



50 years as a City!

2018 was the year of the "50" in Centerville. We officially transitioned to city status on December 2, 1968, and we celebrated with numerous community events throughout 2018. I hope you had a chance to participate in this fun and memorable year! Thank you

to all who made our 50th celebration possible.

Centerville, an area ripe with natural resources, was first settled 242 years ago by just a few families. Benjamin Robbins named it "Centreville" after his hometown in New Jersey. Those original families brought to their new home a commitment to hard work and a strong belief in God, family and community. Though I'm sure they endured many hardships settling this rough area in the early 19th century, they persevered.

From those early days through today, it took thousands of dedicated citizens to step forward and recognize the importance

For photo identification of Council members, please see page 16*.

Brooks Compton, Mayor

of good schools, parks, libraries and safety services. Since 1796, each succeeding generation has continued to improve what they received, culminating today in an outstanding city! And we pledge to improve and enhance Centerville for the next generation.

Centerville has come a long way in 50 years. From a population of just over 5,000 in 1968 to over 24,000 today, our city and community have come together to provide an excellent school system through the Centerville City Schools, resources through the Washington-Centerville Library and Centerville-Washington History and nature preservation and organized recreation through the Centerville-Washington Park District. Safety services are outstanding through the Centerville Police Department and Washington Township Fire.

Over the past 50 years, Centerville has experienced the addition of wide and varied housing and commercial developments of which we all can be proud. Centerville is known for strong and vibrant neighborhoods, each of which has unique characteristics meeting the housing needs of almost all whom call Centerville home. (Continued on Page 4)

Centerville fills two senior management positions



Mariah Butler Vogelgesang

The City of Centerville has filled two key positions.
City Manager Wayne Davis announced the appointment of Mariah Butler Vogelgesang to the position of Assistant City Manager and Holly Christmann as Economic Development Administrator.



Holly Christmann

Vogelgesang has been a public sector administrator at Purdue University and most recently Cleveland State University, where for the past five years she served as the associate director of the Office of Institutional Equity. Prior to working in higher

education, she practiced law in the Dayton area. A native of Zanesville, Vogelgesang is a graduate of the University of Mary Washington and the University of Dayton School of Law. Her duties include a variety of administrative functions, serving as liaison to The Golf Club at Yankee Trace and Benham's Grove and providing leadership in strategic initiatives.

Christmann comes to Centerville from Hamilton County, where she was employed for 22 years, serving the past five years as Director of Environmental Services. Originally from Defiance, Christmann has a bachelor's degree in Public Affairs and Environmental Science from Indiana University. Christmann will work to attract, retain and develop new businesses to Centerville.

"They both bring outstanding leadership qualities, sound values, management skills and business acumen to their respective positions," said Davis. "We are fortunate to bring such high caliber professionals to the City of Centerville team."

My First Year in Centerville's 50th Year

From City Manager Wayne Davis



Wayne Davis

I recently completed my first year with the City of Centerville. As I reflect back, I note the significance of Centerville celebrating 50 years as a city and how special it is to both live and work in such a tremendous community. I also reflect back on my interview with City Council and how I shared my personal perspective that after commuting to work for 17 years, I always loved seeing the City of Centerville signs welcoming me back home. It is these small measures that make a community become a true home.

In celebrating the past 50 years, it is apparent that change is a constant in life. As in the past, we have seen some longtime Centerville staff pursue retirement or new career opportunities. We recently saw the passing of longtime Mayor and leader of Centerville—Mark Kingseed. We saw longtime community leader, Father Stretch, retire at Incarnation and, of course, we all have been fortunate to see the retirement of the City's long-term debt at Yankee Trace.

With all of these changes, things also remain the same—and that is the City of Centerville delivering quality customer service and outstanding value to our residents, businesses and visitors. We have an outstanding City Council leading the way with a vision for our community and staff members who know no boundaries in service delivery. We work to interact with students from various educational institutions—and now includes Sinclair Community College. We have staff members who lead their respective peers in professional organizations, and public servants who are up and down our streets collecting waste, improving infrastructure and providing exceptional first-responder services.

With our personnel, we recently added new staff (see story on left) and promotions have occurred in the Police Department with Matt Brown being named Police Chief, Tyler Wilson and Mike Yoder promoted to Lieutenant positions, and Anthony Green and Josh Ratliff promoted to Sergeant positions.

We also see growth in our businesses, both existing and those new to the community. Recently, we had a Business Walk with our partners at Montgomery County's Office of Economic Development and members of our community and were able to connect with more than 60 businesses in the Architectural Preservation District (APD) on a beautiful fall morning. This effort helped our staff build relationships with our businesses and glean useful information from the community about ways to improve commercial operations.

As we wrap up the City's 50th Anniversary, we are committed to continuing our pursuit of enhanced customer service and continuous improvement into year 51 and beyond.

BRIGHT LIGHTS, BIG WOW!

City Beautiful Commission members are traveling Centerville roadways looking for festive holiday decorations. Commission members look for displays visible from the road. It could be the big 'WOW!' showcasing lots of lights or a simple display that captures the spirit of the season. To nominate a display, please call City offices, 433-7151, by December 7. Each nomination will be reviewed by a commission member.

In celebration of our 50th anniversary, all City gazebos as well as our Municipal Building at 100 W. Spring Valley Road will showcase holiday lighting. Enjoy!

WINTER FARMERS MARKET Æ Benham's Grove

Pick up your holiday food preparation items as well as oneof-a-kind gift baskets and enjoy the rustic charm of the Barn at Benham's Grove, 166 N. Main Street, while shopping the Farmers Market, 2:30–6:30 p.m. Thursday, December 20. Following this event, the market will close for the season and open again in May. For more information, please visit centervillefarmersmarket.com and the Facebook page.

Housing, business development continues to grow

Drive around the City and you will see numerous projects recently opened, opening soon or under construction. For more information, please call City offices, 433-7151.

