra care laying out all of the rides and food vendors. The updated route for the Friday evening Jackson Night Glow 5K is set, as well as the fireworks display on Saturday. Our Fire Department will be on-hand the entire time, please reach out to any member with questions or concerns regarding safety.

Last summer, state legislature passed a bill allowing the general population to purchase fireworks and display them ONLY on specific dates. For obvious reasons, this creates some concern for us. As we move closer to the July 4th weekend, we simply ask that you be responsible: by keeping these fireworks out of the hands of those that should not have them, keep all spectators at a safe distance, and avoid any form of "liquid courage" if planning on being the exhibitor. Having a good time also means making good decisions.

We live and work in the best community anywhere; our safety forces, highway staff, and parks & recreation division work hard every day to make it that way. We enjoy serving, as well as appreciate the support provided by our residents. Have a fantastic, safe summer.



# FIRE / EMS EXCELLENCE:

**David YMCA CPR** - Joey had a major cardiac event while taking a cycling class at the Paul & Carol David YMCA of Jackson Township. Thanks to the immediate action of members and staff, CPR and AED were administered quickly and Joey was awake and responsive when paramedics from the Jackson Township Fire Department arrived.

Five individuals were recognized with the Community Hero Award for their actions that contributed to the chain of survival to save Joey's life. Thank you to Cheryl, Madison, Jessica, Hailey, and Joanna for your truly heroic efforts!



(Left to Right) Cheryl, Madison, Jessica, Joey, Hailey and Joanna



(Left to Right) Firefighter Nelligan, Firefighter Applegate, Chief Tim Berczik, Joey, Firefighter Miller, and Captain R. Sullivan

#### **JACKSON TOWNSHIP FIREFIGHTER TRAINING:**



#### **Wall Breaching**

The need to breach a wall can come from situations where door access has been cut off and there are no windows from which to exit. The maneuver requires knowledge of building construction materials and potential obstacles. With conditions deteriorating in a room, an adjoining room may provide refuge temporarily for help to arrive or for another plan to be put into place.

Firefighter Dustman

#### Peer Support Training

The Jackson Township Fire Department hosted an International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Peer Support Training. The purpose of this training is to equip firefighters to help offer mental health support to their colleagues. In today's world, mental health



(Left to Right) FF Taylor, FF Berczik, FF Rabatin, and Captain Alex Hoce

is a large factor in the wellness of firefighters. Being able to talk to a peer about the calls they go on and the issues they face, help with the mental health of that firefighter. The training was covered by a grant received by the State of Ohio. Several area fire departments sent members to attend the training and return to their respective departments to start the process of forming their own teams.

#### New Engine 3

The Jackson Township Fire Department has placed in service, a new Sutphen custom top-mount pumper acquired through Herb Fire. It is almost 10 feet tall, and 35 feet long with a 4-person cab. It carries a 1,000 gal water tank for a 1,500 GPM pump with 50 gal of foam. It

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has over 230 cubic feet of compartment space accessible through rollup compartment doors and a 10KW smart power generator.

# Seasonal Safety Message

#### Prevent Carbon Monoxide Poisoning on Your Boat:

Gasoline-powered engines on boats, including onboard generators, produce carbon monoxide (CO), a colorless and odorless gas that can poison or kill someone who breathes too much of it.

Traveling at slow speeds or idling in the water can cause C0 to build up in a boat's cabin, cockpit, bridge, aft deck, or in an open area. Wind from the aft section of the boat can increase this buildup of C0.

The most common symptoms of CO poisoning are headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion. High levels of CO inhalation can cause death. CO poisoning can also cause you to pass out, fall into the water and drown. A person who is sleeping or intoxicated can die from CO poisoning before ever having symptoms.

Install and maintain a working CO detector listed by Underwriters' Laboratories (UL) as appropriate for marine use inside the boat.

- Properly install and maintain all fuel-burning engines and appliances;
- Educate all passengers about the signs and symptoms of CO poisoning;
- Swim and play away from areas where engines vent their exhaust;
- Watch children closely when they play on rear swim decks or water platforms;
- Never block exhaust outlets. Blocking outlets can cause C0 to build up in the cabin and cockpit areas—even when hatches, windows, portholes, and doors are closed; and



Dock, beach, or anchor at least 20 feet

away from the nearest boat that is running a generator or engine. Exhaust from a nearby vessel can send CO into the cabin and cockpit of a boat.



If you think a person on your boat has CO poisoning move him or her to fresh air right away and dial 9-1-1 for Jackson Township emergency services.

