

THE VILLAGER

Spring/Summer Newsletter, 2017



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Thank You To All That Helped To Re Open Our Parks



We would like to thank Cody Gertz with Gertz Garden Center for organizing volunteers from all over the area to help get our parks safe to open until our grant funds come in.

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EMERGENCY
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New Mayor Takes Over April 1st 2017



Effective April 1st, 2017 Joe Harper resigned his position as Mayor. Steven Crase as Vice-Mayor has been appointed as Mayor. Steve has been a life long resident of the Village with his wife Shanon and son Scott. He also served 15 years on the Village Fire Department rising to the rank of Chief in 2007. His goals for the Village are to make the government of the village more transparent to the residents. He will be holding town hall meetings with the residents to keep you updated on ideas we have to make Arlington Heights a better place to live. This will also be a more relaxed platform for you to ask questions of the Mayor and Council.

New Council Member

Scott Bothe is a thirteen year resident of Arlington Heights. He lives at 647 Arlington Ave with his wife of three years Kelli and daughter Penelope. With the encouragement and faith of his loving wife and family Scott started his company Bothe Cabinetry and Countertops LLC right here in Arlington Heights in 2012. On the rare days he's not in his shop Scott enjoys a round of golf, fishing, and cooking for his friends and family. As a council member he hopes to grow closer to his neighbors and to help them with their problems.



If a train is blocking the crossing at Mill St or at Station Ave you can contact Norfolk Southern at 1-800-453-2530 and tell the dispatcher the crossing number and they will get the train moved. So far this has been working. Our legal department has had several meeting with the railroad and are working on a solution to the problem. The crossing number for Mill St is 524725B and the number for Station Ave is 524727P

Recreational Fires

The Reading Fire Department desires all citizens not to be denied the enjoyment of recreational fires. Although these fires are typically small in size, they can still represent a significant fire hazard. In an effort to minimize damage and/or injury from fires, the Fire Prevention Code provides the following guidelines:

- When the fire is contained within an approved container (i.e. commercial fire pits, screened devices, etc.), the fire shall be located more than 15' from any structure. The immediate area within 15' should also be clean of combustible materials, such as overgrown brush, weeds, and shrubs.
- When the fire is not contained within an approved container, the fire should be located more than 25' from any structure and the immediate area within 25' clean of combustible materials.
- The burning of garbage, leaves, landscape waste, construction waste and other combustible materials are prohibited. Only seasoned, dried firewood is permitted.
- The fire must be started with combustible materials; no flammable/combustible liquids can be used to ignite the fire.
- The recreational fire must not exceed 3' diameter and 2' in height.
- The Fire Department may prohibit any burning when atmospheric or local conditions make such fires a hazard or nuisance.
- A means for immediate utilization for extinguishment must be readily available.
- Fires must always be attended by an adult until completely extinguished.



Turn your attention to Fire Prevention



The Hamilton County Sheriff's Dept. Will provide extra watch on your home while you are gone. Complete the form that is available online at www.ahohio.org and return it before leaving town.

Vacation– Crime Prevention Tips

Vacation is a time for fun and enjoyment. A vacant hour, or one that appears to be unoccupied, is an appealing target for a burglar.

Before leaving...Secure your residence

- Make sure all locks on doors/windows function properly and use them.
- Give your house a lived-in appearance. Use automatic timers on lights.
- Leave shades and blinds in a position that you normally leave them.
- Arrange to have your mail, newspapers, and any packages picked up while your away.
- Make sure any burglar and smoke alarms function properly and are armed.
- Ask a trusted friend or neighbor to watch over your property.
- Don't post vacation pictures on social media while your away.

While on the road

- Never carry large amounts of cash; use traveler's checks.
- Be aware of your surroundings and never advertise your plans to strangers.
- Carry a flashlight with fresh batteries, flares, fire extinguisher, and first aid kit while traveling.

2017 Easter Egg Hunt

The 2017 Easter egg hunt went very well with around 60 kids participating. The Easter bunny was delivered by the Hamilton County Sherriff's Dept. A special thanks to Council member Tonya Elliott for setting everything up.



World War I Memorial Is Repaired

Village resident Dean Carroll was walking one day and noticed that a star was missing from a name (Arch Watkins) on the monument that denotes killed in action. With the help of Patrick Walker and the crew of Wyoming High School the missing star was recreated and replaced.





