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Free Upcoming Events!

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

- JUN 29 • Community Park **PARROTS OF THE CARIBBEAN**
- JUL 13 • Community Park **UC COMMUNITY BAND**
- JUL 27 • Miami Meadows **BRONSON ARROYO BAND**

- JUL 26 • Civic Center **BASEBALL - A Walk Thru Time**
- JUL 27 • Miami Meadows **RED STOCKINGS - Vintage Baseball Game**
- AUG 2 • Miami Meadows **MOVIE NIGHT IN THE MEADOWS: Toy Story 2**
- AUG 17 • Civic Center **SUMMER SENDOFF - Party in the Park(ing) Lot**

*** Complete Details and Free Family Events on Page 11

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Summer in Miami Township



Back in the spring, staff did a social media campaign aimed at reminding our residents about the wonderful amenities we have right here in Miami Township. If you could not make it to Miami, Florida for spring break, “Migrate to Miami Township” was our slogan. We are excited to remind everyone that all those wonderful things to do and see are still happening throughout the summer.

Those with children will appreciate our four parks we have in the Township; Miami Riverview, Paxton Ramsey, Community, and Miami Meadows, which is also home to the Spirit of '76 Veterans Memorial Park. Not only do each of these parks offer playground equipment, picnic areas, and athletic fields - they also offer walking

trails. Some even have unique offerings.

Did you know that we have one of the largest cricket field complexes in the Midwest region at Miami Meadows Park? Stop by on a weekend and see the game of cricket being played by the Cincinnati Premier League Cricket Club as they host teams from around the country. The Meadows is also home to some great trails, including a 1.3-mile paved trail, a catch and release fishing lake, great playground and athletic fields, as well as a dog park where your furry friend can have some fun, too!



While you are at Miami Meadows, take a few minutes to pay your respects to those who served our country at the Spirit of '76 Veterans Memorial Park. There you will find a paved walking path adorned with memorial benches overlooking the pond, with the Korean War Memorial in the background. Read some of the inscriptions and learn a little more about this important time in history.

Are you riding along the Little Miami Scenic Bike Trail and find yourself just south of Loveland or north of Branch Hill? Cross the street where the bike statues are on the trail and stop by Miami Riverview Park for a great place to picnic and let the kids play on the playground. While you are there, check out the new pickleball and basketball courts that are being installed right now by the sled hill. You didn't know there is a sled hill at Miami Riverview Park? That is ok, most people don't know that either but if we get some good snow this coming winter, swing back through and check it out!

Have you driven down Price Road lately? If not, take a quick turn off Loveland-Miamiville Road and stop at Paxton Ramsey Park. Enjoy a nice walk back in the woods where you can enjoy some peace and serenity on the paved and unpaved trails.



Have you ever tried disc golf? There is a nine-hole disc golf course at Community Park off Buckwheat Road, right across from the Miami Township branch of the Clermont County Public Library. You can check out a book on disc golf and then go play nine holes. The wooded course takes you through some beautiful terrain. You can also let the kids play at the playground, try out pickleball and tennis, or have a picnic at one of the shelters and relax.



If you want to know more about your Miami Township parks, check out the ‘2024 Miami Township Parks Assessment’ at MiamiTwpOH.gov. This document will help us keep your parks looking amazing and ready for your full enjoyment. We are constantly looking for ways to adapt our parks to the changing needs of our community and to make improvements.

Find out more little-known facts or amenities that you can enjoy in the parks, as well as some of the potential opportunities for future development of your parks, and then get outside and see them for yourself!

College Internships with the MTPD

Did you know the Miami Township Police Department is a host agency for criminal justice students interested in completing an academic scholarship? With partnerships established with the University of Cincinnati, Miami University, University of Louisville, Purdue University, Ohio Northern University, and Thomas More University, students learn how to apply their academic instruction in real-world situations from practitioners at an internationally accredited police department. Don't see your academic institution? Still apply! Students who have successfully completed internships with the Miami Township Police Department have found employment with the Department of Justice, the Veteran's Administration, many local police departments (including the Miami Township Police Department), as well as corporate security jobs.

Interested college students should contact Lieutenant Robert Hirsch at (513) 248-3721 or Robert.Hirsch@MiamiTwpOH.gov.



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Thank You
Bzak Garden & Landscaping

Generous and beautiful flower donation at Miami Riverview Park access to the Little Miami Scenic Trail

MIAMI TOWNSHIP POLICE

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Technology in Policing



Matt Evans
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Technology in the police profession has exponentially grown in the past 20 years. From body worn cameras to gunshot detection technology to statewide radio communication, technology has not only increased our efficiency, but the safety of Officers and those we serve. In August 2023, the Miami Township Police Department embarked on an initiative by integrating drones into our daily operations. This endeavor was partially funded by a generous donation from the Miami Township Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association. The Miami Township Police Department implemented three Autel Evo II V3 drones equipped with thermal imaging capabilities, marking a significant leap forward in the ability to serve our community. Utilizing Axon Air software, Officers on the ground can watch live-stream drone video to provide real time information during ever-evolving dynamic situations. Since the inception of this program, drones have become indispensable tools to our daily operations and mutual aid partners.

An incident highlighting the invaluable role of drones occurred when the Miami Township Police Department assisted the Goshen Township Police Department in apprehending an armed person eluding police while hidden along a riverbank. The drones, equipped with thermal imaging, provided crucial aerial support, aiding in the swift and safe resolution to the situation.

In another instance, drones were instrumental in clearing large fields at night, which allowed ground units to focus on other critical areas and ultimately led to the apprehension of a murder suspect in Goshen Township. Additionally, the drones proved their worth by locating an unconscious man in a wooded area of Miami Township in 20°F temperatures via thermal imaging, potentially saving his life.

All of these examples could have had dire outcomes if not for the effectiveness of this new technology. Prior to the use of drones in law enforcement, helicopters were used at a significant cost and time delay. With our FAA-certified pilots able to deploy drones at a scene within minutes, law enforcement as a whole now benefits from a more agile and cost-effective aerial solution.

The utilization of drones in law enforcement has upturned traditional practices, offering capabilities in search and rescue missions, locating missing children and elderly individuals, ensuring security at community events, and documenting crime scenes and accidents with precision. As the Miami Township Police Department continues to harness the power of this progressive technology, we reaffirm our commitment to protecting and serving the community with the utmost commitment, integrity, and accountability.

School of Police Staff and Command Graduates

Lieutenant Robert Hirsch and Sergeant Daniel Tobias recently graduated from Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command. Northwestern University's School of Police Staff and Command School is an intensive leadership and management education program that helps prepare experienced law enforcement professionals for success in senior command positions. Through the 22 week curriculum, Lieutenant Robert Hirsch and Sergeant Daniel Tobias learned critical command-level content such as planning and policies, media relations, organizational behavior, budgeting and resource allocation, human resources, contemporary policing, and more.



