



## Ruffner Park Flooding



Ruffner Park was flooded during the excessive January rainfall. Much of the dirt on Jeff Dutiel Field washed away, so the Village has applied for Federal Emergency Management Agency relief funds.

## Feole Joins Council

Nancy Feole was appointed a member of Galena Village Council on January 24. Tony Hamilton resigned due to personal reasons. Feole will complete Hamilton's term through 2007 and will replace him on several committees. Feole has lived in Galena since 1978 and retired as executive director of Faith Mission and Faith Housing.



## Projects Planned

Several major infrastructure improvements are planned for the Village this year.

Increased traffic on Walnut Street has worn the pavement. We hope to repave Walnut St. from

Rte. 3 to Columbus St. this fall. The total cost of the job, including planning, patching the old surface, and new pavement, is estimated at \$144,800. The Village has applied to the Ohio Public Works Commission for \$107,100 of funding assistance. If the grant is received, the Village share of the cost will be \$37,700.

The project will include man-hole adjustments and pavement marking. Traffic will be maintained during the project.

Residents have been inconvenienced by several waterline breaks along Walnut St. Del-Co Water Co., Inc. plans several improvements to provide better water service to the area. Del-Co plans to install a new 8-inch diameter water line between Heathermere Dr. and Rose St. to replace the existing 4-inch line.

The solenoid water valve building, located near the entrance to the Arrowhead Golf Course, will be moved to the south side of Heathermere Dr. Del-Co Water will pay for the cost of these improvements.

The homes between the golf course and Heathermere Dr. will be served by a new 8-inch water-

line installed by Maronda Homes as part of the Heathermere Subdivision development.

Village Council has supported continued storm sewer improvements as limited funding permits. The existing storm water drainage system suffers from old age, deteriorated pipes, and broken and clogged catch basins. Few records and plans exist about the historic location and extent of the system.

During the coming year improvements are planned for Quinn St. near the intersection of Rose St. to reduce yard flooding and stagnant water.

A new 15-inch storm sewer will be installed under N. Walnut St. to carry storm water from the Heathermere subdivision toward Little Walnut Creek. This project will include a new catch basin and a new culvert under the street. This project will be installed by

## Galena Dates

Mark Your Calendar! The following are Galena Village Council and committee meeting dates as well as other local events. All Village meetings are open to the public and are at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Village Municipal Building, 9 W. Columbus St., unless otherwise stated.

- Feb. 15 Parks & Sp. Events
- Feb. 28 Council Meeting
- March 9 Zoning & Planning
- March 15 Parks & Sp. Events
- March 26 Easter Egg Hunt, 1 p.m., Ruffner Park
- March 28 Council Meeting

Maronda Homes as part of the Heathermere Subdivision at no cost to the Village.

Several smaller projects are anticipated on High and Holmes streets to replace some broken catch basins and tiles. This will improve street and area drainage and reduce water impoundments and mosquito breeding.

During the past year, storm water improvements were made on Walnut St. by Miller Park, on S. Walnut St. near the Municipal Building, and at two places under the old railroad right-of-way. Residents can help by keeping leaves and debris out of the catch basins.

## Developments

Public Service Director Dave LaValle reported that 34 zoning permits were issued in the Heathermere subdivision on Walnut St. Several houses have already been completed and sold in the development.

Phase one street paving is complete in the Estates at Blackhawk on Dustin Road and the first new home zoning permit has been issued.

Melimore Dr. is paved and the first new home zoning permit has also been issued for the Walnut Creek subdivision on Joe Walker Road. A Big Walnut Creek trail has also been rough graded.

LaValle explained the Village has asked that Berkshire Township request the County to lower the 55 miles per hour (mph) speed limit to 25 mph on Joe Walker

Road which is approximately 1/3 mile long and dead ends just past the 33-lot development. Berkshire Township has not yet requested the speed limit change. Maronda Homes plans submitted to the County Engineer more than a year ago included no pre-development agreement for road improvements. Now, the County Engineer wants the developer to improve the township road to Delaware County standards.

## New Trash Service

The new Waste Management residential trash pick-up service began February 4. The new trash day is now **Friday**.

Waste Management will pick up trash placed at the curb at any residence in the Village on Fridays for the first two weeks in February to give everyone a chance to sign up. Residents should call 1-800-343-6047 to set up their accounts or with questions.

Waste Management delivered recycling bins on Jan. 27 and new residents can get bins by calling the Village Offices at 965-2484.

## Appliance Pickup

Residents of the Delaware General Health District who are 60 and older can get up to two large appliances removed from their homes for free.

Residents who want the service need to call 740-368-1700 by March 11. Pickups will be scheduled as long as funding lasts. Mathis Moving and Storage crews

will pick up the appliances in late March. Electronic appliances will not be accepted.

## Police Cameras

Police Chief Pat Bennett reported to Council that new cameras with extended taping capabilities and remote microphones worn by officers have been installed in Sunbury/Galena police cars. Bennett said the department is already seeing benefits from the tapes in court.

## Church Services

Join Galena United Methodist Church on a Lenten Journey:

- Ash Wednesday, February 9, 7:30 Service;
- Sunday Nights, Feb. 13-March 20, 7:30 p.m. - Jerusalem;
- Tuesday Nights, Feb. 15-March 15, 7 p.m., Bible Study - Who Is Jesus?

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