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Meet Your City Employees

PAT SHIVELY *Finance Director*

In this quarterly edition, we would like to introduce you to Pat Shively, Finance Director for the City of Germantown. Pat has been with the City since April of 2016 when she was hired part-time to assist the previous Finance Director before their retirement. Before coming to Germantown, Pat earned a BA in Business Administration from the California Pacific University and spent 34 years working for the City of Trotwood and retired there also as Finance Director after working her way up the ladder.



Pat has a very important role with the City as she oversees the City's money, making sure it is used, tracked, and distributed using the proper processes. As these funds come from the residents of the City; it is vital to make sure that taxpayers' dollars are handled with fidelity. While her day-to-day schedule may differ slightly, her tasks and responsibilities generally include preparing and maintaining the annual budget, debt management, investments, and risk management for the City, as well as managing utility billing, accounts payable, and

payroll.

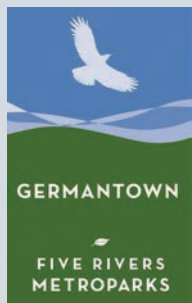
Her wealth of experience makes Pat a valuable asset to our local government as Germantown pushes toward continued growth and revitalization. This sort of environment is not something new for Pat as she helped to oversee the transition and merger of Trotwood and Madison Township. "Things really changed after the merger," shared Shively. "We had to take 2 sets of employees and figure out how to combine them into one operating unit which ultimately worked out very well."

One change within Germantown's current system that Pat would like to see more of is automated payments. "I am working to make things as user-friendly as possible; we want there to be less steps for people," said Shively. While this option is currently available, Pat has a goal to see a larger percentage of Germantown's population make use of this service as she hopes it will help alleviate some worry and stress for residents and their finances. Steps to becoming enrolled in automatic payments can be found on

the Germantown website. There are also other versatile options such as paying your bills over the phone and even through text message. Whether it be an issue related to billing, finances, or some other concern, Pat encourages residents to reach out to the employees at City Hall. "We're all human, we're all here to make the world better. So come on in and we can talk to you," she shared.

When she is not at work, Shively loves spending time with her family. She also greatly enjoys sewing and quilting, a hobby that was passed down to her from her grandmother, and is also a meaningful connection to Pat's mother and niece. Pat often sees her time spent quilting as therapeutic and meditative; the process of completing a given project is often as enjoyable as seeing the finished product. In many ways, this process is reminiscent of Pat's role with the City as she oversees the many different funds and accounts which are stitched together to form the budget and thus a cohesive story of Germantown's values, commitments, and goals.

Thank you, Pat Shively, for all you do to help the City to keep moving forward!



Upcoming Events at Germantown MetroPark

CREEPY CREATURES
Saturday
October 14th
3:00 - 4:00 pm |
AGE: 3-13 | FREE

Lots of people think spiders, snakes, bats, and other creatures are scary, but do we need to be scared of them? No! So come out and learn more about these commonly misunderstood animals. Weather dependent. Registration is required, the deadline is October 14th.

LAND NAVIGATION
Saturday November 18th
9:00 am - 3:30 pm | AGE: 16 + | \$30

Would you like to learn how to use a map and compass in the backcountry or maybe dust off some little-used skills? Then this is the program for you. We will spend the morning in the classroom learning the basic parts and ways to use maps and compasses. Then we'll get out and learn how to use them together in the field. Weather dependent. Registration is required, the deadline is November 18th.

RAPTOR EXCURSION
Saturday November 25th
3:00 - 4:00 pm | AGE: 3-13 | FREE

Flying high above us are so many birds looking down at their prey. Learn about the different raptors that make Dayton their home and get a chance to meet our raptor ambassadors! Weather dependent. Registration is required, the deadline is November 25th.

Visit www.metroparks.org under the "Things to Do" tab, and click the Activity Calendar to find out more and register.

