



1454 Rome Corners Road, Galena, OH 43021



NEWSLETTER March 2024

Noteworthy



Township Offices Closed
5/27 - Memorial Day

Berkshire Township Public Meetings
Zoning Board
1st Thursday of each month *as needed*
Trustee Meetings
2nd Monday of each month
Zoning Board of Appeals
3rd Wednesday of each month *as needed*

[Link to Live Stream of Meetings](#)



Eclipse Day
is Monday April 8th.
See article below for details on
this Historic Event

Earth Day - April 22nd
"Invest in our Planet"



Easter - Sunday, March 31st
A highlight of events is in our
community section

Mother's Day is Sunday
May 12th
Don't forget to take the time to
remember mom

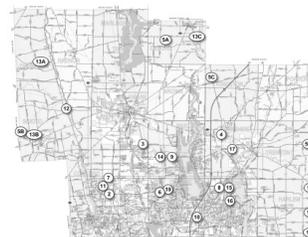


County News

Delaware County Road Construction
Delaware County 2024-25 edition of their Road Construction Guide was recently released. Highlight projects within our township include:

- New left and right turn lanes on either intersection approach at US36/SR37 and Glens Road.
- A new single-lane roundabout on Cheshire at Golf Course Road

Additionally we earlier published that Ohio Department of Transportation is in first stage of full bridge replacement at US36/SR 37 and I71



Who We Are!
Our offices are located at 1010 State Route 101 at the former Delaware High Center North Campus. We are now housed in the same building with the Regional Growth Center, Building Safety Department, Regional Planning Commission, County Facilities Department, Soil and Water Conservation District and O&D Engineer Office.

Who Are the Speed Limit?
Ohio has given the speed limits on all public roads and highways. Cities and villages have been able to set speed limits within municipal boundaries. Ohio is a state that is not a speed limit state. Speed limits are set by the state and are not subject to local government or local laws. Ohio's speed limits are set by the Ohio Department of Transportation and are subject to change. For more information on Ohio's speed limits, visit the Ohio Department of Transportation website at www.odot.gov.

About the Road Construction Guide
This publication includes information on road construction including safety and benefits to the public. Due to limited space, projects under \$250,000 or with total length less than one mile are not listed. Construction Dates are given as expected ranges. For more information on Ohio's road construction, visit the Ohio Department of Transportation website at www.odot.gov.

For the most current Delaware County road construction and repair status information visit our website at www.DelawareCountyEngineer.org and follow us on social media at Facebook, Twitter and Instagram @DelCoEngr.

**2024-25
Road
Construction
Guide**

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Make sure to check out the link to download the guide on our [Berkshire Township website](#) as a number of other project in neighboring areas will certainly impact your driving in the months to



Reminder:

Ohio Revised Code 1503.18 Regarding Kindled Fires

This law prohibits outdoor open burning statewide in unincorporated areas during the months of March, April, May October and November between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. The Ban includes burning of yard waste, trash and debris even with a proper burn barrel.



Outdoor Warning Sirens - Be aware

There are a total of 16 outdoor warning sirens within Delaware County. Most are maintained by various local governments. Sirens are activated in total, meaning all are activated together and only during actual warnings (not watches). It is key to note that these sirens are designed to be heard by people outdoors to signal taking shelter indoors. They are NOT designed to be heard inside buildings. Please make sure that when weather is questionable you have a way to keep a breast of conditions.

Township Highlights



Berkshire Township's maintenance building addition broke ground the week of March 17th. This project began in mid 2022 with detailed planning for township needs now and into the future. As the fastest growing jurisdiction in the county Berkshire Township has grown by 126% in the ten year period between 2010 and 2020. With that growth comes new roads and increased demand for services. This expansion addresses those needs.

Elford Construction won the bid in August of last year. The expansion project is expect to be complete by mid August this year and will add 4800 sq foot of space; ensuring all vehicles can be housed inside. The new addition will also include a wash bay to help with cleaning and upkeep and a dedicated breakroom space. Construction will not interfere with our front parking lot or current business hours.

