



# Jackson Township

## Newsletter

SUMMER  
2025

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*A Message from your Jackson Township Officials*

## Summertime in Jackson Township

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**Community Celebration  
will be held on**

**JUNE 18, 19, 20  
& 21, 2025**

**Located  
on Fulton Road**

*An Invitation from your  
Jackson Township Officials*

### 2025 JACKSON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

The Community Celebration will be held on **June 18, 19, 20, and 21, 2025**. We're excited to share that this year's celebration will be happening on Fulton Road! Mark your calendars and plan accordingly as Fulton Road will be shut down for the entirety of this event.

Join us for one of Jackson Township's biggest and most beloved events - the Annual Jackson Community Celebration! This four-day festival is the perfect opportunity to gather with family, friends, and neighbors to celebrate all that makes our community special.

Browse our new Celebration Market located along Fulton Road and enjoy six free concerts at our popular Amphitheater throughout the weekend. Grab your chairs or blankets and

get ready to kick back and listen to great live music under the open sky.

Bates Brothers Amusement will be back with thrilling rides, exciting games, and fun attractions for all ages. Kids will love the bounce houses and inflatables, and there will be plenty of hands-on activities for everyone to enjoy. Plus, come hungry - a wide variety of food vendors will be serving up delicious eats all weekend long.

On Friday night, lace up your sneakers for the popular **5K "Night Glow"** Run and Walk! The 5K kicks off at 9:45 p.m., and the Kids' ½ Mile Fun Run starts at 9:00 p.m. - it's a glowing good time for all ages!

Then, don't miss the grand finale: a spectacular **FIREWORKS** display lighting up the sky on Saturday night.

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## *New in Jackson Township!*

The Township is pleased to announce the donation of fourteen (14) hanging flower baskets to the Jackson Township Parks Division from Olinger Landscapes.

The baskets will be planted with bubble gum pink wave petunias. The carefully selected floral arrangement is designed to enhance the park space and add aesthetic appeal to our community, contributing to a more welcoming and visually pleasing environment for both residents and visitors. The hanging flower baskets will be installed on the street light posts in North Park mainly along Community Parkway. This donation by Olinger Landscapes is part of an ongoing commitment to make Jackson Township a great place to live, work and play.

Over the course of the growing season, Olinger Landscapes has agreed to undertake the care of the baskets. The floral arrangements are expected to last into September, and possibly October depending on temperatures. We trust that these enhancements will be appreciated by all who live in the township and visit North Park.

This marks Nick Olinger, of Olinger Landscapes, second project with Jackson Township. Last year, Nick played a critical role in the redesign of the holiday decorations that align Fulton Dr., and Wales Ave.

*Please thank Olinger Landscapes and their staff members  
should you have a chance to see them in North Park  
caring for the baskets.*



# OLINGER

## LANDSCAPES





**Tim Berczik, Fire Chief**

## CHIEF'S MESSAGE

*After a wet, drawn-out spring, we're finally diving into another summer full of Jackson activities!*

Safety Village just wrapped up, and both our Jackson Township police and fire department members spent the entire week educating and interacting with 120 enthusiastic young grade-schoolers on all things safety. It was exhausting, but worth every minute spent with them. Congratulations to all of our high school graduates! It was exciting to be on-hand, helping oversee the safety of this special event.

Other summer happenings around the township include the weekly Nash Family Amphitheater concerts, the upcoming Community Celebration, the Italian-American Fest, and the Chamber Balloon Classic, which kicks off Stark County's Annual Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Week.

With so much going on, we want to emphasize the importance of putting down that cell phone or tablet and spending time with family and friends. Enjoying time in our beautiful parks keeps us healthy and clears our minds. Soak up these sunny days!

**As a reminder:** due to recent changes in the distribution and sale of fireworks throughout Ohio, please be safe and smart. Think about the people and structures around you. By state law, fireworks may only be discharged during the summer on: Juneteenth, July 3rd-5th, the weekends before and after July 4th, and Labor Day weekend. As awesome as they look, fireworks are still explosives. Please use them responsibly.

