

## **TRUSTEES CORNER**

We are pleased to introduce you to the two newest members of our team, **Jim Teknipp**, *Fiscal Officer* and **Sean Supler**, *Recreation Director*.

**JIM TEKNIPP** (pictured below at right) joined our team in December of 2022, taking the Concord Township position as Fiscal Officer which brought him out of a short-lived retirement. Originally from Eastlake, Teknipp moved to Concord in May 2021 with his wife, Kim. The couple have been married for 37 years and have two sons and 3 grandsons. Jim's brothers and parents all call Concord home as well. Jim is looking forward to blending into the fabric of Concord and getting to know the community. Jim and Kim both enjoy spending time with family and friends, traveling, outdoor activities, landscaping, and home remodeling. They even renovated a century home on Lake Erie and continue to enjoy boating and water sports. You may see Jim driving his '67 Dodge Charger around town as the weather improves.

Jim graduated from Lake Catholic High School before attending Edinboro University where he was a running back on the football team. He graduated with a BA in Economics. After college, Jim began his career as a Fiscal Officer at Village of Lakeline, and then, Eastlake's Deputy Finance Director, along with other municipalities and most recently Richmond Heights Finance Director. With over 30 years of municipal fiscal experience, Jim is a two-time recipient of the Ohio Auditor of State Auditor's Awards and the prestigious Making Your Tax Dollars Count awards. Jim will certainly serve our community well. Jim also took the opportunity during his career to do some charitable work as Finance Director with Fairhill Partners, a local not-for-profit social welfare organization in Cleveland.

Currently, Jim is focusing on ensuring the opening of Fire Station #1 and the preservation and safe keeping of all township assets. His favorite part of his work is projecting, budgeting, and forecasting. It has been a busy first few months at Concord Township. "I am amazed at how vast the township is at 23 square miles. It is astonishing to see how effective the township operates, maintains, and preserves this area. I am very impressed with the work that has been accomplished with the JEDD (Joint Economic Development District) and look forward to working with the economic development of the community." Jim stated, "I enjoy serving the residents and working with the administration and trustees. I find the rich local 200-year history of Concord Township fascinating." He continued, "I strive to bring the same spirit, attitude and dedication to the community that Amy Dawson did. While I did not know her personally, I have heard how wonderfully she served this great community and hope to provide the same service to our residents." Jim enjoys talking to residents. If you have any questions, please call, and introduce yourself. Jim looks forward to meeting you! continued on page 8

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#### Town Hall

7229 Ravenna Road Located at the corner of Route 608 and Ravenna Road Hours: 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., M-F 440-354-7510

**Fire Station #1** 11600 Concord-Hambden Road *Located next to Town Hall* 440-354-7504

#### Fire Station #2

10154 Prouty Road Located just south of Route 84 440-354-7509

**Community Center** 7671 Auburn Road Located west of State Route 44

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

MATT SABO, FIRE CHIEF, 440-354-7503 MIKE BIDDELL, DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF, 440-350-2919 KAREN PIRC, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, 440-354-7504

Concord Township Fire Department was established in 1948. This year is our 75th Anniversary!

We have even more reason to celebrate our 75th Anniversary as we prepare to move into our new facility located across from the existing fire station on Concord-Hambden Rd.

We want to take this opportunity to share with you the progression of our fire stations over the years.

Concord Township Fire Department began responding out of the lower level of Town Hall with a 1930 Model AA truck modified to be a grass unit. Their primary responses were to fires along the railroad track that is currently the Greenway Corridor operated by Lake Metroparks.







In the early 1950's, a block building was constructed between Town Hall and the existing fire station. This served as the department's second fire station. At one point, it was shared with the Concord Township Service Department. It was also used on occasion for Township meetings. This station was demolished in 2011.

In 1965, funding was approved for the construction of the existing fire station and was dedicated in 1966. Initially, the fire station was also home to the Concord Township Community Room located on the second floor. In 2001, the fire station was renovated when the Township

acquired space for the new Community Center on Auburn Rd. While the renovation did not modify the space for the apparatus, it did help to provide space for increased staffing levels.

The Red Barn has been a long part of Concord Township history. The barn has been used by both the fire and service departments after two other outbuildings and the 1950 fire station were demolished. The barn has been a host to many fire department training events over the years as well.

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## SERVICE DEPARTMENT

TIM BROWN, SERVICE DIRECTOR, 440-350-3226 SUSAN BOBNAR, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, 440-350-3225

A s winter ends, the Service Department begins to prepare for the upcoming construction season. The Service Department performs many different maintenance and repair tasks throughout the Township such as ditch maintenance, drainage improvements, roadside mowing, pothole patching, crack sealing, asphalt repairs, storm basin repairs, and concrete repairs. Additionally, the Service Department maintains the townships parks, cemetery, baseball fields, and properties.

The mild winter we experienced this year was harsh on Township roadways. The constant freeze and thaw causes heaving and break down of road materials. The Service Department will be out performing the necessary repairs to the areas in need of repairs. Dura-Patching is one of the repairs processes the Service Department uses to make longlasting cost-effective repairs to asphalt roadways. This process applies asphalt emulsion onto the roadway and then is covered with a limestone chip and compacted with a roller. Once the patch has cured for approximately five days, the loose stone is swept up by a street sweeper. Additional road repairs are done through our concrete slab replacement program. The Service Department's concrete crew will be out replacing deteriorating concrete road slabs throughout the Township. All these tasks are handled in house by the Service Department.

