



Coitsville Resident, Mike Fabry and Buddy, take advantage of Spring Cleanup

A big "THANK YOU" to all residents that took advantage of the annual Spring Cleanup to help keep Coitsville beautiful.

Many Coitsville residents took advantage of the Spring Cleanup this year. The township rented two 30-yard dumpsters and they were delivered on April 27. The two filled dumpsters were picked up three during the scheduled days. A total of 65 tires were collected.

KEEP IT LOOSE

REDUCE: Do not leave trash in plastic bags

REUSE: plastic bags for shopping

RECYCLE: Local grocery stores collect plastic bags

COLLECTION DRIVES

Special Collection drives have been scheduled for the year throughout Mahoning County. The special drives consist of appliance, electronics, tire, and household hazardous waste. Shredding events that are sponsored by Shepherd of the Valley - Poland will also be held.

The schedule can be viewed on the Green Team website: (<http://www.mahoningcountyoh.gov/235/Recycling---Green-Team>). A schedule can also be picked up or emailed to you. Contact Sonja, Township Secretary at 330-536-6420 to get your copy of schedule.

Coitsville Garden Club "Beautification Project"

The Coitsville garden Club was organized in 1932 and is affiliated with the garden Forum of Youngstown. Mrs. Marlene McDowall is the club president. The club has 10 (ten) members.

As a beautification project in our community, we have planted flowers around the flagpole of the fire station for many years. Last year and this year, we have chosen to plant flowers at the administration building.



Ann Bunofsky
Coitsville
Garden Club
Member



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Coitsville Seniors - Every 3rd Thursday
Bedford Trails at Noon
Card Bingo and 50/50 Raffle
ALL SENIORS ARE WELCOME!

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The Coitsville Reader

Spring 2018

Spring has arrived with all its beauty!!!

Just when we thought old man winter would not release his grip on us, with snow right through March, Spring has finally arrived. The leaves are on the trees and flowers are out in full force. It has been a beautiful Spring and we are looking forward to summer.

As in previous years the extreme winter weather has left our roads in much need of attention. Your Administration has been looking at available grant monies that can be used to repave our township roads and we have been in contact with our Mahoning County Engineer, Pat Ginnetti to keep him apprised of the conditions of our county roads that need paved. We are finding out that fellow townships trustees are also dealing with potholes and damaged roads that are in dire need of repair. We all are hearing the same message, "that there are nearly 500 miles of county roads in the Mahoning Valley many in need of repaving and that there is not sufficient funds or resources to address the problem". This is not an excuse it's a reality! So, we are trying to look at ways we can improve the situation with limited resources. Your administration met with Engineer, Pat Ginnetti, on May 9th, to go over Coitsville's roads and to discuss what services and resources we can expect from the county this summer. The county has been out filling potholes on our roads and will look at doing some strip paving on our worst roads this summer. In June they will begin mowing the high grass along our roadways. We are thankful for the road resurfacing that was done on North and South Hubbard roads and hope to have other major county roads targeted for resurfacing next year.

Lastly, your Board of Trustees are pleased to announce that the Mahoning County Commissioners, Anthony Traficanti, Carol Rigetti, and David Ditzler will be "going on the road" and will be holding their monthly meeting at the Coitsville Town Hall on September 21, 2018, at 5 pm. Generally, all the county department heads attend this meeting and they and the commissioners will be available to answer any questions our residents may have regarding county services. This will be an ideal time to meet your county officials and bring up issues that are important to our Township. Please plan on attending.

The regular township Board of Trustee meeting will be held immediately following a short social time with our county officials.

Respectfully, Serving Our Community,
Your Township Administration,
Jerry, Phyllis, Bob, and Christeen



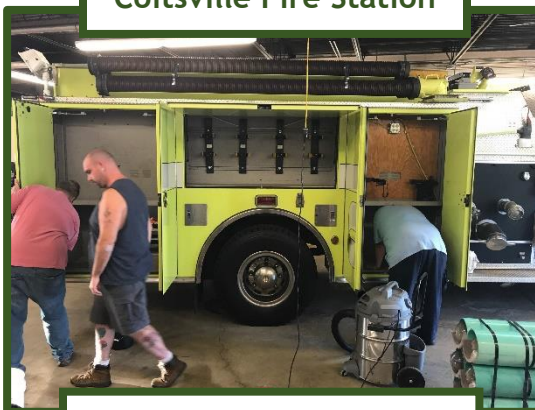
Flag Day Celebration!

Please mark the upcoming event on your calendars! As we would like to see a huge crowd of Coitsville residents come out to help us celebrate Flag Day. On June 14th, which is National Flag Day, we will be holding our biannual, community event at the Coitsville Memorial Park where we will be honoring our flag, our veterans, and our safety forces. Please join us!





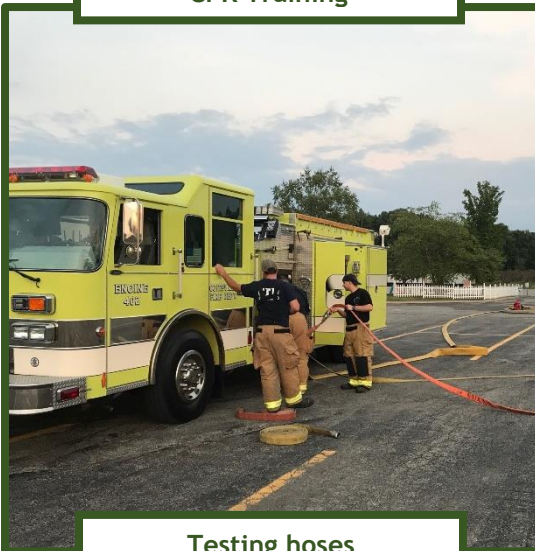
Coitsville Fire Station



Preparing tanker for storage



CPR Training



Testing hoses



Chief George D. Brown

Fire Department

Fire Department Faces Crossroad

The Coitsville Fire Department is facing many hurdles to resolve over the next several months. While the department has made several improvements over the last year, there is still much work to be done.

