# Portage Township News Spring 2023



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<u>Maintenance Supervisor</u> Matthew Seamon <u>maintenance@portagetownship.net</u>

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### **Zoning Office Hours:** Mon.: 5:30pm – 7:00pm Thurs.: 8:30am – 10:00am

<u>Township Meetings – Twp Office</u> Regularly scheduled township meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 7:00 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 8:00 a.m.

## Annual Spring Clean-Up April 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM EACH DAY

Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> Township maintenance complex, 2501 E. State Rd. Dumpsters will be available and township employees will be on hand each day to assist residents. Metals will be separated for recycling purposes. Your cooperation is very much appreciated and expected. Proof of residency will be required. Materials which do not comply with cleanup guidelines will be refused.



# **Christy Chapel Cemetery Spring Clean-Up**

Portage Township will have clean-up at Christy Chapel Cemetery Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. All out-of-season items should be removed, including dead flowers and potting containers, plastic decorations, and flowers. Any items people wish to keep should also be removed from the graves and can be returned after April 1<sup>st</sup>.



Go to <u>www.recycleoss.org</u> for all information of Special Collections Recycling. Ottawa County Collections are located at the fairgrounds, 7870 W St. Route 163. Oak Harbor, Ohio 43449

**Registration is now open for Television and Electronics recycling and available until the end of April.** There will be a \$5 charge for glass tube televisions that are 24" or less, and \$10 for 25" and larger. Console, DLP, and Projection screen TV's are not accepted in this collection. Television screens with broken screens are also not accepted for safety of collection volunteers. A full list of items accepted and not accepted are on the website: <u>www.recycleoss.org</u>

**Residential Tires – Registration Opens April 1<sup>st</sup> through May.** 

Appliance and Hazardous Waste Collection Registration Coming this Fall.

Community Room Information: Call Trustee Karl Kopchak, 419-341-5118.

Portage Township Trustees 2501 East State Road Port Clinton, Ohio 43452

#### **Portage Township** March 2023 12 **Daylight Savings Time** St. Patrick's Day 17 20 Trustee Meeting - 8:00am 25-31 Christy Chapel Cemetery Clean-Up April 2023 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm 3 4 **Brush Pick-Up** 9 Easter 14 -15 Spring Clean Up 17 Trustee Meeting – 8:00am 22 Earth Day 28 **Arbor Day** May 2023 1 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm 2 **Brush Pick-Up** 14 Mother's Day 15 Trustee Meeting – 8:00am 29 Memorial Day

# CAR WASHING...Something to think about!

# Spring is a great time for cleaning up inside and outside the home. However, when you spruce up your car, think of going to a local car wash vs. hosing it down at home. This saves water and reduces runoff to our waterways that contains soap and debris.



A standard garden hose uses about 10 gallons per minute. If you wash your car for 10 minutes, you might consume 100 gallons of water. While hosing with an automatic shut-off valve may save more water, it's still recommended to take your car to a commercial car wash that can properly dispose of harmful runoff (debris, oil, harmful soaps, etc.). Commercial car washes also have sophisticated reclamation systems that enable them to re-use water, so they only expend approximately 9-15 gallons of water during any given wash cycle.



# Celebrating the life of the late Lt. Col. Harold H. Brown

On March 4<sup>th</sup>, over 500 people came together at Liberty Aviation Museum, Portage Township for the memorial service of Dr. Harold H. Brown. We were fortunate to have such a celebrated man call this area his home.

During WWII. he served as a combat fighter pilot with the 332<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Group, the Tuskegee Airmen, known as the Red Tails. He piloted a P51 Mustang escorting bombing missions.

His accomplishments spread over many years, from receiving The Congressional Gold Medal to later earning his PhD from The Ohio State University and becoming Vice-President at Columbus State Community College. Keep Your Air Speed Up!