Rumpke Waste Guidelines

The Village of Arlington Heights contracts waste collection with Rumpke. Rumpke sets the Villages rates each year based on the number of units we have. Apartments and multiple family units get charged per apartment or unit. Effective May 24th, There is no option to suspend garbage service and it is billed on your water bill. Effective Jan 1, 2018 Cincinnati Water Works will be begin monthly billing. Waste is collected on Tuesday morning after 6:00AM. Please do not set out cans until after 5:00PM on Monday night if possible. Garbage cans must be removed from the street by 6:00pm Tuesday per Village ordinance and placed in the rear of the property. Below are some guidelines put in place by Rumpke:

- Acceptable garbage includes cooled ashes, rags, garden and kitchen refuse, waste paper, scrap wood and lumber, brush (must be cut and tied in bundles not exceeding 4 foot lengths, Christmas trees, household items (less than 85 pounds) and household waste.
- Uncollectible Waste includes hazardous wastes, tires, lead acid batteries, items containing CFCs i.e., refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners.
- Bulky materials including drywall, concrete, bricks, dirt or rocks are not acceptable
- Please contact Rumpke at least 48 hours before your regularly scheduled collection to request a large item pick-up for acceptable large items, and/or excessive amounts of trash. Television sets cannot exceed 32 inches for curbside pick-up. Any mattress or upholstered furniture must be completely sealed in disposable plastic for removal. Additional fees may apply



Waste Trailer

On a first come, first served basis, the Village of Arlington Heights will make available a trailer to load with acceptable refuse. The rental fee is \$150.00 for each rental.

We cannot accept: MOTOR OIL, OLD TIRES, CAR BATTERIES, ANTIFREEZE, BRAKE FLUID, PAINT, SHINGLES, and HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, REFRIGERATORS, AIR CONDITIONERS, AND ANY OTHER ITEMS THAT CONTAIN FREON.

You can find the request form online or pick up from the clerks office.



Yard Waste Trailer

On a first come, first served basis, the Village of Arlington Heights will make available a trailer to load with yard waste only (grass, tree limbs, and shrubs). We do have a site to dump this material and compost it. There is no charge for this service it is part of your waste fee.

You can find the request form online or pick up from the clerks office.

A Message From Lockland Schools Superintendent

The Lockland Local School District is a historic district that has served the valley area since 1851. For generations we have established a *Tradition of Excellence*. Our district is the true essence of a *Small School* with a *Big Experience*. Over the years, we have achieved so many accomplishments we cannot even name a fraction of them. We have the first African-American Navy SEAL, we have the inventor of Benadryl, we have a variety of state championships, we have professional athletes, we have a multitude of doctors and lawyers, and we even have award winning authors who all attended our schools.

More recently, our district has been recognized by the Ohio Department of Education as a 2016 Momentum Award School for academic achievement. We have many great plans in our strategic master plan. These include the possibility of becoming a Community Learning Center (CLC) and investigating the possibility of renovating or building a new 21st Century structure.

By becoming a CLC, the district will have opportunities to build partnerships with outside businesses, agencies and universities to help benefit the students in the district. Before we make any decisions, we need input from our parents and the community. Please look for a survey and community meetings to gather your feedback.

Structurally, we have a beautiful, historic building that is a regional icon. This building has been seen by countless people as they have traveled on Interstate 75 and even when they were on boats as they traveled up and down the Miami and Erie Canals.

In the halls and from the outside, our building looks beautiful. However, behind the walls the building has a variety of concerns. Our plumbing, wiring and mechanical systems are extremely old. We are in a place where fixing these concerns can become extremely costly to tax payers. Please look for surveys and meetings intended to gather input on ways the community would like for the district to address these concerns.

Will your child be ready for Kindergarten? Lockland offers full-day preschool at NO COST to eligible families. If you are interested in getting information about how you can enroll for the next school year, please call 513-674-4329. Our preschool program, funded by Head Start, serves 3-, 4-, and 5-year-old children. Nutritious meals and snacks are provided, along with an engaging school-readiness curriculum. In addition, Head Start offers opportunities for speech, language, vision, and hearing screenings. Don't delay: limited space available. Contact us today or visit: www.hcesheadstart.org for more information.

It is that time of the year to enroll your children. If you have a child or if you know someone with a child who will be eligible for kindergarten next year, we are accepting applications over the summer. In order to register your child, you will need your child's birth certificate, shot records, social security card, and proof of address (lease, mortgage, or utility bill).



The Mayor and Council will be holding a Town Hall meeting on August 7th from 7:00PM-8:00PM. This meeting will be a chance for the residents of the Village to ask questions and share ideas about the current and future state of the Village.