#### **2023 Road Resurfacing Projects**

The 2023 Joint Road Resurfacing Project will include Jamie Dr, Kenneth Dr, Brooke Lyn Way, Huntoon Rd, Rodgers Rd, and Gray Rd. Over a half of a million dollars invested into Concord township roads for resurfacing will take place this spring into early summer.

The Service Department continues to work with the Lake County Storm Water Department to make drainage improvements throughout the Township. Several projects are in the design phases and hope to be under construction in 2023.

#### **Yard Waste**

The Service Department's Yard Waste Drop Off begins April 3rd and runs through June 5th. The hours of operation are Monday –Friday 7:30am-2:30pm. Residents may drop off their yard waste in paper biodegradable bags to the designated material bin at the rear of the Service Department. No plastic bags, brush, tree stumps, or lumber is permitted.

#### **Brush Days**

The annual Brush Days will be held Saturday, May 6th and May 20th from 7:30am-2:30pm. Residents can drop off brush to the Service Department to be recycled. Brush may be no bigger than 4" in diameter. No tree stumps, lumber, landscape timbers or railroad ties permitted. The drop off will be located in the rear of the Service Department.

#### **Culvert Replacement Program**

Residents who wish to have their driveway culvert replaced can contact the Service Department for information on replacing their Culvert pipe. There is a Culvert Replacement application form available at Town Hall, The Service Department, or on the Concord Township Website under applications and forms. There is a \$200.00 fee for this service, which includes the stone it takes to backfill the area. The resident is responsible to purchase the replacement pipe recommended by the Service Department prior to being scheduled. Any asphalt or concrete replacement is also at the resident's expense.

#### **Mailbox Snow Barricades**

The Service Department reminds residents of the Mailbox Snow Barricade program. The Service Department provides the labor to install the barricades for residents of Concord Twp. at no charge. The barricade consists of two steel posts, an aluminum shield, reflective numbers and hardware. The materials must be purchased from Concord Township at a cost of \$50.00. The barricades absorb the impact of heavy snow being discharged by the snowplows. Please keep in mind that the barricade is not a guarantee that your mailbox will not be damaged during the winter season. Residents who wish to purchase a snow barricade may do so by filling out the Snow Barricade Application and sending the \$50.00 payment. Applications can be found on the Concord Township Website or at Town Hall. Once payment is received, your barricade installation will be scheduled. This will be a onetime installation and all maintenance thereafter is the responsibility of the resident.

#### **Contact Information**

The Service Department is available from 7:00am-3:30pm Monday thru Friday. Residents are reminded to contact us at 440-350-3225 or through the Concord Township website at www. concordtwp.com with any questions or concerns. If residents need to contact the Service Department after hours, they may contact the Lake County Sheriff's office non-emergency number at 440-350-5531. We would like to wish all residents of Concord Township a safe and healthy spring and summer seasons.

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## ZONING DEPARTMENT

HEATHER FREEMAN, AICP, PLANNING & ZONING DIRECTOR/ZONING INSPECTOR, 440-354-7506 CELINA SOTKA, ASSISTANT ZONING INSPECTOR, 440-354-7505 CLAUDIA HEMPHILL, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, 440-350-3224

The Zoning Department receives many questions about what projects need permits, and other inquiries related to residential properties. Below are some of the commonly asked questions and the answers to those questions.

## • What steps should I take when making improvements on my property?

Your property is an important investment and improvements add value for you and affect the look of your neighborhood. Because outdoor changes to your property - fences, decks, sheds, swimming pools, etc. - can affect your neighbors, property owners are typically required to seek a zoning permit. Visit the township website at www.concordtwp.com, and go to Zoning Department, to view zoning information sheets for common projects that require a permit. Please note it is up to the property owner to ensure a zoning permit is obtained prior to construction, even if a contractor is performing the work.

Please check with the Lake County Building Department (440-350-2636) to determine if your project also requires a building permit. Typically structures such as new buildings or additions thereto, decks, sheds over 200 square feet require a building permit. The Building Department also handles permits for electrical, plumbing and gas.

Additionally, if you have a Homeowner's Association (HOA) you may also need to get approval from them as well prior to moving forward with your project. Your HOA should be contacted to ensure you are also meeting any private deed restrictions that may affect your property.

Whenever digging on your property, the law requires that property owners call the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) at 8-1-1 or (800) 362-2764. It is required that at least 48 hours' notice, but no more than 10 days, be given so underground utilities can be marked. There is also an online notification process with OUPS.

• Do I need any permits to replace roof shingles, siding, windows, or an existing driveway?

No, zoning permits are not required for these types of projects. The Lake County Building Department should be contacted to see if a building permit is necessary. Please note that in residential districts, driveways shall be at least three (3) feet away from adjoining property lines.

• Does the Township require contractors to be registered?

No. Contractor registration is through the Lake County Building Department.

• Are inspections required with Concord Township or the Lake County Building Department?

If your project requires a permit from the Building Department, you will schedule inspections with them directly. In addition, the Zoning Department will conduct a final inspection after the project is complete, and issue a zoning certificate of compliance. As a courtesy, please contact the Zoning Department upon completion of your project.

- Does Concord Township require a Point-of-Sale Inspection? No, a point-of-sale inspection is not required.
- Will the Township come out and tell us where our property lines are located?

No, the Township does not survey properties. This is a private property owner responsibility. There are several qualified licensed surveyors listed online, or the Township may provide a list of companies.

• What can I do about a neighbor who is draining water onto my property?

