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*An Invitation from your  
Jackson Township Officials*

### 2024 JACKSON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

The Community Celebration will be held on **June 19, 20, 21, and 22, 2024** 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 come out and celebrate your Jackson Township community with your family, friends, and neighbors.

There will be seven 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 a wide variety of 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 ½ mile fun run will 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.**



**FARMERS MARKET**  
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**JACKSON NORTH PARK**

## Come out and support your local farmers during the Summer Farmers Market!

*The Farmers Market will return for 2024 on Thursdays and will be held in the parking lot off of Community Parkway.*

**The Farmers Market will be open every Thursday from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. beginning July 11 through September 26.**

Jackson Township is actively seeking high-quality vendors to join our market. Please visit our website [www.jacksontwp.com](http://www.jacksontwp.com) for more information including the vendor applications and rules and regulations.



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# Jackson Township Fire Department News



**Tim Berczik, Fire Chief**

## CHIEF'S MESSAGE

Jackson Township is well underway with all of our summertime activities; the high school graduation has commenced and Safety Village was once again a huge success. As we gear up for the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater Concert Series, Community Celebration, July 4th fireworks events, as well as all of the Pro Football Hall of Fame festivities, the Jackson Township Fire Department (JTFD) has engaged in a year-long process of conducting a form of strategic planning. Being extremely community oriented, the department wants to ensure that the safety needs are being met and exceeded.

Strategic planning evaluates what an organization needs to continue doing, along with exploring opportunities for improvement. The JTFD has always been staffed with state-certified firefighters and EMT/Paramedics. Through the years, the department has increased the number of state-certified Fire and EMS certified instructors. These instructors ensure that, not only our members, but also those from neighboring departments, obtain relevant and current continuing education opportunities related to many threats encountered, such as the increased demand for lithium ion batteries. (Side note, we had several residential fires in 2023 related to these batteries.) The department has a staffed fire prevention/fire investigation bureau made up of state-certified life safety inspectors. A majority of our company officers have earned this certification in order to recognize potential fire hazards, along with the process in place to address such issues.

Having just discussed these items at all department levels, one of the items we will be focusing on is personnel development. The department hosts training, both internally and statewide, in officer development. This initiative is to provide depth into the needs of the fire service, the department, and the Township as a whole.

Jackson Township is a community that draws many to want to live within and raise their family. As a result, our fire department is one that draws highly motivated, quality people. We are very proud of the men and women that serve you. *Have a fun, and SAFE summer.*

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Captain Damon Gallucci, Firefighter Myron Shoup and Firefighter Kristopher Hendershot have been recognized by the Cleveland Clinic Mercy Medical Center Emergency Department for the care provided to and the pre-notification of an incoming stroke patient.

## JACKSON TOWNSHIP FIREFIGHTER TRAINING

### Aerial Apparatus Operations

The Jackson Township Fire Department recently completed a training with the City of Green and Coventry Fire Departments for Aerial Apparatus Operations. The training was conducted by the Ohio Fire Academy.



**Firefighter Chip Vincent**

Additionally, per the National Safety Council, fireworks start an average of 18,500 fires each year, including 1,300 structure fires, 300 vehicle fires and nearly 17,000 other fires.

### Carbon Monoxide and Boating Safety

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 CO 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 CO.

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.

### Tips to prevent marine CO poisoning:

- 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 CO 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.

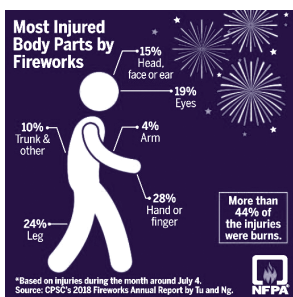
## SEASONAL SAFETY MESSAGE

### Fireworks Safety

Fireworks are often used to mark special events and holidays. The safest way to view fireworks is to attend a professional show. It is important to know that fireworks are potentially not safe in the hands of consumers. Fireworks cause thousands of injuries each year.

### National Fire Protection Association Facts:

- More than 19,500 reported fires are started by fireworks annually.
- Burns account for 44% of the 9,100 injuries treated in emergency rooms seen in the month around July 4.
- Half of the fireworks injuries seen at emergency rooms were extremities: hand, finger, or leg. One-third were to the eye or other parts of the head.
- Children ages 10–14 had the highest rate of fireworks injury, with more than one-third (36%) of the victims of fireworks injuries under age 15.
- Sparklers account for roughly one-quarter of emergency room fireworks injuries.



# Community Outreach and Education

## Business Expo

The Jackson Township Fire Department and many other local businesses attended the Business Expo at the Kent State University, Stark Campus Conference Center presented by the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce. Deputy Chief Kai Rieger, Battalion Chief Seth Rieger, and Inspector Ralph DeChiara attended for the Fire Department.