Community Reminders

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE



Grass Clippings

Major contributing factors to blocked storm drains and the increased threat of local flooding are grass clippings. You can help to avoid these hazards by blowing your grass back into your yard or collecting and properly disposing of it after mowing. Failure to mow your lawn or having excess material in your yard or on an open porch often becomes an eyesore for your neighbors. Remember to mow regularly. Germantown's code states that grass and weeds in excess of 8 inches is a violation and leaving excess grass laying on top of your lawn is also a violation. The attractiveness of your neighborhood is enhanced by property maintenance of your yard. Please help make our city shine for neighbors and visitors by doing your part.



Sidewalks and Driveways

Property owners are responsible for maintaining sidewalks and driveway aprons next to their property. Keeping sidewalks clean and free of tripping hazards reduces liabilities for property owners who can be held accountable if someone is injured on the sidewalk in front of their property.

- Address problems as soon as possible to minimize area amount of repair required.

- Do not park cars or other heavy equipment on the sidewalk. If you damage the sidewalk, it is the owner's responsibility to make repairs.

- Sweep or shovel sidewalks to keep them free of leaves, snow, ice and debris. Properly dispose of debris and do not sweep into gutters or streets.

- Trim tree branches, shrubs and any other vegetation so it does not obstruct the sidewalk.



Storing Vehicles

Recreational vehicles, watercraft, dirt bikes, motorized sport vehicles, and utility trailers may not be stored in any front yard, including driveways. All these types of vehicles may be parked in the side or rear yard at least three feet from a property line. Temporary parking for pre-season preparation, in-season maintenance, or after-season storage preparations shall not exceed more than 48 hours from any Monday to the following Sunday.



Trash Cans

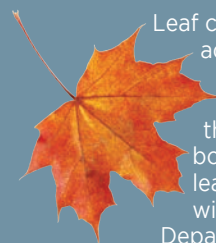
Trash and recycling cans may be placed at the curb no earlier than noon the day before the scheduled collection day and should not be left at the curb later than noon the day following collection. Such outdoor containers shall not be stored in the front or side yard or at the curb unless screened from the view of the street. By removing the containers, you improve the appearance of your neighborhood.



House Numbers

Residents are asked to make sure they have the number of their house clearly displayed. Not only is it required by Germantown's code, but it also enables Fire-EMS and Police to be able to quickly respond and arrive at a residence during an emergency.

Leaf Collection Begins



Leaf collection is provided to all the Germantown residents who live adjacent to a public roadway. The City will collect leaves mid-October thru mid-December, weather permitting. Please rake your leaves to the edge of your property in an open area where they are accessible to the crews, not behind parked cars, mail boxes, trees, shrubs, etc. The Street Department will be collecting leaves daily. Leaves will not be picked up on holidays. The City will continue to allow residents to bring leaves to the Service Department located at 148 S. Water Street between the hours of 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Please place leaves in the designated area. Bagged leaves must be emptied and the bags taken with you. Brush is not accepted.



GERMANTOWN POLICE • FIRE • EMS

UPDATES

GERMANTOWN FIRE-EMS



2023 Fire Prevention Week

October 8-14, 2023

This year's Fire Prevention Week™ campaign, **"Cooking safety starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention™,"** works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe when cooking.

Parents and guardians can find fun, printable activities to complete with your children to teach them the importance of fire safety at [NFPA.org](https://www.nfpa.org)

Germantown Fire-Ems Open House

Please come visit your Firefighters and EMT'S:

Saturday, October 14th 6:00-8:00pm

Station 63
75 North Walnut Street

GERMANTOWN POLICE

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT WAS A SUCCESS!