Robert Hirsch
Lieutenant



Dan Tobias
Sergeant

The Miami Township Police Department anticipates a variety of benefits from these employees attending this program and are extremely proud of their accomplishments.



MIAMI TOWNSHIP RECREATION

To register for an activity, go online to Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov or fill out a registration form and mail or drop off your form, with your check, to: Miami Township Recreation, 6101 Meijer Drive, Milford, OH 45150-2189. Pre-registration and prepayment is required for all camps & activities. Receipts will be sent to you (see receipt for refund policy). Financial assistance scholarships are available to Miami Township residents who meet assistance requirements. Direct your questions to the Recreation Department at (513) 248-3727.

SCHOOL AGE CAMPS

Pre-registration Required

Register online at Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov

SPANISH

Come join camp leader Brianna Dietrich in this camp. She has 6 years of Spanish experience. Children will learn Spanish through camp games, activities, music, food and more.

JULY 8-12; 9-11:30 am **or** 12:30-3:00 pm
MTCC (Ages 7-10) \$80 R - \$95 NR

AMAZING ART

Want to get those creative juices flowing? Then come create some beautiful art and make new friends at Amazing Art Camp! We'll create 2-3 art projects/crafts each day. Some of these crafts include tie dye, making friendship bracelets, slime, painting, and many other fun crafts. We will also enjoy snacks and play games.

JUL 15-19, 9-11:30 am **or** 12:30-3:00 pm
MTCC (Ages 7-10) \$95 R - \$115 NR

COED TEEN HIGH ADVENTURE

Join Officer Skip Rasfeld for an adrenaline packed week of sports, challenges and field trips that are geared towards both girls and boys. The camp culminates with a 100' slip-n-slide. You will have a lot of opportunities to push your limits in a safe environment. Planned activities are Indoor go cart racing & ax throwing (Full Throttle), Outdoor Ziplining (Ozone Zipline Adventures) and river kayaking (Little Miami Canoe Rental).

JUL 15-19; 9 am-3 pm (Ages 13-16) **MMP**
 \$190 R - \$230 NR

Exciting News! Drawing Camps are being offered again this summer! These camps are being taught by Katie Pokopac, owner of Creating JOY. Your child is sure to enjoy her fun and engaging drawing lessons! Her students learn to look at things from different perspectives, balance out their page, and improve their fine motor skills and drawing techniques. They will be inspired to unleash their creativity and let their personalities shine through their work.

"In Fairy Tales it's always the children who have the fine adventures." (Audrey Niffenegger)
 Fairies & Gnomes, Parrots & Pirates, Kingdoms & Dragons...there's just something so fascinating about them that captures our imaginations! They are magical, mischievous, and full of fantasy! Let your child explore a world of adventure with us through drawing this summer!

FAIRIES & GNOMES

Can you spy on the magic of these garden dwellers? We will explore the garden through a different set of eyes. Come draw fairies and gnomes with me!
 JUN 24-28; **MTCC** (Ages 4-6) 9-9:45 am
 \$60 R - \$70 NR (Ages 7-12) 10-11:15 am
 \$90 R - \$110 NR

PARROTS & PIRATES

Ahoy Matey! Welcome aboard! This crew will be drawing parrots, pirates, ships, treasure, and every pirate needs a mermaid!
 JUL 8-12; **MTCC** (Ages 4-6) 9-9:45 am
 \$60 R - \$70 NR (Ages 7-12) 10-11:15 am
 \$90 R - \$110 NR

KINGDOMS & DRAGONS

Once upon a time...come complete the story with me as we draw heroes/heroines, castles, brave knights, and dragons!
 JUL 15-19; **MTCC** (Ages 4-6) 9-9:45 am
 \$60 R - \$70 NR (Ages 7-12) 10-11:15 am
 \$90 R - \$110 NR

TAYLOR SWIFT

Let's party with all things Taylor Swift! Come have fun and play games related to music's biggest star! Want to rock out to Taylor's biggest hits with your friends? Interested in learning more about her experiences and how they made her the global superstar she is today? Then you are not going to want to miss this week of camp! Each day we will have dress-up themes based on her albums. We will make friendship bracelets and play Taylor Swift themed games! The camp will culminate with karaoke to her top hits!
 JUL 22-26, 12:30-3:00 pm; **MTCC**
 (Ages 7-10) \$80 R - \$95 NR

SWIFT'S LOVE & POETRY

Come celebrate the Swift Anthology and enjoy a week of all things Taylor Swift. Each day we will dress based on her albums and have a photo booth for cute pics. We'll dive deeper into Taylor's music and discover so many of the amazing things she does off the stage to make this world a better place. Make friendship bracelets, listen to amazing music, play some Swiftie themed games, meet new friends, and cap the week off with a showing of her streaming concert while we enjoy some of Taylor's favorite snacks!!!
 JUL 29-AUG 2, 9-11:30 am **or** 12:30-3 pm
MTCC (Ages 11-14) \$80 R - \$95 NR

BETTER BABYSITTERS

Would your son or daughter know what to do if the child they were babysitting started to choke on something? Would they know what to do if they were taking care of several children and someone came to the door? Does your child babysit younger siblings? Why not enroll your child in a Better Babysitters course? Your child will learn the responsibilities of having a job, the Rights of a Babysitter, CPR for a Child and Infant, Basic First Aid, Growth and Development and appropriate toys and activities for kids. They also learn diaper changing, infant care and how to feed a toddler. This class is being offered in partnership with Enriching Kidz.
 Thurs, AUG 8 & Fri, AUG 9; **MTCC**
 12-4 pm (Ages 10+) \$110 R - \$130 NR (Session)

KIDZ HOME ALONE

Are you ready to educate your child about the responsibilities of being home alone? Our goal is to make every student feel more comfortable while home alone. This interactive course teaches topics such as First Aid, Self-Heimlich maneuver, reasons to call 911, fire escape plans, microwave safety and how to problem solve during out-of-the-ordinary situations. Parents do not need to attend the class. This class is being offered in partnership with Enriching Kidz.
 Wed, AUG 7 & Fri, AUG 9; 9-11:00 am
MTCC (Ages 9+) \$80 R - \$95 NR (Session)

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Ryan Himes

"Cause a little bit of summer is what the whole year is all about."
 -John Mayer

Let's turn up the heat Miami Township! The Recreation Department is so excited to get the summer months rolling so we can open our treasure chest of exciting programs, camps, and events for you all to enjoy.

Attending FREE Concerts in the Park is a must so please see page 11 for all the details including opening acts and several popular food truck options.

Our award-winning Summer Camps are always a hot ticket, and this year is no exception. Check out the endless possibilities and brand-new offerings for your kiddos such as Taylor Swift Camp, Spanish Camp, and Little Tykes STEM Camp just to name a few!

