



# FAIRFIELD

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## Muskopf/Rita Mae Storm Sewer Improvements Update

Construction of the Muskopf / Rita Mae Storm Sewer Improvement has moved along steadily since September. All of the pipe under Rita Mae has been installed at this point and Majors Enterprises, the contractor, is continuing to make progress as the weather allows. Once temperatures rise in the spring, final concrete work and paving will move forward and the project will be complete.

In substantial rainstorms, stormwater rushes down the hillside behind Harbin Park carrying large quantities of mud and debris, overwhelming the storm sewer at Muskopf and Rita Mae. Often, this results in a thick layer of mud on the streets in the area and requires the City to dedicate substantial manpower for cleanup.

The intent of the Muskopf / Rita Mae Storm Sewer Improvements is to capture the muddy stormwater at an improved inlet structure and pipe it directly to the detention basin at the end of Rita Mae where it can be cleaned up more effectively and efficiently. Concentrating the frequent cleanup to one location will also minimize the drain on City resources, particularly during flooding events.

The new storm pipe runs down the middle of Rita Mae Drive, west of Muskopf Road. The new inlet, built to capture large debris, will replace the current design and work in the detention basin will make some minor changes to ensure easier cleanup.

In total, this improvement is expected to cost \$721,000 and will finalize in the spring.



*Majors Enterprises performing asphalt repairs.*

## Brush collection starts in April

Curbside brush collection begins the first full week in April and runs through October. Pickups will be scheduled (starting the first Monday of each month) as follows:

- The first week of each month - areas west of Pleasant Avenue (U.S. 127)
- The second week of each month - areas between Pleasant Avenue and Winton Road
- The third week of each month - areas east of Winton Road

During the winter months, the Operation Drop Box Program is available to residents wishing to dispose of brush. The Public Works Department will leave a box at a resident's home for a certain period of time for residents to place brush in the box for the City to dispose.

Scheduling of drop boxes may be done by email, phone, or in person through the City's Public Works Department at 8870 North Gilmore Road between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Questions? Contact the Public Works Department @ 513-867-4200 or [public\\_works@fairfieldoh.gov](mailto:public_works@fairfieldoh.gov).



[www.fairfieldoh.gov](http://www.fairfieldoh.gov)

# Fairfield OH BUSINESS BOOSTER

SPRING 2021



## Dickey's Barbecue Pit Opens

Fairfield residents have a new barbecue option with the opening of Dickey's Barbecue Pit on Route 4. Located in the shopping center with Rapid Fire Pizza and adjacent to Caruso's Ristorante, Dickey's is a fast-casual restaurant chain with more than 400 locations across the country.

Dickey's is known for beef brisket, pork ribs, chicken, and other meats. The Fairfield location is operated by a regional franchisee and offers both dine-in and drive-thru options for customers.



## Panera Bread to Open Later In 2021

Exterior construction has wrapped up on the new 4,500 square foot Panera Bread location on Route 4, opposite of Production Drive. Final interior work to open the restaurant has been delayed due to COVID-19, but the restaurant is still anticipated to open later this year.

The new Panera Bread will include a drive-through and other features of the Panera 2.0 store model, which Panera introduced in 2014. Panera franchisee Covelli Enterprises will operate the location. Based in Northeast Ohio, Covelli Enterprises is the largest franchisee of Panera Bread locations with more than 300 stores in five states and Canada.

An additional outlot next door to the new Panera is being actively marketed for development as well.

## New TIF Districts Established

Fairfield City Council has approved the creation of two Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts in targeted commercial and industrial areas of the City. The goal of these TIF districts is to foster new development and redevelopment by creating a funding source for public improvements such as upgrading roadways, extending utilities, or demolishing blighted structures.

TIF districts have been used as a community and economic development tool throughout Ohio and across the country. Long-term, these TIF districts will generate revenue that will be strategically leveraged to eliminate blight, attract new development, and grow jobs in the Town Center, Route 4 corridor, and industrial areas of the city.

### The two districts include:

1. **South Town Center:** This district encompasses the southern two quadrants of downtown (south of Nilles Road) and continues down Pleasant Avenue to John Gray Road. A TIF district was previously established north of Nilles Road.
2. **Northeast Area:** This district encompasses commercial properties on each side of Route 4 between Springdale and Hamilton, as well as much of the industrial area of the City to the north and east of Route 4.

The creation of the TIF districts alone will not raise taxes on any included property now or in the future. The district generates funding by redirecting a portion of property taxes received on any increased value of property over the 30-year term of the district. These TIF districts were established in a manner so that funding to Fairfield City Schools and Butler Tech will not be impacted. No residential properties are included within the districts.

Prior to creating these TIF districts, the City mailed notification letters to more than 600 property owners within the then proposed districts. A public meeting was held in late October to provide an overview, answer questions, and receive public feedback in advance of consideration by City Council.

