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TRUSTEES HONOR FIVE FOR HEROISM

The Copley Township Board of Trustees at its July 28th meeting honored five neighborhood heroes for rescuing a 6-year-old girl from drowning in a neighborhood pool on July 5th.

Juliana Braman was found at the bottom of the pool by her cousin Madelyn Braman. She was pulled from the pool by Madelyn's father, Brian Braman and resuscitated by neighbor Elena Gerin and Dr. Kenneth Braman. Lifeguard Kevin Karas also assisted with the efforts. Gerin teaches an advanced CPR course. Gerin said she hopes this near tragedy will raise awareness for CPR training.



Back Row L to R: Elena Gerin, Dr. Kenneth Braman, Brian Braman. Front Row L to R: Juliana Braman, Madelyn Braman.

ELECTION 2008 - Levies on the November 4 ballot

The Board of Trustees has placed two levies on the November 4 ballot. A 2.5 mill replacement Road and Bridge Levy and a 3.3 mill replacement Fire / EMS levy.

Both taxes are renewals of existing levies.

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COPLEY HIRES ASSISTANT ZONING INSPECTOR

At the July 14th Board of Trustees Meeting, Matt Springer was hired as an Assistant Zoning Inspector.



Matt Springer,
Asst. Zoning Inspector

Matt graduated from Grace College with a Bachelor's Degree in Education. He received his Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of Akron.

Matt and his wife Hannah are the proud parents of their new one month old daughter, Gracie.

We would like to welcome Matt and congratulate him and his wife on the birth of their daughter Gracie.

PLEASE EXCUSE OUR DUST...

The Town Hall will be under construction beginning in September through the Spring of 2009. A new bell tower is going to be constructed on top of the Town Hall and an elevator will be installed at the front entrance. Visitor traffic entering the Town Hall may be rerouted. For everyone's safety, please follow posted signs.



Please visit our
website

www.copley.oh.us

VOTER REGISTRATION

The Summit County Board of Elections will be at the Town Hall to register residents for the upcoming November Election at Copley Town Hall on October 3, 4, and 6 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. If you have any questions regarding voting, please call the Summit County Board of Elections at 330-643-5200.

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LEVIES

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Fire Levy

The Fire / EMS levy is a replacement of 3.3 mills for the purpose of purchasing necessary equipment and hiring additional staff in the Fire Department to provide fire and emergency medical services. This levy is expected to generate approximately \$1.7 million dollars each year for three years. Over the next three years, the Fire Department will use the funds to replace a 26 year old fire engine,

increase staffing levels to meet the rising demand from residents, and continue to provide the excellent level of service that the Copley community has become accustomed.

Road and Bridge Levy

The Road and Bridge levy is a 2.5 mill replacement levy which will be used to repair Township roads and bridges over the next three years. This tax will generate approximately \$1.2 million dollars each year. Some of the projects completed in the past have been:

A complete replacement of the Copley Meadows Subdivision including the concrete street, curbs and gutters; Kingsbury Trace Repaving; crack and sealing; and sealcoat on numerous roads throughout the Township. The money from this levy will allow the Township to maintain the roads with the same high standards as in the past.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST NOVEMBER 2

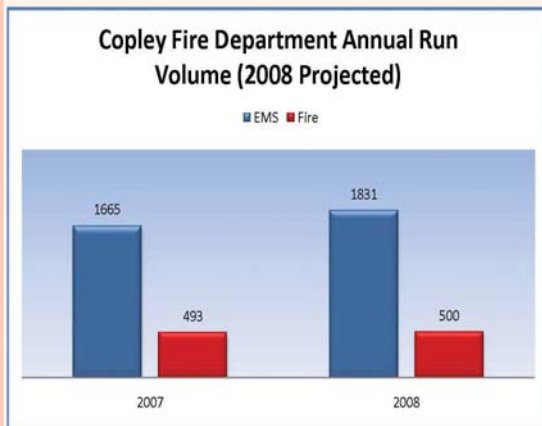
The Copley Fire Department will have their pancake breakfast on Sunday, November 2, 2008, from 8:00 a.m. till 11:00 a.m. The pancake breakfast will be held at the Copley Fire Station, 1540 S. Cleve-Mass. Rd. Adults \$5, Seniors \$4, Children 6-12 \$3, children 5 and under are FREE!

Standard Time

"Fall Back"


Turn Clocks Back One Hour
November 2nd - 2 a.m.

*"Change your clocks,
Change the batteries in your
smoke alarm."*



Police Department News...



ANNUAL HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL IN THE PARK

The annual Copley Safety Halloween Festival, sponsored by the Copley Police Department, in cooperation with Copley Fire and Service Departments, will be held at the Copley Community Park, 3232 Copley Road, on Saturday, October 25th, 2008 from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Copley Police Department will distribute free Trick-or-Treat bags, glow sticks and pumpkins, while supplies last. There will be hay rides, games, hot cider and donuts for everyone and a trick-or-treat "trail" for kids 10 & under.

