

## 1968: Village of Centerville on way to City status

Centerville Village Council minutes during the fall of 1968 show that Mayor Paul Hoy and Council had been discussing the transition to City status for a few months. The State of Ohio requires that 5,000 registered voters or residents are required to achieve city status and because of recent annexations and other growth, the Centerville population was booming. By October 1968, Centerville had 5,268 voters registered for the upcoming November 5 election, so it was likely the village would become a city. The



The Post Sentinel, October 24, 1968

Village Council had been preparing for this transition. Earlier that spring, voters adopted the Centerville Charter, and by October, a village manager, John Paul Griffin, had been appointed. In a proclamation dated November 20, 1968, Secretary of State Ted Brown noted "5,063 resident electors were registered at the time of the election with the Board of Elections of Montgomery County and therefore the municipality shall from and after 30 days of the date of the proclamation be known as a City." On December 2, during its meeting, Council officially transitioned the village to the City of Centerville.

Please join us in celebration of our 50th anniversary! There are still many special events planned. Of note, the Fall Festival is October 7 at Stubbs Park, and the tree lighting ceremony at Benham's Grove is on our actual anniversary date, December 2. Please visit centervilleohio.gov for details.

## 2018: City Council adopts Strategic Plan

At its June 16, 2018 meeting, City Council adopted a five-year Strategic Plan, with six major goals that will guide the City's progress through 2023. The goals include:

**Economic Development:** Promote a community of neighborhoods and business districts that attract, retain, and support businesses with forward thinking policy, planning, and service delivery.

**Planning:** Engage in proactive strategic land use policy-making reflective of the City's present development pattern and its evolution to a maturing suburban community. *Continued on page 3* 

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## City employees retire



Julie Weaver



Sgt. Jeff Williams

their service.

Julie Weaver, assistant to the Clerk of Council and Planning office secretary, was hired in 2006. Over her 12 years with the City, she prepared agenda and meeting minutes for City Council, the Board of Architectural Review and the Planning Commission as well as performed administrative duties for both offices. She retired in August.

Police Sgt. Jeff Williams retires in September with 29 years of service to the City of Centerville. Starting as a patrol officer in 1989, he was appointed detective in 1992 and narcotics officer a year later. He was assigned to the Organized Crime Commission in 1996 and received a Commendation, Distinguished Service Award and the John P. Kalaman Officer of the Year award in 2000. He was appointed to SWAT in 2002 and was appointed sergeant in 2016.

Brown appointed Police Chief



Chief Matthew Brown

Lt. Matthew Brown was appointed to the position of Chief of Police. Centerville City Manager Wayne Davis made the announcement in July. Brown had been serving as interim chief, following the retirement of Bruce Robertson. Chief Brown has been a member of the Centerville Police Department since 1998, serving as police officer, detective, sergeant and most recently lieutenant. He will continue to

serve as a member of the City management team and is responsible for the administration and supervision of Police department staff along with the department's day-to-day operations including crime prevention, patrol, security of property and public education.

Brown is a graduate of the Police Executive Leadership College and Supervision of Police Personnel from the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command. He earned a BS in criminal justice from the University of Toledo and the Ohio Peace Officer Training certificate from Sinclair Community College.

Calling him loyal, hardworking and smart, Davis said Chief Brown epitomizes the selflessness required of a public servant in law enforcement.

## City employees to participate in leadership training

More than 40 City employees will take part in a three-day leadership course facilitated by Tony Gardner, president of the Charlottesville Center for High-Performance Organizations. Gardner also serves on the Leadership Development faculty at the University of Virginia's Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service and teaches and facilitates

The City of Centerville thanks these dedicated employees for

teams at the Center's Senior Executive Institute and LEAD programs. Employees representing all levels of City departments will participate in the training, scheduled for October 8–10 at the Municipal Building. Staff members Wayne Davis, Doug Spitler and Mike Yoder are graduates of the LEAD program.



Wayne Davis

## From the desk of City Manager Wayne Davis

In addition to another outstanding Americana Festival (my first as your City Manager), the City achieved two significant milestones in June and July. In June, Centerville City Council approved the City's 2018–2023 Strategic Plan. This Plan maps out six

Goal areas and 30 Strategies and multiple implementation steps which will continue to transform the Centerville community as it maintains its place as one of the premier communities in the State of Ohio and in America. The six Goal areas included in the Plan are: Economic Development, Planning, Finance, Infrastructure/ Housing, Core Services and Technology. (Please see page 1.) The Plan also incorporates the City's Mission, Vision and Values, which embody what we will do, to what end or outcome and how we will approach our service delivery. (Please see page 6.) A few of the initial strategies include the implementation of the City's Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system which will provide efficiencies and enhanced customer service for those needing to access City information and services, work with our neighbors and regional

partners in the development of fiber optic networks, conduct a review and assessment of the Create the Vision Comprehensive Plan and complete a review and assessment of our service delivery platforms for potential organizational restructuring. These are but a few of the items that the City will undertake in the first year of implementation of the five-year Plan. On the administrative side of the Plan's implementation, the City will synchronize the operational plan with the City's five-year financial plan, link the five-year plan to City departmental plans which will be connected to individual work plans and finally, we will provide updates to City Council on an annual basis.

The other significant milestone for the City was the ratification of a Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) with the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association (OPBA), the labor group representing the City's police officers. This was unanimously approved by City Council on July 16, following ratification by the members of the OPBA. This three-year agreement, which is retroactive to the beginning of 2018, outlines the benefits and working conditions for the City's police officers. It is important to note that both groups at the negotiating table bargained in good faith and conducted themselves with extreme professionalism over the 9–10 month duration of negotiations. We are all very excited to have this behind us to move forward in delivering services to our citizens, businesses and visitors in our great community.

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**Finance:** Create a strong and sustainable financial foundation which provides stability and flexibility to municipal operations by utilizing City resources and taxpayer dollars in the most efficient and responsible manner.

**Housing/Infrastructure:** Actively and regularly assess its infrastructure and housing options to identify opportunities for neighborhood improvements and economic viability.

**Core Services:** Provide outstanding, efficient, quality and valuable core services to our residents, businesses and visitors as defined by the City of Centerville's Mission, Vision and Values.

**Technology:** Modernize its technology infrastructure while leveraging emerging trends to improve operations and facilitate communication with our stakeholders.

Each goal includes strategies and implementation steps. The complete plan is available at centervilleohio.gov.

## CELEBIZATING OUTZ VOLUNTEETZS

Municipal volunteers were honored in May at the City's annual Volunteer Salute held at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace. The event recognizes the more than 300 volunteers serving as members of Council-appointed boards and commissions including the Business Task Force, Storm Water

Review, Architectural Review, Tax Appeals, Arts, Property Review, New Community Authority, Records, City Beautiful, Planning, CRA Housing, Personnel Appeals, Sister City, Friends of Benham's Grove and Centerville City School District Personnel Appeals.