## Chamber Annual Event Goes Virtual

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce delayed the annual dinner event and created a video series for social media. Entitled "Fairfield Thriving Together," the series spotlights how Fairfield citizens and businesses, with assistance of the Chamber, are pulling together to keep our community both healthy and economically vibrant in the context of COVID-19.

Three videos were created highlighting the educational, financial institutions, and healthcare partners in the community. The videos premiered in December on the Chamber and City's social media accounts. Be sure to check these videos on Facebook, LinkedIn, and [www.fairfieldchamber.com](http://www.fairfieldchamber.com).



Jon Graft - Butler Tech



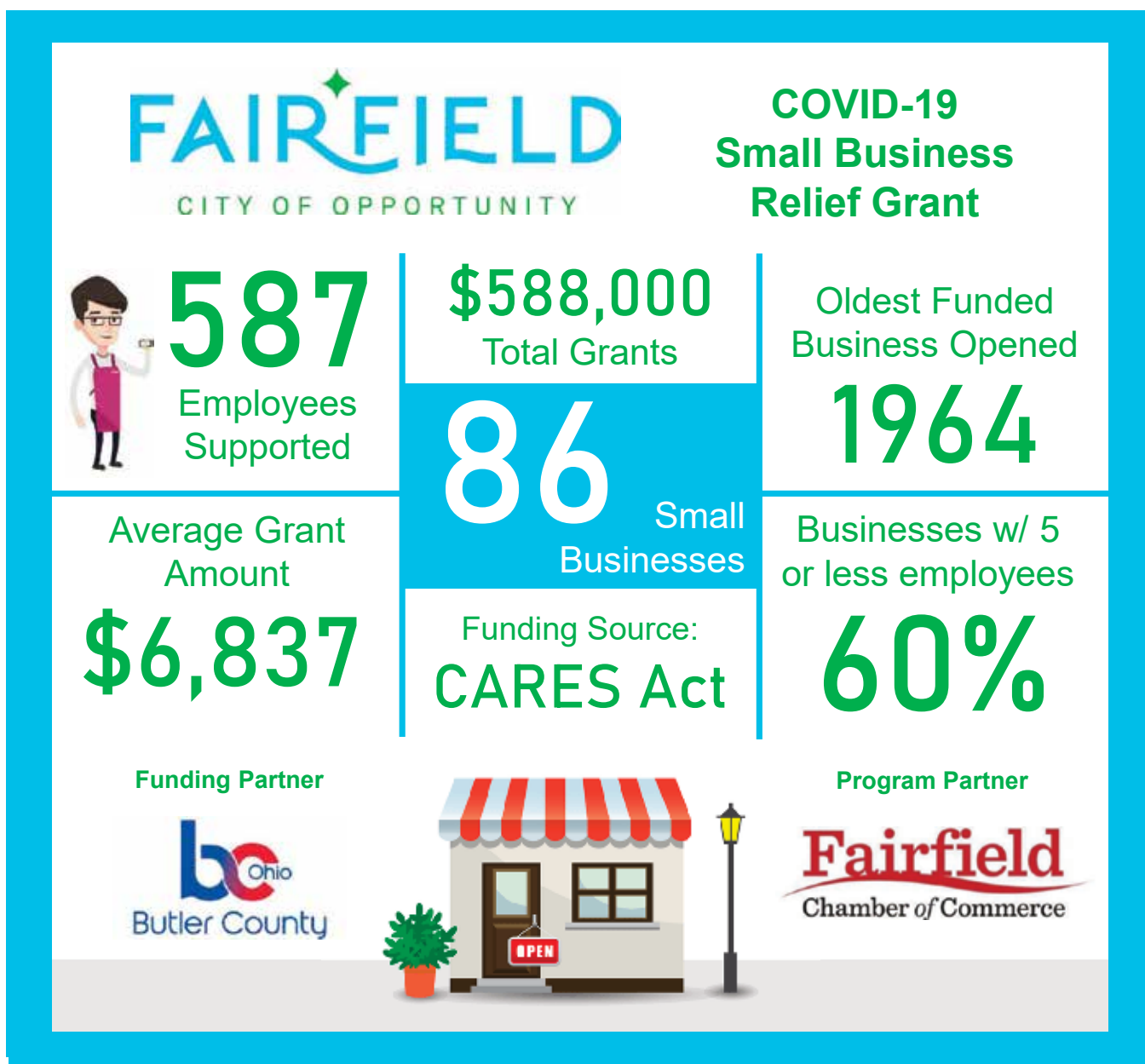
## City & County Provide Financial Support to Local Small Businesses

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, the City has attempted to be creative in supporting the business community. This has included efforts to ensure businesses are aware of State and Federal financial resources and providing some flexibility with zoning codes and requirements.

