



Jackson Township *Newsletter*

SUMMER
2011

We make things happen!

An Invitation from your Jackson Township Officials

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We invite YOU to the 2011 Jackson Township Community Celebration in the Jackson Township North Park, Wednesday, June 15th through Saturday, June 18th.



Bring your family and friends out to enjoy one of Jackson Township's largest community celebrations! This is the summer to really celebrate your Jackson Township community with your family, friends and neighbors. Celebrate the reason why Jackson Township is a great place to live, work, play and raise a family.

During the Community Celebration four-day event, you can enjoy great free entertainment every night, as well as all the events. Attractions include rides with Bates Amusements, a 5K "Night Glow" run and Kid's 1/2 mile fun walk, a Car Show, wonderful food, a 3x3 Basketball Tournament, the Celebration of Strength competition, and lots of fun for everyone. So join us and celebrate our great Jackson Township community.

See a spectacular display of FIREWORKS on Saturday night.

STATE BUDGET CUTS CAUSE TOWNSHIP TO LOSE FUNDING!

The Board of Trustees and Fiscal Officer continue to work with our legislators to make sure they understand the negative impact that state budget cuts will have on Jackson Township. We have urged our legislators to provide alternate sources of revenue to local governments to replace the funding that is being cut. However, sufficient alternate sources have not been provided to us.

Under the proposed state budget, Jackson Township will lose between \$2.5 and \$5 million over the next two years. This will have a huge detrimental effect on all our departments, including the General Fund.

Your elected officials are looking ahead and will be re-evaluating and re-working 2011 department budgets at mid-year. Department budgets for 2012 will also be reviewed this summer to plan for the anticipated cuts from the state.

JACKSON TOWNSHIP TOWN HALL MEETING

The Jackson Township Board of Trustees will be hosting a town hall meeting this summer during the Community Celebration. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 16, 2011, from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the North Park at the Jackson Township tent.

Any residents with questions or concerns are welcome to attend.



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.



SAFETY COUNCIL NEWS

The Jackson-Belden Chamber of Commerce will continue the Western Stark County Safety Council for the 2012 season (July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012).

The Western Stark County Safety Council, one of three available in Stark County, meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m. The cost for lunch and a speaker addressing safety topics is \$10. Monthly safety classes, also held on a regular basis, are usually free to Safety Council members.

Safety Councils provide communities with quality programs addressing occupational safety and health, and workers' compensation and risk management information. They inform participants about new techniques, products, and services. In addition to the educational benefits of membership, employers actively participating in a safety council program may qualify for as much as a 4 percent workers' compensation premium rebate for the 2012 year.

**Learn more about Safety Councils
or become part of WSCSC,
visit www.westernscsc.org or call 330-833-4400.**

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

OCTOBER 9 - 15, 2011

Open House on
Sunday, October 9, 2011
2:00 - 4:00 pm

The Jackson Township
Safety Center
(Corner of Wales and Fulton)

*At 3:00 p.m., enjoy the
dedication of the restored
1953 GMC Fire Engine*





Tracy Hogue
Fire Chief

Jackson Township Fire Department News

Summer is almost upon us after a cold and snowy winter. We are all ready for the summer weather and related activities. The Jackson Township Fire Department would like to remind residents that with the nice weather brings fire safety concerns.

Fire in the grill, under hot dogs and burgers, is a welcome sight at the family cookout. But fire anywhere else can make your summer kick-off barbecue memorable for all the wrong reasons.

SAFETY TIPS

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and over hanging branches.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended.

CHARCOAL GRILLS

- There are several ways to get the charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel.
- If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
- Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use.
- When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.

PROPANE GRILLS

Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year. Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. A propane leak will release bubbles. If your grill has a gas leak, by smell or the soapy bubble test, and there is no flame, turn off the gas tank and grill. If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again. If the leak does not stop, call the fire department. If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill and call the fire department. Do not move the grill.

SUMMER FIREWORKS

The Jackson Township Fire Department is asking citizens to leave fireworks displays to the professionals while also reminding our residents that many fireworks are illegal to discharge in the State of Ohio.

“The best way for Ohioans to prevent fireworks injuries is to attend a licensed, professional fireworks exhibition,” said Chief Tracy Hogue. “Keep in mind that even trick and novelty fireworks, like sparklers, are dangerous and can cause serious injury.”

Fireworks, like bottle rockets and roman candles that are sold at fireworks stores around Ohio, can be legally purchased in the state, but must be taken out of Ohio for discharge. “You must be at least 18 years of age to buy items such as firecrackers and bottle rockets at the stores you see along the roadways of Ohio,” said Hogue. “But firing them off within state boundaries is strictly prohibited.”