Recently opened:

- ► Home2 by Hilton: 96-room hotel at Cornerstone of Centerville on Wilmington Pike
- ▶ Woodbourne Library: Far Hills Avenue

Opening soon:

- La Pinata Mexican restaurant: Corner of Sheehan Road and S. Main Street
- ► Kettering Health Network, The Years Ahead Health Center: 6661 Clyo Road
- Bethany Village Crescent Crossing: Far Hills Avenue,
 \$42 million four-story, 74-unit assisted living facility
- Miami Valley Hospital South, two projects: Spine and joint center expansion and Pure Healthcare Center: partnership with Ohio's Hospice of Dayton, serving patients with serious and chronic illness, set to open early 2019
- ➤ The Allure of Centerville: near Cross Pointe Center, \$30 million upscale multi-family housing offering 312 units, expected to open early 2019

Under construction:

 Randall Residence: assisted living facility and independent living cottage units at Social Row, Sheehan and Paragon roads, anticipated opening in May 2019

- Savannah Place at Yankee Trace: 44 attached patio homes by Charles Simms Development
- ▶ Dayton Care Center: Building new, 15,000 square foot facility for pets at 6450 Clyo Road. The center is expected to open in Spring 2019.



A warm and cheerful welcome to these businesses

new to Centerville

Welcome to these businesses new to Centerville since July:

Little Caesars 832 S. Main Street

Centerville Liquor and Wine 894-D S. Main Street

El Toro Restaurant 894-C S. Main Street

Legacy Dayton Dance 46 Westpark Road

Sureway Transportation 92 E. Franklin Street

Premier Storage 948-B E. Franklin Street

Dress for a Day 33 W. Franklin Street

Professional Counseling Services of Ohio 1015 E. Centerville Station Road

TSM Therapy Services 7950 Clyo Road

Sinclair Community College 5800 Clyo Road

Athletico Physical Therapy 5235 Cornerstone North Boulevard

St. Leonard Performing Arts Center 8100 Clyo Road

City staff participates in leadership workshop

In October, the City of Centerville hosted Tony Gardner, Executive Director of the Commonwealth Center for High Performance

Organizations at the University of Virginia. Over the course of three days, 36 City of Centerville staff were exposed to the high performance model as developed at the Commonwealth Center for High Performance. This model focuses on various facets of leadership, work culture and local government improvement in organizational leadership and effectiveness.

Centerville staff spent time in a learning environment with Gardner discussing leadership work, the history of work hierarchy, the networked talent model, engagement/disengagement of employees, process improvement, the critical role of performance measurement and management and a review of Centerville's work culture.

Centerville is known for delivering excellent services and this



exposure will allow City staff to identify ways for improvement while also asking, "Are we Doing the Right "What"?, "According to Whom?", "How Would We Know?", and "How Do We Treat Our Customers?".

Shaping work culture and leadership capacity is an on-going effort for all organizations—both public and private—and the City's role in delivering services is one that is taken very seriously as stewards of the City's resources.

In addition, Gardner spent an evening with City Council reviewing the high performance model as well as talking about the possibilities and potential that can be achieved with the implementation of some of the model concepts. As a follow-up to the leadership work, staff will plan for implementation steps going forward.

CENTERVILLE NEWS

RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS ANNOUNCED

Over the summer months, the City Beautiful Commission recognized 21 residential properties and three businesses with landscape awards for outstanding front yard appearance and exterior maintenance. In honor of the City's 50th anniversary, three Mayor's Awards were also presented. To be considered for a Mayor's Award, the property must have received at least three awards over time. Winners for August and September include:

AUGUST:

Bob Kauffman, 2193 Briggs Road
Lina Macke, 6410 Hidden Hills
Carl and Helen Flohre, 2201 Jaime Rose Way
Bob and Kathy Stanaford, 135 N. Gracewood Drive
Kerry Runyeon, 165 West Franklin Street
Marc and Judy Tebben, 9171 Stephanie Street
Tony and Brenda Robertson, 1133 Yankee Trace Drive

Community Pride: Irongate Manor Apartments,
101 Maple Avenue

SEPTEMBER:

Ryan Higgins, 6881 Penridge
Rob and Connie Laumann, 918 Thorndale Drive
Mary Haffner, 1271 Forest Walk Drive
Beryl E. Unger, 68 Dale Ridge Drive
Frank and Fredia Black, 140 Zengel Drive
Kim and Lou Heckman, 9761 Rose Arbor Drive
Dick and Mickie Manetta, 1263 Club View Drive

Community Pride: Cross Pointe Shopping Center, 101 East Alex-Bell Road



Mayor's Awards:

Caren and Richard VanVleck, 7790 Stanley Mill Road, seven landscape awards over the years

Marcia and Rick Heben, 6509 Atterbury Court, three landscape awards over the years

Community Pride Mayor's Award:

Cross Pointe Shopping Center; 101 East Alex-Bell Road, five landscape awards over the years



Top: Frank and Fredia Black's home; **middle:** Rob and Connie Laumann's home; **bottom:** Tony and Brenda Robertson's home; **left:** Caren and Richard VanVleck receive the Mayor's award.

Congratulations to all the winners!

The Commission is looking for new members. Green thumbs are not required.

For an application, please call 433-7151 or visit centervilleohio.gov.

(Continued from Page 1) New developments throughout the city are under construction to address the growing needs of not only current residents, but also those who would like to move here.

Centerville is a place for exciting new venues combining commercial, entertainment and residential uses. More than 800 Centerville businesses are providing quality services to our community and throughout the nation. New opportunities are being developed with an emphasis on economic development that will add value to Centerville for our residents.

Those who are willing to invest in our city recognize, like you, that Centerville has a lot to offer. It is a wonderful place to locate your business, raise your family and be part of a great place to live.

Very few cities can lay claim to an historic downtown like we have in Centerville. Those who encouraged City Council many years ago to create the Architectural Preservation District would be proud to see the historical character and charm has been preserved. One only need look at the crossroads of Centerville with the numerous recent improvements to recognize what can be done to keep our shared history alive. Your City Council is committed through our strategic plan to support and advance the district, recognizing that improvements to parking, access and regulations are vitally important to the success of our AP district.

