

# Village of Williamsburg

*Established 1796*

*September ~ October ~ November 2017 Newsletter*

## *A Message from the Mayor...*

Hello to all,

It is such a good feeling to be able to share some major accomplishments and exciting activities and happenings taking place throughout our community. Most of you have already heard about our High School's girls softball team and the first ever Ohio Division IV State Championship. It is a major accomplishment to reach the final top state level of competition in any sport as qualifications must be established at the league, regional and district levels in order to compete at the State finals. Congratulations to our Williamsburg High School Girls Softball Team and our State Track and Field Pole Vault competitor for reaching the highest level of competition and for exhibiting what Wildcat Pride is all about.

As I mentioned Track and Field I hope you all are aware of the amazing donations that have been coming from the Marlyon (Abe), Jessie and Brian Abrams family to our local school. It is through their generous donations that we now have a first class track with lights, bleachers and fencing that is not only available to our students but to our residents as well. With the recent groundbreaking for the "Abrams Stadium", also being paid for by the Abrams family, the facility will far exceed our wildest dreams of what we had hoped to have some day. With a projected April 1, 2018 completion date "that someday" is coming sooner rather than later. I would like to thank the Abrams family for caring enough to give in such an unbelievable way to our students and to our community.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 23, 2017 for our 1<sup>st</sup> "Great Outdoors" activities around town and at our Community Park. We are planning for a variety of opportunities to spend some time that day outdoors, around town or at the Park, beginning at 4:00 P.M. with a "Bring Your Own Chair for Bluegrass Music" at our Community Park from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Please check our web site, [www.williamsburgohio.org](http://www.williamsburgohio.org), and for notices on your utility bills for details of scheduled activities, times and locations.

It is my hope that as we look to the future we see more good than bad, we have more ups than downs and that our glasses are not only half full but overflowing and that if we have the opportunity to do something positive, to help where help may be needed, we will then know we have made a difference in the place we call home.

Till next time,  
Mary Ann

## What's Happening in Our Community...

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| * <b>Mum Sale:</b> Fri. & Sat. until Sept. 9th at SR 32 & SR133 | * <b>Village Offices Closed:</b> Sept. 4th, Nov. 10th, Nov. 23rd & 24th | * <b>No School:</b> Sept. 4th, Oct. 9th, Nov. 7th & 22nd-24th. |
| * <b>Village Wide Yard Sales:</b> Sept. 9th & 10th              | * <b>Council Meetings:</b> Sept. 14th, Oct.12th & Nov. 9th at 5:30 p.m. | * <b>Homecoming/Parade:</b> Oct. 13th                          |
| * <b>Great Outdoor Celebration:</b> Sept. 23rd                  |   | * <b>PT Conf. Middle/High:</b> Sept. 14th & Oct. 26th          |
| * <b>Christmas Walk - Dec. 1st</b>                              |   | * <b>PT Conf. Elementary:</b> Nov. 2nd                         |

# News From The Village...

## *Zoning and Housing Code*

The Village of Williamsburg has both a Zoning Code and a Housing Code that require certain levels of property maintenance. Some of the items that are required are as follows:

- ◇ recreational vehicles, campers, boats are restricted to park in the rear lot of the yard from **November 1st—March 31st**
- ◇ trash cans must be placed behind front of home after trash has been collected every week
- ◇ front, back and side yard grass must be cut and trimmed
- ◇ store all items inside your home or an outbuilding, not on your porch or in your open yard
- ◇ all swimming pools must be enclosed by an approved fence
- ◇ your home must be kept in general good repair (siding must be replaced, gutters and roofs repaired as needed, etc.)

Visit [www.williamsburgohio.org](http://www.williamsburgohio.org) for additional information about Zoning or call (513)724-6107.

## *Community Park News*

Stop by the Community Park to enjoy the walking trail, disc golf course, new shelter and other amenities before winter. The park has something for everyone to enjoy.

We are also taking Park Shelter Reservations for the 2018 season. For more information or to reserve your date, please call (513) 724-6107 or visit our office at 107 W. Main St.

## *Williamsburg Library Programs*

Visit [www.clermontlibrary.org](http://www.clermontlibrary.org) or call (513)724-1070 for upcoming events to enjoy with your family and friends at the Williamsburg Library located at 594 W. Main St.

## *From the Street Department*

As you prepare for autumn, please remember brush pick-up will end in October for the season and leaf pick-up will begin. During this time, brush & limbs will not be picked up but will resume in April. To ensure fast and accurate leaf pick-up, some guidelines have been set in place. If these guidelines are not followed, public works will leave a door hanger on your door stating what was not followed and the leaves will not be picked up until the problem is corrected.

### Leaf Removal Guidelines:

- Leaves are to be piled at the curb line but extending back no further than 6 feet. Please use entire road frontage if needed.
- Keep brush and other debris such as rocks, garden hoses, bags, etc., out of the leaf piles. These will cause damage to the equipment and possible injury to the employee.
- Leaves piled by the street blocked behind parked cars will not be picked up.
- In order to avoid clogging storm sewers, please do not pile leaf piles on top of storm sewer catch basins.

Every effort is made to collect leaves in each area of the Village on a weekly basis; however, this cannot be guaranteed due to weather and the volume of pick up required from week to week. The schedule and the progress of leaf collection will be reviewed on a daily basis to ensure each area of the village is getting proper services. You also have the option to take leaves and brush to the Village's compost facility.