Under Ohio’s fireworks law, stiff penalties can be applied for the illegal possession or discharge of fireworks. It is a first-degree misdemeanor for non-licensed individuals to discharge fireworks in Ohio, or to falsify an application when purchasing fireworks, or to possess them for more than 48 hours without taking them out-of-state. First-time offenders are subject to a \$1,000 fine and six months imprisonment.

The only types of fireworks that can be legally purchased and discharged in Ohio are trick and novelty devices. These include items that smoke, sparkle, snap and snake.

(Information obtained from Ohio Fire Marshal’s Office)



(Left to right) Fiscal Officer Randy Gonzalez, Retired Fire Chief Ted Heck, Trustee John E. Pizzino, Trustee William M. Burger, new Deputy Chief Timothy G. Berczik, new Battalion Chief Michael E. Sibila, new Deputy Chief Scott A. Morton, Fire Chief Tracy Hogue, and Trustee James N. Walters

FIRE DEPARTMENT PROMOTIONS

On Monday, March 28, 2011 two new deputy chiefs and one new battalion chief were sworn-in by the Board of Trustees.

On Monday, May 9, 2011 three new fire captains and one new battalion chief were sworn-in by the Board of Trustees.

(Left to right) Battalion Chief Sam Mallette, Captain Michael L. Crable, Captain Joseph P. Hafer, Captain David A. Seibert, and Fire Chief Tracy Hogue



FIRE DEPARTMENT RETIREMENTS

Deputy Chief Herb Shreiner retired April 1, 2011 after 45 years with the Fire Department. Herb started his career as a volunteer in 1965 and was hired full-time in 1976. Herb was one of four Assistant Chiefs from March 1977 until he was promoted to Deputy Chief in 1999. Herb will enjoy his retirement with his wife Jackie and their children and grandchildren.

Captain Ed Sensei retired April 20, 2011 after 35 years with the Fire Department. Ed started his career as a volunteer in 1970 and was hired full-time in 1976 with the original group of paramedics. Ed spent the last 10 years as Captain in charge of training for the department.

Battalion Chief Ed Miller retired May 20, 2011 after 35 years with the Fire Department. Ed was hired in July of 1976 and promoted to Captain on November 16, 1986. He was promoted to Battalion Chief on August 28, 1999. Ed will spend time with his wife enjoying their six grandchildren.

All of the retiring members of our Jackson Township Fire Department will be missed.



Herb Shreiner



Ed Sensei



Ed Miller

News From Your Jackson Police Department



David J. Zink
Police Chief

Within recent months, the Jackson Township Police Department has hired several new part-time police officers. Each of these officers is currently completing the department's Field Training Officer Program. A part-time police officer must complete all of the same training requirements that a full-time police officer completes. Annually, police officers are required to complete proficiency testing in several areas of discipline. Residents will not realize any difference whether the responding officer is part or full-time. All of the following individuals bring prior police experience and a high level of dedication. We have high expectations for these newly hired police officers. They are, Christopher Bader, Benjamin Elias, David Maslyk, Gene Matak, Dustin McDannold, Douglas Rheume, Tim Rice, Andrew Speight.

The department recently held a recognition meeting. Department awards for 2010 were given to several officers who distinguished themselves in the performance of their duties.

The **"Life Saving Award"** was given to Andrew Kneffler. Officer Kneffler, while on routine patrol in the early morning hours of March 30, 2010, observed smoke coming from an apartment complex. He rushed in calling out and waking residents averting certain tragedy.

Officer Dan Kunkel received the **"Merit Award"**. Dan responded to a despondent individual that had fired several gunshots. He was held up in a home and threatened to harm himself or others who interfered. Officer Kunkel, with a significant risk of harm to himself, spoke directly face to face to the subject, convincing him to put his weapon down and get help.

The **"Commendation Award"** was issued to Sgt. Jim Monigold. Sergeant Monigold, over the past year, has routinely demonstrated a selfless work ethic. He has developed Power-Point presentations for department programs, a video storage program, a policy regarding meth labs, and instructing officers on the use of radar, to mention a few. He has spent much of his own time developing these presentations.

The **"Chief's Award"** was awarded to Detective Jason Collins. Detective Collins consistently maintains a high level of professionalism. He is a leader on the department's Special Response Team. He is highly respected throughout the county because of his efforts in investigating and prosecuting those who harm our children. These types of cases are very difficult and require a special type of investigator.