Thanks to Fairfield City Council and the Butler County Commissioners, the City was also able to provide nearly \$600,000 in direct financial relief to small businesses in the community. Butler County and Fairfield both used a portion of Federal CARES Act funding to support the program and provide grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000 to businesses with 25 or less full-time equivalent employees.

An important partner to the program was the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber led efforts to ensure that eligible businesses were aware of the program and assisted business owners through the application process.

The impacts of the program are highlighted below:



## COVID UPDATE

Twenty-nine members of the Fairfield Fire Department received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine manufactured by Moderna on December 28, 2020 and received their second dose on February 2, 2021. The vaccinations were coordinated through a partnership with the Butler County General Health District (BCGHD). Through an agreement with the BCGHD, the Fairfield Fire Department became a Closed Point of Dispensing of the vaccine. As part of Phase 1A, emergency medical personnel were prioritized for vaccine distribution. Personnel that perform emergency medical duties, such as EMTs and Paramedics, and are part of the Phase 1A group designated by the State of Ohio. Dr. Steven Yamaguchi, the Fire Department's medical director administered both sets of vaccinations to Fire Department personnel. Fortunately, no one that received the first dose of the vaccination has reported any major side effects, and most only complained of a sore arm at the injection site. Since the onset of the pandemic, Fire Department personnel have transported nearly 300 COVID-19 positive patients. The vaccine will help with keeping our paramedics and EMTs safe and on the job.

We recommend the public go to the Ohio Department of Health's website at [www.vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov](http://www.vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov) to look for providers in their area that may have the vaccine. Priority is for residents with severe underlying medical conditions and those that fall into older age categories.

## Educational Signage Installed in City's Wellfield

In late December, four educational signs were installed along the bike/hike path that runs through the City's wellfield – just north of the Waterworks Baseball Park on Groh Lane. The Hamilton to New Baltimore Groundwater Consortium coordinated the signage project, with generous financial support provided by Duke Energy. The signs include information about the local aquifer system and how to prevent water pollution. Each sign also contains a QR Code that can be scanned with a smart phone and links the phone to the Consortium's website for more information.

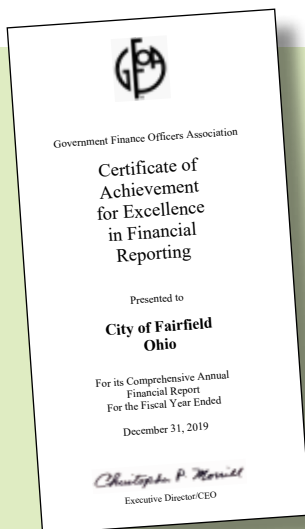
The mission of the Consortium is to protect public health by preserving high-quality water resources through a cooperative source water protection program. The mission is realized through a variety of tasks, including assessments, management, monitoring, emergency response and education. The wellfield signage project is an example of how the Consortium educates the general public on the importance of groundwater protection. Fairfield - a charter member of the Consortium since 1967 - plays an especially large part in helping protect the aquifer due to the City's physical proximity atop the aquifer system.





## Community Engagement

The City of Fairfield hosted a charity event at the Public Works Department on Saturday, January 16 from 10 am to 2 pm. Over 65 volunteers from the Fairfield Community Foundation, the City of Fairfield, and others worked with the talented team from Sleep in Heavenly Peace to build 60 beds for children in need. The Public Works facility made a great venue for volunteers to have plenty of room for this worthwhile cause.



## Finance Department Recognized

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City of Fairfield for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019. The report has been judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.



