

Village of Glendale Newsletter



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Mayor's Report

MAYOR JOSEPH C. HUBBARD | jhubbard@glendaleohio.org

How time flies! It's hard to believe that it's time for another Newsletter. A lot of things have been happening around the Village. I want to highlight a couple of them.

Hurricane Ike – Some called it the storm of the century. We were at the tail end of it so I can only imagine what it was like to be in the eye of the storm on the Gulf Coast. Trees were toppled, houses were damaged, and some went without power for six days! The Village had crews from the Service, Police, and Fire Departments on the streets the day of the storm and they kept working until it was all cleaned up. Residents in the Village held a picnic to say thank-you for their non-stop effort to put the village back in shape after the storm. The picnic was coordinated by Mike Burnham and included the Glendale Lyceum, Harry Whiting Brown, Glendale Chamber of Commerce, Piazza Discepoli, Pink Ink Design Group, Century House, GHP, GYS, and Stone Bunnies. Village employees have told me they appreciated the recognition and want to thank the residents for their support and understanding during the clean-up process. This is the type of thing that makes Glendale such a great place to live.

Operating Levy – The Village Council and I also want to thank the voters for approving the 4-year 8.5 mill levy on Election Day by a plurality of approximately 70%. As I explained in the last Newsletter, we have two 4-year levies that provide most of the funding to run the Village government. Every two years one of these two levies must be approved by you, the residents. Your Council and Administration are working very hard to keep costs down so that the effect on each of you is kept as low as possible. Again, thanks for your support!

Erickson Development – Most of you already know that the Erickson retirement home project on the Landmark property is no longer under consideration. The Village had been waiting on Evendale to make up their mind on whether or not to enter into a detailed planning process to present to the residents of both villages. Erickson told us their board decided that they could not wait any longer for Evendale to agree to proceed to the next step and have decided to go elsewhere to build their project. The project would have unfortunately provided financing for long overdue projects such as a quiet zone and improvements to our roads just to name a few. In addition, it would have allowed us to reduce water and sewer rates. Erickson is a first class organization and it is indeed unfortunate that they decided to go elsewhere.

Finally, have a happy Thanksgiving and Holiday Season. Before you know it we will be in 2009!

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Summer Sewage Fee Program Report

As you recall, Ordinance 2008-26 was adopted unanimously by the Glendale Council after several months of review by the Utility Committee and Administrative staff. This action was taken as a response to the feedback from residents concerned about last year's high summer bills during the severe drought of 2007 when they made great efforts to water lawns and trees. Your July, August, and September usage, billed in October, received the benefit of this reduction. The savings ranged from just a few dollars to \$1,000, all depending on the amount of water used for sprinkling. On average, if you watered outside, you saved between \$125-\$200 (reduction of sewage fee). In total, we discounted \$26,000 in sewage fees. However, more water was consumed than normal and this partially recaptured some of the losses. Council will consider renewing this program for the summer of next year. Let us know what you think of it... as always, your opinion is valued.

Code Red Telephone System

Each resident should now be getting our Code Red telephone notices to alert them to emergencies and important events (never spam). If you are not getting *(continued on p. 3)*

Administrator's Project Updates

Sidewalks 2008

(J. Kilgore, Committee Chair) – This Fall, as we finish up repairs to sidewalks, the Streets Committee and Council will be studying public streets that do not have a sidewalk on at least one side. There are a few streets that did not have sidewalks installed when their homes were built. It is the developer's responsibility to install sidewalks when building a home. But sometimes obstacles prevent sidewalks from being built, such as the geography along the side of the street or a lack of right-of-way to build a sidewalk. Some streets that do not have sidewalks include Oak from Chester to the railroad (half of the street is in Woodlawn), Osprey, Albion Ave., Grove, Coral, Springfield Pike, part of Kingfisher and Lippelman.