Nothing is worse than saying goodbye to the summer... until this year! Join us on Saturday, August 17th at the Miami Township Civic Center as we send off the summer properly with a "Party in the Park(ing) Lot" from 5-9:00 p.m. We will have food trucks, inflatables, games, music, entertainment from Cincinnati Circus and much more, so stay tuned.

I hope everyone has a tremendous and unforgettable summer and thank you for allowing us to be a part of it!

LEGEND:

R - Miami Township Resident; NR - Non-Resident
 MTCC - Miami Township Civic Center • 6101 Meijer Drive
 PR - Paxton Ramsey Park • 6265 Price Road
 MR - Miami Riverview Park • 587 Branchhill-Loveland Road
 PSTC - Public Safety Training Center • 5904 McPicken Drive

MMP - Miami Meadows Pavilion • 1546 SR 131
 MML - Miami Meadows Lakeside • 1546 SR 131
 CP - Community Park • 5951 Buckwheat Road
 LH - Leming House in CP • 5951 Buckwheat Road
 MHS - Milford High School • 1 Eagles Way
 MES - Meadowview Elementary School - 5556 Mount Zion Road

KIDS ACTIVITIES**Pre-registration Required**Register online at Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov**TAE KWON DO**

Classes are being offered at the Miami Township Civic Center for kids six and older with Jason Jacobs who is an elementary teacher in Milford and a certified instructor with Ahn's TaeKwonDo. Jason can be contacted at JasonJacobsmagic@gmail.com to answer your questions. Classes are from 4:15-5:15 pm or 5:30-6:30 pm. Tae Kwon Do uniforms are NOT included in the session fee. You can order a solid white V-neck Tae Kwon Do uniform from Amazon or other source. Please check with Jason before ordering.

Tuesdays & Thursdays (Ages 6+) MTCC \$95 R - \$115 NR (Session)

Session 1: SEPT 3-NOV 14 (no class 10/22, 31, 11/5)

Session 2: JAN 7-MAR 6

Session 3: MAR 11-MAY 15 (no class 3/25, 27, 5/6)

SOCCER SHOTS

Miami Township has partnered with Soccer Shots to bring you soccer programs for your children. Soccer Shots is an engaging children's soccer program for ages 2-8 with a focus on character development. Our caring team positively impacts children's lives on and off the field through best-in-class coaching, communication, and curriculum.

Note: Parents must be present during ALL classes. Sign up for these programs at soccershots.com/cincinnatiorth

Mini - 5:30-6 pm (Ages 2-3) \$116 R - \$136 NR

Classic - 6:05-6:40 pm (Ages 3^{1/2}-5)

\$116 R - \$136 NR

Premier - 6:45-7:30 pm (Ages 6-8)

\$124 R - \$144 NR

Location 1: Mons, AUG 26-OCT 21 (no class 9/2) CP

Location 2: Weds, AUG 28-OCT 16; MR

**Skyhawks Sports Camps**Register at Skyhawks.com for these camps.**FLAG FOOTBALL**

Tuesdays, SEPT 3-24, 5:15-7:15 pm; MMP (Ages 6-10) \$95 R - \$115 NR

BEGINNING GOLF

Thursdays, SEPT 5-26, 5:15-7:15 pm; MR (Ages 5-9) \$95 R - \$115 NR

MINI-HAWK**(Baseball, Basketball & Soccer)**

Thursdays, OCT 3-24, 5:15-7:15 pm; PR (Ages 4-7) \$95 R - \$115 NR

KID'S PICKLEBALL

Tuesdays, OCT 8-29, 5:15-7:15 pm; MM (Ages 6-10) \$95 R - \$115 NR

DRAWING with Katie Pokopac from Creating Joy

Come draw with Katie Pokopac, owner of Creating JOY! Your child is sure to enjoy her fun and engaging drawing lessons! Her students learn to look at things from different perspectives, balance out their page, and improve their fine motor skills and drawing techniques. They will be inspired to unleash their creativity and let their personality shine through their work.

Mondays, 5:30-6:15 pm; MTCC

(Ages 4-6) \$55 R - \$65 NR

Mondays, 6:30-7:45 pm; MTCC

(Ages 7-12) \$70 R - \$85 NR

Session 1: SEPT 9-OCT 7

Session 2: OCT 28-DEC 9 (no class 11/11, 25)

**SPORTS CAMPS****Pre-registration Required**Register online at Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov

Children must be potty trained to participate in the following programs and mothers are encouraged to drop their child off. Please no pull ups or diapers. If the child is not potty trained, parental monitoring will be required on the premises and Miami Township does not provide personal services.

Skyhawks Sports Camps

Skyhawks provides a wide variety of fun, safe and positive programs that emphasize lessons in sports and life such as teamwork, respect, and sportsmanship. Our programs are designed to give each child a positive introduction into sports while fostering a lifelong love for an active, healthy lifestyle. Our patient and knowledgeable staff use a variety of skill-building games and activities to give each athlete a complete understanding and overview of the sport. Since 1979 Skyhawks has taught over two million boys and girls life lessons through sports.

Register at Skyhawks.com for these camps.**MULTI-SPORT****(Baseball, Basketball & Soccer)**

Multi-Sport programs are designed to introduce young athletes to a variety of different sports in one setting. Athletes will learn the rules and essential skills of each sport, along with vital life lessons such as sportsmanship, inclusion, and teamwork. Participants should bring a water bottle, two snacks, lunch, sunscreen and wear appropriate athletic attire. Every child receives an award certificate and Skyhawks t-shirt.

JUN 17, 18, 20 & 21 (4 days) 9 am-3 pm

PR (Ages 7-12) \$175 R - \$210 NR

BEGINNING GOLF

Skyhawks Beginning Golf is powered by Payne Stewart Golf Experiences, the recommended entry-level golf program for PGA Junior Golf Camps. The unique, games-based play program and modified learning equipment makes it easier for kids to hit the ball and experience early success. Putting, chipping, pitching and full swing, are all taught through games, simple repetitive motions and learning rhymes that make it easy for young kids to remember and repeat. Specially designed, age-appropriate golf equipment is provided. Participants should bring a water bottle, two snacks, sunscreen and wear appropriate athletic attire. Every child receives an award certificate and Skyhawks t-shirt.

JUL 8-12; 9 am-Noon (Ages 5-9) PR \$150 R - \$180 NR

FLAG FOOTBALL**FUELED BY USA FOOTBALL**

Experience the excitement of football with Skyhawks Flag Football Fueled by USA Football. Using a curriculum developed by the experts from USA Football, coaches will teach skills like passing, receiving, kicking and flag pulling. Participants will gain confidence and learn important life lessons in a fun, positive environment. Participants should bring a water bottle, two snacks, lunch, sunscreen and wear appropriate athletic attire. Every child receives an award certificate and Skyhawks t-shirt.