# **Recreational Bonfires:**



Jackson Township references the Ohio Administrative Code 3745-19-03 when permitting or extinguishing recreational bonfires. Bonfires, campfires and outdoor fireplace equipment, whether for cooking food for human consumption, pleasure, recreational, or similar purposes, shall be

religious, ceremonial, warmth, recreational, or similar purposes, shall be allowed if the following conditions are met:

- They are fueled with clean seasoned firewood, natural gas or equivalent, or any clean burning fuel with emissions that are equivalent to or lower than those created from the burning of seasoned firewood.
- They are not used for waste disposal purposes.
- They shall have a total fuel area of three feet or less in diameter and two feet or less in height.

OAC 3745-19-01 (M) "Residential waste" means any waste material, including landscape waste, generated on the property of a one-, two- or three-family residence as a result of residential activities...

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH & EDUCATION

# VIP Tour Winner:

Congratulations to Everett, as the winner of a special, behind-the-scenes, VIP tour of the Jackson Township Fire Department. He drove his own fire truck into the bay and parked alongside the big fire trucks, then had breakfast at the firehouse with B-Shift. Thank you Everett, hope you had a wonderful and memorable time!



#### **Ribbon Cutting - Emerald Pines:**



The staff of Emerald Pine Grief & Trauma Services, volunteers, visitors, the Jackson Township Fire Department, the Jackson Township Board of Trustees, and the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce attended the ribbon cutting ceremony

and open house as a great opportunity to celebrate the success so far and meet some wonderful people.

Emerald Pine Grief & Trauma Services, LLC is a Veteran founded and operated center that provides individual/group, trauma and grief treatments and more. They offer services for children, adolescents and adults searching for tools, guidance and support on a journey of healing.

#### Veteran Birthday Visit:

The Jackson Township Fire and Police Departments, and the Veterans Service Commission of Stark County visited Walter to wish him a Happy Birthday.



# Ribbon Cutting:

Buehler's Tap Wall -Congratulations to Buehler's Fresh Foods on their beautiful new Tap Wall with self-service of up to 20 beers and 8 luxury wine offerings on demand inside the store. The Jackson Township Fire Department,

Board of Trustees, and the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, staff and guests had celebrated the grand opening with a ribbon cutting.

# Girl Scout Tour:

Thank you Girl Scouts Daisy and Brownies Troop 60027 *(and guests)* for visiting the Jackson Township Fire Department. Definitely a fun and terrific group!





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# HIRES / RETIRES / PROMOTIONS

#### **FULL-TIME HIRES:**

Please welcome Administrative Professional, Rachel Gue to the Jackson Township Fire Department! Since 2008, Rachel has worked as a Litigation Paralegal. She and her husband have been Jackson Township residents, and her stepson recently completed active duty with the 82nd Airborne. Together they have two dogs, Gunner and Tank. Rachel enjoys spending time outdoors hiking, or out on the water. She



loves to cook, workout, practice yoga, travel and spend time with family and friends. Last year she completed her yoga instructor certification in trauma-informed yoga and currently works with survivors of trauma and PTSD.



# **RETIREMENTS:**

After 25 years, Mike Anderson has retired and plans to catch up on the honey-do list with Debbie and/or bass fishing in South Carolina with his brother as their children are grown. Thank you for your service, and enjoy your leisure as you ride away on your motorcycle.

# **PROMOTIONS:**

Congratulations to Luke Ediger who has been promoted to Fire Captain. Luke joined the Jackson Township Fire Department in 2004 as a firefighter. He decided upon his career path when he was visiting a college and fell in love with the fire service and helping others.



(Left to right) Jackson Township Fiscal Officer/ Economic Development Director Randy Gonzalez, Jackson Township Chairman Todd Hawke, Captain Luke Ediger, Jackson Township Trustee Justin Hardesty, and Jackson Township Vice-Chairman John Pizzino

Beyond the fire service, Luke enjoys traveling, hiking/backpacking, exercising, coaching wrestling, teaching Sunday school, and spending time with his wife and two children. He is excited to contribute to the department, its members and to the community.

We thank you and wish you continuous growth with your promoted responsibilities.



