

Franklin Township's Community Link

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Many Thanks To You

Volunteers, with stomachs full of doughnuts and orange juice headed out to make our township look cleaner. Many thanks to Boy Scout Troop 33, Girl Scout Troop 112, 4 Paws 4-H Dog Club, the Friend of 4-H Dog Club, Clyde Kyle, Molly Long, Dave Lang, Regran Saling, Taylor Saling, Jeremy Saling, and especially Rick Johnson. Another thank you to everyone who helped clean up the community rooms after lunch.

Trustee Meeting Schedule

Trustee meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Firehouse/Community Center on Flint Ridge Rd. They are held in the trustee meeting room.

*July 5 and 19 *Aug. 2 and 16 *Sept. 7 and 20

Trash Hauler Update

The trustees would like to thank everyone who gave us feedback on the single trash hauler proposal. We consulted a second time with several other townships who currently use one hauler. Some of the feedback from other townships were cost savings, Sr. Citizen discounts, and the huge drop of heavy equipment on the roads.

After receiving overwhelming support for the idea the board of trustees have unanimously voted to go with one hauler in the township. Our target date for the program is October. A meeting with the prosecuting office has been held to review the bid process.



FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Fire Department

Barbecue Safety



Take extra care during the Summer to ensure that accidents do not interfere with Summer fun. Here are some recommendations to keep you safe during a barbecue.

When planning to barbecue:

- If you're using a propane gas grill, inspect your propane tank and hoses for leaks, dents, cracks or corrosion.
- Always light the match before turning on the propane gas.
- Never use your grill indoors or under any structures that may catch fire, such as patio covers.
- Never smoke cigarettes or use matches or lighters near the grill.
- If you're using a charcoal grill, use water to make sure that coals are extinguished and be careful never to dispose of briquettes that are still hot.
- Avoid loose clothing while grilling, especially long sleeves.
- Parental supervision is essential—keep all children away from the grill.

Zoning Department

Remember that before you build a house, deck, garage, or other outbuilding to contact your zoning inspector for a township permit. Total permits for May and June are as follows:

Houses	1
Garages	2
Accessory Building	1
Total Income	\$378.00

Road Department

Bids for road patching have been opened and Mid-Ohio Paving has been selected. The intent is to have them patch the worst areas. The tentative date they have given the trustees is early July. Please keep in mind this is weather permitting.

The roadways throughout our township, while rural and picturesque, must be maintained for safety and drivability. If your property abuts a roadway, especially an intersection, please trim your shrubbery in order to improve the sight distance and general safety along that section of the roadway. Thank you for your help and if you need additional information, please contact Rick Johnson at the garage 323-3374.

Cemetery Department

Franklin Township's only active cemetery, located on Linnville across from St. John's Lutheran Church, has several lots for sale. There are 27 full lots (1 full lot equals 4 graves) and 5 half lots (equals 2 graves) available in the old section for \$200 a piece for residents and \$1,000 for non-residents.

Trustees opened the new section which is at the top of the hill at their last meeting. The new section full lots are \$800 a piece for residents and \$2,000 for non-residents.

Call Trustee Jay Clark for any cemetery questions.

Contact Molly Long for the full rental agreement and scheduling of the community rooms at 323-4228.

Mailbag: Answering Your Questions



1. *I live on Hirst Rd. How come my grass isn't mowed yet? It's hard to see coming out of my driveway.*

Since you live on a county road (Hirst, Linnville, Ballou, and Blue Jay) you will need to call the Licking County Road Department at 670-5350.

People who live on township roads (Appleman, Beal, Cinder Tipple, Cotterman, Darl Dr., Dodds, Fairmont, Fairview, Franks, Majestic Hill Dr., Panhandle, Parr, Pleasant Chapel, Ritchey, Sandhollow, Springhill, and Tavener) have their grass mowed by our road department.

It's close to "Back to School " time. School buses will be back on the roads, and students will be walking along the side of the road and waiting for buses.

- Please watch carefully for children near school buildings, in areas where school buses are traveling or where there are signs for school zones or bus stops.
- Remember that if you are approaching a school bus from either the front or back, and it's yellow lights are flashing, the bus is preparing to stop.
- If the buses red lights are flashing, **YOU MUST STOP. It's the law.** This includes school buses that are: on the opposite sides of divided highways, in parking lots, on school grounds, and on multiple lane highways.
- Leave adequate space between your vehicle and the bus.
- Remain stopped. Also, remember there could be a child who suddenly dashes in front of or behind the bus.

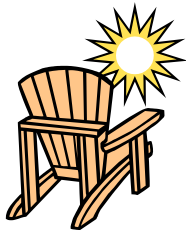
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The special election on August 3rd will again be held in the community rooms.

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Township Fund Balances (as of 6/30/10)			
Fund		% of Total	Fund Cash
<u>Number</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>Cash Balance</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1000	General	21.402	\$44,275.67
2011	Motor Vehicle License Tax	3.203	\$ 6,626.92
2021	Gasoline Tax	16.590	\$34,319.78
2031	Road and Bridge	33.021	\$ 68,311.13
2041	Cemetery	2.154	\$ 4,455.41
2191	Fire Levy	23.630	\$ 48,884.26
		All Funds Total	\$206,873.17

Enjoy Summer



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