JUL 22-26; 1-4 pm (Ages 7-12) MMP \$150 R - \$180 NR

PRESCHOOL CAMPS**Pre-registration Required**Register online at Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov

The following classes are designed to help with your child's independence and socialization skills. We strongly encourage care givers to drop off their child and return following the conclusion of the class. Please no pull ups or diapers. If the child is not potty trained, parental monitoring will be required on the premises and Miami Township does not provide personal services.

LITTLE BOOKWORMS

Do you have a child who likes reading and playing? Then Little Bookworms is **perfect** for them! The books that we will read will not only be engaging but will also teach your child important information that they can use throughout their lives! We will have activities lined up for all our read-aloud books that they can take home at the end of the camp!

JUL 8-12; 12:30-3:00 pm; MTCC (Ages 3-6) \$80 R; \$95 NR

PRESCHOOLERS IN MOTION

In this camp children will be introduced to movement and games. We will focus on basic motor skills, playing games, tumbling, music and fun. To accomplish this, we will play with balloons, bean bags, balls, & parachutes. This camp will be very active!

JUL 22-26; 12:30-3:00 pm; MTCC (Ages 3-6) \$80 R - \$95 NR

LIL' TYKES STEM

Campers will explore all things science! This camp will have hands on learning experiences and children will work together to complete different engaging activities. Children will learn about science as they explore the world around them.

JUL 29-AUG 2; 12:30-3:00 pm; MTCC (Ages 3-6) \$80 R - \$95 NR

PRESCHOOL ACTIVITIES**Pre-registration Required**Register online at Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov**PLAYGROUP PRIMETIME**

Are you looking for a relaxed environment for your kids to meet new friends and develop new skills? If so, Playgroup Primetime is just the place for you! Parents and grandparents are welcome to bring kids, ages 0-4 years, to learn, play, and socialize. We will meet each Thursday to have some fun, eat a snack, listen to a story and sing a song. Come and see what it's all about! Pricing is per family.

Thursdays, 10-11:30 am; MTCC (Ages 0-4) \$60 R - \$75 NR (Family/Session)

Session 1: SEPT 5-OCT 17

Session 2: OCT 24-DEC 12 (no class 11/28)

PARENT & ME LITTLE EXPLORERS

Enjoy hands on games, crafts, and sensory fun. These Parent and Me classes are loosely structured to encourage creativity through art, music, and play. These classes are designed for parents to stay and participate with their child. Please no drop offs.

SEPT 30 Fabulous Fall

NOV 18 Pajama Party

DEC 16 Christmas

Mondays, 10-11:00 am; MTCC

(Ages 1½-3) \$45 R; \$55 NR

\$30 R - \$40 NR (each Additional Child)

FALL FUN

Pumpkins, apples, and acorns oh my! Come celebrate the changing seasons with all things fall. We will have a blast reading, creating art and singing songs. It will be an entertaining way to enjoy autumn.

Friday, SEPT 27; 10-11:30 am or 12:30-2 pm (Ages 3-6) MTCC; \$20 R - \$25 NR

CAMPING INDOORS

Roll out of bed and come in your pajamas. Experience camping indoors around a pretend campfire. Enjoy stories by the fire, s'mores, and exciting art projects. We will take a nature hike (weather permitting) and hunt for bears to get their little bodies moving.

Friday, NOV 15; 10-11:30 am or 12:30-2 pm (Ages 3-6) MTCC; \$20 R - \$25 NR

DECK THE HALLS

Let's get together and create some holiday memories. This will be a holiday event filled with reindeer games, songs, and crafts. Our time together will end with a holiday treat.

Friday, DEC 13; 10-11:30 am or 12:30-2 pm (Ages 3-6) MTCC; \$20 R - \$25 NR

July 2024



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

	1 STITCHING FOR FUN Camp Begins!	2	3 BOARD of ZONING APPEALS 7:00 pm • MTCC	4  INDEPENDENCE DAY Township Offices Closed	5	6
7	8 SPANISH DRAWING BEGINNING GOLF D.A.R.E. ULTIMATE NATURE DISCOVERY LITTLE BOOKWORMS Camps Begin!	9 COMMUNITY CPR 6:00 pm • PSTC	10 PICKLEBALL BEGINNERS 9:00 am <u>or</u> 6:00 pm • CP	11 ZONING COMMISSION 7:00 pm • MTCC SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE 6:30 pm • MTCC	12	13 PICKLEBALL BEGINNERS 9:00 am • CP  UC COMMUNITY BAND 7-9:00 pm • CP (FREE!)
14	15 DRAWING AMAZING ART TEEN HIGH ADVENTURE KINDERGARTEN SAFETY Camps Begin!	16 TRUSTEE BUSINESS MEETING 7:00 pm • MTCC	17	18	19	20
21	22 TAYLOR SWIFT FLAG FOOTBALL KINDERGARTEN SAFETY PRESCHOOLERS IN MOTION Camps Begin!	23	24	25	26 BASEBALL - A WALK THROUGH TIME 6-9:00 pm • MTCC (FREE!)	27 KIDS FISHING TOURNEY 9:00 am • MML (FREE!) RED STOCKINGS VINTAGE BASEBALL GAME 3-6:30 pm • MM (FREE!) BRONSON ARROYO BAND 6-9:00 pm • MM (FREE!)
28	29 LIL' TYKES STEM SPORTS-TACULAR KINDERGARTEN SAFETY SWIFT'S LOVE & POETRY Camps Begin!	30	31			

August 2024



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

					1 ZONING COMMISSION 7:00 pm • MTCC	2 MOVIE NIGHT IN THE MEADOWS 9:00 pm • MMP	3
4 MAT PILATES Thru SEPT 9 • MTCC	5	6 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 6:00 pm • SCENE75 Parking Lot	7 BOARD of ZONING APPEALS 7:00 pm • MTCC LINE DANCING WORKSHOP Thru AUG 21 • LH KIDZ HOME ALONE & AUG 9 • MTCC	8 SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE 6:30 pm • MTCC BETTER BABYSITTERS & AUG 9 • MTCC	9	10 COMMUNITY CPR 9:00 am • PSTC	
11 WOMEN'S SELF DEFENSE Noon • MTCC	12 TRUSTEE WORK SESSION 7:00 pm • MTCC	13	14 PICKLEBALL BEGINNERS 9:00 am <u>or</u> 6:00 pm • CP	15	16	17 PICKLEBALL BEGINNERS 9:00 am • CP SUMMER SEND OFF Party in the PARKing Lot 5:00 pm • MTTC	
18	19	20 TRUSTEE BUSINESS MEETING 7:00 pm • MTCC AQUATIC HI-LO CARDIO Thru OCT 3 • MHS Pool	21	22	23	24	
25 SOCCER SHOTS Thru OCT 21 • CP	26	27	28 SOCCER SHOTS Thru OCT 16 • MR LINE DANCING Thru SEPT 18 • LH GARDENING: SEED SAVING 7:00 pm • MTCC	29	30	31	

