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ORANGE TOWNSHIP NEWS & VIEWS



Eric Ochmanek, Treasure of State and
Joel M. Spitzer, Fiscal Officer

FISCAL TRANSPARENCY

BY JOEL M. SPITZER, FISCAL OFFICER

ORANGE TOWNSHIP HAS TAKEN ANOTHER STEP in bringing information to its residents. Fiscal Officer, Joel M. Spitzer and Assistant Fiscal Officer, Patti Lewis would like to announce the launch of a new interactive tool where residents can search expenditures made with their tax dollars. In conjunction with the State of Ohio Treasurer's Office, Orange Township brings OhioCheckbook.com as another tool for transparency. Residents can visit <https://orangetownshipdelaware.ohiocheckbook.com> to access Orange Township's expenditures directly. Further financial information regarding revenue, fund, and appropriation statuses can be found on Orange Township's website at www.orangetwp.org.

As always, public records requests can be submitted to the Fiscal Officer at jspitzer@orangetwp.org or by calling 740-548-5430.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

TRUSTEE MEETINGS are held the first and third Mondays of the month, 7 p.m. at the Township Hall.

ZONING COMMISSION AND BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETINGS are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., or as needed, at the Township Hall.

TRUSTEE CORNER

BY DEBBIE TARANTO, CHAIRMAN

BICENTENNIAL

IN OUR LAST NEWSLETTER I began sharing with you the history of Orange Township with the permission of Luella Martin Yarnell, long time resident and author of "History of Orange Township in Delaware County, Ohio". Since that article came out, I am sad to say, Mrs. Yarnell passed away. Per Resolution, on January 19, 2016, the Trustees dedicated our Bicentennial year to Luella Yarnell.

Born in 1929, Luella was the only child of E. Stanley Martin and Evedell Martin. She was preceded in death by Carroll Yarnell Jr., after 60 years of marriage. Luella graduated from Orange High School in 1948. Luella was part of the dedication of the original Orange School monument now sitting by the Old Township Hall at the corner of S. Old State and Orange Road.

Luella was a teacher in the Olentangy School system for over 30 years. She was instrumental in the Delaware County Council for Older Adults, the Orange Seniors group, Orange School Alumni group and an active participant in delivering Meals on Wheels. As I liked to say to her, she was a "force of nature".

Luella's true passion was as an historian. She dearly loved Orange Township and made sure you knew everything she could tell you about her beloved hometown. Our hearts go out to the family of Luella; we will miss her in the Township. It is an honor to dedicate our Bicentennial year to such a long time resident, historian, teacher and friend. Orange Township will not be the same without her.

Continuing with the history of Orange Township, I will include part of Luella's history here within the Township. Luella's family farm was basically where Villages of Oak Creek is now, including Oak Creek Elementary School, going as far as the railroad tracks. At one point they were farming over 500 acres. Evedell Drive is named after her mother.

"Farming that much with the equipment of the day took all of us, working long hours. The boys, Alan, Elmer, and Kenny started driving a tractor as soon as they could reach the clutch. By the time they were in high school, they could do anything needed, from milking cows, to planting, hay making and combining. Their senior year Alan and Elmer drove the old dump truck to school, so they could come home early to work on the farm." Luella Martin Yarnell, History of Orange Township, Delaware County Ohio. Yarnell Farmstead: 1934-1993.



Luella with family.



January 19th Recognition & Acknowledgement

FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

BY MATT NOBLE, FIRE CHIEF

IF YOU WERE ASKED TO THINK ABOUT A SAFE PLACE, there is a good chance you would say “home”. While many of us consider our homes to be a safe place, we sometimes lose sight of potentially dangerous situations that might be lurking in our homes. Here are a few things to consider and look for in your home.

BEDROOM

Clothes iron plugged in on the floor and too close to the bed. Irons can cause serious burns and are also hot enough to ignite combustible materials. Make sure you unplug your iron when it’s not in use and allow them to cool in an uncluttered area.

Blocked window: In case of a fire, your window may be your only means of escape. Move furniture and other obstructions from in front of windows and make sure you can open them easily.

Clutter, such as piles of clothes or paper can feed fires as well as hinder escape if there is a fire. Keep all escape routes clear and clutter to a minimum.

LIVING ROOM

Careless Smoking is the number one cause of fatal fires. Stay alert while smoking. Don’t lie down or recline and don’t smoke if you have had alcohol or medications that might make you drowsy.

Overloaded Outlets: Plugging multiple cords into an outlet can cause an electrical fire. Outlets are designed to provide electricity to only two appliances at a time.

