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A Service of the Board of Lake Township Trustees

IT'S FALL CLEANUP TIME!

Lake Township will sponsor a Fall Cleanup for Township residents, from Wednesday, September 19, through Friday, September 21, from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. every day and Saturday, September 22, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Containers will be located behind the Lake Township Service Garage complex at 1499 Midway St. Directional signs will be posted. Residents will be expected to unload their own vehicles.

This service is for Lake Township residents only. Identification may be checked. Township businesses will be allowed to dispose of no more than one truckload during the program. For more information, call 330.877.9479.

In addition to all of the items accepted at the year-round programs, the following will be accepted during Fall Cleanup: household debris and tires (no rims, limit of 12 per household). Disposal of commercial or business tires is prohibited. No garbage, no lumber of any kind, no railroad or landscaping ties, no hazardous waste, and no paint can be accepted.

Lake Township Trustees

Lake Township Trustees meet every second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 P.M. All meetings are held at the Lake Township Hall, 12360 Market Avenue North, Hartville. All meetings are open to the public. The meeting hall is handicapped-accessible..

Lake Township office hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM. Telephone: 330.877.9479.







HALLOWEEN!

October's coming, time for Halloween fun!
Lake Township Trustees have designated Sunday,
October 28, from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M., as trick or treat time
for children in the township. This is
the recommendation of the Stark
County Commissioners for
all of Stark County. Many
allotments in the Township
set their own dates and
times for trick or treat,
so please check with
your own neighborhood



for its schedule of these events.

CHECK OUT COMMUNITY EVENTS AT www.discoverhartville.com/events

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Check Out Our Web Site:

www.laketwpstarkco.com It has lots of information about Lake Township!



Fiscal Office Update

Greetings from the Lake Township Fiscal Department. We are pleased to announce we have completed our required scheduled State audit and the report indicated no findings or recommendations. As you entrust us

with your tax dollars, we continue to work with the departments ensuring frugal spending and efficiency. Also, we have enrolled in the State of Ohio's Open Check Book program that provides public access to the financial records for Lake Township on a real time basis. We believe you have the right to be informed, reinforcing public trust, and ensuring support continues. A link from our Lake Township web page will provide access to our page on OhioCheckbook.com. Again, we appreciate the opportunity to serve our community.

Bob Moss

LAKE TWP. ROAD LEVY IS RENEWAL, NO ADDITIONAL TAX

Lake Township Trustees have placed a 1.25-mill, five-year, renewal road levy on the November 6 General Election ballot. This levy would continue the tax at the same amount, with no additional tax.

How does Lake Township use the funds from the road levy? The Township maintains 139.46 miles of roadway. We use road levy funds for our road improvement program, and for materials and equipment for maintenance of our roads, including snow and ice removal, spot road repairs, ditch and storm sewer cleaning, catch basin repairs, sign installations and repairs, roadside mowing, street sweeping, pavement markings, repair of curbing, and road re-surfacing.

Only voters in the unincorporated area of the township, outside the Village of Hartville, will vote on this levy. The village has its own street department to maintain the streets in the village.



GENERAL ELECTION IS NOV. 6

Remember to vote on Tuesday, November 6. Voters in all precincts in Lake Township will see federal,

state and county-level candidates on the ballot, as well as three local issues and the Stark County District Library issue. The Stark County Board of Elections Web site (www.starkcountyohio.gov/board-of-elections) has a link to the Ohio Secretary of State's site that enables anyone to type in his or her name and address to determine the correct precinct and its location.

The Board of Elections is hiring poll workers for the General Election. Poll workers, who must be registered voters, will earn more than \$100 in one day. Pollworkers are usually scheduled to work in their home precincts or at a nearby precinct. More information is available from the Board of Elections (330.451.7515 or 330.451.7010) or online at www. starkcountyohio.gov/board-of-elections/pollworker.



President's Corner

Fall is here already, and with it, elections. We have placed a renewal of our 1.25-mill road levy on the November general election ballot. As you know, a renewal means no increase in taxes. By the time you read this newsletter,

our 2018 road paving program will be well underway or completed. We paved 13 miles of roadway this year. Part of our road levy funds are used for removal of snow and ice from our roads. We have already made our commitment for the purchase of our road salt for the 2018-2019 season through the University of Akron Community University Education Purchasing Association (CUE) for the same price we paid last year, \$52.47 per ton.