Streets 2008

(J. Kilgore, Committee Chair) – Concerning streets, we have applied for two State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) grants. The first one is to restore Sharon Avenue between Morse and the railroad tracks. If awarded, this project would include curbs, storm drainage and paving. As a second application, we have included

all of Chester Road. SCIP grants require very high traffic volume and only four streets have the necessary volume (SR-4, Congress, Sharon and Chester). Recently we learned that the Sharon Avenue project rated 305 points on Hamilton Counties rating system. Last year, anything over 300 points received funding. We will let you know if we will receive funding for this necessary project - it looks promising.

Water Plant Project

(A. Hoeweler, Committee Chair) – Our bids to replace the high service pumps and related plumbing at the water treatment plant came in under what we expected. The savings will be used to address other needs in the plant and hopefully when we are finished we will be under budget. As always, should our costs go down, the rates are adjusted accordingly.

Public Buildings

(R. Hoop, Committee Chair) – The facade of the Town Hall received exterior lighting to brighten up the sidewalk at night and to illuminate the historic 1876 building. Cannon lights now bring out the height of the building at night. Glendale's Servall Electric was the contractor. *(cont. on p. 3)*

Suggestions & Feedback Welcome!

It is our goal to make Glendale your unique hometown and to make your living here a cherished experience for you and your family. We value your opinion and ask for your feedback on how we are doing and what we can do to better serve you.

Please send your comments to:

The Village Administrator, Wally Cordes: wcordes@glendaleohio.org
or the Administrative Assistant, Phyllis DePeel: pdepeel@glendaleohio.org.

Of course you can also call (771-7200) or stop by... we have an open door policy and no appointment is necessary. *Thank you!*

Honoring the Newly Arrived as well as the Recently Departed

MAYOR JOSEPH C. HUBBARD

As many of you may know, Glendale flies the Village flag at half-staff for three days when a resident passes away. Recently we began to think about how we could recognize those that just arrived in Glendale... the newborns! An idea surfaced: why not ask residents to let us know when they have a newborn Glendale baby and dedicate a new Glendale street tree between the sidewalk and street and as close to, if not in front of, their house?

We currently plant street trees each year and this could make some of them very special and likely well taken care of. So here's the deal, let us know when you have a baby on your street and we will contact the Glendale Park Board to request a new street tree to be located in front of or very near your address - in honor of our next Glendale generation.

- Mayor Hubbard

Economic Development Update

As the Mayor noted in his report, the Erickson Project is no longer a Glendale option. But other new business news is happening.

The Iron Horse Inn (www.ironhorseinn.com), owned by Robin Thomas, is now open and running at full strength, offering lunch, dinner and special occasions. This has greatly increased traffic into the square and the word out there is that the food and service are excellent.

To off-set the closing of the Glendale Pub, Mr. Chris Penn and David Brooks have purchased the building and business from Paul Preston and they will re-open as the **Cock and Bull English Pub** (www.theenglishpub.com). They are famous in Covington (Main Strasse Village) for their many draft beers— about 30, fish and chips and full pub food menu with specials. They have also received many Cincinnati restaurant awards.

Wait... it gets better! On November 3 the Planning Commission approved plans for a new **Dewey's Pizza** (www.deweyspizza.com) to be located on the same lot with the former dentist office at 10 E. Sharon Avenue. The owner is Andrew Dewitt and he operates a dozen of these well known pizza restaurants. They too have received many Cincinnati awards for best pizza and best salads. The Dewey's plans are currently being reviewed by your Village Council to consider legislation which would allow an expanded parking lot on Congress at Lake (vacant lot).

We are most fortunate to have these premium businesses reopen or locate in historic Glendale. While many communities have a theme, such as Reading's bridal district, we are quickly establishing a theme beyond historic preservation... Our current restaurants, along with the three new restaurants, have made Glendale a stellar "Cincinnati dining destination". To the restaurant owners that are investing in Glendale, we thank you. To the Glendale residents and patrons that will visit us, bon appétit.

Did you know?

