

Fall NEWSLETTER



1454 Rome Corners Road, Galena, OH 43021

October 3, 2024

Noteworthy



Township Dates of Interest 11/2 - Ribbon Cutting for Playground and Pavilion 11/5 - Election Day (Business Office Closed) 11/11 - Veteran's Day Closed 11/28-11/29 - Thanksgiving Closed

Monthly Meetings

Zoning Board - 1st Thursdays Trustee Meeting - 2nd Mondays Board of Zoning Appeals - 3rd Wednesdays



Halloween / Beggar's Night will be Thursday, October 31st from 6-8 p.m.

Berkshire Township wishes all the families a spooktacularly ghoul time. Be safe!



Election Day is Tuesday November 5th visit <u>votedelawarcountyohio.gov</u> for all your voter information including registration, and what is on the ballet.

In person voting & absentee voter ballets will be mailed out and inperson voting will begin October 8th



Day Light Savings Ends

On the first Sunday in November we "Fall back" Be sure to move your clocks back one hour on Sunday Nov. 2nd at 2 a.m. or before going to bed the night before.

BST&G Fire Department suggests this is also a great time to replace batteries in your smoke and Carbon Monoxide detectors

Updates from our Economic Development and Zoning

Mercedes-Benz of North Columbus.

In August of this year the township approved a zoning change of the property for a Mercedes and AMG dealership. The AMG is defined as the performance division/trim high-end product. The owners have purchased 25 acres at the Southeast corner of Wilson Road and State Route 37. They will use 7 acres for their business and hope to recruit additional businesses to complement theirs. All 25 acres are newly rezoned under our Planned Mixed Use Development classification. A very modern style 58,000 square feet building will house their showroom, sales, service and parts, detailing and maintenance facilities. They plan on hiring 60 additional people once they are open. The Mercedes dealership will add good employment opportunities and a strong tax base for Berkshire Township. Plans are to break ground late fall with an opening in the fall of 2025.

Ivy Wood Neighborhood.

Ivy Wood is a new residential development located on North Wilson Road between Route 37 and

North Galena Road. Their approved plan calls for 116 single-family homes and 44 patio homes. The single-family homes will range from 2,100 to 3,200 square feet. The patio homes which will be built closest to Wilson Road will range from 1,500 square feet to 2,600 square feet in size. The zoning is in our Planned Mixed Use Development District.

Carlton at Berkshire.

The Carlton at Berkshire, is located on the east side of South Wilson Road and south of State Route 37. There is a traffic light at the intersection of Rider Road and Wilson Road. The developer, Metro Development LLC, will pay to extend Rider Road to the east for their project and future commercial development. The plan includes 312 apartments made up of 84 one bedroom, 192 two bedroom, and 36 three bedrooms on the 26-acre site. A pool, contemporary club house, and outdoor deck and grilling area will be available for the tenants. Construction started in July with plans of completion in the late fall of 2025.

Berkshire Crossing

Berkshire Crossing is a single-family residential development located on the south side of Wilson Road west of North Galena Road. It consists of 101 three-bedroom two-story homes for rent, all owned by AMH Development. Phase one of the project is near completion and the first homes have already been rented with prices ranging between \$2450 - \$2950 per month and phase two is well under way. When the project is completed in 2025 there will be a playground, pavilion, and multiple walking paths for the public. All homes will be in the Big Walnut School District.



Be the first to experience the Berkshire Community Playground and Pavilion.

Last year this time, our Parks project was just a vision and as of this newsletter the playground is complete, and the pavilion is set to be done in the next month. We are very excited, and we hope you are too. Please help us celebrate by joining us on *Saturday, November 2nd from 10-noon as we host a ribbon cutting and dedication at our Township Hall complex.*

The Ribbon cutting event is a chance to see the new site and will include gift bags for first 100 kids, visits from Delaware County Health Department and their mascot AJ, Delaware County Sheriff's office mounted police and Otto the department's therapy dog and BST&G Fire Department and their service dog Bella. In addition, there will be craft tables for the kids and Little Ladies Soft Serve and The Crafted Cloud Cotton Candy will be providing treats.

Township Highlights



Each adult resident of Berkshire Township in attendance will be eligible for a chance to win a free pavilion rental for the 2025 season.



Fire Prevention Week

October 6 - 12 2024 is Fire Prevention Week and The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has announced this year's theme as "Smoke alarms: make them work for you!" B.S.T.&G Fall Party and Open House Sunday, October 27th from Noon - 3 p.m. Details on their website link below.