Drainage problems between neighbors are generally considered a civil issue. If a public drainage easement is involved in this dispute, please contact your Homeowners Association (if applicable) or the Concord Township Service Department at 440-350-3225.

For all other drainage disputes, the Lake Soil and Water Conservation District (440-350-2730) and Lake County Stormwater Departments (440-350-5900) offers free technical assistance for property owners regarding storm drainage improvements and / or maintenance. Please keep in mind, these agencies can provide guidance only.

• Am I allowed to trim my neighbor's tree branches that are hanging over into my yard?

This is a civil matter between property owners. Please request permission directly from your neighbor.

• I would like to cut a tree down on my private property, does the township require a permit?

No, private property owners do not need to acquire a Zoning Permit before removing trees. Please be aware of any Homeowner Association rules for tree removal, conservation easements on your property, or private preservation easements.

#### • How do I contact the Zoning Department?

The Zoning Inspector, Heather Freeman, may be reached at hfreeman@concordtwp.com or by phone at 440-350-7506. The Assistant Zoning Inspector, Celina Sotka, may be reached at csotka@concordtwp.com or at 440-350-7505.



The e-Grapevine is a monthly electronic newsletter informing you of Township events on a month-by-month basis. Sign up at concordtwp.com or call 440-639-4650 for assistance.

## **CONCORD TOWNSHIP CEMETERY**

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#### **Upcoming Cemetery Events**

All events listed below will be held at the Concord Cemetery, which is located on SR 608, just east of Fire Station #1.



#### **Memorial Day**

Please join us at 9:00 am, on Monday, May 29, 2023, for a brief Memorial Day Service. This is a time to honor and pay tribute to the Veterans buried in our cemeteries and remember loved ones that have gone before us.

### 2023 Concord Township HOA Labor Day Weekend Co-Ed Softball Tournament



Any Concord Township neighborhood is encouraged to enter the annual Concord Township HOA Softball Tournament, scheduled for Labor Day Weekend, Saturday-Sunday, September 2–3 (no games on Labor Day itself). This beloved tradition is for Concord residents only – or those who

grew up in Concord and parents still live in Concord. Neighborhood teams currently exists, but new teams can always be formed. We had 8 teams last year and hope to have even more this year. Players must be at least 16 years old. Interested in joining a team or want more information? Contact the Concord Township Recreation Department at Recreation@ concordtwp.com or call 440–639–4650. Play Ball!

## CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Do you know a Concord resident who has made a significant, positive difference to our community? Nominations for Concord Township CITIZEN OF THE YEAR 2023 are being accepted now thru July 7th. Application available at www.concordtwp.com

#### **Revolutionary War Patriots Grave Marking**

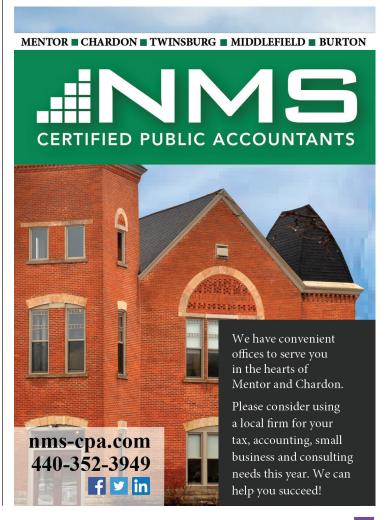
The Northeastern Ohio Chapter Sons of the American Revolution (NEOSAR) will be holding a grave marking ceremony on Saturday, June 3, 2023, 2:00 pm, for six (6) Revolutionary War patriots buried in the township's cemeteries: Oliver Brown, Samuel Hayden, Isaac Messenger, Thomas Huntoon, Samuel Rogers and Bartholomew Vrooman. In case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held at Town Hall. The grave marking ceremony is open to the public.

#### **Ghost Tour**

Take an evening walk through the Concord Cemetery on June 3, 2023 and hear some of their stories. For more information, contact The Lake County Historical Society at (440) 639-2945.

#### Have a safe summer!

Questions-contact us by email at cemeteries@concordtwp.com or call Karen at (440) 354-7518.



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Station #2 is located on Prouty Rd. near Johnnycake Ridge Rd. This station was also dedicated in 1966 however was not built for staffing but rather a storage garage. In fact, the first restroom was not added until the mid-1980's. Many interior renovations took place that were done by the firefighters themselves.

Station #2 received an 840 square foot addition to allow for more staffing in 1998.

In 2006, Concord Township purchased the house next to Station



Do you have an 11-15 year-old interested in learning the skills to become a babysitter?

We are offering an American Red Cross Babysitter's Training. This course is intended to provide youth who are planning to babysit with the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly give care for children and infants. The training will help participants to develop leadership skills; learn how to develop a babysitting business; keep themselves and others safe and help children behave; and learn about basic childcare and basic first aid.

This 2-night course will be held on Tuesday evenings, May 30 and June 6 from 6:00-9:30pm at the Concord Community Center. Attendance at both dates is required to obtain course certificate.

Cost is \$25.00 and books may be purchased directly from the American Red Cross for an additional fee.

To learn more and register for the course email your name and contact information to: concordfireprograms@concordtwp.com and visit the fire education webpage on the concordtwp.com/departments/fire/fire-education/



#2 that is used for our fire prevention bureau. When the new Station #1 is complete, the Fire Prevention Bureau will be relocated to new offices in the headquarters.



