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# Portage Township Newsletter

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

Winter Edition 2020

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**Elected Officials**

**Fiscal Officer:**

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419-732-3543

**Trustees:**

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(Chairman)

**Keith Heileman**

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**Molly Sass**

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**Community Room**  
419-734-3081

**Maintenance Supervisor**

**Matthew Seamon**

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**Zoning Inspector**

**Mary Gardner**

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419-734-7296

**Zoning Office Hours: by appt. ONLY**

Mon. 5:30pm to 7:00pm  
Thurs. 8:30 to 10:00AM

**Holiday Trivia**

- \* Many years ago, in England, Traditional Christmas dinner included a pig head served with mustard.
- \*All the gifts in the Twelve Days of Christmas song would equal 364 gifts.
- \*Original Rudolph puppet was recently sold for over \$350,000.00!!!

***Sunny Day in November!***

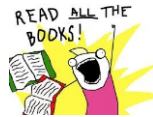
**Matt and Bryan**  
fixing a  
broken  
pipe  
on  
Christy  
Chapel Rd.



***STAY HOME AND READ!***

***Need A Book to Read***

***This Winter??***



The 'FREE' Lending Library is located on the west side of the Township Office in a BLUE cabinet. It is open 365 days a year! Come take a book and enjoy reading!

The books are for all ages! When the winter weather is snowy, curl up and read a book! The book selection is always changing and for all ages.

**WINTER WEATHER**  
**REMINDERS!**

Please assist the fire department in keeping the fire hydrant on or near your property clear of snow. Do not push snow up to the fire hydrant when cleaning snow away from your driveway. Please make sure your mailbox is securely in place for the upcoming winter snow. **It is the resident's responsibility to make sure the mailbox is secure at all times.**

It is easier to fix before it's too late...and the cold weather is upon us! The township road crew do their best to not throw snow onto the mailboxes.

**NO HOLIDAY**  
**CELEBRATIONS...**



***Township Community Room***  
***Continues to be Closed.***



***Reading Doesn't Start at the Township Lending Library.***

Developing literacy begins at birth. Ohio Governor's Imagination Library is starting a new chapter to improve early childhood literacy across Ohio. Ohio Governor's Imagination Library was inspired by First Lady Fran DeWine's passion to improve the lives of Ohio's children. First Lady DeWine first learned about Dolly Parton's Imagination Library through her grandchildren's participation in the program at their local library. She saw the impact these books were having on her own family and their community and wanted every child across Ohio to have that same opportunity.

It is her hope that every child in Ohio from birth to age five receives a new book each month and given a chance to succeed. Ottawa County Imagination Library is sponsored by our local United Way. Visit <https://ohioimaginationlibrary.org/> and learn more about this wonderful free program!

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2501 East State Road  
Port Clinton, OH 43452

Portage Township  
Winter Activities

December 2020

- 7 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 8 Brush Pick-Up
- 21 Trustee Meeting – 8:00am
- 25 Christmas Day

January 2021

- 1 Happy New Year
- 4 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 5 Brush Pick-Up
- 18 Trustee Meeting – 8:00am
- 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 2021

- 1 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 2 Brush Pick-Up
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 15 President's Day
- 15 Trustee Meeting – 8:00am

March 2021

- 1 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 2 Brush Pick-Up
- 14 Daylight Savings Starts
- 15 Trustee Meeting – 8:00am
- 17 St. Patrick's Day

April 2021

- 4 Easter Sunday
- 5 Trustee Meeting – 7:00pm
- 6 Brush Pick-Up
- 19 Trustee Meeting – 8:00am

*The elected officials and employees of  
Portage Township  
would like to wish  
all residents  
a safe, peaceful, and joyous  
Holiday Season!*



**WE CONTINUE TO NEED YOUR EMAIL!!!**

The Township is wanting to send newsletters through email.

They will arrive to you much quicker than using regular mail!

Send your email address to Judy Johannsen:  
[portage@cros.net](mailto:portage@cros.net)

If you do not have an email address, your newsletter will continue to be mailed. Thank you to those who recently sent email addresses for their newsletter.



**First Snow or Ice** – Drivers usually aren't prepared for winter driving and forget to take it slow. Remember to drive well below the posted speed limit and leave plenty of room between vehicles.

**Black Ice** – Roads that seem dry may actually be slippery and dangerous. Take it slow when approaching intersections, off-ramps, bridges or shady areas. All are hot spots for black ice. Remember, **Ice and Snow ... Take It Slow.**



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ODOT's travel information site with the latest in statewide winter road condition and activity information, as well as access to RWIS (Road Weather Information System) roadway condition sensors and web cameras.



**CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTIONS**

**LIVE** Christmas trees will be collected the entire month of January and end the first brush pick-up on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Please remove all tinsel and decorations. Trees must be left at the edge of the road.