Officer Josh Escola is the 2010 recipient of the **"Officer of the Year Award"**. Officer Escola is a very active officer, working primarily the afternoon shift. He is a member of the Special Response Team, Firearms Instructor and Field Training Officer. He made over four hundred traffic stops on the department's busiest shift. His effort in keeping our township roadways safe is only one reason for his selection. He often times receives praises from citizens he encounters while performing his duties.

All of the officers listed are a reflection of what we are striving for in providing service to our residents. The department's mission has not changed, however I did rewrite our mission statement to be more current.

"The Jackson Township Police Department's mission is to enforce the laws of the state of Ohio in a professional, unbiased manner and to provide courteous service to township residents and visitors".

BE SAFE

Finally, the sun is shining. With the warm weather, we see an increase in pedestrian traffic and children playing and riding bicycles on our roadways. I want to remind everyone to pay special attention when driving throughout the Township.

When working in your yards, keep doors locked and a watchful eye open for your neighbors; this is how we truly affect crime in our community. If you see anything that causes you suspicion, call the Jackson Township Police Department at 330-832-1553 and an officer will be dispatched immediately. The department contracts with the Regional Emergency Dispatch Center for dispatching services. The phone will be answered Jackson Township Police.

In closing, we want to encourage everyone to wave down a Jackson Township Police officer patrolling your neighborhood if you have any questions or concerns that need to be addressed. The Officer will be glad to assist you, or you can contact your Jackson Township Police Department at 330-834-3960 or at www.jtpd.com.

PARENTS, TALK TO YOUR CHILDREN

Recently, I had a conversation with a concerned parent regarding his daughter being home alone and a possible sex offender living nearby.

FIRST, registered sex offenders must maintain their current address with the Stark County Sheriff's Office. In checking the Sheriff's web site, there is a great deal of valuable information explaining recidivism rates and the offender tier system. Residents can search their neighborhoods for offenders. I want to reiterate what the site states as it relates to what you should do if there is a sexual offender in proximity to your home, and that is simply to be attentive and educate yourself and your family.

SECONDLY, and I feel most importantly, parents talk to your children, regardless of whether or not there is a documented offender living near your home. There are people that may not appear threatening or scary who may cause harm to our families. We need to educate our children that a family friend, relative or person of trust, may be someone that is capable of hurting them. Explain to them to trust their feelings and if someone makes them uncomfortable, to share their feelings with you. We are fortunate to have a full-time detective bureau in Jackson Township. Detective Jason Collins, in addition to his other investigations, specializes in child abuse and sexual assault type investigations. Anyone with any questions may reach out to him at 330-834-3960. We also have Officer Dave Trubisky assigned to the school system in the capacity of a School Resource Officer. His title encompasses his role; he is a resource for families and school personnel. He can be reached at 330-353-4052.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT CAMPAIGN

The 28th Annual National Night Out, **"America's Night Out Against Crime"**, a unique crime prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch, has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 2, 2011.

Come out and join the Jackson Township Police Department at the Jackson Township North Park on Tuesday, August 2, 2011 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in, local anti-crime programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

This is truly a family event, with finger printing, crime prevention information, and much more. Target is a partner in this effort, providing food and refreshments.

If you cannot attend this wonderful family event at the North Park, you can show your support by turning on your outdoor lights and porch lights.

We hope to see you on Tuesday, August 2, 2011.



(left to right: Chief David Zink, Sergeant Jim Monigold, Detective Jason Collins, Officer Josh Escola, Officer Dan Kunkel. Missing from photo Officer Andy Kneffler)

Jackson Township Highway Department News



Ralph E. Boger
Highway Superintendent

2011 CONSTRUCTION & PLANNING

Frank Avenue Improvement: An added northbound lane on Frank Avenue from Mega Street to Portage Street will be accompanied by intersection improvement at Frank Avenue and Portage Street, tapering back to two lanes at Bob O'Link. Construction bidding on the project is expected later this summer. This 1.1 million dollar project is

funded with an OPWC (Ohio Public Works Commission) grant plus Stark County Engineer and Jackson Township local funding.

Mt. Pleasant Street Bridge Replacement: The bridge on Mt. Pleasant Street between I-77 and Pittsburg Avenue will be replaced by the Stark County Engineer this summer.

The Orion Road and Pittsburg Avenue intersection: is expecting a traffic signal later this year by the Stark County Engineer.

Arlington Avenue storm sewer: construction will close Arlington Avenue between Fulton Road and Mudbrook Street this summer to serve advancing development and to further prevent flooding east of Arlington. This project is funded by Jackson Township.

