



Boardwalk Grand Opening



The City of Columbus held a grand opening on May 6 for their new 1,500 foot boardwalk on Hoover Reservoir. Columbus Recreation and Parks officials were on hand as well as Ohio Audubon official Jerry Tinianow. The Audubon Society designated the area an Important Bird Area, an international recognition. The Hoover mudflats are a vital stop in the spring and fall for migrating birds. The area also currently boasts a nesting pair of state endangered Ospreys and many nesting Prothonotary Warblers. Eagles frequent the area as well.

Donors to the boardwalk project included the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department with contributions from the federal Recreational Trails Fund, the Pathways to Nature grant fund (Wild Birds Unlimited and National Fish and Wildlife Foundation), the Columbus Foundation, the Reinberger Foundation, and the friends and family of Jessie Pollock.

The boardwalk can be accessed from Front Street via area M. Anyone who would like to donate toward completion of the boardwalk can send donations to the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department in care of

Elayna Grody at 200 Greenlawn Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43223.

Council Reviews Police Contract

At the Village of Galena's May Council meeting, Sunbury Galena Police Chief Pat Bennett presented Council with a draft agreement for the Village of Sunbury to continue providing police protection services to the Village of Galena for the next three years. Galena's Council also is waiting on proposals from Genoa Township and the Delaware County Sheriff's Office.

Campground Lawsuit

Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Scott Jamison reported that he and a representative from Poggemeyer Design Group conducted a court ordered inspection of Berkshire Campgrounds. The court ordered two consecutive days of inspection but campground owners denied access the second day so the issue will return to court.

The Village is suing the campground to gain access to its sewer system which is hooked into the Village's sewer system. Campground discharge water quality and quantity were sampled several times by the Village, and were found to exceed plant treatment capability.

With the Mullins property on Alexander Road now annexed into the Village, the Campground is now contiguous to Galena. A 1997 sewer agreement requires the campground to annex into the Village. Paperwork for the annexation is in progress.

New Developments

Public Service Director Dave LaValle reported to Council that plats and engineering drawings are being reviewed for Phases B and C in the Estates at Blackhawk on Dustin Road. Street paving for Phase B will begin soon.

With most construction complete, Maronda Homes will move their construction trailers from the Heathermere subdivision to the Walnut Creek subdivision on Joe Walker Road. The developer is progressing on gathering signatures to annex Joe Walker Road. Zoning permits are currently on hold for Walnut Creek pending correction of erosion and sedimentation problems.

Parks

The Miller Park walking path was sealed at the end of May. Safe surface materials will also be installed around the Ruffner Park merry-go-round with grant funding. Bids are being solicited

Galena Dates

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

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| June 14 | Zoning & Planning |
| June 20 | Parks & Sp. Event |
| June 26 | Council Meeting |
| June 26 | Chipper Day |
| July 12 | Zoning & Planning |
| July 18 | Parks & Sp. Event |
| July 24 | Council Meeting |
| July 24 | Chipper Day |

for construction of wheelchair ramps around the Village Square.

Don't forget, if you'd like to use the Ruffner Park Shelter House, make reservations soon before dates are spoken for. You can use the shelter house for free anytime it's not reserved, but to reserve it you need to pay a \$25 fee and fill out a reservation form.

Council approved use of the Village Square for the Galena United Methodist Church's Fish Fry on July 29.

Chipper Days

The Village offers free chipping services to Village residents during the summer months. Chipper Days are the fourth Monday of each month. Have your brush and limbs at the curb neatly stacked and bundled cut side to the street. We can take a maximum of a 4" diameter limb. Larger limbs will be left at your curb for your disposal. Be sure not to bundle or include any metal objects.

Spring Cleanups

The Village will continue property inspections to ensure that all property is being maintained. Take some time to spruce up your yard and home. Houses should be painted if they have peeling paint. Sidewalks should be kept clear. Clean up any trash and junk around the yard, house and outbuildings. Remember that no open burning is permitted inside municipal limits.

Inoperable vehicles should not be in public view. Unlicensed vehicles must be licensed or removed.

Our trash hauler, Waste Management, can help with your clean-up. They offer:

- Weekly residential trash and recycling service
- One bulk item/week such as furniture or appliance
- (Any item with Freon must be tagged by an HVAC professional)
- No building materials are accepted such as drywall or bricks
- Limbs no longer than 4' accepted. Lots of limbs and twigs must be bundled and tied.

For more information, contact them at 800-343-6047.

New Pub Owners

Keith Pepperel recently sold Donovan's Pub to new owners Richard Hardman and David Dick. The new owners have added a lunch menu and received local voters' support to add hard liquor.

Sunbury Road Bridge Update

The Sunbury Road Bridge over Hoover Reservoir was scheduled to open in June. Delays with the structural steel for the bridge will mean a July bridge opening date. A steady stream of steel girders have been being transported through Galena recently so it shouldn't be too long.

Fireworks

As we approach the 4th of July, remember that it is illegal and dangerous to set off fireworks. Be safe!

E-mail Newsletter

Contact the Village if you would prefer to receive the newsletter in full color via e-mail rather than postal mail. E-mail us at galena@copper.net. Keep us updated if your postal or e-mail address changes, also.

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