

# FAIRFIELD

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RECREATION



UPCOMING

Events

NOVEMBER

Date	Day	Time	Event	Location
Nov 1	W	4 - 6:30 pm	Fairfield Farmers Market	Community Arts Center
Nov 4	S	All Day	Fall RASKALS	Fairfield
Nov 10	F	7:30 pm	Fairfield Footlighters: <i>Amateurs</i>	Community Arts Center
Nov 11	S	2 & 7:30 pm	Fairfield Footlighters: <i>Amateurs</i>	Community Arts Center
Nov 12	Su	2 pm	Fairfield Footlighters: <i>Amateurs</i>	Community Arts Center
Nov 15	W	4 - 6:30 am	Fairfield Farmers Market	Community Arts Center
Nov 17	F	8 pm	TAKE3	Community Arts Center
Nov 18	S	10 - 11:30 am	Nature Program: Scavenger Hunt	Harbin Park
Nov 18	S	5 - 7 pm	Festival of Trees	Village Green Park
Nov 18	S	5 pm	Penguin Meet & Greet	Community Arts Center
Nov 18	S	6 pm	Parade of Lights	Waterworks Park to Village Green
Nov 20	M	2 - 6 pm	Community Blood Drive	Fairfield Fire Dept., 375 Nilles Rd.

DECEMBER

Date	Day	Time	Event	Location
Dec 1	F		Christmas Light Contest Kick Off	Your Place!
Dec 1	F	7 pm	MVBT's Nutcracker	Community Arts Center
Dec 2	S	2 pm & 7 pm	MVBT's Nutcracker	Community Arts Center
Dec 3	Su	1 - 4 pm	Christmas at the Mansion	Elisha Morgan Mansion
Dec 3	Su	2 pm	MVBT's Nutcracker	Community Arts Center
Dec 6	W	4 - 6:30 pm	Fairfield Farmers Market	Community Arts Center
Dec 8	F	7 pm	MVBT's Nutcracker	Community Arts Center
Dec 9	S	2 pm & 7 pm	MVBT's Nutcracker	Community Arts Center
Dec 10	Su	2 pm	MVBT's Nutcracker	Community Arts Center
Dec 16	S	10 - 11:30 am	Nature Program: Surviving Winter	Harbin Park



THANKS to our volunteers

The City of Fairfield would like to thank all of the volunteers listed below for their service between July 1 - August 31, 2023!

**55+ Activities:** Donna Hart, Linda Olsen, Ann Otten, Luann Schwieterman

**Adopt-A-Roadway:** Paragon Optimist Club

**Courts:** Marian Tepe

**Mail Couriers:** Bill Biddinger, Diane Landi, Darvin Mueller, Walt Stubenvoll, Scott Wood

**Park Ambassadors:** Rob Bruner, Kim Kent, Debbie Rinaldo, Terry White

**Police Fleet:** Matt Becknell, Joe Luebbe, Kathy Scalf

**Preschool:** Marcy Martin

**Ushers:** Isaak Kemp



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like to get involved, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 513-867-5348.

**Theatre Ushers** – The usher’s primary responsibility is to insure the safety and comfort of all Fairfield Community Arts Center patrons during theatre performances. These volunteers interact with the public and provide a valuable service to theatre patrons at the CAC. Ushers also get to see theatrical events at no cost.

**Park Ambassadors** – Help document maintenance needs, report acts of vandalism, interact with park users, promote park safety, and encourage an overall positive use of our public parks.

FAIRFIELD

Welcome New Employees



Kayla Dorsey

Dispatcher



Tre Foster

Police Officer



Sean Loy

Firefighter



Kaitlyn Pennekamp

Police Officer



Joshua Szewc

Operations Maintenance Worker



Ashley Williams

Dispatcher



# FAIRFIELD Flyer



Action figures on display at The Toy Department.

## ANNUAL LEAF COLLECTION

Fairfield's annual leaf collection is scheduled to begin Monday, November 6, 2023. This program provides free leaf collection services to residents who place leaves in rows or piles between the curb and sidewalk or adjacent to the street in areas not having curbs and sidewalks.

Residents are advised not to place leaves in the street, as gutters and storm sewers can become blocked and cause localized flooding during moderate to heavy rainfall. Please help make the collection program run as smoothly as possible by raking your leaves between the curb and sidewalk, or in areas without curb, adjacent to the street. Also, please do not park in front of or near the piles between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. as the trucks/equipment cannot reach them, those piles will be left until the next scheduled collection week.

For the safety of our workers and the equipment, we also ask that residents not place grass clippings, sticks, or brush in with leaves.