Join us at Town Hall for a family movie night. This will take place in the parking lot in front of the fire bay door. This even will be rain or shine. Bring your chairs. We will provide hot dogs, water, and snacks. The movie will be announced the week of.

Area Community Events

6/2-6/4	Village of Arlington Heights Community Yard Sale 8AM-5PM
6/3	Hartwell Community Yard Sale 8:30AM
6/3	Summer Market @ Gertz Garden Center 2PM-7PM
6/5-7/28	Reading-Lockland Presbyterian Church Free Summer Food & Educational Program
6/11-6/15	Friendship United Methodist Church VBS 6PM-8PM
7/12-7/15	Lockland Nazarene Church VBS 6PM-8PM
8/5	Summer Market @ Gertz Garden Center 2PM-7PM



Grass Clippings

Grass clippings can not be blown into the streets. We ask for everyone to remove grass clippings from the street after cutting grass. Grass getting into the cracks of the street will cause weeds to grow and break the blacktop.

Code Enforcement

Please help the Village remain safe, with a pleasant appearance. Certain things will result in a courtesy warning from the Village and a possible citation from the Sheriff's Dept.

Grass exceeding the allowed length
Overgrown weeds
Grass blown in the streets
Vehicles parked in the yard overnight
Vehicles blocking sidewalks
Property containing unsightly junk or rubbish.

Trash cans must be placed in the rear of the house
Trash cans may not be put to the street before 5PM
Trash cans must be collected from the street by 6PM
the day of collection.

Village Park Rules

We have two parks in the Village for the children to enjoy. Both parks will be going through a rehab in the fall with a grant the Village received. Red Daniels park located behind Town Hall has an age limit for children up to 11 years of age. Firefighters park located on Blanche Ave has an age limit for children up to 15 years of age. Both parks close at dusk. At times Firefighters park may be closed for a private event if the park is rented.

Village Dog Park



The Village has a dog run park located at the bottom end of Firefighter park. It is a fenced in area that you can let your dogs run. We provide the bags at the gate to pick up after your dog. Please keep your dogs under control as you walk through the park.

Recipe Corner

If you have lived even one summer in Arlington Heights then you've probably walked or driven by the beautiful red brick house at 612 Elliot Ave. Beside that house every summer you'll find a bountiful and perfectly manicured vegetable garden. And in that garden more often than not you would find Ronald "Ray" Coffey. He started his garden mid April every year without fail for twenty-five years. Farming was in his genes. He grew up in Rockcastle County Kentucky working on his parents six hundred acre farm. "He would work in his garden from from sun up to sun down most days." said his wife Mary. "He would only stop for lunch." she said with a smile that only comes when you think of the people you love. Ray passed away on July 5th. Yet this spring like every year before a garden grows on the corner of Erkenbrecher and Elliott Ave. Mary Coffey, with the help of a friend decided to plant the garden again this April. A few years ago, Mr. Coffey was sitting on his porch eating a Red or Golden Delicious apple. "Whichever one it was, he liked it so much he walked out and started pushing the seeds right into the yard." said Mrs. Coffey. The next spring a tiny apple tree sprouted. Now that tree stands more than ten feet tall. Maybe someday my daughter will be able to pick an apple from that tree. Not before Mrs. Hoerst of course. Ray made sure to let everyone know. She gets the first one.

Mrs. Coffey's Vegetable Soup

2- Cups Potato	2- Cups Peppers (red,green,yellow)
2- Cups Green Beans	2- Cups Carrots
1- Cup Corn	2- Cups Onions
1- Cup Peas	2- Cups Tomatoes
2- Cups Cabbage	- salt and pepper to taste

Add 2lbs of chuck roast for beef stew

Arlington Community Association

The Arlington Heights Civic Association has renamed, hoping residents might have a better understanding about the groups mission and vision for the community. The new name is the Arlington Community Association. The group will continue to meet on the second Tuesday of the month, at Town Hall, 7 p.m.

Community Association Membership Drive June 3rd, Sign up at the Municipal Building from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m., our community association is in need of new members to help with events planned for this coming year., or contact Tonya K. Eisner-Elliott at 513-487-9259.

The Association remains a voluntary organization, whose goal is to improve our Village, striving to maintain the unique character of Arlington Heights. The Association serves as a forum to share neighborhood ideas and concerns. Tonya K. Eisner-Elliott, a member of Village Council and Chair of the Special Projects Committee of Council, continues to work on building the Association. The group has been responsible for community events, such as the Easter Egg Hunt, Memorial Day Parade participation, Community Yard Sale, Safety Fair, Beautification Awards Program, Blue Grass Festival, Halloween and the Christmas Holiday Party. The group has also been active in initiating the WeTHRIVE! Program, a cooperative program with the Health Department, aiming to improve the general health of Village residents.