CIVIC municipal volunteers work in each of the City's five sites: Police Department, City Building, Public Works Center, Benham's Grove and Yankee Trace providing outstand-



Top: Ten-year award recipients Above: Phil McLaughlin receives the Mayor's Award from Brooks Compton

ing services to the community and saving the City and taxpayers thousands of dollars by their efforts, contributing almost 15,000 hours in 2017.

During the event, Mayor Brooks Compton and City Council also acknowledged those volunteers reaching service milestones with a commemorative pin. Receiving Five-year pins were: Bill Abrams, Dennis Baseley, Don DeLoach, Larry England, Jon Hazelton, Judi Hetzer, Dave Hetzer, Pete Jones, Jerry Krauss, Bob Lentz, Ellyn Morrisey, Bob Muzechuk, Bryce Nickel, Ed Ross, John Salvatore, Bob Stone and Al Tokarsky. Betty Lou Carney, Ruth DeWitt, Mike DeWitt, Marilou Enslein, Garry Heflin, Frank Holloway, Walt Killar, Jacki Martindale, June Ovington, Doug Price and Parker Wolff received ten-year pins, while Dick Anstaett, Herman Gabriel and Richard Morrison were recognized for 15 years of service. Suzie Holloway along with Barbara and John Moraites received certificates of appreciation for 25 years of service, and Bob Perkins was recognized for his 40 years of volunteer effort.

Mayor Compton presented the 2018 Mayor's Award for Community Service to Phil McLaughlin, in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the City.

#### **Construction continues**

Numerous projects throughout the City are either under construction or beginning soon. For more information, please call City offices, 433-7151.

#### **Opening soon:**

- ► Home2 by Hilton: 96room hotel by Scarlet and Gray Hospitality at Cornerstone of Centerville on Wilmington Pike.
- ► Woodbourne Library on Far Hills Avenue: \$5 million expansion includes new meeting spaces and parking. Grand opening is set for



Home2 by Hilton

September 23. For details, please visit wclibrary.info.

▶ La Pinata Mexican restaurant: New site at the corner of Sheehan Road and South Main Street.

#### **Under construction:**

- ▶ Bethany Village Crescent Crossing on Far Hills Avenue: \$42 million four-story, 74-unit assisted living facility, expected to open in December.
- ➤ The Allure of Centerville, near Cross Pointe Center: \$30 million upscale multi-family housing offering 312 units by Synergy Building Systems and Hills Development, expected to open early 2019.
- ▶ Miami Valley Hospital South, two projects: \$60 million spine and joint center expansion, featuring sports medicine, cardiology and primary care services, set to open by December, and Pure Healthcare Center: partnership with Ohio's Hospice of Dayton, serving patients with serious and chronic illness, set to open early 2019.
- ▶ Randall Residence: 150,000-square foot assisted living facility and 84 independent living cottage units at Social Row, Sheehan and Paragon roads, anticipated opening date is May 2019.
- ► Savannah Place at Yankee Trace: \$15 million luxury home development by Charles Simms Development located near the Yankee Trace Swim and Tennis Center, featuring 44 attached patio homes.

A warm and cheerful welcome to these businesses

## new to Centerville

El Toro Mexican Restaurant 894B South Main Street
Little Ceasars Pizza 832 South Main Street
Centerville Liquor and Wine 894C South Main Street
Franklin Gallery 235 West Franklin Street
Aeroseal, LLC 1851 South Metro Parkway
A.C. Moore 251 East Alex-Bell Road

#### SENIOR SERVICES

Volunteers needed to rake leaves, shovel snow

The City offers a service resource list for older and disabled residents who are unable to rake leaves from their yards or shovel snow from walks and driveways. The list is maintained by City staff and available to residents. The City also maintains a list of individuals and companies that perform those services for a fee. Once residents receive the resource information, it is their responsibility to make the necessary arrangements. This is a perfect service project for groups, families and individuals. To volunteer, list a business or receive the resource list, call City Offices, 433-7151.

SilverLink is a resource program for seniors. This one-stop phone call to 2-1-1 provides free and confidential resource information, facilitated by United Way of Greater Dayton.

# (urb appeal)

The City Beautiful Commission's landscape award season is July through September, when commission members scout for award-worthy landscapes that features curb appeal with well-maintained structure and hardscape; neatly trimmed grass, bushes and trees; healthy plant material; and possibly, but not necessarily, a lovely display of flowers. To make a nomination, please contact publicworks@centervilleohio.gov or call 428-4782. Congratulations to these residents, whose landscapes were lauded in July. The recipients of the August and September awards will be included in the next Town Crier.

#### JULY RESIDENTIAL WINNERS:

Pamela Skidmore 6946 Spring Farm Court

Gean Seubert 381 Whittington Drive

Jeffrey Schiavone 8240 Rhine Way

1 Larry D. Brouse 145 Cloverwood Drive

2 Wendy Kline 940 Deer Run Road

Brian and Jessica Lomax 311 Village Square Road

Pam and Paul Anglin 517 Yankee Trace Drive



COMMUNITY PRIDE: Carriage Trace condos on Bigger Road Peg Stone and Chis Perkins

#### Leaf collection service starts soon

The City's annual leaf collection service begins October 8 and is provided to all residents who live adjacent to a public roadway within Centerville. Leaves are not collected from private streets or other non-public areas. Leaf collection is a separate service from waste collection, with funding from the Public Works Streets' Operating Budget. After collection, leaves are transported to a private vendor for compost material—natural recycling. Crews will be out in full force during leaf pickup with a variety of trucks. Centerville is divided into seven collection areas, with leaves scheduled to be collected four times from each area. Please see page 5 for the collection schedule and map.

#### **Guidelines for a smooth operation:**

- Do not bag leaves. Bagged leaves will be collected as a special pickup and charged accordingly.
- Do not rake ANYTHING except leaves to the curb for pickup. Branches, sticks, grass and other yard waste can clog machinery and throw crews off schedule. Leaf piles containing branches, grass and the like will not be collected.
- Rake leaves into a row along the curb or edge of pavement, not into the street where they block traffic and storm water flow. Please keep leaves away from catch basins as they clog the storm system.
- All areas will be serviced FOUR times. Rake leaves to the curb at least two days before crews are scheduled—please review the map. Depending on weather, equipment issues and volume of leaves, crews may be running early or late. Every effort will be made to collect leaves from your street on the scheduled day.
- Leaf equipment is converted to de-icing equipment at the end of the collection program; therefore leaves raked to the curb following the last scheduled collection day will be collected on a special pickup basis and charged accordingly.
- Stay safe! Children should NEVER play in piles of leaves raked along the roadway. Crews cannot see your child—and neither can motorists.



