

Fall is the season to  
give thanks.

Take time to  
thank a Veteran.

CITY OF  
MORaine  
COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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# MESSENGER

November  
2020

*Progress Through Unity*

## Go Vote on Tuesday, November 3

Participating in elections is one of the key freedoms of American life. No matter what you believe or whom you support, it is important to exercise your rights.



Voting is a privilege for citizens of the United States. The City of Moraine encourages everyone who is eligible to vote!

**NOTE: The PRC is the polling location for Moraine residents.**

## Veterans Day Tribute Video

Due to COVID-19, the City is unable to host its annual Veterans Day Ceremony. Instead, the City will be presenting a Veterans Day tribute video that will be posted to the City's Facebook and the City's website at 11am on Wednesday, November 11th.







## Snow Removal Guidelines

In order for the Street Division to properly and efficiently plow and clear roadways, cooperation and assistance is needed from residents.

Please follow these snow removal guidelines:

- Do not clean your driveway until your street has been plowed and salted. If you choose to clean your driveway prior to plowing and salting of your street, be sure to push the snow to the right of your driveway so when we plow it doesn't block your driveway. If using a snow blower, we ask that you avoid blowing snow back into the street.
- If a snowstorm consists of 2 inches or more, please park all vehicles in your driveway. This will greatly assist the Street Division in properly clearing and plowing all roadways and residential streets. Our goal is to make road conditions as safe as possible for travel throughout the City.

## Senior Citizen / Handicap Driveway Plowing

During the winter season, the Street Division provides driveway plowing services for senior citizens and handicapped residents only when snow accumulation is 2 inches or more. Please note: this is the Street Division's last priority for snow-plowing. Requirements for receiving this service are:

- **Must be 60 years of age or older.**
- **Must live alone.**
- **Exceptions: Handicapped persons who have a verified medical problem may qualify for this service.**

Along with meeting all requirements, senior citizens must register in person each year at the Street Division (4720 Vance Road) in order to be eligible for this service. Our list of registrants is updated yearly. Please note if you do not register yearly, your driveway will not be plowed that particular year. If you have any questions, please contact the Street Division at 937-535-1040.



### It's that time of year to...

- ✓ Check the operation of your smoke detectors, and change the batteries. Install additional detectors if needed.
- ✓ Inspect and ready your heating system. Empty the ashes, and clean the soot from your fireplace.
- ✓ Check the weather-stripping around doors and windows, and replace those that are worn.

...and remember to set your clocks back one hour on November 1, 2020.

## Fall Time Reminder...



# 2020 Leaf Schedule

Leaf pickup is offered to the Moraine residents for a total of seven weeks during the fall season. Collection begins the last week of October and continues through the first week of December. The City requests that interested residents rake their leaves into piles and place them next to the street curb before the scheduled dates shown below in your area.

West Side of River Oct 26-27, Nov 2-3, Nov. 9-10, Nov 16-17, Nov 23, Nov 29-Dec 1	East Side of River Oct 28-29, Nov 4-5, Nov 11-12, Nov 18-19, Nov 24, Dec 2-3
Amelia, Angus, Beechgrove, Bessie, Blumen, Charles, Charlotte Mill, Clearview, Collins, Cottage, Cozy Camp, Dayton-Germantown, Dorf, Elrod, Elter, Farmersville-West Carrollton, Hemple, Herford, Infirmary, Johnson, Liberty-Ellerton, Loveland, Main, Miami Shores, Munich, Outdoor, Parallel, Paris, Payne, Pinnacle, Pinnacle Park, Schloss, Sellars, Shadyview, Shank, Shorelands, Soldiers Home Miamisburg, Soldiers Home West Carrollton, Swimming Hole, Trace, Trail On, Union, Vance, Venetian, Wienburg, Wiesen, Willowview	Blanchard, Bowman, Cadillac, Champion Oak, Dixie, Dryden, East River, Ellery, Fulton, Genoa, Gladstone, Holman, Hoylake, Janco, Jomar, Kreitzer, Lakehurst, Lamme, Lauderdale, Lehigh, Manistee, Marconi, Mays, Ned, Nyack, Oak, Old Sellars, Orange, Pensacola, Rand, Red Oak, Sibley, Southlawn, Springboro, Telhurst, Viking, White Oak, Willow Oak, Winwood
	Citywide Oct 30, Nov 6, Nov 13, Nov 20, Nov 25, Dec 4

## Tree Limb Drop Off

The Street Division provides a tree limb disposal service for those who have unwanted brush in their yards. Residents must transport their brush to our drop off location on Lyleburn Road.