**Inspector Ralph DeChiara, Deputy Chief Kai Rieger, Battalion Chief Seth Rieger**

## Elementary School Visits

Fire can be fascinating and scary to kids of all ages. They may be curious about fire or want to emulate their grown-ups' behaviors with matches or lighters; but as adults and firefighters know, a single match can start a devastating home fire. It is essential to teach children fire safety basics at an early age to prevent tragedies and to stay safe. Meeting firefighters and learning about their role in the community, installing fire alarms, playing educational games and practicing a fire escape plan are all ways to help kids understand fire safety basics.



**Firefighter Gary Fogle**

So that it isn't scary or overwhelming, the Jackson Township Fire Department has been visiting the Jackson Local Elementary schools to help them learn that firefighters are friends and to teach fire safety basics.

## CPR for the Jackson High School Clinical Healthcare Class

Jackson High School Juniors from the Clinical Healthcare program have been CPR trained through the Jackson Township Fire Department.



**James and Emily**

## High School Egg Drop Challenge

The Jackson Township Fire Department assisted Mr. Robison's High School class with their egg drop challenge. Students were tasked with designing a landing craft that protects their fragile egg passenger when dropped from Tower-1 extended at nearly 100 feet high.

*Some were impressively successful, congratulations.*



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## RETIREMENTS

After over 28 years at the Jackson Township Fire Department, Firefighter Bart Archinal is retiring. He leaves as he looks back upon almost 40 years of serving in emergency medicine. As part of Local 2280, Bart has served as Union Secretary and also an Honor Guard member. Though he is retiring, he will continue to be visible as he

plans to grow and expand his pressure washing business. More importantly, Bart will have more time to spend together with his wife Gwen of 30 years and their two daughters Paige and Peyton.



**Firefighter Bart Archinal and Fire Chief Tim Berczik**

*Best Wishes and enjoy the warm beaches and blue waters of wherever you escape to!*

## NEW HIRES / RETIREMENT

### New Hires

#### Stacie Rhodes (EMS Billing)

Stacie Rhodes has joined the Fire Department as a full-time Ambulance Billing Specialist. She was previously employed with a local medical billing office for 38 years. Stacie grew up in North Canton and married her high school sweetheart. She is very familiar with the fire community as her husband is a North Canton Firefighter. Stacie's hobbies include thrifting, attending flea markets and doing anything outdoors. She also enjoys spending quality time with her family and neighbors. She is passionate about spreading awareness and educating all about the dangers of carbon monoxide while boating.



Stacie Rhodes

### Five New Firefighters

"I, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of Full-Time Firefighter/Paramedic of the Jackson Township Fire Department". The oath recently taken by Brandon



Fire Chief Tim Berczik with Firefighter Jacob Ricketts, Firefighter Brandon Lucas, Firefighter Brandon Bryan, Firefighter Jack Keim, and Firefighter Joe Turnbo

Bryan, Jack Keim, Brandon Lucas, Jacob Ricketts and Joseph Turnbo.

This firefighter oath requires new members of the Jackson Township Fire Department to fulfill all the responsibilities of their position without hesitation. In other words, they must put aside any political biases, treat everyone

fairly, respect diverse opinions and follow all rules and regulations. These firefighters must respond immediately to an emergency and do their job to the best of their ability. They are heroes who will risk their lives to rescue people from burning, smoke-filled buildings that could collapse at any moment, provide advanced prehospital medical care and also serve the community as one of the most civic-minded undertakings that can be done outside of serving in our military. Taking this oath is to remind them of the solemn commitment they are making.



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# Jackson Township Police Department



Police Chief Mark Brink

## **POLICE CHIEF MARK BRINK**

With the arrival of warmer weather, outdoor activities are in full swing, and our neighborhood streets are bustling with children at play. The Jackson Township Police Department is committed to ensuring the safety of all residents, especially our youngest community members.

To help protect our neighborhood kids from speeders and promote safer streets, we want to remind residents of our portable speed sign program. These signs display and record vehicle speeds in real-time, serving as a proactive measure and visual reminder for drivers to slow down and adhere to posted speed limits.

Signing up for the portable speed sign program is easy. Simply submit a request via phone call or email to the Jackson Township Police Department. Please include your name, the requested area (*including cardinal direction if applicable*), and a contact email if you would like to receive the digital records from the speed sign.

Once your request is received, it will be placed on the deployment waiting list and scheduled for placement in your neighborhood at or near the specified location. These signs are invaluable tools and play a crucial role in identifying problem areas for increased enforcement that help our officers address speeding concerns effectively.

We encourage all residents to submit their requests soon, as slots for the portable speed sign program fill up quickly. Together, we can work to create safer streets and protect our children from the dangers of speeding vehicles.



**If we can be of any assistance, please contact the Jackson Township Police Department at [www.jtpd.com](http://www.jtpd.com) or phone (330) 834-3960**

**Thank you,  
Chief Mark Brink**



## Protecting Our Community: **Crime Prevention TIPS**

As your dedicated law enforcement agency, the Jackson Township Police Department is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of our Township. One of the most effective ways to achieve this goal is through proactive crime prevention measures enacted by not only our officers, but by the community as a whole. By working together, we can create a safer environment for everyone to live, work, and play. In this article, we'll share some practical crime prevention tips to help you protect yourself and your property from potential threats.