Electric Space Heaters can cause furniture, clothing and bedding to burn. If you use an electric or kerosene heater, remember; space heaters need space.

KITCHEN

Pot Handles can easily be bumped while cooking or pulled over by a small child. Always turn handles to the back or side of the stove to avoid serious scald burns.

Have a fire extinguisher in your kitchen, place it near the doorway where it will be accessible in an emergency. This eliminates the possibility of the fire being between you and your extinguisher.

Toasters produce a great deal of heat. Always move them forward on the counter to avoid combustibles such as cabinets or paper towels. Always unplug your toaster when not in use.

Ohio Department of Commerce - Division of State Fire Marshal. (2012). Do you know the Hidden Hazards in your home? Retrieved February 22, 2016, from Ohio Department of Commerce - Division of State Fire Marshal: http://www.com.ohio.gov/documents/fire_hiddenhazards.pdf



RECYCLE

Orange Township offers, as part of the refuse contract, the ability for residents to **RECYCLE AT NO ADDITIONAL COST**. Recycle bins and lids can be picked up anytime at the Orange Township Hall, located at 1680 E. Orange Rd. The bins and lids are in a beige container next to the administrative office entrance in the rear. Recycle bins and lids are free and residents may take as many as needed. Please remember to use the lids provided to keep recyclables from blowing through your neighborhood.

FISCAL REPORT

JOEL SPITZER, FISCAL OFFICER

Fund Name	Beginning Balance 01/01/2015	YTD- Revenue	YTD- Expenditures	Adjustments	Ending Balance 12/31/2015
General	\$3,734,964.74	\$3,007,428.43	\$2,405,292.35	\$100.00	\$4,337,200.82
Motor Vehicle License Tax	\$231,483.89	\$37,951.53	\$56,403.55		\$213,031.87
Gasoline Tax	\$311,435.00	\$180,692.86	\$233,594.04		\$258,533.82
Cemetery	\$80,134.76	\$4,450.00	\$14,039.78		\$70,544.98
Special Fire Levy	\$2,262,617.66	\$8,634,148.26	\$7,737,803.84		\$3,158,962.08
Permissive Motor Vehicle License Tax	\$360,690.59	\$205,363.93	\$193,577.87		\$372,476.65
Parks/Rec	\$3,659,916.15	\$2,158,530.37	\$1,000,921.09	\$449,984.87	\$5,267,510.30
Parks & Rec Improv	\$640.43	\$0.38	\$0.00		\$640.81
Permanent Improvement (Fire Station)	\$1,940.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$1,940.00
Future Fire Station	\$55,067.15	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$55,067.15
Perm Improv (GM/HM Roundabout)	\$997,690.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$997,690.00
Perm Improv (E. Orange Rd #1)	\$995,050.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$995,050.00
Perm Improv (E. Orange Rd #2)	\$999,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$999,400.00
Perm Improv (Orange Rd/US 23)	\$982,630.01	\$0.00	\$1,202.50		\$981,427.51
Perm Improv (W. Orange Rd)	\$999,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$999,500.00
Perm Improvt (Bale Kenyon Rd)	\$992,596.75	\$0.00	\$3,149.90		\$989,446.85
Public Works Commission Projects	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$50,000.00
Cemetery Bequest	\$3,690.92	\$2.55	\$0.00		\$3,693.47
	\$16,719,448.05	\$14,228,568.31	\$11,645,984.92	\$450,084.87	\$19,752,116.31

UPDATE ON HOUSE BILL 361: COMMUNITY EVENTS IN TOWNSHIPS

BY DEBBIE TARANTO, CHAIRMAN

Some of you may remember that last year, after receiving an opinion from the Delaware County Prosecutor’s Office that we had to cancel two of our community events: Music in the Park and Movie in the Park.

Townships are creatures of statute and have only the authority expressly stated in the Ohio Revised Code or that which is necessarily implied to perform their various functions. Both public officials and the public benefit when authority is clear in the law. Because there were differing opinions from our Prosecutors Office, County Offices and our own legal counsel, I did not feel that we had clear, express authority to address the need of a township to present recreational activities to its residents. Therefore I approached our State Representative Andrew Brenner to address this with the House of Representatives and change the Ohio Revised Code for Townships to have the ability to hold community events for our residents. I had the privilege to provide testimony to the Local Government Committee in February which passed the bill unanimously. Now we are waiting for the House session in which our House of Representatives, Senate and then the Governor formally consider the bill and then (hopefully) pass it into law.