Glendale subscribes to a **Code Red** phone notification system. We will call you whenever valuable information needs to get to you. This year we advised you of Glendale road construction, leaf and brush schedules, water hydrant flushing, information following hurricane Ike and more.

If you did not get a Code Red message this year or if you would like to add your cell phone (we recommend that), please call:

The Village Office: 771-7200
or Police Department: 771-7645
and we will quickly add you. Remember, this is how we immediately get important information to you... make sure you are getting these calls.

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Joint Fire District Study

(M. Alles-White, Committee Chair) – You may have read that Managers and Administrators from many neighboring communities jointly applied for a grant to pay for a study to explore collaboration of fire-fighting services and equipment. The grant was denied. However, the managers, including Glendale, will continue to meet and look at areas where municipalities can work together to provide excellent fire protection services at the lowest cost.

(Code Red, cont. from p. 2) them or if you wish to add your cell phone (we recommend it), please call the Village Office at 771-7200 or Police Station at 771-7645 and tell us the number to add. **Note:** We will never share your private information.



As we near the end of the year, I would like to take some time to share with you some of the activities your Police Department has responded to through mid-October. Since the first of January this year, officers have handled

3,452 calls for service. Officers have investigated 79 auto accidents and issued 692 traffic citations. The department has made 177 arrests for various felony and misdemeanor level criminal offenses.

This has been an extremely active investigative year, as the following information indicates. The department has investigated 62 zoning violations, 72 animal complaints, 53 reports of disorderly conduct of various types (including fights and assaults), and 20 reports of criminal damage. Officers have responded to investigate 30 domestic incidents, 70 reports of suspicious persons or vehicles, and have responded to 185 alarm drops. There have been 72 investigations of animal complaints. As a part of their routine patrols, officers have performed 3,014 checks of unoccupied residences within the Village. As this sampling of numbers indicates, your

Police Department continues to perform its mission with vigor and enthusiasm, and as Chief, my door is always open to receive feedback on how we may improve our service to residents.

Our first public education program offering, the “Rape Awareness and Prevention” seminar presented on September 27th in conjunction with the Woodlawn Police Department, was very well received. Twenty-three participants attended the program and received hands-on instruction in various self-defense techniques, and information designed to empower women to confidently keep themselves from becoming an assault victim. The feedback that was received from participants showed great interest in an advanced program of this type.

We are currently planning on presenting a similar program in 2009. Our next public education offering will be a program on Computer Crimes and Internet Safety. This program will be presented on Wednesday, December 10th, at 7:00 PM. It will be held at either Town Hall or the Harry Whiting Brown House. Information on the location will be provided by e-mail and the Code Red System when the location is finalized.

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

With Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays quickly approaching, now is the time to think about personal safety as you go about all those errands. In crime prevention circles, we often speak of “Target Hardening.” Criminals most often are looking for an easy target, and it is our responsibility to take pro-active steps to improve the safety of our families, our homes, and our property by hardening ourselves as targets. By doing this, we make it more difficult for criminals to victimize us and we may just remove ourselves from the criminal’s “Easy Target” list.

Some basic steps we can take to accomplish this are as follows:

- Lock it up! Always close and lock

doors once you are home and then again as you leave.

- Check that garage door! If it’s open all day and night, something will be missing.
- Lock your car doors when you park in your driveway or on the street. This may sound basic, but 90% of vehicles tampered with are unlocked at the time.
- When you are done shopping, don’t leave your packages or valuables in plain sight in your vehicle, and again, lock it up!
- Don’t walk or park alone in remote areas, especially at night.
- Never give out personal information to someone that you do not know or to someone who has initiated

contact with you without your invitation.

- Drive with extra care. Take extra time. And be aware of your surroundings. Learn what is normal in the areas you travel to.

Remember that your Police Department is here for you. If a situation doesn’t look right to you, there very well could be a crime occurring or a crime about to occur. Watch out for your neighbors. Don’t ignore suspicious behavior. Call the police and we will respond to check it out. We would much rather respond and find a situation to be harmless than to later have to initiate an investigation with you or your family member as a victim of a crime.