Welcome to the Berkshire Township BZA Tony Lonigro joins the Zoning Board of Appeals



Tony and his wife Mary relocated from San Diego to Berkshire Township just over a year ago to be near their only daughter and her family. A retired Colonel with the US Air Force Medical Services Corps. Tony has an extensive background in healthcare administration. Tony locally is involved with his HOA board and in his free time he enjoys travel, reading, international affairs and nature. Tony joins our 5 member Board of Zoning Appeals board which meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month as needed.

Your Berkshire Township Road Department

The storms of March 14th raged in and left our township along with many neighboring areas hit hard. The next day, after making our roads passable, our crews joined with Genoa township crews in helping the village of Galena which was completely blocked both in

Township awarded Water Bottle Refilling Station Grant

Berkshire Township was awarded a new water bottle refilling station via a grant from the Delaware Public Health District. The fountain/refill station will replace one of the

and out of the village by downed trees, power lines and other storm debris. While we had our own very hard hit areas clearing roads to maintain access for emergency services and repair crews was a priority.

Our crews have continued to work on clearing roads and spent the later part of this week clearing collected debris and fall out in the right of ways. Additionally, the township secured a 30 yard dumpster from Rumpke for drop off of yard waste and other storm damage debris. The dumpster is located on the access road just south of the township hall near the Silo. Drop off is available 8-3 weekdays and 10-2 this Saturday March 23rd.

Soon, the road crew will be out working on regular Spring projects of filling pot holes, checking road signs and culverts for replacement or other repairs in the coming weeks. If you have noticed an issue please feel free to pass along via our website and they will get to it as soon as possible.

If you see the guys out and about please be cautious to not crowd trucks or pass without making sure the roads is clear to do so.

standard drinking fountains in our front lobby and be available to our employees and guests during office hours, meetings and private hall rental events.

Township Hall Rentals

The Berkshire Township Hall is available for rentals during non business hours for township residents. With party season gearing up, here are a few notes to remember and recent changes to our policy:

- Rental is \$200 per day along with a \$150 refundable security deposit.
- Renter must be a township resident or employee and present at event.
- Maximum of 2 rentals per year per renter
- We will not hold dates without payment being received.
- ***Rental forms are available on our Berkshire Township website.***

Retire your Tattered Flag

A tattered American flags should not be flown under any circumstances. It is disrespectful to the country, but in particular, the United States military. When you notice your flag beginning to wear and tear, take it down immediately to make the proper repairs or retire it.

Berkshire Township's new flag disposal bin offers a place to drop your old flag and we will make sure it properly is disposed of.

The flag retirement box is accessible on the township hall porch. Please only deposit U.S./State flags in need of retirement.



Solar Eclipse 2024



April 8, 2024, a total solar eclipse will cross North America, passing over Mexico, the United States, and

According to their website "The Delaware County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management is working with a variety of governmental and private-sector stakeholders to ensure that plans are in place to address this influx of visitors and the potential strain on resources and emergency response services."

Many local schools including Olentangy and Big Walnut will be closed for the day. Many area restaurants and parks have special events tied into this historic

Canada.

Only 21 total solar eclipses have crossed the lower 48 states in the entire existence of the United States.

The last total solar eclipse visible in Ohio was in 1806. The next total solar eclipse in Ohio will be in the year 2099.

On Monday, April 8, 2024, people in Delaware County will witness a total solar eclipse. A 124-mile-wide swath of Ohio is in the direct line of viewing for this event and it is expected that the event could double the number of people in the area that day. The start of the partial eclipse for Berkshire Township is just before two at 1:56 PM and the total eclipse should begin at 3:12 PM. The total eclipse will last just under 1:24 min.

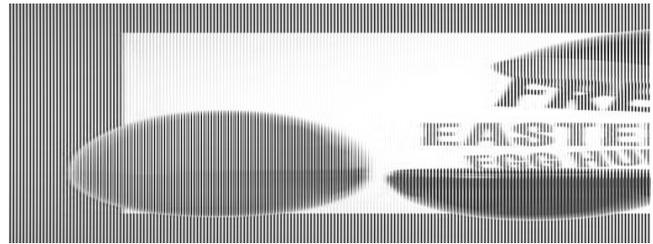
event. It is recommended that whatever your plans, if traveling plan to arrive early and stay late to avoid major traffic issues. Due to construction and safety concerns, Berkshire Township hall parking lot will be closed to anyone besides employees and those with township business.