- Traffic signal warrants are being studied by Jackson Township at Higbee Avenue and Munson Street, as well as Fulton Drive at Amherst Avenue.
- Resurfacing of approximately 13 miles of Jackson Township roadway will be completed this year.
- Curbing replacement will again be accomplished by contract on deteriorated curbing in the Township.
- Restriping by contract will take place late this summer on 40 miles of the higher traffic Jackson Township roadways.

NEW EQUIPMENT Two new Highway Department trucks will be put into service replacing the two oldest vehicles. New salt spreading equipment is being added to six trucks to electronically control the pounds of salt distributed per lane mile.

NEW HIGHWAY BUILDING A new structure is being added to shelter material and equipment. The Federal Clean Water Act, through the EPA, requires this shelter to prevent rain from forming leachate as it runs off the pile of street sweepings and old materials picked up from the roadways.

RECYCLING CENTER The Recycling Center area on Wales Avenue which was built in 1982 has received improved underground drainage and a new asphalt surface to the original area. Great effort is being put forth to make the Recycling Center appealing and acceptable in this very prominent and easily accessible location.

2011 Resurfacing Project

| STREETS TO BE RESURFACED IN 2011 | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| ROAD | FROM | TO |
| ACADIA | GLACIER | WEST END |
| ARLINGTON | ARLINGTON BRIDGE | 500' N. OF FULTON |
| BILLINGSGATE | NORTH END | SOUTH END |
| BIRKDALE | DUNBARTON WEST | NORTH END |
| BLOOMSBURY | NORTH END | SOUTH END |
| BLOSSOM CIR. | TRAPHAGEN | WEST END |
| BRADLEY CIR. | WHIPPLE | WEST END |
| BRUNNERDALE | PERRY | HILLS & DALES |
| BRYCE CIR. | ACADIA | EAST END |
| BUCKHORN | DEER TRACE | RED DEER CIR. |
| DEER TRACE | HILLS & DALES | THICKET |
| DUNBARTON EAST | SAINT ANDREWS | NORTH END AT DUNBARTON W. |
| DUNBARTON WEST | TWP. LINE | NORTH END |
| EASTLYNN | AMHERST | TRAPHAGEN |
| FARMDALE | ALLOTMENT LINE N. OF PINE RIDGE | MEADOWLANDS |
| FITZJAMES | DUNBARTON WEST | EAST END |
| GLACIER | KELLYDALE | NORTH ALLOTMENT |
| ISLAND DRIVE | LAKE O'SPRINGS | CURB AT HARBOR |
| ISLE CIR. | PARKFORD | WEST END |
| KELLYDALE | HYATT | TRAPHAGEN |
| LAKWOOD | BAYCLIFF | LAKE O'SPRINGS |
| LASSEN CIR. | KELLYDALE | N.W. END |
| MESA CIR. | EASTLYNN | S.W. END |
| PARKFORD | HYATT | WEST END |
| PINE RIDGE | BRYCEWOOD CIR. | EAST END |
| RANIER | EASTLYNN | NORTH ALLOTMENT |
| RED DEER CIR. | WHITE TAIL | S.W. END |
| SAILBOAT CIR. | LAKWOOD | NORTH END |
| SANDHURST | ISLAND DR. | N.W. END |
| SANDROCK CIR. | SANDHURST | N.E. END |
| ST. ANDREWS | BIRKDALE | EAST END |
| TETON CIR. | EASTLYNN | EAST END |
| THICKET | DEER TRACE | EAST END |
| TOBIN CIRCLE | PINE RIDGE | WEST END |
| TWICKENHAM | HARRIS | BILLINGSGATE |
| WHITETAIL | HILLS & DALES | NORTH END |
| ZION | RANIER | N.W. END |



(left to right) Highway Superintendent **Ralph Boger**, retired Highway Foreman **Rick Boak**, Highway Secretary **Patt Hippler**, and Trustee **John Pizzino**

CHANGING OF THE GUARD On May 9, 2011 retired Highway Foreman Rick Boak accepted his Service Award from Highway Superintendent Ralph Boger for his 32 years of dedicated service to the Jackson Township Highway Department and to the citizens of Jackson Township.



Victor Volpe

In Rick's place, the Board of Trustees has appointed Victor Volpe to assume the position of Jackson Township Highway Foreman. Victor comes to us with many years of valuable construction and management experience in local and surrounding areas. We welcome the opportunity he has to continue the high operational standards of your Highway Department under Highway Superintendent Ralph E. Boger.



