



Back to School NEWSLETTER

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1454 Rome Corners Road, Galena, OH 43021

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Big Walnut Schools are back in session on
Wednesday, August, 18th

Olentangy Local School are back in session on
Thursday, August 19th

Please be aware of these dates as school zone speed limits will be back in effect and children will be present in crosswalks as well as around school areas for before and after school activities.

We wish all our educators, building personnel and students a safe, happy and productive school year.

Sales Tax Holiday

Ohio will have a Sales Tax Holiday running from
Friday, August 6, 2021 at 12:00 a.m. to
Sunday, August 8, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.

During the holiday, the following items are exempt from sales and use tax:

- Clothing priced at \$75 or less
- School supplies or Instructional materials priced at \$20 or less



Township Highlights



Rumpke contract renewed

During the July 12th Trustee Meeting it was voted to renew the contract for collection, transfer and disposal of solid wastes with Rumpke of Ohio at a 3% increase. This contract will be effective as of February 1, 2022

Rate Schedule for Rumpke Contact Berkshire Township

February 1, 2022 through January 31, 2023:	Regular units: \$19.52 per unit per month Senior units: \$17.56 per unit per month
February 1, 2023 through January 31, 2024:	Regular units: \$20.11 per unit per month Senior units: \$18.09 per unit per month
February 1, 2024 through January 31, 2025:	Regular units: \$20.71 per unit per month Senior units: \$18.63 per unit per month

Zoning - Be in the Know

“Why do I need a zoning certificate to put a deck in my back yard on my property?”

As we continue to get many questions about the rules and regulations, we want to help clarify. Most people want to do things right and we appreciate that.

The purpose of the permitting process is verifying that the deck is being built outside of the right of ways, utility easements, and setback requirements. We do not want your neighbor to put his party platform 1 foot from your property line. Rules are put in place for both your protection and your neighbors. These regulations help protect your property values.

If you plan on putting a patio or deck on your property, the application is available on the township website under the Zoning tab.

Keep up to date

We have issued 163 permits for new homes and condos in 2021.

The township is currently in the process of reviewing our zoning code for some possible changes. We meet the first Thursday of each month. These are public meetings. You can stay updated with meetings, agendas and minutes by referring to our website.



Welcome to the Team

The Township has two new employees. Welcome to Tracy George our new Administrative Assistant and Bob Wanner joining our maintenance team part-time.



Bulletin Boards get a face lift

Both the inside and outside bulletin boards have gotten a new look, tying in the Berkshire Township logo colors and helping give a breath of freshness to the township hall.

Community Gardens need you!

We are in need of volunteers to clean up and assist in maintaining our Township Community Flower Garden.

If you would be interested in helping out or even creating a team to help with this beautiful space, please contact the Township office via email at tgeorge@berkshiretwp.org or call us at 740.965.2992



Business Spotlight Tanger Outlets



Tanger Outlets currently are open from 10 - 8 Monday through Saturday and 11-7 on Sundays.

Be sure to check out their great services like curbside pickups, the virtual shopper experience and Tanger Club membership that gives members special offers, spending rewards and an exclusive book of savings. Memberships are offered for \$10 and for a limited time when you sign up you receive your choice of a free backpack or tote bag

You can follow Tanger Outlets on Instagram or Facebook @tangeroutletscolumbus or visit the website www.tangeroutlet.com/columbus

[Tanger Outlets Website Click Here](#)



On June 24th Tanger Outlets celebrated it's 5 year anniversary of being a member of the Berkshire Township community.

This coming weekend they will be holding a Back to School Bash coinciding with the Ohio Free Tax Weekend. A Tanger Tent at the main entrance will welcome shoppers with giveaways, drawings to win special prizes and promotional coupons. There will be pop up kiosk vendors and a number of local area food trucks visiting at various times all weekend as well.

Throughout the weekend Sarah Hout, local Columbus artist, will be painting a beautiful "teach kindness" themed mural near Coach and Banana Republic. Visitors can see her progress along the way. In addition various local school organizations and musical artists will be playing throughout the center on Sunday, August 8th. Follow the outlet on Instagram and Facebook and check for weekend giveaways @tangeroutletscolumbus.

The outlet currently has over 75+ retail stores and recently has added Direct Tools to the mix and more are on the way with Simply Southern and High Street CBD coming soon.

Upcoming Event to put on your calendar include:

- Labor Day Block Party - September 4th
- Hops & Harvest Family Fun Festival - October 2nd
- Barktober - Dog Friendly Halloween - October 30th

Through the Lens

We are adding a newsletter section where our residents can share photos of our amazing community.

If you would like to share a photo please email us at tgeorge@berkshirewp.org Your photo must have details of when and where it was taken, who took the photo and any other information.

You must have permission to submit any photos of individuals and any submissions deemed inappropriate such as political, promoting businesses etc. will be returned.



Above photos taken by Tracy George our new administrative assistant at the Community Garden August 3rd, 2021

**Please check our website for current event schedule
along with general information and forms.**

[Visit our website](#)