As we reflect back on our 50th year as a city—242 years after our first settlers—wouldn't it be fun and exciting to meet some of those

founding citizens along with those who have shaped Centerville along the way to city status? We could show our neighborhoods, Benham's Grove, Yankee Trace, the AP District, Miami Valley Hospital South Campus, the new Sinclair Community College Centerville Campus and the many treasures we have throughout Centerville. Can you imagine their pride in seeing the stone buildings that they themselves built are still maintained? What would they think about this vibrant, bustling area they settled, organized and made possible for us to enjoy today? I am confident that they would take great pride and satisfaction that the foundation they built created this robust community.

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So, as we wrap up our 50th year as a city and head into year 51, we can be thankful for the work of those who came before us and the successes since those early days. However, we cannot rest on their hard work alone to keep us a successful city. Positive change is necessary and inevitable for Centerville to keep moving forward. Your City Council is committed to working with you and for you to keep Centerville strong-setting the stage for the next 50 years.

On behalf of your entire City Council: Belinda Kenley, John Beals, Mark Engert, John Palcher, JoAnne Rau and Bill Serr, we are honored and grateful to have the opportunity to serve the residents of Centerville.

Merry Christmas, happy holidays and best wishes for the New Year!

Brown A. Compton

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City crews ready for winter

Centerville's Public Works Department is ready for winter! Our crews work to provide quality services so motorists can safely travel our roadways. We use the following guidelines:

Pre-treatment: When a weather event is predicted, roads are pre-treated with brine and/or a liquid deicing solution called "Ice BGone Magic" mixed with brine. This salt-water solution acts as a barrier between the road surface and frozen precipitation, improving roadway conditions more quickly. The treatment can reduce plowing and/or salting needs in events of less than one inch of snow.

Treatment: Brine or a liquid de-icer is sprayed on salt, helping reaction time and reducing scatter which improves roadway conditions quicker. For events greater than one inch, we will plow and salt.

Plowing procedures: Centerville is divided into six areas. During a winter storm event—where snow and/or ice are accumulating on roadways—trucks outfitted with plow blades, brine tanks and salt spreaders are dispatched to each area.

- **Priority streets:** Major roadways, hills, bridges and emergency routes are cleared first.
- Collector streets within each area are second priority. Once priority and collector streets are clear, crews begin clearing residential streets in each area. However, as long as it is snowing, crews must focus on priority streets.
- **** Residential streets:** Crews make one pass in and one pass out to provide for two-way traffic. After priority and collector roads are completely clear, crews will make a second pass through residential neighborhoods to clear more thoroughly. Depending on the severity of the storm, crews may leave residential areas at any time to concentrate on priority roadways. After this initial pass-through, it may be a day or longer before the crews get back to clear residential streets curb to curb.

Please help expedite snow and ice removal by:

- Removing parked vehicles from the streets to avoid being plowed in
- Piling snow on the left side of your driveway (facing your house from the street) to lessen the amount of snow City crews deposit, as they can't avoid plowing snow across driveway approaches
- Keeping snow from your driveway off of public streets. This hampers the efforts of Public Works crews.

Sidewalks

Residents who live downtown or where students walk to and from school are asked to make special effort to clear sidewalks as soon as practical. City crews remove snow from sidewalks across City-owned properties and at gazebo bus stops.

For assistance with snow removal, call the City, 433-7151, for a snow removal resource list, including volunteers. For more information call Public Works, 428-4782.



REGISTER YOUR POOCH

Ohio law requires that dogs older than three months be licensed. Residents may purchase a 2019 Montgomery County dog license December 3 through January 31 at the Centerville Municipal Building, 100 W. Spring Valley Road. Spayed and neutered dog licenses are \$20, unaltered dog licenses are \$24. Multi-year licenses are available only through the Montgomery County Auditor's Office. More information is available by calling 225-4314 or visiting mcohio.org.



City conducts downtown Business Walk

The City of Centerville joined *BusinessFirst!* partners in October for a Business Walk in downtown Centerville. Representatives from Centerville, Montgomery County's Economic Development Office, the Small Business Development Centers, SBA Lenders, and other regional resource partners canvassed 60 downtown businesses, talking with business owners and managers to learn more about each business and provide resources and assistance. For business information, please contact Holly Christmann, 428-4766 or hchristmann@centervilleohio.gov.

Centerville City Council passes resolution opposing State Issue 1

Centerville City Council unanimously passed a resolution at its October 15, 2018 meeting to oppose State Issue 1, a proposed constitutional amendment that would reclassify offenses and reduce penalties related to drug possession. The proposal, which appeared on the November 6 ballot did not pass. If passed, key changes would have included how drug offenses are classified, probation violation punishment, sentencing credits, and distribution of state funds saved due to the reduction of inmates.

FCC order may affect City regulations

On September 26, 2018, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) voted to approve a declaratory ruling an order that would enact new preemptions of local authority over small cell wireless facility deployment and management of the local authorities' rights-of-way. The FCC order will shorten the time cities have to process applications; limit application fees; and limit aesthetic review and requirements for small cell installation in the public rights-of-way.

This FCC order may supersede all the time-consuming work accomplished in Ohio in its passage of HB 478, which made into law the agreed-upon compromises and negotiations between municipalities and the telecommunications industry. Ohio's new small cell legislation that went into effect in August defined what cell companies can and cannot build and what cities can and cannot regulate in the public rights-of-way. Centerville is studying the FCC order to determine what affect it will have on the City's current regulations regarding the installation of wireless telecommunication networks.



50 Favorite Things About Centerville!

Great place to raise a family 🌟 Bill's Donuts Great schools 🌟 Charming downtown 🌟 Friendly neighborhoods 🌟 Well-maintained streets 🌟 Professional Police and Fire departments 🌟 Locally owned & operated restaurants 🌟 Local boutiques 🌟 Sense of community Washington-Centerville Public Library 🌟 Volunteers Centerville-Washington History (historical society) Centerville Farmers Market 🌟 Annual Garage Sale Cross Pointe Shopping Center 🐈 Professional city government 🛊 Graeters 🌪 Gazebos 🌪 Stubbs Park Benham's Grove 🌟 The Golf Club at Yankee Trace Centerville Washington Park District 🌟 Free Bulk Item Pickup Week 🌟 Friday Night Football games 🌟 Americana Festival-5K, parade, street fair and fireworks! 🛊 Hometown Holiday Walk and Tree Lighting Ceremony 🌟 Memorial Day and Veterans Day ceremonies 🌟 Summer Concert Series at Stubbs Park 🌟 Art Gallery in the Police Department 🛊 Great business community 🌟 Cornerstone of Centerville 🌟 Centerville Washington Diversity Council Variety of houses of worship 🌟 Great home values 🜟 Tree-lined streets 🌟 Abundant health care 🌟 Snow removal and leaf pick up services 🌟 Mystery Night Out 🛊 Property maintenance standards 🌟 Neighborhood swim clubs 🛊 Youth sports programs 🛊 Government access television 🌟 Safe community 🌟 Warm and Cheerful Limestone buildings 🌟 Diverse business community