Jerry Valentine

Jerry Valentine retired after 35 years of faithful service to the Jackson Township Highway Department. Jerry was a great backup support for Highway Foreman Rick Boak in his absence.

YARD DEBRIS DROP OFF AREA

This past spring was a busy one at the drop-off area in South Park, which is entered from Fulton Drive opposite Cliff Avenue.

The drop-off area is open seven days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the convenient drop-off of only biodegradable material. We cannot recycle demolition material, treated wood, stones, dirt, and any plastics or junk. A container is available for your plastic bags.

DROP OFF CLOSING NOTICE

The drop-off area will be closed June 17 at 6:00 p.m. through Saturday June 18, and the morning of June 19. This is required for fire safety concerns associated with the spectacular fireworks display for the Jackson Township Community Celebration.

Jackson Township Zoning & Planning Department News



Joni Poindexter
Zoning Inspector

UN-KEPT PROPERTIES

As you may know, there are many foreclosures within Jackson Township as well as in surrounding areas. Due to these foreclosures, the number of complaints regarding noxious weeds, high grass and un-kept properties has dramatically increased. The township currently has a noxious weed policy and nuisance legislation, which may be implemented to help alleviate problem areas; however, there are certain legal procedures the township must follow. Please be patient and assured that the problem will be addressed and every step will be taken to resolve these situations.

The noxious weed policy is in effect each year from May 1 through September 30 and requires a written complaint. This policy is applicable for any lot in a platted subdivision and other places of less than one acre in size. The purpose of the noxious weed policy is to control the spread of noxious weeds, wild parsnip, wild carrot, oxeye daisy, wild mustard, or other harmful weeds growing on lands in Jackson Township. Noxious weeds are defined as shatter cane (Sorghum bicolor), Russian Thistle (Salsola kali var. tenuifolia), or any plant designated a noxious weed by the director of agriculture.

Upon Jackson Township Trustees signing a public weed resolution, if within five days of receipt of the resolution the weeds are not cut and it is not shown to the Board why there is no need to cut the weeds, the Board of Trustees will be required, under ORC Sections 5579.06 and 5579.07 to mow the weeds and have the cost placed on the tax duplicate for the property. The Township's charge for mowing noxious weeds is \$150 per hour with a \$400 minimum charge. There will also be an administrative fee of \$150 placed on the tax duplicate for processing the resolution even if the township does not cut the noxious weeds.



The nuisance legislation is applicable throughout the year.

ZONING PERMITS

Prior to construction, zoning permits are required for all new construction and most types of exterior residential construction alteration and additions, including but not limited to, swimming pools, decks, gazebos and hot tubs. However, repairs that do not involve structural changes do not require a permit. Always check with the zoning department prior to any construction to ensure compliance with township zoning. Fences are regulated but do not require a permit. The zoning resolution book and zoning applications can be found on our website at www.jacksontpw.com under the Zoning Department page.

NEW BUSINESSES IN JACKSON TOWNSHIP

Ameridial is coming to 4875 Higbee Avenue NW. Ameridial is an inbound call center, which handles health insurance claims. Established in 1987, Ameridial employs roughly 600 people statewide, which includes 100 to 170 people at their new location in Jackson Township. The main Ameridial offices are located at 4535 Strausser Street NW, also in Jackson Township.

Some other new businesses in Jackson Township include:

- 5 Guys Burger & Fries: 6652 Strip Avenue NW
- El Rincon Restaurant: 5565 Wales Avenue NW
- B Loco Mexican Grill: 7216 Fulton Drive NW
- Howard Hanna Real Estate: 7166 Fulton Dr NW



Mercy Medical Center: 7337 Caritas NW



CVS Pharmacy/Minute Clinic:
7292 Fulton Drive NW

It is going to be a Great Summer in your Parks!



David R. Ruwadi
Park/Operations Director

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

All program registration forms and flyers may be obtained at the Jackson Township Administration Building. Program information and forms may also be found on our website, www.jacksontwp.com. For your convenience, registration forms may be dropped off after hours at our Evening Drop Off box, located next to the main entrance at the Jackson Township Administration Building on Wales Avenue. For additional information, please contact the Jackson Township Parks & Recreation Department at 330-832-2845.