There was a wonderful turnout for National Night Out on August 1st. Many local churches and businesses in the community showed their support by giving out free school supplies for the upcoming school year. The bounce house



and Tikiz Ice Cream were also big hits! The City of Germantown Police Department wants to thank everyone who participated in this event to make it special for our Community.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY



School has started, so please be safe and careful

around buses and know the law. School bus drivers use a flashing signal light system to alert motorists of pending actions:

- Yellow flashing lights indicate that the bus is preparing to stop to load or unload children. Motorists should slow down and prepare to stop their vehicles.
- Red flashing lights and extended stop arms indicate that the bus has stopped and that children

are getting on or off. Motorists must stop their cars and wait until the red lights stop flashing, the extended stop sign is withdrawn, and the bus begins moving before they can start driving again.

- Know when you need to stop:
 - o Two-lane roads: vehicles in BOTH directions must stop.
 - o Multi-lane paved across roads: vehicles traveling in both directions must stop.
 - o Divided Highway (which includes raised median or physical barrier): vehicles behind bus must stop, vehicles traveling in the opposite direction are cautioned to slow down but not required to stop.



In December the City of Germantown Police Department participates in **Shop with a Hero**. This annual program helps underprivileged children have a great Christmas. If you know any local families in need, please contact our Police Department at 937-855-7271.

Historical Society of Germantown

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please plan on helping us celebrate the history of Germantown by joining in these specific events. Membership into the Society is open to everyone who shares an interest in preserving and protecting the unique heritage of Germantown and German Township. We welcome your participation and look forward to meeting you.

Join Us for a Bourbon Tasting at the Historic Rohrer Mansion

Germantown's own Rohrer Mansion, 1201 W. Market Street, will be the setting for a Bourbon Tasting on October 21st, taking place from 6:30 to 9 pm.

This unique fundraiser is the first of its kind sponsored by The Historical Society of Germantown and is graciously hosted by Brett and Victoria Stoneking, the current owners of the mansion. It is intended to highlight Germantown's rich whiskey tradition and the society's 50th anniversary.

The Rohrers and the Mudlick Whiskey they produced in the mid 1800s put Germantown on the map. It remained a known commodity until their bankruptcy in 1910. Although the whiskey is no more and the

recipe remains a secret that has yet to be revealed, the origin story of Mudlick Whiskey is sure to entertain. The actual tasting will feature four

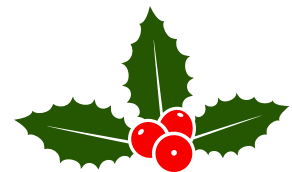
different whiskeys that are somehow connected to the original spirit. Tickets will provide access to four separate pours set with food pairings unique to each, a tour of the whiskey baron's home, and the back story to each of the night's

highlighted liquors.

Raffle tickets will be available for purchase the night of the event for chances at the bourbon-themed packages to be given away at the end of the evening. Unique items from the Carnegie Gift Shop will be available for sale as well as replica Mudlick Whiskey bottles.



For more information and tickets to our event, please call Lisa Kasperski at (937)432-8044. Seating is limited. Due to the nature of the event, individuals planning to attend must be 21 years of age and able to present valid ID.



Holiday Home Tour December 3rd

This year's Holiday Home Tour will be featuring four historic homes. There will also be a holiday celebration concert featuring both church and community choirs at a date and time to be announced. Horse and wagon rides will be provided by Mike and Shannon Cox as a means of showcasing many of the homes participating in the Festival of Lights. More information as to date and time for all events will be forthcoming.

Saturday Night Out: Nightmare on Main

Nightmare on Main will be held on **October 14th!** There will be a musical performance by the HomeGrown Band, a Spooky Jeep invasion, Trunk or Treat, as well as Child, Adult & Pet costume contests!

If you or someone you know is interested in being a vendor or

event sponsor, contact Mackensie at germantowncarshow@gmail.com. Check the Saturday Night Out Facebook page for further updates.