### **1. Secure Your Home:**

Ensure all doors and windows are locked when you leave your home, even if only for a short time. Invest in sturdy locks for doors and windows, as well as a security system or cameras for added protection. Keep shrubs and trees trimmed to eliminate potential hiding spots for burglars.

### **2. Be Vigilant in Your Neighborhood:**

Get to know your neighbors and look out for each other. Report any suspicious activity to the Jackson Township Police Department immediately.

Join or start a neighborhood watch program to collectively monitor and deter criminal activity in your area. Install outdoor lighting and motion sensors to illuminate dark areas around your home, deterring potential intruders.

### **3. Protect Your Personal Belongings:**

Avoid leaving valuables such as laptops, smartphones, or packages visible in your car. Lock them in the trunk or take them with you.

Lock your car doors, even when parked in your driveway. Theft is often a crime of opportunity, and decreasing a criminal's opportunity to victimize you will often lead them to move on to an easier target. When shopping, keep your purse or wallet secure and be aware of your surroundings, especially in crowded or busy areas.

### **4. Stay Informed and Educated:**

Stay informed about local crime trends and incidents by signing up for neighborhood alerts such as NIXLE, the Nextdoor app, or the Neighbors app if you have a Ring doorbell.

Educate yourself and your family about common scams and fraud schemes targeting residents, and be cautious when sharing personal information online or over the phone.

Attend community safety events and workshops hosted by the Jackson Township Police Department to learn more about crime prevention strategies and resources available to you.

### **5. Report Suspicious Activity:**

Trust your instincts and report any suspicious activity or individuals to the Jackson Township Police Department immediately. Your quick action could help prevent a crime from occurring.

Provide as much detail as safely possible when reporting suspicious behavior, including descriptions of individuals, vehicles, and any relevant circumstances.

As community members, you play a crucial role in keeping our Township safe, and your cooperation is invaluable to our efforts. By implementing these crime prevention tips and staying vigilant, we can work together to deter criminal activity and protect our community. Remember, safety starts with each one of us, and together, we can make a difference.

***If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Jackson Township Police Department at 330-834-3960 or our Dispatch Center at 330-832-1553. We're here to serve and support you in any way we can.***

**Stay safe, stay informed, and let's continue working together to keep our Township strong and secure.**

## NEW OFFICER HIRED

We would like to introduce you to Officer Jena Dugan.



Police Officer Jena Dugan and Police Chief Mark Brink

Officer Dugan was hired as a full-time officer for the Jackson Township Police Department and is working through the field-training program. Officer Dugan started her career as a Corrections Officer with the Stark County Sheriff's Office and shortly after, attended the

Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy where she became a Certified Peace Officer. Officer Dugan worked as a Deputy Sheriff until she left to work as a Police Officer for Summa Health Protective Services where she became a Corporal. Officer Dugan then left Summa in 2023 to further her law enforcement career as a Police Officer for New Philadelphia Police Department where she stayed until she was then hired by the Jackson Township Police Department.

When Jena is not working, she enjoys reading, lifting and competing in half marathons. She recently signed up for her first duathlon and looks forward to competing in that event. *Please join us in welcoming Officer Jena Dugan!*



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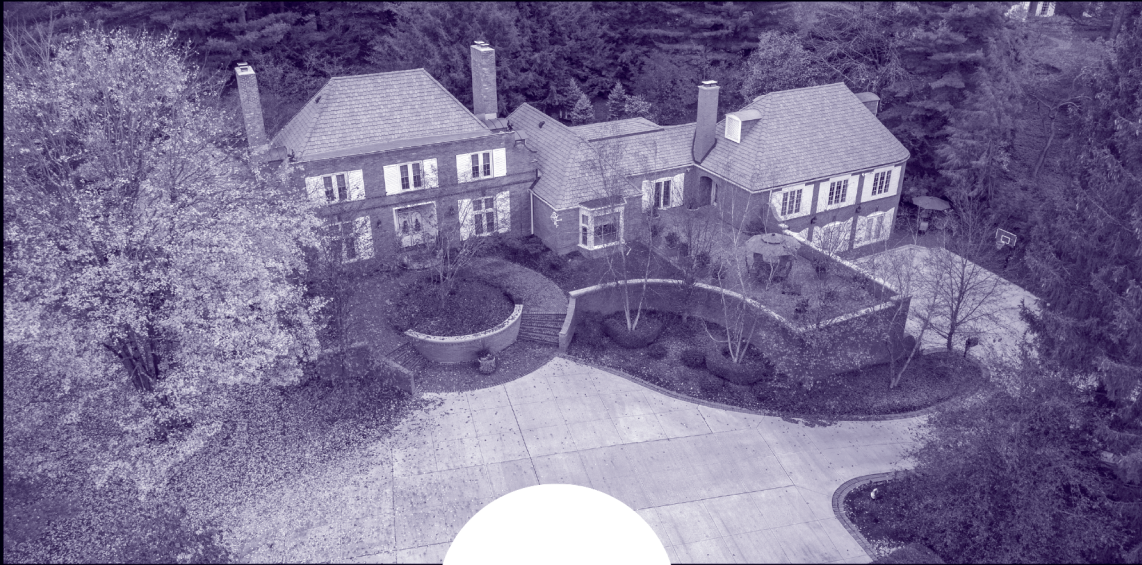