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## **Concord Township Summer Concert Series 2023!**

#### Thursdays, June 8—July 27, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

**JUNE 8** 

**The Big North** Country Music Night!

#### JUNE 15 Word of Mouth

Classic rock with emphasis on 70's including the Eagles, Fleetwood Mac and much more!

#### JUNE 22

#### Chardon Polka Band

High energy band bringing polka music to a new generation.

#### JUNE 29

#### Cheeseburger in Paradise

Bringing you the summer, beach party songs of the great, Jimmy Buffet!



#### \*<u>FOOD TRUCKS</u>

June 8: LaKatrina & East Coast Custard June 15: LaKatrina & East Coast Custard June 22: Tidy Whity & East Coast Custard June 29: Pizzazz & East Coast Custard July 6: Frank's Brats & East Coast Custard July 13: Tidy Whity & East Coast Custard July 20: Tidy Whity & East Coast Custard July 27: Frank's Brats & East Coast Custard

\*Schedule is subject to change

#### JULY 6

**Four Kings & A Queen** Motown, funk, and R&B Top Hits!

#### JULY 13

The Woodpeckers

Upbeat, country, country rock and western swing music.

#### JULY 20 InCahootz

Playing all the hits from CCR, Santana, Simon & Garfunkel to Adele and Jason Mraz, and a whole more!

#### JULY 27 Abbey Rodeo

Playing a wide variety of 60's & 70's along with recent tunes!

## **BECOME A SPONSOR!**

The Concord Township Recreation Department is seeking sponsors for recreational programming. Partnerships are available for all of our 2023 events including Thursday Night Concert Series and Concord Community Day! For more information, call 440–639–4652 or email: ssupler@concordtwp.com.

## **Red Cross Blood Drives**

MAY 5 JUNE 30 NOVEMBER 2 DECEMBER 28 10am – 3pm

Save a life & give blood!

CONCORD COMMUNITY CENTER 7671 Auburn Road, Concord

Sign up at www.redcrossblood.org





September 9, 2023 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Town Hall Campus

#### **GUIDELINES FOR SHRED DAY:**

- Must be a Concord Township resident
- Limited to three (3) NON-RETURNABLE letter/legal size boxes no larger than 10Hx18Wx11.5D (one) (1) 13– gallon trash bag equals one (1) letter/legal sized box)
- Magazines and newspapers are not accepted
- Residents are to remain in the car with boxes placed in the trunk for a true "curbside" service
- Residents will not be able to watch their documents be shredded on site as in years past; a copy of certification of destruction available upon request
- Questions call 440–354–7500

## **Concord Community Day**

Saturday, August 12

Town Hall Campus, 7229 Ravenna Rd



#### Fire Department Pancake Breakfast: 8:00-11:00a.m.

Come and enjoy free pancakes cooked by our very own Fire Department!

No registration is required!

#### Bike Safety and Education Program (8:30-9:30 a.m.) plus Family Bike Ride (9:30-10:00 a.m.)

Meet at Jordan Creek Park for an educational program that will have you and your families ready to hit the bike paths. Experienced bike staff will run multiple stations that will include bike safety including helmets and bike checks, how to properly ride a bike such as changing gears and turn signals and test out what you learn! Then join us on a family friendly guided bike ride down the Greenway Corridor! Prizes will be raffled off with winners being announced at the Pancake Breakfast located on Townhall Campus! Pre-registration is encouraged but not required! Call 440-639-4650

Concord Township Parade: 11:15a.m.-12:15p.m.

Everyone loves a Parade! Calling all residents, businesses, HOA's, groups or whoever else might be interested in the triumphant return of the Concord Parade! We hope you will join us this year and help to bring laughter and smiles to our residents. We look forward to celebrating our township we call home.

#### Kids World: 4:00-8:30p.m.

Our newly improved Kid's World will offer the little ones of all ages something to do. The return of the popular Frog Jump, bounce houses, DJ and Karaoke in the gazebo, carnival games, face painters, a live reptile show, and much more!

#### Community Day Events: 4:00-10:00 p.m.

Food trucks, beer and wine sales, music from Blue Evolution and Jersey Beats, basket raffle, craft vendors, and more!



#### Fireworks: 10:00 p.m.

End the nights with our magnificent firework show, weather permitting! \*Schedule is subject to change



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**SEAN SUPLER** joined Concord Township in January of 2023 as Recreation Director. He hails from University Heights and attended St. Ignatius High School. He graduated from Niagara University in New York with a Recreation and Sports



Management degree. Sean spent 17 years at Mayfield Village Recreation Department as their Youth and Adult Sports Coordinator and then Program and Facilities Manager. He and his wife, Kelly, of 8 years have two children - Elouise, 6 and Sonny, 3. When he is not busy with his young family, he loves to cook and is an avid Cleveland sports fan.

In the past few months, Sean has had many positive interactions with the township team. "This team is wonderful. I enjoy working with the trustees and all the township employees. I look forward to getting out into the community now that spring is here and meeting more residents and learning about the wants and needs of the community. The Easter egg hunt at Town Hall was my first event in Concord, and it was a huge success with over 200 children participating. We had substantial support from local businesses. It was an amazing day!" He continued, "I am really excited about our summer concert series that starts on Thursday, June 8. Then Saturday, August 12th, is Concord Community Day. We have added a new activity this year, Bike Safety and Family Ride in conjunction with Lake Metroparks. We will also have Kids' Karaoke! The bands Blue Evolution and Jersey Beats will be featured at the event followed by fireworks. The traditional favorites will be there too like the famous frog jump, face painters and balloon animals, lots of food trucks, beer and wine sales. We hope to see you there!"