### CREWS WILL COLLECT LEAVES ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED SCHEDULE:

#### STREETS WEST OF PLEASANT AVENUE:

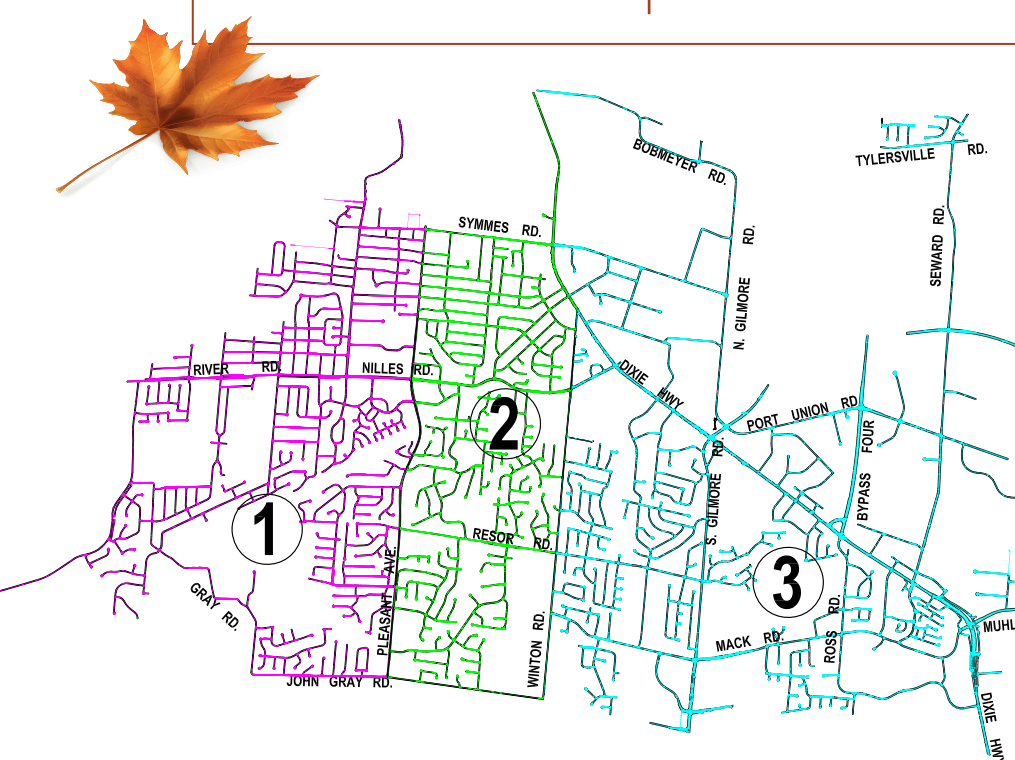
November 6 thru November 10  
November 27 thru December 1  
December 18 thru December 22

#### STREETS BETWEEN PLEASANT AVENUE AND WINTON ROAD:

November 13 thru November 17  
December 4 thru December 8  
December 25 thru December 29

#### STREETS EAST OF WINTON ROAD:

November 20 thru November 24  
December 11 thru December 15  
January 1 thru January 5



Depending on weather and volume of leaves, crews may run a little bit behind schedule from time to time, but please have leaves raked to the curbside by the posted dates.

Notifications to residents will be provided with residents' utility bills, through social media, and on the City Website, <https://www.fairfield-city.org/434/Leaf-Collection>.

Residents who have a small amount of leaves, or who do not wish to participate in the program, may find it more convenient to bag their leaves and place them curbside for pick-up on the regular trash collection day.

## ROUTE 4 TOY STORY

The first five years of business for The Toy Department have been a story of constant growth. The shop opened in a small storefront within Diplomat Village in early 2018, and relocated to a larger storefront in the same plaza just two years later. Earlier this year, the store made yet a third move to 5960 Dixie Highway, the former Queen City Harley Davidson dealership. With more than 7,000 square feet of showroom and a 20,000 square foot warehouse, the shop is one of the largest vintage toy retailers in the Midwest.

The Toy Department sells toys from the 1960s through today, including GI Joe, Star Wars, Transformers, X-Men, Star Trek, Barbies, Legos, MLB starting lineups, and much more. Approximately 98% of the store's products are secondhand and purchased from collectors or estates, although some new toys are stocked.

The store is unique in that it does not ship its products. Toy collectors across the country follow the shop on Instagram, and it is not uncommon for a collector to travel from another state or country to make a purchase.



## DSG-CANUSA

### DSG-CANUSA COMING TO FAIRFIELD

More than 60 new manufacturing jobs are coming to Fairfield with the recent announcement of DSG-Canusa committing to occupy Building V at Fairfield Commerce Park. The company, a division of Mattr US Inc., is a manufacturer of integrated heat-shrink & cold-shrink tubing for industrial applications and serves a diverse set of markets, including automotive, electrical and utility, renewables, communications, aerospace and defense, and transportation. The new location will consolidate and expand operations currently located in Toronto, Ontario and Loveland, Ohio.

Fairfield Commerce Park is a five-building speculative business park located on nearly 140 acres along Seward Road. Development of the park began in 2020 following the acquisition of the former Liberty Mutual/Ohio Casualty campus by Ambrose Property Group. The completed development boasts 1.6 million square feet of Class A industrial space. All five buildings at the park are fully-leased, housing nine companies and hundreds of new jobs.



## CASSANO'S PIZZA KING HONORED

One of the City's oldest operating businesses was recently honored during a milestone ownership transition. Cassano's Pizza King opened on December 3, 1965 at 4761 Dixie Highway in what was then known as the Hicks Manor Shopping Center. The shop was the 27th location in the Cassano's chain that grew to American pizza dominance in the 1970s with locations throughout the country.

Today, the Fairfield location is one of only a few remaining independent franchises of Cassano's. The restaurant is located at the same address, although the surrounding shopping center has been significantly renovated and renamed to Cornerstone Plaza.

For more than 40 years, the Fairfield location was owned by Elaine Hill and her family. At the beginning of September, Mrs. Hill sold the restaurant to Katie Dixon and began a well-earned retirement. Fairfield City Council recognized the business with a special proclamation presented at the September 11th council meeting. Later that week, officials from the City and the Fairfield Chamber gathered at the restaurant for a royal ribbon cutting to rededicate this Fairfield institution.



**LAEL'S HANDS**  
DAYCARE

Congratulations to  
Lael's Hands Daycare, a new daycare  
located at 640 Wessel Drive.



**Sport Clips**  
Congratulations to  
Sport Clips, which opened  
this past summer  
within Village Green.



## Energy Aggregation Issues to Appear on November 7 Ballot in Fairfield – Here's What You Need to Know!

Fairfield City Council has decided to place energy aggregation issues on the November 7, 2023 ballot. Two separate issues will be placed on the ballot: one for natural gas and one for electric. If these issues pass, the City of Fairfield will register to become a certified aggregator with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO). This will allow city officials to negotiate utility rates for the electric and natural gas use for residents and small businesses that use Duke Energy Ohio.

City Council is committed to finding ways to stabilize utility costs for residents. Energy aggregation is a tool that local governments can use to give residents another option for the purchase of energy.