# Parks & Recreation

FAIRFIELD  
PARKS AND RECREATION  
CITY OF FAIRFIELD | MARCH - APRIL 2021

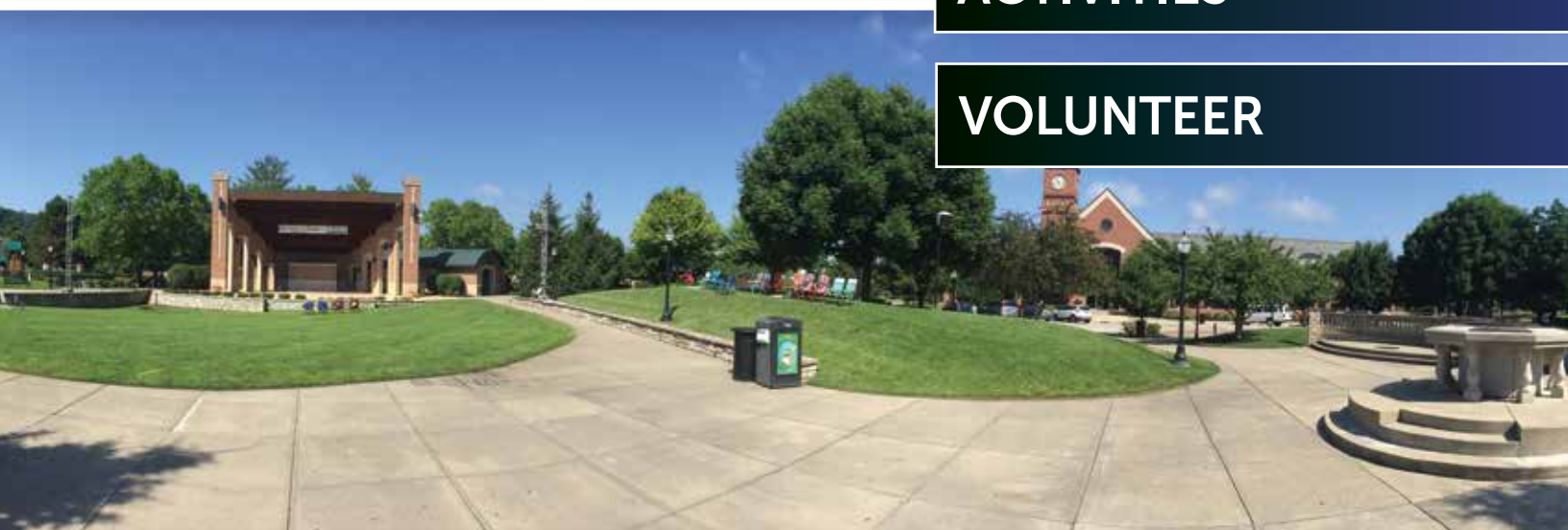


**NATURE** PROGRAMS

**CLASSES**

**ACTIVITIES**

**VOLUNTEER**



[www.fairfieldoh.gov/parks](http://www.fairfieldoh.gov/parks)

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**Parks Main Office**  
513-867-5348  
Fax 513-867-6070

**Aquatic Center**  
(Summer)  
513-939-2782

**Fairfield Community  
Arts Center**  
513-867-5348

**Fairfield Greens**  
*North Trace Golf Course*  
513-939-3741  
*South Trace Golf Course*  
513-858-7750

**Marsh Lake Bait House**  
513-858-1685

**Recreation Hotline**  
513-896-8400

## PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

Doug Meece, Chair  
Paul Assum  
Leslie Besl  
Don Carpenter  
Scott Clark  
Craig Keller  
Gwen Ritchie

## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Fairfield Parks and Recreation is to enrich the quality of life for the citizens of the community, sustain the City's natural resources and environment and provide broad-based leisure activities, cultural opportunities, facilities and services for all ages.

## REGISTRATION

Call 513-867-5348 to register.

## THANKS VOLUNTEERS

The City of Fairfield would like to thank all of the volunteers listed below for their service between November 1 – December 31, 2020, accounting for 268 hours!

**Community Events:** Marcella Martin, Bill Burwinkel, Laura Hayes, Trisha Lutterbie, Julie St. Clair

**Fall RASKALS:** John Clemmons & the Clemmons family, Amy Geltz & the Geltz family, Lisa Guthrie & Gods Harvest Church, Randy Hassler & the Hassler family, Krista Haubner & Girl Scout Troop #42443, Tonya Kerley & the Kerley family, Diane Landi & the Fairfield Civitan Club, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Valerie Rader, Walt Stubenvoll, Laura & Humerto Velasquez, Kathy DeSmidt, Peggy Tannowiesky & Scout Troop 967 Sacred Heart

**Municipal Court Volunteer:** Shirley Howard, Marian Tepe

**Adopt-A-Roadway:** Paragon Optimist Club of Fairfield (Trish Clemmons, Ericka Wick, Laurie Werner, Pat Boehm, Sharron Birkenhauer)

**FurField Dog Park Ambassador:** Kim Kent

**Park Ambassador:** Rob Bruner

**Police Department:** Matt Becknell, Vernon Click, Joseph Luebbe, Kathy Scalf

## NEW VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS!

For information on our Spring RASKALS volunteer program, see page 15.

### Park Ambassador

The Park Ambassador program is an all-volunteer program that gives the public an opportunity to promote community stewardship and bridge the communication between the community and our department. Through weekly visits to the park, Ambassadors document maintenance needs, report acts of vandalism, interact with park users, promote park safety and encourage an overall positive use of public space.