Daylight Savings Ends

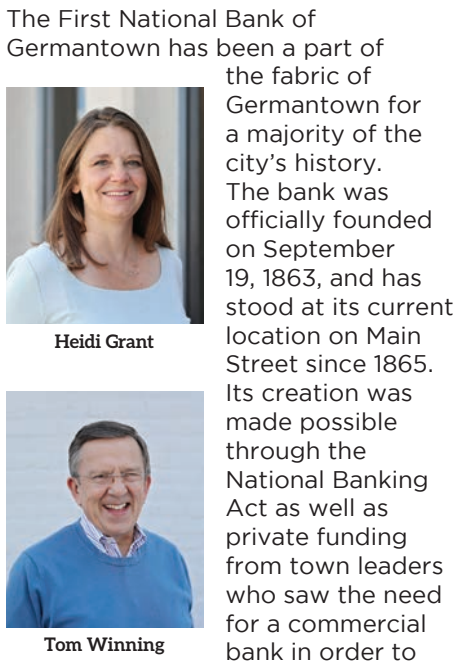
Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on Sunday, November 5th!





Germantown Business Spotlight

First National Bank of Germantown



The First National Bank of Germantown has been a part of the fabric of Germantown for a majority of the city's history. The bank was officially founded on September 19, 1863, and has stood at its current location on Main Street since 1865. Its creation was made possible through the National Banking Act as well as private funding from town leaders who saw the need for a commercial bank in order to

support long-term growth in the community. "The bank was and still is very tied to the community," shared Tom Winning, Senior Lender and former President of the bank. The history of the bank and its place within the community remains an important factor in how it functions and treats its customers. "We flourish as the city flourishes," said Tom. "We don't have multiple buildings or offices; we are really focused on our core market of the Valley View community." Because of this focus, the bank is able to see their patrons as not just items on a spreadsheet, but as individuals. "We're a lot more personal with people," added Heidi Grant, President of FNBG. "When someone comes in for a loan, Tom knows their family. It's easier to see people as more than just a number and to have more compassion and understanding." That compassion can be seen in the way they are willing to go the extra mile for their customers, such as going to the

residence of homebound customers. These personal interactions are also foundational to the ethos of FNBG as it allows them to better know and connect with local business owners. "We strive to understand what their needs are and how the bank can help them. We can't approve them all, but once we have a better understanding of what their business does, it can give us more flexibility with how we interact and assist the customer," said Tom.

One area that FNBG really shines in is its ability to meet the customers where they are, especially in terms of expectations and technology. "When you take the choice away, you take the personal touch away," said Heidi. So, they try to provide options for

communication, such as having both automated and operator-controlled phone menus as well as online account accessibility. They also hope in that building rapport and trust with their customers, people will feel comfortable coming in to ask for help so that the bank can better assist them.

On top of the individual focus, the bank is also committed to its involvement with the community at large. One way FNBG does this is through supporting sports and athletics in the Valley View

community. "A big chain probably won't sponsor a little league team, whereas we're not going to miss out on an opportunity like that," said Heidi. FNBG also supports several local organizations and is very involved with the schools; they help with the Real World Real Money event at VV middle school every year. They have also aided Valley View teachers through donorschoose.com and taught finance classes in the schools. "We find it important to promote and support teachers so that young people have much needed financial skills," explained Heidi.



One ongoing initiative to help children begin to learn about financial literacy is FNBG's "Passport to Saving." Kids with a bank account will receive a passport book with their picture in it. Each month there is a different country and theme, and when the kids come in to make a deposit, they get a sticker in their passport. Whether you have a child that you would like to see begin learning about financial skills, or you have some questions yourself, there is sure to be a friendly face at FNBG that can happily help you out.

City Infrastructure

HIGH-SPEED FIBER INSTALLATION

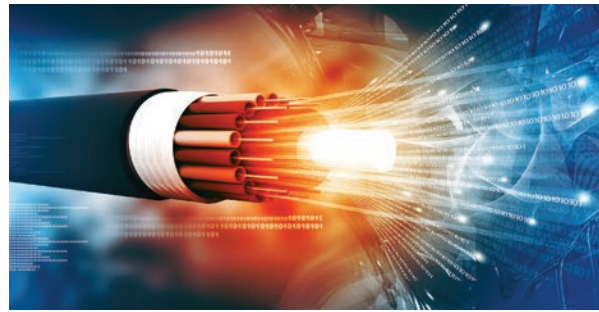
Communications infrastructure fiber is being installed throughout the city. This infrastructure will provide residents and businesses with options for ultra-fast Internet connections and additional services. These companies are referred to as "Internet Service Providers" or "ISPs."

