The mural at New View Nutrition

# **Meet Your City Employees**

# AMANDA SMITH Downtown Event Coordinator

In this quarterly edition, we would like to introduce you to Amanda Smith, Downtown Event Coordinator for the City of Germantown. Though she has only been in this role since October of 2024, Amanda has already managed to make an impact at City Hall as well as in the community.

Amanda's decision to begin working for the city is a homecoming, both because she was born and raised in Germantown and because her very first job was for the city as a lifeguard at the pool. "I always knew I wanted to be a business professional in some form; I have always had a talent for planning, organization, and working with people." Amanda shared. This interest grew during her time at Wright State when, while still a student, she became a manager at a local tanning salon, enabling her to work closely with the store's owner. Amanda went on to get a Bachelor's degree in Entrepreneurship (with a minor in Marketing) and even briefly ran her own small business selling products meant to help those who suffer from a bladder disease known as IC. After working for a few vears in different marketing roles. Amanda saw the job posting for the Downtown Event Coordinator online and felt she was being called to come back home.

The passion and knowledge that Amanda has for entrepreneurship serves her well as she works

with local businesses in the downtown area. The events that Amanda works on are designed to be complementary to our small businesses, or are pre-existing events



put on by a business or non-profit in the town that Amanda collaborates with in order to help promote and coordinate. Even smaller celebrations or occasions require a lot of planning, and Amanda works diligently to make sure they are fun and exciting while also being a good fit for the community. "Using the redevelopment plan as a guide, I get to help see the town flourish while maintaining the history and small town feel of Germantown," said Amanda.

With warmer weather comes more opportunities for residents to get out, enjoy our beautiful downtown, and attend local events. Some of the events happening this summer that Amanda has been involved in

the planning of include Movies in the Park, Center Street Market, the Haunted Tours, and Founders Day. The first major event that Amanda helped to coordinate was the very

successful Galentine's Day this past February. Amanda urges residents to follow the Facebook and Instagram pages for Downtown Germantown in order to stay up-to-date on the various happenings. You can also find a schedule of events under the Downtown tab on the city's website. Amanda also encourages residents to contact her with feedback on existing events as well as with ideas for future ones. She can be reached at asmith@germantown.oh.us. She would love to collaborate with you and help your idea come to fruition.

When Amanda is not working, she enjoys spending time with her husband, Kole, her son, Booker, and their pets, a dog named Honey and a cat named Copper. They all love to get outside and be active and Booker does an excellent job of making sure they do so, even when it is cold or rainy. The Smiths are very involved with their church and spend most of their weekends with extended

Thank you, Amanda, for joining the team in Germantown and helping to create fun events for our residents to enjoy!

family. "Our weekends are always

Amanda with a smile.

jam-packed with family events," said

# **Saturday Night Out**

Saturday Night Out will be held on July 19, August 16, and October 11! The event is a family-friendly car cruise-in with a variety of food vendors, artisan stalls, and live music!



### Pool Passes Now Available

Summer is the time for fun and relaxation, and the Germantown Aquatic Center is the perfect place to unwind and enjoy the season. The pool is a great way to stay cool, catch some rays, meet new friends, and it's an activity that can be enjoyed by the whole family! Season passes are available to be purchased at City Hall located at 1 N. Plum Street, or on our website www.germantown.oh.us.

Call 937-855-7255 for more information.

# **MIAMI MILITARY INSTITUTE PARK**

### **General Benjamin Piatt Runkle - Miami Military Institute Instructor**

Benjamin Piatt Runkle was an American military officer, lawyer,

Episcopal priest, candidate for Ohio State Senate, and a Freemason. Benjamin Runkle was also an instructor at Germantown's own Miami Military Institute from 1905-1909.

Born September 3, 1836 in West Liberty, Ohio, young Runkle graduated from Miami University in 1857. While at Miami University, he was

an original founder of Sigma Chi Fraternity and it is said he was the most rebellious of the group. He then studied law in Springfield, Ohio and was admitted to the bar in 1859.