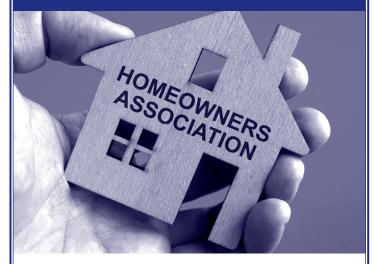
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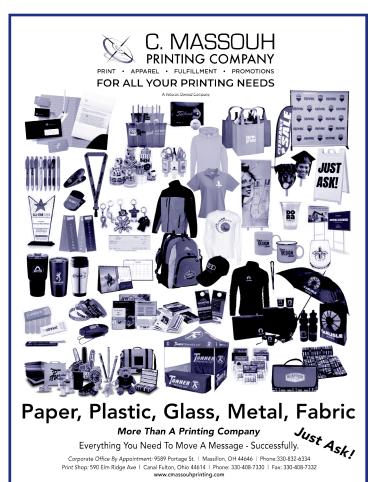
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# ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS



We are in the process of updating our Homeowners Associations contact list and we are asking that you send your presidents name, phone number and email address to mreno@jacksontwp.com. Or call Mary Reno at 330-832-7416, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Thank you



# Jackson Township Pollee Department



Police Chief Mark Brink

# CELL PHONES DOWN! IT'S THE LAW!



Everyone knows that distracted driving is one of the most dangerous habits any driver can engage in on the road, but did you know Ohio recently took steps to keep the roads safer? As of April 4, 2023, it is illegal to use, or hold a cellphone, or other electronic device in your hand, on your lap,

or on any other body part (Ohio Revised Code 4511.204). So, what's changed? Ohio's previous iteration of this law was less restrictive and allowed for many loophole uses of electronic devices. Also, police could only stop even the most obvious of distracted drivers

under a very specific set of circumstances. Under this new law, holding or manipulating an electronic device, your cell phone becomes what is known as a primary offense. Put simply, police can now stop you any time they see you dialing, texting, browsing, face-timing, recording, or using social media. Lawmakers believe that the new law, which still allows for



If we can be of any assistance, please contact the Jackson Township Police Department at <u>www.jtpd.com</u> or phone (330) 834-3960 *Thank you, Chief Mark Brink* 

hands-free or Bluetooth use of cell phones, will greatly decrease otherwise avoidable accidents. So remember, your fellow Ohioans are counting on you to pay attention. **IT CAN WAIT!!** 

#### **JACKSON POLICE WELCOMES THREE NEW OFFICERS**

The Jackson Township Police Department has hired three new officers. All three officers started in April and will go through the field training program. Once the officers have successfully completed the training program, they will be assigned a shift to work. Please welcome these officers to Jackson Township!

Officer Tanor English spent six years in the Ohio Army National Guard prior to becoming a police officer. Officer English then went to Kent State's Police Academy to get his OPOTA certification. Once he obtained his certification, Officer English was hired by the Portage County Sheriff's office, and then the City of Salem Police Department. Officer English has a wife and daughter.

Officer David Roberts comes to us from the Summit County Sheriff's Office where he served as a deputy for the past four years and has



Tanor English





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been a part of numerous operations and trainings. During his time off, he enjoys spending time with his fiancé and his two sons who are active with sports.

Officer Kayla Young also comes to us from the Summit County Sheriff's Office where she served as a deputy who has worked in the jail as well as on patrol. She looks forward to continuing her career serving the residents of Jackson Township.

Good luck to all three of you and welcome aboard!

**David Roberts** 



#### **OFFICER KUNKEL RETIRES**

The Jackson Township Police Department would like to congratulate Officer Dan Kunkel on his retirement. Officer Kunkel started with the Jackson Township Police Department as a Community Service Officer in July of 1996 and was promoted to the position of full- time police officer in February of 1997. During the 26 years Officer Kunkel served Jackson Township he was assigned as a Patrol Officer, Field Training Officer, SWAT officer and received special training in crash investigations. Officer Kunkel is best known for the relationships he built within the community as he spent his entire career assigned to the same zone so he could really get to know the residents in that area and work to resolve the issues that they encountered.

> Congratulations Dan and we wish you the best in your future endeavors and as you have more time to spend with your family!

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# Jackson Township Public Works Dept. - Highway Division



# PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW Each of the four divisions within the Public Works Department have made

Rich Rohn

**Public Works Director** 

Department have made strides and continue to provide the much desired services to the residents within our Township. Our Central Maintenance Division includes three

mechanics, three building maintenance workers and a Superintendent. Our Highway Division includes sixteen labor specialist, a Foreman and a Superintendent, the Parks Division consists of seven Crew Leaders, a Park Superintendent, a Recreation Superintendent, and a Coordinator within the Amphitheater Division.

Each of these divisions are supported by the administrative staff within the Public Works Department, which is made up of an Administrative Assistant, a Clerical Assistant and the Public Works Director.

#### **Central Maintenance**

Our Central Maintenance Division continues to provide service to each our Fire and Police Departments, as well as our Highway Division as it relates to vehicle maintenance. Our building side of this division completes all maintenance, inspections and oversees any contractors doing work within any Township owned and operated buildings.