Citizens Police Academy accepting applications

33rd academy class set to start January 16

The winter Citizens Police Academy begins January 16 and runs through April 3. Classes are Wednesday evenings, 6:30–9:30 p.m. The twelve-week course gives citizens the opportunity to learn more about the functions of the department from Centerville officers. Topics include laws of arrest, search and seizure, use of force continuum, firearms, criminal, drug, OVI, and crime scene investigations. Participants have the opportunity to go on the firing range and ride along with an officer. The class is free to the public. Registration forms are available in the Police Department lobby or online at centervilleohio.gov under the Police tab. For more information, please contact Officer John Davis, 433-7661.

City to launch financial software

The City's new computer software system will launch in January with the Finance Office. The new system will integrate departmental information, reduce redundancy and streamline operations. The implementation process is expected to be completed by 2020.

Recycle packaging and boxes

Christmas trees picked up through January 10

Food Truck Fridays 🛊 Pride in our community

Our citizens who make this such a wonderful City!

Holiday time usually means an increase in recyclable items: boxes, wrapping paper and cardboard packaging. Centerville trucks pick up an unlimited amount of recyclable material. Your recycling container should be clearly marked and placed on the opposite side of the drive from your refuse container to help the driver readily distinguish refuse from recyclables. Christmas trees will be collected through January 10. Place your undecorated tree at the curb. Collection is done with a separate truck, and trees are chipped and turned into mulch for use on City properties. For more information, please contact Public Works, 428-4782, or publicworks@centervilleohio.gov.

Incarnation students meet mayor



Almost 100 second grade students from Incarnation School visited City Offices in October. In addition to meeting with the Mayor, they learned about City operations and services, toured the Police Department and participated in a mock Council meeting.

Lend a hand shoveling snow

The City of Centerville is again compiling a list of individuals, groups and organizations willing to volunteer to assist elderly and disabled Centerville residents with snow removal. In addition, we maintain

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. To volunteer, list a business or receive the resource list, please call City Offices, 433-7151.



Monday-Friday 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Counter Service available after 2:00 p.m. as weather permits. Sunday 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

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- JANUARY 1 THROUGH APRIL 1 -

LUNCH

Tuesday – Friday 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

BRUNCH

Sunday 10:00 a.m. –2:00 p.m.

FISH FRY FRIDAY starts January 4 5:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. Regular menu also available



The Golf Club at Yankee Trace is delighted to host Santa Claus for brunch, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. on two Sundays: December 2 and 9. Santa's sleigh will stop by the restaurant from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Adults \$21.95 and children 12 and under are \$9.95. Reservations strongly recommended, call 438-3585.

The Golf Club at Yankee Trace retires debt

The Golf Club at Yankee Trace is celebrating its 23rd year and continues to provide outstanding golf and dining experiences. We are pleased to report that because of sound fiscal management, effective December 1, 2018, the Yankee Trace debt of \$24.5 million will be retired—several years ahead of schedule.

Plan your next event at Benham's Grove

Winter is the perfect time to host an event at Benham's Grove. In December, twinkling lights, gorgeous holiday decorations and cozy fires are just a few reasons to hold your party there. Off-peak rates are in effect through March 31. Booking for 2020 starts in January 2019. Throughout the year, this community gathering place is a great venue for business getaways, celebrations and gatherings. For more information, please visit benhamsgrove.com or call 433-1913.

Centerville Women's Civic Club awards scholarships

The Centerville Women's Civic Club (CWCC) awarded scholarships to five Wright State University students from Centerville and Washington Township at its fall luncheon meeting. Scholarship winners include:

- Summer Al-Nabaly:
 - \$2,000 Florence Krahling Scholarship
- Mabel Clemmer-Berg:
 - \$1,500 Janice Short Scholarship
- Taylor Caddies:
 - \$2,000 Winnie Risner Scholarship
- Maddison Eckley:
 - \$1,500 Shirley Heintz Scholarship
- Erica Mowell:
 - \$1,500 Marjorie Huston Scholarship

Club members work throughout the year to raise money for the scholarship program as well as support non-profit organizations in the community. CWCC



Centerville Women's Civic Club 2018-2019 officers: First row: Pat Bethel, Donna Berner and Karol Roberts. Back row: Becky Duffy, Jean Hawkes and Suzie Holloway.

has awarded more than \$138,000 in scholarships to 80 Wright State University students since the college opened in 1964. CWCC's purpose is to encourage and promote civic betterment in the community. For membership information, please call Pat Bethel, 238-0082.

Americana Festival

The nationally recognized Centerville-Washington Township Americana Festival brings over 85,000 people to downtown Centerville on the Fourth of July, and its success depends on the dedication of volunteers and generous support of individuals and corporate sponsors. Be a part of our hometown tradition by volunteering for the parade, street fair, children's activities, car show or other events by contacting the festival at 433-5898, americanafestival@sbcglobal.net or americanafestival.org.



Celebrate the arts at the 14th annual Art at the Trace, 6:30–9:00 p.m. Saturday, February 9 at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace. Sponsored by the Centerville Arts Commission, the event features hundreds of works of fine art in a variety of mediums including photography, painting, sculpture, jewelry and mixed media on display and available for purchase. Ticket holders will be entered into a raffle drawing to win artwork donated by several of the participating artists.

Enjoy live music provided by the Deron Bell Duo, along with gourmet appetizers and desserts and cash bar offering fine wines, beers and cocktails. Tickets, payable by cash or check, are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Advance tickets may be purchased beginning January 7 at the Centerville Municipal Building, 100 W. Spring Valley Road and the Golf Shop at Yankee Trace. Please visit centervilleohio.gov or call 433-7151 for more information.