## **BRIGHT LIGHTS, BIG CITY**

Join us in the holiday lighting contest as City Beautiful members look for those 'oh so special' lighting displays. Make a nomination by December 7 by emailing publicworks@centervilleohio.gov or calling 428-4782. Awards will be announced at the December 17 City Council meeting.



YANKEE ST.

PARAGON RD.

SHARMAN

THURSDAY: OCT. 18, NOV. 1 & 15

Pickup missed areas and make schedule adjustments



PRIVATE DRIVE NO COLLECTION

MONDAY:
OCTOBER 8 & 22,
NOVEMBER 5 & 19

Bounded on North by City limits; Bounded on East by City limits; Bounded on West by Marshall Rd.; Bounded on South by Whipp Rd.

TUESDAY:
OCTOBER 9 & 23,
NOVEMBER 6 & 20

Bounded on North by City limits; Bounded on East by City limits; Bounded on West by City limits and Bigger Rd.; Bounded on South by Alex-Bell Rd.

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WEDNESDAY: OCTOBER 10 & 24, NOVEMBER 7 & MONDAY, NOV. 26

Bounded on North by Whipp Rd. and Hewitt Ave.; Bounded on East by Bigger Rd.; Bounded on West by S.R. 48; Bounded on South by Alex-Bell Rd. 1

THURSDAY: OCTOBER 11 & 25, NOVEMBER 8 &

NOVEMBER 8 & TUESDAY, NOV. 27

Bounded on North by Alex-Bell Rd.; Bounded on East by Clyo Rd.; Bounded on West by S.R. 48; Bounded on South by Franklin St. G

**MONDAY:** 

OCTOBER 15 & 29, NOVEMBER 12 & WEDNESDAY, NOV. 28

Bounded on North by Alex-Bell Rd.; Bounded on East by City limits; Bounded on West by Clyo Rd.; Bounded on South by Centerville Station Rd. 6

TUESDAY:
OCTOBER 16 & 30,
NOVEMBER 13 &
THURSDAY, NOV. 29

Bounded on North by E. Franklin St. and Centerville Station Rd.; Bounded on East by City limits; Bounded on West by Main St.; Bounded on South by Spring Valley Rd. and City limits. 5

WEDNESDAY: OCTOBER 17 & 31, NOVEMBER 14 & MONDAY, DEC. 3

Bounded on North by City limits; Bounded on East by Main St.; Bounded on West by City limits; Bounded on South by Sheehan Rd. and City limits; includes Yankee Trace residential areas.



## **New State Law** allows wireless telecommunications networks in right-of-way

The State of Ohio legislature passed House Bill 478 effective August 1, 2018 that overhauls regulations governing the installation of small cell wireless infrastructure

in municipalities' rights-of-way. This new law allows eligible companies to install wireless telecommunication networks to deliver 5G speed, supplementing 4G networks that will vastly improve bandwidth, capacity and reliability of mobile broadband.

The law also sets rules and regulations that cities must follow in granting or limiting permission for these companies to install their equipment near and/or in front of your property.

What is the right-of-way? Typically, the right-of-way includes the street, curb, curb lawn, and sidewalk. If no sidewalk is present, the right-of-way extends up to 10 feet behind the back of the curb.

What does this mean for Centerville? The City must follow state regulations and allow wireless infrastructure-including antenna, equipment and poles or other support structures—to be located in the public right of way on ANY public street or easement. City Council adopted a new Chapter 1048 in the Centerville Municipal Code that will regulate the safety and appearance of small cell wireless facilities—to the limited extent allowed under the new State law. We will keep you updated as these new regulations are implemented. Please visit centervilleohio.gov for additional information.

## **Joyce Young Named 2018 Founders event honoree**



Joyce Young

An advocate for children, people with disabilities and social services, Joyce Young's lifelong commitment to community service will be recognized with the 2018 Founders Award by the Centerville-Washington Foundation on Thursday, September 27 at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace. For ticket information, please call 265-0110 or

email cwfoundation45@gmail.com.

Young has served as President of the Junior League of Dayton, Board Member of the United Way, and the first president of the Miami Valley Child Development Centers. She remains active on the Cityheart Board, Lincoln Society of Dayton and the Centerville Rotary Club.

First elected to the Washington Township Board of Trustees in 1995, she served 22 years, retiring last year. As a Trustee, Young co-chaired the 2003 Create the Vision Committee and served as representative to the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission, Human Services Levy Council, Homeless Solutions Policy Board and the ED/GE Program committee.

The Centerville-Washington Foundation, a component fund of the Dayton Foundation, helps donors find the best ways of contributing to worthy causes. For more information, please visit centervillewashingtonfoundation.org.

#### City Council adopted the following Mission, Vision and Values statements that will be used as guiding principles for all Council Members, staff and City volunteers.

#### Mission Statement

The City of Centerville delivers exceptional services through thoughtful governance to ensure progress and stability.

#### Vision Statement

Centerville is a thriving, financially sound, diverse city which values community, economic growth and education. We embrace the core values of accountability, integrity, responsiveness and leadership in governance. Centerville is a community inspired by its own sense of history, stability, progress and is:

- · Characterized by diverse, desirable neighborhoods with welcoming gateways and tree-lined streets
- Enhanced by multiple bustling unique business centers, including a vibrant historic downtown
- Known for engaged citizens and dedicated volunteers
- Enriched by robust economic growth and job creation
- Home to worldwide arts, recreational and cultural programs and competitions
- · Recognized for its nationally-acclaimed and award-winning schools, parks and libraries
- Acknowledged for outstanding value in the delivery of municipal services and public safety

#### **Values Statement**

#### We value:

Accountability: Ensuring a personal commitment to its customers with responsibility to deliver sound, ethical governance

Community: Contributing to a responsive and thriving place to live, work, learn and play, while embracing history and traditions

**Economic Growth:** Providing support for business development to enhance our region's quality of life

**Education:** Supporting diverse and quality educational opportunities for lifelong learning

*Integrity:* Practicing ethical, accountable and trustworthy behavior in the stewardship of City services and resources

**Leadership:** Securing the respect and trust of our community and region while leading by example and adhering to the City's Mission, Vision and Values

Responsiveness: Addressing the needs of our citizens, businesses, customers and neighbors in a courteous, efficient and innovative manner



# JOIN IN THE CENTERVILLE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

As we approach December 2, the actual date of Centerville's 50th anniversary as a City, community events continue to commemorate this special occasion, Gold and Cheerful Centerville:

#### SEPTEMBER 14 -

#### City of Centerville Night at Centerville High School:

It's a "gold out"! Wear gold shirts in celebration of our 50th anniversary and support the Elks! We will be giving away 500 gold t-shirts at the game.