Our parks, trails and bikeways encourage a healthy life style and opportunities for families to recreate together. In Orange Township, our residents have consistently passed our Parks and Recreation levy and enjoy the fruits of that levy. Our residents have also expressed a strong desire to come together in our parks to encourage “community”. They want to enjoy their “hometown together as a community” rather than venture out to nearby cities and towns to enjoy other’s community events.

I believe that by being able to provide events for our residents, we create a sense of hometown, civic pride, engage an active community in positive ways, and encourage community involvement.



Trustee Quigley with Josie Cahall & Ashwin Rajkumar from the Olentangy Orange Middle School

THANKYOU

We want to say thank you to the faculty, students, parents and families of Orange Middle School who participated in the organization of the fundraiser and donated \$1,300.00 to the Orange Township Veterans Memorial. Your gift is greatly appreciated and demonstrates the community support of our Veterans.

PLANNING & ZONING

BY ANTHONY HRAY, DIRECTOR

As Spring quickly approaches and the weather becomes more conducive for outside construction projects, the Department would like to remind residents and contractors that the following projects **DO** require a zoning permit:

- Decks
- Sheds/Storage/Accessory Buildings
- Garages/carports
- Pergolas
- Covered porches
- In-ground and above ground swimming pools
- Room additions, sunrooms, and screened-in porches
- Driveway and/or parking area expansions (all areas must be comprised of a paved surface composed of asphaltic or cementitious material)
- Paved patios, such as poured concrete, stamped concrete or similar impervious surface
- Interior remodeling, structural alterations, additions, or expansions (commercial and industrial buildings only)
- Temporary construction trailers

The following projects **DO NOT** require a zoning permit provided they are in compliance with all applicable Township Zoning Regulations and effective development plans:

- Paver patios
- Fences (*please check with local Home Owner’s Association (HOA) or Commercial/Industrial Property Owner’s Association)
- Roof replacement with in kind materials (modification of pitch, style or type of roof, and/or expansion of roof line, all require a zoning permit)
- Residential interior remodel work – such as kitchens, bathrooms, or basements, provided that the footprint of the building or structure remains unchanged
- Minor cosmetic work such as painting, landscaping, or in kind replacement of exterior building materials (siding, trim, windows, etc.)

Also, if the property falls within a planned development or platted subdivision governed under a Home Owner’s Association (HOA) or Commercial/Industrial Property Owner’s Association, additional restrictions, permits, and/or approvals may apply. The most current zoning application forms and fee schedule may be accessed by visiting the Township website. Lastly, be sure to check with the Delaware County Code Compliance Department to ensure code requirements for your projects are met.

The department would also like to respectfully remind the Township business community and its residents that temporary signage, including but not limited to A-frame, wire H-stakes, blade, portable roll away, and other similar signs, in addition to streamers, pennants, and attention getting devices, are strictly prohibited. All signs illegally placed within the right-of-way of any road within the Township will be removed.

Please be aware of these requirements and help us in our efforts to maintain the beauty and ambiance of Orange Township.



ORANGE TOWNSHIP

1680 East Orange Road
Lewis Center, Ohio 43035
(740) 548-5430
www.orangetwp.org



NOTIFY ME

Orange Township is now offering email alerts and reminders from the township. Sign up today at the Township website www.orangetwp.org.



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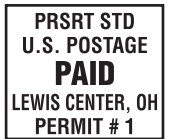


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FIND YOUR 2016 SEASON POOL PASS APPLICATION INSIDE!



ORC 9.03(B) allows for public funds to be used for newsletters.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Township Hall 4/27, 6/22, 8/17, 10/19 and 12/14, visit www.redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment.

CPR/AED : 6/11, 9/10 and 12/10 at 9:00-11:30am and **BASIC FIRST AID** 12:30-3:30pm at OTFD Station #361 (Gooding Blvd). Check out www.orangetwp.org for more details.

TRASH, RECYCLING AND YARD WASTE PICKUP SCHEDULE will be delayed one day during the week of May 30th (Memorial Day); please refer to Rumpke's website for additional information www.rumpke.com.

Orange Township Administrative, Fiscal, Maintenance, Park and Zoning Departments **WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, MAY 30, 2016** in observance of Memorial Day.

THE DELAWARE GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT holds a monthly clinic at Township Hall the 1st Wednesday of each month from 10-11:30am. Contact www.delawarehealth.org for more information.