### What is an Energy Aggregation Program?

Community electric and natural gas aggregation programs combine the residential and small business purchasing power of a larger "aggregated" group in pursuit of lowering and stabilizing energy prices.

### Why are these Issues on the November 7 Ballot?

Electric and natural gas aggregation issues appear on the ballot by law. Voters must approve these issues prior to implementation of any program.

### What does my YES vote mean?

A YES vote will allow City Council to complete the certification process through the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) and start the process to determine if electric and natural gas aggregation programs are a beneficial option to residents and small businesses.

### What does a NO vote do?

A NO vote will not allow the City Council to explore the option of energy aggregation.

### Will I save money on my utility bill?

The programs are designed to stabilize energy prices and save money. They provide security against volatile energy markets. Savings is always a priority but cannot be guaranteed. In most case, residents will see a reduction in energy costs.

### Will I have a separate bill?

No. You'll continue to get a single bill from Duke Energy.

### If this passes, am I required to be in the program?

No, you will be able to participate if you wish, but can enter or leave the program at any time without any fees.

### My electric is with Butler Rural Electric Cooperative, can I participate in the program?

No, only Ohio customers with an investor-owned utility (i.e. Duke Energy) are allowed to shop their electric rates.

### How can I get more information about this topic?

Contact Energy Alliances, the City's aggregation consultant, at:

Phone: 513-794-5555

Email: [ops@energyalliances.com](mailto:ops@energyalliances.com) | Chat: <https://energyalliances.com>



## Disposal of Furniture

From time to time, everyone has to get rid of old or unwanted furniture. Small items are generally easy to deal with, but larger pieces of furniture can be more difficult. Fortunately, Fairfield residents have several options to dispose of these larger items.

If the pieces are in good shape, you can consider selling them (yard sale or online) or donating them to a charitable organization. There are also haul-away services that will come to your home to remove items, generally for a fee.

Rumpke, the City’s contracted curbside garbage removal company, also can remove larger items if the proper steps are followed.



**PROPERTY MAINTENANCE  
HOTLINE**  
513-867-5321 or email  
[PropertyMaintenance@FairfieldOH.gov](mailto:PropertyMaintenance@FairfieldOH.gov)

1. All upholstered, cloth, vinyl or leather-covered furniture pieces or mattresses/box springs must be completely wrapped in plastic before Rumpke drivers will take them. The purpose of the plastic wrap is to limit the spread of insects like bed bugs. Wood or plastic items do not need to be wrapped in plastic.
2. It is required that you notify Rumpke at least 48 hours before you place these items out with your regular garbage and recycling, as they often are too large for the standard truck to accommodate. You can contact Rumpke to schedule this at: <https://www.rumpke.com/contact-us/request-service>
3. You should place the items at the curb the evening before your scheduled pick up day. It is a violation of City ordinances to put items out earlier. If proper procedures are not followed and the items are not able to be picked up, owners should promptly remove the items from the curb and put them back in their house or garage. It is an unsanitary nuisance to the neighborhood to leave the items at the curb for days and weeks.

## Utility Billing QR Code Information

Our new QR code makes paying your Fairfield utility bill easier than ever before.

Simply scan the QR code with a smart phone or tablet to access Fairfield Utilities Invoice Cloud portal.

Enter your name and customer ID, then click, search invoices, enter payment information, and you’re all done!

The Invoice Cloud portal will save your login information so the next time you scan the QR code it will take you directly to your bill.

Pick up a QR code magnet in the Utility Billing Office or scan the code to the right.

**It’s just that simple.**



## Remembering Police K9 Koda

On August 14, 2023 the Fairfield Police Department suddenly and unexpectedly lost Police K9 Koda after he was diagnosed with an inoperable tumor. Koda has served as an invaluable member of the Fairfield Police Department since August of 2014.

For the last 9 years, Koda has worked alongside his handler, Officer John Vinskey. Officer Vinskey and Koda have been assigned to third shift for all 9 years and together, the duo made a formidable team that were a valuable asset in many areas of police work. The team was able to assist with the apprehension of subjects, drug detection and article retrieval. Fairfield Police Department along with surrounding law enforcement agencies, that would request assistance, were grateful for their services. Fairfield and local communities were safer as a result of Koda’s service.

During his time serving on the department, Koda was very productive and an essential element to many investigations. Koda was used for drug sniffs, article searches, tracking wanted suspects as well as missing people. Over his career, Koda recorded 17 offender apprehensions by bite. He conducted 123 tracks with an average success ratio of 34%. Koda conducted over 300 drug sniffs on vehicles, which often resulted in the discovery of illegal narcotics and contraband.



*Just like every dog that is loved by their owner, Koda has left memories on the hearts of the men and women of this department. Although he is gone, every time Officer Vinskey harnesses up his new partner and officers begin calling out their perimeter locations, Koda will be along for the track in spirit.*

The men and women of the department knew Koda as intense but wild, highly energetic but focused when it was “time to work”, extremely confident and determined. Nobody knew Koda better than Officer Vinskey, whose intimate knowledge of Koda’s personality and tendencies allowed them to function as one unit. Officer Vinskey had this to say about his partner of 9 years. “Koda was truly a joy to be around, even until the end. Koda never lost his spirit”.

When asked about a favorite on-duty memory, Officer Vinskey recalled a call for service where Koda was able to assist a neighboring jurisdiction with a track following a shooting. During the track, Koda was able to determine which residence the offender fled into. He also located and dug up the firearm used in the shooting, which had been buried and hidden under a bicycle. Officer Vinskey said he will forever miss the ear kisses through the pass through of his cruiser while patrolling.

While the officers Koda served with knew Koda the working dog, Officer Vinskey and his family got to know and love Koda, the family dog. At home, Koda was playful, loving, and gentle. When the family adopted a kitten (Callie), Koda and Callie immediately became best friends. Despite Koda’s usually rambunctious and aggressive play, he was very gentle with Callie. Koda loved showing his affection with lots of kisses and would not miss an opportunity for bedtime cuddles.