Sponsorships available for Summer cohcert series

Free Sunday concerts welcome thousands to park

Last season, the Summer Concert Series welcomed over 18,000 people to enjoy musical performances at Stubbs Park. The Arts Commission is offering individuals and businesses the opportunity to provide sponsorship support for this series.

The 2019 schedule will have a great mix of oldies, classical, big band, country, Motown and rock. For sponsorship information, please call 433-7151.

MLK Breakfast set for January 21

The Centerville-Washington Diversity Council hosts the 19th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast on Monday, January 21, featuring David Anthony Johnson as the keynote speaker.

A professional motivational speaker, Johnson is a historical storyteller and orator specializing in Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. speeches. Based in Los Angeles, he has been a songwriter and youth motivator for more than 25 years, working as a church youth director and leader, a counselor in group homes and a juvenile probation officer. He credits his great-grandmother, the daughter of a Tennessee slave, with inspiring him to learn the speeches of Dr. King.

The breakfast takes place at 7:30 a.m. at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace. Register online at cwtdiversity.org. Printed registration forms

are available at the Centerville Library. Tickets are \$20 each, or \$200 for a table of ten.

The mission of the council is to celebrate and promote an inclusive, diverse and welcoming community for people who live, work and worship in Centerville and Washington Township. The council comprises representatives from community organizations as well as a cross-section of races, ages, sexual orientation and physical abilities.

For more information, please visit cwdiversity.com or contact Council Chair Sivaji Subramaniam at cwdcchair@gmail.com.

Band accepting new members

The Centerville Community
Band performs free concerts
throughout the year. From
classical music to Broadway to
kids' favorites to patriotic tunes,
the band knows how to entertain
an audience. Find out more
about the band, membership
and upcoming shows at
centervilleohio.gov/ccb.



Save the date for gardening seminar

Shade gardening is the topic for the City Beautiful Commission's spring education program at 10:00 a.m.
Saturday, March 9 at Centerville
High School. More details

will be available at centervilleohio.gov.

What's in a name?

A drive around Centerville will show there's a lot of history behind the names of some of your favorite places. In honor of our 50th anniversary as a City, here are just a few special areas named for memorable citizens:

CITY LEADERSHIP

Bradstreet Road: Emory Bradstreet, Mayor, 1940-1952 **Stubbs Park:** Leonard E. Stubbs, City Council member, 1972-1981



- JV Stone Council Chambers, Mayor, 1980-1984
- Mark Kingseed Law Library, Mayor, 2004-2016



- Shirley Heintz Room: Mayor, 1984-1996
- Sally Beals Room: Mayor, 1996-2004
- Greg Horn Way: City Manager, 1992-2017

Streets

Weller Avenue: Weller family owned large farm near Clyo Road JP Kalaman Way and Robert O'Toole Way: in memory of the public servants tragically killed while tending to an accident on I-675 Zengel Drive: Named for Zengel Construction, the family of builders who developed Pleasant Hill, among other neighborhoods



BENHAM'S GROVE

- Named by the City for Joseph Benham, a founder of Centerville and Washington Township
- Gerber House at Benham's Grove: the last family to reside in the home

Asahel Wright House: Orville and Wilbur Wright's great uncle **Aaron Nutt Cottage:** a founder of Centerville and Washington Township

SCHOOLS -

Many schools were named for Centerville superintendents and teachers, including:

Hadley Watts, C.L. Stingley, C.W. Magsig, Ida Weller, W.O. Cline, W.A. Driscoll

For more information about Centerville history, please visit centervillewashingtonhistory.org.



Rediscover Woodbourne Library

More than 2,000 visitors rediscovered Woodbourne Library at its grand opening event in September. The newly expanded and renovated building boasts more than 9,000 additional square feet of space making it comparable in size to Centerville Library. New amenities, driven by public requests, include expanded parking, more meeting spaces, programming space, a teen area, updated restrooms, a quiet reading area and an outdoor Children's Garden. Woodbourne Library is open 10:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m. Monday-Friday; 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Saturday; and 1:00–5:00 p.m. Sunday (year round). To schedule a tour of the facility for your community group, please call 610-4453.

SPEAKER SERIES

TO HIGHLIGHT DILLINGER, SPIES

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. and the program at 7:00 p.m., these events are free and open to the public.

JANUARY 15, 2019

The 1933 Dayton
arrest of John Dillinger,
presented by
Steve Grismer

FEBRUARY 19, 2019

Hiding In Plain Sight: Two U.S. Citizens Who Spied for the Nazis, presented by Michael Williams

Asahel Wright House exhibit celebrates Centerville's history The Centerville exhibit at the Asahel Wright Museum, 26 N. Main Street, closes January 31. 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.

Chorus to present concert

Ring in the holidays at the Centerville Community Chorus' Christmas concert, "British Composers," featuring selections from John Rutter, among others. Set for 3:00 p.m. Sunday, December 16 at Epiphany Lutheran Church, admission is free and light refreshments will be available.

New members are welcome. Stop by a rehearsal, 7:00–9:00 p.m. at the St. Leonard auditorium, 8100 Clyo Road. For more information, please visit ccchorus.org or the Facebook page.

The Golf Club race

Winter Golf coming to Yankee Trace!



Three indoor golf simulators will make their debut at The Golf Club at Yankee Trace in January. These high tech machines allow golfers and non-golfers to play and practice on up to 84 world-wide championship golf courses in the warmth and comfort of the NEW Virtual Golf Lounge located in the lower level of the clubhouse.

Simulators extend the golf season with state-of-the-art practice, club fitting and entertainment opportunities year round. These advanced simulators are not video consoles or arcade games—they are high-end machines that analyze golf swings and display computerized models of real courses. Using radar, light sensors and advanced technology, an indoor golf simulator tracks ball flight and provides valuable data points for game improvement on standalone screens and realistic 3D graphics. You play as close to the actual game of golf as you can get without having to go outside.

Golf simulators are changing the way people are learning and playing golf and quickly becoming the preferred teaching method for golf instructors and professional golfers. Junior golfers are being introduced to the game on simulators allowing them to develop functional, sound swings before ever hitting their first shot on the golf course. Weather and climate are no longer an issue as golfers can now play every month of the year while getting accurate feedback on every swing.