Runkle became part of the 13th Ohio Infantry at the onset of the Civil

War, where he was shot in the feet and through the right jaw at the

Battle of Shiloh. He was thought to be mortally wounded but survived. While serving with the 45th Ohio Infantry and leading a brigade that consisted of the mounted 45th Ohio, 7th Ohio Calvary, and 10th Kentucky Calvary, he was given credit for the victory at the Battle of Dutton's Hill by his commander and thanked for his gallantry. He was

involved in multiple notable battles, including the Defense of Cincinnati and Sherman's Atlanta Campaign. Following the war, General Runkle was assigned to the Freedman's Bureau in Memphis, Tennessee.

During his years at the Miami Military Institute, General Runkle taught Military Science & Tactics. These courses provided students with extensive military knowledge and leadership training. The general was also a colorful character and noted in the diary of Lulu Brown, wife of the MMI founder. Mrs. Brown humorously wrote that whenever beautiful flowers mysteriously arrived, she always suspected General Runkle had sent them to apologize for something he may have done.

General Benjamin Piatt Runkle died at his home in Hillsboro, Ohio on June 28, 1916 at the age of 79. He is buried in Arlington National Cemetery. The powerful history of the Miami Military Institute and those who were affiliated with it will continue to live through the creation of MMI Park.

### **GERMANTOWN UNION CEMETERY**



We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this year's Memorial Day Parade a success! Over 800 flags were placed throughout the cemetery by volunteers coordinated by the Germantown Veterans Memorial Museum in remembrance of our veterans. Your dedication and hard work ensured that the event ran smoothly and honored our community's heroes in a meaningful way. We could not have done it

without you! A special thank you also to West Carrollton VFW Post 3438 for donating flags and flag holders.

For those of you in the community who are creative and artistic, we have a community-wide competition to design a new logo for our cemetery. All community members are invited to participate and display their creativity. The winning design will be featured on our new website and print materials. See our Facebook Page for further details.

Upcoming Board Meetings at Cemetery Office (5:00 pm): Monday July 14, 2025; Monday August 11, 2025; and Monday September 8, 2025

We can be reached by phone at 937-855-3011 or by email:
Office@GermantownCemetery.com



Movies are shown at Veterans Memorial Park and start at sunset, but come before and purchase some snacks from the concession stand operated by the By-Jo.

Friday, July 25th
Pitch Perfect Ladies' Night!

Friday, August 15th Finding Nemo

A major thank you to our sponsors for making these events possible; see them listed on our Facebook page.



Follow us on Facebook for updates and communications.
www.facebook.com/GermantownCemetery



### **Police Drone to Enhance Public Safety**

The Germantown Police Department is excited to announce the addition of a new police drone to our fleet

of tools aimed at enhancing public safety. This advanced police drone can be utilized for a variety of important tasks, including investigations, traffic accident investigations, monitoring parades

and community events, and supporting other investigative efforts where aerial support is crucial. Equipped with high-resolution cameras and thermal imaging technology, it allows officers to

> gather real-time data from a safe distance, improving response times and providing critical assistance in emergency and investigative situations. As technology continues to advance, this new police drone

is another step toward improving our ability to serve and protect the community.





July is a popular time for both travel and holiday celebrations, and it's important to keep safety in mind. If you're planning to use fireworks, please be aware that the discharge of fireworks within Germantown city limits is prohibited. Fireworks can also frighten pets, so it's best to keep them safely indoors during celebrations. As the summer

temperatures rise, remember to take precautions during extreme heat. Keep children and older adults cool and hydrated, and check in on elderly neighbors who may be more vulnerable to heat-related illnesses.

**Never leave children or pets in a parked car**, even with the windows cracked—interior temperatures can rise dangerously within minutes.



# **Congrats on Retirement!**

Congratulations to **Terri Zimmerman** on her retirement after 38 years of dedicated service to our department, beginning as a dispatcher and retiring as Support Service Coordinator. We wish Terri a happy, healthy retirement and thank her for her many, many years of service to our Germantown community!



### Tuesday, August 5th 6-8PM Veterans Park

The Germantown Police Department looks forward to seeing everyone at this year's National Night Out which is a nationwide event that began in 1983 and is held annually on the first Tuesday in August.

National Night Out is all about bringing neighbors, local organizations, and law enforcement together to strengthen community bonds and promote public safety.

Stop by to enjoy familyfriendly fun, meet your local officers, connect with community partners, and learn more about safety resources in our area.

