

Milford Township News

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Important Dates

➡ November 02: 2021 General Election. Vote!

➡ Check out this fall's electronics, freon, and hazardous waste recycling dates at butlercountyrecycles.org!

➡ April 23: Milford Township Fire Association Spaghetti Dinner, Collinsville Community Center

About this Newsletter, Brad Mills, Trustee

Milford Township is grateful to Henry Sester and his company, Ket-Moy Printing (www.ketmoy.com) for all he does to make this newsletter possible. We are also grateful to be supported (see ads inside) by some great local businesses; **Realtors Tammy Thome and Austin Thome, Butterfield Farm Market, Brubaker Grain, Realtor Lana Fox, Butler County Equipment, and Attorney Jonathan Fox.** Communicating with residents is so important, and with their support, this newsletter is possible!

If you would like to see past newsletters, contribute or add an important event, then please call Brad Mills at 907-6793, email bradmills21@gmail.com, or visit www.milfordtownship.net.

Fire Report, Milford Township Fire Association

August 3rd through the 7th, six members from the Milford Township Fire Dept. went to Indianapolis, Indiana for fire training at the FDIC Fire school and equipment displays. The department took classes in a wide range of fire fighting techniques and use of equipment. On Friday afternoon and Saturday, we viewed fire gear and trucks covering all aspects of fire and ems. All in all, it was a very good experience for all who participated. We brought back a great amount of knowledge that can be used at our monthly trainings at home.

Fall is coming and that means that it is time to check your fireplaces to make sure the flues are clear of soot and other clutter. .

Time to change batteries in your CO and Smoke detectors!

We are still collecting aluminum cans and there are tubs at each of our fire stations that you can leave them at. We appreciate everyone who is helping with this project. The money raised helps with purchase of equipment and training materials.

We are always looking for more people to join the department if interested talk with any fireman.

Mark your calendar for April 23, 2022 for our annual Spaghetti dinner at the community center in Collinsville. We will have additional information about the dinner and raffle in the future.

Clean Sweep of the Great Miami River

Saturday, September 18th

9am – 12 noon

The annual river clean-up is fast approaching, join Butler Soil and Water Conservation District and many other local residents

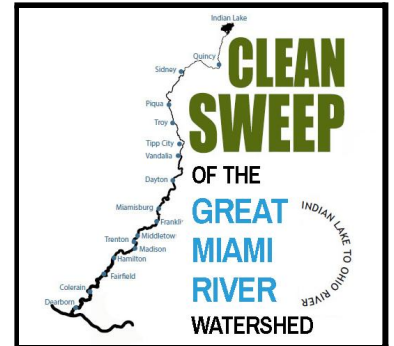
volunteering their time. The Clean Sweep is an event that focuses on the removal of trash along the banks of the Great Miami River. This clean-up is vitally important to the overall health and water quality of the river, and brings an impressive crowd of willing participants every year.



With several different locations to choose from, you can choose one near you. In most places, the clean-up is on foot along the river banks. However, if you would like to kayak, you can contact BAABS Kayak in Middletown. Call Karen Richardson of BAABS as soon as possible, (513)217-7070, and tell her you are with the river cleanup. There is no charge for the kayak rental.

To find a location near you and to register visit www.cleansweepofthegreatmiamiriver.org.

A vertical advertisement for Brubaker Grain. At the top, the "BRUBAKER Grain" logo is displayed in a stylized font. Below the logo, it lists services: "Livestock Feed & Supplies", "Pet Food & Supplies", "Lawn & Garden Supplies", and "Other Farm & Home Essentials". The text "FARM - FAMILY - TRADITION" is written in a smaller font. The main body of the ad says "Your Local Brubaker Grain" followed by "Hamilton: 513.726.4931", "4850 Hamilton Eaton Rd.", "Hamilton, OH", and "Eaton • Farmersville • Brookville". At the bottom, the website "www.brubakergrain.com" is listed.



Township Information, Brad Mills, Trustee

Road Report: As usual this summer and into the fall, the Township Roads Crew has been very busy repairing blacktop, improving and maintaining drainage, mowing and weed eating cemeteries, preparing for burials, cleaning and scheduling the Community Center, and maintaining parks, among many other responsibilities! This year has been especially challenging with limited part time help, and an incredible amount of rain (until August!). Our full time crew of Dan, Russell, and Chris have been dedicated to ensuring your Township roads and public spaces are well maintained and safe.

This fall, Milford Township has road paving planned for parts of Frazee Rd and a section of the deadend of Oxford Middletown Rd (off of State Rd), repair will also be made to the intersection of Frazee and Baker Rds. In addition, repairs and a culvert replacement will occur on Oren Rd, in preparation for the paving of Oren in 2022.

ARPA: Milford Township will be receiving funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)! Townships have until 2024 to decide how to spend those funds, and while we will be limited on their use, we are investigating further expanding broadband, among other options!