### FurField Dog Park Volunteer Ambassador



The FurField Dog Park is reaching out for volunteers to maintain a clean, safe, and healthy park for all dogs and humans who live and play in Fairfield. We are always seeking volunteers to assist year-round in the cleanup efforts at the dog park. Volunteers will assist with picking up litter, scooping up dog waste, help monitor the park, and answer questions. Supplies provided include trash bags and gloves. Volunteers are encouraged to bring their own scoopers and additional bags.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

If you would like to get involved, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at 513-896-8439 or email [btheilman@fairfieldoh.gov](mailto:btheilman@fairfieldoh.gov)





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## MARCH

Date	Day	Time	Location	Event
Mar 3	W	4 - 7 pm	Community Arts Center	Fairfield Farmers Market
Mar 17	W	4 - 7 pm	Community Arts Center	Fairfield Farmers Market
Mar 20	Sa	10:30 - Noon	Huffman Park	Let's Go Hiking: Scavenger Hunt
Mar 22	M	3 - 7 pm	Fairfield Fire Department	Community Blood Drive
Mar 29	M		Fairfield Parks	Egg-splorers Contest begins!

## APRIL

Date	Day	Time	Location	Event
Apr 7	W	4 - 7 pm	Community Arts Center	Fairfield Farmers Market
Apr 10	Sa	2 - 3:30 pm	Huffman Park	Animal Games Obstacle Course
Apr 17	Sa	10:30 - Noon	Harbin Park	Let's Go Hiking: Wild About Spring Flowers
Apr 21	W	4 - 7 pm	Community Arts Center	Farmers Market/Arbor Day Seedling Giveaway
Apr 23	Fr	6 - 8 pm	Community Arts Center	Opening Gallery Reception: Queen City Art Club
Apr 24	Sa	9 am - 1 pm	Fairfield	Spring RASKALS

## JOIN OUR TEAM, WE ARE HIRING!

The Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department is looking to fill part-time positions for 2021 Spring/Summer Season.

Positions that might be available:

- Pool Cashiers
- Summer Camp Leaders
- Food Service
- Golf Course Maintenance
- Park Maintenance
- Golf Course Cashiers/Attendants

Apply today at [www.FairfieldOH.gov](http://www.FairfieldOH.gov)

Qualified candidates must pass pre-employment background checks and drug screening.

# HIRING





*Make any occasion unforgettable!*

LET FAIRFIELD PARKS AND RECREATION HOST YOUR NEXT EVENT

Fairfield Community Arts Center  
Phalen Center at South Trace  
Elisha Morgan Mansion



Contact Molly McGraw  
Hospitality and Venue Coordinator  
[MJMcGraw@fairfieldoh.gov](mailto:MJMcGraw@fairfieldoh.gov) or 513-896-8143





# COMMUNITY & SPECIAL EVENTS

During these constantly shifting times, please visit our website at [www.FairfieldOH.gov/Parks](http://www.FairfieldOH.gov/Parks) for the most current information regarding our programming and any possible schedule changes.

## NOW ACCEPTING SPONSORSHIPS FOR THE 2021 EVENT SEASON

Fairfield Parks and Recreation conducts hundreds of programs and events annually, enhancing the quality of life experiences for thousands of residents. These local events rely on the support from our community partners and sponsors...especially in 2021.

Sponsorship is a direct way to give back to the community, while promoting your brand and showcasing what you offer. These well-attended events place your brand in front of thousands of residents and non-residents all year long, whether it be a virtual or in-person event. Email [BTheilman@fairfield-city.org](mailto:BTheilman@fairfield-city.org) for more information.

## *A Contest of* **EGG-SPLORERS\***

Fairfield Parks and Recreation will be placing six large wooden Easter eggs in six of our 29 parks. It's up to you to find all six eggs, take a photo by each and email all six photos to our Community Event Coordinator at [btheilman@fairfieldoh.gov](mailto:btheilman@fairfieldoh.gov).

An egg-cellent prize will be awarded to those who locate all of the eggs (while supplies last).

- Hunt Begins Monday, March 29 and ends Sunday, April 4.
- All photos are due to [btheilman@fairfieldoh.gov](mailto:btheilman@fairfieldoh.gov) by Monday, April 5.
- Don't forget to tag us in your Facebook photos! [@City of Fairfield, Ohio - Parks](https://www.facebook.com/CityofFairfieldOhioParks)

*\*This event is replacing our annual Hoppin' at Harbin event due to COVID-19 concerns.*



## Community Blood Drive

Monday, March 22 from 3 - 7 p.m.

Fairfield Fire Department on Wessel Dr.

Donations are needed now more than ever. Schedule a time for your donation on the Blood Drive site at [www.GivingBlood.org](http://www.GivingBlood.org) (sponsor code: #193) or 1-800-388-GIVE. Refreshments are available to all donors.

# THE FAIRFIELD FARMERS MARKET

Seasonal Produce | Eggs | Chicken & Pork | Local Honey | Baked Goods  
Gourmet Dog Treats | Home Decor | Wellness & Personal Care Items



Fresh, local food produced within 26 miles of Fairfield!  
That's REALLY local!

Join us at our next market!  
March 3 & 17 | April 7 & 21 | 4 - 7 p.m.  
**FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER PARKING LOT**

**LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!**  
**@TheFairfieldFarmersMarket**  
to get all the latest updates and vendor news!