#### **Highway**

The Jackson Township Highway Division has seen a lot of new faces come into the mix over the past few months. Training has been taking place by our supervisors and other staff members as this weather has been anything but ordinary. The time we may have spent plowing snow, shifted to storm damage clean-up due to the back-to-back weekend wind events that took place in April. This required our staff to work shifts to not only clean up roadways from debris, but to shut down areas due to fallen power lines, and assisting both our Police and Fire during these events.

Our staff has also been busy working the yard waste site that saw a large amount of use as a result of these storms.

As part of an updated permit process within this division, we have been able to work hand-and- hand with not only our residents regarding new driveways and drive culvert replacements, but to ensure each utility company that conducts work within, or along our Township roads are doing stuff in a proper fashion. This process has provided our Highway Division to better monitor each project and make certain the infrastructure within the Township stays functioning as designed.

#### **Parks**

Our Park Division had great success this off season completing all the vehicle maintenance that was needed prior to the start of the "crazy" season due to the start of spring sports within the parks. As you will notice anytime driving down Fulton Drive or a quick pass through Community Parkway, our parks are visited frequently by many within the Township. You can see anything from a sporting event being played by our younger residents, to the masses walking our paths, not to mention a concert taking place within the Amphitheater. The continued support we receive from you is what allows for these things to take place....so Thank you!

#### **Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater**

As the 2023 season is upon us, some new features are noticeable within the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater. The new concession/ restroom facility is under construction, the beverage menu has been updated, the new Nash Family sign has been installed and some new and returning bands will be on the stage.

A few changes have taken place within out concert lineup, including the addition of a car show and concert in July as a free event and a few other events are still being planned. Check www. jacksonamphitheater.com for the latest news and schedule.

# SOUTH PARK YARD WASTE SITE HOURS

The yard waste site is opened for the season and the following hours have been set:

MONDAY	8am to 8pm
TUESDAY	3pm to 8pm
WEDNESDAY	3pm to 8pm
THURSDAY	8am to 8pm
FRIDAY	8am to 8pm
SATURDAY	8am to 8pm
SUNDAY	8am to 8pm

\*Tuesdays & Wednesdays are closed until 3pm due to the removal / pick-up needed.

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# **RIGHT-OF-WAY**

Just a friendly reminder that electric fences, sprinkler systems and portable basketball hoops are **NOT** permitted in the road right-of-way. Please keep these items out of the road right-of-way. If any of these items are in the road right-of-way, they must be relocated by the homeowner before any work can be performed.



# 2023 NASH FAMILY JACKSON AMPHITHEATER

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2023 Summer Concert Series, presented by the Pro Football Hall of Fame





Sat 6/17: Michael Jackson Tribute Who's Bad

Sat 7/1: Aerosmith Tribute Band Toys in the Attic

Fri 7/7: Journey Tribute Band E5C4P3

Sat 7/15: Kiss Tribute Band Mr. Speed

Fri 7/21: Bon Jovi Tribute Band Living on a Bad Name

Sat 8/12: Fleetwood Mac Tribute Fleetwood Macked

Sat 8/26: Queen Tribute Band Queen Flash

Sat 9/2: The Ultimate Led Zeppelin Experience with Zoso

Get tickets at www.jacksonamphitheater.com

# Jackson Township Community Celebration Concerts - ALL FREE!

# 2023 Music Sponsors:



Wed 6/21, 8:00pm: Whiskey Loco

Thu 6/22, 8:00pm: LaFlavour

Fri 6/23, 5:00pm: Karissa Ella

Fri 6/23, 8:30pm: New Wave Nation

Sat 6/24, 5:00pm: The Scenic Route

Sat 6/24, 8:30pm: Disco Inferno

# **Free Shows:**

Thur 7/19, 6:30pm - Concert & Car Show, sponsored by Loby's Grille

> Thu 8/9, 6:30pm Böaterhead Band

General Admission tickets are \$10 and available by visiting www.jacksonamphitheater.com.

# Construction / Projects for 2023

#### **Central Maintenance**

- The Safety Center HVAC system replacement will be placed out to bid this year.
- Many of our outlining fire stations have underwent concrete work within the garage areas.