It is never safe to look directly at the sun's rays, even if the sun is partially obscured. The only safe way to look directly at a partially eclipsed sun is through special-purpose solar filters, such as eclipse glasses or hand-held solar viewers.

Please be safe whether traveling to and from events or when viewing that day.

[Check out this list of solar eclipse safety tips](#)

Community Events



[Living Word Lutheran Church](#)

7935 Dustin Road, Galena April 1, 10-Noon

DARKNESS OVER DELAWARE

Celebration
at the
Delaware County Fairgrounds

CAMPING
MUSIC
VENDORS

FOOD
RIDES
ENTERTAINMENT

April 6th-8th, 2024



April 20, 6 pm
kicks off the
season
Delaware Cruise
Nights 2024

presented by the Delaware Knights Auto Club

Cruising downtown Delaware's Sandusky

Website and details **[...click here](#)**

Street every 3rd Saturday of the month April through October. Donation table benefiting Delaware County Humane Society will be set up at RNR Tire on Sandusky Street. 2024 season is gonna start off with a bang!



Sunbury Farmers Market



HOMEMADE BAKED GOODS	HONEY, VEGGIES, & FLOWERS	SOAPS, CRAFTS, & CANDLES
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And so much more!

Every Saturday from May 25th through September 28th

Sunbury Town Square
51 E. Cherry Street
Sunbury, Ohio 43074

9AM to 1PM

Sunbury Farmers Market will kick off on May 25th 9 AM-1 PM
inquires can be sent to:
sunburyohiofarmersmarket@gmail.com



MAY 18-19 The 49th Delaware Arts Festival welcomes you back to downtown Delaware for two days of art, fun, food and entertainment the whole family can enjoy. Once again, a sea of white tents will line both sides of Sandusky and West Winter Streets with artists exhibiting their creative work including jewelry, leather creations, tie dyed art, pottery, paintings, photography and much more. Food trucks and musical entertainment are scheduled for South Sandusky Street. For more details [CLICK HERE](#)

Daily 9am - 5pm - **Silly Egg Scavenger Hunt** - inside library
Friday 3/29: 9am - 5pm **AARP Foundation Tax-Aide**
Thursday 4/11 **Movies for Grownups - Oppenheimer** (6-9:15 pm)
Friday, 4/12 **Family Movie Night - Wish** (PG) 7-9pm
Saturday 5/4: 11am-2pm **Pet First Aid and CPR class**
Check out the [Nelle's Homestead Workshops](#) (6:30pm - 8pm)
Tuesday, March 26 - **Tame Paper Clutter**
Tuesday, April 23 - **Make-and-Take - Salsa**
[Details Click Here](#)

Farrow Harley Davidson

Join us at Farrow North's Bike Night, the premier Bike Night in town! Happening every 3rd Thursday, of each month, starting May 16th
Hot Bikes, Cold Beverages, Live Music, good food, and great times with your fellow Farrow family!

May 27th National Ride for Freedom
Gather at Farrow North to begin the day. Riders will roll out at 10:30am and take ride down 71 southbound into downtown, to the National Veterans Memorial and Museum (NVMM) and arrive at approximately 11am. Your \$15 Ride Registration will get you Free Museum Admission, 15% off Museum gear and Free Parking with 100% proceeds benefitting NVMM. After visiting and attending the Museum, join us at Farrow East for a free lunch fresh off the grill (while supplies last)! Celebrate our VETS and share in the patriotic celebrations of our Fallen Veterans at the NVMM.





Saturday, April 27th 2024
Tanger Outlets Mall (Sunbury, Ohio)

Fun Walk & StreetFest! 9am - 1pm

Free & Open To The Community!

Raffles, Prizes, Food Trucks,
Fire Trucks, Kid Activities, Bouncy House,
Community Resources, Shopping,
50+ Local Vendors/Nonprofits and more!



Scan to sign up to walk,
create a team or
support mental health today!

NAMIWalks.org/Mid-Ohio (740)815-1767 info@NotAloneOhio.org



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

Visit our website

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