Introducing Glendale's New Fire Chief, David Moore

I'd like to take a moment to thank everyone for the welcome I have received as the new fire chief. I am honored to be chosen for this position and I look forward to working with the village to provide one of the best fire departments in the country.

A little bit about me, I am a third generation firefighter born and raised in Pittsburgh. I have lived in the Cincinnati area for the last 11 years. I am married, have one dog, no kids and enjoy running. If you'd like to know more about me, I'd love to meet with you and get to know you as well. Please feel free to stop by the Village office or email me at any time at dmoore@glendaleohio.org.

As we approach the holiday season, take a moment to check to make sure

your home is safe from fire. Make sure your furnace has been cleaned and is in good working order. Put smoke detectors on every level of your home and outside of all sleeping areas. If you already have smoke detectors, check them to make certain they still work and have fresh batteries. Don't leave lit candles unattended and make sure they are on a secure base. Finally, if you decided to deep fry a turkey this holiday season, make sure you do it well away from any buildings or vehicles and make sure you have a fire extinguisher nearby in the event of a fire.

Your Glendale Fire Department has been working hard recently to ensure that we are meeting the needs of our community. One of the biggest areas we need your help in is recruiting



more members. If you or anyone you know is interested in being part of the Glendale Fire Department and giving back to your community, contact Assistant Chief Walt Cook at 513-300-3234 for more information. The fire department will provide you with all the needed training and equipment as well as an opportunity to serve in one of the most rewarding positions out there.

Have a wonderful holiday season!
~ David A. Moore, Jr.

Help a "Needy Child" during The Holidays!!!

And finally, in keeping with the spirit of the Holiday Season, please keep the department's "Needy Family Christmas Fund" in mind when you are planning your seasonal giving. All donations are welcome and all monies and gifts donated are distributed to families and children in need within the Village of Glendale. Happy Holidays to all!

This is the sixth year that the Glendale Community is being asked to come together in the spirit of the holidays to help several needy children within our village. Last year's support gave 15 children a wonderful Christmas.

This year's list has already expanded to 22 kids within our community. We know of "Eight Families" needing help from us. Please help however possible.

We are asking for the following:

- Cash or Check Donations
- Gift Cards (*Target, Wal Mart, Kroger's, Best Buy etc.*)
- Toys Ages 4-16 (*Girls and Boys*)

Donations may be dropped off at the Glendale Police Department Att: Chief Dave Warman c/o Needy Family Christmas Fund, the Glendale Village Administration Office (Sally Wilson), or The Fifth Third bank c/o the Glendale Police Department Needy Family Christmas Fund (Glendale Branch only). Please feel free to call 678-1016 with any additional questions. Thank You for making a difference. The Holidays are a Season for Caring and Sharing!!!

Happy Holidays

from the Glendale Police Department
~ Dave Warman

Upcoming Holidays

Upcoming Holidays observed by the Village of Glendale:

Thursday, November 27, 2008

Friday, November 28, 2008

Wednesday, December 24, 2008

Thursday, December 25, 2008

Thursday, January 1, 2009

The **Village office** and public works departments will be closed.

Should there be an emergency, please contact the Police Dept. cruiser cell phone: 513-678-1017

Rumpke observes Christmas Day and New Year's Day only.

Your garbage and trash pick will be on schedule.



D.A.R.E. CORNER

FROM D.A.R.E. OFFICERS DAVE LECOMPTE AND CRAIG WALSH

We have started another great school year at St. Gabriel Consolidated School and Glendale Elementary School! There has been a flurry of activity as we prepare to introduce a new group of students to the D.A.R.E. program. It's always interesting to observe a new group of students as they wind their way towards the upper grade levels. What always amazes us as D.A.R.E. instructors is the incredible willingness the students have in learning skills that will help them reach a higher success level as they progress through their lives. That's what keeps us going!