### **Highway Division**

- Resurfacing the bid has been awarded to Superior Paving to complete roughly 14 miles of roads within the Township for the amount of \$2,003,301.44
- Restriping of Roadways \$60,000 to A&A Safety
- As the Fulton Multiuse Tunnel project comes to a close, the next phase of adjoining the new path to our existing park path will be taking place.
- Many road drainage projects will be taking place within the Township to address bad or worn out culvert pipes and catch basins. Much of this work will be completed within our repaying program prior to new asphalt being laid.
- Community Parkway Lighting Bid documents are being completed for this project to go out this year.
- The completion of Keck Park Circle NW intersection project has been approved and will commence over the next few months

# Parks Division

- Field renovations will be taking place in the fall on a few of our baseball / softball fields.
- Schuring Park work has begun. The first phase of this project was awarded to Beaver Excavating and has a planned

completion date of September 2023.

• Digital Sign on Community Parkway & Wales Ave (SR241) was activated in April.

# Amphitheater Division

- The new restroom / concession stand project commenced in March of 2023 and has a planned completion date of June 2023.
- We are in the process of reviewing options for a new LED video wall that will be placed along the eastern wall of the Amphitheater. This was made possible by the Nash Family donation.

# NEW HIRES

#### HIGHWAY DIVISION LABOR SPECIALIST

### PARKS DIVISION CREW LEADERS







Kyle Bee

Dave Burtt

Matthew Valli



# **PARKS & RECREATION**



Michael Danner Parks Superintendent



Michael (Mick) Ryan Recreational Superintendent

# Jackson Township Parks are as busy as ever with events, programs, parks improvements, and every day maintenance. The beautiful Jackson Township Parks are kept in great shape by the dedicated staff of the parks and recreation division. The staff does a great job keeping all the parks in great shape for the community, general public, community groups, and local youth sports organizations. We are proud to be able to serve the Jackson Township

# <u>Pickleball</u>

North Park has eight Pickleball Courts available for both open play and reservations. All eight courts are open to the public, however Courts #1 - #4 are available for reservation requests while Courts #5 - #8 are open to the public as much as possible pending specific township programming. All eight courts are at a first come, first serve basis with the understanding everyone will abide by the pickleball rules posted by the courts on site. The community is welcome to enjoy the courts for open play, or take part in several pickleball program opportunities such as tournaments, leagues, and clinics.

# Car Show

The annual Jackson Township Car Show will be held on Wednesday, July 19, 2023. With a rain date of July 26, 2023. We are very excited to host the car show that will include activities, food and beverages, and a great concert inside the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater! The event will be sponsored by local businesses. If you would like to be entered into the car show or for additional car show information contact Black Horse Motors at 330-809-6674 or at www.bhmohio.com.

# **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

community!

Parks and Recreation Division

# **Outback Ray**

Come see Outback Ray and his Amazing Animal Show at the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater. This free event has 2 different shows for all to enjoy, Friday, June 9th at 3:00 p.m. and Wednesday, July 5th at 1:00 p.m.

# **Rugby**

A new and exciting recreation program has been started and the first ever Jackson Rugby Team has been created! It is designed for youth in grades 3-5 and matches are played in Jackson and at various locations throughout Stark County. Be on the lookout for additional rugby opportunities as the program is designed to expand!

# 2023 PARKS DIVISION PROJECTS

- Amphitheater Restroom
  / Concession Stand
- Update drinking fountains with bottle fillers
- Ballfield updates
- Kirk Schuring Park

# MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!



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

- Haunted Hayride October
- Holiday in the Park December
- Letters to Santa Santa's Mailbox-December
- Basketball Tournament
- Youth Rugby
- Pickleball Tournaments
- Youth Soccer Clinics
- And much more!!



# FISHING DAY

The 2023 Jackson Township Fishing Day was a success! We had perfect weather for the 112 registered to take part in this free annual event. Young anglers caught trout, bluegill and bass for prizes and bragging rights. Sponsors Fin, Feather & Fur and the Berkeley Fishing Team were there with prizes and to help with the event. We greatly appreciate their support.





# PRESENTED BY MCTV OHIO

# FRIDAY, AUGUST 11 @ 6:30PM GATES OPEN AT 5:30PM

# THANK YOU TO MCTV FOR YOUR GENEROUS SPONSORSHIP OF OUR MOVIES IN THE AMPHITHEATER!!





# **CARDIO-PULMONARY RESUSCITATION (CPR) CLASSES**



# WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE? WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

Did you know that the Jackson Township Fire Department conducts CPR classes? All classes are in accordance with the American Heart Association Standards and are held at the Jackson Township Safety Center. The cost is \$50 per person. Whether you are a business looking to train your staff or a resident looking to learn the newest lifesaving standards, we can help.

Please contact the Jackson Township Fire Department at 330-834-3950 for details and registration.

