

# The Louisville REPORT

THE CONSTITUTION TOWN'S OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER



## From the Mayor's Desk

The beautiful colored leaves and the Indian summer weather tell us Thanksgiving and Christmas are right around the corner.

The Louisville Constitution Festival and Constitution Week brought so much wonderful activity to our town this year. On behalf of the City, I would like to thank all of the committee members, and countless volunteers, who helped make these events so successful. It takes many hours to organize such events, and the planning process for next year's activities will soon begin.

Since the last newsletter, the City has seen several new businesses come into town. They include: Auto Zone, Advance Auto, Little Caesar's Pizza, Brick House Treasures, Kate's Place, and Chesapeake has moved into their new office building on Energy Drive.

Another exciting addition to our City's downtown area is the development of the ArtsinStark program. The Louisville Area Chamber of Commerce, the City of Louisville, and ArtsinStark are all working together to make this program possible. The Louisville-Nimishillen Historical Society has additional space for a grand opening, which will display art and history items about Louisville. Please stop in to visit and see what they have to offer. This is just the beginning!

The First Assembly of God of Louisville, New Pointe Church, and the Kiwanis club volunteered to help maintain the parks this year and their hard work is truly appreciated! I would also like to say "thank you" to the many hands that planted the flowers throughout the City and parks. They all looked beautiful!

The holidays are quickly approaching and below are a few upcoming events to mark on your calendar:

Tuesday, November 4th- Election Day

Tuesday, November 11th- Community Veterans Program- 7:00pm at Paradise United Church of Christ

Saturday, December 6th - YMCA Snowflake Auction at La Pizzeria

Sunday, December 7th- Community Choir Concert- 2:00pm at St. Louis Catholic Church

Sunday, December 7th- Light-Up Louisville- 3:00-7:00pm with a special visit by Mr. & Mrs. Claus

I hope you will be able to enjoy these and many other events, and please remember to shop Louisville during the holiday season! Have a Happy Thanksgiving, a Blessed Christmas, and a Happy New Year!

## Trick or Treat

The City of Louisville will have its annual Trick-or-Treat on Sunday, October 26th from 3:00-5:00pm. Please be safe and have a Happy Halloween!



## Direct Energy

Louisville's Aggregation Group has locked in a rate for natural gas at \$4.83/Mcf (\$4.73 for seniors 65yrs and older). Residents will be receiving a letter from Direct Energy in the coming weeks regarding this rate. The new rate will be effective from December 2014 through November 2015. Any questions, please contact Direct Energy Customer Service at (866) 803-4618.

## Fire Hydrant Maintenance

The City appreciates your help in maintaining the area around fire hydrants, during all seasons, so hydrants are easily visible in case of a fire. Please keep grass, plants, and weeds mowed around hydrants during warm weather, and snow and ice removed from around hydrants during the winter months.



## Pay Online Water Utility Bill

Pay with E-Check, Mastercard,  
Visa, & Discover

## Pay Online

Access your utility account balance and PAY ONLINE. Check it out on the City's website: [www.louisvilleohio.com](http://www.louisvilleohio.com), under Department tab, then FINANCE DEPARTMENT. The City of Louisville accepts E-checks, MasterCard, Visa, and Discover.

## HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The City of Louisville offices will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

### Veterans Day

Tuesday, November 11, 2014

### Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 27, 2014

### Day after Thanksgiving

Friday, November 28, 2014

### Christmas Day

Thursday, December 25, 2014

### New Year's Day

Thursday, January 1, 2015

### Martin Luther King Day

Monday, January 19, 2015

### Presidents' Day

Monday, February 16, 2015

## HAPPY RETIREMENT

The City of Louisville would like to wish the following employees a Happy Retirement: Loran Midkiff, Service Department, Jim McBeath, Director of Service Operations, and Sue Mendenhall, from the Planning & Zoning Department. We wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors, and THANK YOU for your dedication, loyalty, and combined 88 years of service to the City!

## Park Pavilion Rentals

Reservations to rent a park pavilion will be accepted starting at 8:30am on January 2, 2015. Pavilions are available for rental from May 1st through September 30th. Please stop by City Hall at 215 S. Mill St. in order to complete an application. For more information, please contact, Amy Brown at (330) 875-3434 x200.

## Locating Your Address in Case of Emergency

In order to locate your house or business in the case of an emergency, it is important to have your street address numbers displayed on the front of the building on the side facing the street. The address numbers should be at least 3" tall and reflective.

## Snow Birds

Leaving town for the winter? Don't forget to fill out a form (available at City Hall) or call (330) 875-3434 x208 to have your water turned off while you are away!



