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Portage Township News

Ottawa County, Ohio

"A great place to live and raise a family!"

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Zoning Office Hours:

Mon.: 5:30pm – 7:00pm

Thu.: 8:30am – 10:00am



Set Your Clocks Ahead One Hour

Daylight Savings Time

March 11, 2018

Take time to change batteries in your smoke alarms!

At 2 a.m. on March, 11th most Americans will turn their clocks ahead one hour observing Daylight Savings Time. Daylight Savings Time is observed from the second Sunday in March to the first Sunday in November.



Trustee Molly Sass receives Ohio Township Association Leadership Academy Diploma

Presented by Tom Willsey, OTA President

2018 OTA Winter Conference

The purpose of the Leadership Academy is to enhance the leadership and decision-making skills of the Township's leadership team through participation in Ohio Township Leadership workshops. The workshops are offered at every Ohio Township Association Conference, held the fourth week of January, in Columbus, Ohio. After successfully completing the program requirements, within a 3-year period, a diploma is presented. Workshops are designed to provide participants with an overview of the basic issues, expectations and practiced associated with serving in public office.

Ohio's Spring Severe Weather Awareness Week March 18 – 24th, 2018

Annual Statewide Tornado Drill

Wednesday, March 21st 9:50 am

This statewide tornado siren activation drill is part of Ohio's Spring Severe Weather Awareness Week.

Springtime Brings Out Township Annual Clean Ups Mark Your Calendars!

Township Spring Clean-Up



April 6th – 9th

The Portage Township Spring Clean-Up will be held Friday, April 6th thru Monday, April 9th. Dumpsters will be available and township employees will be on hand each day to assist residents.

Metals will be separated for recycling purposes.

Friday and Monday: 7:00 am to 7:00pm

Saturday and Sunday: 9:00 am to 5:00pm

Residents may dispose of household trash, tire rims, oil-free engine parts and small amounts of construction debris. Please do not cut Freon lines when bringing refrigerators/freezers to the Clean-Up.

The clean-up is intended to provide an opportunity for residents to dispose of accumulated household items.

Disposing of mattresses has become very difficult as landfills do not want them. Until they are no longer accepted at landfills, the township will accept mattresses.

Remember it is not intended to be an opportunity for residents to cut remodeling and home renovation costs by disposing of siding, shingles, or excessive amounts of other building materials.

Commercially produced refuse will not be accepted. Daily household garbage will not be accepted, tires, asbestos, liquid waste, batteries, or yard waste. Your cooperation is very much appreciated and expected.

As always, proof of residency will be required.

Materials which do not comply with the above guidelines will be refused by the worker on duty.

We are very pleased to offer this service to Portage Township residents.

Christy Chapel Cemetery Spring Clean-Up

Portage Township will have a clean-up at Christy Chapel Cemetery beginning **March 24 - 30, 2018**

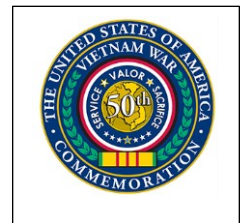
All out-of-season items should be removed, including dead flowers and potting containers, plastic ornaments and flowers.

Any items people wish to keep should also be removed from the graves by March 23rd.

Grave decorations can be returned on March 31, 2018.

"The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration"

The 2008 National Defense Authorization Act authorized the Secretary of Defense to conduct a program to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War. March 29, 2018, a national day of celebration is set aside to acknowledge the brave service men and women who served during the Vietnam War.



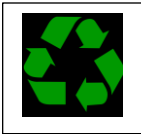
Welcome Home and Thank You for Your Service

In Ottawa County, the Vietnam War Commemoration Committee has partnered with several Service Organizations, Ottawa County Veteran's Service Office and local veterans to honor our local Vietnam Veterans and all of those veterans of Ohio on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at Camp Perry.

The day will include an opening ceremony, musical entertainment, informational booths, and more.

In addition, The Traveling Wall will be at Camp Perry from May 31 through June 3. The Traveling Wall stands as a symbol of America's courage and recognition of the men and women who served and sacrificed their lives in the Vietnam War.

Visit the website <http://www.vietnamwar50th.com> to find out more information of the 50th anniversary.