# Jackson Township Zoning & Planning Department



# TEXT AMENDMENTS **TO THE ZONING RESOLUTION WERE INITIATED BY THE** TRUSTEES ON **JANUARY 24, 2023.**

Joni Poindexter

**CONING DEPARTMEN** 

The proposed amendments were reviewed by the Jackson Township Zoning Commission on February 16, 2023 and approved by

**Zoning Inspector** 

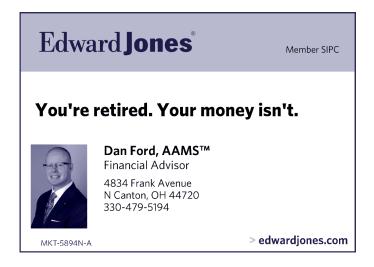
the Trustees on March 14, 2023.

Some of the approved changes included removing the special event vendor permit from the zoning regulations and replacing it with a Three-Day Vendor permit. Any vendor selling food, drinks, clothing, or other miscellaneous items, or soliciting for the future delivery of goods and services at an event located at any one (1) fixed location per the permit issued for three (3) or less consecutive days shall obtain a three day vendor permit. The permit fee is \$75.00. By adjusting the permit and fees it allows for vendors that are attending an event that is three

days or less within Jackson Township, such as an outdoor festival, to obtain a permit at a discounted rate as opposed to obtaining a transient vendor permit at a cost of \$150.00. Vendors attending an event that is operated by the Jackson Township Trustees shall not be required to obtain a three day vendor permit as the permit will be included in the general fee for participating in the event.

All door-to-door sales/solicitation must obtain a transient vendor permit. A copy of the permit must be kept on their person at all times while moving about the township. "Do Not Knock" stickers are available at the Jackson Township Administrative offices for those that would like to obtain one to display on their property. Any solicitor that does not have a permit or knocks on a door with a "Do Not Knock" sticker is in violation of the regulations. Residents should contact the police department and report any violation.

Other changes to the zoning resolution include removing mini storage facilities, automobile, truck, boat, trailer, farm implement storage, landscaping and construction vehicle storage-when not used in conjunction with an onsite business, and/or repair garage as a



conditional use permit in the B-3 district. These uses are now only permitted in the I-1 districts. Any existing use listed above that is currently in the B-3 district will be considered a legal non-conforming use, which means the use may continue as it currently operates; however, if the use ceases to operate for more than two years it will lose it's non-conforming status and will not be permitted to reopen or operate under the non-conforming status.

Due to rising cost, some adjustments have been made to the zoning fee schedule. Zoning fees are available on the zoning department page of our website. Some commercial projects include a review by the Jackson Township Fire Department. There is a review fee in addition to the zoning fee that is payable when the zoning permit is obtained.

Always review the zoning regulations prior to starting a project as most additions to a residential or commercial property require a zoning permit. If you are unsure if a zoning permit is required or the use is permitted in a certain zoning district please contact the zoning department. Residential alterations such as residing a structure, replacing windows or doors, or replacing shingles on a roof do not require a zoning permit; however, may require a permit from the Stark County Building Department.

Just a reminder that all permit applications are available on the citizen's portal link on the zoning department page of our website. We encourage everyone to utilize this link when submitting an application as it not only eliminates trips to our office, but also allows the zoning department to process the permit more efficiently. Always remember to fill out the application correctly, upload required documentation, and include your phone number and email address so the zoning department can contact you when the permit is ready to be issued.



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• 8:00pm Live Entertainment: LaFlavour

# Friday, June 23 | 5:00pm to 11:30pm

- 5:00pm Live Entertainment: Karissa Ella
- 8:30pm Live Entertainment: New Wave Nation
- 9:00pm Kid's 1/2 Mile Run Run/Walk
- 9:30pm 5K Night Glow Run/Walk

# Saturday, June 24 | 1:00pm to 11:30pm

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# Jackson Township Lifetorfeel Society (JTHS)



In July, JTHS located at the one room Jackson Center Schoolhouse, will have a new display to show the progress of Jackson Township and how life started to change for the residents between 1921-1950. Items taken for granted today were just beginning. Some residents were happy to have plumbing and electricity installed while others may have bought their first motor vehicle. Women received the right to vote, and children had busses taking them to school.

JTHS will accept items for their collection at all events and by appointment. Pictures, items from the past, documents, organization information, event programs are just a few items collected. JTHS can even take a photocopy of documents and photos you want to keep.

If you or your high school student (or older) would like to volunteer, the Society has plenty of volunteer opportunities. JTHS has "work from home" volunteer needs as well.