Lastly, the Jackson Township Fire Department would like to thank all of our residents for their continued, overwhelming support. The passage of the fire levy this past May allows us to continue protecting and growing right along with the township. The funds from this renewal levy help provide equipment, apparatus, and staffing with the most qualified firefighter/paramedics. We are honored and privileged to protect our Jackson Township community 24/7/365. *Have a fantastic, safe summer.*

## FIRE/EMS EXCELLENCE:

### SWAT-Medics, Certificates of Commendation:

Firefighter/Medics Scott Applegate and Marc Taylor were recognized with Certificates of Commendation for their outstanding service as SWAT-Medics on the Canton Regional SWAT team. Their dedication, skill, and courage in high-stress situations make a difference.



**Pictured: SWAT-Medic's Scott Applegate and Marc Taylor**



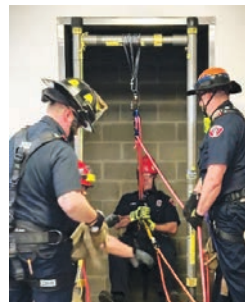
**Pictured left to right: Firefighter Chad Wackerly, Firefighter Corey Korosa, Jarrod Wachter and Captain Gary Harrison**

### CPR / AED

We're incredibly grateful to the quick-thinking bystanders at AWP Safety who sprang into action when a male co-worker went into cardiac arrest. Their immediate response (performing CPR and using an AED) made a critical difference until our Jackson EMS crews arrived and took over care.

Thanks to their efforts, and the rapid response of our EMS team, he received advanced life support in the field, has recovered with his family, and is already back to work. This is exactly why CPR and AED awareness is so important!

## JACKSON TOWNSHIP FIREFIGHTER TRAINING:



### Elevator Rescue:

**Pictured left to right: Firefighters Patrick O'Donnell, Nick Batdorff, and Captain Ryan Sullivan.**

## HIRES / RETIRES / PROMOTIONS:

### Promotions:

**Captain Adam Gladysz**



**Pictured Left to Right: Fiscal Officer Kody Gonzalez, Chairman Todd Hawke, Captain Adam Gladysz, Vice Chairman Justin Hardesty, and Trustee John Pizzino**

### New Hires:



**Pictured Left to right: Kevin Rieger, Jared Baer, Tanner Jones, Adam Wracher, Mack Kistler, Josh Bliss, and Ronnie Milam.**



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# SEASONAL SAFETY MESSAGE

## Grilling

There's nothing like outdoor grilling. It's one of the most popular ways to cook food. But a grill placed too close to anything that can burn is a fire hazard. It can be very hot, causing burn injuries. Learn simple tips and you will be on the way to safe grilling.

- Place the grill well away from overhanging branches according to the manufacturer's instructions
- Place the grill a safe distance from lawn games, play areas and foot traffic
- Keep children, pets, and anything that can burn like food wrappers, an oven mitt or towel, at least 3-feet away from open flames and the grill
- Use long-handled grilling tools to give the chef plenty of clearance from heat and flames
- ✓ Have an adult present at all times when a campfire or grill is burning. Keep the fire small and never leave a fire unattended!



## Pool & Swimming Safety

Splashing, laughing, having fun, that's what water play is all about! But safety comes first. When kids are in or around water, adults need to stay close and stay focused. Skip the scrolling, save the texts—your full attention is the best way to keep them safe!



## Fireworks, Fun to Watch, Dangerous to Handle

Fireworks cause thousands of injuries each year.

Celebrate with these fun, safe alternatives instead:

- Glow Sticks: Safe and fun for all ages.
- Outdoor Movie Night. Set up a projector and screen.
- Make a patriotic craft.
- Red, white and blue silly string...fun for all ages.

[nfpa.org/fireworks](http://nfpa.org/fireworks)

Despite the excitement they bring, few people truly understand the risks that come with fireworks, including devastating burns, serious injuries, house fires, and even death.