Clean-up Event!: Your Trustees organized a clean-up event in Somerville on August 8. A Rumpke truck parked from 8am to 12pm at the Township Maintenance Building (next to the Post Office on Main St). For free, residents were able to bring many, many items! We collected appliances, mattresses, yard waste, household waste, some construction materials, etc! The Event was a success, and **5.8 tons or 11,600 pounds were thrown away!** In 2022 we plan to expand it to other parts of the Township!

A real estate advertisement for Tammy Thome, a Century 21 agent. It features a headshot of Tammy on the left. To the right, the text reads "CENTURY 21 Thacker & Associates", "Dream Big, Move Fast", "3996 Oxford-Millville Rd.", "Oxford, OH 45056", and "(513) 200-2599". At the bottom, it says "Equal Opportunity Employer".

A real estate advertisement for Austin Thome, a Century 21 agent. It features a headshot of Austin on the left. To the right, the text reads "CENTURY 21 Thacker & Associates, Inc.", "513.280.0312", "AustinThomeC21@gmail.com", and "AUSTIN THOME Realtor®". At the bottom, it says "Equal Opportunity Employer".

On Sunday, May 30, 2021, **The Darrtown Memorial Association** proudly observed our **123rd Annual Service**. We were fortunate to have our service back at the cemetery this year and the weather cooperated for a pleasant afternoon and a wonderful attendance.

We want to publicly thank those that helped make this **123rd** event memorable. **The Methodist Men's Choir (Blaine Beckemeier, Chris Jordan, Charley Kennel, Jim Leyer and Chris Trumbull)** shared their Acapella voices with songs, singing *God Bless America, Let There Be Peace On Earth* and *Some Gave All*. **Pastor Chris Trumbull, The Darrtown United Methodist Church**, graciously provided our Invocation and the Benediction. We were excited to have our **Milford Mini Farmers**, after missing last year due to Covid restrictions. The Milford Mini Farmers presented a collection of poems inspired by Military Members and Veterans. *What It Takes To Give, Because of You Old Glory Flies*, and *Not Too Young*. **Rebecca Evans** our guest

speaker, a graduate of Talawanda High School and Miami University - gave remarks with the topic of:

Passionate Patriotism: Women and the Revolutionary War. We ended the service with every one joining in the singing of "Taps" sounded by **Nathan Top**.



We would also like to acknowledge, **Bethart Printing** for printing our programs and signs and to thank **Bob Ratterman**, Contributing Writer to *The Oxford Press* for the wonderful article in the June 6-12, 2021 issue – ***Women Take Center Stage in Memorial Day Program.***



We would like to take this opportunity to invite anyone interested in joining **The Darrtown Memorial Association** to contact one of the members listed below and to help us plan our upcoming **124th Annual Service**. We are always looking for enthusiastic individuals to join us and help in the planning of our annual service.

Members of **The Darrtown Memorial Association**: **Mark Habel-Chair, Sandy Ward Jolivette-Secretary, Amy Butterfield, Rebecca Evans, and Carolyn Russell.**

This year's program was dedicated to
Ida Mae Lemmons – 97 years - 2/9/1923 – 11/17/2020

The Darrtown Memorial Association lost a longtime friend and emerita member of our association this past year and acknowledged Ida Mae for the many, many years of faithful service and contributions to the Association, the church, the community, to our lives and the lives of her family.

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Thank You, Parks, Wifi, free Little Library and more!, Milford Township Trustees

1. Milford Township has completed use of COVID Relief funds to expand broadband in and around Darrtown, in areas not served by Butler Rural Electric's expansion!

2. Little Free Libraries! A big thank you to Chris Meador for building and installing a Little Free Library at Darrtown United Methodist Church. Also, thanks to the

Middle School Junior Honor Society for donating one to be installed in Somerville's Park!

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3. A big thank you to Amy Butterfield for writing and winning a grant through the Oxford Community Foundation for a new piece of playground equipment for Somerville! With her award, the Township added a Ten Spin! Check out the picture →



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Meeting Times

The Township Trustees meet at
7:30pm on the first Tuesday of
each month. Meetings are held in
the Community Center.

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MAKING THE HEALTHIEST CHOICE THE EASIEST CHOICE!

WHAT ARE OUR PRIORITIES?

- *Substance Abuse/Misuse Prevention
- *Mental Health
- *Active Living & Healthy Eating



WHO DO WE SERVE?

Residents of all ages who live
in the Talawanda School
District, including the City of
Oxford, Hanover Township,
Milford Township, Oxford
Township, & Reily Township.



**WHO ARE OUR
MEMBERS?**
Our membership is made up of
individuals who represent the
major sectors of our
community, a model used by
the Drug Free Communities
Grant Program.



WHAT DO WE DO?

We seek to create community level
changes by providing information,
building skills, providing support,
enhancing access/reducing
barriers, changing consequences,
changing physical design, &
changing policy.



EVERYONE HAS A ROLE TO PLAY!

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