Beginning in January, the simulators may be reserved for driving range practice by the hour. Weekday and weekend golf league schedules will be posted online and club fitting and off-season golf lessons will be available by appointment to get your game ready for a full summer of golf. Please visit yankeetrace.org or call the Golf Shop, 438-GOLF (4653) for more information.

Great Gift Ideas!

Gift Cards: Purchase for any dollar amount in the Golf Shop or online at yankeetrace.org. Gift cards may be redeemed for golf, golf simulators merchandise, lessons, memberships, practice balls and food and beverages.

Off Season Golf Instruction: Get four 30-minute lessons for \$140 or eight 30-minute lessons for \$240. Regular price is \$60 per 30-minute session. Lessons are available January through April in the indoor Virtual Golf Lounge or outside,

weather permitting. The Ultimate Gift!

Yankee Player Development Program (YPD) \$445

- Unlimited range balls through April 30, 2020
- Unlimited access to the south-end of the driving range (grass area is seasonal)
- Unlimited access to the 11,000 square foot practice putting green
- Unlimited access to the indoor golf academy during inclement weather
- Member's Only access to the north-end of the driving range (seasonal)
- Member's Only access to the short game performance area (seasonal)
- Eligible for exclusive YPD greens fee rates at selected times
- 10% discount on all non-sale merchandise items
- USGA handicap service at Member's Only price
- Reduced rates for indoor golf simulators

GOLF MERCHANDISE SALE Valid through December 24 All in-stock golf clubs, fine men's and women's golf apparel and accessories marked down for our BIGGEST SALE of the YEAR!

Join the Yankee Trace family

Working part-time at the golf course is one of the best jobs you will ever have! Positions include outside services and golf shop attendants. Competitive salaries and benefits include complimentary golf, range balls and merchandise discounts. Limited applications are now available for the 2019 season. Call 438-GOLF for program details.

Volunteer

We are fortunate to have many dedicated citizens contribute to the success of the golf course by donating a portion of their valuable time. This unique program includes starters, 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. Call 438-GOLF for program details.

937.433.7151

Providing superior services and outstanding value

Centerville's Public Works professionals work tirelessly to provide services to our residents and visitors. The staff is charged with taking care of City property—streets, sidewalks, storm systems, traffic signals, City buildings and Stubbs Park. These services are provided by your tax dollars and the value is unmatched. Some of the projects include:



- · Leaf collection at your curb.
- Winter operations: clearing snow and ice from roads to allow safe travel.
- Street maintenance: crack sealing, major repair and resurfacing, dead animal pick-up, storm system repair and maintenance, and traffic signal, street light and street sign supply and maintenance.
- Horticulture services: grass mowing, tree planting and maintenance, and flower and landscape bed maintenance at City properties and along City roadways.
- Plan review of development projects, engineering and construction administration of major road projects, and inspection services of all public improvements.
- Special event planning and staffing including Americana Festival,
 Memorial Day and Veterans' Day ceremonies, Arbor Day, Summer Concert series, Holiday Walk and Tree Lighting ceremony.

We are proud to provide these services and appreciate our citizens' support.

Keep storm sewers clear

Please keep storm drain openings clear so as snow melts, the runoff can enter storm sewers and not cause ice build-up along the road. Don't allow leaves or grass to lay in the street blocking storm drains, as over time, they can get into the storm system and cause water back-up, potentially creating street flooding in heavy storm events.

Never dump anything including grass clippings, leaves, yard debris, paint or oil in an open drainageway or storm sewer. It's against the law, and violators may be prosecuted. If you observe someone illegally dumping into a storm sewer or a water body, notify the City. More information on the City's ditch policy and Property Maintenance Code may be found at centervilleohio.gov or by contacting publicworks@centervilleohio.gov or 428-4782.

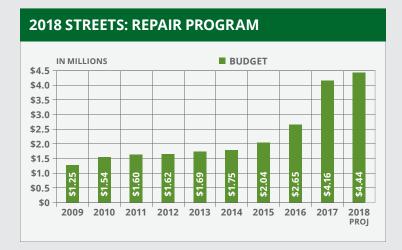
CALL BEFORE YOU DIG

The City manages its utilities: storm and drainage lines, electric lines serving City owned street light systems,

OHIO811.org

and traffic and fiber lines that serve our traffic signals and 911 system. Before starting any outdoor project, call OHIO811—it's the law. The Ohio Utilities Protection Services works with member utilities including DP&L, Vectren, AT&T and Spectrum to respond to your request to locate and mark buried utility lines. The service is free and helps ensure your utility services won't be interrupted by someone digging in to them.

Tax levy funds continue to support road improvements



Continuing the commitment to expand the City's annual street program following the passage of the tax levy in 2016, nearly 18 lane miles of City streets were repaired and or resurfaced in 2018 at a total cost of nearly \$4,000,000. This included both local funding as well as grant funding and joint project work. The 2019 plan is equally ambitious.

- ▶ Annual repair and resurfacing program: includes milling and paving of approximately 16 lane miles of residential and three lane miles of arterial roadways. Concrete work preceded most of the residential roadways on the list.
- ▶ Wilmington Pike from I-675 south to Alex-Bell Road: A shared maintenance responsibility between Greene County and the City of Centerville, this is a joint project between the two jurisdictions. Curb and storm drainage repair work will be completed in the City's portion of the roadway prior to the milling and paving.
- ▶ Concrete repair including curb and storm system work in preparation of future resurfacing, approximately ten lane miles of residential roadways. These streets will then be included in future milling and asphalt resurfacing projects.
- ▶ Clareridge Lane: The next phase of repair and resurfacing will continue south from Boyce Road to Lodewood Drive. This project includes funding from a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).

Questions regarding these improvement projects may be directed to Public Works, 428-4782, publicworks@centervilleohio.gov or by checking the City's website under Newsletters, Centerville Construction Update.