Ottawa-Sandusky-Seneca Joint Solid Waste Management District

www.recycleoss.org

Location: Ottawa County Fairgrounds

Televisions and Small Electronics – Saturday, April 21st

9:00 am till 12:00 noon

ATTENTION: NO LONGER ACCEPTING ANY TYPE OF CONSOLE OR PROJECTION SCREEN TV's

Accepting only standard glass tube televisions. There is a **CHARGE** to recycle glass tube TV's

TV's 24" or less - \$5.00 TV's 25" or more - \$7.00

NO CHARGE for Electronics (LCD/LED or Plasma TV's, computers, CD/DVD players, stereos)

Household Hazardous Waste – Saturday, May 5th

9:00 am till 12:00 noon

Accepting household batteries, fluorescent/CFL bulbs, cooking oil, etc. • All automotive fluids & fuels, hand-held propane cylinders, motor oil • Household cleaners, household pesticides/herbicides/fungicides/insecticides • All paints, wood stains, aerosols, primers, thinners, strippers, sealers, tars, adhesives and coatings • For instructions to dispose of latex paint properly at your home, contact the District's main office. • Bring in your old mercury thermometer and exchange it for a free digital thermometer. • Fluids will not be accepted in containers larger than 5 gallons.

Appliance Collection – Saturday, May 12th

9:00 am till 12:00 noon

Any appliance or household object made primarily of steel including grills, mowers, etc. • No televisions, computers, plastic fans or vacuum cleaners, etc. • Refrigerators with food inside will not be accepted • Units containing Freon will be accepted at no charge



March for Meals

On March 22, 1972, President Richard Nixon signed into law a measure that amended the Older Americans Act of 1965 and established a national nutrition program for seniors 60 years or older: Meals on Wheels. Almost every community in America today is able to provide the program, Meals on Wheels.

Ottawa County Senior Resources will participate in the National March for Meals with a community month long event to showcase public awareness about senior hunger and isolation. Meals on Wheels also allows for a friendly visit with the recipient and check the safety of the senior in their home.

Home Delivered Meals are offered to residents of Ottawa County who meet the following criteria:

- 60 years of age or older
- homebound
- unable to participate in the senior dining site program
- unable to obtain food or prepare meals
- no adult living in the same building or area, able and willing to prepare meals

*In addition, client should be able to feed him/herself without assistance and agree to be home when meals are delivered.

An in-home assessment must be completed to determine eligibility. Hot meals are delivered Monday through Friday. The suggested donation for the meals is \$3.00. No eligible person will be denied service because of failure to contribute all or part of the donation.

Ottawa County Home Delivered Meals program is offered to seniors through a partnership with Riverview Healthcare Campus, Area Office on Aging of Northwest Ohio, Inc. and the Ottawa County Senior Resources Department.

A senior interested in the Home Delivered Meal program should contact Senior Resources at 877-898-6459.

Portage Township Trustees
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**Portage Township
Spring Highlights**

March 2018

- 5 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 6 Brush Pick-Up
- 11 Daylight Savings Time
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 19 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 24-30 Cemetery Clean Up

April 2018

- 1 Easter
- 2 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 3 Brush Pick-Up
- 6-9 Spring Clean Up
- 16 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm

May 2018

- 7 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 8 Brush Pick-Up
- 21 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 28 Memorial Day

June 2018

- 4 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 5 Brush Pick-Up
- 14 Flag Day
- 18 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm



Township Community Room

As soon as you have a date in mind, call Molly Sass, Trustee (419-734-3081) and make reservations for using the Community Room. Only one resident per weekend may use the room. This allows a day before the activity to set up and then make sure the room is completely cleaned for next usage.

Portage Township Meetings

Township meetings are held on the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 pm at the Township hall. They are public meetings and everyone is welcome to attend. Time is allowed at the beginning of each meeting for public comment. Come to a meeting, find out what is happening in Portage Township.

**Did you know Ohio townships have direct responsibility for maintaining 41,000 miles of roads and streets, and townships manage more than 2,400 cemeteries.*

***Aim to Be Green Recycling –2017 Portage Township Total – 124,956 lbs. Great Job!
We were 10,653 lbs. over last year! Keep it Up!***



Riddles

1. What season is it when you are on a trampoline?
2. Which is faster, hot or cold?
3. Forwards I am heavy. Backwards I am not. What am I?
4. What is more useful when it is broken?
5. What belongs to you, but other people use it more than you?

1. Spring-time 2. Hot, you can easily catch a cold 3. Ton 4. An egg 5. your name