

THE Louisville REPORT

The Constitution Town's Official Newsletter

SPRING CLEAN-UP

It's everyone's favorite time of the year! Spring Clean-Up will be Friday, May 9th and Saturday, May 10th. All items need to be at the curb by 6:00 a.m. on Friday May 9th. Spring Clean-Up will be conducted by Kimble Recycling & Disposal Inc.

- Items will not be collected along private drives or roads.
- Containers must not weigh in excess of 50 pounds each
- Dirt, rocks or materials of this nature will not be hauled
- Tree limbs and brush must be in bundles not to exceed 5 feet in length nor weigh more than 50 pounds
- Appliances will be picked up (freon must be removed)
- No tires or paint

LOUISVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS HIRING!

The Louisville Fire Department is currently looking for qualified individuals to join their team! Applications are available for pick up at City Hall between 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m., or can be found on the City of Louisville's website: www.louisvilleohio.com, Community, Employment Opportunities. Any questions, please contact Interim Fire Chief Rod Bordner at (330) 875-2663 Ext. 219 or by email at firechief@louisvilleohio.org.



Vincent Marion
Planning and
Development Director

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The City of Louisville would like to introduce their newest staff member Vincent Marion, Planning and Development Director. Vincent, who previously served in a similar position for the City of Alliance, brings with him a wealth of knowledge surrounding economic development, planning, and grant writing experience. Vincent will officially start his position with the City of Louisville on March 31st. If you see Vincent out and about, please give him a warm Louisville welcome! Vincent can be reached at (330) 875-3321 Ext. 204, or at planningdirector@louisvilleohio.org.

20 SITES NEEDED FOR LEAD/COPPER TESTING

The City of Louisville is required to collect 20 samples to be tested for lead and copper content in accordance with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency requirements. All prior test samples have been safely below EPA requirements. Samples must be taken from a kitchen or bath faucet that IS NOT connected to a softened or filtered system. If your home meets these requirements, and you would like to sign up as a sample site, please contact the Utilities Department at (330) 875-3434 Ext. 208. There is no charge for this service, and your participation is appreciated in order to keep your water system in compliance with the OEPA.

Responses must be received no later than June 15th.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

If you are contacted by anyone asking for any type of donation in the name of the Louisville Police Department, the request is not legitimate. The Police Department does not partner with any organization or agencies that solicit donations from our residents.

As spring approaches, we ask that residents continue to contact us anytime they observe or hear suspicious activity. Your calls enable our officers to be where they need to be, when they need to be there, to prevent crime. Don't hesitate, contact us! See it, hear it, report it! We invite you to visit our Facebook page, Louisville Ohio Police Department, to get the latest crime prevention tips and news from the department.

From The Mayor's Desk



Hopefully, by the time you read this newsletter, the snow is gone and there will soon be spring flowers and warmer temperatures! We are continuing to see new businesses pop up in the downtown area, as well as increases in construction permits within the residential community. The City is seeing so many positive things happening right now and is excited for what the future holds.

The City recently signed a contract with ArtsinStark hoping to help revitalize and bring some artwork to our downtown area. Neighboring communities have also partnered with ArtsinStark with positive results, and we know with everyone's support, Louisville is capable of the same outcome!

Community events are planned throughout the year which encompass all ages. The Canton Community Band will be bringing music to Constitution Park on July 9th at 7:00 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to the park, and come listen to the beautiful music. In case of rain, the program will be held at the Constitution Center.

The Festival Committee has been busy planning the Louisville Constitution Festival at Metzger Park. The dates of the Constitution Festival are August 15th, 16th and 17th. There will be fireworks, musical entertainment each evening, crafts, food vendors, pet parade, car show, and rides. On Sunday the 17th, the festival will once again include "Rock the Park" featuring well known artists from the secular music world.

Constitution Week events are scheduled for the following:

- September 14th- Louisville Community Choir Concert at LMS
- September 15th- Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at Christ United Methodist Church
- September 16th- Style Show, Prince and Princess Contest
- September 17th- Commemoration/Naturalization Ceremony at LMS, Community Banquet at Paradise United Church of Christ
- September 18th- Queen Pageant
- September 20th- Music in Motion
- September 21st- Grand Parade

Mark your calendars now for all these events! The originator of Constitution Day, Olga T. Weber, would be proud to know this tradition has continued for 57 years. We are Constitution Town and proud of it!

IT'S TIME FOR TAXES

Filing a Louisville City Tax Return is mandatory for all City residents who are 16 years of age and older, regardless of where you are employed or whether city income tax is withheld by your employer. We can help! Bring all W2s and other applicable tax information to City Hall Finance Department. We will prepare and file your City tax for you, at no charge!

If your employer does not withhold Louisville City Income Tax, and you owed/paid more than \$100 last year, you are required by Ohio law to pay quarterly estimates this year (due Apr 15, Jul 31, Oct 31, and Jan 31). Voucher coupons will be mailed to you in mid-June. If you have not received an estimate-voucher to remit with your quarterly estimate payment, please contact the Income Tax Department (330) 875-3434, and speak with either Laurie-Ext. 210 or Mary-Ext. 207, or stop in during office hours Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Income tax forms can be picked up at City Hall, and are also available on our website: www.louisvilleohio.com, City Government, Forms.



CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALES

May 23rd & May 24th

Don't want to just give your stuff away? Then sell it! Consider a garage sale on May 23rd or May 24th and the City will provide local advertising to help make sales in the City a success!