Each year, a moment of fun can quickly turn into a tragedy. The safest way to enjoy fireworks is to attend professional displays and leave the lighting to the experts.

From all of us at the Jackson Township Fire Department, please stay safe, be smart, and celebrate responsibly this summer.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND EDUCATION: Elementary School safety programs



Pictured: Firefighter Jeremy Marzilli



Pictured: Firefighter Bob Domer



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# Jackson Township Police Department



*Police Chief Mark Brink*

## SUMMER SAFETY TIPS FROM THE JACKSON TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

As summer settles in across Jackson Township, our community comes alive with outdoor fun, pool parties, and backyard barbecues. While we're all enjoying the season, your police department wants to share a few important reminders to help keep everyone safe, respectful, and ready for a great summer.

### Beat the Heat: Stay Cool, Stay Safe

Ohio's summer heat can be intense, especially during July and August. Here are a few quick tips to keep you and your loved ones safe:

- ✓ Never leave children or pets in a parked car. Even with the windows cracked, temperatures can rise to dangerous levels within minutes.
- ✓ Stay hydrated and wear light-colored, breathable clothing during outdoor activities.
- ✓ Check in on elderly neighbors or family members, particularly during heat advisories.
- ✓ If you see someone who appears to be in distress from the heat, call 911 immediately.

### Drive with Care – School's Out

With school out for the summer, children are spending more time outdoors - riding bikes, playing in driveways, and walking to parks.

- ✓ Slow down in residential areas and pay close attention at intersections and crosswalks.
- ✓ Watch for kids on bikes or scooters, especially in the early evening hours.
- ✓ Be extra careful backing out of driveways—kids can be hard to see.

*Our officers will be patrolling neighborhoods with a focus on safe driving.*

*Help us keep our streets safe for all.*

### Fireworks: What You Need to Know

Under Ohio law, consumer fireworks may now be discharged during specific holidays, including: July 3rd, 4th, and 5th, The weekends immediately before and after July 4th, The first Monday of September and the Saturday and Sunday immediately preceding that day. The hours of use on each of these days are restricted to 4pm to 11pm

Here in Jackson Township, we follow all state guidelines. Please remember:

- ✓ Only adults 18 or older may legally discharge fireworks.
- ✓ Fireworks must be set off on your own property or with permission from the property owner.
- ✓ Be respectful of neighbors, pets, and those sensitive to loud noises—especially veterans and individuals with PTSD.
- ✓ Clean up any debris from fireworks after use.

*For more information on Ohio's fireworks law, visit: [com.ohio.gov/fireworks](http://com.ohio.gov/fireworks)*

## BEHIND THE SCENES:

### JACKSON TOWNSHIP POLICE CRASH RECONSTRUCTION TEAM

When a serious injury or fatal crash occurs in Jackson Township, a specialized team from the Jackson Township Police Department steps in to investigate. Led by Lieutenant Jason Coppock, our Crash Reconstruction Team brings a high level of training, precision, and cutting-edge technology to these complex scenes.

The team is comprised of Detective Steven Hagge and Field Training Officer Anthony Richardson, both of whom have undergone extensive schooling and certification to qualify as crash investigators. Their work plays a critical role in understanding how and why crashes occur, and in some cases, provides crucial evidence for legal proceedings.

One of the primary tools used by the team is Trimble Forensics Capture software. At the scene of a crash, investigators take meticulous GPS measurements of vehicle positions, roadway markings, debris, and other key evidence. These data points are then plotted and overlaid onto satellite imagery, providing an accurate visual representation of the crash site.

This digital reconstruction allows investigators to determine factors like vehicle speed, crash angles, and points of impact—all of which are essential to fully understanding the events that led up to the crash. The precision of the equipment ensures the integrity of the investigation and supports the prosecution of offenders and enhances traffic safety in our community. Although their work may go unseen by most residents, it is vital to keeping our roadways safe and holding drivers accountable when serious accidents occur.



### HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE SUMMER!

We're proud to serve this community and hope everyone enjoys a fun, safe, and restful summer here in Jackson Township. As always, if you need us, we're just a call away.  
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*Thank you,  
Chief Mark Brink*

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# OFFICER SPOTLIGHT:

## SGT. NICHOLAS C. HESSE



**Sgt. Nicholas Hesse with  
Police Chief Mark Brink**

Please join us in congratulating Sgt. Nicholas Hesse on his recent promotion to Sergeant of Road Patrol at Jackson Township Police Department. With nearly two decades of law enforcement experience, Sgt. Hesse brings a wealth of knowledge, tactical skill, and mentorship to his new role.

His law enforcement career began in January 2007 with the Mascotte Police Department, serving a small but growing bedroom community just outside of Orlando, Florida. In 2009, he joined the Citrus County Sheriff's Office, where he made a lasting impact—

serving on SWAT for three years and training new recruits as a Field Training Officer for another three.

In 2017, Sgt. Hesse and his family relocated to Northeast Ohio, where he joined the Jackson Township Police Department. Over the last several years, he has continued to lead from the front—serving as a Field Training Officer for six years and as a member of SWAT for four. He holds instructor certifications in Defensive Tactics, Chemical Munitions, and Less-Lethal Tactics, and is an OPOTA-certified Sniper.

In 2023, he received a Merit Award with Jackson Township Police, recognizing his dedication and performance. That same year, he was assigned to the Detective Bureau, focusing on crimes against children—bringing compassion, tenacity, and investigative skill to some of the department's most sensitive cases. His promotion to Sergeant in 2024 is a testament to his leadership and unwavering commitment to public service.

Outside of the uniform, Sgt. Hesse is a devoted husband and proud father of two sons. He enjoys practicing jiu-jitsu, spending time outdoors, and cherishes every moment with his family—who remain his greatest motivation and source of pride.

***Congratulations, Sgt. Hesse, and thank you for your continued service to our community!***

## NEW HIRE:

### **The Jackson Township Police Department recently hired another officer.**

Upon graduating from high school, he enlisted in the Ohio Army National Guard, where he was an infantryman. Officer Boggess served for 6 years with one deployment. After he finished his contract with the National Guard, he worked at the Summit County Sheriff's Office for almost a year before being hired by Jackson Township. Please help us welcome Officer Trevor Boggess.



**Police Officer Trevor Boggess and  
Police Chief Mark Brink**



# 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 the 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.

**REMEMBER - ONLY RAIN DOWN THE DRAIN!**



# 2025 Jackson Township Community Celebration

## JUNE 18 THROUGH JUNE 21, 2025

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18 | 6:00PM TO 11:00PM

- 8:00PM LIVE ENTERTAINMENT: NEW WAVE NATION

THURSDAY, JUNE 19 | 6:00PM TO 11:00PM

- 8:00PM LIVE ENTERTAINMENT: THAT 80S BAND

FRIDAY, JUNE 20 | 5:00PM TO 11:00PM

- 6:00PM LIVE ENTERTAINMENT: VINYL ARCADE
- 8:30PM LIVE ENTERTAINMENT: DISCO INFERNO
- 9:00PM KID'S 1/2 MILE RUN/WALK
- 9:30PM 5K NIGHT GLOW RUN/WALK

SATURDAY, JUNE 21 | 3:00PM TO 11:00PM

- 6:00PM LIVE ENTERTAINMENT: FOLLOW THE SUN
- 8:30PM LIVE ENTERTAINMENT: TRAILER PARK NINJAS
- SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT DARK (NO RAIN DATE)



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# Jackson Township Public Works Dept. - Highway Division



**Rich Rohn**  
Public Works Director

## Parks

With many projects currently underway in our Parks system, the staff completed the prep work for the North Park Playground by removing all the old wooden pieces that were part of the original installation at the park, as well as the earthwork which will house two of the new pieces. Along with this, the maintenance within North, South and Fisher Park continue. Kirk Schuring Park's proposed fall opening has given our staff the experience to be a part of its creation. Much work is still needed and will take place upon the completion of Phase II this spring.

## Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater

It's hard to believe we are starting our 4th year at this venue. The programming in 2025 provides something for all ages. From the Movies in the Park to Outback Ray's Amazing Animal Shows to both of our free and Summer Concert Series performances, something can be found for all ages at this venue.

*To see a full listing of these and other events, please visit our website at: [www.jacksonamphitheater.com](http://www.jacksonamphitheater.com).*



## PROJECTS FOR 2025:

### Central Maintenance

- **The Township's Safety Center** – A new chiller was installed in late April to replace the original system that was installed.
- Additional projects within Township buildings are being planned and executed.

### Highway Division

- **Resurfacing:** Bid was accepted for \$2.1 Million, which will consist of 18 miles of Township Roads.
- **Curbing Replacement:** Bid was accepted for \$260,000, which will complete roughly 6,900 linear feet of curbing.
- **Restriping of Roadways:** Bids are being prepared at this time.
- Many road drainage projects will be taking place within the Township to address non-functioning or worn out culvert pipes and catch basins. Much of this work will be completed within our repaving program prior to new asphalt being laid.
- **Fulton Drive Traffic Light:** This light is located at the entrance to Jackson High School, next to the Old School House. The light

originally went out due to being struck by lightning and resulted in many functions being removed. A new controller box has been purchased and we are awaiting delivery. Installation of the new controller box will take place shortly after it is received.

- **Ball field renovations:** This project is being placed out to bid with hopes that the remainder of Township owned ball fields will be completed. This is being funded through an Ohio Department of Natural Resource Grant.
- **Schuring Park Phase II:** With plans to open the park this fall, work is on-going and scheduled to be completed this year. The base asphalt has been laid and both the top coat and striping is scheduled this spring.
- **Lighting of the Pickleball Courts:** Quotes have been accepted and all products have been ordered. Work has begun and updates will be posted on our website as well.

### SOUTH PARK YARD WASTE SITE HOURS

*The yard waste site opened this year on Monday, March 1st.  
The following hours have been set:*

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

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

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### ROAD CLOSURES:

***Fulton Drive, N.W., between Wales Rd (State Route 241) and Cliff Ave., will close to both eastbound and westbound traffic daily commencing:***

- Monday, June 16, 2025, at 12:00 a.m., through Sunday, June 22, 2025 at 11:00 p.m.

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 20, 2025, 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 Abbington Street.
12. Abbington 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.

### 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, 2025 through June 21, 2025:***

1. Entirety of Ruth Lane Avenue.
2. Entirety of Courtland Avenue.
3. Cheryl Lane Street from Courtland Avenue to Cranford Street.
4. Cranford Street from Cheryl Lane Street to Vantage Hill Avenue.
5. Vantage Hill Avenue from Cranford Street to Cheryl Lane Street.
6. Cheryl Lane Street from Vantage Hill Avenue to Arlington Avenue.
7. Greenwich Boulevard from Arlington Avenue to Old Bridge Avenue.
8. Old Bridge Avenue from Greenwich Boulevard to Abbington Street.
9. Abbington Street from Old Bridge Avenue to Arlington Avenue.
10. Windy Lane Street from Arlington Avenue to Windward Trace Circle.
11. 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 18, 2025, AND THEN  
CLOSE ON THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2025,  
and remain temporarily  
closed until noon  
SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025.**

This will accommodate the fire safety concerns of the fireworks on Friday and Saturday, and allow for cleanup on Sunday.



## Parks & Recreation Division



**Michael Danner**  
Parks Superintendent

### NORTH PARK PLAYGROUND RENOVATIONS - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**North Park Playground Upgrade:** Our parks staff has completed the demo phase of removing the older pieces within the playground to make way for the new. Installation will take place late spring / early summer as all items have been ordered.