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# PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

## Jackson Township Public Works Dept. - Highway Division



**Rich Rohn**  
Public Works Director

### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

The Public Works Department consists of four different divisions within the Township. Each have made strides and continue to provide the much desired services to our residents. The Central Maintenance

Division includes three Mechanics, three Building Maintenance workers and a Superintendent. Our Highway Division includes sixteen Labor Specialists, a Foreman, an Inspector and a Superintendent. The Parks Division consists of seven Crew Leaders, a Park Superintendent, a Recreation Superintendent and one 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 of 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 and projects taking place within all Township owned and operated buildings.

### Highway

The Jackson Township Highway Division has had the ability to start many projects early this year due to the weather. Curbing and catch basin repairs are underway, as well as minor asphalt repairs for areas within this year's resurfacing program.

As part of an updated permit process within this division, we have been able to work hand-in-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 work 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 continues to make strides with our parks. Many projects were accomplished last year, which include all earthwork and seeding being completed at Schuring Park, and three ball fields were re-constructed. Projects that are being worked on this year are the resurfacing of both tennis courts and interior parking lots within North Park along with the renovating of three more ball fields. We are also reviewing some ideas to revamp the North Park Playground area by expanding it to the north and updating some of the current features within and around it.

### Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater



Amphitheater LED Video Wall

As the 2024 season is upon us, some new features will be noticeable within the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater. The new Concession/ Restroom Facility was opened for our final show last season and will be in full operation this year. A new Front of House structure was constructed this off-season which houses both our sound and lighting staff, and a new 30' x 10' video wall has been installed on the east wall of the Amphitheater. This was made possible by the generous donation from the Nash Family last season.

**General Admission tickets are \$10 and are available by visiting [www.jacksonamphitheater.com](http://www.jacksonamphitheater.com).**

### SOUTH PARK YARD WASTE SITE HOURS

*The yard waste site is open 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.*

### 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.

If you have any questions regarding these items or others, please call our office.

# ROAD CLOSURES:

## STARTING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2024 THROUGH SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2024

Fulton Drive, N.W., between Wales Rd (*State Route 241*) and Cliff Ave., will close to both eastbound and westbound traffic daily on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 at 5:00pm, Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 5:00pm, Friday, June 21, 2024 at 4:00pm & Saturday, June 22, 2024 at 1:00pm. 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 21, 2024

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.

1. Mudbrook Street from Wales to Drexel Ave beginning at 8:30 p.m. The remainder of the roads listed below will close at 9:00 p.m.
2. Courtland Avenue from Mudbrook Avenue to Cheryl Lane Street.
3. Cheryl Lane Street from Courtland to Cranford Street.
4. Courtland Avenue south of Cheryl Lane Street.
5. Ruth Lane Avenue south of Cheryl Lane Street.
6. Cranford Street from Cheryl Lane Street to Vantage Hill Avenue.
7. Vantage Hill Avenue from Cranford Street to Cheryl Lane Street.
8. Cheryl Lane Avenue from Vantage Hill Avenue to Arlington Avenue.
9. Arlington Avenue from Fulton Road to Mubrook Street.
10. Greenwich Boulevard from Arlington to Old Bridge Street.
11. Old Bridge Street from Greenwich Boulevard to Abington Street.
12. Abington Street from Old Bridge Street to Arlington Avenue (to Windy Lane Street).
13. Windy Lane Street from Arlington Avenue to Windward Trace Circle.
14. No access from Cliff Avenue until all runners have passed this point.
15. Windward Trace Circle to the 7800 Block, until all runners have entered the park.

# Construction / Projects for 2024

## Central Maintenance

- The Safety Center geothermal system has undergone a complete flush for the first time since the building was constructed and our staff is continuously working to make it better.
- Many other building upgrades are taking place this season which include new roofs, new driveways, sidewalks and interior updates with painting, flooring and cameras.

## Highway Division

- **Resurfacing:** The bid has been awarded to Superior Paving to complete roughly 16.5 miles of roads within the Township for the amount of \$1.6 M.
- **Curbing Replacement:** The bid has been awarded to T.R. Snyder to compete roughly 6,000 linear feet of curbing for \$289,381.20.
- **Restriping of Roadways:** Project went out to bid on May 14.
- Many road drainage projects will be taking place within the Township to address bad or worn out culvert pipes and catch basins. Most of this work will be completed within our repaving program prior to new asphalt being laid.
- **Community Parkway Lighting:** All poles have been installed and we are working with Thompson Electric and First Energy to complete the project. These poles mimic the poles you see on both Wales Avenue and Fulton Drive.
- The Keck Park Circle NW intersection project has been completed.