September 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2  TOWNSHIP OFFICES CLOSED	3 TAE KWON DO Thru NOV 14 • MTCC FLAG FOOTBALL CAMP Thru SEPT 24 • MMP TAI CHI EASY Thru OCT 8 • MTCC	4 BOARD of ZONING APPEALS 7:00 pm • MTCC	5 ZONING COMMISSION 7:00 pm • MTCC PLAYGROUP PRIMETIME Thru OCT 17 • MTCC BEGINNING GOLF CAMP Thru SEPT 26 • MR	6	7
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22 	23	24	25 BALLOON ART 6:00 pm • MTCC LINCOLN ASSASSINATION 6:00 pm • MTCC	26	27 FALL FUN 10:00 am <u>or</u> 12:30 pm • MTCC	28
29	30 PARENT & ME EXPLORERS Thru DEC 16 • MTCC					

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27	28 DRAWING WITH KATIE Thru DEC 9 • MTCC	29 QUILLING: PAPER ART 6:00 pm • MTCC AQUATIC HI-LO CARDIO Thru DEC 19 • MHS Pool	30 LINE DANCING Thru NOV 20 • MTCC	31  TRICK OR TREATING 6-8:00 pm 		

ADULT SPORTS & WELLNESS

Pre-registration Required

Register online at Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov



SUPPORT GATHERING FOR SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE LOSS

Thursdays, JUL 11 & AUG 8; **MTCC**
6:30-8:30 pm; FREE (Drop Ins Welcome)

MAT PILATES

Mondays, 7-8:00 pm; **MTCC**
\$50 R - \$60 NR (Session)(No Drop Ins)
Session 1: AUG 5-SEPT 9 (no class 9/2)
Session 2: SEPT 16-OCT 14
Session 3: OCT 21-NOV 25 (no class 11/11)
Session 4: DEC 2-JAN 13 (No Class 12/23, 30)

TAI CHI EASY

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm; **MTCC**
\$80 R - \$90 NR (Session)
Session 1: SEPT 3-OCT 8
Session 2: OCT 22-DEC 3 (No Class 11/26)



COMMUNITY CPR

In partnership with the Miami Township Fire & EMS, we are offering "CPR For Friends and Family" and "Heartsaver CPR"
\$25 R - \$40 NR; **PSTC**

Tuesday, JUL 9, 6:00 pm **or**
Saturday, AUG 10, 9:00 am **or**
Tuesday, SEPT 10, 6:00 pm **or**
Saturday, OCT 5, 9:00 am **or**
Tuesday, NOV 5, 6:00 pm **or**
Saturday, DEC 7, 9:00 am

WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE

(Ages 14+) **MTCC**; \$5 R - \$10 NR
Sunday, AUG 11, Noon-3:00 pm
Saturday, SEPT 14, 9-Noon
Wednesday, OCT 23, 5:30-8:30 pm
Saturday, NOV 23, 9-Noon

YOGA, MINDFULNESS & MORE

Tuesdays, 10-11:30 am; **MTCC**
\$60 R - \$75 NR (Session)(No Drop Ins)
Session 1: SEPT 10-OCT 1
Session 2: OCT 8-OCT 29
Session 3: NOV 12-DEC 3

LINE DANCING

Line dances will be taught step by step to many genres of music including Country,

Top 40 and Oldies. We will work on beginner level dances for the first 45 minutes and then kick it up a small notch for the last 30 minutes. Do you like a particular song or dance? Bring your suggestions and we will do our best to work it into the session. No judgement, just fun!

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:15 pm; **LH**
\$35 R - \$45 NR (Session) \$11 (Drop In)

Session 1: AUG 28-SEPT 18
Session 2: OCT 2-23
Session 3: OCT 30-NOV 20

WEDDING LINE DANCE WORKSHOP

Want to learn or practice those fun dances that others do at weddings? Come to this workshop and master the Electric Slide, Cha Cha Slide, Cupid Shuffle, and The Wobble. Pam is successful at teaching beginners how to dance, and she truly understands and caters to beginner dancers.

Wednesdays; AUG 7-21; 6-7:00 pm; **LH**
\$30 R - \$40 NR (Session) \$11 (Drop In)

MOVE AND GROOVE

Fun Fitness for Kids & Adults

Let's get Moving! This class is designed to engage both kids and adults in a fun and energetic environment while promoting physical activity and well-being. Come and join us to do some family friendly line dances, basic square dancing, and maybe even a little multi person jump rope! Adults 18 and over can join with a child participant for just \$20.

Tuesdays, OCT 8-29; 6:15-7:00 pm; **LH**
\$40 R - \$50 NR (Child/Session)
\$20 (Parents/Adults with Registered Child)

PICKLEBALL BEGINNER LESSONS

Join Susie Oliver, Pickleball Instructor, for this fun Pickleball Beginners Class which meets for a total of two hours at Community Park, 5951 Buckwheat Road.
CP; \$20 R - \$25 NR (Class/Session)

Session 1: Wed, JUL 10, 9-11:00 am **or**
Session 2: Wed, AUG 14, 9-11:00 am **or**
Session 3: Wed, AUG 14, 6-8:00 pm **or**
Session 4: Sat, AUG 17, 9-11:00 am **or**
Session 5: Wed, SEPT 11, 9-11:00 am **or**
Session 6: Wed, SEPT 11, 6-8:00 pm **or**
Session 7: Sat, SEPT 14, 9-11:00 am

AQUATIC FITNESS

HI-LO CARDIO COMBO
Tues & Thurs, 9:30-10:45 am; **MHS Pool**
\$95 R - \$110 NR
Session 1: AUG 20-OCT 3
Session 2: OCT 29-DEC 19 (no class 11/26, 28)
Session 3: JAN 21-MAR 13

FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Pre-registration Required
Register online at Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov

KIDS ONLY FISHING

TOURNAMENT Catch & Release FREE EVENT!
Saturday, JUL 27 **and** SEPT 21; **MML**

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

Mark your calendar for the **FREE CONCERTS IN THE PARK**. Bring your whole family and be prepared to have an unforgettable night of music, food, drinks, and fun!

PARROTS OF THE CARIBBEAN

JUN 29 • Community Park (6-9:00 pm)
a.k.a. POTC Band, is the High Energy, Original Trop-Rock Stage Show that features a "Salute to Jimmy Buffett." Join us as we celebrate the life of Jimmy in true Parrott Head fashion. Ivan's Mexican Grill Food Truck will provide sensational eats along with the always popular KONA ICE for delicious frozen treats. Milford Miami Township Chamber of Commerce will be on hand serving up those "frozen concoctions to help you hang on" (a.k.a. Margaritas).

UC COMMUNITY BAND

JUL 13 • Community Park (7-9:00 pm)
The University of Cincinnati Community band is a summer band that welcomes UC Alumni and community members to play across the tri-state. This band has been playing for 25 years and is 70 members strong. Pack a picnic and enjoy the variety of music from marches, show tunes, to some band classics. *Popsicles and bottled water will be available for a suggested donation to benefit the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA).