This fall, Officer Vinskey will once again begin patrolling alongside a young, energetic, puppy-like K9. As K9 and officer get to know one another, one thing will be for certain - the memories and lessons Officer Vinskey and Koda taught one another will undoubtedly benefit Officer Vinskey’s new partner, Kozmo.





# COMING DECEMBER 2023!

## A NEW VILLAGE GREEN PLAYGROUND

We are excited to have started construction on a new playground in Village Green Park to replace the original structure that for 23 years has been used by thousands of children and families over the years.

The new playground will include an artificial surface, interactive features such as a crab trap-rope, Alpha Tower, slides, bridge, chime path, an accessible merry-go-round, and areas specifically aimed at 2-5 and 6-12 year-olds.

The removal of the rarely used gazebos will allow a tripling in size of the play area and create space for shaded sitting areas.

We look forward to welcoming you and your family to our newest attraction!



5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
**PARADE of LIGHTS**  
Saturday, Nov. 18

**CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAY SEASON!**

**5 p.m.** Holiday Shop, Performances & Activities at Village Green Park and the Fairfield Community Arts Center.

**6 p.m.** Parade steps off from Waterworks Park and ends at Village Green

**NEW!**  
Meet and Greet with a penguin from Newport Aquarium! 5 - 5:45 pm at the Fairfield Community Arts Center.

**Be Part of the Fun!**  
To be a parade participant or a crafter at the event, visit our website at [bit.ly/FairfieldPOL](https://bit.ly/FairfieldPOL).



## Festival of Trees



**Gallery Opening Event**  
Saturday, Nov. 18 | 5 - 7pm  
Community Arts Center

Stroll through our indoor forest of decorated trees to kick off the holiday season.

Trees are sponsored by local businesses and organizations, which compete to have the best decorated tree, as voted on by the community.

After the exhibit, decorated trees are then donated to local families in need of a Christmas tree.

Decorated trees will be on display in the Art Gallery of the Community Arts Center November 18 – December 18.


**SPONSOR A TREE!**  
This is a great way to creatively advertise your business for an entire month.  
Sign up at <https://form.jotform.com/231905078101145>

## The Giving Tree

Help us and the Salvation Army give local children very merry Christmas!

The Giving Tree will be in the lobby of the Community Arts Center beginning Saturday, Nov. 18. Take a tag and make a local child's Christmas special with the gift of a new coat, toys or other needs.

All gifts need to be returned to the Community Arts Center by Friday, Dec. 15.



## North Pole AIRMAIL EXPRESS SERVICE

**DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A LETTER FOR SANTA?**  
Drop it off at the North Pole Mailbox, located in the lobby of the Community Arts Center, by December 19.  
Per Santa's request, include a stamped, self-addressed envelope so he can reply personally to each child!



# Christmas at THE MANSION

Sunday, Dec. 3 | 1 - 4 p.m.  
Elisha Morgan Mansion  
Gilbert Farms Park  
6181 Ross Rd.

Decorated with traditional Victorian  
Christmas décor & crafts, Christmas at the Mansion  
is a great time to explore this treasured historic landmark

Brought to you by:  
Four Seasons Garden Club | Friends of Elisha Morgan  
Fairfield Historical Society

## Kid's Festival of Trees



Pick up a coloring sheet at the Fairfield Community Arts Center starting on October 26th. Decorate your Christmas tree and help us create a "Kid's Festival of Trees" for our lobby. Get creative! When you finish, drop off your tree at the Fairfield Community Arts Center by November 15th. It will be displayed in the lobby during the Parade of Lights and Festival of Trees opening on November 18th. Pictures can be picked up on November 20th at the front desk. Please make sure to put your name and email address on your picture.

For ages 12 and under.

## BEDTIME STORIES WITH SANTA



### RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

Children can come in their pajamas to listen to one of Santa's helpers read one of Santa's favorite stories. Time is allowed for photo opportunities with Santa and for children to tell Santa what they want for Christmas. Don't forget to bring your letter to Santa, as they can be dropped off in our special North Pole mailbox! Include a stamped, self-addressed envelope and the child's name on the letter so Santa can send a letter back.

*Registration is required, call 513-867-5348. Please bring at least two non-perishable items (please check expiration dates) for each child registered. Items will be donated to the Fairfield Food Pantry.*

**TUESDAY, DEC. 5**

**WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6**

6 - 6:30 p.m. | 6:45 - 7:15 p.m. | 7:30 - 8 p.m.

Community Arts Center Art Gallery  
Donation to Fairfield Food Pantry

## CHRISTMAS LIGHT CONTEST

**Are you a Clark Griswold in training?  
SHOW US YOUR LIGHTS!**

Send us a picture between Dec. 1 and Dec. 8 of your house lit up for Christmas and we'll post the picture on the Fairfield Parks' Facebook page from December 11 - 15.

The picture that receives the most "likes" by noon on the 15th will be the winner and can pick up a small prize at the Fairfield Community Arts Center.

You can also add your address for people to come and see it in person if you choose - just include it in your email. We can't wait to see your holiday spirit!

Email pictures to [aosborne@fairfieldoh.gov](mailto:aosborne@fairfieldoh.gov) by  
December 8th to be included.  
Please send only one picture per house.



### PAJAMAS & PIZZA

INSTRUCTOR: Jen Combs

Kids come in their pajamas and enjoy pizza. Activities include cookie decorating and making Christmas crafts along with other activities.

**Ages: 4 - 12**

**Date: Friday, Dec. 8**

**Time: 6 - 9 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Children's Room**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$40/\$45**

### SHOP TILL YOU DROP - NEW

INSTRUCTOR: Jen Combs

Need some time to get some shopping or wrapping done without little eyes watching, then drop them off to us. We will keep them busy with lots of holiday activities. Please bring a snack and water bottle.