"Concord has phenomenal programs for the 55+ group. The pickleball courts are busy and we are in discussions about lighting the courts to extend the playing time. We are also considering the possibility of painting pickleball lines on the Concord Woods tennis courts when we resurface them next." Sean said he will also focus on adding new youth and family programs as well. "We have recently added a Pre-School Learn and Play for families with young children. I look forward to getting feedback, hearing ideas from our residents, and expanding the recreation department."

Reach out and welcome Jim and Sean at their contacts listed in this issue of Grapevine and introduce yourself when you see them at our community events! They look forward to getting to know you.

SEAN SUPLER, RECREATION DIRECTOR, 440-639-4652 SUSIE COBB, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, 440-639-4650 RACHEL LAMB, PROGRAM COORDINATOR, 440-639-4651 TRACY BUTLER, PROGRAM COORDINATOR, 440-639-4822



## Summer 2023 Class Schedule



Classes are held at the Concord Community Center, 7671 Auburn Road, Concord, Ohio 44077 \*unless otherwise noted

> Online registration is free! https://concord.recdesk.com/community/community/home

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

#### **Martial Arts**

Mind & Body Martial Arts utilizes the traditional art of Taekwondo as its base material combined with the circular self-defense style of Hapkido along with the stamina, footwork, and dynamic striking power of American Kickboxing. Uniform and student manual provided upon acceptance into the program with paid tuition. All students must be barefoot and in uniform to attend class. All new students receive their first month of training free of charge! *Instructor: Master Ciro Grandini, 6th Degree Black Belt* 

Dates: Every Tuesday and Thursday

Junior Program: Ages 8-12, 6:00-6:45 p.m.

Adult Program: Ages 13 and above, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**Black Belt Continuing Education Program:** Ages 18 and above: 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Monthly Fees: \$70/Resident, \$75/Non-Resident, \$50/Black Belt

#### **Gentle Yoga, Mornings**

Gentle yoga is hatha yoga performed at a slower pace, with less intense positions, and includes extended time for yogic breath work, and relaxation. This class is all sitting and reclined poses, no standing. Great for all levels. Bring your mat and wear comfortable clothes. *Instructor: Melissa Hopper* **Session 1, Tuesdays:** 9/5-10/24; 9:00-10:15 a.m. **Session 1, Thursdays:** 9/7-10/26; 9:00-10:15 a.m.

Cost: \$75/Resident, \$80/Non-Resident

#### **Chair Yoga**

Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga done sitting on a chair or standing on the ground while using the chair for support. Benefits of chair yoga include improved flexibility, better concentration, and increased strength. Dress in casual, comfortable clothing. All levels welcome! *Instructor: Melissa Hopper* 



**Tuesday, July 18: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday, August 15: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Cost:** \$15/Resident, \$20/Non-Resident per date

#### **Pilates-Yoga Fusion**

Pilates-Yoga Fusion: this fitness system combines the practices of Pilates and Yoga, designed to build strength in the core and improve flexibility and balance. This class is low-impact and no experience is required. Please bring a yoga mat and water. *Instructor: Colleen Stone* 

Session 1, Wednesdays: 5/31-7/26 (no class 6/28) Session 2, Wednesdays: 8/2-9/20 Time: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Cost: \$65/Resident, \$70 Non-Resident

#### **Prenatal Yoga**

#### **Introduction to Prenatal Yoga**

Poses, breath, baby, and you! Enjoy an hour connecting to your baby, heart to heart, while learning the basics of Prenatal Yoga. Prenatal Yoga helps alleviate sciatica, low back pain, heartburn, and breech presentation and gets baby into a favorable position for a straightforward birth. All birth plans welcome! No yoga experience needed! Bring a mama friend (or make new ones!) and a yoga mat (optional-yoga blocks and a blanket). Instructor Jenna Hull has taught prenatal yoga since 2015 and is trained in Spinning Babies, reiki, and rebozo and was a birth doula. DM her on Instagram with questions. *Instructor: Jenna Hull* 

**Dates:** Saturday, June 3, 10:00-11:00 a.m. Saturday, July 8, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 5, 9:00-10:00 a.m. **Cost:** \$18/date

#### **INTRO TO PICKLEBALL**

Come learn the basics of the fastest growing sport! *Instructor: Brian Murphy*  **Location:** Pickleball Courts at Town Hall **Dates: Summer Session:** Saturdays, June 3-24 **Fall Session:** Saturdays, September 9-30 **Time:** 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **Cost:** \$55/Resident,

\$60/Non-Resident per session

#### **MEDICARE**

Getting Started with Medicare Class is all about the basics of Medicare. What Medicare is, the parts of Medicare, what to do and how to enroll. We will go over Medicare Part A, B, and D. We will also discuss the difference between Advantage Plans and Supplements, and the components of a Supplement and Advantage Plan. We will go over what Medicare covers, and what it does not cover, as well as what your financial risk is while being on Original Medicare. This class is for educational purposes only, and is a generalized presentation for you to have a better understanding of Medicare. *Instructor: Laura Mutsko* 

**Dates:** Tuesday, July 11 or Tuesday, October 10 **Times:** 5:30-6:30 p.m. **Cost:** FREE

#### **MAKE & TAKE SOAP CLASSES**

#### **Mother's Day Soap**

Make lasting memories with your mom this Mother's Day by participating in a special Mother/Daughter soap making class! Together, you and your daughter will make two intricately de-



signed soaps each, while learning simple melt and pour glycerin soap techniques. Paint and decorate each soap to your preference and pick fragrances from natural essential oils or phthalate/paraben free fragrance oils. This is a fun activity that the whole family can enjoy together while creating something special for Mom! *Instructor: Joanna Orgovan* 