By way of introduction, we are pleased to welcome Mrs. Julie Ayers as the newest principal at Glendale Elementary School. We are proud to have you join us in the D.A.R.E. family! We are also extremely proud to have the opportunity to again work with Mr. Joe Epplen, the principal at St. Gabriel. Through the years, Mr. Epplen has been a strong supporter of the D.A.R.E. program and his support has been instrumental in keeping the program strong in the Glendale community.

Classes will begin after the holiday season is completed and we will keep you up to date on the progress of our newest classes of D.A.R.E. enthusiasts!

PARENT ALERT: This, from "Join Together Online", a project of the Boston University School of Public Health. Five percent of internet-browsing teenagers who took part in a recent survey watched at least one online video promoting alcohol or drug use in the past month. The study of 6,000 teenagers was conducted in June by Nielson online for the federal Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP). The study stated that 40% of the pro-drug videos watched by the teens, often hosted on social networking sites like MySpace, had explicit footage showing drug use or depicted youths who were drunk or high.

ONDCP Director John Walters urged parents to keep close tabs on their teens' online activity by checking web-browser and cell phone history logs to see what their children are viewing. "Parents would be horrified to think that people are sneaking into their house to encourage their kids to build a bong or chug beer at the age of 13," Walters said. "The fact is those people are sneaking into your house through the internet connection on your computer."

This technology is making it simple for kids to broadcast their activities to a worldwide audience, often in a sort of competition for celebrity. Be aware!

The New Glendale Community Library is Open for Business!!

Located in the Harry Whiting Brown Community Center, at the corner of E. Sharon and Willow Avenues, the Library is open on Tuesdays from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Thursdays 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, and Saturdays from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Many special events are planned for residents of all ages.

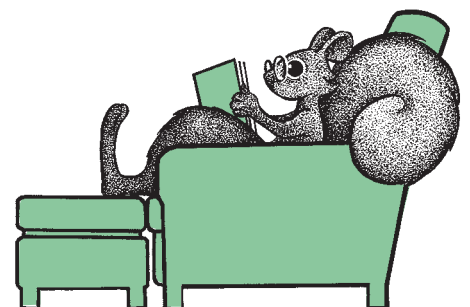
On the third Saturday of every month, the Library provides a themed Storytime for children at 10:30 AM, followed by an arts and crafts activity tied into the subject of the month. November 15th was "Fall, Leaves, Fall", which included stores read by community teenagers and Turkey Bingo. December 20th will be a "Holiday Fest", a Christmas

themed celebration – with a special visitor, Santa! As an added treat, Michael Bambino of Bambino Photography will, for a donation made to the Library, take children's photos with Santa.

Starting in January, the Library will be hosting Wine and Cheese evenings on the third Thursday of each month. Other upcoming events and activities will be targeted towards involving teens in after-school events and activities. Pizza will be served! There are also plans to exhibit books authored by Glendale residents. The Library has received several autographed copies from contributors, but there's always room for more. Please contact

Cynthia Beischel if you would like to be included.

This wonderful new feature to our community could not have been accomplished without Villagers cooperating together. All residents are welcome to share in and make use of this new Glendale endeavor. Thanks to everyone who has volunteered their time, provided books, and given donations.





CHRISTMAS IN GLENDALE

Light up the Square

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2
FROM 6-9 PM

TREE LIGHTING · CAROLERS · SANTA · TRAIN DISPLAY
SHOPS WILL BE OPEN!
FREE GIFT WRAPPING

Come down to the Square Tuesday, December 2nd, between 6–9 o'clock! and enjoy the fun! Something for the whole family! All kinds of Christmas activities... while getting your Holiday shopping done! This year the Village of Glendale and The Glendale Chamber of Commerce will join together to have a special evening on the square.