**Ages: 4 - 12**

**Date: Saturday, Dec. 16**

**Time: 1 - 4 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Children's Room**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$40/\$45**



### PRESCHOOL ORNAMENT - NEW

INSTRUCTOR: Jen Combs

Enjoy making a kid-friendly ornament to help build fine motor skills. An adult must stay with the child to assist.

**Ages: 3 - 6**

**Date: Monday, Dec. 18**

**Time: 6 - 8 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Children's Room**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$25/\$30**



### CRAFTING WITH AN ADULT - NEW

INSTRUCTOR: Jen Combs

Together, with an adult, you will craft an ornament that you can enjoy for years to come.

**Ages: 6 - 16**

**Date: Wednesday, Dec. 20**

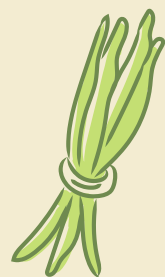
**Time: 6 - 8 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Children's Room**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$25/\$30**





# Fairfield Farmers Market

## MOVING INDOORS!

NOVEMBER 1 | NOVEMBER 15 | DECEMBER 6

4 - 6:30 PM INSIDE THE  
FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER  
411 WESSEL DR.

[WWW.FAIRFIELDOH.GOV/FARMERSMARKET](http://WWW.FAIRFIELDOH.GOV/FARMERSMARKET)



WHERE ROCK MEETS BACH

FRIDAY, NOV 17 | 8PM  
CAFÉ: \$35 | STADIUM: \$32

WINE, WOMEN & SONG SERIES  
COMPLIMENTARY HORS D'OEUVRES INCLUDED. CASH BAR OPENS AT 7PM.  
CAFÉ SEATS ARE AT TABLES ON STAGE WITH THE PERFORMER.

Fairfield  
CommunityArts  
Center

TICKETS: 513-867-5348 OR [WWW.FAIRFIELDOH.GOV/TICKETS](http://WWW.FAIRFIELDOH.GOV/TICKETS)

A MINI-TRANS SIBERIAN ORCHESTRA EXPERIENCE,  
TAKE3 EXHILARATES & ELECTRIFIES AUDIENCES  
WITH THEIR FUSION OF POP, ROCK & CLASSICAL.

An Hour of  
Your Life Can  
Save the Rest  
of Someone  
Else's

## Community Blood Drive

Monday, Nov. 20 | 2 - 6 pm

Fairfield Fire Department  
375 Nilles Rd.

SCHEDULE A TIME TO DONATE:  
[www.DonorTime.com](http://www.DonorTime.com) (Sponsor #193)  
Call 1-800-388-GIVE  
Scan the QR Code



## FALL RASKALS

(Random Acts of Simple Kindness Affecting Local Seniors)

Saturday, Nov. 4 | 9 am – 1 pm

For some seniors, fall maintenance can be overwhelming. Community volunteers will be lending a hand to help some local seniors keep up.

RASKALS volunteers have included families, youth organizations, government classes, church groups, older adults, and just good neighbors.

Volunteers will be working throughout Fairfield. Say hi to any you come across and thank them for helping local seniors.



## A M A T E U R S

by Tom Griffin



Presented by Fairfield Footlighters  
Directed by Abby James

Nov. 10 | 7:30 pm  
Nov. 11 | 2 & 7:30 pm  
Nov. 12 | 2 pm

The tangled desires and hopes of the guests at an opening night party of a New England community theater group are examined in this bittersweet and touching comedy.

Fairfield  
CommunityArts  
Center

\$15 at 513-867-5348 or  
[WWW.FAIRFIELDOH.GOV/TICKETS](http://WWW.FAIRFIELDOH.GOV/TICKETS)

## THE NUTCRACKER

Presented by



ON SALE OCT 30!  
All tickets \$17

Dec. 1 | 7 pm  
Dec. 2 | 2 & 7 pm  
Dec. 3 | 2 pm  
Dec. 8 | 7 pm  
Dec. 9 | 2 & 7 pm  
Dec. 10 | 2 pm



# *Make your next occasion Unforgettable*

Host your next  
event with us

## *Venues*

- FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER
- ELISHA MORGAN MANSION
- PHALEN CENTER AT SOUTH TRACE GOLF COURSE

Weddings | Receptions | Meetings | Showers | Parties



## *Information*

**BARBARA BENNETT-HECK**  
HOSPITALITY & VENUE MANAGER  
BBENNETTHECK@FAIRFIELD-CITY.ORG | 513-896-8407



# 55+ SENIOR PROGRAMS

ALWAYS OPEN TO ADULTS 55 YEARS OR BETTER!

**MONDAY – FRIDAY | 8AM – 5PM**

Fairfield Community Arts Center

Craft Corner

Chair Volleyball

Social Night Out

Cards

Games & More!

Find more information and the Games & Activity Schedule at [FairfieldOH.gov/55](http://FairfieldOH.gov/55)

## NOW HIRING!

[WWW.GOVERNMENTJOBS.COM/CAREERS/FAIRFIELD0H](http://WWW.GOVERNMENTJOBS.COM/CAREERS/FAIRFIELD0H)

- ◆ **Arts & Crafts Instructors:** Part-time, \$15 - \$25/hour
- ◆ **Golf & Parks Laborer:** Part-time, \$10.10 - \$18.63/hour
- ◆ **Fitness Instructors:** Part-time, \$20/hour based on experience/qualifications
- ◆ **Park Ranger:** Part-time, \$25.71 - \$29.05/hour

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY



NEW! • NEW! • NEW! • NEW! • NEW! • NEW!

## ONLINE REGISTRATION NOW AVAILABLE!!

QUICK & SIMPLE

We are excited to announce that we have upgraded our website and you can now register for Programs, Classes, Camps and more online!

Simply go to [bit.ly/fairfield-parks-recreation](http://bit.ly/fairfield-parks-recreation) or scan the QR code below.



City of FAIRFIELD

Questions?

Don't worry, we are still available in person at the CAC or over the phone (513-867-5348) if you need assistance.