## Parks Division

- **Tennis Court Resurfacing:** The six older courts within North Park went out to bid on May 14. This will also include the “butterfly” parking lot in North Park
- **North Park Playground Upgrade:** The Township is currently reviewing options to upgrade the playground, which includes an expansion to the north area inside the fence, as well as new equipment. This would also include updating the surrounding area.
- **Ball field renovations:** After completing three fields last fall, three more will be scheduled this season.
- **Schuring Park Phase I has been completed.** Phase II is currently under review and includes items such as asphaltting the roadways and parking lots.

# NEW HIRES

The Central Maintenance Division hired Building Maintenance worker, Justin Lipscomb



The Public Works Department hired General Laborer, Grant Ford



*Welcome to Jackson Township!*

# 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 18, 2024 through June 22, 2024:*

1. Courtland Avenue from Mudbrook Street to Cheryl Lane Street.
2. Cranford Street from Cheryl Lane Street to Vantage Hill Avenue.
3. Vantage Hill Avenue from Cranford Street to Cheryl Lane Street.
4. Cheryl Lane Street from Vantage Hill Avenue to Arlington Avenue.
5. Greenwich Boulevard from Arlington Avenue to Old Bridge Avenue.
6. Old Bridge Avenue from Greenwich Boulevard to Abington Street.
7. Windy Lane Street from Arlington Avenue to Windward Trace Circle.
8. 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 Wednesday, June 19, 2024, and then close and remain temporarily closed until noon Sunday, June 23, 2024. This will accommodate the fire safety concerns of the fireworks on Friday and Saturday, and allow for cleanup on Sunday.



# 2024 JACKSON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CELEBRATION



June 19 through June 22, 2024

Wednesday, June 19 | 6:00pm to 11:00pm

- 8:00pm Live Entertainment: The Scenic Route

Thursday, June 20 | 6:00pm to 11:00pm

- 8:00pm Live Entertainment: That 80s Band

Friday, June 21 | 5:00pm to 11:30pm

- 6:00pm Live Entertainment: Trailer Park Ninjas
- 8:30pm Live Entertainment: In The Heartland
- 9:00pm Kid's 1/2 Mile Run/Walk
- 9:30pm 5K Night Glow Run/Walk

Saturday, June 22 | 1:00pm to 11:30pm

- 1:00pm Live Entertainment: COMPASS
- 6:00pm Live Entertainment: The Ladies Night Band
- 8:30pm Live Entertainment: Disco Inferno
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# Parks and Recreation Division



**Michael Danner**  
Parks Superintendent

### PICKLEBALL

North Park has eight Pickleball Courts available for both open play and reservations. All eight courts are open to the public with open play rules and policies to ensure fair play. The open play policy and procedures are located at the courts in the information kiosk. Courts #1-#4 are available to reserve while courts #5-#8 will remain open to the public for open play as much as possible pending township specific approved events and programming. The community is encouraged to enjoy the pickleball courts and take part in several upcoming pickleball program opportunities such as tournaments, leagues, and clinics.



**Mick Ryan**  
Recreational Superintendent

### CAR SHOW

The Annual Jackson Township Car Show is back again! The Car Show will take place in the Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater parking lot on Friday, July 19. The Car Show will include categories and prizes, along with food and beverage sales. We will be welcoming a DJ for the event to add to the festivities! The event will be sponsored by local businesses. Car Show details with categories will be posted on the Township website and Facebook page. If you would like to be entered into the car show or for additional information, contact Blackhorse Motors at 330-809-6674 or bhmohio.com.

### CREATIVE MOVEMENT

Join the fun and get moving! Barb Craven, former owner of Craven Dance Studio, will once again be instructing this fun summer program at the North Park David Ruwadi Pavilion. 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 necessary. Dates and times will be announced on our website ([www.jacksontp.com](http://www.jacksontp.com)) and our Facebook Page.



### JACKSON PARKS & PARK HOURS

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.*

### JACKSON RUGBY

This unique youth flag rugby program is in its second year and has expanded with popularity! Jackson Rugby has two youth divisions consisting of a K-2nd Grade Division and a 3rd-5th Grade Division. All practices are held in North Park with matches being held in Jackson Township and various locations throughout Stark County. Be on the lookout for additional Jackson Rugby programming and join the fun!