We'll have activities for the kids, so bring the whole family for an evening of fun, connection, and community spirit!





Thank you, Germantown, for supporting Fire-EMS and voting YES on Issue 7!



# How Medic 63 Saved the Day for a Local Family

Shortly after midnight one early April night, Station 63 crew was toned out and informed that a female in labor was en route to their Station. While the expecting mother was en route to the hospital, a call was placed to Preble County 911 Center who advised the caller to continue to Germantown Station 63. Upon arrival, Medic 63 crew quickly moved the inlabor female from her personal vehicle into the ambulance and immediately started for the destination of Southview Hospital Labor and Delivery. As the crew was crossing the Great Miami River going into Miamisburg, the baby decided it was his time to arrive into the world. FF/Paramedic Amanda



Pictured from left to right: Mayor T. Johnson, FF EMT Ryan, FF Paramedic Amanda and Chief Dan

and FF/EMT Ryan did a great job of bringing this new little boy into the world while also providing care for his mother. Both Mother and little fella are doing well and came to our Open House to visit with the crew. How cool is that! Well done Amanda & Ryan!

Thank You to Kettering Health Washington Township EMS Coordinator John Hildebrand for providing the Stork Pins for Amanda & Ryan!

FF/ Paramedic Amanda & FF/EMT Ryan both received their Stork Pins and Certificate of Commendation at the City Council Meeting June 2. The Certificate of Commendation reads: "This commendation is awarded because of your successful assistance to a mother in the natural delivery of a newborn in the prehospital setting."

# For Your Information...

### **Closures at City Hall**

Germantown City Hall will be closed in observance of the following federal holidays:

Friday, July 4th Independence Day Monday, September 1st Labor Day Be advised that the Pumpke trash

Be advised that the Rumpke trash pickup schedule will be delayed by one day on these dates.

### Time to Mow

Please keep in mind that City Ordinances limit grass and weeds to a height of 8 inches. All tree branches and shrubs that overhang a public street/sidewalk or block a stop sign must be trimmed. To report noncompliance with Ordinances, please contact the City Office at 937-855-7255.

### **Permit Requirements**

Outdoor building and remodeling season is here! If you are planning a project such as a deck, shed, fence, new roof, swimming pool, or other home improvement, you will most likely need a permit. Applications are available at City Hall and on the City website at www.germantown.oh.us. There is also a deposit required for all projects before you get underway. If you have questions, please call 937-855-7255.

### Call Before You Dig

Every digging project, no matter how large or small, necessitates a call to 800-362-2764 or 811. Also visit www.oups.org for more information. Call...it's the law.

# Community Garage Sale

### September 20 & 21

The City of Germantown Community-Wide Garage Sale is set for Saturday, September 20, from 9am to 6pm and Sunday, September 21, from 1-6pm. Registration is open for all households interested in participating. If you wish to participate, please contact City Hall at 937-855-7255. You will be asked to provide your address as well as your top three sale items, as we will be creating a "Garage Sale Treasure List" to help ARAGE SA direct shoppers and advertise the event.



# Germantown Business Spotlight

# Milk & Hunny

Fox Gallery was a staple of Downtown Germantown for many years, and when it was time for Tom and Julie to retire, ownership of the store passed into the capable hands of Molly and Lisa Siroki. Now known as Milk & Hunny, the jewelry store continues to be a gem in the downtown, and Molly and Lisa bring with them a legacy of expertise and care.

Molly first stepped into the industry when she was just a teenager, beginning to do some work with her father, Nick, at his jewelry store in Dayton. She could not have asked for a better mentor, as Nick has multiple decades of experience in the industry, three of them in the Dayton region. A self-taught jeweler, his expertise was a boon as Molly moved from intakes and administrative tasks

to helping customers with custom designs. She and her family have also benefited greatly from the various trainings and certifications they have attained. "There are many different certificates that jewelers can receive," Molly explained. These can be in design, repair, different metals and gems, and range from basic to advanced. Her brother Brandon, who works at their location in Beavercreek, has over 450 hours worth of training in jewelry repair.