GO SLOW WITH SNOW

Take it slow and easy when driving on icy roads. Centerville and neighboring communities will have crews working to keep roads clear and safe. Motorists can help, too. Following these guidelines from the Ohio Department of Transportation:

Know Before You Go

- Know the latest driving conditions. Visit Buckeyetraffic.org or sign up for ODOT Twitter updates for the Dayton area.
- Clear snow and ice from your vehicle's windows, lights and signals.
- Make sure tires, wiper blades, lights and other vehicle functions are working properly and maintain an adequate fuel level.
- Give yourself extra time to get to your destination.

Take it Slow

- Watch for black ice. Roads that seem dry may actually be slippery and dangerous. Use caution when approaching intersections, off-ramps, bridges or shady areas—all can be hot spots for black ice.
- Reduce speed and increase distance between vehicles.
 Remember a four- wheel drive vehicle can still slide on icy roads.
- Brake early, brake slowly, brake correctly and never slam on the brakes.
- Don't use cruise control and avoid abrupt steering maneuvers.

Don't Crowd the Plow

- Snow plows travel well below the posted speed limit.
 Be patient and give them room to work. Try not to pass the plow. Watch for sudden stops or turns.
- Watch out for blind spots. The plow driver's field of vision is limited. If you can't see the plow's side mirrors, the driver can't see you. Stay two to three car lengths behind the plow.
- Beware of snow clouds. Snow plows often create clouds as they clear the roads, often reducing your ability to see.



Officer Ashley Beane



Lt. Michael Yoder



Officer Steve Kocol



Lt. Tyler Wilson



Officer Zach Parker



Sgt. Anthony Green

Promotions, new officers join department

The City of Centerville is pleased to welcome the following officers to the Police Department:

Officer **Ashley Beane** brings valuable experience from having served with the Clayton Police Department and as a Military Police Officer with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve.



Sgt. Joshua Ratliff

Officer **Steven Kocol** comes to the department from Montgomery County Adult Probation where he served as a senior probation officer. He has a BS in Criminal Justice from the University of Toledo.

Officer **Zachary Parker** was hired in November 2017 and assisted in Dispatch until leaving for the academy in February 2018. He was a member of the Centerville Police Department Explorer Post throughout high school and is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati.

Several promotions were announced in the department including:

Michael Yoder to lieutenant. Lt. Yoder has served as patrol officer, canine officer, and patrol and staff sergeant since joining the PD in 2002.

Tyler Wilson to lieutenant. Lt Wilson served as sergeant, detective and patrol officer. Lt. Wilson joined the department in 2007.

Anthony Green to sergeant. Sgt. Green has served as patrol officer and bike patrol officer. He joined the department in 2009.

Joshua Ratliff to sergeant. Sgt. Ratliff has served as cadet, dispatcher and patrol officer. He joined the department in 2008.



SAFEGUARDING YOUR TREASURES

The Police Department's Mystery Night Out, held in August in celebration of National Night Out, featured the theme Safeguard Your Treasures. In recognition of the City's 50th anniversary, hundreds of participants took part in the Citywide clue search leading them to various historic spots. The start and ending location was Stubbs Park, where a costume contest, food, music, exhibits and prizes awaited. The Police Department staff received assistance from members of the Citizens Police Academy Alumni group.

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As winter weather approaches, the Centerville Police Department recommends motorists keep the following safety kit in your car:

- ▶ Blanket
- ▶ Flashlight with fresh batteries

- ▶ Flares
- ► Small shovel
- ▶ Jumper cables

- ▶ Small bag of sand
- Boots

Ice scraper

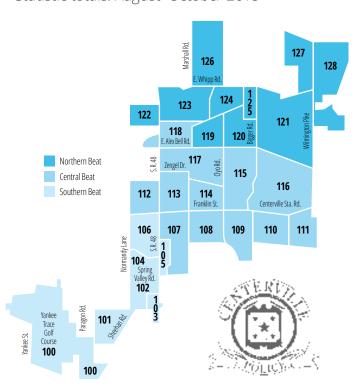
Before you leave for your destination...

- ✓ Check tires (tread/inflation) ✓ Check maintenance and keep your vehicle in good running condition ✓ Keep fuel tank full
- ✓ Know where to tune the radio or TV for road safety information

RESIDENTIAL AND BUSINESS BURGLARIES							
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Residential and Business crime statistics

Statistic totals: August-October 2018



August 20, 2018



Jeremy Davison and Yariel Soto are congratulated by Mr. and Mrs. Soto, Coach Matt Somerlot and Mayor Compton.

Bishop Dan Smith of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, gave the invocation. Newly appointed Police Chief Matthew J. Brown was introduced. Brown has been with the City for 20 years, holding various positions in the Police Department. Stevie Ann Kremer shared stories of Centerville High School Class of 1968, in celebration of the class and City's 50th anniversaries. Sarah Williams, executive director of Hannah's Treasure Chest, and Janet Carpenter, director, Sophie Kerrigan's For the Love of Animals, were recognized for their respective organizations earning the Better Business Bureau's Eclipse Award for ethics and integrity. Jeremy Davison was recognized for achieving Eagle, Boy Scout's highest award. Centerville High School student Yariel Soto was recognized for winning the Division I State Title in both long jump and pole vault. Sue Jessee, chair, City Beautiful Commission, announced the winners of the August landscape awards. Please see page 4 for the complete list of winners.

City Council made the following reappointments:

David Blum to Board of Tax Appeals
Thomas Bankston to the Arts Commission
Allen Nelson to the City Beautiful Commission
Susan Jessee as Chair of the City Beautiful Commission

September 17, 2018

Pastor Tony Miltenberger of Restoration Church, gave the invocation. Cub Scout Pack 516 from John Hole Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance. Joe Braden, State Auditor's representative, presented Centerville Finance Director Jonathan Hudson with the Ohio Auditor of State Award with Distinction for the 2017 Financial audit. State Representative Jim Butler presented a legislative update. Jason Whited was recognized for being named Centerville High School's Teacher of the Year and State of Ohio Teacher of the Year. Sue Jessee, chair, City Beautiful Commission, announced the winners of the September landscape awards. Please see page 4 for the complete list of winners.