We are moving forward with the renovation, new entrance pillars were constructed and fencing filled the gaps where the pillars were removed. New entrance fencing was also installed. Hopefully by the time you read this the new equipment will be installed and phase 3 will be complete.



### JACKSON FARMERS MARKET ON THURSDAYS

The Farmers Market will return for 2025 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 10 through September 25. Jackson Township is actively seeking high-quality vendors to join our market. Please visit our website for more information including the vendor applications and rules and regulations.

### FACILITY RESERVATION INFORMATION NEW FOR 2025

All sports and events will require a permit. Applying for a permit is convenient and easy. To reserve a park pavilion, athletic field, tennis court, or pickleball court please visit our website at [www.jacksontwp.com](http://www.jacksontwp.com) and select Field/Court Application under the Parks and Recreation Division. In February, the Township implemented a new scheduling program called RecDesk. The new program will have a public calendar that displays "Everything" happening in the Jackson Township parks and Jackson Local Schools owned fields that the parks division maintains. The program operates like purchasing products online: you create an account, reserve a location, add it to your cart and check out.

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### SUMMER 2025

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### THE 2025 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES IS UNDERWAY

Presented by the Pro Football Hall of Fame, the 2025 Nash Family Jackson Amphitheater Summer Concert Series continues with plenty of great music this summer! Don't miss KennyLIVE - The Chesney Experience on 6/28, crowd favorite E5C4P3 - The Journey Tribute on 7/11 and new to our stage, Rush Tribute New World Men on 7/19 to round out July. After a break for the Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement festivities we return in August with 4x sellout Queen Flash on 8/16, the NFJA debut of Satisfaction - The International Rolling Stones Show on 8/23, returning crowd favorite Bon Jovi Tribute Living on a Bad Name on 8/30 and we'll close out the season with fan favorite Pink Floyd tribute Dark Side of the Moon on 9/6. Get your tickets now, as some shows will sell out. Visit [www.jacksonamphitheater.com](http://www.jacksonamphitheater.com) and click the ticketing button at the top of the page to get your tickets today.



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## Jackson Township Zoning & Planning Department



**Joni Poindexter**  
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### RESIDENTIAL NEW CONSTRUCTION AND ADDITIONS TO YOUR PROPERTY

With warmer weather upon us, it's that time of year where residents are starting construction projects on their property. When planning your projects remember to always check with the zoning department as most types of exterior residential construction or alterations and additions, with the exception of home repairs that do not involve structural changes, require a zoning permit. By obtaining a zoning permit, it not only ensures what you want to build is permitted on your property, but also ensures that any proposed structure per a submitted site plan and permit will be in compliance with the zoning regulations. Failure to obtain the proper zoning permit prior to construction may result in penalty fees in addition to the zoning permit fee or having to remove the structure if it is found to be non-compliant with the zoning regulations.

*Some of the most common uses that require permits include, but is not limited to, the following:*

- Additions to an existing building or structure
- Detached accessory buildings (except those that are 32 sq. ft. or less)
- Temporary carports
- Swimming pools
- Fences
- Hot tub
- Pergola's, arbors, gazebo's
- Temporary storage pods
- Outdoor wood burning furnaces and fireplaces
- Decks

*A permit is not required for a cement, block or brick patios.*

Many types of construction requires a building permit in addition to a zoning permit. Township residents should contact the Stark County Building Department at 330-451-1770 for information on building permits.

### ZONING APPLICATIONS AND PERMITS

Subdivision of Property Without Plat applications are required per Stark County Regional Planning

Commission for a lot split and also require a signature from the zoning department. Once the application is reviewed and signed off by the zoning department an invoice will be sent for payment. Upon payment the signed document will be emailed to the applicant along with the receipt for payment.

When submitting any application please remember to include your name, address, phone number, and email address on the applicant portion of the application.

