

The Montville Minute

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From the Trustees

The Montville Township
Board of Trustees has
placed a new Safety Service
Levy and a Renewal Ambulance / LST Levy on the ballot for Electors of Montville
Township in November. In
the past, monies have been
collected separately for
these two services. This
new Levy would provide
funding for both the Police
and Fire Services together
for the Township.

A Safety Services Levy provides more flexibility to support the basic operations of both fire and police services. The Trustees have reviewed the existing levies and have determined that restructuring the current levies would be beneficial to provide for these essential services.

The proposed new Safety Services Levy is a 1.3 Mill,



Trustees Albrecht, Bischof and Brandon

5 year levy based on current valuations. The levy would generate a total of \$477,500 per year.

In addition, the 1.0 Mill ambulance or LST (Life Support Team) Levy is up for renewal as well. However, because of various cost saving efforts, the Trustees are proposing to decrease the ambulance levy by .25 Mills to .75 Mills.

If approved, this levy would generate \$271,800 per year for emergency ambulance services. The LST Levy cannot be combined into the Safety Services Levy because ambulance services

for Montville Township are under contract with the Cleveland Clinic and must remain separate.

On a lighter note

-- Be sure to attend the Montville Township Trunk R Treat/Scary Walk, which is scheduled for October 29 at Cobblestone Park from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Proceeds will be donated to the Police Activity League (PAL) and DARE programs.

Last, check out Austin Badger Fitness Park, our newest park on River Styx Road which formally opened on September 14th. This park features fitness equipment donated by the Cleveland Clinic and a mountain bike trail donated by the Cleveland Mountain Bike Association.

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PLEASE UNDERSTAND—The Levies on the November ballot are not increases— if voters approve the Safety Services Levy, the trustees will eliminate the current 1.3 Mill Fire Levy. Taxes will not increase as this is a restructuring of levies without any additional taxes upon homeowners. Also, please be aware that we are decreasing the ambulance levy by .25 Mills.

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Terry Grice, Police Chief

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A brief from the Chief \sim

The Montville Township Police Department has partnered with the Medina City and Medina Township Police Departments to host a Citizen Police Academy. This free community education program is coordinated by the Montville Township Police Department with the intention of building lasting relationships between our participants and the entire community.

The first of ten 3 hour classes began on September 21st, and are scheduled once a week through November.

The Citizen Police Academy Program was designed to give attendees an inside look at the values, philosophies and operations of these three police de-

partments. It also serves as an open forum for questions, discussion, and the exchange of ideas. It is hoped that both the participants and the officers who teach the course will become better able to dispel concerns and misconceptions about police operations. It is hoped that this will lead to the improvement of community relations while also building trust and understanding.

Participants of the Citizen Police Academy will have the opportunity to tour their local police departments.

Officers from all three department work together to

educate participants about police programs such as SWAT, K9, OVI Enforcement, Drug Court, and Juvenile Diversion. The Officers are trained as subject matter experts and they put the participants through various scenarios where they must chose an appropriate reaction to the situation.

The Montville Township Police Department is keenly interested in learning from these participants what we, as an agency can do better to promote communication and positive relationships with the community.

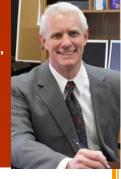
Montville Township Parks ∼

If you have not yet done so, you should get acquainted with Montville Township Parks.

Whitetail Park is located in the Whitetail Crossing Subdivision off of Poe Road. This park's amenities include two soccer fields, two basketball courts, a playground, a large lake, walking trails and a beautiful pavilion. Cobblestone Park is located off of Cobblestone Park Drive, west of the Cobblestone Park Subdivision. This 47 acre park is adjacent to the Ralph E. Waite Elementary School and is accessible from SR 3. Cobblestone Park has four baseball diamonds, two lacrosse fields and three pavilions with grills that residents can use.

Austin Badger Park, the township's newest park was named after one of Montville Township's first residents, and is located on River Styx Road. It contains a fitness trail and a mountain bike trail. Austin Badger Park was developed on the former Blue Heron Golf Course where these passive recreational uses were permitted. The remainder of that park area will be preserved as a nature reserve.

Paul Jeffers, Planning & Zoning Director



Zoning in on Zoning \sim

With the change in season, the Zoning Office has begun to see a decline in accessory structure permits. Zoning staff are now focusing on residential development plans and commercial possibilities as well as zoning resolution and comprehensive plan reviews.