## Megan Filipek Scholarship Fund

Scholarship opportunities are available to give residents of all ages the opportunity to participate in Parks and Recreation programs.

Up to 50% matching scholarships are available to qualifying applicants, established in memory of former lifeguard and clerk Megan Filipek.

Applications are available in person at the Fairfield Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Dr. or online at the QR code or [bit.ly/filipekscholarship](http://bit.ly/filipekscholarship).



APPLY TODAY!

FAIRFIELD  
PARKS AND RECREATION



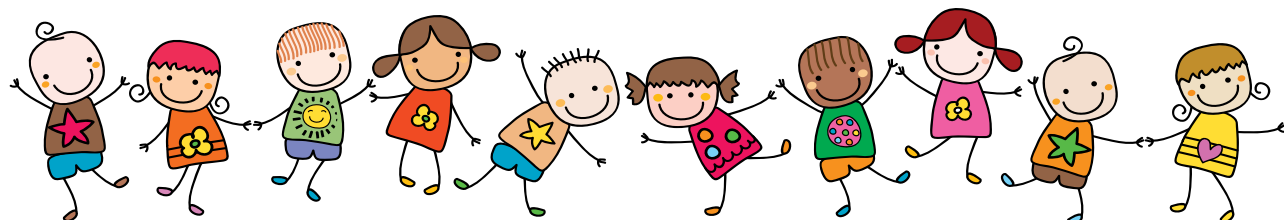




**REGISTRATION** Call 513-867-5348 to register for classes and programs.

**PRE-SCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN CLASSES ~ AGE 6 AND UNDER**

PLEASE NOTE THAT CHILD MUST BE POTTY-TRAINED (Unless Listed As Parent/Child Class)



**REGISTER  
NOW**  
FOR THE 2023-2024  
SCHOOL YEAR!



### **S.M.A.R.T.I.E.S.** (Four to Six Year Olds)

Social Studies/Science-Math-Art-Reading-Together-In an-Educational-Surrounding

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, September - May | 1 - 3 p.m.**

A hands-on approach to academics through education, recreation, and nature that will help your child excel in kindergarten. Kids must be older than age four by December 31, 2023.

Registration rates are \$170/month for Fairfield residents, \$190/month for non-residents.

### **PreS.M.A.R.T.I.E.S.** (Three to Four Year Olds)

**Tuesdays & Thursdays, September - May | 10 a.m. - Noon**

Through arts and crafts, this recreational/educational program helps children recognize letters, shapes and colors. All kids must be potty-trained and three years old before December 31, 2023.

Registration rates are \$130/month for Fairfield residents, \$145/month for non-residents.

**For further information on either program, please contact Lori Haven at 513-896-8410 or [lhaven@FairfieldOH.gov](mailto:lhaven@FairfieldOH.gov)**



### **TIME TO LEARN**

**INSTRUCTORS:** Lori Haven/Marcy Martin  
Kids will be introduced to basic skills, concepts (shapes, numbers and colors) and socialization skills in a fun engaging way. An adult must stay with the child. No class on Nov. 22.

**Ages:** 2 - 3

**Dates:** Wednesdays, Nov. 1 - Dec. 13

**Time:** 10 - 11 a.m.

**Location:** CAC Children's Room

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$45 / \$50



### **ME AND MY SHADOW POTTERY TIME**

**INSTRUCTOR:** Jen Combs

Mold and paint a pottery project to go along with the season. You pay for the child and the adult is included in the fee. An adult must stay with the child.

**Ages:** 3 - 6

**Dates:** Saturdays, Nov. 4 & 18

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

**Location:** CAC Children's Room

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$40 / \$45

**Ages:** 3 - 6

**Dates:** Saturdays, Dec. 2 & 16

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

**Location:** CAC Children's Room

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$40 / \$45



### **KIDS IN THE KITCHEN**

**INSTRUCTOR:** Jen Combs

Easy recipes, simple measurement and kitchen safety will be introduced in the class. Please inform us of all food allergies at registration. *Note that this class may use food containing nuts.* No class November 24.

**Ages:** 3 - 6

**Dates:** Fridays, Nov. 3 - Dec. 15

**Time:** 1 - 2:30 p.m.

**Location:** CAC Children's Room

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$45 / \$50



**REGISTRATION** Call 513-867-5348 to register for classes and programs.

**YOUTH & TEEN CLASSES ~ AGES 6 - 17**

### **KID'S POTTERY**

**INSTRUCTOR:** Jen Combs

Various hand-building techniques demonstrated for students to form their own functional and decorative pieces of art from clay.

No class October 31 and November 21.

**Ages:** 6 - 12

**Dates:** Tuesdays, Oct. 24 - Dec. 12

**Time:** 6:30 - 8 p.m.

**Location:** CAC Art Studio

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$90 / \$95



### **LET'S CRAFT TOGETHER - NEW**

**INSTRUCTOR:** Jen Combs

Together we will make a craft project to go along with the season.

**Ages:** 6 - 16

**Date:** Saturday, Dec. 9

**Time:** 10 a.m. - Noon

**Location:** CAC Art Studio

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$25 / \$30



*Gobble Gobble!*

### **GOBBLE TIL YOU WOBBLE - NEW**

**INSTRUCTOR:** Lori Haven

Let us entertain your kids while you are prepping for your big feast on Thursday. Each day we will have engaging activities for your kids to use their creative side by making fall and Thanksgiving crafts along with games and more. Please bring a lunch and water bottle each day.

**Ages:** 5 - 12

**Dates:** Monday, Nov. 20

**Time:** 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**Location:** CAC Children's Room

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$95 / \$100

**Ages:** 5 - 12

**Dates:** Tuesday, Nov. 21

**Time:** 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**Location:** CAC Children's Room

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$95 / \$100

**TAKE BOTH SESSIONS AND SAVE!**

**Ages:** 5 - 12

**Dates:** Monday, Nov. 20 & Tuesday, Nov. 21

**Time:** 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

**Location:** CAC Children's Room

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$185 / \$195







**REGISTRATION** Call 513-867-5348 to register for classes and programs.

**ADULT CLASSES ~ AGE 18 AND OLDER**



### ADULT POTTERY

**INSTRUCTORS:** Maggie and Kevin Carpenter

Class designed for beginners and intermediate students. The main focus is to develop your wheel-throwing, hand-building, glazing, and decorating skills.