Fairfield Aquatic Center

**NOW  
HIRING  
LIFEGUARDS**



Apply at  
[www.swimsafepool.com](http://www.swimsafepool.com)



# PRE-SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

**PLEASE NOTE THAT CHILD MUST BE POTTY-TRAINED**  
(unless listed as parent/child class)

Classes for Ages 2 to 6



## PreS.M.A.R.T.I.E.S.

Three to Four Year Olds  
Tuesday & Thursday • 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 Dec. 31, 2021.

## S.M.A.R.T.I.E.S.

Social Studies/Science-Math-Art-Reading-Together-In an-Educational-Surrounding  
Four to Six Year Olds  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday • 1 – 3 p.m.

This recreational/education program is taking enrollment for the 2021-2022 school year. Kids must be older than age four by Dec. 31, 2021.

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



## TIME 2 LEARN

AGES 2 – 3 | INSTRUCTORS: Aimee Ehlen  
Kids are introduced to basic skills, concepts (shapes, numbers, and colors) and socialization skills in a fun engaging way. An adult must stay with the child.

**CAC CHILDREN'S ROOM** **WEDNESDAY**  
SPRING Apr. 14 - May 19  
10 - 11 a.m.  
R/NR FEE \$40/\$45

# YOUTH & TEEN

Classes for Ages 6 - 17

## EASTER CAKE

AGES 6 – 12  
INSTRUCTOR: Crystal Chmielewski  
Create an Easter Cake to share.  
**Each student needs to bring two 8 inch round cakes.**

**CAC CHILDRENS ROOM** **THURSDAY**  
SPRING Apr. 1  
6 - 8 p.m.  
R/NR FEE \$25/\$30

# ADULTS Classes for Ages 18 & up

## ARTS & CRAFTS

### ADULT POTTERY

AGES 18 – Up | INSTRUCTORS: Maggie and Kevin Carpenter  
Classes designed for beginners and intermediate students.  
The main focus is to develop your wheel-throwing, hand-building, glazing, and decorating skills.

#### CAC ART STUDIO

SPRING

R/NR FEE

#### TUESDAY

Apr. 13 - May 18  
6 - 8 p.m.  
**\$100/\$105**

#### CAC ART STUDIO

SPRING

R/NR FEE

#### WEDNESDAY

Apr. 14 - May 19  
6 - 8 p.m.  
**\$100/\$105**



### SPRING PALLET PAINTING

AGES 18 – Up | INSTRUCTOR: Crystal Chmielewski  
Paint a spring flower on a 14" x 14" pallet

#### CAC ART STUDIO

SPRING

R/NR FEE

#### FRIDAY

March 19  
6 - 8 p.m.

**\$30/\$35**

**opens 4/2!**

## NORTH TRACE

A fun and challenging  
9-hole executive course

## SOUTH TRACE

A par 70 championship  
golf course

**Reserve  
tee times at  
[GolfFairfieldGreens.com](http://GolfFairfieldGreens.com)**

# MARSH LAKE BOATING & FISHING OPENS MARCH 5

More information at  
**[www.FairfieldOH.gov/MarshLake](http://www.FairfieldOH.gov/MarshLake)**

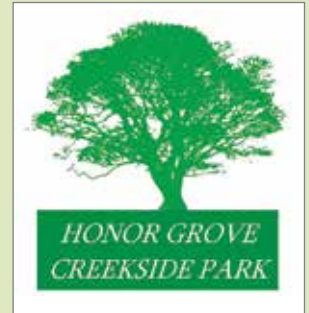


# ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

## Living Legacy Tree Program at Creekside Park

The City of Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department and the Environmental Commission are privileged to provide a unique opportunity to residents who would like to plant a tree in honor of a family member, a special loved one, or themselves.

There are over 45 different species of trees to choose from and several different levels to pick from depending on what type of tree is selected. A 30" x 24" cast bronze plaque will be installed in a centralized area located by the benches in the middle of the grove at Creekside Park. The individual's name will be added to the large plaque for recognition.



*For more information contact:*

Bob Schappacher, Park Maintenance Superintendent, [rschappacher@fairfieldoh.gov](mailto:rschappacher@fairfieldoh.gov) or 513-896-8430



## Arbor Day Seedling Giveaway: Wednesday, April 21

In celebration of Arbor Day, the Environmental Commission will distribute FREE tree seedlings during the Farmers Market on Wednesday, April 21. The City of Fairfield has achieved the status of Tree City USA for 25 consecutive years and would like you to help strengthen our urban forest by planting a seedling. The Farmers Market takes place at the Community Arts Center on Wessel Drive and is open from 4 to 7 p.m.