Residents should expect to see construction teams and equipment throughout the city completing necessary aerial and underground work. This work should not disrupt residents' utility services. Residents should contact their utility provider immediately if there is a disruption in service. Call 911 immediately if there is a danger that threatens life or health.

Public agencies and utility companies have the right to work within the public right-of-way and associated easements. The line between private property and public right-of-way is often located 10 to 15 feet behind the edge of pavement. On a street with curb and sidewalk, this is often located at the edge of the sidewalk on the house side. When in doubt, residents can contact the City for general questions, or hire a surveyor to determine the exact location of the property and easement lines. Residents who subscribe to the ISP's service are permitting the company

to construct the connection to their house.

Residents with an invisible fence line or irrigation pipe in the public right-of-way or utility easement should indicate that location with flags,



paint markings or markers to identify the underground line/pipe.

Construction times vary greatly based on a variety of factors. The construction area typically will be restored within a few days after work is complete.

Communication companies have the right to access the public right-of-way to build their citywide fiber-optic network in Germantown. You are not obligated to use these services, and as with other utilities (electric, gas, etc.), the goal is to make this service as widely accessible as possible; however, there is no requirement for any home

to sign up for this service.

Crews do their best to minimize the impact to property. However, accidents do occur. Please note that construction is temporary, and the impact to property should be limited as most infrastructure lines will be underground. Contact the fiber installation company to report concerns.

Fiber companies should send advance notification to let property owners know when crews will be in the neighborhood. This is typically done by leaving door hangers. A good indication that work is imminent is the appearance of underground utility markings appearing on the pavement and ground in the form of dotted lines in spray paint or small plastic flagging. Different colors indicate the presence of different utilities.

Please do not remove the flags as they show where the other utilities are located. ISPs are legally required to have other utilities located and marked/flagged during construction, to eliminate hitting electric, cable or gas lines. Once construction work is completed on your property, the construction crew will remove the flags. Once available, ISPs will be in contact with you with service opportunities.

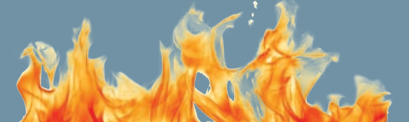
Kuhn Hardware Receives Recognition



Mayor Johnson and Council presented certificates of appreciation to members of the Kuhn family at the August meeting in recognition of Kuhn Hardware for providing outstanding service and support to the Valley View community for many years. "This family-owned business has remained a respected institution in our area; many thanks to the Kuhn family for a job well done," shared Mayor Johnson. Councilman Kuhn expressed his gratitude to the City and his family's pride in having operated the store for 4 generations.

Burn Ban

As autumn gets underway and leaves fall, residents are reminded that most open burning is prohibited inside city limits. Burning of leaves, tree trimmings, grass and weeds requires Ohio EPA notification in advance and 1,000 foot distance to neighbor. Contact the Germantown Fire Department at 855-7230 for more information.



PUTTING PASSION INTO ACTION

Local Teen Volunteers at Veterans Memorial Museum

Volunteering can be a great way to meet new people, learn new skills, as well as give back to your community. For local Valley View student Seth Woodward, his time volunteering at the Veterans Memorial Museum has done all that and more.

Seth's love of history began in 3rd grade when his grandpa told Seth about his 4th great grandfather who had fought for the Union in the Civil War. This connection spurred Seth on to learn more about his family and nation's past. His grandpa further impacted this passion when he took Seth to the Veterans Memorial Museum. Not long after their visit, Seth learned that David Shortt, the curator of the museum, was looking for more volunteers. Seth immediately jumped at the opportunity. "I thought the collection at the museum was incredible, and I wanted to be a part of taking care of it," shared Seth.