**Date:** Monday, May 1; 6:00-8:00 p.m. **Cost:** \$50/couple

#### **Cupcake Soaps**

Enjoy a family bonding experience with the kids with a special soap making class! The class is for tweens and up, where each person will create three unique cupcake soaps in fun scents. Learn basic melt and pour glycerin soap crafting techniques as you design and decorate your soaps and select a fragrance, scent, or essential oil to make them truly special. Learn how to "glue" soap toppings to create and extra special cupcake soap. Choose from several different naturally colored micas to custom fit the perfect look for your cupcakes! *Instructor: Joanna Orgovan* 

**Date:** Monday, May 15, 6:00-8:00 p.m. **Cost:** \$30/person

#### **Scented Nail Polish**

Treat yourself and your best friend to a fun and unique nail polish crafting experience! Join us for an evening of combining colors and scents, where you and your bestie will create two unique scented nail polishes. Together, you'll paint and decorate your finger nails, pick your perfect color and fragrance, then use simple stirring techniques to craft alluring polishes. All ingredients are 15-FREE, detergent, dye and phthalate/paraben free! *Instructor: Joanna Orgovan* 

**Date:** Monday, June 12, 6:00-8:00 p.m. **Cost:** \$30/person

#### **Summer Bug Soaps**

Come join us in making some adorable Summer Bug Soaps including lady bugs, fireflies, bees and more! These little guys will be a fun addition to your bathroom and a great way to stay in the summer spirit! We will be using silicone molds to make our soaps, so no worries about them sticking! We will have a variety of fragrances to choose from, as well as a variety of colors. You can even mix and match to create your perfect bug! And don't forget, these soaps are chemical and detergent free, so you can feel good about using them! Ages 5 and up welcome! *Instructor: Joanna Orgovan* 

**Date:** Monday, July 17, 6:00-8:00 p.m. **Cost:** \$30/person

#### **Flower Soaps**

Come join us in making your very own Flower Soaps! These adorable little soaps will be a fun addition to your summertime bath and shower routine. You will get to choose your own fragrances and colors and learn some simple melt and pour glycerin soap techniques in the process. Soap base is chemical and detergent free, and micas are dye free. Choose fragrances from natural essential oils or phthalate/paraben free fragrance oils that will bring the essence of a real flower bouquet to your bath time routine. Ages 5 and up welcome! *Instructor: Joanna Orgovan* 

Date: Monday, August 14, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30/person

#### **STAINED GLASS CLASSES**

#### **Humming Bird**

Learn how to make a stained glass humming bird. The instructor brings tools, glass, safety equipment and her knowledge. Just bring



yourself and your creativity! Learn how to cut glass, and assemble a glass humming bird sun catcher with colors you select. No experience necessary. Be sure to dress comfortably, no sandals or open toed shoes. Not recommended for pregnant women due to the chemicals used. Limited to 6 participants, 16 years and older. *Instructor: Vicki Vesel* 

Dates: Wednesdays, July 5-August 2; 6:30-9:00 p.m.

**Cost:** \$75/Resident, \$80/Non-Resident, plus \$20 material fee paid to instructor

#### **Holiday Sun Catcher**

Make a beautiful holiday stained glass sun catcher to brighten your winter window. This is a great first time project with stained glass art...no experience needed! The instructor brings all tools, glass, safety equipment and her knowledge and you bring yourself and your creativity. Learn how to cut glass, and assemble a sun catcher with glass colors you select. Be sure to dress comfortably, no sandals or open toed shoes. Not recommended for pregnant women due to the chemicals used. Class is limited to 6 participants. *Instructor: Vicki Vesel* 

**Dates:** Wednesdays, September 20-October 18; 6:30-9:00 p.m. **Cost:** \$75/Resident, \$80/Non-Resident, plus \$20 material fee paid to instructor

#### LET'S COOK... HANDS ON COOKING CLASSES

#### **Chickpea Tinga Tacos**

Join LaDonna from *Let's Cook*, where as the chef, you will learn to prepare Chickpea Tinga Tacos. In this hands-on class, participants will prepare their own chickpeas in a spicy tomato and chipotle sauce with onions and seasonings to enjoy as a delicious taco filling. Don't worry though, all participants have the ability to choose their spice level. Make sure to bring containers for your leftovers! *Instructor: LaDonna Oltmanns* **Date:** Thursday, June 15, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$27/person, Min/Max: 4/8

#### Portobello Steaks with Avocado Chimichurri

Looking for a great meatless alternative for grilling this summer? Then this is the class you need to be at. Join us as LaDonna from *Let's Cook* brings in her mobile kitchens and teaches participants, hands on, how to make these rich, marinated portobello mushroom steaks paired with a spicy avocado chimichurri sauce that will be sure to add a kick to your summer. Make sure to bring a container for your leftovers! *Instructor: LaDonna Oltmanns* 

**Date:** Thursday, July 20, 6:00-8:00 p.m. **Cost:** \$27/person, **Min/Max:** 4/8

#### Ratatouille

Gardens are overflowing with veggies and in this class we are going to use



them. Join chef LaDonna from *Let's Cook* for this hands-on class and learn to prepare what could easily become a new fall favorite. We will be using eggplant, zucchini, tomato, onions and peppers to create the classic low carb, low calorie French vegetable dish Ratatouille. The best part about this ratatouille is that it can be served hot or cold, and your leftovers can be frozen for later. *Instructor: LaDonna Oltmanns* 