This is truly a family business, with Molly, Lisa, Nick, Brandon, and Molly's other brother Brody, all working in different roles. This creates one of the advantages customers have when working with Milk & Hunny – they know exactly who will be handling their possessions and that it

will be done so securely. "People love that their items don't get put in the mail, there is a direct handoff from us to my dad," said Molly. This sets Milk & Hunny apart from other shops in the region. "Other stores usually have companies that they contract with that do all of their work. They'll send stuff out in the mail, whereas ours is all hand-to-hand," she further

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explained. The work done is also top-of-the-line and advanced. While some stores still use the older method of torch and

solder, the Sirokis make use of a jewelry laser, which can help maintain the integrity and quality of the jewelry during repairs.

New customers do not need to have any prior knowledge before coming to Milk & Hunny for a customdesigned piece; Molly and Lisa are more than happy to work with you and make your idea a reality. "A big thing I tell people is that you can look online for inspiration. We will start asking if there is a certain color stone, shape, or style they're looking for," said Molly. The store also has many books that customers can browse for ideas. "Once a customer has their preferences, we create a custom, 3-D design using CAD (Computer Aided Design). You then get a wax model of the piece or can be emailed the 3-D rendering. Once everything is approved, it goes into production," Molly further explained.

Getting to work with her customers is arguably Molly's favorite part of her job. Pieces of jewelry often carry with them stories of love, happiness, and fond memories, so working with them enables Molly to connect deeply with their owners. "I love

the relationships that we have with our customers and learning the history behind their jewelry," Molly said. She finds it incredibly fulfilling getting to be a part of their stories, whether it is restoring a family heirloom or getting to create an engagement ring for a happy couple.

Milk & Hunny offers a range of services and can do just about anything when it comes to repairs or custom designs. They also have a custom line in the works that visitors are sure to love. When customers do business with the Sirokis, they can feel good knowing their precious items are safe, in experienced hands, and that they are supporting a family business, rather than a big corporation.



# Geists & Ghosts Walk Tour: A New Haunted Adventure in Germantown!



Some of you may already know me as Paula from P3 - Paula's Paranormal Project. I'm thrilled to announce an exciting new venture launching right here in Germantown! In collaboration with the Downtown Event Coordinator and the Historical Society, I've created a brandnew Geists & Ghosts Walk Tour—a

historical walking tour with a ghostly twist.

Over the last year, I've met incredible people and uncovered fascinating stories that inspired me to create an authentic, respectful, and spine-tingling experience. This

tour blends Germantown's rich local history with chilling lore and true paranormal encounters. My goal is to honor both the living and those who've passed on by sharing their stories with integrity and care.

I graduated from Miami University with a degree in American History, Pop Culture, and Film Studies, and I'm passionate about making history come alive in fun and engaging ways. Whether it's through storytelling, humor, or a good ghost tale, I love teaching people about the past in a way that sticks.

My passion for the paranormal, combined with my upbeat personality and love of hosting,

has helped me bring unique, entertaining experiences to life. I've spent the last four years leading ghost tours in Waynesville and Miamisburg. I also collaborate with beloved local spots like The Spaghetti Warehouse

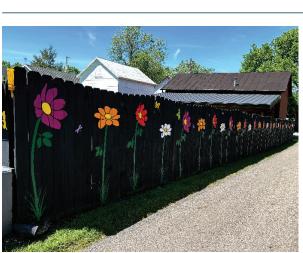
and Dayton Pedal Wagon, and I'm currently developing another paranormal experience for Centerville. I also do community outreach through my residential work, helping homeowners and business owners who are experiencing spirit activity in their spaces, supported by a trusted team of paranormal experts, mediums, and technical specialists.

Beyond tours, I host ghost hunting events at both local haunts and iconic destinations like Waverly Hills and Mansfield Reformatory. I also run Haunted Escapes through my travel agency, offering immersive paranormal adventures to famously haunted locales like Gettysburg and New Orleans.

A proud Dayton resident for 17 years and mom to two amazing kids, Bennett (13) and Juliet (10), I'm passionate about sharing spooky fun with curious souls of all ages.

The Geists & Ghosts Walk
Tour is recommended for ages 8
and up and is perfect for families,
curious history buffs, and ghost
lovers alike. The ghost walking tour
winds through a significant portion
of historic downtown Germantown,
highlighting both local businesses
and a few private homes—so come
ready for a walking adventure, and
don't forget to enjoy a spirited drink
in the DORA district along the way!