For tickets, please visit centervilleelkathletics.com.

#### OCTOBER 4 and 11 -

**Ghost Walk:** Pick your evening to enjoy a stroll through downtown Centerville complete with stories and history. *Please visit wclibrary.info for ticket information.* 

#### OCTOBER 7 -

Fall Family Festival: This free event features kids' activities, games, pumpkin patch, entertainment and inflatables, 2:00–5:00 p.m. at Stubbs Park.

#### DECEMBER 2

Hometown Holiday Walk: 1:00-5:00 p.m., downtown Centerville

Tree Lighting Ceremony: 5:00 p.m., Benham's Grove
In addition to musical performances and a visit from Santa Claus,
special activities and giveaways are planned.

#### **Ongoing events include:**

- 50th Anniversary signature donut at Bill's Donut Shop
- Vintage City programming airing on Spectrum Channel 5 and City of Centerville YouTube Channel
  - Flashback Friday photos on our Facebook page
- Centerville 50th Anniversary exhibit: Asahel Wright House,
   North Main Street. Open noon–4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday

Thank you to our numerous sponsors for supporting our community celebration. Please visit centervilleohio.gov for more information and a list of events.

## City gateway park gets makeover

As part of the 50th anniversary celebration, the southeast corner of Far Hills Avenue and Alex-Bell Road has been spruced up. The area, owned by the City, provides a gateway



entrance to Centerville. Our Public Works staff designed, created and installed the new features. Improvements include installation of an irrigation system and electric service, landscape rocks with fountain, landscaping with perennials and annuals and a lighted flagpole. Two Red Horse Chestnuts—the City's newly adopted official tree, complement the gardens of daylilies, the City's official flower.

## Fall Festival

#### at Stubbs Park

Fall into the autumn season with a new Centerville event, 2:00–5:00 p.m. Sunday, October 7 at Stubbs Park! The Fall Family Festival features entertainment by American Idol finalist Alexis Gomez along with a special concert featuring music just for kids by the Centerville Community band. In addition, this free event will offer family games, food, inflatables, pumpkin patch, costumed characters and giveaways—all in celebration of Centerville's 50th anniversary.

## CHOST WALK ON MAIN MAKES OCTOBER RETURN



The Friends of Washington-Centerville Public Library and Centerville-Washington History, in partnership with the City of Centerville and Heart of Centerville and Washington Township businesses, presents a new haunted history walk through downtown Centerville on

two consecutive Thursday nights: October 4 and 11. The evening includes guided group tours featuring local history and spooky stories along with seasonal refreshments at Benham's Grove, hosted by selected restaurants and businesses. Tickets are \$25 and available at wclibrary.info.

## RING IN THE HOLIDAYS WITH HOLIDAY WALK AND TREE LIGHTING

Let the holidays begin! As we close out the 50th Anniversary year, celebrate with us on December 2—the official date
Centerville transitioned from a village to a city. Downtown
Centerville welcomes the season with the Hometown Holiday Walk,
1:00–5:00 p.m. Sponsored by the Heart of Centerville merchants

and Centerville-Washington History, step back in time with visits to the Historical Society's Asahel Wright House—featuring Centerville circa 1968, School Museum and Walton House Museum. Other events include children's activities, horse and carriage rides, visit with Santa, shopping, special discounts and food trucks.



Centerville's Tree Lighting

Ceremony follows at 5:00 p.m. at Benham's Grove, 166 North Main Street. Enjoy the sounds of the season with musical entertainment from the Cline Elementary School Chorus and the Centerville Community Band. Santa Claus will make a special appearance. Join us as we close out the yearlong celebration with one last party!

These community events are free, so please call the City of Centerville, 433-7151, or visit hocwt.com, centervillewashingtonhistory.org, centervilleohio.gov or respective Facebook pages for more information.



Catch the talented, entertaining Centerville Community Band at the following events:

- Holiday at Home parade: September 3, Kettering
- Centerville 50th Anniversary Fall Festival: October 7, Stubbs Park. Featuring kid-approved music and other favorite tunes
- Veterans Day ceremony: November 11, Stubbs Park
- Tree Lighting ceremony: December 2, Benham's Grove

The Band is also available for other performances. Please call Anita Looper, 433-2769, or visit centervilleohio.gov/ccb for membership and performance schedule.

#### Sing along with the chorus

The Centerville Community Chorus, an all-volunteer group, is accepting new members—no audition required. Sponsored by the City of Centerville and the Centerville Arts Commission, this talented group performs a variety of popular, patriotic and holiday tunes at events all over



the community. Rehearsals are 7:00-9:00 p.m. Mondays at St. Leonard's auditorium, 8100 Clyo Road. For more information, visit ccchorus.org or email ourchorusmail@ccchorus.org.

# Gallery showcases eclectic artists

The Art Gallery at the Centerville Police Department, 155 West Spring

Valley Road, makes it convenient to enjoy local artists' work. Staffed 24 hours-a-day, all exhibits are free and open to the public. The Centerville Arts Commission coordinates the gallery.

The work of local resident Bob Jahn will be on display in September. Jahn always had an interest in art, but it wasn't until retirement that he was able to focus on his painting.

The October exhibit will highlight the work of Centerville artist Joanne Jannetta. She has a degree in art and works in color pencil, oil painting and photography. A volunteer artist for both Brukner Nature Center and Glen Helen Nature Reserve, she has created artwork for educational displays, brochures, coloring books and newsletters.

The November show will feature the work of Christine Klinger, a sculptor, painter and photographer. She has written and photographed for publications and taught painting, photography, and sculpture in Ohio, South Carolina and California.

Photos clockwise from top left: Bob Jahn, Joanne Jennetta, Christine Klinger

## FARMERS MARKET KEEPS IT FRESH AND LOCAL

When you shop local, you are not only getting freshly picked produce you also have the opportunity to talk directly with the growers. Our vendors share information about their products as well as cooking tips and recipes. Bring your shopping list to the Farmers Market, 2:30-6:30 p.m., each Thursday through October 25—rain or shine. Located near the intersection of St. Rt. 48 and Spring Valley Road,

you can pick up products like locally grown produce, organic meats, breads and other homemade goodies, décor and fresh-cut flowers.

Just in time for holiday shopping, the market moves indoors November 15 and December 20 to the Benham's Grove Barn, 166 North Main Street. Winter market hours are noon-4:00 p.m. Please visit centervillefarmersmarket.com for more about vendors and become a fan on Facebook.