Appointments must be made 24 hours prior to drop off. Size limits are 3 inches in diameter and/or 8 feet in length.



## City Construction Update



Fall is in full swing and construction is largely wrapping up for the year! Please drive cautiously and respect all construction zones. These zones are designed to protect the workers and drivers! Please note that ODOT may still have active construction zones through the fall and winter months, as well as the City's Street Maintenance crews performing pothole patching as needed.

The City has rescheduled the final paving of Pinnacle Ridge for the spring of 2021. This change is due to the number of homes still under construction or yet to be built in the second section of Pinnacle Ridge. This construction traffic will likely cause significant damage to the final pavement surface. By paving in the spring, the City hopes to provide the best possible street for the long term.

For questions about roadway construction, please contact City Engineer Alisha Burcham at 937-535-1031.

## Coming in Spring 2021



ODOT will be updating the intersection of southbound I-75 ramp to State Route 741 to address safety concerns. Construction is currently scheduled to begin Spring 2021. The project will require the detour of the ramp for up to two months to prevent ramp traffic from backing up onto the interstate.





# RESEARCH, DISCOVER AND UNCOVER MORAINE'S HISTORY

## THE ORIGIN OF THE MORAINE AIRPARK

South Dayton Airport was dedicated on November 30, 1941 and was located on the east side of Lamme Road just south of Stroop Road. The 140 acre airport consisted of an administration building, single hangar and small control tower with three grass runways. A 2,500 foot paved runway was added later. Aircraft acrobats, parachute jumps and local air shows took place there.



The airport closed around 1955 as the runway was no longer long enough to handle the corporate aircraft being operated by NCR and General Motors. The land was sold to Charles Huber who created Huber Plat and built 500+ homes.

The airport was replaced by another grass airfield called Neff Field in southern Miami Shores in 1956. It is the location of the present day Moraine Airpark on Clearview Road. After the disastrous 1959 Miami River flood, hangars were underwater and over 100 planes were lost. A levee was built guaranteeing the airport a future. The grass runway was first paved in 1972. The Goodyear Blimp landed there several times. Neff Field was renamed Moraine Airpark in 1973.

One person that gave the Airpark an identity was Harold Johnson the "Flying Mayor of Moraine." Johnson was airport manager in the 1980's & 1990's. Flying his red 1934 Waco biplane (see photo) he performed stunts and aerobatics at Kings Island, at air shows around the country and on television. Johnson took this writer (Dave Miller) and my wife on a memorable birthday flight doing loops and a death spiral over downtown Dayton.



Many celebrities and prominent business people fly in and out of the airpark. Over the years the Airpark has been the site of air shows (see photo of Wing Walkers Bob & Pat Wagner), fly-ins (including the May Sunday Funday Fly-In, the nation's longest running same day fly-in) and a flight school making Moraine Airpark both historical and important business to the City.