Memorial Day Parade

The 108th Annual Memorial Day Parade will form at the Arlington Heights Town Hall on Elliott and Erkenbrecher Ave at 8:30am, and gets underway at 9AM. The parade will proceed as follows:

East on Elliott to Mill St
 North on Mill St to Dunn St
 Left on Dunn St. to Williams St
 North on Williams St. to Wyoming Ave
 Right on Wyoming Ave to Reading Rd
 North on Reading Rd to Vine St
 West on Vine St. to the Reading Monument
 Right on Jefferson Ave to Columbia Ave
 Parade ends at the Reading Cemetery.

There will be a Memorial service at the Reading Cemetery after the parade.

The Arlington Heights Community Association will be at Town Hall on Sunday May 28th starting at 3:30PM to help any kids decorate their bikes. Anyone can walk or pull a wagon in the parade.





Be Prepared — Arlington Heights

Summer 2017

Build a Kit

- Water— One gallon of water, per person, per day, for at least three days
- Non-perishable food (Three-day supply)
- NOAA Weather Radio
- Flashlight
- First aid kit
- Whistle
- Dust mask
- Moist towelettes
- Wrench to turn off utilities
- Non-electric can opener
- Local maps
- Three-day supply of medication
- Baby supplies
- Pet supplies
- Personal documents
- Emergency contact information

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School is almost over and summer is right around the corner. This means hot and humid weather in Hamilton County! Are you prepared to enjoy the summer months safely? Here are some tips and actions you can take to make sure that you and your family are ready to beat the heat!

- Drink plenty of water; even if you do not feel thirsty. Avoid caffeinated beverages.
- Never leave children or pets alone in closed vehicles. Look before you lock!
- Check on family, friends, and neighbors who do not have air conditioning and who spend much of their time alone.

Heat Safety

- Dress in loose-fitting, light-weight, light-colored clothes that cover as much skin as possible.
- Protect face and head by wearing sunblock and a wide-brimmed hat.
- Protect your pet – ensure pets have plenty of water and are provided adequate shade if housed outdoors. Avoid walking dogs on hot asphalt.



Outdoor Warning Siren “101”

Take Cover. Tune In. Take Action.

Outdoor warning sirens are intended to alert people who may be outside, to take shelter indoors and seek additional information. Sirens should not be relied upon to provide sufficient warning indoors or in noisy areas.

Ensure that you are able to receive weather alerts by obtaining a NOAA weather radio, tuning in to local media, enabling your phone's Wireless Emergency Alerts, or downloading an app – such as the Hamilton County EMHSA app.

Activation Criteria

There are four basic criteria that Hamilton County EMHSA uses to activate the sirens:

1. The National Weather Service (NWS) issues a Tornado Warning for Hamilton County
2. A Trained and Certified Weather Spotter reports a tornado to the NWS or to Hamilton County EMHSA
3. A tornado is reported by a local public safety official (police/firefighter) to the NWS or to Hamilton County EMHSA
4. A dangerous situation occurs which requires citizens to seek shelter immediately



For more information on the Outdoor Warning Siren System, please visit:
<http://www.hcready.org/warning-siren-system/>

Sign Board/Facilities Rentals



Our sign board is available to rent to display messages on a first come first served basis. The cost is \$8.00 per day. All Village business that needs to be posted has priority. The sign board is intended for Village-related public service announcements and for birthday, holiday, or celebrations. It is not intended for, nor will it be used for personal editorials or other general commentary. You can find the request form on our website.

Our Meeting Hall And Firefighters Park are also available to rent for Village residents.

The meeting hall is \$100.00 per day with a refundable \$50.00 deposit.

The park is \$25.00 per day with a refundable \$50.00 deposit.

Mark Your Calendar...

5/28 Memorial Day Parade Decorating 3:30PM

5/29 Memorial Day Parade 9AM

6/2-6/4 Village Wide Yard Sale (No Permit Needed)

6/13 Community Association Meeting 7PM

6/17 Family Movie Night 8:30PM

6/24 Community Clean Up Day 9AM-1200PM

6/26 Council Meeting 7PM

7/11 Community Association Meeting 7PM

7/17 Council Meeting 7PM

8/8 Community Association Meeting 7PM

8/28 Council Meeting 7PM

9/9 Music Festival

10/10 Community Association Meeting 7PM

10/23 Council Meeting 7PM

10/31 Trunk or Treat 6PM-8PM

Village of Arlington Heights

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