

AUGUST  
2022

## CALENDAR

August 20—Saturday Night Out


## LOOK AHEAD

September 5th—Labor Day (City Hall Closed) 

**RUMPKE Schedule: Delayed 1 day, all week following Labor Day**

September 6th—Valley View First Day for students 

September 17 & 18th—Fall Community Garage Sale

September 23rd—Pretzel Festival 



### Remember to Update your Autopay Information!

Please remember to make the necessary update to your on-line utility account when you receive a new credit/debit card. Failure to do so could result in a rejected payment fee.



The Senior Center is now available for rentals. Call the center at (937) 853-8900 for more information.

### Miami University conducts Citizen Survey for City of Germantown

This past spring, a survey was conducted by Miami University's Center for Public Management and Regional Affairs (CPMRA) on behalf of the City of Germantown in order to gain a better understanding on the outlooks and experiences of our citizens. The City is very thankful for the CPMRA for their work and to our citizens for their willingness to participate as well as the overwhelmingly positive data received.

Over 90% of those who responded reported satisfaction with living in Germantown. People find that there are many positive qualities of life here and appreciate the "small town" experience. In fact, a vast majority of respondents found Germantown to be either a good or excellent place to live, raise a family, and retire (85%, 82%, and 65% respectively). Some of these results are certainly due to the excellent public safety services in Police Fire and EMS that are present here in Germantown, a fact recognized by the survey. Approximately 80% of the people agreed that they were happy with the current level of police protection. The service area with the highest level of satisfaction was "on-duty patrol" with 80%, though "response time to request" and "general community outreach" were not far behind with 71% and 64% satisfaction ratings.

Germantown Fire and EMS were also found to be highly rated by Germantown citizens with 85% of people reporting satisfaction with the current level of protection provided. These emergency services were rated highest on "arriving promptly and on time" (76% satisfied or very satisfied) as well as their "positive and helpful attitudes" (65% satisfied or very satisfied).

Another area that positively impacts the people of Germantown (as well as German Township) is the parks. Over 80% of people reported being satisfied with the parks in Germantown. City and Township residents have invested time and funds in recent years to improving recreation opportunities, and we are happy that people are taking part in and enjoying our wonderful parks. 30% of respondents also believed that the appearance of the Historic Downtown Business District has gotten better (59% thought it stayed about the same). This is an area that the City of Germantown is continuing to support and devote resources towards. The City is grateful for those local businesses who choose to call Germantown home and look forward to continued fun and exciting events like Saturday Night Out and Ladies' Night.

Of course, there will always be areas where a city can improve, and Germantown is receptive to hearing these. One such area identified by citizens is the condition of the streets. The City agrees and recognizes the importance of maintaining our roadways. In order to keep Germantown the excellent city it is to live, raise a family, and retire in, the city is budgeting more funds toward street paving and maintenance. Significant progress has already been made in 2022 and residents should notice more improvements in the coming years. Our City employees work hard to ensure residents receive top notch services; we are proud of our community and strive to continuously improve quality of life for our residents! Thank you again to everyone who took part in the surveys and for the CPMRA for donating their time and resources to conduct this research!


### Your Germantown City Officials

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Mayor Terry Johnson            | 855-7328 |
| Council President Brian Wafzig | 530-0766 |
| Council Member Jeff Jones      | 409-3108 |
| Council Member Bonnie Koogle   | 416-4533 |
| Council Member Mike Kuhn       | 313-0539 |
| Council Member Rick Reed       | 367-3954 |
| Council Member Rob Rettich     | 361-8711 |
| City Manager Judy Gilleland    | 855-7255 |

City Offices 937-855-7255

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# Back to School!

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY          | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY      | SATURDAY     |
|---|-----------------|--|--|--|-------------|--------------|
| AUGUST 28   | AUGUST 29       | AUGUST 30  | AUGUST 31  | SEPTEMBER 1  | SEPTEMBER 2 | SEPTEMBER 3  |
|  |                 | HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE                             | VVPS VVIS OPEN HOUSE   | JUNIOR HIGH New Student Orientation 5:00PM-6:00PM OPEN HOUSE 6:00PM-7:00PM |             |              |
| SEPTEMBER 4   | SEPTEMBER 5     | SEPTEMBER 6  | SEPTEMBER 7  | SEPTEMBER 8  | SEPTEMBER 9 | SEPTEMBER 10 |
| VALLEY VIEW BACK TO SCHOOL 2022   | HAPPY LABOR DAY | FIRST DAY For students: KG-6th (A-L) 7th-9th (All) | FIRST DAY For students: KG-6th (M-Z) 10th-12th (All) DAY TWO 7th-9th (All) | ALL STUDENTS K-12 REPORT!  |             |              |

\*This calendar is current as of 7/19/2022. Please check with Valley View for any changes made after this date.



**WARNING:** Please take the time to check your children's clothing and book bags to make sure they are safe. Drawstrings and key chains may catch on objects on the bus and increase danger! Please talk to your child about the following safety rules:

- ♦ Avoid the danger zone around the bus. The danger zone for a school bus is the area **10 feet around the bus**.
- ♦ The two most dangerous places are: **Front of the bus and right rear tire area**
- ♦ Don't try to pick up something dropped near the bus - the bus driver might not see you.
- ♦ Remember that some motorists don't always stop for a stopped school bus.
- ♦ Be careful whenever getting on or off the bus
- ♦ **SAFETY PROCEDURES ARE REQUIRED BY STATE LAW**  
Please watch out for our children in our community, getting on and off the buses as well as the ones walking to school, as they return to school on September 6th!

For more information visit: [www. Valleyview.k12.oh.us](http://www.Valleyview.k12.oh.us)



Saturday Night Out—July 16th

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At the July 5th City Council Meeting, Mr. Scott Reeder was honored and awarded a certificate of appreciation from Mayor Terry Johnson, Germantown City Council and the Germantown Parks Board in recognition of the volunteering of his time and equipment toward the clean-up of the Miami Military Institute Park. Mr. Reeder donated his work in honor of his own family's military history. The work he has done has been spectacular and a tremendous help to the city. Germantown is grateful for Mr. Reeder's service to our community.



City of Germantown, Ohio - Municipal Government



The City of Germantown Police Department



The City of Germantown Fire-EMS Station 63