For more information about the programs, donating, becoming a member, or volunteering, please contact Jackson.Historical@gmail.com or visit their website or their Facebook pages.

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

#### All programs are held at JTHS - 7756 Fulton Road, Massillon, OH 44646

# Open House - Life in the Township 1921-1950

#### July 2 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Jackson Township is growing, allotments begin to grow, a new township school built, and businesses are thriving. Still mainly a farm community, the township experiences growth. People from Canton want more land and move to the "country." Brookside Country Club formed, Willowdale Lake organized, and Lake Cable dug. Visit Jackson Historical Society to see how Jackson grew between 1921-1950. Members will be available to answer questions. Admission: \$5 (ages 14 and up); Members free.

#### **Program Cultural Memory by Todd Morris**

#### July 25 • 7:00 p.m.

Check the website for details. Admission: \$5 (ages 14 and up); Members free.

#### McGuffey Kids Club program: "Life in the 1900's"

#### August 3 • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Open to students in grades 1-6. Please register by July 27. Cost is \$7 per member \$10 per non-member (fee includes supplies and snack). For more information or to register your child, email McGuffeyJTHS@gmail.com.

#### **Open House - Life in the Township 1921-1950**

#### August 6 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Visit Jackson Historical Society to see how Jackson grew between 1921-1950. Farming is still the leading industry, but Jackson is starting to grow. Population increases as developments pop up. Maps, yearbooks, and other items will be on display. Admission: \$5 (ages 14 and up); Members free.

#### Yard Sale and Open House - Life in the Township 1921-1950

#### September 3 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Rent a space to sell your items or come and shop. Watch Facebook and the website for information.



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#### <u>Memory Lane - Farms and Barns in Jackson part 3 - by Doris Wertz</u> September 7 • 7:00 p.m.

This is the conclusion of the Farms and Barns program. A presentation will be given and there will be time for sharing and questions. The current exhibit is included with the price of admission. Admission: \$5 (ages 14 and up); Members free.

#### <u>Program - "Oh! How We've Grown - looking at Maps"- by Greg Weekley</u> September 19 • 7:00 p.m.

Through maps watch how Jackson grew. Presentation by the curator. Q&A to follow. The current exhibit is included with the price of admission. Admission: \$5 (ages 14 and up); Members free.

#### TBA – MKC - Making birdhouses

Watch Facebook and the website for information.

#### **Open House - Life in the Township 1921-1950**

#### October 1 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Listen to music of the times and visit the display. Admission: \$5 (ages 14 and up); Members free.

#### **McGuffey Kids' Club - Fall Festival**

October 5 • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Check the website for details.

#### History of the Fire Department by Chief Berczik October 26 • 6:00 p.m.

Learn how the volunteer Fire Department with one station became what have today! A special collection of Fire Department items and documents will be on display. Admission: \$5 (ages 14 and up); Members free.

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# Jackson Community Celebration Road Closures

Starting Wednesday, June 21, 2023 through Saturday, June 24, 2023, Fulton Drive, N.W., between Wales Rd (State Route 241) and Cliff Ave., will close to both eastbound and westbound traffic daily at 5:00 p.m. until midnight. Those seeking to park at Jackson High School may enter through Caritas Circle N.W. or at the high school's entrance adjacent to the old school house, (special access from Fulton Drive and Cliff Ave will be provided).

On Friday, June 23, 2023, the Community Celebration will require the closing of the Township roads to accommodate the 5K run. The road closures could last up to (1) hour.

- Mudbrook Street from Wales to Drexel Ave beginning at 8:30 p.m. The remainder of the roads listed will close at 9:00 p.m.
- Courtland Avenue from Mudbrook Avenue to Cheryl Lane Street
- Cheryl Lane Street from Courtland to Cranford Street
- Cranford Street from Cheryl Lane Street to Vantage Hill Avenue
- Vantage Hill Avenue from Cranford Street to Cheryl Lane Street
- Cheryl Lane Street from Vantage Hill Avenue to Arlington Avenue
- Arlington Avenue from Fulton Road to Mubrook Street
- Greenwich Boulevard from Arlington to Old Bridge Street
- Old Bridge Street from Greenwich Boulevard to Abington Street
- Abington Street from Old Bridge Street to Arlington Avenue (to Windy Lane Street)
- Windy Lane Street from Arlington Avenue to Windward Trace Circle
- No access from Cliff Avenue until all runners have passed this point
- Windward Trace Circle to the 7800 Block, until all runners have entered the park

# **JACKSON TOWNSHIP'S HIGH GRASS/NOXIOUS WEEDS POLICY**

As you all have noticed, Jackson Township has had an unusually wet spring. And with all that rain brings rapidly growing grass and weeds to kick off the mowing season.