For faster processing, electronic application submissions are preferred, but for those without access to a computer may request a paper application to apply for a permit.

Permit payments may be made with a credit card over the phone. Permits that are paid for over the phone or with a mailed check will be emailed to the applicant along with a copy of the receipt once the payment is processed. Payments can also be made in person by check or cash.

### TEMPORARY COMMERCIAL SIGNS FOR BUSINESS USE

Off-premises temporary commercial advertising signs are not permitted to be placed throughout the township and/or within the road right of way. A property owner has the right to remove any signs that are posted on

their property in violation of the zoning resolution. Temporary signs that are located in the road right-of-way and/or in violation of the zoning resolution are subject to removal by the township and disposed of at the townships discretion. Last year over 1,000 illegal temporary signs were removed from road right-of-ways within Jackson Township.



### RESIDENTIAL GARAGE SALE SIGNS

A permit is not required for a residential garage sale sign. However, garage sale signs shall not be posted on any utility poles and shall be a minimum of 10 ft. from the edge of pavement, curb or 5 ft. from the road right-of-way. Garage sale signs must be removed upon the conclusion of the sale. Any sign in violation is subject to removal by the township.

### TRANSIENT VENDORS

Transient vendors/solicitors are permitted to go door to door upon passing a back ground check and obtaining a permit. Vendors must have a badge and/or carry a copy of the permit with them at all times. Residents are encouraged to contact the police department regarding any vendor/solicitor who refuses to provide proof of verification of a permit and/or Identification when asked. Residents who do not want vendors/solicitors knocking on their door can obtain a "Do Not Knock" door cling from the township free of charge. Anyone who displays the "Do Not Knock" cling is encouraged to contact the police department if a vendor/solicitor ignores the sign and knocks on the door.

### MOWING OF GRASS & WEEDS

As a reminder, Jackson Township has a noxious weed ordinance. Grass and weeds must be cut and continually maintained May 1st through Sept. 30th.





## Economic Development



**Courtney Barson,**  
*Economic Development  
Director*

### CALLING ALL COMMERCIAL PROPERTY OWNERS AND LANDLORDS!

As Jackson Township continues to grow and thrive, collaboration with our local commercial property owners and landlords is more important than ever. I would like to invite you to schedule a meet and greet with me to discuss ways we can work together when welcoming new commercial tenants to our community.

One of the key topics I'd like to address is the importance of encouraging new businesses to proudly advertise their location as **Jackson Township**—not just their mailing address. As we

all know, many mailing addresses do not reflect our true community identity, and we want to ensure that businesses are helping reinforce the Jackson Township brand.

We're proud of who we are, and we want our businesses to share that pride. By working together from the start, we can help new tenants better understand the value of promoting Jackson Township as their place of business.

If you're a commercial property owner or landlord, please reach out to me directly to schedule a time to connect. I look forward to partnering with you!

**Courtney Barson**  
*Economic Development Director*  
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## LET'S CONNECT: BUSINESS RETENTION & EXPANSION CALLS



At Jackson Township, we value every business—big or small—that calls our community home. As part of our ongoing efforts to support local businesses, I'd love to connect with owners and managers for a quick Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) call.

These calls are a great way for me to learn more about your business, hear about your successes and challenges, and explore how the Township can better support your growth and long-term success. Whether you've been here for years or are just getting started, your insight is important to us.

If you're interested in scheduling a call, please don't hesitate to reach out.

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# Jackson Township HISTORICAL SOCIETY (JTHS)

*America 250 is Coming—And Jackson is Getting Ready!*



The official celebration of America's 250th anniversary will take place in 2026, but the festivities have already begun! To explore what's happening across Ohio, visit <https://america250-ohio.org>.

The Jackson Township Historical Society (JTHS) has joined forces with local historical societies, museums, libraries, and

other organizations throughout Stark County to produce a series of short films highlighting the area's rich history.