Monarch Learning Academy has received final approvals to build on Wooster Pike and LRC Realty is continuing to move forward with their plan approval process for the GetGo gas station and retail stores.

Maplebrooke Reserve is

nearing their final plat approval and will soon host 40 single family lots for sale.

Please feel free to contact our Planning & Zoning Office with any questions or concerns - 330.725.8313

At your Service ∼



Chris Kosman, Service Director

Now that Autumn is here, we are wrapping up our summer projects. With the grand opening of Austin Badger Park off the River Styx side, we have seen an influx of people visiting it. All of the exercise equipment has been installed and is now usable, and the mountain bike course has been taking shape and should be opening for use shortly.

In preparation for winter, our shop mechanic has been going over all of the plow trucks and making sure that they will be ready for the snow.

The road crew is making repairs to the roadways and observing what roadside trees need pruned in rural areas and in HOA development tree lawns.

We trim trees is to remove any obstructions within the right of way to the road. This includes trees that hang past the curb or ditch line, and tree branches that obstruct the view of signage for the roadway.

If you have any questions on where, when, or how we will be trimming please feel free to call our Service Department.

Before the snow comes, please check the condition of your mail box and make sure it is in good working order, set behind the curbs and in a straight upright manner to ensure that no damages will occur to it during times of snow removal.

Please keep all trash cans in the driveways and remember to not place snow in the roadway as this causes a hazard to other drivers using the roadways.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at 330.725.0273

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Featured Volunteers

The Medina Church of the Nazarene and their members have been volunteering for several years at our township's Montville Family Festival and also our Easter Egg Hunt. Below are the individuals who helped orchestrate the Three Legged Race at the recent festival on August 20th. Many thanks to: Nikki Campbell, Dave Tiffe, Jackie Tiffe, Jon Walder, Brooklyn Crust, Cassie Fievet, Annabelle Tiffe, Dawn Fievet, and Kevin Fievet.





Trunk R Treat/Scary Walk

Montville Township invites you to its fourth annual Trunk R Treat/Scary Walk on Saturday, October 29, 2016 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. New this year is an additional trail called "the not so scary Spooky Path" for our littlest ghosts and goblins. Set up for the Trunk R Treat area is 6 pm and the walks start at 7 pm.

Also included in the event is a hay maze, balloon art, and sales of baked goods with beverages by PeaceWorks, a Medina agency that provides services and work for people with developmental disabilities.

Zombies and other volunteers are still needed for this fun night to set up scenes along the pathways, assist with the events and hand out candy. Interested helpers are asked to call Rebecca Byrne at 330-410-2030.





Montville Family Festival 2016

Montville Township held its fourth annual family festival (formally known as Music and a Movie... in Montville) on August 20th at Cobblestone Park. Rick Smith, Jr., nationally known magician/comedian was the main attraction.

The event also featured local Montville Township resident, Kevin Alexander on the acoustic guitar, bouncy houses, giant bubbles, face painting, balloon art, Styles by Reils hairdos for kids, fire trucks and EMS vehicles on display.

Trustee Ron Bischof and Finance Director Mary Pawlowski gave away free popcorn and cotton candy at the park concession stand. Montville Cares Volunteers reported over 2500 in attendance. Trustee Jeff Brandon performed as MC for the event.

Many thanks to our Montville Cares Volunteer Community Planning Committee for their hard work: Renee and Pat Haberfield, Christine and John Navicky, Annie and Trevor Satterwaite, Judy and Tom Valatka, Donna Duchek and Deryl Albrecht; and to the Church of the Nazarene: Nikki Campbell, Dave Tiffe, Jackie Tiffe, Jon Walder, Brooklyn Crust, Cassie Fievet, Annabelle Tiffe, Dawn Fievet, and Kevin Fievet.

Also to the Medina Highschool Girl's Leaders Club: Kim Schust, Mara Mack, Miah Eldridge, Amanda Petrou, Emily Pamer and Amber Wehrmeyer.

Thank you to our sponsors: Highland Title, Red Rose Cleaning, The UPS Store, Town Money Saver, Fabric Obsession, Donna Duchek and 2D3D, and Ganley Nissan.

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Families enjoying the festival