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Games Galore

Tuesdays, June 21, July 5 & 19, and August 2
10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

North Park Shelter

Ages 9 thru 12 meet at the shelter for a different sport each session. Games include kick ball, dodge ball, baseball, soccer, volleyball, fishing, flag football, and basketball. This program is free for everyone. **Registration is required for this program, so register early!**

Picture Perfect

Fridays, July 22, and August 5
10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Held at the old school house on Fulton Road

Kids learn the basics of creatively constructing a page of their first scrapbook. Remember to bring your own pictures

or mementos to add a personal touch to your project! This program is offered at no cost and is designed for children 8 thru 15. **Registration is required.**

Annual Jackson Township Pet Parade

Saturday, July 9th

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

South Park- Bog Shelter

Ages 15 & younger can show off their favorite pets in the Jackson Township Pet Parade! (All pets are welcome!) Participants and their pets are encouraged to dress in costumes, although it is not required. Awards will be given in the following categories: Smallest Pet, Biggest Pet, Most Unusual Pet, Prettiest Pet, Owner & Pet Look-a-Like, Famous Hollywood Pet, Team Mascot, Judges Choice Award and more. This is a free event. **Pre-registration is required for this program, so register early!**

Registrants must obtain a copy of the rules prior to the date of the event. Registrations will not be accepted the day of the event.

Kid's Yard Sale

Saturday, July 30 - (Rain date August 6)

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

North Park

Buy or sell used children's clothes and toys still in good condition. Kids, ages 12 & under, will have the chance to experience what it's like to work in retail! There is a \$5 fee per table for this event. **You must pre-register for your space by Friday, July 22, as space is limited.** Limit of 2 tables per family. **Registrations will not be accepted the day of the event.** Not selling anything? Browse the selections and be prepared to purchase loads of great bargains! **There is no admission fee.**

ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Once again our Annual Easter Egg Hunt was a success. Despite the rainy weather, there were over 200 children, parents, and grandparents in attendance. Jackson Girl Scouts showed up early to assist the Easter Bunny in placing the eggs throughout Jackson North Park. Our safety services were on hand to help start the event with their sirens and finished the event with traffic control. The Easter Bunny was available for photos, and all who attended had a great time.



Ella Hutchinson & Bella Hyde

THE ROTARY CLUB OF JACKSON

You may have noticed the new white vinyl fence surrounding the pond in our North Park. Thanks to the Rotary Club of Jackson Township, who donated the fence last spring, this new fencing sets off the beautiful pond and adds to the charm of the North Park.



The Rotary Club of Jackson has been a generous supporter of our parks in the past, and we look forward to their continued support in the future. **Thank you very much to the Rotary Club of Jackson Township.**

HOOKED ON FISHING DAY A HUGE SUCCESS!



Largest Trout
Eva Adams and Grandpa
Bill Adams

Our annual Hooked on Fishing Day was held at the North Park on Saturday, May 7, with a great turnout. There were 120 children along with their parents and grandparents in attendance. Sponsors included Jackson Township Parks Department, Jackson Township Police Department "Hooked on Fishing Not on Drugs" program, Kames Sports, Gander Mountain, Massillon Walmart, and Berkley Fishing Team. Special guest Jimmy Jones from Bass Master was on hand to help the kids with their fishing skills. The Stark County Game Warden Mark Basinger stopped by with information on fishing rules and regulations.

Clawd the Crayfish stickers and Clawd's Clean Water Facts were distributed to all attendees as part of the Township's program to educate residents on storm water pollution prevention and maintaining clean water. A big thanks to all who attended.



Largest Trout - Jasmine Yoho



First Bass - Joe Keller

Prizes were awarded in the following categories:

- **Largest Fish** - Eva Adams won a tackle box
- **First Fish** - Nick Ellis won a new fishing rod & reel
- **Largest Trout (Boy)** - Triston Falcone won a new bike
- **Largest Trout (Girl)** - Jasmine Yoho won a new bike
- **12 ½" Trout** - Vianna Falcone won a new fishing rod & reel
- **First Bass (Girl)** - Kristi Thompson won a new fishing rod & reel
- **First Bass (Boy)** - Joe Keller won a new fishing rod & reel

Winners of the casting contest were Karli Walsh, Mitchell Bailey, Nick Ellis, and Kailey Bonniwell. They all won a new fishing rod & reel.

Arts in Jackson Park

The Jackson-Belden Chamber of Commerce announces the 3rd Annual "Arts in Jackson Park"



JACKSON NORTH PARK
SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 2011
11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

This wonderful art show showcases area artists who express their creative energy through paintings, photography, woodwork, glass pieces, hand-designed jewelry and much more. The event also features local performing arts groups to entertain and inspire our audience with dance and music. Children are welcome to visit our Children's Tent to express their artistic flare by creating a memorable item to take home.

Show times are scheduled throughout the day.
Admission and Parking are FREE!