## 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.



## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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

- Haunted Hayride: October 19, 2024
- Holiday in the Park: December 14, 2024
- Letters to Santa: December 1-15, 2024
- Youth Soccer Clinics: Summer
- Youth Rugby
- Pickleball Tournaments and Leagues

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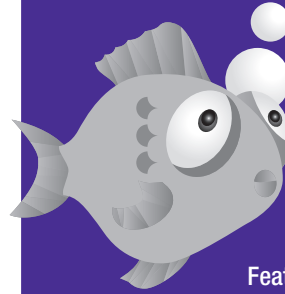


## ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS



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 [scurlutu@jacksontwp.com](mailto:scurlutu@jacksontwp.com). Or call Shelby Curlutu at 330-832-7416, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Thank you

## FISHING DAY 2024



Fishing Day was another huge success as 120+ participants enjoyed the free community event catching several different types of fish. Young anglers caught Trout, Bass, and Bluegill for prizes and bragging rights! A special thank you to sponsors Fin Feather Fur and Berkeley Fishing who provided prizes as well as MCTV, Sonic, and McDonald's. We greatly appreciate the support!



## YOUTH SOCCER CLINIC FREE

Get your kicks in and get ready for the fall soccer season. All skill levels are welcome as drills and challenges will be modified easily depending on different skill levels and experience. Soccer fundamentals, footskills, techniques, positions, and game like scenarios will all be experienced and much more during the clinic! Don't wait to register as registration is limited! Registration is required, so please contact Mick Ryan, at 330-832-2845 for more information.

6-9 year olds: Monday, July 15 & Wednesday, July 17 from 5:00pm-6:15pm (South Park)

10-13 year olds: Tuesday, July 16 & Thursday, July 18 from 5:00pm-6:15pm (South Park)

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**GENERAL ADMISSION TICKETS ARE \$10 AND AVAILABLE AT [WWW.JACKSONAMPHITHEATER.COM](http://WWW.JACKSONAMPHITHEATER.COM)**

**FRI 7/19: Jackson Car Show [Free to attend] | THU 8/8: Böaterhead Band [Free]**

# Jackson Township Zoning & Planning Department



**Joni Poindexter**  
Zoning Inspector

## PLATTING A SUBDIVISION

When a subdivision is proposed to be platted, a preliminary site plan must be submitted to Stark County Regional Planning for review and approval. Stark County Regional Planning forwards a copy of the plan to pertinent departments such as Jackson Township Zoning, Jackson Township Fire, Building, Health, Sanitary Engineering, Soil and Water Conservation, Stark County Engineering, and Access Management as well as other pertinent departments for review and comments. Jackson Township Zoning is just one step in the process and

reviews the preliminary plan to ensure it meets the zoning requirements for the district in which it is located. Stark County Regional Planning reviews all comments received from the departments and, although the preliminary plan could be denied, normally the preliminary plan will receive conditional approval based on certain conditions. Upon meeting all conditions per the comments received, a final plat is submitted to Stark County Regional Planning for approval. Upon receiving approval, the plat can be recorded and zoning and building permits can be obtained.

**Within the past year the following preliminary plans have been submitted to the Township for approval:**

- **Julian Farms:** 56 Single Family lots (*R-R Rural Residential and R-1 Single Family Low Density Residential District*)
- **Hawk's Ridge:** 93 Single Family lots (*R-R Rural Residential District*)
- **The Glens of Jackson:** 62 Single Family lot (*R-1 Single Family Low Density Residential District*)
- **Eastlake Meadows/aka Frank Farm:** 83 Single Family lots (*R-R Rural Residential District*)

## NEW HIRES

Please welcome Assistant Zoning Inspector, Megan Stangelo and Zoning Investigator, Edward Ash to the Jackson Township Zoning Department.

Megan graduated from Marlington High School and Bowling Green State University where she received her Bachelor's Degree. Megan was previously employed with the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce where she had the pleasure of planning many events, including the Balloon Classic located in Jackson Township. She enjoys wedding planning, traveling, boating and camping.

Edward graduated from Timken Sr. High School and the Art Institute of Pittsburgh with an Associate's Degree. Edward previously worked in code enforcement. He is married and has three children, one granddaughter and another grandchild on the way. He enjoys camping, going to the beach, kayaking and playing pickle ball.



**Megan Stangelo**



**Edward Ash**

## VARIANCE REQUESTS TO THE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Any property owner who wishes to apply for a variance from the zoning resolution has a right to do so by filing an application with the Board of Zoning Appeals. The board reviews each application to determine if it complies with the purpose and intent of the zoning resolution and evidence demonstrates that the literal enforcement of the resolution will result in a practical difficulty. The following factors are considered and weighted by the Board of Zoning Appeals in determining a practical difficulty.

1. Whether special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land or structure involved and which are not applicable generally to other lands or structures in the same zoning district; examples of such special conditions or circumstances are: exceptional irregularity, narrowness, shallowness or steepness of the lot.
2. Whether the property in question will yield a reasonable return or whether there can be any beneficial use of the property without a variance.
3. Whether the variance is substantial and is the minimum necessary to make possible the reasonable use of the land or structures.
4. Whether the essential character of the neighborhood would be substantially altered or whether adjoining properties would suffer substantial detriment as a result of the variance.
5. Whether the variance would adversely affect the delivery of governmental services such as water, sewer, and trash pickup.
6. Whether special conditions or circumstances exist as a result of actions of the owner.
7. Whether the property owner's predicament feasibly can be obviated through some method other than a variance.
8. Whether the spirit and intent behind the zoning requirement would be observed and substantial justice done by granting a variance.
9. Whether the granting of the variance requested will confer on the applicant any special privilege that is denied by this regulation to other lands, structures, or buildings in the same district.