For more details about the leaf and brush pick up guidelines visit [www.williamsburgohio.org](http://www.williamsburgohio.org).

## *Compost Facility Use*

The Compost Facility is available by appointment during business hours. This facility is located on McKeever Pike. The facility is available free of charge to all Village residents. The facility is also available to non-village residents at a cost of \$5 per use. Items that can be accepted are grass clippings, leaves, and chipped brush during hours of operation.

Please remember any material generated by a professional tree service or landscaper will be the responsibility of the service provider and cannot be placed at the curb or brought to the compost lot. Non-village residents and those wishing to arrange an appointment should call the Village office at (513) 724-6107.

## *From the Police Department*

School is back in session, which means we need to pay special attention to School Buses, School Zones and Crosswalks to ensure that our young people make it to and from school safely.

A reminder to lock your vehicles and take all personal items or items of value inside with you. Leaving your vehicle unlocked or leaving items visible to passersby could result in a theft of those items. To safeguard your property and aid in recovery of stolen items, take pictures and note of make/model and serial numbers of all valuables whenever possible.



## VILLAGE PERSONNEL

### MAYOR

Mary Ann Lefker

### MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Jim Weaver, Vice-Mayor

Charles Covert

Dan Colonel

Dr. James King

Traci Schueler-Hurst

Ronald Ferree Jr.

### CLERK TREASURER

Michael Murray

### SOLICITOR

Mike Minniear

### VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

Susan Ellerhorst

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Priscilla Bush, *Finance Clerk*

Sheila Sellers, *Utility Clerk*

Kenita Weaver, *Clerk of Courts*

### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Kyle Cribbet - *Utility Dept.*

*Supervisor*

Vacant - *Street Dept. Supervisor*

Ean Young - *Public Works Staff*

Matt Ernst - *Street Dept. Staff*

Danny Hamblin - *Street Dept.*

*Seasonal- Staff*

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Michael Gregory, *Chief of Police*

Randy Ruehrwein, *Sergeant*

Jon Adamson, *Corporal, SRO*

Jason Flynn, *Full-time Officer*

Adam Rolph, *Full-time Officer*

### **Village Office Hours**

#### ***Administration, Utilities, and Zoning***

Mon. - Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### ***Clerk of Courts***

Mon. - Wed. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thurs. 8:00 am - Noon

#### ***Public Works Department***

Mon. - Fri. 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### **Important Phone Numbers**

Administrative Offices- **724-6107**

Police (Non-Emergency) - **724-2261**

Fire Department/Life Squad - **724-7744**

**In Case of Police or Fire  
Emergency - Dial 911**

# *Spotlight On...*

## **Lytle Birthday Celebration**

The Williamsburg Harmony Hill Association extends an invitation to the public to attend the annual Lytle Birthday Celebration and open house at Harmony Hill, 299 South Third Street, on Sunday afternoon, September 24th.

The museum and dairy house will be open from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The museum has an extensive collection of items related to the history of Williamsburg. The carriage house will also feature an exhibit. The Olde Williamsburg Weavers will be giving demonstrations on an 1800's barn loom and wool will be spun on spinning wheels made by local artisan Earl Pringle. The Williamsburg Community Band will provide a program of patriotic and popular music from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. It is suggested that everyone bring a lawn chair to sit and enjoy the concert. Refreshments will be served during the afternoon.

## **Great Outdoor Celebration!**

Bring your family and friends out to the Community Park on September 23rd from 4:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. for some fun outdoor activities, music and food at the Great Outdoor Celebration!

There will be something for everyone, beginning with hiking and biking along the Williamsburg-Batavia Hike/Bike Trail throughout the day. Participants will then head to our Community Park for the 4:00 p.m. activities from disc golf challenges to fly fishing lessons to meet and greet with our Ohio State Division IV Championship Softball Team. At 7:00 p.m. everyone will travel to the new shelter area for a "bring your chair" Blue Grass music by Slippery Creek.

Williamsburg welcomes all visitors and is a short 13 miles off I-275 just off State Route 32 and State Route 133. The Williamsburg Community Park located at 150 E Main Street. We will see you at the park!

## **Old Firehouse Gives Back**

As part of their third Anniversary Celebration, the Old Firehouse Brewery will be hosting fun filled activities on Main Street begins at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday September 9th to raise funds for the Williamsburg Township Fire Department and the Village Police Department. Anyone interested in participating in the activities to raise funds for this worthy cause can visit [www.oldfirehousebrewery.com](http://www.oldfirehousebrewery.com). or stop by the brewery.

Please note Main Street will be closed between Second Street and Third Street during this event.

# *Village of Williamsburg*

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[www.williamsburgohio.org](http://www.williamsburgohio.org)



## *Fall 2017 Village Newsletter*



### *Welcome to the Village of Williamsburg, Ohio*

The Village of Williamsburg is “Open for Business”. Founded in 1796, the Village of Williamsburg combines rich history with a progressive present and the promise of an exciting future. Come grow with us! Whether you are a long-time resident, a visitor, or looking to relocate your family or business to Williamsburg..you will find everything you need to make yourself feel right at home!

*Happy  
Thanksgiving*