#### Veterans Day ceremony set for November 11

In commemoration of Veterans Day, the City of Centerville and Centerville Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 9550 are saluting the men and women who have helped protect, preserve and maintain our freedom. A ceremony is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Sunday, November 11, at the Veterans Memorial at Stubbs Park, 255 West Spring Valley Road.

The service will include color guard presentations from Centerville VFW Post 9550 and the Centerville Police and Washington Township Fire departments' honor guards. In addition to remarks by Mayor Brooks Compton and a keynote speaker, there will be musical performances and a presentation from Cub Scout Pack 148. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the Centerville Police Building, 155 West Spring Valley Road. Please call 433-7151 or visit centervilleohio.gov for more information.

## Plan your party at Benham's Grove

Fall is the perfect time to host an event at Benham's Grove, a site providing more than 25 years of outstanding service in a beautiful park-like setting. While summer is coming to an end, good weather typically continues through October, and the grounds of Benham's



Grove are vibrant with fall colors. For your holiday parties, the festive decorations make party planning easy! Featuring three charming facilities, a gazebo and large covered brick area, the community gathering place offers many options. For more information or to schedule a tour, please call 433-1913 or visit benhamsgrove.com.



## Book it to these library events

#### **Woodbourne Library Public Grand Opening**

Celebrate Woodbourne Library's first day back in operation with music, public art, new library amenities and more. Free and open to the public.

#### Sunday, September 23

- 12:30 p.m. Flag Dedication, performed by Centerville VFW Post 9550
- 1:00-3:00 p.m Ribbon-cutting and Grand Opening

#### Friends of WCPL Fall Book Sale

Hundreds of books, movies, music, games and more for sale, priced from \$1 to \$5. Become a member of the Friends of WCPL! Membership forms available at wclibrary.info/friends.

- October 25: 5:00–9:00 p.m. Member Preview Night
- October 26: 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
- October 27: 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (Fill a bag of books for \$5 and 1/2 priced audiovisual items)

#### Americana Festival crowds continue to grow

More than 90,000 people visited downtown Centerville on July 4th for the Americana Festival, enjoying the 5K run, parade, car show, children's activities, numerous vendors, entertainment and great food. The July 3rd concert at Stubbs Park, followed by the concert and fireworks show at Centerville High School kicked off the celebration. To get involved in Ohio's largest one-day festival and join a great team of volunteers, or sign-on as a sponsor, please contact the Americana Festival Office, 433-5898, or email americanafestival@sbcglobal.net.



# Great views, delicious food DINE AT YANKEE TRACE

Whether it's brunch, lunch or a Friday night fish fry, Yankee Trace restaurant offers delicious fare with a variety of entrees, sides and desserts served in a friendly atmosphere. Give the cooks in your family a break this year and celebrate Thanksgiving dinner at Yankee Trace. For more information, please call 438-3585 or visit yankeetrace.org.

#### **Yankee Trace Restaurant**

#### **Menu Service**

Monday–Friday September 7–December 31 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Counter Service only Daily after 2:00 p.m.

**Sunday Brunch** 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

#### Fish Fry and Full Dinner Service

Fridays September 7-November 16 | 5:00-9:00 p.m.

Enjoy all you can eat beer-battered Haddock along with French fries and Yankee Trace's famous coleslaw for \$14.99. Full menu also available. Reservations recommended, please call 438-3585.

#### **Thanksgiving Buffet**

Thursday, November 22 | Two seatings: 11:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. \$28.95 for adults, \$13.95 for children 6–12, children five and under eat free. Reservations required, please call 438-3585.

## Speaker Series to highlight Dayton and donuts

Centerville-Washington History offers its monthly speaker series at Rec West Enrichment Center, 965 Miamisburg-Centerville Road. With a reception at 6:30 p.m., the programs start at 7:00 p.m. and are free and open to the public. Please visit centervillewashingtonhistory.org for more information.

#### October 16, 2018

Dayton: The Quintessential Home Front during "The Great War" Presented by Dr. David Schmidt

#### November 20, 2018

The History of Bill's Donuts

Presented by Lisa Elam Tucker



Bill and Faye Elam, circa 1968

#### *TOTH ANNIVERSARY EXHIBIT*

#### Asahel Wright House exhibit celebrates Centerville's history

Stop by the Centerville exhibit at the Asahel Wright Museum, 26 North Main Street, to travel back to 1968 see the people, places and events that have made Centerville a wonderful place to call home! The exhibit is open noon until 4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. Please visit centervillewashingtonhistory.org for more information.



#### Book tee times online and save

Try our new online booking engine to reserve your next round. The virtual tee sheet displays availability for the next 10 days and automatically registers you for our *YankeeClub*. Best of all, online tee times receive our lowest rates. Visit yankeetrace.org.

#### Yankee Gift Cards

These popular gift cards make the perfect gift for any occasion! Redeem for golf lessons, greens fees, golf merchandise and food and beverages. Stop by the golf shop or save time and order online at yankeetrace.org.

#### Golf Instruction Special—Great gift idea!

Four private lessons for \$140! It's never too late in the season to seek professional advice and improve your overall game. Instruction is available outdoors or indoors during inclement weather.

#### Volunteer at Yankee Trace

Join our volunteer family! Many dedicated citizens contribute to the success of the golf course by donating a portion of their valuable time. This unique program includes greeters, player assistants, shuttle drivers and on-course beautification. Benefits include complimentary golf, range balls and merchandise discounts. Limited applications are now available for the 2019 season.

#### Coming Soon: Indoor golf simulators

Step into the future. Play real golf on simulated golf courses in our NEW Virtual Golf Lounge, scheduled to open in January 2019. Reservations will be available for a private bay or group tee times. Winter league schedules will be posted online in December.

For more, please call 438-GOLF or visit yankeetrace.org.

## THE YANKEE TRACE TOURNAMENT SERIES

In honor of Centerville's 50th anniversary, each tournament is only \$50!

#### — THE PATRIOT CUP, SEPTEMBER 21 —

Two-person teams: 6-holes Scramble, 6-holes Shamble, 6-holes Stamble. Proceeds benefit "Folds of Honor Scholarships" to assist families of wounded soldiers.

1:30 p.m. Shotgun start: 18-holes, golf car, practice balls, Fish Fry dinner, awards, and optional skins game. Registration deadline: September 17

#### — CHILI CHALLENGE, OCTOBER 26 —

Four-person Scramble: Brave the chilly conditions then warm-up with Yankee Chili!

**12:00 p.m. Shotgun start:** 18-holes, golf car, practice balls, Chili dinner, awards, optional skins game.

Registration deadline: October 22

#### YANKEE TURKEY SHOOT, NOVEMBER 16 -

Two-person Scramble: Don't chicken out of the last tournament of the year!

