



The Montville Minute

A wonderful place to live, a great place to do business

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From the Trustees ~



*Sally Albrecht, Ron Bischof,
Jeff Brandon*

The Montville Township administrative staff has moved into their new wing of the safety services building constructed in 2015. Our new service department is also complete and those employees are moving, little by little, every day. We are planning an Open House for residents to view our new digs on May 1st from 1 to 4 pm.

We hope to have the River Styx portion of the Blue Heron Park open this summer. The Cleveland Clinic has donated equipment for an outdoor fitness trail and the Cleveland Mountain Bike Association is constructing three miles of bike trails in that area. We still have repairs to com-

plete to the pathways and bridges there. This park will be named the Austin Badger Park after Montville Township's first settler in 1819. The other parts of the park will also be named for early settlers and receive more focus as time goes on.

It has occurred to us often how fortunate we are to have such a dedicated township staff. Not a day goes by where we are not impressed with their commitment, talents, initiative, and motivation to perform above and beyond their written job descriptions. They often can be seen working on their days off on the weekend to complete projects and assist with community events.

Paul Jeffers and Bonnie Schwehm in our zoning office manage

those daily operations with great professionalism and public service, as well as guide the activities of both our Board of Zoning Appeals and Zoning Commission. And many thanks to these professionals – Mike Rubino, Allen Biehl, Rebecca Molnar, Terry Hughes, Fran Eden, Donna Watkins, Elayne Siegfried, Justin Carr, Mary Pawlowski, John Vujevich, Alan Piatak, Dave Wetzell, and Ron Potter.

Chris Kosman and his service department staff complete a tremendous amount of work each day keeping the township and its parks beautiful. They attend training on all aspects of their jobs, making it a priority, and they devote their attention to detail in ways most of us never realize.

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Trustees cont...

Chief Terry Grice, Lt. Matt Neil and all of our safety service employees and police are first class in every way. They orchestrate so many community services (MCPAL Program, Shop with a Cop, Feed Medina County, vacation watches, self-defense training, just to name a few) while at the same time, keep our township safe. Montville Township is a beautiful, clean, and safe place to live!

Zoning in on Zoning ~



Paul Jeffers, Planning & Zoning Director

Spring of 2016 has bloomed with a host of new building projects around the township. The Zoning Office is already experiencing resident applications for pool, deck and patio permits. At this time of the year, we remind property owners to contact the Zoning Office prior to construction. Contractors from outside the area often do not realize that there are many items where we require a zoning permit prior to construction. Please call us before you build in order to be in compliance and avoid any negative notifications. Our staff will walk you through the procedures so the whole process runs smoothly. You may contact Bonnie or Paul at (330) 725-8313 or zoning@montvilletwp.org.

The Township Trustees have adopted the updated 2016 Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan is a guide book for present and future development of the township. Included within the Comprehensive Plan are goals, objectives, and policies along with maps indicating future land use, federal aid system and many other points of interests. The Comprehensive Plan is a key tool used by the Zoning Commission while reviewing development plans or map amendment requests. The complete 2016 Comprehensive Plan can be viewed on the Township website:

<http://www.montvilletwp.org/index.php/documents>.

A Brief from the Chief



Terry Grice, Police Chief

For the second year in a row, Montville Township was listed in the "Top 50 Safest Cities in Ohio" by Background-Checks.org. Although we are a

township, Background-Checks.org does not differentiate between townships and municipalities. We were ranked 34th throughout the entire State of Ohio, which was the highest ranking of any community in Medina County. We should all feel a sense of pride with this ranking because our success is truly based on the positive partnership we have between our department and the community. I know my wife and I are proud to raise our children in such a wonderful communi-

ty. In addition, I'm very blessed to have such an excellent staff that works hard every day to make a positive difference.

The full article can be found at <http://backgroundchecks.org/50-safest-cities-in-ohio-2016.html>



Resident Spotlight ~

The Navicky's (Christine, John and children: Nicole, Samantha, and Johnny) are active Montville Township community events volunteers. Christine is a member of Montville Cares, our community event planning committee. She and her whole family work very hard on the October Scary Walk event. On March 26th, Christine, Nicole and Johnny helped with our

Easter Egg Hunt.

Christine works countless hours planning and detailing our many events. We are so grateful for people like the Navicky's - who help us make Montville such a wonderful place to live!



Navicky Family

At your Service ~



Chris Kosman,
Service Director

The weather is looking better after the winter and the service department is looking forward to a busy spring. We have started some of our winter cleanups in the township and have begun to patch pot holes while making road assessments to see how winter has affected them. We have also been busy moving into our new facility. The open house for the new facilities will be May 1st from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm and we will have everything open. This coincides with LST's 40th anniversary so please try

to attend and help us celebrate!

As I write, our parks are starting to dry up as baseball and soccer start in Whitetail and Cobblestone Parks. Just a reminder that pavilion reservations and rentals are filling up fast, so if you plan to reserve one for an event, be sure to contact our planning and zoning office as early as possible to make sure it is available (330-725-8313).

We are also working on our new Austin Badger Park on the River Stix side of that section of the old Blue Heron golf course. (Austin Badger was the first settler in Montville Township in 1819 and as our township's bicentennial approaches, we hope to emphasize our history.) Some of the work was completed in this area last fall and

you may have noticed a new parking lot and path repairs over there. We still have some path repairs to complete and we plan to install an outdoor fitness area with equipment that was donated by the Cleveland Clinic. Also in process is a new mountain bike trail donated by the Cleveland Area Mountain Bike Association, which has generated much interest and many volunteers working on the path. These recreational activities will be restricted to that area only and the remainder of the Blue Heron Park is still in planning for less active use.

Please do not hesitate to me at 330-725-0273 with your ideas, suggestions, concerns, and issues that impact our services to the township.

OPEN HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT



*The Public is Invited to View and Tour the new
Montville Township Service Department & Administration Wing
May 1, 2016 - 1:00 - 4:00 pm*



6665 Wadsworth Road

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony - 2 pm

Tours of the facilities every 20 minutes.

For more information, call 330-725-8314

Montville Cares ~ Easter Egg Hunt 2016

On Saturday, March 26th at 10:30 am, Montville Cares, Montville Township's volunteer community event planning committee orchestrated our third annual township Easter Egg Hunt. This year, the group stuffed 10,000 eggs for children to find. There were four age groups: 2-4, 5-7, 8-10, and 11-12.

Many thanks to our volunteers! Montville Cares members helping were Christine, Nicole, and Johnny Navicky, Annie Satterwaite, Renee Haberfield, Donna Duchek, Lisa and Easter Bunny Bill Dolen, Chief Terry Grice and Trustee Sally Albrecht.

The Medina Church of the Nazarene sent in 10 volunteers to help distribute eggs: Dawn and Cassie Fievet, Jackie and Annabelle Tiffe, Nancy Weber, Karen and John Walder, Rebecca, Nick and Pastor Pete Ryder.



Other volunteers who helped out were Amy, Hannah and Katrina Barnes.