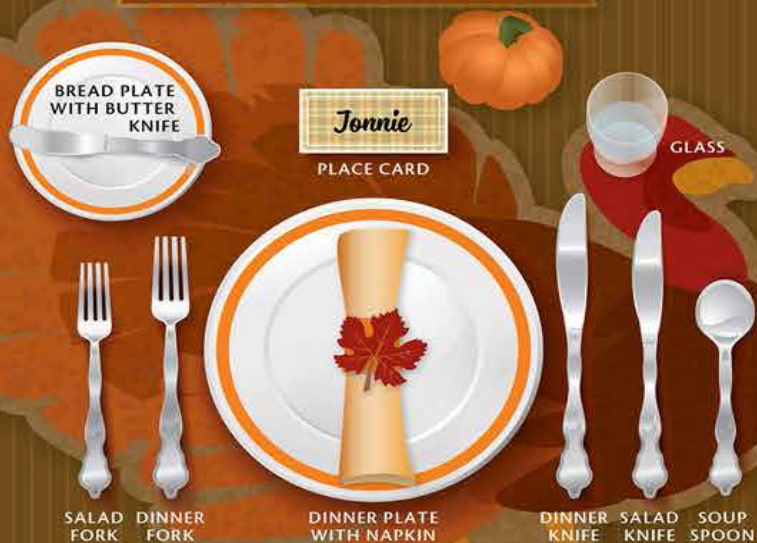


# SETTING THE Thanksgiving Table

## ADULT TABLE



## KID'S TABLE





## *Do's and Don'ts at Thanksgiving*

- Never arrive empty handed.
- Don't bring food that requires oven time.
- Inform the host of dietary restrictions in advance.
- Absolutely no phones at the table.
- Always pass dishes to your right.
- If the TV must be on, make sure it does not dominate the conversation.
- Include everyone. If you notice someone is left out of the conversation, be sure to acknowledge them.
- Help clean up.
- Don't overstay your welcome.
- Thank you letters matter.



## **THANKSGIVING FOOD SAFETY TIPS**

Safe food preparation procedures can reduce the risk of food borne illness this Thanksgiving holiday.

Meat and poultry, the centerpiece of most holiday meals, can be a source of food borne disease unless handled and prepared properly. Hidden dangers of bacterial contamination in perishable foods are often and forgotten. Salmonella bacteria are commonly found on poultry and are among the most common sources of diarrheal disease in the U.S. To date this year, more than 730 cases of food borne diseases and, as many as 9,000 die each year as a result of micro-organisms in food.

Consumers should keep the following food safety guidelines in mind.

### **Food Handling and Preparation**

- Purchase only government inspected meat and poultry products. Purchase dated packages only if the "sell by" date has not expired.
- Wash your hands thoroughly with soap prior to and after preparing any food product.
- Never thaw meat or poultry at room temperature. When thawing a frozen turkey, keep it refrigerated on a tray.

- Keep two cutting boards, handy – one for preparing raw meat, and the other for cutting cooked food.

### **Turkey Tips**

- Never cook a stuffed turkey in a microwave oven.
- Use a cooking thermometer to determine if the turkey is fully cooked. The meat should reach 180 degrees.

### **Deep frying a Turkey**

- Turkey fryers should always be used outdoors, a safe distance from buildings and any other material that can burn.
- Never use turkey fryers on wooden decks or in garages.
- Make sure the fryers are used on a flat surface to reduce accidental tipping.
- Never leave the fryer unattended. Most units do not have thermostat controls. If you don't watch the fryer carefully, the oil will continue to heat until it catches fire.
- Never let children or pets near the fryer when in use. Even after use, never allow children or pets near the turkey fryer. The oil inside the cooking pot can remain dangerously hot hours after use.
- To avoid oil spillover, do not overfill the fryer.
- Use well-insulated pot holders or oven mitts when touching pot or lid handles. If possible, wear safety goggles to protect your eyes from oil splatter.
- Make sure the turkey is completely thawed and be careful with marinades. Oil and water don't mix, and water causes oil to spill over, causing a fire or even an explosive hazard.

### **After the Feast**

- Do not allow cooked food to sit out at room temperature for more than two hours.
- Reheat leftovers to 165 degrees or until steaming hot.
- Never taste leftover food that looks or smells strange. When in doubt throw it out.

# Christmas Smiles Application Process for Parents and Guardians of Moraine Children

**UPDATED  
INFORMATION**

## Qualifying for the Program

To qualify for the program, your child must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Child must be a Moraine resident.
2. Child must be on free or reduced lunch program\* through their school.
3. Child must be between the ages of newborn to 17 at the time of application.

\*Qualifications for the free and reduced lunch program will be validated through the child's school.

## Application Process

**Step #1:** Please complete all of the questions on the online 'Christmas Smiles Application' form to submit the first portion of your application for the 2020 Christmas Smiles program with the City of Moraine Parks and Recreation Division. This form must be completed by Thursday, October 22nd by 5pm. You can find the form at <http://ci.moraine.oh.us/christmas-smiles>.