12:00 p.m. Shotgun start: 18-holes, golf car, practice balls,
Turkey dinner, awards, optional skins game.
Registration deadline: November 12

LABOR DAY SALE / ENDS SEPTEMBER 9

20% off

All 2018 Golf Clubs, Bags and Shoes 25% off

All 2018 Golf Hats and Shirts

## **Recycling containers continue to roll-out**

Earlier this spring the second phase of City-provided recycling containers were delivered to portions of several collection routes. Over the next several years, additional recycling containers will be purchased and delivered so that ultimately all waste collection customers will be provided containers, making this program fully automated. Until customers receive the City container, the City's orange "Recycling" sticker should be easily visible on your container. Please call Public Works, 428-4782, for a sticker or more information.

Thanks to the outstanding stewardship of our waste collection customers who continue to sort waste and recyclable material, during a recent audit by Rumpke, the facility that collects our recyclable material, the City received high marks for 'clean' material—truly recyclable and not contaminated by waste, food scraps or other non-recyclable material. Every piece of trash deferred as recyclable is one less piece that fills a landfill.

#### **Collection reminders:**

- ▶ Place waste and recycling containers at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your collection day.
- Place your containers on opposite sides of the drive. This allows the automated arm on the truck ample room to grab, tip, and dump the container.
- ▶ Do not place your containers in the street as this hampers storm water flow, leaf collection and winter operations.
- ▶ To reduce odor, pour a cup of bleach in the empty container, close the lid and let it sit.

#### **Proper placement:**



## LEAVES MAKE GREAT COMPOST

Leaves and grass clippings are terrific compost that will enrich your soil over time. City Beautiful Commission offers the following tips to winterizing your landscape:

- Place leaves around trees and beds to breakdown as compost
- Allow leaves in vegetable gardens to decompose over the winter for use in your garden in spring
- If your leaf cover is fairly light, consider mowing over it and leave as compost on your lawn. This may require more frequent mowing however; it is environmentally friendly.



## Street repair program underway

Paving on all residential streets planned for asphalt resurfacing was completed in June. The concrete program is well underway with completion expected by late fall and resurfacing next year. Work is underway on Bethel Road including Judson Court and includes reconstruction of concrete curb and drainage structures prior to resurfacing. Traffic is being maintained during the work. This is the third project in the Concept East neighborhood funded by a Community Development Block Grant.

#### Among the City's major roadways getting a facelift this year:

- · Clyo Road from Alex-Bell Road (St. Rt. 725) to Bigger Road
- Alex-Bell Road from St. Rt. 48 to Greene County line
- · West Spring Valley Road
- Following the City's contractor performing concrete curb and storm system repairs, this fall ODOT will handle asphalt resurfacing of Alex-Bell Road

#### Lane improvements to two intersections:

- Left turn lanes extended on northbound Clyo Road at Alex-Bell Road and on eastbound Alex-Bell Road at Clyo Road. The longer turn lanes allow for more vehicles to pull into the left turn lane. Due to new developments, Loop Road at Alex-Bell Road was widened to allow for a second left turn lane.
- The traffic signal project along Wilmington Pike from Miami Valley Drive south to Wilmington Pike includes new signals and controllers to improve traffic flow. Completion is planned for late fall.

Questions regarding these improvement projects may be directed to Public Works, 428-4782.





Avoid hitting a buried utility line. OHIO811, formerly known as Ohio Utility Protection Service (O.U.P.S.), is a free service that will contact utility companies to visit your property to mark their respective underground utility lines. Before you dig into the ground, call 811 for utility locations—it's the law!

## DISASTERS HAPPEN.

#### PREPARE NOW. LEARN HOW.

September is National Preparedness Month. Sponsored by the Ready Campaign, prepare for an emergency event that could cause you to be self-reliant for three days without utilities and electricity, water service, access to a grocery store or local services, and possibly without response from police, fire or rescue.

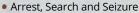
- Make a family emergency communication plan and include your pets.
- Identify an out of town emergency contact to coordinate information with family/friends.
- Keep an emergency kit wherever you spend time: home, car, work etc.
- Download the FEMA app and set up local alerts.
- Listen to local officials by radio, TV, or social media and take action.
- Practice your preparedness plans with a drill or exercise.
- Take time to learn lifesaving skills—such as CPR and first aid, check your insurance policies and coverage for the hazards you may face, such as flood, earthquakes, and tornados.
- Consider the costs associated with disasters and save for an emergency.
- Know how to take practical safety steps like shutting off water and gas.

Emergency preparedness information is available at centervilleohio.gov and ready.gov.

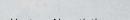


## Explorers offer look inside law enforcement profession

The Centerville Police Department Law Enforcement Explorer Program comprises young men and women ages 14-21, who want to develop an insight into the professional field of law enforcement. Explorers receive training—both in the classroom and in the field—in the following areas:



- Crash Investigation
- Firearms Training/Safety
- Patrol Techniques
- Domestic Intervention
- Hostage Negotiations
- Bomb Scene Search
- Report Writing
- Radio Etiquette/



Communication



Corey Davis and Officers Ed Skinner and Tracy Sommers receive Life-Saving awards.

## **Police officers recognized**

Several Police Officers were recently recognized for their exceptional commitment to police excellence.

During the May City Council meeting, Police officers Ed Skinner and Tracy Sommers along with Corey Davis, a civilian, were recognized with Life-Saving awards for their efforts in resuscitating a man who suffered a life-threatening incident. According to the Washington Township Fire Department, had it not been for the immediate action of these three, the man may have not survived. This is Officer Skinner's second Life-



Officer Faupo Lauofo

Saving award. Centerville Police officers are trained first-responders.

Officer Faupo Lauofo received the Kalaman Employee of the Year award from the Centerville Noon Optimist club for his outstanding service to the department and community. Officer Lauofo has served in many capacities including Officer in Charge, Bike Patrol,

where he has instructed numerous classes through the International Police Mountain Bike Association and achieved an outstanding reputation in law enforcement circles as both a bike patrol officer and instructor. He has also served on the Multi-Jurisdictional Special Response Team and SWAT. Officer Lauofo is a member of Centerville Police Department's Honor Guard and advisor to the department's youth Explorer Program. He also serves as recruiting officer.



In addition, explorers have the opportunity to ride with a po-

lice officer on road patrol and assist with crowd and traffic control for community events. Students may also earn service hours. Meetings are held the first and third Thursday of each month at the Centerville Police Department. For more information, please call Officer Lauofo, 433-7661.