BRONSON ARROYO BAND

JUL 27 • Miami Meadows Pavilion (6-9:00 pm)
The Bronson Arroyo Band pays tribute to the likes of Pearl Jam, Oasis, Tom Petty, The Lumineers, Nirvana, The Beatles, David Bowie and more! Headlined by former Cincinnati Reds All-Star pitcher Bronson Arroyo. Midwest Best BBQ and Lori's Sweet Treats will provide amazing food while KONA ICE will once again help us cool off with their delicious, shaved ice. Milford Miami Township Chamber of Commerce will be on hand selling refreshing alcoholic drinks.

BASEBALL – A WALK THROUGH TIME

Join us for this free night of baseball history as we journey through time led by the Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame & Museum "Storyteller" Perry Thacker. With his own unique, humorous way, Perry will share his favorite baseball stories and answer your questions. Sit back, relax, and enjoy Cincinnati Reds Baseball past and present.
Friday, July 26, **MTCC**; 6-8:00 pm; **FREE**

RED STOCKINGS

VINTAGE BASEBALL GAME

This must-see event will feature the Cincinnati Reds Hall of Fame & Museum 1869 Red Stockings Vintage Baseball Team taking the field against some of Miami Township's finest in a game played by 1869 rules. No gloves, different terminology, and the perfect way to learn about the beginning of America's Pastime.
Saturday, July 27, **MM** (Tree Grove Field)
*** Game begins at 3:00 pm

MOVIE NIGHT IN THE MEADOWS:

TOY STORY 2

Let's celebrate Miami Meadows 25th Birthday with one of 1999's biggest box office hits, Toy Story 2. Bring your chairs and/or blankets and make yourself comfortable as we join Buzz Lightyear and the gang on the ultimate adventure to save Woody from an obsessive toy collector! *Popcorn, popsicles, and bottled water will be available for a suggested donation to benefit the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA).
Friday, August 2, **MMP**
*** Movie begins @ 9:00 pm

SUMMER SENDOFF

Party in the Park(ing) Lot

Let's say goodbye to the Summer as only Miami Township can...with a **FREE Party in the Park(ing) Lot** at the Civic Center. An evening of activities will await including food, inflatables, games, music, and performers from Cincinnati Circus.
Saturday, August 17, **MTCC**, 5-9:00 pm

BALLOON ART

Balloon art is fun, with so many different shapes and sizes! Judy Ellington will teach you how to create with twisted balloons. We will dive into different designs to make three basic centerpieces for the upcoming holiday seasons. This class is designed for beginner balloon artists aged 12 and older.
Wed, SEPT 25 **or** Mon, OCT 7, 6-7:30 pm
MTCC (Ages 12+) \$15 R - \$20 NR

THEATRICAL MAKE UP

Judy Ellington has over 20 years' experience as a make-up artist and face painter. She has worked with a children's theater doing make-up for the cast of 101 Dalmatians, Lion King and Jungle Book. This class is for theater make-up or Halloween learning the application of grease paint and face paint. Learn how to create prosthetic scars or fake burns.
Thurs, OCT 3 **or** Mon, OCT 21, 6-8:00 pm
MTCC (Ages 12+) \$20 R - \$25 NR

HARVEST FESTIVAL

& COMMUNITY BONFIRE

Mark your calendars for our annual favorite, the Harvest Festival & Community Bonfire! Join us for local Food Trucks, crafts, hayrides, Trick-or-Treat Trail and much more. New this year will be a concert at the Performance Pavilion featuring the lively and entertaining local band Counting Skeletons. Stay tuned for more details.
Saturday, OCT 19; 6-9:00 pm; **CP FREE**

HANDMADE CARD MAKING

You're invited to join the creative journey into the world of handmade cards! In this class, you'll learn basic card making techniques.
Tuesday, OCT 8, **MTCC**; 6:30 - 7:45 pm
\$7 (Person)

ADULT ACTIVITIES

Pre-registration Required

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CRAFTING WITH ROBIN

CREATE A HALLOWEEN GARLAND

Create a Halloween garland with yarn ghosts and pom-pom pumpkins & spiders. Wednesday, OCT 2, 6:30-8:30 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 16+) \$15 R - \$20 NR

CRAZY HOLIDAY SWEATER DECORATING

DIY one of a kind holiday apparel to wear all season! Bring your own sweater or sweatshirt and use your imagination to embellish it with a variety of fun items that will be available. The crazier, the better! Wednesday, DEC 4, 6:30-8:30 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 16+) \$15 R - \$20 NR

RUSTIC HEART DOOR HANGER

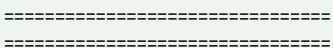
You're going to love making a pretty rustic heart door hanger just in time for Valentine's Day. Wednesday, JAN 29, 6:30-8:30 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 16+) \$15 R - \$20 NR

BUNNY BLOCKS

This adorable trio of hand painted wooden bunnies will be the perfect addition to your spring décor. Wednesday, MAR 26, 6:30-8:30 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 16+) \$15 R - \$20 NR

SUMMER COASTERS & TRIVET

Make a set of 4 ceramic tile coasters and a trivet to match. You will have a variety of summery paper designs to choose from. Keep them for yourself or give them as a gift! Wednesday, MAY 7, 6:30-8:30 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 16+) \$15 R - \$20 NR



Gary Knepp's Genes

THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

Come commemorate Constitution Day! The U.S. Constitution has been the greatest generator of liberty and prosperity ever devised. In this class, we will look at the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation, our first constitution, the conditions that made a new one necessary, the debates that shaped the document, and the roles that the founders played. Special attention will be given to the constitution's guiding principles. We will discuss executive orders and their growing impact upon a divided Congress. Selected U.S. Supreme Court cases will be discussed. Each participant will receive a free pocket constitution.

Wednesday, SEPT 18, 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC** \$10 (Person) (No Drop Ins)

THE ASSASSINATION OF LINCOLN

The Local Connection

The murder of President Abraham Lincoln on Good Friday of 1865 was one of the darkest days in our history. Approximately 1500 people attended Ford's Theater that fateful night. Among them were Capt. Oliver Gatch and Dr. Charles Gatch of Milford. Years later Oliver shared his memories of that evening with a Canadian magazine. Few historians have accepted his version of the events of the evening. We will review the evidence, both pro and con, and settle the question: Were the Gatch boys really there that night? This class is presented by Gary Knepp.

Wednesday, SEPT 25, 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC** \$10 (Person) (No Drop Ins)

TRUE CRIME IN CLERMONT COUNTY

Clermont County has a deserved reputation for producing fine attorneys including a Federal District Court judge, Ohio Supreme Court justices, U.S. solicitor general, and one of the world's richest men. But... there was a seedier side. We will look at the murders, lynchings, gambling, moonshining, corruption, and the former resident who was on the FBI Most Wanted. You'll never think of Clermont County in the same way again. This class will be taught by Clermont County attorney Gary Knepp.