Date: Thursday, September 21, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Cost: \$27/person, Min/Max: 4/8

#### **Demo Class...Air Fryer 101**

Do you have an air fryer but still haven't figured out how to use it? Then this is the demonstration you went to get in on. Join us as LaDonna from *Let's Cook* brings in the air fryers and teaches attendees how to put those air fryer fears behind us. During this demo, attendees will learn the ins and outs of how to use the air fryer, while LaDonna demonstrates how to make 5 different dishes that everyone will taste. *Instructor: LaDonna Oltmanns* 

**Date:** Thursday, August 24, 6:00-8:00 p.m. **Cost:** \$15/person, **Min/Max:** 10/20

## YOUTH PROGRAMS ROOKIE SPORTS CLUB PROGRAMS T-ball (Ages 3-4)



Rookie T-Ball is a great introduction to the game of baseball for young children. Using age-appropriate activities, players will be introduced to baseball fundamentals in a fun and supportive atmosphere. Each week the program will include an instructional portion including batting, base running, fielding, throwing, and catching. A modified game will be played each week. Parent

participation is strongly encouraged to allow the program to run smoother. Children should bring their own glove.

**Dates:** Tuesdays, June 13-July 11, 5:30-6:15 p.m.

Cost: \$70, Min/Max: 12/24

#### Coach Pitch Baseball (Ages 5-6)

This program is a great introduction to coach-pitch baseball for young baseball players. The instructional portion of the program utilizes developmentally appropriate drills with modifications and/or progressions designed to help every child improve their baseball skills despite their current abilities. Skills taught will include batting, fielding, throwing, and catching. A modified, non-competitive game will be played each week. As the weeks progress, new aspects of the game/ game scenarios will be added to allow children to learn within the game if they are having difficulty hitting a pitched ball. Parent participation is encouraged to allow the program to run smoother. Children should bring their own glove.

**Dates:** Tuesdays, June 13-July 11, 6:30-7:15 p.m. **Cost:** \$70, **Min/Max:** 12/24

#### Soccer (Ages 3-4 & 5-6)

Rookie Sports Club leads an age-appropriate program that utilizes fun games and activities to teach the fundamentals to begin-

ning soccer players. Coaches focus on teaching the basics of dribbling, passing, scoring, and the concept of game play. Proper sportsmanship is emphasized in a positive and encouraging atmosphere enabling children to enjoy learning soccer while also having fun being physically active. Each week will in-



clude both developmentally appropriate instruction as well as recreational, non-competitive game play.

**Dates:** Tuesdays, September 12-October 10, 5:30-6:15 p.m. (ages 3-4); 6:30-7:15 p.m. (ages 5-6) **Cost:** \$70, **Min:** 12/24

#### **TENNIS CAMPS**

#### Tennis Tots (Ages 5-6)

Designed for all players interested in learning the game of tennis using age appropriate equipment. The structure consists of warmup activity, a physical skill, a review of physical skills, development of a new skill, and a team game or activity! Please bring a pee wee tennis racquet and water to each class. Your child should wear tennis shoes and loose, comfortable clothing. Note: due to medical reason, Coach Paul Engel is unable to teach this summer. *Instructor: Joe Morgan, May-field Boys Varsity and Mentor Girls Varsity Tennis Coach* 

Location: Concord Hills Park

Session 1: June 28-30

Session 2: July 19-21

Time: 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$40/Resident, \$45/Non-Resident per Session

#### **Tennis Superstars (Ages 7–10)**

Designed for all players interested in learning the game of tennis using age appropriate equipment. The structure consists of warmup activity, a physical skill, a review of physical skills, development of a new skill, and a team game or activity! Please bring a pee wee tennis racquet and water to each class. Your child should wear tennis shoes and loose, comfortable clothing. Note: due to medical reason, Coach Paul Engel is unable to teach this summer. *Instructor: Joe Morgan, May-field Boys Varsity and Mentor Girls Varsity Tennis Coach* 

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#### PRESCHOOL

#### **Preschool Learn & Play**

Get ready to learn, play, explore, and move! Our participants will have fun engaging in activities related to art, movement, language, math, and science. Join us as we help your little one gain confidence, expand fine and gross motor skills, and socialize with classmates while having fun through individual and group activities. Limited participants per session: 10

Spring Session 2: Tuesdays, May 9-23

Fall Session 1: Tuesdays, September 12-26

Fall Session 2: Tuesdays, October 10-24

Time: 10:45-11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$24/Resident, \$30/Non-Resident per Session

#### **SENIOR PROGRAMS**

\*All Senior Programs & Socials listed below take place at Concord Community Center (7671 Auburn Road), on Wednesdays starting at 1:00 p.m., and are free of charge unless otherwise noted.

\**Pre-registration is required for all programs. Call 440-639-4650 to register!* 

#### WATERCOLOR CRAFT

Join Recreation Staff for this pen & ink watercolor medium craft that will be turned into a greeting card! Date: May 10

#### BINGO

Test your luck each month during our themed Bingo games! **Dates:** 

May 24 (Spring) June 28 (Patriotic) July 26 (Summer) August 16 (Concord – wear purple!) September 27 (Oktoberfest)



PRESENTATIONS WITH PIZZAZZ

#### **The Adventures of President Eisenhower**

Join Susan Cannavino as she examines President Eisenhower's life as one of duty, sacrifice, ambition -and, yes, passion. You will be intrigued by his relationships. As a bonus, you

will enjoy some hilarious stories of Mamie in The White House. It is also the anniversary of D-Day.