**Step #2:** You will be required to come in person to the **PRC** during one of our designated dates and times to verify your information for the 2020 Christmas Smiles program. Please choose from one of the following selections for this second portion of the application process:

Saturday, October 24th between 9am – 12pm

Monday, October 26th between 4pm – 7pm

Saturday, October 31st between 9am – 12pm

Monday, November 2nd between 4pm – 7pm

To complete this portion of the application, you are required to bring the following items with you:

1. Proof of Moraine residency with your name on the document. Acceptable proof includes a water, gas, or electric bill in your name with your current address listed on the bill. Your utility bill must be dated within 30 days prior to the application date or it will not be accepted.
  - Cable bills, insurance statements, BMV documents, tax receipts, etc. will NOT be accepted as proof of residency.
2. Your state issued Picture ID, including a valid Driver's License or other valid State Issued Picture ID.
3. An official certified birth certificate or court issued documentation of custody of each child.

## Notification

- Parent or guardian will be notified by mail if application is accepted.
- If accepted, a postcard will be sent in the mail the last week in November as a reminder to pick up gift boxes.

## Pick-Up

Parent Pick-Up day is Saturday, December 19 from 10am – 12pm at the PRC.

- In order to pick-up your gift box, YOU MUST BRING THE FOLLOWING:
  - o Picture ID.
  - o The reminder post card received by the parent or guardian.

**NOTE:** All IDs and post cards will be checked. If IDs and post cards are not present at the time of pick-up, the gift box will not be given. All gifts that are not picked up on December 19 will be donated to a local charity.

For more information, please email or call either of the two coordinators over the event:

- Tiffany Doakes, Program Coordinator at (937) 535-1096 or [tdoakes@moraineoh.org](mailto:tdoakes@moraineoh.org)
- MyKaelah Mercer, Operations Manager at (937) 535-1077 or [mmercerc@moraineoh.org](mailto:mmercerc@moraineoh.org)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Parks and Recreation is following all of the guidelines and restrictions from the Governor while running the Christmas Smiles program this year. Our priority is ensuring this program is implemented in the safest way possible for our community. Modifications may be made to the published information for the Christmas Smiles program if necessary. Please check our website for the latest information at <http://ci.moraine.oh.us/>.





# HELP MAKE CHRISTMAS SMILES!

There are children in our community in need of some Christmas Smiles! The 12th Annual Christmas Smiles program provides toys, clothes, and food to Moraine children in need. Last year, Christmas Smiles helped 113 Moraine children. That included 62 families who received gifts and food at Christmas time!

## Want to Help?

- Stop in at the Payne Recreation Center (PRC) or the Gerhardt Civic Center (GCC) during current modified operating hours and sign-up to make donations for our families between Monday, November 9 - Wednesday, December 2, 2020.
- Donations are accepted at the Municipal Building, PRC, or GCC during business hours in the form of cash or check (please make checks out to the Moraine Foundation).
- Donations need to be dropped off at the PRC on or before Monday, December 7, 2020.

## Volunteers

- We are accepting a limited number of volunteers for our Christmas Smiles program now! This is an excellent way for high school students to obtain their community service credit hours.
- Volunteer can help with sorting canned goods, preparing food boxes, and assisting us with pick-up day on Saturday, December 19th at the PRC from 10am-12pm.

Now more than ever is a great time to give back to your community if you have the means to do so this holiday season. Please share in the spirit of the holidays by helping to put Christmas Smiles on the faces of Moraine children. For more information, please email or call either of the two coordinators over the event:

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# SPECIAL EVENTS

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## MORaine TURKEY SHOOT OUT

Location: PRC Gym  
Date: Saturday, November 21  
Time: 9am – 12pm  
Registration Opens: November 2, 2020  
Pre-registration Deadline: November 14, 2020

**(No registration day of event)**

Two-Person teams: One adult and one child  
Age Divisions: 7-9, 10-11, and 12-13  
Cost: \$10  
Win a turkey! You must pre-register for this event.



## REGISTER IN ADVANCE!



All classes require a minimum number of participants. If a class minimum is not met by the deadline date, the activity is subject to cancellation. We kindly request that you register at least five days prior to the activity or class.

Register online or at the PRC.

All programs will follow the Parks and Recreation COVID-19 Guidelines.