#### **Police officers form union**

A collective bargaining agreement between the City of Centerville and the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association was approved by City Council and signed by all parties in early August. The agreement addresses work conditions, benefits and wages for the period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2020. The union first organized last year and includes 27 Centerville officers.

## TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT IS OCTOBER 31

Look for trick-or-treaters 6:00-8:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 31. The Centerville Police Department reminds youngsters and parents of the following precautions:

#### DO

- Carry a flashlight.
- Go in groups with at least one adult.
- Go to houses with the lights on.
- Make sure shoes fit and costumes are short enough to prevent tripping.
- Use common sense. If something feels wrong, it probably is.
- Dress for the weather. October brings cooler weather and sometimes windy and rainy conditions.

#### DONT

- Wear masks or any costume that would interfere with vision or walking.
- Go into a home of someone you do not know.
- Eat any candy or other items until it has been checked over by an adult.

Children may stop at any Centerville Police cruiser or Washington Township Fire truck for a special treat, courtesy of Bill's Donuts. As always, it is the parents' decision as to whether children should participate in the activity. Most area communities have agreed to hold the event on October 31 for the next several years. For more information, please call 433-7151.

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\*May ^June <sup>∞</sup>July

## HOME SAFETY CHECKLIST

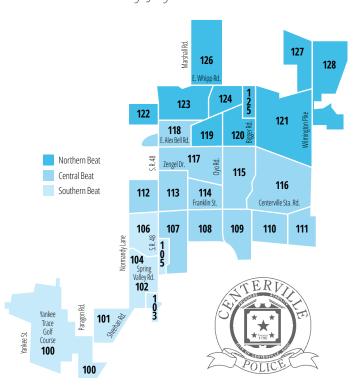
#### Follow these safety tips from the Centerville Police Department:

- Keep your garage door closed. Police often investigate complaints about golf clubs, gardening tools and beer being stolen from the garage.
- Secure side doors and windows leading into your garage.
- · Lock the door leading from your garage into your home.
- Park locked vehicles near the garage door and close to illumination.
- Take car keys with you—don't leave them in the ignition.
- Return bicycles, tools and other items to the garage. Don't leave them in the yard.
- Schools are open—watch for children.

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#### **Residential and Business crime statistics**

Statistic totals: May-July 2018



## May 21, 2018

Rev. Steven Schumm, associate pastor, Southminster Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation. Interim Police Chief Matt Brown recognized Police officers Ed Skinner and Tracy Sommers along with Corey



Mayor Compton swears in Surinder Jain.

Davis, a civilian, with Life-Saving awards for their efforts in resuscitating a man who suffered a life-threatening incident. Officer Faupo Lauofo received the Kalaman Employee of the Year award from the Centerville Noon Optimist club for his outstanding service to the department and community. Duke Lunsford, Americana Festival, Inc. executive director, gave an update on the July 3 and July 4 activi-

ties. Tom Hut, from Public Health Dayton and Montgomery County, presented information about mosquito awareness. Surinder Jain took the oath of office as a member of the Sister City Committee.

**Reappointments:** Bill Etson to the Planning Commission and Ed Ross as chair of the Board of Architectural Review.



Boy Scouts from Troop 116 during June's Council meeting.

## June 18, 2018

Boy Scouts from Troop 116, Centerville Community Church, led the Pledge of Allegiance. Michelle Garrison was recognized as the Centerville High School valedictorian. Bill Boland, longtime CIVIC Municipal volunteer who recently retired from his position, was recognized for his years of service. Demeshia Trice spoke in support of Scleroderma Awareness Month. Board of Architectural Review chair, Ed Ross, presented the Mayor's Award for Excellence in Restoration to Sol and Angie Gomez, for their properties at 18-22 South Main Street. Todd and Andrea Burkart received the Excellence in Renovation award for JC Sunshine Properties, LLC, 39 West Franklin Street.

Council accepted the resignation of Arlene Tansey from the City Beautiful Commission, thanking her for her volunteer efforts.

## July 16, 2018

Pastor John Deck, MorningStar Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Boy Scout Troop 425 led the Pledge of Allegiance. Members of the Destination Imagination Team from Centerville High School were recognized for winning the 2018 Global competition. Members of MorningStar Baptist Church were thanked for their participation in the Day of

Service, cleaning up Stubbs Park. Sue Jessee, City Beautiful Commission chair, announced the July Landscape winners. See the list on page 4.

**Reappointments:** Marlene Orendorf to the Arts Commission and Paul Clark as Chair of the Planning Commission.

City Council meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. the third Monday of each month in Council Chambers, 100 West Spring Valley Road.

#### City Council legislation May-July 2018

#### City Council passed the following resolutions:

- **28-18:** Authorizing the City to participate in ODOT winter salt contract.
- **29-18:** Accepting bid of Strawser Construction for 2018 Crack Sealing Program.
- **30-18:** Granting easement to Vectren Energy for underground gas lines for Bethany Lutheran Services.
- **31-18:** Authorizing City Manager to enter into an agreement with Rumpke of Ohio Inc. for processing comingled recyclables.
- **32-18:** Authorizing project PID No. 97667 for paving St. Rt. 725 from Loop Road to the Greene County line.
- **33-18:** Designating surplus property.
- **34-18:** Reserving space on City-owned poles for small cell towers and utilities.
- **35-18:** Designating underground placement of utility infrastructure.
- **36-18:** Adopting Five-Year Strategic Plan.
- **37-18:** Adopting Mission, Vision and Values statement for the City.
- **38-18:** Authorizing City Manager to execute exemption agreement with Cornerstone Developers and Happy Meadows, LLC.
- **39-18:** Authorizing City Manager to enter into Fifth Amendment of Development Agreement with Cornerstone Developers.
- **40-18:** Authorizing City Manager to execute collective bargaining agreement with Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association.
- **41-18:** Right of way agreement with Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio to use public right of way located along Yankee Street for sign.
- **42-18:** Authorizing City Manager to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Montgomery County Commissioners for OPWC improvement grant for Bradstreet Road and Linden Drive, water main replacement project.
- **43-18:** Authorizing City Manager to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Montgomery County Commissioners for OPWC capital improvement grant for Terrace Villa Drive sanitary sewer rehabilitation project.
- 44-18: Authorizing City Manager to enter into cooperative agreement with the Montgomery County Commissioners for OPWC capital improvement grant for West Franklin Street water main replacement.
- **45-18:** Accepting Bid by Belgray Inc. for 2018 concrete program Phase 2.
- **46-18:** Passing Independent Contractor agreement with Timothy E. Blair as market manager for Farmers Market automatically renewed annually.



From the desk of Brooks Compton

Wow! Summer sure went fast.

Now that school is back in session, we can reflect on a fun and successful summer in Centerville, in our City's 50th year.