## Chipping Program

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

**Saturday, March 13, 8 a.m. – noon | Saturday, April 10, 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.



## Spring RASKALS: Saturday, April 24 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Random Acts of Simple Kindness Affecting Local Seniors (RASKALS) began in West Chester in 1996 when 11-year-old Emily Weber sent a letter to the township administrator searching for a project that would help her community. That initial desire evolved into what has become a twice-a-year event. **We are on the search for Fairfield residents (age 55 and over, or disabled) in need of some exterior**

**acts of kindness** including raking leaves, weeding, picking up twigs and sticks, washing first floor windows, sweeping sidewalks or trimming bushes and shrubs. **We are also searching for volunteers to complete these acts of kindness.** The more volunteers for this event the better! If you are interested in volunteering to do some random acts of kindness for earth day, please email [btheilman@fairfieldoh.gov](mailto:btheilman@fairfieldoh.gov).

# SPRING FITNESS PASS 2021

**All of your favorite classes without the commitment!**

Attend any classes from Mind & Body, Strength & Core, Cardio for just \$75 (\$85 for non-resident) for SPRING session. Class minimums and maximums will apply. If you take three classes per week, this is just over \$4 per class!

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



## STRENGTH & CORE



### BARRE BOXING

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

**CAC DANCE STUDIO TUESDAY**  
SPRING Apr. 13 - May 18  
7 - 8 p.m.  
R/NR FEE **\$39/\$44**



### STAYING FIT

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

**CAC DANCE STUDIO TUESDAY THURSDAY**  
SPRING Apr. 13 - May 20  
9:30 - 10:15 a.m.  
R/NR FEE **\$50**



### STRETCH, FLEX & MOVE

**INSTRUCTOR:** Bonnie Fahl  
Low impact movements to increase muscular strength, cardiovascular endurance, and flexibility. Light hand-held weights and resistance bands used.

**CAC DANCE STUDIO MONDAY WEDNESDAY**  
SPRING Apr. 12 - May 19  
9:30 - 10:15 a.m.  
R/NR FEE **\$50**

## IN THE ART GALLERY

### COLORED PENCIL SOCIETY

**On exhibit through April 10**

An affiliate of the Colored Pencil Society of America, The Greater Cincinnati District Chapter 119 presents its 16th annual COLORED PENCIL SOCIETY exhibit. Colored Pencil is one of the latest art mediums to be recognized as a Fine Art medium. All artwork in this Cincinnati Area Exhibit is original and executed by the artists using Artist Quality colored pencils as the main medium.

### COMING UP: QUEEN CITY ART CLUB

**EXHIBIT RUNS APRIL 24 - JUNE 5**  
**OPENING RECEPTION APRIL 23 FROM 6 - 8 P.M.**





## MIND & BODY



### 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.

**CAC BASEMENT**

SPRING

R/NR FEE

**MONDAY**

Apr. 12 - May 17  
6:15 - 7:15 p.m.  
**\$50**

**CAC DANCE STUDIO**

SPRING

R/NR FEE

**TUESDAY**

Apr. 13 - May 18  
10:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
**\$50**

### SATURDAY MORNING YOGA NEW

**INSTRUCTOR:** Lori Dearwester Vice  
Start your weekend off right with this gentle class focusing on achieving a sound, healthy body and a clear, peaceful mind.

**CAC DANCE STUDIO**

SPRING

R/NR FEE

**SATURDAY**

Apr. 17 - May 22  
8 - 8:50 a.m.  
**\$42/\$47**



### 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.

**CAC BASEMENT**

SPRING

R/NR FEE

**WEDNESDAY**

Apr. 14 - May 19  
6 - 7 p.m.  
**\$42/\$47**

### YOGA STRETCH

**INSTRUCTOR:** Ann Colaco  
Gentle, restorative yoga that focuses on slowing down and on deeper stretching holds. Increase flexibility, core strength, and balance.

**CAC BASEMENT**

SPRING

R/NR FEE

**TUESDAY**

Apr. 13 - May 18  
10:15 - 11 a.m.  
**\$42**

**CAC BASEMENT**

SPRING

R/NR FEE

**THURSDAY**

Apr. 15 - May 20  
10:30 - 11:15 a.m.  
**\$42**

**CAC BASEMENT**

SPRING

R/NR FEE

**TUESDAY OR THURSDAY**

Apr. 13 - May 20  
T: 10:15 - 11 a.m.  
Th: 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.  
**ONLY \$69**



### 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.

**ELISHA MORGAN MANSION**

SPRING

R/NR FEE

**WEDNESDAY**

Apr. 14 - May 19  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
**\$51/\$56**

## CARDIO



### REFIT®

INSTRUCTOR:  
Keri Cunningham



A power-packed hour filled with cardio dance movements, toning, flexibility, strength training, and stretching. Ages 10 to 17 welcome with an enrolled adult.