GARAGE SALE SIGNS

The City's Sign Ordinance does not permit off premises garage sale signs. Signs that are attached to power poles, street lights, and road signs can create visual distraction and may pose a safety hazard. Also, the signs are often not removed when the garage sale is over, and can become a litter problem.

RECREATIONAL FIRE PERMITS

Recreational fire permits are required for any outdoor open fire. Contact the Fire Department at (330) 875-2663 to apply for a permit, and a member of the Department will come and inspect the site. All recreational fires shall be at least 25 feet or more from any structure or combustible material; three (3) feet or less in diameter; attended at all times; and extinguished when finished.

AEP ENERGY SAVERS PROGRAM

Louisville has an exciting new program in partnership with AEP Ohio to help you save money and energy in your home! Energy Savers works with residents and businesses in the Louisville community to reduce energy use and costs by participating in one of the many AEP Ohio energy efficiency programs, ranging from an In-Home Energy Assessment program for homeowners, to an Express Program for small businesses, and more! Each time you participate in one of the energy efficiency programs listed on the website, it counts towards Louisville's participation goal of 300. If we reach our goal, Louisville will receive financial awards from AEP Ohio to implement efficient lighting projects at the Old Post Office and at the YMCA! Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to save money and energy in your home, and to help Louisville win these special awards – and don't forget to tell your neighbors!

Join
TODAY!

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Energy
Savers

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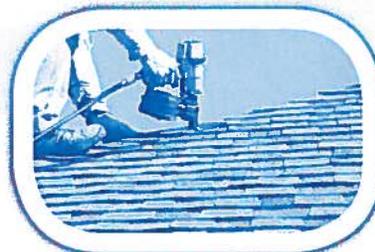
To get started today, visit EnergySavers2014.com. Any questions regarding the Energy Savers program(s), contact Louisville's Community Champion, Mike Snyder, at (216) 544-4053.

ZONING AND BUILDING DEPARTMENT

All residents contemplating any type of construction are encouraged to contact the Zoning & Building Department at (330) 875-3321 Ext. 205 for specific information and to see if a permit is required. The City of Louisville requires permits for the following items:

- New houses or garage construction, additions, or alterations
- Air conditioning and heating systems
- Siding or roofing on buildings
- Building demolitions
- Sewer and water taps
- Digging in City right-of-ways
- Sign installation
- Electrical work
- Fences
- Swimming Pools
- Storage buildings or tool sheds
- Patios, patio covers, and decks
- Parking lots

The City zoning regulations require a zoning permit for construction in residential, commercial and industrial zoning districts. The City Building Department is in charge of inspections for the construction of one, two, and three family residential structures. Building permits for nonresidential structures are issued through the Stark County Building Department.



HEALTHY HOUSEHOLD HABITS FOR CLEAN WATER

Home Repair and Improvement

Before beginning an outdoor project, locate the nearest storm drains and protect them from debris and other materials.

Sweep up and properly dispose of construction debris such as concrete and mortar.

Use hazardous substances like paints, solvents, and cleaners in the smallest amounts possible, and follow the directions on the label. Clean up spills immediately, and dispose of the waste safely. Store substances properly to avoid leaks and spills.

Purchase and use nontoxic, biodegradable, recycled, and recyclable products whenever possible.

Clean paint brushes in a sink, not outdoors. Filter and reuse paint thinner when using oil-based paints. Properly dispose of excess paints through a household hazardous waste collection program, or donate unused paint to local organizations.

Reduce the amount of paved area and increase the amount of vegetated area in your yard. Consider directing downspouts away from paved surfaces onto lawns and other measures to increase infiltration and reduce polluted runoff.

GRASS & WEED CUTTING

Grass cutting season is here once again. Please remember to aim grass clippings onto your property and not onto the street or sidewalk. This will help to keep our storm system clear of grass debris which can cause localized flooding. Also keep in mind that City ordinances prohibit grass and weeds in excess of 9" in height.



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Louisville City Departments Important Numbers

Emergency (Police, Fire, Ambulance).....	911
City Hall - City Manager	875-3321
E M S, Fire Prevention (non-emergency)	875-2663
Police (non-emergency)	875-1607
Water Pollution Control Center	875-3161
Water Treatment Plant	875-9936
Service Department	875-2266
Planning and Development	875-3321
Income Tax & Utility Billing	875-3434
Building Inspector and Property Maintenance	875-3321
Emergency Water/Wastewater	875-5644
E-Mail (Finance).....	financedirector@louisvilleohio.org
E-Mail (City Manager).....	citymanager@louisvilleohio.org
E-Mail (City Clerk)	cityclerk@louisvilleohio.org
E-Mail (Law)	lawdirector@louisvilleohio.org
E-Mail (Planning).....	planningdirector@louisvilleohio.org
E-Mail (Fire)	firechief@louisvilleohio.org
E-Mail (Police)	policechief@louisvilleohio.org
E-Mail (Service).....	servicedirector@louisvilleohio.org
E-Mail (Income Tax).....	incometax@louisvilleohio.org
Web Page.....	www.louisvilleohio.com

City Council Meetings

- April 7
- April 21
- May 5
- May 19
- June 2
- June 16
- July 7
- July 21

City Council meetings are normally held the first and third Mondays of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Louisville Constitution Center, 1022 West Main Street. Meetings are open to the public.

Dates are subject to change.

Planning Commission & Board Of Zoning Appeals meetings are normally held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Meetings are held at 6:30 pm at the Louisville Constitution Center, 1022 W. Main St.

City Hall Hours

Monday thru Friday - 8:30am to 5:00pm