



Galena's Ghosts and Goblins Rule the Night

There were witches, draculas, cowboys, an orange barrel, a couple dogs, and even Yoda. The event was Galena's annual Halloween Costume Party held after Beggar's Night in Ruffner Park. Everyone enjoyed cider and donuts and all the great, imaginative costumes. Judges chose winners in five categories.



In the 0-4 year-olds category, winners were (l. to r.) Kayleigh Custer as a cat (3rd), Scott Lawless as a police officer (2nd), and Maggie Sarles as a cowgirl (1st).



In the 5-7 year-olds category, winners were (l. to r.) Brenton Ickes as a mummy (1st), Jacob Mason as Dr. I. N. Stein, (2nd), and Sterling Armstrong as Count Dracula (3rd).



In the 8-10 year-olds category, winners were (l. to r.) Hannah Dearth as an orange construction barrel (1st), Leah Shaw as the Legally Blonde character (2nd), and Erika Kessler as Hermione Granger from the Harry Potter series (3rd).



In the 11 years and up category, winners were (l. to r.) Andrea Ronk as a Post-it Note (1st), Aaron Shaw as Elvis (2nd), and Morticia Hamilton as a witch (3rd).

Vampires took second place in the groups represented by Madison and Sterling Armstrong.

Third place groups went to the dark side with Sarah Chambers, Drake Aldridge, Peter Chambers, and Jaid Aldridge.



In the Group category, the first place winners were (l. to r.) Jacob Mason as Dr. I. N. Stein, Andy Mason who was turned into a dog, and Ellie Mason who was turned into a kid in a freak science experiment.

The Galena Parks and Special Events Committee thanks all the creative kids and parents who participated in the contest.

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.

Nov. 9	Zoning & Planning
Nov. 15	Parks & Sp. Events
Nov. 28	Council Meeting
Dec. 4	Christmas Tree Lighting on Square, 7 p.m.
Dec. 14	Zoning & Planning
Dec. 15	Parks & Sp. Events
Dec. 17	Santa Claus Comes to Town. 10 am-noon, Council Chambers
Dec. 19	Council Meeting

Trails

Mary Kerr represented Delaware County Friends of the Trail at the October Council meeting in an appeal to Galena Village Council to share in funding of engineering services for Galena area trails. Kerr said the trails project from Plumb Road to Dustin Road would cost \$695,000. She hopes to apply for a Clean Ohio Fund Grant for \$521,250 with 25 percent matching funds from local entities.

Kerr is asking Delaware County to pay \$71,000, the City of Columbus to contribute \$51,000, Berkshire Township to add \$44,000, and the Village of Galena to pay \$7,702.50. Kerr explained that initial trail estimates were \$1.3 million but the project was pared down by deleting the pedestrian bridges crossing Plumb Road and S. Old 3C Highway as well as Dustin Road improvements. The Dustin Road to Walnut Street portion of the trail will not be included in the project at this time.

The Village's funds would be for design and engineering services. The Delaware County Engineer will prepare the grant application which is due in February 2006.

Clerk Progress

New Acting Clerk/Treasurer Stephanie Paese reported to Galena's Village Council about progress with the Village's accounting system. Paese, Acting Assistant Clerk/Treasurer Michele Dearth, and Visiting Clerk Debbie Farley have spent a great deal of time getting bill payments current; reallocating income

and expenses to appropriate accounts; and getting that data entered into the Village's Universal Accounting Network (UAN) computer system.

Paese reported that the books have been brought current and there has been no need at this time to borrow funds to bridge the gap. Council approved reallocation of funds among accounts.

Police Contract

Village Council accepted the Village Security Committee's recommendation to proceed with negotiating a new contract for police services. Village Solicitor Ken Molnar will work with the Village of Sunbury on a new contract. The existing contract does not expire until September 2006.

Sewer News

Sewer bills went out in late October for the billing quarter November, December, and January. The bills are due Dec. 10 and should be paid to Water Quality Management.

After meeting with the Berkshire Campgrounds' owners, the Village has requested information from the owners about their OEPA permits, inspections, and other details about their sewer system.

Playground Grant Application

A grant application was submitted to the Preservation Parks of Delaware County for \$5,395 for safe surfacing around the Ruffner Park merry-go-round.

GUMC Youth

The Galena United Methodist Church Youth will wrap gift purchases at the Barnes & Noble Polaris on the evenings of Nov. 28 and Dec. 12, so stop out and purchase gifts and get them wrapped in one stop.

E-mail Newsletter

Contact the Village if you would prefer to receive the newsletter in full color via e-mail rather than postal mail.

If you have a new neighbor, pass on an old copy so they can sign up, too.

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Columbia Gas	800-344-4077
Waste Mgt.	800-343-6047
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