Off-road drainage may not sound very exciting, even with all the rain we've had this past summer, but we have been working with Stark County again this year to alleviate problem areas throughout the Township. This will mitigate flooding problems we have had. Anyone who has experienced flooding in their homes will attest to the importance of prevention and improved drainage infrastructure. We are working with the Stark County Regional Planning Commission to complete the comprehensive mapping and inventory of storm water conveyance systems outside the urbanized area of our Township.

We received a grant of \$16,585.98 from the Stark-Tuscarawas-Wayne Joint Solid Waste District for camera equipment, fencing and gates at our new yard waste facility near the Recycle Center on Midway St.

Please let us hear from you so we can resolve any issues you have and continue to improve Lake Township. I would like to extend best wishes to all the school students for academic and athletic success this year!

John L. Arnold

TWO VILLAGE ISSUES ON BALLOT

The Village of Hartville has placed two issues on the November 6 General Election ballot: a one-mill additional fire levy and an increase in the income tax from one percent (1%) to one and a half percent (1.5%). Only voters who live in the village will vote on these issues.



A Note From The Road Superintendent:

By the time you receive this newsletter, fall should be upon us and we should be wrapping up the resurfacing of streets and preparing for the snow and ice season. This year so far has been a very busy and productive time for our Road Department. Some of the daily activities of your Road Department involve repairing catch basins, repair/replacement of adjacent curbing, replacing aging galvanized pipe with plastic pipe along with pot hole repair and completing resident-generated requests and department-generated requests for service. Some of the other maintenance includes mowing along public rights-of-ways, traffic control signage upkeep and occasional tree trimming for better and safer roadway visibility.

As the leaves begin to fall, we want to offer a reminder that homeowners are responsible for daily maintenance of the ditches, which includes clearing them of leaves and debris. A tip to help with this is to try mulching your leaves during the fall. This helps supply your lawn with nutrients necessary to keep it healthy and it's a free way to fertilize your yard. There are mulching blades designed and available to help with this activity. If you're not able to mulch your leaves, you can bring them to our Yard Waste facility located on Midway Street.

The Road Department provides maintenance, including snow and ice removal, on all township-maintained streets. Please understand that the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the Stark County Engineer also have roadways in the Township that are separate from Lake Township roadway authority.

As winters approaches, we want to remind you to please help your Road Department keep the road rights-of-way clear of obstructions that may impose a threat to the motoring public or impede with snow/ice operations. Please help us do this by:

- Removing the portable basketball hoops at your residence if located within the road right-of-way
- Keeping your trash cans behind the mailbox line
- Refraining from parking on the streets during an event in which snowfall reaches two or more inches or any severe snow and ice conditions.

We thank you in advance for your help in doing this. Your cooperation will help us keep our snow/ice removal schedules on track which in return means that we can get to your street sooner.

Daniel R. Kamerer

What to Know When Calling 9-1-1 From Your Cell Phone

911 calls from cell phones bring unique challenges. You hope you never have to call 911; however, when you need to you want to be prepared. Because cell phones are mobile, they are not associated with an exact location or address, like a landline phone is. When calling from a cell phone, the 911 call taker can get a general idea of the location the call is coming from, but it's not specific enough.

When you call 911, it is important to stay calm and be sure to tell the dispatcher the exact location of the emergency. If you don't know the exact location, look around for landmarks, intersections, or other identifying material, such as a piece of mail. Because Lake Township borders two other counties, it creates another challenge for dispatchers receiving 911 calls from cell phones; therefore, it is also important to tell the dispatcher that the location of the emergency is in Lake Township, Stark County. Once you have provided this information, you want to give them your cell phone number, your name and explain the emergency. Providing all the relevant details in an emergency situation can be quite difficult, but if you can remember what to say first, it could literally mean the difference between life and death.