ORANGE TOWNSHIP is always looking for volunteers to fill vacancies and alternate spots on our Economic Development Advisory and Park Boards as well as our Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. For more information check out our website at www.orangetwp.org



ORANGE TOWNSHIP, DELAWARE COUNTY, OHIO

NORTH ORANGE AQUATIC CENTER-ORANGE TOWNSHIP
2016 SEASON POOL PASS APPLICATION FORM (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)



**ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED AT TOWNSHIP HALL ONLY.
SEASON PASS APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE POOL.**

- PROOF OF RESIDENCY AND/OR AGE IS REQUIRED. PLEASE MAIL A COPY OF **A RECENT UTILITY BILL SHOWING CURRENT ADDRESS** ALONG WITH SEASON PASS FORM AND PAYMENT. SENIORS PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR GOLDEN BUCKEYE CARD.
- PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD OR CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO: **ORANGE TOWNSHIP**

NAME: _____ HOME PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ WORK PHONE: _____

CITY/ZIP: _____ EMAIL: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____	PHONE: _____
E-MAIL, IF PROVIDED, WILL BE USED FOR BUSINESS RELATING TO ORANGE TOWNSHIP ONLY, EXCEPT AS REQUIRED BY LAW.	

***REQUIRED FIELDS: FIRST NAME, LAST NAME, AGE, BIRTHDAY, & M/F**
PLEASE WRITE ADDITIONAL NAMES AND INFORMATION ON A SEPARATE SHEET

*FIRST NAME	*LAST NAME	*AGE	*BIRTHDATE (MMDDYY)	*M/F

BABYSITTER (MUST BE AT LEAST 16 YEARS OF AGE) *** See definition on page 2				
NAME	AGE	M/F	CATEGORY	
				\$25.00

**NO CHANGES AFTER ORIGINAL APPLICATION IS PROCESSED
ALL SEASON PASSES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERABLE**

CATEGORY	CHECK ONE	CATEGORY	CHECK ONE
YOUTH	\$ 85.00	FAMILY (3)	\$160.00
ADULT	\$ 90.00	FAMILY (4)	\$175.00
SENIOR	\$ 65.00	FAMILY (5)	\$185.00
FAMILY (2)	\$150.00	FAMILY (6)	\$200.00

ADD \$15.00 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL ELIGIBLE MEMBER AFTER 6

ONLINE APPLICATION

Season Passes may be purchased at:
www.orangetwp.org.

An additional fee is applicable to on-line registration.

Total = Category \$ _____ + Babysitter \$ _____ = Total Amount Due: \$ _____

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT. SIGNATURE: _____

MAIL FORM, REQUIRED PROOF OF RESIDENCY AND CHECK (**MADE PAYABLE TO: ORANGE TOWNSHIP**)

TO: ORANGE TOWNSHIP
ATTENTION: JOEL SPITZER, FISCAL OFFICER
SEASON POOL PASS APPLICATION (SPPA)
1680 E. ORANGE ROAD
LEWIS CENTER, OHIO 43035

POOL INFORMATION AND DEFINITIONS

RESIDENT: You pay Orange Township Park Levy and you're in tax district 27, 46 or 58. You can login to Delaware County Auditor web site @www.oh-delaware-auditor.governmentmax.org to verify your tax district.

CHILDREN 2 AND UNDER: (Birthdates must be after September 5th, 2013), ARE FREE, but must be listed on the application. Do not count when choosing the pass category and fee.

DEFINITION OF FAMILY: Family Pass Admits up to two named Parents in the same household and all dependent aged children (under the age of 23). Parents must be residents of Orange Township.

GRANDPARENT PASS: Admits up to two named Grandparents in the same household and all dependent aged grandchildren (under the age of 23). Grandparents must be residents of Orange Township. Select the correct corresponding Family pass category.

YOUTH: Children 12 and under will not be permitted upon the Aquatic Center grounds unless under the direct supervision of a parent or other responsible person at least 16 years of age.

***** BABYSITTER:** One babysitter can be added to Season Pass Application as an additional person to the pass. However, all babysitters must be accompanied by the children without the parents at the pool. Babysitters may not utilize the pass individually. Babysitter must be at least 16 years of age.

SENIOR: Please include a copy of your Golden Buckeye Card with application.

DAILY & TWILIGHT PASSES ARE NOT AVAILABLE IN ADVANCE

OTHER FEES:	RESIDENT RATE	NON-RESIDENT RATE
DAILY PASS	\$6.00	\$12.00
TWILIGHT DAY PASS	\$4.00	\$10.00



NOTIFY ME

Sign up on the Township website
www.orangetwp.org under Parks to be
notified when Swim Lessons will be
available.