"Arts in Jackson Park" is a "juried" art show, which offers the opportunity for you to see and purchase fine and original work produced by top-quality local artists from Jackson Township and surrounding areas.

"Arts in Jackson Park" is sponsored by the Jackson-Belden Chamber of Commerce and the Jackson Township Park Department. The event proceeds will benefit various charity organizations in the Jackson Township area, including the Jackson Township Park Department.

For information regarding renting artist booth space, contact Paula Blangger at pblangger@neo.rr.com.

For general information please contact the committee chair Tracy Rose at 330-284-6002 or Jackie Palmer, Jackson-Belden Chamber at 330-833-4400.



JACKSON COMMUNITY Celebration

June 15th through June 18th • Jackson Township North Park



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

Hours: 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Enjoy food concessions, Bates Amusements rides, games, and free live entertainment!

- Massillon Cable TV, Inc. - Polar Night
- Entertainment by LaFlavour - 7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 16

Family Night - Hours: 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Enjoy food concessions, rides, games, children's rides, live entertainment & more!

- Massillon Cable TV, Inc. - Starz Night

FRIDAY, JUNE 17

Hours: 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.

- 5:00 p.m. - Car Show
- Massillon Cable TV, Inc. - Hair Paint Night
- 7:30 p.m. - 5K Night Glow registration
- 8:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. - Entertainment by Jimmy and the Soul Blazers
- 9:15 p.m. - Kid's 1/2 Mile Fun Run
- 9:30 p.m. - 5K Night Glow Run/Walk begins

Also enjoy food concessions, rides, games, and children's inflatables!

SATURDAY, JUNE 18

Hours: 1:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.

Enjoy food concessions, rides, games, children's rides and more!

- 10:00 a.m. - 3x3 Basketball Tournament
- 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Celebration of Strength
- 1:00 p.m. Enjoy food concessions, games, children's rides
- Massillon Cable TV, Inc. - Sports Night
- 7:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. - Entertainment provided by Outlaw
- **Stick around for a spectacular display of FIREWORKS at dark. NO rain date.**

***For additional information,
please contact the
Jackson Township
Parks & Recreation
Department at***

(330) 832-2845

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL JACKSON-BELDEN FOOD FEST AND FIREWORKS ON JULY 29TH and 30TH, 2011

Every annual Food Fest and Fireworks event is bigger and better than previous years, and it is no different for 2011! There is something for every family member to enjoy.

The Children's Area features inflatables that offer a fun and safe environment for the children. Awesome bands will also be there to entertain the crowd. On Saturday night you will be able to enjoy a spectacular fireworks show.

THE BEST PART? The delicious FOOD from vendors in the area will tame your taste buds. You will find everything including corndogs, gyros, deep fried pies, stromboli, turkey legs, french fries, ice cream, wings and a whole lot more!

This event is held at the Kent State University Stark Campus located on Frank Avenue in Jackson Township. The event begins at 4:00 p.m. and concludes at 11:30 p.m. both Friday and Saturday.

The Jackson-Belden Food Fest and Fireworks is the largest event next to the Hall of Fame Parade. Come out and enjoy the tastes and sounds of summer here in Jackson Township, while enjoying the colors and shapes of the Balloon Classic Invitational also held at the Kent Stark campus! The Jackson-Belden Chamber of Commerce organizes this free family event as a kick-off for the Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival.

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 times a year with a circulation of approximately 22,000 Jackson Township homes and businesses.

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| One half (1/2) page: | \$ 500.00 |
| Full page: | \$1,000.00 |

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Please contact Mary Reno at 330-832-7416 for more information or visit our website at www.jacksononwp.com to download an application.

PAUL & CAROL DAVID JACKSON TOWNSHIP YMCA PROGRAMS



The YMCA is a great place for the family to be together!

Summer memberships - come check out the great value of a summer membership at The Paul and Carol David Jackson Township YMCA.

SUMMER PROGRAMS:

- 3 ½ to 6-year-old Pee Wee Soccer League
- Group Tennis Lessons & Private Youth Tennis Lessons - for 4 to 15 year olds
- Summer Youth Running Program - 4 year olds to 7th grade
- Youth Golf Lessons - 4 to 13 year olds
- Youth Lacrosse Classes - 1st to 8th grades
- Women's Group Golf Lessons
- Youth Swim Team

2011 DAVID YMCA HEALTHY FUN RUN FOR KIDS!

For all 12 years old and younger
Saturday, July 23, 2011

STRONG KIDS CARNIVAL:

Open to all in the community • Thursday, July 14
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. & 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The YMCA provides memberships, adult wellness classes, swim lessons, youth sports, and so much more. Stop in for a tour!

