



## Ice Cream Social



By all accounts, the Ice Cream Social held August 24 tasted just fine and was a big success. The weather was wonderful and approximately 80 people turned out to enjoy the free ice cream provided by Ollie's Ice Cream. Everyone enjoyed the clown and all the neighborly conversation.

If you loaned an ice cream scoop and are missing it, you can retrieve it from Susie Kossmann by calling 965-6660.

Shown above enjoying Crafty the Clown's balloon art is Faith Hildebrand. Scooping and enjoying ice cream below are Karin



Underwood, Susie Kossmann, Carrie Simmons, and Melinda Simmons.

## Galena Bike Race & Art Fair

The Second Annual Galena Grand Prix Bike Race and Art Fair will be held Sept. 27. The event will feature bike races for children and adults, a cross country foot race, and artist exhibits.

Children can participate in a Bicycle Safety Program, a Children's Obstacle Course, and Bicycle Safety Inspections conducted by the Sunbury Galena Police.

Children's races will be held for ages 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-12, and 13-15. Distances will vary by age with ages 4-5 racing 50 yards up to 13-15 year-olds racing approximately two miles.

Adults can participate in All-Terrain Bike Races. The races will start and finish at the Village Square and the course will run on pavement and in the grass at Ruffner Park.

The Beginner class is open to anyone and will go several laps on the course for a total of six miles.

The Sport Division is an amateur class comprised of weekend warriors and those just getting into the sport. Entrants are required to have a racing license for this ten mile race.

The Professional Division will feature a 15 mile race.



Organizer Tym Tyler, of Team Columbus, said spectators will get to see lots of racing since racers run several laps around the two-mile course. An announcer will keep you informed of all course action.

A 5K cross country foot race will be open to anyone interested.

Anyone interested in registering for the event can do so at [www.teamcolumbus.org](http://www.teamcolumbus.org). Click on the race list and the Galena Grand Prix. You can register until the day of the event.

Local artists will be invited to exhibit and sell their wares around the square. For anyone interested in exhibiting, contact Susie Kossmann at 965-6660.

The Galena Post Office will offer a special cancellation stamp in honor of the event again this year.

## New Web Site

It's finally here! After months of development, Galena's new web site is finally operational. Visit us at [www.galenaohio.org](http://www.galenaohio.org).

The site features information about Council – who the members are, their terms and contact information, as well as Council agenda, minutes, and meeting dates.

Committees, meeting dates, chairperson, and contact information is provided. Administration hours and contact information is on the site as well.

The site features village statistics and service provider information.

Village history and pictures as well as special events information is available.

In the near future, you'll be able to download a parks reservation form and view newsletters, news

releases, and maps.

There are also links to the county's web site to view the Village Zoning Code.

We hope you find it useful. Let us know what you think!

## Police Contract

Topping Village Council's August meeting agenda was discussion of renewing the Village's police protection contract with Sunbury.

Village Solicitor Ken Molnar reviewed the contract and pointed out items to consider. The previous contract was for one year and the new one is for three-years with costs increasing each year of the contract. A ten percent overrun was built into the contract to cover yet unknown officer benefits costs.

While new developments will increase Galena's population by year three, the contract does cover all of the Village.

Molnar will request some language clarification be added to contract. Due to the timing of when the contract was received, Council will vote on it at its September 22 meeting because the current contract expires September 23.

## Fireworks and Noise Complaints

In August, several N. Walnut St. neighbors filed a petition com-

plaining about ongoing fireworks and other noise. Police Chief Pat Bennett spoke with both residences that were the subject of the complaint. The issue seems resolved and all is quiet for now. Future complaints should be directed to the police department.

## Grant Applications

At its August meeting, Council approved applying for two grants recommended by the Grants Committee.

The Village will apply for an \$80,000 storm sewer facilities grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission for the Harrison and Holmes streets area and the Galena Commerce Center. The Village would commit \$30,000 toward the project as well.

Galena will also apply for a \$3,700 grant from Delaware County Preservation Parks to fund Ruffner Park playground equipment improvements.



## The Galena News

To be added to The *Galena News* mailing list, e-mail us at [galena@midohio.net](mailto:galena@midohio.net) or call us at 965-2484 with your address.

## Galena Dates

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

- Sept. 10 Zoning & Planning
- Sept. 16 Parks & Recreation Committee
- Sept. 22 Village Council
- Sept. 27 Galena Grand Prix Bike Race & Art Fair
- Oct. 8 Zoning & Planning
- Oct. 21 Parks & Recreation Committee
- Oct. 27 Village Council

## Village Contacts

- Village Offices 965-2484
- e-mail: [galena@midohio.net](mailto:galena@midohio.net)
- web: [www.galenaohio.org](http://www.galenaohio.org)
- Mayor Tom Hopper 965-1024
- In an emergency, dial 911**
- Sunbury/Galena Police 965-3946
- BST& G Fire Dept. 965-3841
- Del-Co Water 548-7746
- Del. Co. Sanitary Engr. 833-2240
- AEP 800-277-2177

Village of Galena  
9 W. Columbus St.  
Galena, Ohio 43021  
740-965-2484  
[galena@midohio.net](mailto:galena@midohio.net)