# PROGRAMS

## BINGO

Location: GCC Commons  
Date: Monday, November 9 & 23  
Time: 12pm  
Age: Seniors (55+)  
Cost: FREE

Join us for an exciting game of B-I-N-G-O. Bingo games begin at 12pm. Prizes awarded for game winners. **Pre-registration is required and space is limited. You may register online or at the PRC.** This program will be following all the Parks and Recreation COVID-19 Program Guidelines.

Staff: Robin & Lisa  
Capacity: Minimum 3 / Maximum 9



## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Location: GCC  
Date: Mondays - Fridays  
Time: 2:45pm – 6pm  
Age: Grades Kindergarten – 5th  
Cost: Resident FREE  
Non-Resident \$125 per month  
2nd child \$100 per month

This program offers children the opportunity to participate in team-building activities, crafts, games and time to complete homework with assistance from staff if needed. Through funding provided by the State of Ohio, a snack is given each day. This program coordinates with the Kettering Schools calendar. Student transportation to the program available for Southdale Elementary Students only.

## Gerhardt Civic Center (GCC)

3050 Kreitzer Road 937-535.1095  
Monday - Saturday 10am - 8pm  
Sunday \*Closed (Open for rentals only)

## Payne Recreation Center (PRC)

3800 Main Street 937-535.1060  
Monday - Friday 6am - 9pm  
Saturday 9am - 6pm  
Sunday 12pm - 5pm

## Ora Everetts Park

3050 Kreitzer Road

## Wax Park

3800 Main Street



# New Home Sites Now Available at Wright Landing

Here we grow again! Moraine's newest housing subdivision is ready for new homes! Home sites are now for sale through Ryan Homes, the City's home builder for this project. Information, model home hours, and interactive floor plans are available through the Ryan Homes website: [www.ryanhomes.com](http://www.ryanhomes.com).

Wright Landing has 53 lots and is conveniently located near the Moraine Recreation Center, Main Street Bike Path, and has quick access to I-75. It is immediately east of Vance Road, just north of the former Frank Nicholas School.

For more information about the purchase of a home site or home building options, please call Ryan Homes at 937-247-5067.



## Appleseed Park

3000 Dorf Drive

## George Taylor Park

4709 E. Venetian Way

## Pinnacle Park

3060 Charlotte Mill Drive

## Deer Meadow Park

4321 Pinnacle Road

## German Village Park

370 Blumen Lane

## Pinnacle Park Tot Lot

3300 Charlotte Mill Drive

## DP&L Park

2916 Cadillac Street

## Lehigh Park

2607 Lehigh Place

## Riverview Park

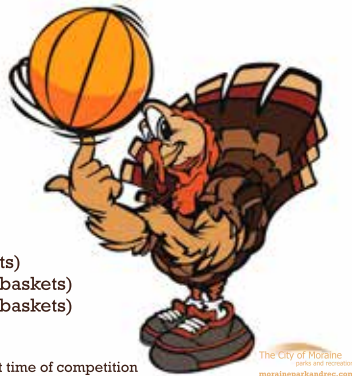
3021 Lakehurst Court



## Moraine Turkey Shootout

November 21 • PRC • 9a - 12p

must preregister at [moraineparkandrec.com](http://moraineparkandrec.com)



\$10/team

Teams of 1 adult & 1 child

**Ages 7 – 9:** 9:00 – 9:45 (8' baskets)

**Ages 10 – 11:** 10:00 – 10:45 (10' baskets)

**Ages 12 – 13:** 11:00 – 11:45 (10' baskets)

masks must be worn unless competing at time of competition

## Offices Closed

**City offices close in observance of the following holidays: New Year's Eve Day, New Year's Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve Day and Christmas Day.**



### MAYOR'S COURT

Monday-Friday

Hours 8a-4p

**937-535-1010**

### COUNCIL

Monday-Friday

Hours 8a-5p

**937-535-1005**

### TAXES

Monday-Friday

Hours 8a-5p

**937-535-1026**

### NON EMERGENCY

Police & Fire

**937-535-1166**

### POLICE RECORDS

Monday-Friday

Hours 9a-3p

**937-535-1163**

### TRASH/BULK PICK-UP

City of Dayton

**937-333-4800**

### WATER

Montgomery County

**937-781-2500**

Any other inquiries **937-535-1000**



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Mayor



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At-Large



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