



Kingston Township

News

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Chairman's Chat

By John Fink

The high school football season got underway recently even though the weather conditions were less than favorable. Some games were postponed to the following day, while others waited out the thunder and lightning only to complete the games after midnight. I want to wish all the local schools good luck as they work towards those winning seasons and the state playoffs.

The Delaware County Fair will be underway by the time you're reading this, please take some time to get over and view the 4H projects and livestock. We always plan on spending the day during the Little Brown Jug.

The Carter's Corner bridge replacement project is underway. The project entails replacement and widening of the bridge along with removing some of the curve in the road leading to the bridge. The project should be completed in late fall/early winter, barring no complications.

We've heard from very few residents who would like to continue receiving the newsletter in hard copy form. At this time the number is so low that we may just mail those out via first class postage unless for some reason the number drastically increases. For those who have contacted us, we will send you a letter by the end of September to verify your mailing information is correct. If you are one of those residents who wish to have a hard copy delivered to your home and you did not receive a letter, please e-mail or call me at 524-0283. If I'm not there, please leave a message including your name, address and phone number and I will return your phone call to verify the information. We would like to make this transition prior to the end of the year, so please contact me soon. The newsletters are always available for viewing and download on the Township's website www.kingstontwp.org on the 15th of each month.

Roads



Carter's Corner Road is closed and work is underway to replace the Little Walnut Creek Bridge. The closure is expected to last until November 27. The project includes replacement with a new 36-foot span concrete slab bridge. Approximately 800 feet of the roadway approaches will be realigned to correct a sharp curve at the bridge.

Traffic is detoured using Wilson Road to S.R. 61 to S.R. 521.

The County has contracted with Shelly & Sands, Inc. of Zanesville, Ohio for \$528,000. The total estimated project cost is \$618,000 including engineering, right-of-way acquisition and construction funded by Delaware County road and bridge dollars.

Work on several township roads is in progress:

- Stockwell Road – repair, chip and seal, and centerline striping;
- Blayne, Rosecrans, and Wilson roads – chip and seal, centerline and edgeline striping; and,
- Wildwood Lane – crack sealing, and chip and seal.

The Ohio Department of Transportation will grind down and resurface State Route 61 from State Route 3 north through the township.

Zoning News

The Zoning Commission will be reviewing changes made to date on the zoning code. They will also discuss posting of driveway lengths for safety services; fences and landscaping; and, outdoor lighting standards.

The Zoning staff is following up on zoning complaints and violations and processed two August zoning permits. Remember, if you are adding onto

your house or accessory building, or building an accessory building, deck, or pool, contact the Zoning Office for a zoning permit application or print one from our web site. A zoning permit is required before you can apply for a building permit.

Safe Trick-or-Treaters

Trick or Treat is 6-8 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 31. Leave your porch light on or, if you live back a long lane, put out a sign if you are handing out candy. Let's make sure our kids have a fun and safe evening.

Be aware that serious Halloween-related injuries can occur such as burns from flammable costumes and decorations, including ignition from open flames, such as candles, as well as abrasions from sharp objects attached to masks or costumes.

One of the greatest problems is kids dressed in homemade costumes that are not flame-resistant. If you make a costume, choose inherently flame-resistant fabrics, such as nylon or polyester, and avoid long draped items that could become entangled.

Follow these safety tips on costumes, treats, and decorations:

Costumes

- When purchasing costumes, masks, beards, and wigs, look for flame-

Kingston Calendar

Meetings occur at the Township Hall, 9899 St. Rt. 521, (Rt. 521 & Carter's Corner Rd.) unless noted* otherwise.

Trustees Meet 1st Tuesdays, 7:30 PM

Zoning Commission Meets 3rd Wed., 7 PM

Trash Pick Up Days: Thursdays

(except during holiday weeks*)

Delaware General Health District's Health Clinic is at Sunbury United Methodist Church (SUMC)

Trash Day	Oct. 1
Trustees Meeting	Oct. 6, 7:30 PM
Trash Day	Oct. 8
Recycling Bin Arrives	Oct. 8 (until full)
Fire Board Mtg.	Oct. 12, 7:30 PM
Health Clinic, SUMC	Oct. 13, 1:30-3:30 PM
Trash Day	Oct. 15
Zoning Commission	Oct. 21, 7 PM
Trash Days	Oct. 22, 29
Trick-or-Treat	Oct. 31, 6-8 PM

resistant fabrics such as nylon or polyester, or look for the label "Flame Resistant." To minimize the risk of contact with candles and other fire sources, avoid costumes made with flimsy materials, big, baggy sleeves, or billowing skirts.

- Purchase or make costumes that are light, bright and clearly visible to motorists.
- For greater visibility during dusk and darkness, decorate or trim costumes with reflective tape that glows in the beam of a car's headlights. Bags or sacks also should be light colored or decorated with reflective tape. Reflective tape is usually available in hardware, bicycle and sporting goods stores.
- Children should carry flashlights to see and be seen.
- Costumes should fit well and not drag on the ground to guard against trips and falls.
- Children should wear well-fitting, sturdy shoes. Oversized high heels are not a good idea.
- Tie hats and scarves securely to prevent them from slipping over children's eyes and obstructing vision.
- If your child wears a mask, make sure it fits securely, provides adequate ventilation, and has eye holes large enough to allow full vision.
- Swords, knives and similar costume accessories should be made of soft, flexible materials.

Treats

- Warn children not to eat any treats until an adult has examined them carefully for evidence of tampering.
- Carefully examine any toys or novelty items received by trick-or-

treaters under three years of age. Do not allow young children to have any items that are small enough to present a choking hazard or that have small parts or components that could separate during use and present a choking hazard.

Decorations

- Keep candles and Jack O' Lanterns away from landings and doorsteps where costumes could brush against the flame.
- Remove obstacles from lawns, steps and porches when expecting trick-or-treaters.
- Indoors, keep candles and Jack O' Lanterns away from curtains, decorations and other combustibles that could catch fire. Do not leave burning candles unattended.
- Indoors or outside, use only lights that have been tested for safety by a recognized testing laboratory. Check each set of lights, new or old, for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or loose connections. Discard damaged sets.
- Don't overload extension cords.

Hazardous Waste

The DKMM Solid Waste District's Hazardous Waste Drop Off event is 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 3 at the Knox County Fairgrounds. For details on accepted items, visit http://www.delawarehealth.org/HealthEd/PDF/HHW_flyer_2009.pdf

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