When submitting for a variance the answers to the aforementioned criteria, in writing, shall be submitted with the application and other pertinent information as the criteria is reviewed and must be considered by the Board of Zoning Appeal prior to determining if the request should be denied or approved. The variance application fee is \$500.00 and is non-refundable.

The Board of Zoning Appeals shall not have the authority to permit a use where such use is not permitted by the resolution.

Decisions by the Board of Zoning Appeals granting or denying variances shall be final within the Township. Anyone who does not agree with the decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals has the right to appeal the decision to the Court of Common Pleas within thirty (30) days of the date of the decision.

## PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

The Ohio Revised Code 505.86 provides the Board of Trustees the authority to remove, repair, or secure buildings or other structures in the Township that have been declared insecure, unsafe, or structurally defective or uninhabitable. Your property is a valuable asset so it is important to keep it free of debris and ensure all structures are in a safe, secured and in a habitable condition not only to protect the value of your property, but also to protect your neighbor's property values and ensure that Jackson Township continues to be a great place to live.

# Jackson Township Historical Society (JTHS)



The JTHS is located at 7756 Fulton Drive in the one room schoolhouse originally called the Jackson Center School. The schoolhouse was built around 1860 and is one of the five original schools still standing. The JTHS rescued the building in 2000 when it was donated with the provision that it be moved. Dedicated volunteers and businesses hoisted the building on a truck and drove it through North Park to its current location.

A basement was dug, the second story removed, and a new roof was put on. New windows, an addition and a parking lot were added. Flooring was added with wood from a chicken coop, and the bell tower was handmade by Dr. Steve Hickman and installed on the roof.

Thousands of items have been donated to JTHS to preserve history. As caretakers of these items, they take pride in preserving them according to the best archival practices. The archival supplies are expensive. A fundraiser titled "Christmas in July" or "Adopt a Box" is in the planning process. Community members who care to make a monetary donation can donate an archival box or drawer.

Their names would be listed as donors on that space. Money can also be donated to the general archival fund. This is a way you can help preserve the artifacts that were donated to JTHS, which is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

JTHS would like to thank everyone who donated to the fundraiser to purchase a professional document/book scanner. Large photos, documents, newspapers, maps, and more can now be safely digitized for easy access.

Volunteers recently updated the siding on the addition and the trim with money raised from "Beat North Canton Heritage Society Fundraiser" last October. Thank you for your support that allowed us to Beat Hoover. Hopefully, next year will be a repeat win. The money raised will go to the building fund for future repairs.

You are invited to visit our booth at the Jackson Community Celebration. Money raised from selling popcorn, cotton candy and pop, at the celebration will go to the general fund to help pay the bills.

Please visit the Jackson Center School. It is an opportunity to step into the past! You can help make a difference by donating items or providing financial support. Future Polar Bears need your help!

*For up to date information visit [www.jacksontwphistory.org](http://www.jacksontwphistory.org) and [www.facebook.com/jacksontwphistory](http://www.facebook.com/jacksontwphistory).  
All programs are held at JTHS - 7756 Fulton Road, Massillon, OH 44646*

## Open House – Jackson 1951-2000

July 7 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## Open House – Jackson 2000-present

August 4 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
September 8 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
October 6 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## Military History Roundtable

July 11 • 7:00 p.m.  
August 1 • 7:00 p.m.  
September 5 • 7:00 p.m.  
October 3 • 7:00 p.m.

## Jackson Teachers, Past and Present

August 11 • 1:00 p.m.

## Bells Across America with the Canton DAR

September 17 • 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Barn Painter Robert Kroeger  
& Members meeting

## McGuffey Kid's Club: Native Americans

October 14 • 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

## Annual Membership Meeting & Voting

October 15 • 7:00 p.m.

## Haunted Jackson

October 19 • TBA

## Memory Lane

October 22 • 7:00 p.m.

*All of these events are open to the public. Admission to events and programs are \$5 for age 14 and up unless otherwise posted, members are free. Volunteers work Mondays 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. - Noon (go to back door and ring doorbell).*

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## SUMMER STORMWATER TIPS

*Now that summer is officially here, and the kids are out of school, outdoor activities such as swimming, fishing, car washing and lawn care are a part of our everyday activities. All of these activities have one central thing in common: they impact our waterways in Jackson Township.*

### PROTECT OUR WATERWAYS

In an effort to protect our valuable waterways that become summer recreation sources during hot weather and the organisms and fish that live in them, the Township would like to provide some tips to residents for controlling water pollution from stormwater discharges:

- Do not dump anything in the storm sewer, such as antifreeze, cleaning supplies, motor oil, paint, etc.
- Do not use excessive amounts of pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers on your lawn.
- If you live adjacent to a waterway, do not mow up to the ditch or stream bank; leave a tall grass buffer to minimize runoff and erosion.
- Install a rain garden to minimize runoff and treat stormwater with attractive native plants.
- Make sure no chlorine is present in pool or spa water before draining the structure. Discharge the water slowly over an open grassy area, not into a stream or storm sewer system.