## Snow Ban

In order for the roadways to be cleared of snow and ice efficiently, a snow ban will automatically be in effect for City streets when snowfall reaches two inches. Once a snow ban has been issued, parking on City streets is prohibited. The snow ban will be terminated through the media, by the City Manager.

## Prevent Storm Water Pollution

- Compost yard waste
- Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces
- Take your car to the car wash instead of washing it in the driveway
- Check your car for leaks and recycle motor oil
- Pick up after your pet
- Use fertilizers sparingly
- Never dump anything down storm drains or into streams
- Reduce the amount of paved areas and increase the amount of vegetated area in your yard

## Election Day

Don't forget to exercise your constitutional right and VOTE! Election Day is Tuesday, November 4th. The polls will be open from 6:30am-7:30pm. For more information, or to find out where you should vote, contact the Stark County Board of Elections at (330) 451-VOTE (8683).





## From the Police Department

Isn't it amazing how summer can go by so quickly? Now, we are in the middle of fall and winter is on its way! With the school year back in full swing, and children assembling for various activities, the Louisville Police Department would like to offer the following reminders to help keep our kids safe:

- Always teach your children that they can talk to you as a parent, and to not be afraid to discuss problems or worries. Be supportive.
- Tell your child to stay away from strangers at play-grounds, public restrooms, and schools.
- Always know where your child is and who he or she is with.
- Inform your child to never accept rides or gifts from someone they don't know. If your child is ever approached by a stranger, tell them to run and find someone they can trust.
- Be sure your child knows their full name and address, and also a phone number of someone they know who can be reached in case of an emergency.

These are just a few examples of what we, as parents and as a community can do to help keep our children safe. Check out more safety advice and crime prevention material at the National Crime Prevention Council website at [www.ncpc.org](http://www.ncpc.org).

## From the Income Tax Department

Thank you for your continued assistance with submitting requested tax information! The Tax Department has been working diligently to update its data base. We have been able to assist individuals file past-due tax returns, explain any changes made to their tax returns, set up workable payment plans for tax obligations, contact landowners for tenant rosters, reconcile withholding accounts, and address compliance issues regarding the City's income tax. We greatly appreciate the timely responses from all those who have received a phone call, bill, letter, or email from our department!

Third quarter's estimates were mailed in September, and are due by October 31st, 2014. Fourth quarter estimates will be mailed in December and are due by January 31st, 2015. Should any taxpayer not know if they need to pay quarterly estimates, or have a general question, please contact Tax Commissioner Laurie Tournoux at (330) 875-3434 (Ext. 210), or Tax Agent Mary Howard (Ext. 207), Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm.

Don't forget... bring your W2s to City Hall, and we will be happy to prepare your city tax return for FREE!

## From the Fire Department



Did you know the Louisville Fire Department is an accredited training site for CPR certification? Classes consist of a three hour course, which includes both comprehensive and hands on training. The instructors are licensed EMT's and/or paramedics. If you are interested in CPR certification, and would like to register for an upcoming class, please contact a member of the Fire Department at (330) 875-2663.

## Home Safety Inspections

The Louisville Fire Department offers free home safety inspections, on a voluntary basis, for City residents. Department members can inspect your home for any fire and/or EMS related safety concerns. To schedule an inspection, contact the Fire Department at (330) 875-2663.

## From the Planning Department

Louisville has some large projects underway, which include an annexation of 135 acres along State Route 44 North. The Stark County Commissioners will be continuing a hearing regarding this annexation on 10/29/14 at 6:30pm. The hearing will be held at Louisville's Constitution Center, 1022 W. Main St. The public is welcome to attend this hearing.

City Council approved a re-zoning request at Broadway Ave just north of Peach St. This approved re-zoning includes Louisville's first Planned Conservation District which requires maintaining greater open space.

If you are planning to expand your business, considering a new development, or have any questions about either of the above projects, contact Vince Marion at (330) 875-3321 x204 or by email at [planningdirector@louisvilleohio.org](mailto:planningdirector@louisvilleohio.org).



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### City Council Meetings

October 27	January 5
November 17	February 2
December 1	March 2
December 15	March 16

Dates are subject to change. Media will be notified.

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

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

### CITY HALL HOURS

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

### Louisville City Departments Important Numbers

Emergency (Police, Fire, Ambulance) .....	911
City Hall - City Manager .....	875-3321
EMS, 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 Bill .....	875-3434
Building Inspector & Property Maintenance.....	875-3321
Emergency Water/Wastewater .....	875-5644
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