The artifacts at the Veterans Memorial Museum are indeed impressive; there are clothing and items from most every war or conflict involving the United States all the way back to the Revolution, and each display is carefully arranged for historical accuracy. David Shortt has a keen eye for ensuring things are accurate, and Seth has honed his own skills through David's assistance. "He's a great teacher," said Seth.

The effort of the staff and volunteers in this endeavor is often aided by families providing a photo along with the clothing and memorabilia they donate to the museum. A



particular instance of this that stands out to Seth was when an individual donated uniforms from both WWI and WW2, along with the pictures of the father and son to whom they belonged. Plaques and write-ups about the items in the displays are also included. This is something that Shortt is very emphatic and meticulous about. "He makes sure the story behind every item we take in is told and remembered," said Seth. It's important that they do this because in Shortt's

He's currently assisting his grandmother in finding out information about one of his ancestors who was a pilot in World War II. Above all, Seth appreciates the way volunteering at the museum allows him to serve his community. "To move forward safely, you need to know what happened in the past," stated Seth, "you don't want a redo of all the negative things that happened." He would encourage all residents of Germantown to visit the

museum, because on top of national history, there is also a great deal of local history to be learned. "I've heard lots of great stories that I otherwise never would have had the chance to hear," said Seth. Stories like that of General Shaffer, the former mayor of Germantown who was a WWII fighter ace and Adjutant General in the Air Guard that has an entire room dedicated to him.

The museum is also involved in events and initiatives that take place all over the country. On Veterans Day, volunteers

will place flags on the graves at Germantown Cemetery of those who served. Wreaths will then be placed in December for the Wreaths-Across-America event. Those interested in visiting the museum or becoming a volunteer themselves can call the museum at (937) 855-4763 or visit the website/Facebook Page. All residents are encouraged to visit the museum, conveniently located at 123 South Main Street, and learn about both our city and nation's history.



words: "It's not about things, it's about people."

Seth has found his time volunteering at the Veterans Memorial Museum extremely

rewarding. It has helped him become more responsible, which he believes will help him in his future career. He has also been able to learn and put into practice skills as a historian; both at the museum and at home.



Photos by Angie Woodward

News from the PUBLIC LIBRARY



Library Schedule

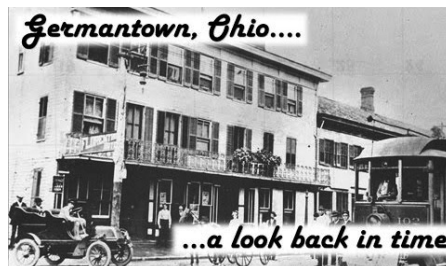
- **New senior fitness classes**
Every Thursday at 11 a.m.
- **Adult Art**
Now with two sessions on Thursday, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.
- **Knit Group**
Every Thursday at 1 p.m.
- **Adult Board Game group**
Tuesday at 6 p.m.
- **Story time**
Tues/Wed/Sat at 10:30 a.m.
- **Dogtors Storytime**
Read to Therapy Dogs every second Saturday at 10:30 a.m.
- **Adult Craft workshops**
Saturdays throughout the month.
- **K-3rd grade Art**
Every Second Monday at 5 p.m.
New themes every month.
- **Lego Club**
Every Wednesday at 4 p.m.
Build something awesome!
- **Library Board of Trustees meeting**
Every Second Monday at 7 p.m.

Are you signed up for Libby, Hoopla, and our SEO app?

Libby: Borrow ebooks, audiobooks, and magazines from the Libby app. Read or listen on your phone or device, all free with your Germantown Library card.