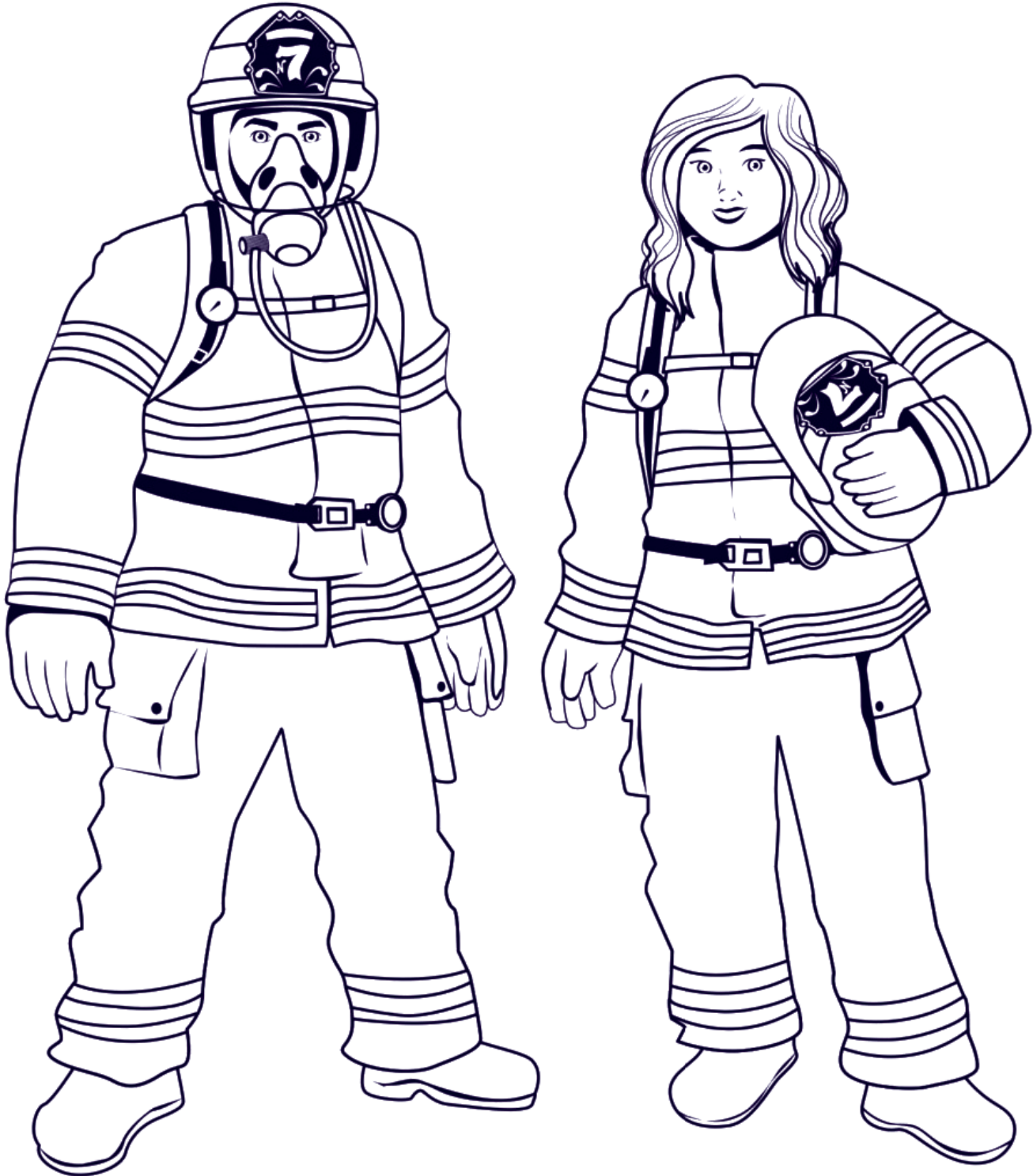
- Pick up after your pet; pet waste contributes significant amounts of bacteria to our waterways. Dispose of pet waste in the trash.
- Pick up litter to keep our storm sewers and waterways clean.
- Reuse stormwater by collecting it in rain barrels to water plants later.
- Stormwater runoff is most effectively controlled by slowing the water down and allowing it to infiltrate back into the ground slowly. Install pervious pavement, such as paving blocks, grid pavers, pervious concrete or pervious asphalt so water will infiltrate and not immediately run off.
- Take care to absorb spilled fluids from auto maintenance using absorbent towels or kitty litter. Dispose of these items in the trash.
- Wash your car on the lawn or take it to a commercial car wash to minimize pollutant runoff.

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