The shops will be open, decorated, and lit up to welcome all guests for browsing and buying! The new Iron Horse will present the Lighting of their Christmas tree on the patio. Don't miss the Tours of the New Glendalia Inn. Smith Jewelers will be holding a trunk sale featuring fine pearl jewelry by Mastolroni.

Enjoy the Square with all it has to offer:

Tree Lighting at 6:00 pm · Christmas Caroling · Santa visits the Square · Visit with Santa and get a photo taken
Hot Chocolate and treats · OPEN HOUSE – Tour the New Glendalia Inn

- Dress your dog in Christmas attire and come on down with your family!!
- Visit the Glendale Holiday Boutique (Madison's Place)
- Train set · Gift Baskets · Art Work · Santa – Photos · Gift Certificates
- Wish Lists/Gift Registries will be available so you can ask for that certain something!
- Order your Christmas Cookies and baked goods for the Holiday season!
- Pick up that Gift Certificate for a wonderful massage, gifts or from one of our local Restaurants.
- Enjoy dinner in one of our great restaurants either before or after the festivities. Friendly Stop, Grand Finale, Gaslight Café, Iron Horse, or Bracker's Tavern (upstairs)

You can still join the Chamber and be a part of it all! If you are a resident or if you have a business... we invite you to join in 2009 and to help make things happen. If you are interested in being a member of the Glendale Chamber of Commerce Board, please contact John Smith of Smith Jewelers 772-8113 (john@smithjewelry.com) so that you can learn more. Remember, the Chamber exists to promote Glendale business and we need your help. Membership dues for 2009 are \$125.00 per year for Glendale businesses and \$250.00 per year for outside businesses.

The application is also available online! Check www.GlendaleOhioChamber.com to download a copy.

Print & return the completed application to:

The Glendale Chamber of Commerce
30 Village Square | Glendale, Ohio 45246

A check or money order for your first annual payment should be enclosed in the appropriate amount.

A new member packet is available at the Village Office. If you have any questions, please call 771-7200.

Support your merchants and your community - - - Join Today!

A New Inn Opens in the Square

The Glendalia is Cincinnati's first Boutique Hotel. It features six beautifully restored rooms, one being a two-bedroom. Each suite is decorated in period décor with modern kitchens and baths. The Inn can easily accommodate short or long term visits.

Robin Thomas, a Glendale resident, recently reopened the well known Iron Horse and Backer's Tavern in September with its gorgeous atmosphere and outstanding menu. Her second new addition, The Glendalia, formerly the Nippert & Nippert building, will only further enhance our historic Village Square. Friends, family and corporate guests will find this a welcomed change and a unique experience.

Book your holiday reservations early.



THE GLENDALIA

10 Village Square | Glendale, Ohio 45246
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Join us for an **OPEN HOUSE** – Tuesday, December 2
from 6 – 9 pm during the Light Up the Square event.

Massage in Glendale, More than Simple Relaxation Diane Meyer, LMT

We've got a gem hidden in the Village called Massage in Glendale. In addition to being able to get a wonderfully relaxing massage in the quaint and historic Lovatt House, you can experience fast and effective relief from pain and tightness.

Diane Meyer, owner of Massage in Glendale, offers a unique form of bodywork called Rossiter Workouts. They're unique in a number of ways. You get to keep your clothes on for starters and it's interactive - meaning you get to participate in working that tightness and pain out of your body with her assistance, and within your comfort zone.

Diane has worked with everyone from high school athletes to great grandmothers, doctors and chiropractors. She's helped them restore comfortable movement to feet, knees, backs, necks and shoulders, arms and more. If you're living with old or new pain or tightness in a joint or muscle, and you're fed up with it, give Diane a call and see what she can do to help you.

Massage in Glendale is located at 240 E. Sharon Ave between Charles Salon and the Glendale Salon. You can reach Diane at 771-3130 or through her website: www.massageinglendale.com. When you call, be sure and ask about her Holiday Gift Certificate Special.

The Gift of Massage always fits perfectly and nobody has ever complained about receiving too many!



Massage in Glendale

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