To book your spot, visit my website: P3PARANORMAL.COM. Come explore Germantown's haunted past—you never know who (or what) you might meet!



# Downtown Beautification

This summer has seen many new artistic pieces put up in Germantown. Well done to the Williams family on the beautiful flowers they painted on their fence. Be on the lookout for the various murals, which will be added to downtown buildings over the coming months!

# City Beautiful Commission

Germantown City Beautiful encourages everyone to participate in the many contests and activities that we promote throughout the year. You can find all events on the City Beautiful Facebook page. We love public nominations and input, so if you see something you like or have any ideas, we would love to hear about it.

### News from the

# **PUBLIC LIBRARY**

# **Germantown Library Awarded Several Grants**

The Germantown Public Library was recently the recipient of three different grants.

The first one came as a part of an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA), wherein the Germantown Public Library has been selected as one of 300 libraries to participate in Round Three of Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities. This program provides community engagement and accessibility resources to small rural libraries, helping them

Communities. This program provides community engagement and accessibility resources to small and rural libraries, helping them better serve people with disabilities.

As part of the project, library staff support will host community conversations focused on spectrum disabilities.

Grant funds will be used to create a permanent sensory space, sensory-

focused circulation items, and inclusive community programming.

Additionally, the library has been selected as one of 15 pilot sites in the State Library of Ohio's Know Your Flow Ohio grant program. Through this program, the library received a

Public Library

menstrual product dispenser, initial supplies from Aunt Flow, and \$1,000 to support additional purchases and related health programming. The library offers free menstrual products in the women's and unisex restrooms and will be providing period kits to

local food pantries.

The library was also awarded a \$5,000 Conservation and Preservation Grant from the State Library of Ohio. This grant supports the preservation of unique library materials. Germantown Public Library will use the funding to conserve a historic 1719 German-

language Bible, Der Bibel: Die Ganze Heilige Schrift Alten und Neuen Testaments, translated by Martin Luther. Of special local interest, the

Bible belonged to the Philip Gunckel family, early settlers of Germantown. It contains handwritten family records and includes a pasted portrait of Colonel George Irbin Gunckel, who originally donated the item to the library.

# **HISTORICAL SOCIETY UPDATES**

It has been a great Spring here at the Historical Society. We held the annual Open House on Sunday, May 4, and there was a wonderful turnout despite the iffy weather. Many thanks to our artisans: Dr. Mark Judy, Robert Seither, Anna Suder, Joan Wright, Donna Galdeen, and Nick Smith.



Nick graciously donated his lion and bear woodcarvings as a fundraiser. A big thanks to all our volunteers and those that attended!

A student art reception was held for the first-place winners in the annual 'The Way We Were' art project. Twenty-five seventh graders were recognized for their outstanding



Robert Seither

art depicting historic Germantown buildings. A huge thanks to Mrs. Jessica Evans, Valley View Junior High art teacher, and Sarah Shirk and the staff at

the Germantown Public Library.

The museum is now open on

Tuesdays 11 am - 3:30 pm with more hours added soon. Come tour the new exhibits or look up local family history with our genealogy team. We will also be open during Center Street Market 9 am - noon. We'll have items for sale that benefit the purchase of much-

needed archival storage for our many artifacts. From July 1 through

July 24 local cookbooks will be on display along with samples of some of the recipes.

Founders Day will be Sunday, August 3 from noon - 6 pm. It will be a fun-filled day for families. The band B-Caged will perform from 3-6 pm. Schmidt's Sausage Truck will be there along with other local food establishments and local vendors. Birds of Prey, a dog training exhibition, adopt-a-pet, face painting, and clowns will be part of

the day. The Historical Society will also be selling pie and ice cream in the depot as part of our fundraising activities.

Please check out our Facebook page and follow for more information. Membership is available anytime.

Contact us at: 937.855.7951 or hsgtownoh@outlook.com.

Connie Shaffer, Volunteer, Joan Wright

and Donna Galdeen, Local Artisans





### GERMANTOWN SENIOR CENTER

—— EST. 2000 ——

33 N. Cherry Street (937) 853-8900

### Reminders

Please remember to sign up for activities and inform us of cancellations.

Check the monthly calendar for additions or changes. You can pick up a calendar at the Center or print from the city's website.