Hoopla: Browse an enormous selection of music, movies, television shows, eBooks, audiobooks, and comics on the Hoopla app. Everything is available with no waiting! You can even put this app on your smart TV.

SEO app: Visit our website for links to download our app. We are connected to 97 other libraries and have access to millions of library materials. Download the app, log in with your library card, place holds on what you want and pick up at the library.



Interested in Local Germantown History?

Germantown Public Library recently completed an inventory of our local history archives. Stop by and see our local history room. Call to make a local history appointment with our archivist to see the collection. The collection has old Germantown Press papers, photographs of the area, and other local Germantown information. See what you can unlock about your family at the library!

Germantown Public Library
51 N. Plum Street
Germantown, OH 45327

Welcome to Downtown!

Congratulations to the Pack Country Club, Everybody's Doggy, and Sweet Rivers for joining the downtown community!



The Pack is a dog training and grooming business.



Everybody's Doggy is a nonprofit group that offers service and pet dog training.



Sweet Rivers is a boutique store offering women's clothing and fashion items as well as many other wonderful products.



GERMANTOWN SENIOR CENTER

EST. 2000

Rentals

The Senior Center is a beautiful facility equipped with a full kitchen and tables and chairs that is available for rental for parties, meetings and more! Call the center for rental inquiries.

Annual Membership Fee

\$10 per year for German Township or Germantown Residents, \$25 per year for Non-Residents

Mail or drop off completed application along with check made payable to: Germantown Senior Center, 33 N. Cherry St., Germantown, Ohio 45327. We can only accept checks, no cash please. Call (937) 853-8900 to speak with us.

Our Mission

We advocate the well-being and dignity of all seniors by providing health, educational and recreational programs to assist them to lead independent and useful lives.



SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR

Bingo With Halftime Lunch

Wednesday at 11 am: Oct. 25, Nov. 29

Breakfast

9:30 am, Note: Some have changed due to holidays

Oct. 27-Bible Study after, Nov. 9-Veterans,

Dec. 20-Christmas

Chair Exercise & Yoga

Chair Exercise at 10 am, Yoga at 10:30 am: Oct.5, Nov. 2, Dec. 7

Lunch & Learn, then Craft with the Library

Friday at 11 am: Oct. 20, Nov. 17, Dec. 15

Penny Auction

1st Wednesday at 11 am: Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6

Craft Days

2nd Wednesday at 11 am: Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13

Special Announcements

Sept. 30 -Craft Fair at the Center from 9-3. Several Vendors, Raffles, Food

Oct. 6 & Dec. 1 at 11:15 am-Bus Outing to 1st Fri. Music, then Lunch

Oct 7-Train trip to Metamora, Call Center for info

Oct. 16 at 3 pm-New! Healthy Living with Diabetes Class on Mondays

Nov. 3 at 10:15 am-Lunch & Shopping Bus Outing to

Waynesville's Holiday Event

Nov. 7-Closed due to Election

Nov. 9 at 9:30 am-Special Veterans Breakfast for Veteran and guest

Nov. 22 at 12 pm-Special Thanksgiving Luncheon

Nov. 28 at 12 pm-Lunch & Christmas Decorating Day at Center

Dec. 4 at 5:30 pm-Bus Outing, Dinner & Light Up Middletown

Dec.19 at 11 am-LaComedia Trip, Call the Center by Oct. 18th if Interested

Dec. 20 at 9:30 am-Special Christmas Breakfast

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1-3 pm Senior Meals 1 pm Chair Volleyball 3 pm Diabetes Class	10 am Open Computer	10 am Quilters 10 am Social Hour with Coffee & Donuts	1 pm Mah Jongg 2 pm Sequence 3:30 pm Euchre	1 pm Chair Volleyball

For Your Information

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE

Thinking of making improvements to your downtown property?

We have a tool to assist.....New Community Reinvestment Area in Downtown Germantown

A Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) has been created in Germantown's Historic Downtown. Property owners in this district may apply for real property tax exemptions for renovations and/or construction of new buildings. These abatements can last up to 15 years and stay with the property even if ownership changes. Those interested in applying for this program should contact Will Parsons at 937-855-7255.