No class November 22.

**Ages:** 18 - Up

**Dates:** Wednesdays, Nov. 1 - Dec. 13

**Time:** 6 - 8 p.m.

**Location:** CAC Art Studio

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$100 / \$105

### FUSED GLASS CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT - NEW

**INSTRUCTOR:** InsideOut Studio Instructors

Work with fused glass and construct your own handmade ornament with artists from InsideOut Studio! Geometric design options will be provided and you will have the ability to select colors and customize a piece to your liking. You will learn how to use glass crafting tools and practice forming your piece with glass. This class is designed for all levels 18 and up with no previous experience with fused glass needed. All pieces will be fired offsite and available to pick up within two weeks of class at InsideOut Studio. InsideOut Studio is an art studio that supports adults with developmental disabilities and is known in the region for their works in glass.

**Ages:** 18 - Up

**Date:** Monday, Nov. 13

**Time:** 6 - 8 p.m.

**Location:** CAC Art Studio

**Session:** Fall B

**R/NR:** \$30 / \$35

2023 Festival of Trees - On display November 18 - December 18

## IN THE ART GALLERY

### ANNUAL COMMUNITY ARTIST SHOWCASE

On display September 23 - November 5

A juried showcase opportunity for area artists to exhibit their work. Open to any artist 18 or older who reside within 40 miles of Fairfield, OH. Best in Show awards presented in the categories of Fine Art, Photography, and Sculpture/Jewelry/3-D work.

#### 2023 Award Winners



**Fine Art**  
Lori Kay Farr  
"Joey and Ja'marr"



**Photography**  
Shannon Dearing  
"Monarch Butterfly"



**Sculpture/Jewelry/3-D**  
Steve Meyer  
"Harvesting Wonderland"







**JUST OVER \$4  
PER CLASS!**

## FALL FITNESS PASS 2023

All your favorite classes at just \$150 (\$160 for non-resident) for FALL A and B sessions.  
**It's a great deal if you take multiple classes per week!**

Class minimums/maximums will apply.

Traveling or busy during Session A or B? You can purchase a Fitness Pass for one session for half price, \$75 (\$80 Non-resident).

## Mind & Body Classes



### NEW! SATURDAY CLASS!

#### FULL BODY STRETCH AND RECOVER

INSTRUCTOR: Kristen Humphrey-Schulz  
Come for the Cardio Mix class and stay to stretch out those hard-worked muscles, or come just for this class to stretch your tight, weary muscles from a week of work and be ready to face the rest of your weekend.

No class November 25.

**Dates: Saturdays, Nov. 11 - Dec. 16**

**Time: 10:35 - 11:35 a.m.**

**Location: CAC Dance Studio**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$29 / \$34 (5 sessions)**



#### YOGA @ THE MANSION

INSTRUCTOR: Bevy Sue Hammons  
This gentle yoga class explores the fundamentals and calms the mind while improving flexibility, balance, and core strength. Includes a short meditation and long relaxation to leave participants feeling renewed.

No class November 20.

**Dates: Mondays, Oct. 30 - Dec. 11**

**Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

**Location: Elisha Morgan Mansion**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$51 / \$56**



#### TAI CHI FOR HEALTH

INSTRUCTOR: Barbara Miller  
Gentle, yet powerful form of exercise that combines fluid movements with energy circulation, breathing and stretching techniques. Improve muscle tone, balance and reduce stress.

No class November 20 and 21.

**Dates: Mondays, Oct. 30 - Dec. 11**

**Time: 6:35 - 7:35 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Basement**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$50**

**Dates: Tuesdays, Oct. 31 - Dec. 12**

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

**Location: CAC Dance Studio**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$50**



#### YOGA STRETCH

INSTRUCTOR: Ann Colaco  
Gentle, restorative yoga that focuses on slowing down and on deeper stretching holds. Increase flexibility, core strength, and balance. Enroll in Tuesday and Thursday and save.

No class November 21 and 23.

**Dates: Tuesdays, Oct. 31 - Dec. 12**

**Time: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.**

**Location: CAC Basement**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$42**

**Dates: Thursdays, Nov. 2 - Dec. 14**

**Time: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.**

**Location: CAC Basement**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$42**

### TAKE BOTH SESSIONS AND SAVE!

**Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays,**

**Oct. 31 - Dec. 14**

**Time: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.**

**Location: CAC Basement**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$69**

#### YOGA FLOW

INSTRUCTOR: Ann Colaco  
Flow through poses, as you increase balance, flexibility, and strength of body and mind in this movement-based class. All levels are welcome.

No class November 22.

**Dates: Wednesdays, Nov. 1 - Dec. 13**

**Time: 6 - 7 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Basement**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$42 / \$47**



**REGISTRATION** Call 513-867-5348 to register for classes and programs.

**ADULT CLASSES ~ AGE 18 AND OLDER**

## Strength & Cardio Classes

#### BARRE BOXING

INSTRUCTOR: Cassie Ruhlman  
15 minutes of cardio kickboxing, followed by 45 minutes of a full-body Barre workout to shape longer, leaner muscles, using a ballet barre and your own body weight.

No class November 21.

**Dates: Tuesdays, Oct. 31 - Dec. 12**

**Time: 7 - 8 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Dance Studio**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$39 / \$44**



#### STAYING FIT

INSTRUCTOR: Bonnie Fahl  
Have fun, build strength, and move to music using light hand-held weights, resistance bands and your own body weight. All fitness levels are encouraged to attend.

No class November 21 and 23.

**Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays,**

**Oct. 31 - Dec. 14**

**Time: 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.**

**Location: CAC Dance Studio**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$50**

#### REFIT®

INSTRUCTOR: Keri Cunningham  
A power-packed hour filled with cardio dance movements, strength training, and stretching. Pair this with Rev and Flow for a great combo of cardio and toning. Ages 10 - 15 welcome with an enrolled adult. No class November 20.

**Dates: Mondays, Oct. 30 - Dec. 11**

**Time: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Basement**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$35 / \$40**



#### INDOOR CYCLING

INSTRUCTOR: Ann Colaco  
Low-impact, 45-minute, moderate to high-intensity workout on stationary bikes, followed by 15 minutes of strength and flexibility training. Enjoy the energy and motivation of a group class. Beginners to seasoned cyclists welcome.

No class November 21.

**Dates: Tuesdays, Oct. 31 - Dec. 12**

**Time: 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Dance Studio**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$30 / \$35**

#### REV + FLOW BY REFIT®

INSTRUCTOR: Keri Cunningham  
High intensity, low-impact workout set to music with a focus on toning. Some weight training and floor work. Pair this with REFIT for a great combo of cardio and strength. No class November 23.

**Dates: Thursdays, Nov. 2 - Dec. 14**

**Time: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.**

**Location: CAC Basement**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$35 / \$40**



#### REFIT® FOR SENIORS

INSTRUCTOR: Keri Cunningham  
Cardio dance movements, strengthening, and stretching. Same great REFIT, modified for a more gentle approach with our Seniors in mind.

No class November 24.

**Dates: Fridays, Nov. 3 - Dec. 15**

**Time: 10 - 10:45 a.m.**

**Location: CAC Dance Studio**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$35**

#### GET MOVING

INSTRUCTOR: Bonnie Fahl  
Are you over age 55 and need to get your heart pumping? Get your body moving with this low impact cardiovascular class. Includes some light weight work.

No class November 20 and 22.

**Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays**

**Oct. 30 - Dec. 13**

**Time: 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.**

**Location: CAC Dance Studio**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$50**

### NEW! SATURDAY CLASS!

#### CARDIO MIX

INSTRUCTOR: Kristen Humphrey-Schulz  
Start your Saturdays off right with this fun, upbeat class designed to get your heart pumping with strength, interval, and circuit training. Movements can be modified to fit all fitness levels to meet your needs.

No class November 25.

**Dates: Saturdays, Nov. 11 - Dec. 16**

**Time: 9:30 - 10:25 a.m.**

**Location: CAC Dance Studio**

**Session: Fall B**

**R/NR: \$29 / \$34 (5 sessions)**





The Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department and MetroParks of Butler County have partnered to deliver **FREE** nature programming in the City's parks and facilities.



## SCAVENGER HUNT

Join us for a scavenger hunt and test your observation skills in nature.

**Date:** Saturday, Nov. 18

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

**Location:** Harbin Park, meet at Overlook Shelter

**FREE** and open to all ages! Registration is not required.

Walk-ins are welcome.



## SURVIVING WINTER

Could you survive outside all winter? So how do plants and animals do it? Join us as we explore the many ways that life survives winter.

**Date:** Saturday, Dec. 16

**Time:** 10 - 11:30 p.m.

**Location:** Harbin Park, meet at Overlook Shelter

**FREE** and open to all ages! Registration is not required.

Walk-ins are welcome.



## SOUTH TRACE GOLF COURSE

OPEN YEAR-ROUND, WEATHER PERMITTING

[GOLFFAIRFIELDGREENS.COM](http://GOLFFAIRFIELDGREENS.COM)



## ENVIRONMENTAL programs

### Chipping Program

The Parks and Recreation Department will be accepting limbs and brush on the following dates:

**Saturday, Nov. 11, 8 a.m. – Noon**  
**Saturday, Dec. 16, 8 a.m. – Noon**

Limbs and brush can be dropped off at the site on Groh Lane just past Waterworks Park. During these months there will not be any mulched chippings available for the public.

**Questions?**  
**Call the Parks and Recreation Department at 513-867-5348.**

## HOLIDAY TREE RECYCLING



**December 26 - January 9**

Recycle your tree in the City's Holiday Tree Recycling program and make your natural Christmas tree useful after the holidays!

Through this program, trees are shredded to produce mulch used in the City's parks and recreation system.

Trees may be dropped off at Waterworks Park on Groh Ln. December 26 - January 9. A tree disposal corral will be set up in the Waterworks Park south parking area, closest to River Rd. Before leaving a tree, please be sure to remove all ornaments and tinsel.

## HIKE HARBIN PARK

1300 HUNTER ROAD

- ▶ MULTIPLE TRAILS FOR A VARIETY OF ABILITIES
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Fairfield, OH  
Public Agencies

## Fairfield SUSTAINS

The City is developing a plan to ensure that Fairfield is maximizing its resources in a way that provides efficiency in City operations now and in the future.

This plan, 'Fairfield Sustains', will serve as a comprehensive roadmap for addressing environmental, economic and livability considerations in the city, and will be a catalyst for quality of life improvements for all residents. Among other things, the plan will look at energy usage in the community, open space preservation, resource protection, and economic sustainability initiatives.

As part of this process we are asking for your feedback. The QR code below is a link to a brief survey that will take less than 10 minutes to complete. The City is interested in your opinion on how to keep Fairfield a great place to live.



*To learn more about Fairfield Sustains, please go to [www.fairfield-city.org](http://www.fairfield-city.org) for an overview of the plan.*

## FAIRFIELD SUSTAINS ONLINE SURVEY

The City is developing a plan, called *Fairfield Sustains*, to address economic, environmental, and livability considerations. In order to create a successful plan, the City needs your input.

*This plan will be a catalyst for quality of life improvements for all residents and businesses.*



Please take our survey online, on your phone (link below) or scan the QR Code on the right.



[www.fairfield-city.org/1097/Fairfield-Sustains](http://www.fairfield-city.org/1097/Fairfield-Sustains)