Jackson Township has a policy that stipulates how high your grass can get before you're in violation of the policy with the length being between 8 and 12 inches. Once the Township receives a complaint in writing from another resident you can expect to receive a courtesy letter from our office letting you, the property owner, know how long you have to correct the situation or to at least contact us and let us know if there are extenuating circumstances that we are unaware of. If we do not hear from the property owner within the allotted time frame the Board of Trustees will then pass a Resolution to mow the property for you and send you a copy of the resolution via certified mailing and/or certificate of mailing. After the required amount of days are past we will send out someone to mow. We will continue to mow every thirty (30) days until October 31, if needed. The costs to mow are \$400 minimum for mowing and an additional \$150 for administrative fees for each time we send someone to mow. These costs will then be sent to the Stark County Auditor to be placed on your property taxes.

It is also important to remember not to blow grass clippings into the street. Grass clippings in the

street ultimately end up in a storm drain were they can build up and cause drainage issues and localized flooding. Keep grass clippings in the lawn and out of the street.

Please also note that our Weed Policy does not cover flower beds, trees and/ or limbs, overgrown bushes, etc. The policy is solely for grass and weeds in the yard.

If you have a complaint you would like to make, you can do so on the Township's website, www.jacksontwp.com (click Departments, click Zoning & Planning, click Complaint Forms) and fill out the required information. You may also email me directly at msmith@ jacksontwp.com or drop a letter anonymously at the Jackson Township Administration Offices located at 5735 Wales Avenue NW, Massillon, OH 44646. All complaints must be in writing.

Mary Smith, Legal Assistant





# TEMPORARY PARKING BAN

The following streets will need one side of the street marked with no parking signs to facilitate access by emergency response vehicles. This temporary parking ban will need to commence on June 21, 2023 through June 24, 2023:

- Courtland Avenue from Mudbrook Street to Cheryl Lane Street
- Cranford Street from Cheryl Lane Street to Vantage Hill Avenue
- Vantage Hill Avenue from Cranford Street to Cheryl Lane Street
- Cheryl Lane Street from Vantage Hill Avenue to Arlington Avenue
- Greenwich Boulevard from Arlington Avenue to Old Bridge Avenue
- Old Bridge Avenue from Greenwich Boulevard to Abbington Street
- Windy Lane Street from Arlington Avenue to Windward Trace Circle
- Windward Trace Circle from Windy Lane Street to Windward Trace Circle rear park entrance

# YARD WASTE & DEBRIS SITE

The Yard Waste and Debris drop off site in South Park will be open Thursday, June 22, 2023, and then close

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and remain temporarily closed until noon Sunday, June 25, 2023. This will accommodate the fire safety concerns of the fireworks on Friday and Saturday, and allow for cleanup on Sunday.



# STARK SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT UPCOMING EVENTS

# WATER STEWARDSHIP AT THE WILDERNESS CENTER

Properly managing rain water and surface runoff from hard surfaces is a critical component of environmental stewardship. Learn how The Wilderness Center manages and protects rain and storm water through naturally occurring features such as wetlands and native plants as well as man-made techniques such as rain barrels, composting, and rain gardens.

July 15 (12:30 p.m.) at 9877 Alabama Ave SW, Wilmot Register for the workshop by visiting wildernesscenter.org/inspire\_events/

# **RAIN GARDENS**

Join Stark Soil & Water at Stark Parks Exploration Gateway to learn about green infrastructure practices such as rain gardens, and how you can become a Master Rain Gardener!

July 24 (6:00 p.m.) at 5712 12th St NW, Canton Register for the workshop by visiting starkparks.com/certifiedbackyardhabitat/

# **EASTERN OHIO GRAZING COUNCIL**

Interested in improving your grazing operation? Go on pasture walks with Eastern Ohio Grazing Council on the 4th Thursday of the month.



Next pasture walk in Stark County is July 27 More information can be found at facebook.com/EasternOhioGrazingCouncil/



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Call 330-451-7645 for availability and to learn more. 2650 Richville Dr. SE., Suite 100 Massillon, OH 44646

# 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 costeffective 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 22,000 Jackson Township homes and businesses.

# **NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING RATES**

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# REMINDER THAT ELECTRIC RATES WILL BE INCREASING

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)** -<u>FirstEnergy</u> 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 <u>Public Utilities Commission of Ohio</u> (PUCO) has a <u>Energy Choice</u> <u>Ohio</u> 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 <u>entire website</u> 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 thirdparty 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."

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