It cannot be said enough—thanks to your support, City Council has and will continue to put extra budget emphasis on road and infrastructure improvements in every Centerville neighborhood. Our Public Works is planning and implementing the road, sidewalk and bikeway improvements promised with the passage of Issue 3 in November 2016. Much has been accomplished over the summer, and work will continue each year so resources are properly allocated to keep our roads, sidewalks and bikeways in top shape and expanded where needed. Centerville is committed to keeping its infrastructure top notch and will maintain and improve this important element at the high level you deserve, expect and have supported.

We are pleased Matt Brown will continue his service as Chief of Police and lead our outstanding nationally recognized police department. Chief Brown was appointed in July after a 20-year successful tenure with the department.

Stubbs Park saw record crowds as thousands set chairs to enjoy the musicians, while others brought dancing shoes to fill the dance stage. Sunday evening at Stubbs has become a mainstay for thousands in our area—and one that owes its popularity to the Centerville Arts Commission which organizes the concert series. Thanks to the Arts Commission and Assistant to the City Manager Kristen Gopman, for their hard work in making this a Centerville tradition.

July 3 and July 4 welcomed the Americana Festival to Centerville. Rain on July 3 did not dampen enthusiasm for the patriotic concert by the Centerville Community Band and Centerville Community Chorus, nor for the fireworks at Centerville Stadium. July 4 was perfect from start to finish! Thank you to the Community Band and Chorus along with the Americana Festival Committee for a job well done.

Summer also saw the passage of Centerville's Strategic Plan. This plan sets the stage for the next five years in six targeted areas: Planning, Economic Development, Technology, Core Services, Finance, and Housing and Infrastructure. Council and staff are enthusiastic about the direction this takes Centerville, as sitting back and hoping for the best is not acceptable to Council, staff or our residents and businesses.

As you see new commercial and residential developments coming up throughout the City, it is clear that Centerville is the

place to be. Centerville will welcome new single and multi-family housing to meet the needs of those who presently live here and provide options for those who wish to live here in the future. We have been impressed and appreciative of the commitment those who choose to invest, live and work in Centerville.

Centerville has a unique and successful partnership with the Centerville Schools, Centerville-Washington Park District, Washington-Centerville Library and Washington Township. Great things happen as we work together.

And just in case you have not heard or noticed—as unlikely as that may be—Centerville is celebrating its 50th anniversary as a City. Commemorative giveaway items such as sunglasses, t-shirts, magnets, coffee mugs, cups and the always popular chip clip, along with special events like Community Night at Stubbs Park with birthday cake for everyone, Centerville Night at the Dayton Dragons game and anniversary banners throughout the City have set the stage for the final season of our celebration. Join us at the GOLD OUT at the CHS football game on September 14; our Fall Festival at Stubbs Park on October 7; Ghost Walks in the AP District October 4 and 11; Veterans Day at Stubbs Park, November 11 and the gold birthday party at the Benham's Grove Christmas tree lighting ceremony on December 2, 2018—exactly 50 years after Centerville became a City.

We are proud of Centerville and appreciate the many who have worked over the years to make it a success. Thanks for choosing Centerville and for your strong support for our City. Fifty years is just a start—we have a great future ahead!

Brook A. Compton

See you around this fall.

## New playground opens at Stubbs Park

An inclusive playground is now open at Stubbs Park. A grant from GameTime® supported the removal of the sand volleyball court to make way for the new equipment that includes an access ramp to various toys and a 'rock and ride'. Public Works crews installed the new equipment, adjacent to the existing larger playground, near the Virginia Avenue entrance. The addition of two benches will complete the project.

## TOWN CRIER

ONLINE @ centervilleohio.gov

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Police Non-Emergency	433-7661					
Fire Non-Emergency	433-3083					
Public Works Center	428-4782					
Drug Hotline	433-6590					
Yankee Trace Golf Shop	438-GOLF					
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#### benhamsgrove.com

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The mission of the City of Centerville is to deliver exceptional services through thoughtful governance to ensure progress and stability.

City Manager ......Wayne Davis

The Centerville Town Crier is a continuing effort to improve communication between you and your City officials. Comments or suggestions for future issues are welcome and should be directed to the Office of the City Manager. Council members welcome your calls and emails.

Editor .......Maureen Russell Hodgson Production ......Red Wagon Workshop Printing ......Promotional Spring

#### **Public Meetings at the Municipal Building**

#### Public Meetings at the Public Works Center

7970 S. Suburban Road City Beautiful Commission......7 p.m., first TUE. monthly

#### **Public Meetings at the Police Department**

155 W. Spring Valley Road Sister City Committee ......7 p.m., first TUE. monthly

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#### City to launch new website

The City's new website, centervilleohio.gov, will launch this fall. The new website features a refreshed look, is easy to navigate and mobile-friendly. The website is your one-stop shop to find news and information about your City.

#### **City holiday schedule**

City Offices will close Monday, September 3 in observance of Labor Day. Waste collection will run one day behind schedule that week.

City offices and waste collection will maintain a regular schedule on Columbus Day, Monday, October 8. In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, City offices will be closed Thursday, November 22 and Friday, November 23. Waste collection for the November 22 route will occur on Friday, November 23. City offices will close December 24 and 25, and January 1 in observance of the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays. For more information, please visit centervilleohio.gov or call 433-7151.

#### **SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER** CITY CALENDAR



## INCLUDING 50TH ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 3 Labor Day, offices closed
- 14 City of Centerville Night at Centerville High School football game
- 17 7:30 p.m. City Council meeting

#### **OCTOBER**

- 4 & 11 Ghost Walk, sponsored by the Centerville Library, Centerville-Washington History, Heart of Centerville and City of Centerville
- 7 2:00–5:00 p.m. Fall Festival at Stubbs Park
- 8 Leaf Collection begins, runs eight weeks
- 16 7:30 p.m. City Council meeting
- 31 6:00–8:00 p.m. Trick or Treat Night

#### NOVEMBER

- 11 11:00 a.m. Veterans Day Ceremony, Stubbs Park
- 15 Noon–4:00 p.m. Farmers' Market, Benham's Grove

#### NOVEMBER continued

- 19 7:30 p.m. City Council meeting
- 26 Blood Drive, Police Building

#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

#### Join us on December 2

- ▶ 1:00-5:00 p.m. Hometown Holiday Walk, downtown Centerville
- 5:00 p.m. Tree Lighting Ceremony, Benham's Grove

#### WEEKLY

**Brush drop-off:** 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Wednesday, Public Works Center

Farmers Market: 2:30–6:30 p.m. Thursday through October 25

#### MONTHLY

**Brush drop-off:** 9:00 a.m.-noon, 3rd Saturday of each month, Public Works

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