Wednesday, OCT 16, 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC** \$10 (Person) (No Drop Ins)

THE LIFE OF THE COMMON SOLDIER OF THE CIVIL WAR

Nearly three million men, and several hundred women, served as soldiers in the Civil War. What was life like for the enlisted men of the Civil War? We will try to tease out an answer by looking at the following aspects of The Soldier's Life: food, medical care, housing, clothing, recreation, basic training, and combat. Historian and author Gary Knepp will share twenty-five years of research on this topic with you.

Wednesday, NOV 13, 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC** \$10 (Person) (No Drop Ins)



THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Theodore (He hated being called "Teddy") Roosevelt was a human dynamo, a force of nature. He is the only person to be awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor and the Nobel Peace Prize. Roosevelt was a world recognized authority on North American game animals and birds. He was a writer, rancher, volunteer soldier, and explorer. And oh yes, he was the 26th President of the United States. Join Gary Knepp for the Life and Times of Theodore Roosevelt.

Wednesday, DEC 4, 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC** \$10 (Person) (No Drop Ins)

MASTER GARDENER CLASSES



SEED SAVING

Have you seen the price of a seed packet? Makes you want to save your seeds for next year. But how? Join us as we investigate the methods of seed saving and what seeds can be saved.

Wednesday, AUG 28, 7:00 pm; **MTCC** \$5 (Person) (No Drop Ins)

HOW TO FORCE BULBS FOR WINTER ENJOYMENT

During the drab days of winter wouldn't you like to have color in the house? Come find out about the best way to force bulbs for the winter. We will also talk about what bulbs are the best and when to buy them.

Thursday, SEPT 19, 7:00 pm; **MTCC** \$5 (Person) (No Drop Ins)

RAISED BED GARDENING

So, you want to garden but you don't want to dig up your yard. Try raised beds. Join us as we talk about the meaning of raised beds, different materials used and how to fill them with soil.

Thursday, OCT 17, 7:00 pm; **MTCC** \$5 (Person) (No Drop Ins)

ALL ABOUT BACKYARD BIRDS

Can you identify the avian visitors in your backyard? Would you like more birds to join you in the backyard? We will talk about the things that are necessary to bring them in and keep them around.

Wednesday, NOV 13, 7:00 pm; **MTCC** \$5 (Person) (No Drop Ins)

Join artist Terri Riddle to learn the art of quilling through themed projects. Quilling is the art of rolling and shaping strips of paper. It's a relaxing hobby that's easy to learn. All materials are supplied to complete each project.



PAPER ART FALL THEMED PROJECT

We will Quill a 'Thankful' Tree full of Fall colors. Thursday, OCT 24 or Tuesday, OCT 29 6-8:00 pm (Ages 18+) **MTCC** \$30 R - \$35 NR



QUILLING HOLIDAY ORNAMENTS

In this beginner friendly project we will use Quilling Strips to create beautiful Holiday Ornaments. Wednesday, NOV 20 or Thursday, DEC 5 or Wednesday, DEC 11; 6-8:00 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 18+) \$30 R - \$35 NR



MIAMI TOWNSHIP FIRE & EMS

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Township Welcomes First EMS Director



Jason Peng
 EMS Director

Jason Peng, sworn in as the Director of EMS on April 16th, 2024, brings a wealth of experience and dedication to his role. A proud alumni of Milford High School, graduating in 1992, Jason’s journey into public service began with his service in the United States Navy. From 1992 to 1996, he served on active duty, continuing his commitment in the Navy Reserves including deployment in 2003 with the 1st BN 24th Marines in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Rising through the ranks, he received a commission in 2006 and served as the Officer in Charge of Surgical Company Alpha Detachment 2, 4th Medical BN until 2012.

Transitioning to civilian life, Jason joined Miami Township Fire & EMS as a part-time firefighter/paramedic in 1998, later becoming a full-time firefighter/paramedic in May 2001, where he was instrumental in developing paramedic protocols and served as an EMS instructor. In 2012, he pursued further education, earning his Master of Science in Nursing from the University of Cincinnati, leading him to a career as an emergency nurse practitioner. His extensive experience encompasses diverse areas of emergency medicine and critical care, including inner-city trauma centers, critical access hospitals, and 11 years with University of Cincinnati Air Care.

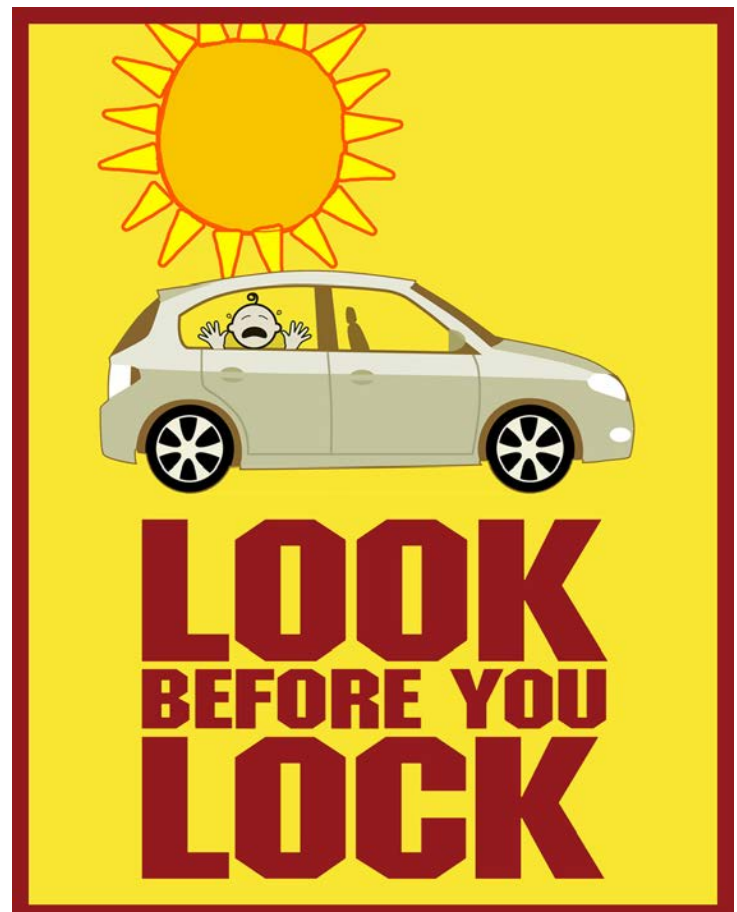
Jason and his wife Robin have been residents of Miami Township for over two decades. They are proud parents to two sons, Colin, a senior at Milford High School, and Branden, a sophomore studying at the University of Cincinnati. Jason is grateful for the opportunity to return home and serve his community.