**Enroll in Monday AND Wednesday AND SAVE!**

#### CAC BASEMENT

SPRING

R/NR FEE

#### MONDAY

Apr. 12 - May 17  
7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**\$35/\$40**

#### CAC BASEMENT

SPRING

R/NR FEE

#### MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

Apr. 12 - May 19  
7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**\$55/\$60**

*(Save \$\$\$ when you sign up for both classes!)*

#### CAC BASEMENT

SPRING

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#### WEDNESDAY

Apr. 14 - May 19  
7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**\$35/\$40**

*New Day & Time!*

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#### SATURDAY

Apr. 17 - May 22  
9:45 - 10:45 a.m.

**\$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.

#### CAC DANCE STUDIO

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#### TUESDAY

Apr. 13 - May 18  
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

**\$30/\$35**



## TOTAL FOCUS

INSTRUCTOR: Keri Cunningham

Thirty minutes of body-transforming toning, using dumbbells, body weight, and mat work focusing on different body parts each week. Perfect to pair with Refit class immediately following.

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#### SATURDAY

Apr. 17 - May 22  
9 - 9:30 a.m.

**\$30/\$35**



# NATURE PROGRAMS



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.

*Registration is required by calling 513-867-5348.*

## LET'S GO HIKING

**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the Month | 10:30 a.m. - Noon**

FREE AND OPEN TO ALL AGES | INSTRUCTOR: Varies

**Saturday, March 20: Scavenger Hunt**

**Huffman Park**

***Registration is REQUIRED by March 19 by calling 513-867-5348. Space is limited.***

Use all your senses to explore the natural world around us to find objects along the trail. Challenge yourself to look up and down and all around to find the items on our scavenger hunt list and more. Dress appropriately for hiking in cold and muddy conditions.

**Saturday, April 17: Wild About Spring Flowers**

**Harbin Park**

***Registration is REQUIRED by April 16 by calling 513-867-5348. Space is limited.***

Spring has sprung and you can smell it in the air. Join us on a fun hike to explore the ephemerals in the woods before the tree leaves start to grow. Help us identify flora and fauna such as the Dutchman's Breeches and Wake Robins.

## ANIMAL GAMES OBSTACLE COURSE

**Saturday, April 10 | 2 - 3:30 p.m.**

**Huffman Park**

***Registration is REQUIRED by April 9 by calling 513-867-5348. Space is limited.***

Come play and have fun in the park like an animal in our animal games obstacle course. Learn how animals get around and figure out how your moves compare to others. Can you flap as fast as a hummingbird or hop as far as a toad? Join in some fun competition to see who has as much balance as a squirrel.

## 55 PLUS

### The Senior Lounge

The Senior Lounge is currently closed and all 55 Plus activities are cancelled due to current COVID-19 public health orders. Once the restrictions are reduced, we will review them and make our decision to re-open based on if we can safely and reasonably comply with all measures that are being set forth. Providing a safe environment for our visitors is our priority. Our staff has been very diligent with staying in touch with local and state authorities during this process and will continue doing so throughout the remainder of the pandemic.



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## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

**Rodney Jones**

**Title: Parks Facility Maintenance**

**How long have you been an employee: 17 years**



**How has your career grown since starting with the City?**

In 2004, I started as a Laborer for the Public Works Street Department and then moved up to Crew Leader. In 2019, I transitioned to where I am now at the Parks and Recreation Department. If something's broke...I can fix it! Before the City, I was employed at Jeff Wyler Cadillac as an automotive technician for 16 years.

**What do you do on a typical day off?**

It depends on the season. In the winter, I work on home projects (whatever my wife has in mind), in the spring I enjoy watching baseball – Go Reds! In the summer, I like to go swimming and watch my son race in drag racing

competitions. In the fall, I enjoy watching football – college and professional. My favorite teams are Ohio State and the Pittsburgh Steelers (sorry Bengals fans).

**What's family life like?**

I have been married to my wife Jeanne for 34 years. We have 3 children, Rebecca (28), Jordan (27) and Rachael (26). As a family, we enjoy swimming, attending drag racing competitions and family cookouts.

**What is your favorite part of Fairfield?**

I have been a Fairfield resident for 53 years and my favorite activity is attending the Fairfield High School Football games. My family is a part of the Fairfield High School Athletic Boosters and like to attend the games whenever we can.

**Why I like doing my job for the community:**

I like my job because I truly feel like I am giving back to the community. I am helping provide a good service to the City's facilities. You can find me doing maintenance or repairs at many of the Parks facilities throughout our community.

## Welcome New Employees



**Seth Detlor**  
Lab Technician –  
Public Utilities



**Brittany Gunter**  
Dispatcher –  
Police Department



**Michael Holliday**  
Construction  
Inspector –  
Public Works



**Margaret Taylor**  
Account Clerk I –  
Income Tax  
Department



**Robin Whitmore**  
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