### Rentals

The Senior Center is a beautiful facility equipped with a full kitchen and tables and chairs that is available for rental for parties, meetings and more! Call the Center for rental inquiries.

### **Annual Membership Fee**

\$10 per year for German Township or Germantown Residents, \$25 per year for Non-Residents.

Mail or drop off completed application along with check made payable to: Germantown Senior Center, 33 N. Cherry St., Germantown, Ohio 45327. We can only accept checks, no cash please.

Call (937) 853-8900 to speak with us.

### **Our Mission**

We advocate for the well-being and dignity of all seniors by providing health, educational and recreational programs to assist them to lead independent and useful lives.

### **SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR**

### **Bingo With Halftime Lunch**

Wednesday at 11 am: July 30, August 27, September 26

### **Breakfast**

9:30 am July 25, August 22, September 26 Bible Study following at 10:30 am

### **Chair Exercise**

Chair Exercise at 11 am on Tuesdays. No class if there's a bus outing.

### **Lunch & Learn**

Friday at 11 am: July 18, August 15, September 19

### **Lunch & Shopping Bus Trip**

Friday at 11 am: July 11, August 8 & 19, September 5, 12 & 30

### **Penny Auction**

1st Wednesday at 11 am: July 2, August 6, September 3

### **2nd Wednesday Craft Days**

Starts at 11 am: July 9, August 13, September 10

### **Card Bingo**

3rd Wednesday at 11 am: July 16, August 20, September 17

\*New Walking Group on Thursdays at 3pm. Check for location

### **Special Announcements**

July 2- 4 pm, Landscape Volunteer Day with Cookout, Corn Hole & Game Night

July 10-4:30 pm, Senior Oversight Meeting

July 11- 11 am, Bus Trip to Cheddar's, then Marshall's & Costco

July 15- Let's get ready to Sock Hop! Dinner at 5:30, Double Cross Band from 6-8. Come dressed in 1950's style! Prize for best-dressed!

August 1- 11 am, Bus Trip to First Friday Music, then lunch at The Cracked Pot

August 8-11am, Bus Trip to Austin Landing with lunch at Chuy's

August 19- We're celebrating our seniors with a bus trip to Agave & Rye, Ice Cream at Graeter's & Shopping at HomeBuys starting at 11 am. Stop by the Center on the 21st for a special treat for National Senior Citizens Day! We appreciate our seniors!

September 12- 11 am Bus Trip, Lunch & Shopping Downtown Waynesville

September 23- 11 am Bus Trip to Young's Dairy, Corn Maze & Adventure Golf

September 30-11 am Bus Trip to Doubleday's, the DLM & Shops

MONDAY	MONDAY TUESDAY		THURSDAY	FRIDAY			
12-2 pm Senior Meals 1 pm Chair Volleyball	10 am Open Computer 11 am Chair Exercise	10 am Quilters 10 am Social Hour with Coffee & Donuts	1 pm Mah Jongg 2 pm Euchre	1 pm Chair Volleyball			



### **HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!**

We are just a few weeks away from our annual Independence Day Parade, which is being held on **Friday, July 4th**. Our parade traditionally has a variety of entries, from antique vehicles to xylophones and everything in between. **As a Valley View community business/organization, the Germantown/German Township Parks Board would cordially invite you to participate in this year's festivities.** 

### PARADE PARTICIPANTS

- ★ Parade participation is open to any residents/groups living or based in Germantown, German Township or the Valley View School District.
- ★ Please arrive at Kercher Park's south parking lot at 9:30 am to line up for the parade start at 10:00 am.
- ★ Staging will take place on Astoria Road. We ask that you enter Astoria from Mudlick Road. Astoria Road will be closed at Market Street and no access given.
- ★ The parade route will be north on Astoria Road, east on Market Street, south on Plum Street, east on Gunckel Street, north on Cherry Street and west on Warren Street to Veterans Memorial Park.
- ★ The parade is held rain or shine. Should the parade be canceled for severe weather, it will not be rescheduled.
- ★ Parade participants may pass out candy or appropriate materials but DO NOT THROW any items. We also ask that walkers and bicyclists not run or ride in front of motor vehicles.