Election Day

Election Day is Tuesday, November 7th. Make sure to exercise your rights and civic duty by voting!

Newsletter Suggestions

Thank you for reading Germantown's new and improved newsletter! If you have suggestions or recommendations for items or stories you'd like to see in future publications, or if someone you know did not receive a quarterly newsletter, please send items to newsletter@germantown.oh.us

Thanks from the Aquatic Center!

The Aquatic Center would like to say thank you to the community for passing the pool levy again this year. We appreciate your support and will continue to provide you a wonderful experience for years to come. It was a great summer, and we look forward to seeing you next year! Check our Facebook page for updates on pool passes, parties, swim lessons, and more.

City Paving Project

Many streets as well as Kercher Park have been repaved this year. Residents will surely see and feel the difference as they drive around town.



Founders Day

Founders Day in Veterans Memorial Park was a wonderful night with good food, music, and fun times with the model trains! Thank you to The Historical Society of Germantown for putting on this event for the community.

The Holidays Are Coming!

Rumpke Holiday Schedule

November 23, Thanksgiving Day - No Service, one day delay for normal pick up.

December 25, Christmas Day - No service, one day delay for normal pick up.

January 1, New Year's Day - No service, one day delay for normal pick up.

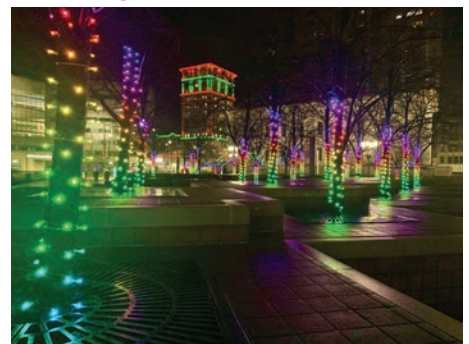


Letters to Santa

Would your child like to get a letter from Santa? If so, place their written letters to Santa (including a self-addressed stamped envelope) in the mailbox located in the lobby at City Hall by December 13.

Christmas in the Park

The annual Christmas celebration in Veterans' Memorial Park will be held on December 9th. You are invited to visit with Santa, Mrs. Claus and the elves in the Depot. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served. This event is free to the public and organized by the Germantown/German Township Parks & Recreation Board. Check the City of Germantown Facebook page for more information.



Christmas Lights at Veterans Memorial Park

Veterans Memorial Park will be lit up with Christmas lights, but with a new twist this year! The lights will be synced up to music, creating an exciting and beautiful show all ages should enjoy. Once the holiday season has begun, come visit the park and take a walk through this winter wonderland!

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Water Pollution DID YOU KNOW?

You are a key player in keeping our waterways clean and safe. Creating simple habits and following easy guidelines can make a huge impact on our streams and waterways.

DO YOUR PART

- Be responsible with your waste
- Research your local laws
- Recognize everyday hazardous products and common household hazardous wastes.
- Use a home pickup service or locate a drop off facility.
- Become a recycler, pour waste into a container and recycle it yourself.
- Use non-hazardous products.

Thank you for doing your part in keeping Germantown's waterways safe and healthy for all to enjoy!

Important Dates

October 31
Beggar's Night
6:00 to 8:00 pm

October 31
Costume Parade & Contest
Held at Veterans Park following
Beggar's Night - Presented by Lion's
Club

November 10
City Offices Closed
in observance of Veterans Day

November 23 & 24
City Offices closed
in observance of Thanksgiving

December 1—Dog
Licenses available
for purchase at City Hall

December 25 & 26
City offices closed
in observance of Christmas

December 29 & January 1
City Offices closed
in observance of New Year

**"Great things have come in the past and greater things are still to
come and will be done in OUR City"**

- Mayor Terry Johnson

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