BST&G FIRE DISTRICT OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th NOON - 3 PM 350 W. CHERRY STREET SUNBURY OHIO



The NFPA has sponsored prevention week since 1922 and it has been a national observance since 1925. The weeks' goal is to raise public awareness around smoke alarms and the importance of having working alarms throughout your home. According to NFPA website: smoke alarms reduce the risk of dying in a home fire by more than half (54 percent). Meanwhile, roughly three out of five fire deaths happen in homes with either no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

To learn more about Fire Prevention Week visit <u>www.fpw.org.</u>





America produces nearly a ton of trash each year. That trash needs to go somewhere and the more of it that can be recycled and repurposed the better for our resources, land space and manufacturing. As of September, Rumpke can now take *clear plastic* clam-shell containers. For a complete list of acceptable items visit <u>Rumpke.</u> <u>com</u>

Recently, it was also noted that Berkshire Township residents can participate in the Hefty ReNew[™] program, allowing them to recycle additional plastics. To participate, purchase Hefty ReNew orange bags. Fill with hard to recycle plastics like Styrofoam containers, chip bags, plastic storage bags, foam packing and bubble wrap materials. (A full list of acceptable items is even printed on each bag.) Once full, put out near the regular recycling. Learn more and get a free sample bag by visiting <u>Hefty ReNew[™]</u>



Delaware County Transit extends services

Starting October 14th many of our Berkshire Residents will have the opportunity to try out the new Delaware County Transit FLEX service. This new service will cover all of Sunbury, Berkshire Township's Northern business and residential area near Northstar and Tanger Outlet Mall and a small area of Galena. The service is available M-F from 6am - 6pm with a regular fare of \$2 and \$1 for those under 19, over 65 or anyone disabled.

This same day on demand service is booked through an app similar to Uber and can be downloaded through Apple App Store or Google Play. Riders can also call the Mobility Management team directly at 740.363.3355

The service which has been running in the City of Delaware since 2020 with expanded hours of 5am - 9pm and 8am - 4pm on Saturdays. Is a great option to driving and a huge benefit if your left without transportation for the day. For more information check out the DCT website



Take a few minutes and check out what new and all the great special events at your local **Community Library.** From weekly classes and rentable rooms to passport services your local library is so much more than just books.

Clicking around the website you will find weekly programs for exercise, crafting, and music, coding, chess, scavenger hunts, support groups and educational resources such as CPR and help with writing in addition to the obvious story times and book clubs.

1000 Books Reading Challenge is currently be highlighted. According to the site "Reading helps build social and emotional skills, sparks creativity and imagination, promotes bonding, and helps kids do well overall in school. Take that motivation, open one book, and get started. And remember, 1000 is just a number. The goal is to work reading aloud into your regular routine and let the magic of stories do the rest." You can find workbooks at the library and <u>click here to get started online</u>



Community Events

Harvest Fair this Saturday

Kids of all ages can discover their inner farmer at this family friendly event. Climb a tractor, get your face painted, feed the chickens, help press fresh apple cider, walk the trails, make a seasonal craft and more! Whether you're savoring the taste of fresh apple cider or marveling at the beauty of fall foliage, the Harvest Fair is the perfect way to connect with nature and experience the joys of the season with the Stratford family! \$5 per person (Free for ages under 2)



Walk-ins welcome, but pre-registration is highly encouraged to let us know you're coming to help us estimate the attendance for the day. It also guarantees a speedy check-in process when you get here! Pre-registration closes Friday, October 4th at 9am.



Delaware Charity Car Show

On October 12th the join in the fun at the 30th Annual Delaware Charity Auto Show, presented by Performance CJDR Delaware with Trimble Insurance and benefitting IMPACT60. Historic Downtown Delaware will be filled with 500 plus Classic and Collector cars, trucks and motorcycles from Ohio and the surrounding states. Music, local restaurants and Main Street Merchants, and other

activities fill the day while the streets are lined with families viewing these beautiful rolling

works of art. Details and registration for vehicles can be found at the link on **Destination Delaware's website**



Sept 23-Oct 27

Fall Market Hours Mon-Fri 9-7 Sat-Sun 10-7

Fall Fun Activities (Sept 21-Oct 27) Weekends (Sat-Sun), 10:00AM-6:00PM Friday October 18, 10:00AM-4:00PM No pets, please

click on the barn for details



Click here for details and registration.

TangerOutlets

Sat. October 12th Last Second Saturday of the season.

Fall themed with free pumpkin painting, pumpkin bounce house, and fall photos along with live music and food trucks.

Sat. October 20th Noon-2 PM

Barktober

Benefiting Delaware County Humane Society

A Howl-O-Ween Pet Parade and Costume Contest with food trucks, music and special deals.



Ready to get a little spooked out? Venture into some of the most haunted streets in Delaware's Northwest Neighborhood. On your tour hear actual ghost accounts from residents where the spirits reside. There are 3 time slots at 6, 7 and 8 pm. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Tickets, updates and other events at **Boardman Arts Park on FaceBook.**



Come join the fun on Main Street with trick-or-treating in costume and a FREE movie viewing of Casper at the Strand Theatre. This is the last farmers market of the season as well

For trick-or-treating Saturday morning, before and after the movie, you can pick up a list of participating businesses at the Welcome Center (20 E William St.)



Check out deals/promotions and event highlights on their webpage. www.Tanger.com Ohio Traveler

How about a road trip? Check of <u>Ohio Traveler.com</u> for the latest festival and events throught Ohio

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Visit our website

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