Information below from the National Emergency Number Association (NENA) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC): Tips for Making Wireless 911 Calls

When making a 911 call from a wireless phone, you should:

- Stay calm and speak clearly
- Tell the emergency operator the location of the emergency right away
- Provide the emergency operator with your wireless phone number, so if the call gets disconnected, the emergency operator can call you back
- Do not hang up the call until directed to do so by the 911 call taker
- Follow all directions. In some cases, the call-taker will give you directions. Listen carefully, follow each step exactly, and ask for clarification if you don't understand
- Remember that many emergency operators currently lack the technical capability to receive texts, photos and videos
- If you do not have a contract for service with a service provider and your emergency wireless call gets disconnected, you must call the emergency operator back because the operator will not have your telephone number and cannot contact you
- When calling 911 from a cell phone, be sure to stop if you're in a moving vehicle. It is difficult to obtain all the information needed if you are getting further from the emergency You can visit the following websites for more information:

https://www.nena.org/ and https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/911-wireless-services

LEAVES WILL FALL SOON

Bring your leaves to the yard waste collection location near the Recycle Center on Midway St., just east of the Township Service Garage. It's open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Thursdays and Fridays, and on Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Yard waste is accepted year round at this collection program. Residents may drop off grass clippings, leaves, brush and tree limbs. We cannot accept commercial waste, railroad ties, furniture or wood products, lumber of any kind, plastic, trash, household waste, or rocks, blocks, building materials and dirt.

REMINDER: If you bring your leaves in plastic bags, please be prepared to empty the bags and take them away with you.

The Midway St. Service Complex is in the jurisdiction of the Uniontown Police Department. Police officers regularly patrol the property. The Recycle Center has 24-hour camera surveillance. More information about the Yard Waste and Recycle Programs is available at the Township Office (330.877.9479) and on the Township Web site: www.laketwpstarkco.com.

WINTER'S COMING!

Lake Township Trustees have passed a resolution to declare a snow emergency parking ban on all streets maintained by the township in the event of a snowfall of more than two inches, or any severe snow or ice conditions.



E-WASTE

Report To Office For Assistance

Do Not Leave Items Outside Building!

Jhank You!

RECYCLE CENTER

The Lake Township Recycle Center is on Midway St., on the east side of the Township Service Garage. It is fenced, gated and has cameras that record the site 24/7. Hours are 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. weekdays, and 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on weekends.

There's a second Recycle Center location in the southeast corner of the flea market parking lot at the Hartville Market Place, 1289 Edison St. This location can also be accessed from the entrance on Market Ave. North.

The Recycle Program accepts newspapers, magazines and junk mail, as well as corrugated cardboard and food boxes, glass bottles, plastics (#1 through #6), and steel or aluminum cans (please rinse and remove lids). We DO NOT accept business waste, plastic bags, any kind of lumber, railroad ties, or anything with nails.

Lake Township Trustees, in recognition of the environmental benefit of recycling and yard-waste collection programs, have provided these sites as a convenience for township residents' use. Both the Midway St. Service Complex and the Hartville Market Place are in the jurisdiction of the Uniontown Police Department. More information about the Yard Waste and Recycle Programs is available at the Township Office (330.877.9479), on the Township Web site (www.laketwpstarkco.com), and on the Stark-Wayne-Tuscarawas Joint Solid Waste District Web site (www.timetorecycle.org).

DID YOU KNOW? LAKE TOWNSHIP OFFERS E-WASTE RECYCLING

Lake Township offers an e-waste recycling program. This program is primarily intended for household recycling, but supports smaller local business that have small quantities of these items to recycle.

Some of the items that are accepted include batteries (not car batteries), computers and monitors, cell phones, telephones, game consoles, MP3 players, circuit boards, computer parts and cables, compact disks, DVD's, floppy disks, television sets, video equipment, microwave ovens, radio and audio equipment, other small electronic items, and small appliances.

There is a \$20 charge for all disassembled television sets and computer monitors because the company that collects the items must pay to dispose of them, so they pass along the charge to the township. All sizes and types of television sets and computer monitors will carry the same charge. Due to the nature of the components, disassembled television sets are considered hazardous waste and cannot be accepted. In addition, we can no longer accept light bulbs of any kind, due to information received regarding the method required for proper disposal.

Acceptable E-waste items may be taken to the Township Hall, 12360 Market Ave. North, Mondays through Fridays, from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Residents will be expected to unload their own vehicles. More information is available at the Township office (330.877.9479) and on the Township Web site (www.laketwpstarkco.com).

From The Uniontown Police Chief:

Kids are back in school now.



- Please use caution in the mornings when it is dark and children are gathering at the bus stops
- Remember that the speed limit in school zones is only 20 mph during the loading and unloading times before and after school. Not all school zones are marked with flashing lights; some are only marked with signs stating the restricted hours.
- You must stop for school buses when their stop sign is activated on all two-lane streets. On four-lane streets, i.e., Cleveland Ave, only the traffic traveling the same direction as the bus is required to stop.
- You will see our officers following buses from time to time, enforcing bus stop sign violators.