In case of rain, the festival will be held at the Copley-Fairlawn Middle School at the Schoolcraft Road entrance.

SHARE-A-CHRISTMAS

The Copley Police Department will be accepting donations for its annual "Share A Christmas Program" which benefits needy families in the Copley area by providing toys and gifts for children at Christmas time. Last year, the Police Department collected almost \$8,000 and helped 90 families.

Donations of cash and new toys will be accepted at the Copley Police Department, 1280 Sunset Drive, beginning December 1, 2008. Checks or money orders may also be mailed to the Police Department.

If you could use some assistance, know of a family that could, or know a senior citizen who would appreciate a visit from a police officer, please call the Police Department at 330-666-4218. Application forms and additional information are available online at www.copley.oh.us.

All money raised will benefit those in need. Please help us make the Holiday Season a little brighter for those not as fortunate as ourselves by giving generously.



Trick or Treat in
Copley Township will be
Sunday, October 26
5 pm - 7 pm



TIRE DROP-OFF PROGRAM

Copley residents can dispose of their passenger, truck and other tires by dropping them off on Saturday, October 4, 2008, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Copley Road, west of the cemetery, next to the Historical Society's caboose. Please remove rims from tires before dropping off.

This program is limited to residents of Copley Township only. Proof of residency is required in the form of a driver's license or utility bill.

This program is sponsored by the Copley Kiwanis and the Copley Service Department.

Any questions, call Copley Service Department at 330-666-0365.



DOCUMENT SHREDDING PROGRAM

The Township will be providing an on-site secure shredding vehicle at the Town Hall on Saturday, November 1, 2008, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This program is for Copley residents only and proof of residency will be required through a valid Ohio drivers license or current utility bill.

Future dates for document shredding will be:
February 7, 2009
May 2, 2009

TRUSTEES PURCHASE COPLEY COMMUNITY CENTER

The Copley Board of Trustees purchased the property at 1278 Sunset Drive, known as the Copley Community Center and owned by the Copley Community Fund, Inc., located adjacent to the Copley Police Station. The building and property consists of four parcels totaling 5.77 acres for the purchase price of \$400,000. The property will transfer to the Copley Township Board of Trustees on January 1, 2009.



Over the next couple of months, the Township Trustees will be evaluating the facilities and property to determine the best use for the Township.

HEALTHY HOUSEHOLD HABITS FOR CLEAN WATER

Below are a few ways to prevent water pollution in Copley Township.

1. Wash your car on the lawn instead of in your driveway. This prevents dirty, soapy water from entering the storm drains.
2. Check vehicles for oil, transmission or antifreeze leaks or spills.
3. Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly.
4. Sweep up yard debris instead of hosing down areas to conserve water.
5. Clean up after your pet. Leaving pet waste on the ground allows harmful bacteria to wash into storm drains and into bodies of water.
6. Drain pools, spas, and hot tubs into a sanitary line, not down the storm lines to prevent the chemicals from entering waterways. Properly store all chemicals to avoid exposure to storm water.
7. Have your septic tank pumped at least every three years to avoid failures and illicit discharges.
8. Clean painting supplies in a sink and not on the ground. Filter and reuse paint thinners when using oil-based paints. Dispose of the filtered paint properly.

SENIOR SNOW PLOW PROGRAM

The Copley Township Board of Trustees approved a Senior Snow Plow Program for the 2008-2009 winter season. To be eligible for this program you must:

- Be a Copley Township homeowner; residing in your home year round.
- Be over the age of 65 or disabled.
- Have no other person residing in the home capable of removing snow.

The first 125 eligible residents who submit an application will have the snow removed from their driveways from November 1, through April 1, 2009 at no charge. Applications are now being accepted at the Township Service Department and can be obtained on the website at: www.copley.oh.us. The application can also be picked up at the Town Hall or mailed to your home.

We are currently looking for snow plow drivers who would be interested in participating in this program. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Brenda Gemind at 330-666-0365.



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Motor Vehicle License Tax to Copley Township

Please remember - when renewing your annual license plate/sticker, make sure you state you live in COPLEY TOWNSHIP so the Township rightly receives its portion of the license tax fee. Copley has six zip codes that range from Akron 44320, Akron 44333, Barberton 44203, Copley 44321, Norton 44203, and Wadsworth 44281. The registrar will write the city address name on your driver's license in the jurisdiction area unless you state you live in Copley Township!



Meeting Notes



Regular Board of Trustees Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m.

Please visit our website <http://www.copley.oh.us> for updated meeting times.

The Zoning Commission meets on the first Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. as needed

The Board of Zoning Appeals meets upon application.

All Meetings Are Open To The Public.

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Copley Township Telephone Numbers

Emergency Police & Fire9-1-1
 Non Emerg. Police & Fire330-666-8866

Administrative Offices

Fire330-666-6464
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 Service330-666-0365
 Zoning330-666-0108

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