The Fire Department currently has eleven members including the Chief and Chief Brown would like to grow that number by 10 over the next 18 months. The department needs recruits over the age of 18, with a valid Ohio driver's license. The department will provide the necessary training and personal protective equipment the individuals will need. This will cost the township approximately \$5,000.00 per candidate.

The department will need to update their apparatus to meet nationally recognized standards. Recently the department has applied for several grants. Two were Federal Emergency Management Grants, one was for a new pumper engine to replace 1981 engine, which was rejected and the other was for 16 new self-contained breathing apparatus that would replace the current model that the department has which are out dated, this grant is still pending.

Because the department received word that the grant for the new engine was denied. The department will have to attempt to find a used engine to replace the 1981 Engine the department has which no longer passes the annual pump test.

The department has also applied for a Bureau of Worker's Compensation Grant for a new extractor washing machine to clean Personal Protective Equipment (Turnout Gear). New cancer standards require cleaning of gear after each fire. Also, as part of the grant new gloves and Nomex hoods were requested so that members will always have clean gloves and hoods. Research has shown firefighters are at a higher risk of cancer due to the smoke firefighters are required to work in. The Ohio Department of Public Safety also offered a grant for a new computer tablet to enter medical reports. We are awaiting word on the awarding of these grants.

The department continually applies for grants to offset any dollars that the township may have to expend.

After years of watching the front aprons of the fire station break-up due to the increased weight of the fire apparatus. The Board of Trustees approved a bid to replace the current blacktop area with new concrete pads. The approved project will also replace the bad sidewalk into the fire station and make it ADA accessible. The project is expected to be completed by July.

The Department is pleased that the Board of Trustees has approved the bid by Parrella-Pannunzio Construction to install new concrete pads in front of the fire station. The township will secure a loan for this much needed project. The current blacktop in front of the station has broken up and is a safety hazard for personnel. Plans have been being worked on for over one year to bring this project to fruition.

As can be seen by this newsletter article, the members of the fire department are working hard to provide the residents of Coitsville with the best service possible. The department is meeting as many of the mandates and training requirements with the limited resources it has.

The residents are encouraged to visit the fire department on any Tuesday evening and speak to the members and tour the station. Best time is around 6 pm, as we begin training at 6:30 pm. Residents can also call for a scheduled visit.

Respectfully, Chief George D. Brown, OFE, Fire Chief

Everyone Welcome!

Join us on Flag Day

June 14, 2018
 Coitsville Memorial Park
 5901 McCartney Road
 Coitsville, Ohio
 Time: 6:30 pm
 Light refreshments
 Flag Raising Ceremony conducted by the
 New Castle Honor Guard
 Recognition of Township Police, Firefighters and residents
 who have or are serving in the Military.

If you know of a veteran or serviceman/woman presently serving, and living in Coitsville, please call our office (330-536-6420). We would like to include them on the present Honor List of Coitsville residents who have served or are presently serving in the military.

The Coitsville Ladies Auxiliary have a very active summer planned!

They will be involved with the Flag Day festivities. President, Geri Marino will be presenting a resin sign to Coitsville Township at the Flag Day program. The sign will be inscribed with a "Thanks To Our Veterans for Their Service to Our Country". The sign will be erected at the Memorial park for generations to enjoy.

The ladies purchased the tribute sign with money made from their various fund raisers, primarily from their popular Amish style dinner that many residents enjoy. The Ladies are planning a "Chili Cook off" in early September to be held at the Town Hall. Tickets will be \$10.00 and those in attendance will vote on the "Best Chili". Outside contestants are welcome to enter their chili for a chance to win a prize. Chili will be available for purchase in quart size.

Contact President Marino at 330-536-6420, if interested in being a part of this group. The ladies meet at the Coitsville Townhall the first Thursday of every month; except for July and August. All are welcome!



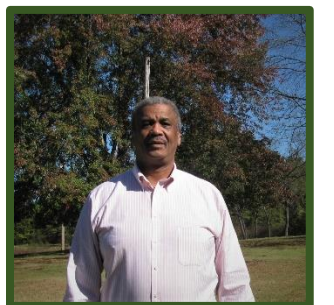
Resident 's Corner

KEEP YOUR EYES ON PUERTO RICO BECAUSE NEW LIFE IS COMING AND IT'S SOMETHING BIG.

These are the words from Gordon Davis, Coitsville Resident, after going to well-known territory in Puerto Rico to help in any way after Hurricane Maria. Gordon landed in San Juan in November of 2017. A country now in total darkness after Hurricane Maria struck. Puerto Rico, now totally dependent on others for help. There was loss of life, property, animals and complete destruction of their electrical grid.

Many came with many different modes of aide to bring provisions and medical needs and other forms of assistance.

Gordon continues to hear exciting things from the people in Puerto Rico. "Que Dios Levante a Puerto Rico" That may God Raise up Puerto Rico. He does not know how long it will take to restore Puerto Rico, but, there is a Spirit in the Island that keeps the people pressing on.



Gordon Davis

Residents, If you have an event happening that you would like our readers to hear about, send your information to our office or call 330-536-6420