From Your Zoning Administrator

Chief Michael Batchik



Dear Neighbors,

Sheds are a very popular and simple solution for storing extra items. Below are some FAQ's on the subject.

- Q: Does my shed require a permit?
- A: All accessories structures need a zoning certificate; regardless of temporary or permanent foundation, or size. The structure may also require approval from the Stark County Health Department if you are on septic.
- Q: Are there rules about where I can put the shed on my lot?
- A: Accessory structures are not permitted in the front yard and must be at least 5 feet from any side and rear property line, as well as 10 feet from the house and any other accessory structure. On a corner lot, accessory structures are permitted in the side yard but must be at least 10 feet from the property line.
- Q: How much does the permit cost?
- A: Permit fees are .06 cents per square foot plus a \$25.00 filing fee.
- Q: Will someone come out to inspect the shed after I get it?
- A: Yes. Every zoning certificate issued is followed up with an inspection. The inspector will be measuring the setbacks from lot lines and buildings, as well as verifying the size of the structure.

 As always, call our office with additional questions; we are happy to answer them!

Who's Responsible for the Roads?

Nicole Wilkinson

When reporting a problem involving a roadway, including removal of dead animals, it is important to know which governmental entity is responsible for the maintenance and repair of that road.

To report problems on State Routes 43 and 619 in Lake Township, call the Canton office of the Ohio Department of Transportation (330.452.0365).

The Stark County Engineer (330.477.6781) maintains Cleveland Ave., State St., Smith-Kramer St., Middlebranch Ave., Congress Lake Ave., Swamp St., Duquette Ave., the east leg of Pontius St. north of Quail Hollow State Park and Market Ave. south of Lake Center St.

Maintenance of Pontius St. from Cleveland Ave. to Mogadore Ave. is shared between Springfield Township (330.733.3213) and Lake Township (330.877.9479). Maintenance of Pontius St. from Mogadore Ave. to Market Ave. is shared between Portage County (1.330.296.6411) and Lake Township.

Plain Township (330.492.3423) maintains Mt. Pleasant St. from Market Ave. to Middlebranch Ave.

Maintenance of Aultman Avenue is shared between the City of Green (330.896.6607) and Lake Township.

The Village of Hartville Street Department (330.877.3006) is responsible for maintenance of King Church Ave. from Camelia St. south to Lake Center St., Lake Center from King Church east to Market Ave., and Market from Lake Center north to the Village boundary north of State Rt. 619, as well as all other streets within the village.

Lake Township maintains the 139.46 miles of all remaining dedicated streets in the township.

LICENSE PLATE FEES

When purchasing your vehicle license plates, please state that you are a resident of Lake Township. If you simply state your address as Hartville, North Canton, etc., funds which should go to the township will go to the City or Village of your mailing address.

FROM OUR FIRE SERVICE

Don't burn your leaves! Please take them to our Yard Waste drop-off site near the Recycle Center on Midway Street. It's open on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, but closed on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If you bring your leaves in plastic bags, please be prepared to empty the bags and take them away with you.



If you're planning a bonfire, please call your local fire department first to find out what the regulations are. (Hartville Volunteer Fire Department: 330.877.2478. Uniontown Fire Department: 330.699.3239. Greentown Volunteer Fire Department: 330.494.3002).

Our fire companies would like to remind you to change the batteries in your smoke detectors when Daylight Savings Time ends this year (November 4).

Storm Water Reminders ... Only rain down the drain!

Storm water flowing over the ground picks up pollutants and carries them into the storm sewer systems, where this untreated water is discharged into water bodies that we use for swimming, fishing, and providing drinking water. You can help protect our water:

- Compost leaves and other yard waste or take to the yard waste collection site at 1499 Midway Avenue. Do not rake leaves into street or drainage ditches.
- When walking your pet, remember to pick up the waste and dispose of properly. Leaving pet waste on the ground increases public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria to wash into the storm drain and eventually into local water bodies.



The mission of Lake Township is to provide quality service to our citizens/customers in order to lead, support and facilitate the efficient and effective operation of township government.

(ECRWSS)
Residential Customer