Many other adult and kids programs are offered. A family membership is a great gift for the family.

Call for more information on membership, programs, and pricing at 330-830-6275 or go to www.ymcastark.org

The Paul and Carol David Jackson Township YMCA is located at 7389 Caritas Circle NW, just south of the Wales and Fulton intersection.



Storm Water Seminar

Storm Water Public Involvement/Public Education (PIPE)

Committee of Stark County will Host an educational Rain Barrel and Riparian Buffer Workshop at the Plain Township Administration Building on June 22, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

At this FREE workshop, a representative from Stark Soil and Water Conservation District will give an educational presentation on how rain barrels can be utilized to catch rainwater runoff directly from rooftops. Rain barrel water picks up very few contaminants and can be used on lawns, gardens, car washing, and any other uses that would normally require water from your outside water faucet.

Several rain barrels will be on display at the workshop. One lucky person attending the workshop will receive a free rain barrel.

A representative from Northeast Ohio Four County Regional Planning & Development Organization (NEFCO) will discuss how a riparian buffer protects our waterways. Riparian buffers are areas

of trees, shrubs, and grasses located next to a stream, creek, or lake that act as an interceptor of sediment, nutrients, pesticides, and other materials in surface water runoff that get into our water ways. At the conclusion of the workshop a tour will be conducted at Plain Township's Alpine Park to view a riparian buffer.

Join us Wednesday, June 22, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Plain Township Administration Building at 2600 Easton Street NE to get valuable information on rain barrels and riparian buffers.

This workshop is FREE but does require registration. Call Plain Township's Administration Offices at 330-492-4689 for more information and registration.

The Farmers Market is returning to Jackson Township this Summer!

Jackson Township North Park will be buzzing again with farmers market vendors this summer.



The Jackson Township Park Department will be hosting a **weekly** Farmers Market on **Thursdays** from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. beginning **June 30 through September 29**.

North Park is located on Fulton Drive NW across from Jackson High School. The market provides a place for local growers to sell fresh and healthy foods, and to bring neighbors and friends together in the Jackson community. We invite all residents to the Farmers Market, while enjoying the summer weather in one of our great Jackson Township Parks.

"We make healthy things happen!"

VOTE FOR JACKSON TOWNSHIP- AMERICA'S FAVORITE FARMERS MARKET

The Jackson Township Farmers' Market is one of the contestants in the 2011 America's Favorite Farmers Markets contest hosted each year by American Farmland Trust. American Farmland Trust (AFT) has opened the voting to select "America's Favorite Farmers Markets" at www.farmland.org/vote. The online contest is a nationwide challenge to see which of America's farmers markets can rally the most support from their communities. Farmers markets are a vital link between local farms and their supporting communities, providing fresh and healthy food. By collaborating with farmers markets, American Farmland Trust is encouraging consumers to consider the importance of farmland and to support local farmers. Market shoppers can cast their vote in support of the Jackson Township Farmers' Market by visiting www.farmland.org/vote or the Jackson Township website at www.jacksonstwp.com.

JACKSON TOWNSHIP BRANCH LIBRARY SUMMER 2011 PROGRAMS



The Jackson Township Branch Library is offering many great summer programs for both adults, teens, and children. Summer programs begin in June and run through August.

For more information on the programs that are available call 330-833-1010.

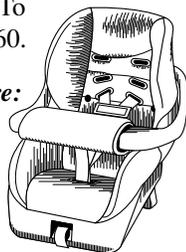
The Jackson Township Branch Library is located at 7487 Fulton Drive NW, Massillon, Ohio 44646 www.starklibrary.org

CHILD SAFETY SEAT INSPECTION

Child car seat inspections and installations are held at the Jackson Safety Center at the corner of Fulton and Wales. To schedule an appointment, please call 330-834-3960.

Future dates for inspections and installations are:

- Tuesday, July 5
- Monday, August 1
- Tuesday, September 6
- Monday, October 3



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911 HOUSE NUMBERING

Seconds count in emergencies. To aid safety personnel in finding your home, residents are encouraged to purchase a 911 House Numbering Sign made of blue metal background and large white reflective numbers. A \$15 fee is required with proceeds benefiting the Jackson Township Safety Forces Associations. On-line registration forms are available under the Fire Department's program section at jacksonowp.com, or send this form to: Jackson Firefighter's Association, 8500 Traphagen N.W., Massillon, OH 44646

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