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THE
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CONSTITUTION TOWN

REPORT

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF YOUR CONSTITUTION TOWN



FROM THE DESK OF THE MAYOR

By the time you read this newsletter, beautiful flowers and blooming trees will be seen throughout the City and thanks to the Town and Country Garden Club, the landscaping will look so pretty at the City's entrances.

We continue to see new businesses come to Louisville. Sky Sweeping, a street sweeping business, is located on the west end of town in the former Montrose building. A new restaurant, Lorentz's, is located in the east Reno plaza. The City is seeing positive things happening and we are excited for the future!

ArtsInStark is continuing to work with the City and "The Ahh Gallery" to bring events and art downtown. Murals on downtown buildings, representing Louisville's history really draw positive attention to downtown! Please stop by the Ahh Gallery located at 120 E. Main St., to see what they have to offer, including numerous art classes!

Events are planned throughout the year to encompass all ages. The Canton Concert Band will be bringing music to Constitution Park on Thursday, June 30th at 7:00 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets to the park and listen to the beautiful music! In case of rain, the program will be held at Paradise United Church of Christ.

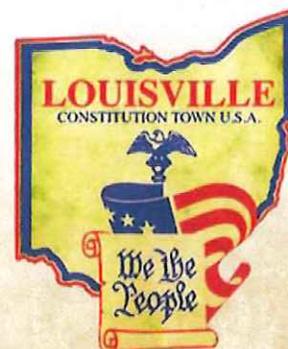
The Louisville Area Chamber of Commerce is very busy planning events for downtown. The "Downtown Summer Series" Cruise-Ins will be held on the following Wednesdays from 5:00-8:00 p.m.; May 11th, June 8th, June 22nd, July 13th, August 10th, August 24th, Sept. 7th, Sept. 21st and Oct. 5th.

The Farmers Markets will return on Saturday's this summer. All of the vendors look forward to the Louisville community's support. The Louisville Herald will have more information about the Farmers Markets as the time draws closer.

The Constitution Committee has been busy planning the Constitution Festival scheduled for September 9th, 10th and 11th at Metzger Park. There will be fireworks, musical entertainment, crafts, food vendors, pet parade, car show and rides. "Rock the Park" will be held on Saturday, September 10th from 6:00-10:00 p.m. The First Responders Processional and program will be on Sunday, September 11th at 4:00 p.m. and will conclude with a concert by Ricky Lee.

Constitution Week events are as follows:

- September 11th - Louisville Community Choir Concert- Middle School
- September 12th - Mayor Prayer Breakfast- Christ United Methodist Church
- September 13th - Prince and Princess Pageant - Middle School
- September 14th - Community Banquet - Paradise United Church of Christ
- September 15th - Queens Pageant - Middle School
- September 16th - Commemoration/Naturalization Ceremony
- September 17th - Music in Motion- Football Stadium
- September 18th - Grand Parade



Mark your calendars now for all of these special events. The originator, Olga T. Weber would be so proud to know that this tradition has continued! It is great to see so many community organizations working together to make our town a place that you want to live. We are Constitution Town and proud of it!

CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION *NEW FOR 2016*

Contractors working in the City are required to register with the Planning & Zoning Department prior to work being performed and/or permits being issued. Applications, as well as a list of currently registered contractors, can be found on the City's website at louisvilleohio.com under Government, Forms. For more information, please contact the Planning & Zoning Department at (330) 875-3321 Ext. 205 or by email at planning@louisvilleohio.org.

ZONING & BUILDING PERMITS

Residents contemplating any type of construction or to get information regarding zoning and building permits, are encouraged to contact the Planning & Zoning Department at (330) 875-3321 Ext. 205 or by email at planning@louisvilleohio.org. Information can also be found on the City's website at louisvilleohio.com under Departments, Planning & Zoning.



GRASS & WEED CUTTING

Mowing season is right around the corner and City ordinances prohibit grass and weeds in excess of 9" in height. Please remember to aim your grass clippings onto your property, and not into the streets or sidewalks, in order to prevent debris from getting into the City's storm sewers.



SPRING CLEAN UP

Spring clean up is scheduled for Saturday, May 14th for all Louisville City addresses except for those on private drives or roads. Have all your items to the curb before 6:00am on May 14.

Things to remember:

- NO TIRES OR PAINT
- Containers must not weigh in excess of 50 pounds each
- Dirt, rocks or like materials will NOT be hauled
- Tree limbs/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 if applicable*)



CITY-WIDE GARAGE SALES

Planning on having a garage sale this year? Join in the city-wide sale on Friday, May 6 and Saturday May 7. Local advertising will be provided!

GARAGE SALE SIGNS

The City's sign ordinance does not permit off premises garage sale signs. Signs that are attached to power poles and street lights, or near intersections and road signs can create visual distractions and will be removed. Thank you for keeping the Louisville community free of off premises garage sale signs!

PARK PAVILION RENTALS

Reservations are currently being accepted to rent a park pavilion at Metzger, Wildwood, Aljancic and Wilson parks between May 1st through September 30th. Stop by City Hall at 215 S. Mill Street in order to complete an application. For more information call, (330) 875-3434 x200.



TREE OR BENCH DEDICATION

It is the policy of the City of Louisville to accept donations for the purpose of planting trees and installing benches within our City parks to memorialize a departed family member or friend, or to commemorate a special occasion. For a list of acceptable trees and benches, an application, or for more information call City Hall at (330) 875-3321. Applications are also available online at www.louisvilleohio.com.

FROM THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

On March 7th, the Louisville City Council unanimously adopted a Comprehensive Community Plan. The Plan addresses community services, connectivity, the downtown, economic development, housing/neighborhoods, land use and city utilities. The Plan will not only assist the City in planning and prioritizing future projects and programs, but will help our community be more competitive when seeking outside funding sources such as grants and loans. The Plan discusses the topics mentioned above and provides recommendations on how to address identified goals and objectives. The Plan also includes methods of how to implement and track strategies used in meeting these goals and objectives.

The Plan was created over a ten month period with input from a nine member committee representing various Louisville organizations and boards. Multiple methods were employed to gather data and opinions of the Louisville community. A seventeen question survey was used, two community forums were held and four focus group discussions took place. Individual interviews were also utilized to gather information from community wide organizations. The committee then analyzed all of the data and formulated The Plan. The Plan can be read by going to Louisville's website, www.louisvilleohio.com, or by visiting the reference desk of the Louisville Library.