Date: June 7

#### **Famous People from Ohio: Part 1**

Susan Cannavino's presentations on Bob Hope, Doris Day and Annie Oakley. Please join her for a glimpse into each of their personal lives. This presentation is just the tip of the iceberg-but boy what a tip!

Date: July 5

#### **Famous People from Ohio: Part 2**

The continuation of Famous People from Ohio as Susan Cannavino examines the lives of Bob Hope, Doris Day, and Annie Oakley!

Date: September 20

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

#### **Reenactment of Battle of Normandy**

Join us as we welcome experienced WWII reenactor, Peter Booth, as he brings the Normandy Invasion alive for an hour. Peter will also bring his own personal memorabilia from his parents' collection, who were both WWII veterans. **Date:** June 14

**Pain Free Living** 

Are you looking for relief from pain? There are alternatives to taking acetaminophen or other over the counter drugs. Come to learn how certain exercises, food choices and small changes in daily activities can help alleviate your discomfort with Wellness Coach, Karen Martin.

Date: June 21

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#### Fruits and Veggies: **Color Yourself Healthy!**

Presented by Barb Bandagski from My Medicare Network as she examines the role that fruits and veggies play in living a healthy lifestyle. Adding more colorful fruits and veggies will brighten



your day, and help you live a longer and a more "fruitful" life! Date: July 12

#### **Benefits of Council on Aging**

Do you know the benefits available to the senior population in Lake County? This is your chance to hear from the Council on Aging and what services they offer to seniors. Date: July 19

#### **Dementia Conversations**

When someone is showing signs of dementia, it's time to talk. Often, conversations with family about changing behaviors can be challenging and uncomfortable. This program provides tips for breaking the ice with your family so you can address some of the most common issues that are difficult to discuss: going to the doctor for a diagnosis or medical treatment, deciding when to stop driving, and making legal and financial plans for future care. Presented by the Alzheimer's Association.

Date: August 2

#### **Fraud and Identity Theft Prevention**

Join Lake County Treasurer, Michael Zuren, as he discusses the increase in fraud and identity theft methods and what you should be looking out for to avoid these scams. This informative presentation is one you certainly do not want to miss! Date: August 23

#### **Medicare Open Enrollment Talk**

Join Allie Heinz from Lake County Council on Aging to discuss Medicare enrollment options. Date: September 6

#### **Fall Prevention**

Join Chardon Healthcare on this informative session on ways to help keep you upright on your feet! Date: September 13

#### **SENIOR CITIZEN APPRECIATION CELEBRATION!**

Concord Township Recreation Department wants to show our appreciation for our 55+ friends. Stop by for this "Back to School" themed giveaway!

Date: August 30





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FAKE PILLS FACT SHEET

## ONE PILL CAN KILL...

The Fentanyl Crisis and Its Impact on Lake County

At the end of January the Lake County Sheriff's Office participated with the FBI Cleveland Cartel Gang Narcotics and Laundering Task Force in a series of raids that seized 40 kilo-

grams, or 88 pounds, of suspected fentanyl and other drugs. The FBI reported "The net amount of fentanyl seized in the operation "would be enough to kill 20 million people and is valued at \$5.2 million". I believe it is critical for our Lake County residents to understand that these drugs are coming from the cartels that are pushing drugs across our southern border. These drugs are coming through Lake County and are being dispersed throughout northeast Ohio. Further, it should be noted that a significant amount of high-powered guns were also taken in these raids.

Prosecutor Charles Coulson and I have spoken repeatedly on the impacts of such crime on our criminal justice system and the need to enhance our ability to address such threats on the safety and security of our County. I urge our residents:

- If you see something, say something. If you see homes where all sorts of people and vehicles people come and go frequently, and you do not know them as residents, tell your local police and make them aware. The more eyes and ears we have in our community the better we can assess the criminal element infecting our community.
- Understand the drugs coming into our area are not prepared by doctors. They are packaged quickly. Some pills have a little fentanyl and others are purely fentanyl and will kill you. Using drugs today is like playing Russian Roulette with your life. Tell your friends and family of the lethal dangers of using such drugs.

We are in an unprecedented time in the United States and Lake County. Federal, state and local law enforcement are seeing a substantial increase in the use and possession of illegal substances, particularly fentanyl. Traffickers and cartels are in Lake County and are forever looking to increase their business and profits in the drug market. They are now, more than ever, using innovative ways to disguise illegal narcotics to deceive not only law enforcement, but the victims that they prey upon, who purchase their products. One important step in our aggressive battle against illegal narcotics is to educate the public about the dangers of this matter and what they/you need to look for in an effort to prevent a future tragedy. Below are some informational sheets specific to fentanyl along with some examples of ways this material is being disguised to avoid being detected.



Sheriff Frank Leonbruno Lake County Sheriff's Office



FAKE

Fentanyl use can cause confusion, drowsiness, dizziness, nausea, vomiting, changes in pupil size, cold and clammy skin, coma, and respiratory failure leading to death.

 Why is fentanyl so dangerous?
DEA lab testing reveals that six out of every ten fake pills with fentanyl cont potentially lethal dose.

What are the physical and mental effects of fentanyl?

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