Fireworks Facts

Fireworks are often used to mark special events and holidays. The only safe way to view fireworks is to attend a professional show. It is important to know that fireworks are not safe in the hands of consumers. Fireworks cause thousands of injuries each year

- More than 19,500 reported fires are started by fireworks annually.
- Burns account for 44% of the 9,100 injuries treated in emergency rooms seen in the month around July 4.
- Half of the fireworks injuries seen at emergency rooms were extremities: hand, finger, or leg. One-third were to the eye or other parts of the head.
- Children ages 10–14 had the highest rate of fireworks injury, with more than one-third (36%) of the victims of fireworks injuries under age 15.
- Sparklers account for roughly one-quarter of emergency room fireworks injuries.

* SOURCE: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Dealing with Tree Issues



Brian Elliff
Planning & Zoning Administrator

As severe weather season approaches, we often are dealing with the aftermath of tree damage. The Ohio Farm Bureau (“OFB”) provides a helpful summary of Ohio tree/property rights issues commonly encountered in the state. Go to ofbf.org and search ‘Ohio Tree Laws Questions and Answers’ to learn more.

Questions posed and answered by the OFB include:

- Can I trim a tree overhanging the property line? (Yes, up to the property line, not over)
- What can happen if I damage a neighbor’s tree? (A penalty of up to \$250 and/or 30 days in jail. Ohio law also allows that, in addition to this penalty, anyone who violates the law can be subject to damages up to three times the worth of the tree that

was harmed. These damages could be awarded through criminal prosecution as restitution, or through a civil lawsuit filed by an individual)

- Can I remove a tree that is on the property line? (Law is unclear)
- Who is liable if the neighbor’s tree falls and damages my property? (Typically the owner of the tree is not liable).

Because of the uncertainties of tree health and condition, Miami Township does not regulate trees located on private property. Residents are referred to a qualified arborist, legal counsel and their insurance carrier if questions arise.



The Ohio Revised Code (“ORC”) gets in on the act, providing several on point sections, including 901.51

Injuring vines, bushes, trees, or crops on land of another: No person, without privilege to do so, shall recklessly cut down, destroy, girdle, or otherwise injure a vine, bush, shrub, sapling, tree, or crop standing or growing on the land of another or upon public land. In addition to the penalty provided in section 901.99 of the Revised Code, whoever violates this section is liable in treble damages for the injury caused. ORC Section 901.99 “Penalty” provides: (A) Whoever violates section 901.51 of the Revised Code is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree.

So, the ORC provides for some surprisingly severe civil and even criminal consequences for damage to someone else’s plantings. As such, prior to taking any action relative to encroaching trees or plantings from a neighboring property, in addition to the information from the OFB, a property owner should consult with their own legal counsel to make sure planned trimming activity is in accordance with Ohio law.

Lastly, should you have property damaged in the aftermath of severe weather, the Miami Township Zoning Resolution provides that in the event of a natural disaster, such as storms or fire, nonconforming structures may be restored and/or reconstructed if commenced within six months and completed within one year. Please reach out to the Community Development Department for guidance on permits necessary for any re-construction.

MIAMI TOWNSHIP SERVICE

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New Service Department Director



Chris Burdsall
Service Director

The Miami Township Service Department is excited to introduce Service Department Director – Chris Burdsall. Chris took over the position after the announcement of John Musselman’s retirement coming in June of 2024.

Chris has been with the Service Department since 2006. He was hired as a Seasonal Park employee, responsible primarily for mowing and maintenance of the Township’s parks. While employed as a part time employee, Chris completed his higher education degree at the University of Northwestern Ohio. He has been on full time with the department since 2009.

As a full time employee, Chris was in charge of signage throughout the Township. This included following a specific maintenance and replacement schedule of the Township’s numerous street signs. He oversaw budgeting and purchase orders to make sure the job was done in budget and on time. In addition, Chris played an important role at the Township’s cemetery - locating graves and handling burials. Another part of Chris’ duties was to drive one of the Township’s many plows, clearing Township roads during snow events.

In 2021, Chris became the Road Maintenance Supervisor. In this position Chris oversaw the Township’s road crew and maintained Township infrastructure while working with residents to solve or correct issues. He also inspected the work done during the paving program to serve as quality control and to hold vendors to the high standards that have made Miami Township roads and infrastructure what they are today.

“Everyday I look forward to working with our great team and to serve the Township to the best of my abilities,” said Chris. In his free time, Chris is active with the church his family attends and enjoys spending time with his wife and two kids. Chris and his kids are proud to be involved with 4H, with his kids raising and showing beef cattle and swine.

We’re excited to see Chris in his new position and wish him many successful years at the Township!

Road Improvements Coming Soon

Most people in the Township are aware of the addition of a new street near State Route 28 for a soon to open Aldi. The new street’s name is Lorven Drive. The second phase of construction includes some improvements to make this area safer. Lorven Drive will be extended further south and then connected to Sorrel Lane. This will provide a signalized intersection for the Al Gor Acres Subdivision to be able to enter and exit without crossing several lanes of traffic. The existing medical building now has a driveway connecting to Lorven Drive. This is to provide the same safer intersection for those visiting the medical building. After the extension and connecting road are completed, the intersection of Roan Road with 28 and the Medical Building with 28, will be changed to right turn in and right turn out only intersections. This should make this area safer for everyone that travels through this area.

Miami Township Civic Center

6101 Meijer Drive

SEPT 20th (2-6:00 pm)
SEPT 21st (7:30-5:00 pm)

PLEASE REMEMBER:
Paper Shredding happens on **SATURDAY ONLY** at the Public Safety Training Center (next to the salt dome). Please enter off McPicken Drive.

Proof of residency required!

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MEETINGS

Miami Township Civic Center, 6101 Meijer Drive • 45150

Trustee Business Meeting
7:00 pm, 3rd Tuesday of Each Month

Trustee Work Session
7:00 pm, 2nd Monday of Each Month

Board of Zoning Appeals
7:00 pm, 1st Wednesday of Each Month

Zoning Commission
7:00 pm, 1st Thursday of Each Month



Generations in Recreation

Miami Township HR Director, **Emily Asher**, worked as a Camp Assistant 19 years ago with the Recreation Department during college and **loved every minute of it**. As a Township resident, she signed her kids up for camp every summer. They learned a lot and made **wonderful summer memories** that they still talk about today. This summer, her daughter **Kenzie**, who has wanted to work as a Camp Assistant for years, was old enough to apply to be a volunteer. The **Recreation Department is like a family**, and we're glad the Ashers are part of what makes Miami Township great!



Did You Know?

Did you know that July is **National Parks and Recreation Month**? This year's theme will be "Where You Belong" as the National Parks and Recreation Association promotes building strong, vibrant, and resilient communities through the power of parks and recreation. This month is dedicated to recognizing and celebrating the more than 160,000 full-time parks and recreation professionals – along with hundreds of thousands of part-time and seasonal workers and volunteers – who maintain our country's local, state and community parks.