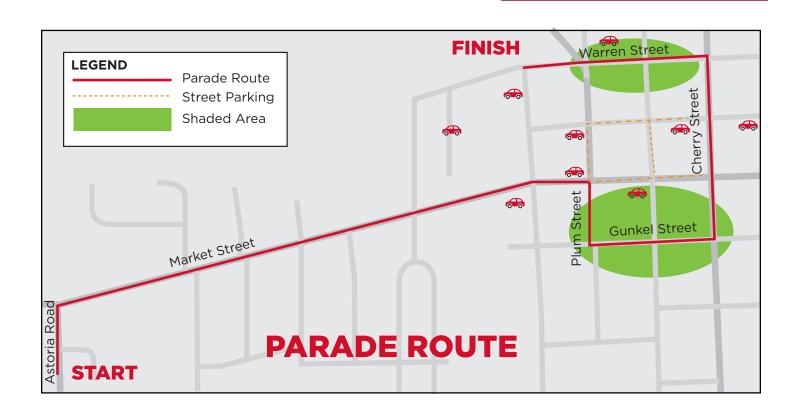
If you have a question, please call Tom Geglein at 937.304.7366 or City Hall at 937.855.7255, or you can email us at vigln@aol.com. We hope to see you on the 4th!

### PARADE LINE-UP

- Police Escort
- 2. Scouts bearing flags
- Valley View High School Band/ Flag Corp/Band Trailer
- 4. Grand Marshal
- 5. Germantown Police
- 6. Germantown Fire/EMS
- 7. Other Government Police

- 8. Other Government Fire/EMS
- 9. Military & Veterans
- 10. Antique Vehicles
- School, Youth and Sports Clubs/ Teams
- Local religious/non-profit
   Organizations Floats/Vehicles/
   Walkers
- 13. Local Businesses Floats/ Vehicles/Walkers
- 14. Political Representatives
- 15. Individual Walkers/Bicyclist
- 16. Horses
- 17. Police Escort

# NTOWN PARADE



# THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

- ★ Road closures begin at 9:30am, moving from West (Astoria Road) to East (Cherry Street). The entire parade route will be closed by 10:15am
- ★ Please avoid street parking on the parade route. A list of available parking lots within easy walking distance has been provided. When parking on side streets, DO NOT BLOCK driveways or alley ways.
- ★ Our neighbors and natural habitats need your help. Please dispose of your trash responsibly and leave your viewing area in good condition.



# **PARKING**

St. John's United Church
Germantown / City Hall
Valley View Chiropractic
Don's Pizza Palace
Germantown Senior Center
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
Germantown Public Library
Veteran's Memorial Park





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### POSTAL CUSTOMER

# Water Pollution DID YOU KNOW?

# Be the Solution to Storm Water Pollution

By Andrew Rickard, Montgomery Soil & Water Conservation District

April showers bring May flowers, but they also bring storm water pollution. As the weather warms up, and we all begin to spend more time outside, Montgomery SWCD encourages residents of Germantown to be mindful of what is going into their storm sewer. Curb inlets outside your home lead to a larger system that is maintained by city staff and contributes to waterways like Twin Creek. With your help, we can keep this system free of storm water pollutants. Below are a few small changes that can help keep our waterways clean.

- Wash your car on the lawn the soapy water is bad for aquatic ecosystems. The grass keeps that water from running into the storm sewer.
- Don't throw yard waste in the street - leaves and sticks can wash into the storm sewer clogging it up. This can back up water and create work for city staff.

- Properly dispose of oil Dumping oil in the storm sewer or on the ground is bad for the environment. Most auto parts stores dispose of it for free!
- Clean up trash Trash on the streets can end up in the storm sewer. This can clog pipes and end up in our waterways.
- Pick up after your pets Pet waste left on the ground can wash into storm drains, adding harmful bacteria and nutrients to our waterways. Always bag it and place it in the trash.

By making these small changes, residents of Germantown can help keep their city free of storm water pollutants. If you would like more information, please contact Montgomery Soil & Water Conservation District at (937) 854-7645 to see how you can help!

"Great things have come in the past and greater things are still to come and will be done in OUR City"

- Mayor Terry Johnson

### **CITY OF GERMANTOWN**

1 North Plum Street Germantown, Ohio 45327

### **CITY COUNCIL**

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Terry A	Johnson			937 533

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