City Council made the following reappointment:

Joyce Ray-Brown to Property Review Commission

October 15, 2018

Pastor Jon Gibson, Living Hope Church, gave the invocation. Joseph Numbers from Boy Scout Troop 316 was recognized for achieving the Eagle Award. Montgomery County Environmental Services Community Outreach and Education Manager John Minear provided an update on services. Amy Dingle, director of Outdoor Connections from Five Rivers Metro Parks, gave an update on park services. Mariah Vogelgesang, Centerville assistant city manager, presented an update on State Issue 1. City Council shared memories of former mayor Mark Kingseed, who passed away October 10.

City Council made the following reappointments:

Paul Clark to the Planning Commission Jan Prettyman to the City Beautiful Commission Dan Carfagno as Chair of Property Review

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, August–October 2018 City Council passed the following resolutions:

- **47-18** Authorizing participation in the United Way of the Greater Dayton Area's SilverLink for an additional year at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.
- **48-18** Authorizing City Manager to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for temporary building services with Montgomery County.
- **49-18** Authorizing City Manager to submit application to participate in OPWC State Capital Improvement Programs.
- **50-18** Accepting bid by L.J. DeWeese for 2018 ditch repair project.
- **51-18** Accepting bid submitted by L.J. DeWeese for the 2018 Clareridge Lane new sidewalk installation project.
- **52-18** Authorizing City Manager to enter into cooperative agreement with County Commissioners for distribution of funding for Terrace Villa Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project.
- 53-18 Accepting bid submitted by Double Jay Construction for phase IV Cornerstone on-site public improvements on Brown Road.
- **54-18** Accepting amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission of the County Auditor.
- **55-18** Designating surplus property.
- **56-18** Accepting bid submitted by Full Swing Golf for three golf simulators.
- **57-18** Declaring opposition to State Issue 1.
- 58-18 Granting easement to Vectren Energy for installation and maintenance of gas line to Bethany Lutheran Services (Graceworks).
- 59-18 Approving the Solid Waste Management Plan of the Montgomery County Solid Waste Management District.
- 60-18 Submitting application to participate in intersection improvements at St. Rt. 48 and Spring Valley Road.
- 61-18 Approving MOT-SR48-5.39 Project.

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GOLD AND CHEERFUL CENTERVILLE TURNS 50.

We celebrated our 50th anniversary as a City in style! From special events like Centerville Day at the Dragons, Concert and Party at Stubbs Park, Fall Festival and Gold Out at the CHS football game to fun giveaways like sunglasses, t-shirts, magnets and more, to our welcome signage and banners and anniversary donut, it's been a year to remember. We hope you shared in some of our celebrations; after all, it is because of you—our wonderful residents and supportive businesses—that Centerville is such a "warm and cheerful" place to call home. As we move forward to year #51, we continue to appreciate our historic past and look forward to a robust future. Thank you!

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Crime Tip Line	433-6590					
Yankee Trace Golf Shop	438-GOLF					
yankeetrace.org						

Yankee Trace Restaurant......438-3585 Benham's Grove......433-1913

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Centerville-Washington History..... 433-0123



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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 ManagerWayne 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.

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Public Meetings at the Municipal Building

City Council 7:30 p.m., third MON. monthly Board of Architectural Review 7 p.m., first TUE. monthly City Planning Commission7 p.m., last TUE. monthly Centerville Arts Commission...... 7 p.m., first WED. monthly Boards of Tax & Personnel Appeals & Property Review Commission ... At the call of chairperson

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 Committee7 p.m., first TUE. monthly

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In Memoriam: Mark Kingseed



Mark Kingseed

The Centerville community lost a leader, champion and friend when former mayor Mark Kingseed passed away October 10 after a long battle with cancer. First elected to Centerville City Council in 1990, he served until 2015, the last 12 as mayor. "We are deeply saddened by the death of Mark Kingseed," said Centerville Mayor Brooks Compton. "As mayor, Mark led our City through difficult times including the recession and state budget cuts while always promoting robust development. He was a natural leader who spent much of his career as a public servant in Centerville. He had the rare ability to bring people together, always fought for what he believed in, and was fair and objective. We will miss our friend Mark Kingseed."

City holiday schedule

City Offices will close on the following days in observance of the holidays: December 24, 25 and January 1. Offices will also close January 21 in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

The regular City Council meeting, normally scheduled for the third Monday of each month, will be postponed until January 28 at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Refuse and recycling collection schedule

Tuesday through Thursday refuse collections will be delayed ONE DAY the weeks of December 24 and December 31. If your regular collection day is Monday, your refuse and recyclables will be collected that day, however regular Tuesday through Thursday collections will be delayed one day, and therefore picked up Wednesday through Friday during these two weeks. During the week of January 16, refuse collection will be delayed one day. City Offices will be open Presidents' Day, February 18. Waste collection will be on the regular schedule. Please call 433-7151 or visit centervilleohio.gov for more information.

DECEMBER-FEBRUARY CITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER

Centerville's 50th anniversary as a City



- City Council meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- Farmers Market, 2:30-6:30 p.m. Barn at Benham's Grove
- 25 & 26 City Offices closed. Waste collection delayed one day beginning Tuesday.

JANUARY

- City Offices closed. Waste collection delayed one day beginning Tuesday.
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day, City Offices closed. Waste Collection delayed one day.
- City Council meeting, 7:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- Art at the Trace, 6:30-9 p.m. The Golf Club at Yankee Trace
- City Council meeting, 7:30 p.m.

WFFKIY

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

MONTHLY

Brush drop-off: 9-noon, 3rd Saturday of each month, Public Works

For more information, please visit centervilleohio.gov or call 433-7151.

*Centerville City Council, 2018; Front row: Carin Andrews, Clerk of Council; Belinda Kenley, Deputy Mayor; JoAnne Rau, Council member; John Beals, Council member. Back row: Mark Engert, Council member; John Palcher, Council member; Brooks Compton, Mayor; Bill Serr, Council member; Wayne Davis, City Manager. Centerville's first City Council, 1968; Front row: James Smith, City Manager; John Davis, Deputy Mayor; Paul Hoy, Mayor; Marilyn McLaughlin, Clerk of Council, J.V. Stone, Council member. Back row: Ronald Budzik, Finance Director; Russell Sweetman Sr., Council member; John Zengel, Council member; Victor Green, Council member; John McIntire Jr., Council member.