

The Montville Minute

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Happy Holidays

From

The Trustees, Fiscal Officer and Staff at Montville Township



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From left: Paul Jeffers, Terry Grice, Ron Bischof, Jeff Brandon, Sally Albrecht, Chris Kosman, Mary Pawlowski

Montville Township Police Department Changing Leaders







On January 4th, 2021, Chief Terry Grice will begin his service as Medina County Sheriff, and Lt. Matt Neil will take the reign as Montville Township's new Chief of Police. Chief Grice has worked for Montville Township for 21 years and has spearheaded many community service projects, including the Take Control Teen Driving Diversion Program and the Medina County Police Activity League (MCPAL). Montville Township will miss Chief Grice and we wish him well in his new role.

Lt. Neil, (soon to be Chief Neil), a native of Wadsworth, joined the Wadsworth Police Department in 1993 as a dispatcher right out of high school. He spent more than a decade there before briefly working for the Medina Township Police, and was ultimately hired by Montville Township in 2003. His many duties include handling all of the township's technology. This transition has been ongoing since June and included the promotion of Sgt. Chris LaFond to Lieutenant and Officer Cory Searle to Sergeant.

Officers Receive Medina County Safe Communities Award



Officer Cory Searle was presented with a Medina County Safe Communities Award by Sergeant Brett Harrison for issuing the most OVI's in the department in the last year. Officer Searle was born and raised in Montville Township and joined the department in June of 2014, after graduating as class president of the Cleveland Heights Police Academy.



Officer Zach Denton was presented with a Medina County Safe Communities Award for the most criminal arrests resulting from traffic stops in the last year. Most of these arrests were drug related. Officer Denton joined the Montville Township Police Department as an auxiliary police officer in May of 2013 and was hired as a fulltime officer in January of 2016. Officer Denton has dedicated his adult life to public safety and still serves his hometown community as a part-time fire fighter/EMT with the City of Wadsworth Fire Department.

Eagle Scout Project of Santino Ramos

Many thanks to Santino Ramos, Troop 514, who completed his Eagle Scout project with the help of Chris Kosman, Montville Township's Service Director.

The two installed a mirror at Good and Tower Roads to help drivers see better at this difficult intersection.

Other scouts involved were Sam Quinones, Owen Martell, and Dominic Adomaites.



Service Director Kosman and Santino Ramos

What's new in Montville?

Montville Township welcomes the Dollar General to our southern corridor.

Located at the corner of Wooster Pike (SR3) and Chippewa Road, Dollar General will offer full shopping or quick stop pick up of an array of products.

If you're passing by and realize that you needed to grab an item before getting home, stop in and say hello. The store hours are from 8:00am to 10:00pm but are subject to change through the pandemic restrictions.





Montville Cares needs volunteers like you!

Montville Cares is Montville Township's volunteer community events planning committee that was formed in 2014 under the leadership of *Trustee Sally Albrecht*. The purpose was to develop an identity for Montville Township by holding events to bring our community's families together for fun and free activities.

Events started in 2014 and have evolved into two main events a year: an Easter Egg Hunt every Spring and a Trunk R Treat/Scary Not So Spooky Walk event every Fall. Each year, these events grow and attract thousands of residents. As a result, more volunteers are needed to help with each event.

Please call 330-661-0123 if you would like to be a Montville Cares volunteer!





RECYCLE THOSE CAMPAIGN SIGNS Here's How

During election season, campaign signs dot yards and roadsides across the country.

But what happens to all these signs after the elections are over? What is the best way to dispose of them?





Do not put campaign signs in your curbside recycling container or a drop-off recycling container!

Campaign signs are a recycling challenge because they're made from multiple materials, such as paper, plastic and metal. Disposing of them requires taking them apart and disposing of each portion based on its material.

You can do this here: Medina County Solid Waste District facility 8700 Lake Road, Seville Mon. through Fri., 6:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Saturday, 7:00 a.m. until Noon.



Before tossing your campaign sign, consider saving it for future use. You could attach a new message to the board and use it to promote a special event. A local school or nonprofit organization may be able to use the sign, too. If you don't want to save the entire sign, you may be able to reuse the wire stand for future signs.

Can they use it? If you don't know, please find out!

330.769.0289 | RecycleMedinaCounty.com 8700 Lake Road, Seville, OH 44273





Tips for Salting Sensibly

Medina County Soil & Water Conservation District

Road salt only works ABOVE 15 degrees F.

One teaspoon of salt permanently pollutes 5 gallons of water!

Apply BEFORE snow falls or right AFTER snow is removed from the pavement.

NEVER apply salt when rain is in the forecast. It washes into waterways as a pollutant.

Sweep up excess salt from dry pavement when it is no longer useful.

Our overuse of salt to clear pavement contributes to polluting our streams. Salt is harmful to roadside vegetation and aquatic life. These same streams flow into Lake Erie from the northern part of Medina County and into the Ohio River from the southern part, carrying the salt. Many of us get our drinking water from Lake Erie! Please use salt sparingly and sensibly or find a safer alternative.