Currently, JTHS is showcasing a special exhibit titled **"Families and Farms"** running through **July 6**. This exhibit offers a unique opportunity to discover the early families who once owned the land where your home now stands. Several past prominent local families are featured in the display.

**Starting August 3**, our next open house will highlight the history of education in Jackson Township. Before 1930, one-room schoolhouses dotted the township landscape. One of the original schools, **Jackson Center School**, located next to Jackson High School, now serves as a cherished museum. When the schools were consolidated in 1930, a new central building was established on Mudbrook. Our upcoming exhibit will feature displays on all the local schools, as well as sports, band, and other school activities throughout the years.

For more information and to see future programs visit: [jacksontwpistory.org](http://jacksontwpistory.org) & [facebook.com/jacksontwpistory](https://facebook.com/jacksontwpistory)

## Events

**Tractor Show - Free:** June 21

**Open House: Families and Farms:** July 6 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Program: TBA & Membership Meeting:** July 15 • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**Open House: Jackson Schools:**

Aug. 3 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. • Sept. 7 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Oct. 5 • 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Program: Schools in Jackson - Sponsored by: Konovsky Builders:**

Aug. 7 • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**Program: What it takes to get a Patent by: Mike Rojas:**

Sept. 4 • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**McGuffey Kid's Club: TBA (registration required):**

Sept. 8 • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**Member Picnic and Meeting:** Sept. 14

**Bells Across America:** Sept. 17 • 3:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

**Robert Kroeger - Barn Panther - Free admission:**

Sept. 18 • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

**Program: What is AI and how to use it by: Mike Rojas**

Oct. 2 • 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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free for members and children**

As we prepare for the 250th anniversary, we're reflecting on all the reasons Jackson Township residents should be proud. Did you know Jackson was home to the first shopping center in Ohio and the first privately owned fish hatchery in the United States? It was once a vacation destination, a stop on the Ohio & Erie Canal and even had a railroad station. A stagecoach route passed through the township, and at one time, Jackson marked the western boundary of the United States. It was also the site of the world's largest known Paleoindian settlement.

The Jackson Township Historical Society wants to hear from **you**! Whether you've lived in Jackson your entire life or just recently made it your home, your story matters. As part of the **"In Their Words"** project for the America 250 celebration, we're collecting personal stories to help capture the spirit and history of our community—straight from the people who know it best.

Your story can be about a specific memory, a place that means something to you, or just your general experience living in Jackson. Interviews and personal talks will be part of this exciting project, preserving local voices for generations to come.

Everyone, everything, and every place has a story - **what's yours?** If you'd like to be part of "In Their Words," reach out to JTHS through our website. We'd love to hear from you!

From its agricultural roots to becoming one of the best places to live, Jackson's story is one worth preserving. At the Jackson Township Historical Society, we're committed to **"Preserving the past and Educating for the future"**. Please consider visiting the schoolhouse for an open house or a program. You can support the history of Jackson through membership or donations.

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**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:**

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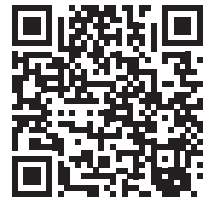
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
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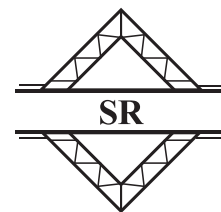


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**SECONDS COUNT IN EMERGENCIES.** To aid safety personnel in finding your home, residents are encouraged to purchase a 911 House Numbering Sign made of blue metal background and large white reflective numbers. Signs are \$20 for pickup at Station 2, or \$25 to be shipped anywhere in the continental United States, with proceeds benefiting the Jackson Township Safety Forces Associations. On-line registration is available under the Fire Department section at [jacksontownship.com](http://jacksontownship.com) or send this form to:



**JACKSON TOWNSHIP STATION 2**  
8500 Traphagen St. NW, Massillon, Ohio 44646

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
House Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
House Number Placement: ☐ Vertical ☐ Horizontal  
☐ Pickup at Station 2 ☐ Ship to address above