

**Brimfield Township  
Celebrating 200 Years  
1816 - 2016**



**June 2016**

# **BRIMFIELD TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER**

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# **The Celebrations Begin!**

June not only is the start of summer, it is the beginning of some very special celebrations marking Brimfield's 200 year anniversary. Take advantage of some of the awesome presentations we are having in June and enjoy the summer!

## **The Battle for Brimfield**

### **Civil War Reenactment**

**June 3 – 5, 2016**



**The Brimfield Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a civil war reenactment to commemorate the township's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday.**

**This program is free and everyone is invited to attend.**

**There will be two (2) battles on Saturday, June 4 at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and one battle on Sunday, June 5 at 1:00 p.m.**

**You can tour the camps and talk to the reenactors to see what camp life was like 150 years ago.**

**The event will take place on the Schipper property behind Speedway on Route 43 in Brimfield.**

Ohio **Chautauqua** begins Tuesday, June 7 and runs through June 11. Performances begin at 7:00 p.m. with live music starting at 6:00 p.m. on the Brimfield Historical Society grounds.

HISTORY PUTS ON A SHOW

# OHIO Chautauqua

Presented By **Ohio HUMANITIES**  
SHARING THE HUMAN STORY

**JUNE 7-11 ★ BRIMFIELD**  
BRIMFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY GROUNDS

*Live ON STAGE!*

**MARY SHELLEY**  
JUNE 7

**THEODORE ROOSEVELT**  
JUNE 8

**DIAN FOSSEY**  
JUNE 9

**CHIEF CORNSTALK**  
JUNE 10

**MARIE CURIE**  
JUNE 11

*Free!*

Performances begin at 7:00 p.m.  
Live music at 6:00 p.m.

**OTHER TOUR STOPS**

<b>HAMILTON</b> June 14-18	<b>GALLIPOLIS</b> June 21-25	<b>ROSSFORD</b> June 28-July 2
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# June 3 Last Day of School for Field Local Schools



It's that time of year! The last day of school for Field Local Schools is Friday, June 3, 2016 with an early dismissal at 1:00 p.m. Please take extra care as you commute to work, play, and run errands.

Our Brimfield Police Department is partnering with AAA and Frank's to promote bicycle safety for our kids via Helmet Smart. As officers are out and about over the summer months and they see kids wearing safety helmets, officers may issue safety citations that are redeemable at Frank's and also makes them eligible in drawings to win a new bike from AAA.

# BPD'S Helmet Smart Safety Citations

**WIN!** *Win a NEW BIKE!*

AAA East Central will be holding drawings throughout the summer (June thru August) from all the Safety Citations returned to them. Simply fill out the information on the reverse side of this form and return it to AAA by mail.

**Brimfield Police Department**

*Issuing Officer's Name*



**Helmet Smart**  
AAA East Central

*In cooperation with:*

**Brimfield Police Department  
Brimfield, Ohio**

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

This Safety Citation is being presented to you today because of your positive decision to wear a bicycle helmet! The strong message that you pass on to your family, friends, and other members of the community is that: "I'm special and I'm going to do everything that I can to help protect myself."

*(The bike rider should fill out this information.)*

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

**BRIMFIELD POLICE** ONE FREE SOFT SERVE ICE CREAM CONE

At **Frank's Drive In**  
Brimfield, Ohio  
Expires 10/31/2016  
*Cops Thanking Kids!*

OFFICER: \_\_\_\_\_ BADGE #: \_\_\_\_\_

**AAA**

For more information about bicycle safety please contact the  
AAA East Central  
Safety Department  
216/666-6022 or 800/845-0375



[\(www.facebook.com/BrimfieldPolice/\)](http://www.facebook.com/BrimfieldPolice/)

# BOARD OF Trustees' MEETING

## BOARD OF Trustees' June 2016 MEETINGS

There are 2 **Board of Trustees** meetings this month:

**June 8 at 3 p.m. and June 22 at 6:30 p.m.**

All meetings are held in the Community Room at the Township Administration Office, 1333 Tallmadge Rd. in Brimfield.

**The Zoning Commission** meets the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Thursday of every month at **7:00 p.m.** However, due to Ohio Chautauqua event, the June meeting is changed to **June 16 at 6:00 pm.**

**The Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)** meets the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Wednesday of every month at **7:15 p.m. – June 15.**



## **PARK & REC. Committee** **Meeting**

**Parks & Recreation Committee** meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at **5 p.m.** This month the meeting is on **June 21.** Township residents are invited to attend for information and/or join the committee.

All meetings are held in the Community Room at the Brimfield Township Administration Building, 1333 Tallmadge Road in Brimfield.



## **Field High School Class of 1976 Holding 40 Year Reunion**

The Field High School Class of 1976 is hosting a 40 year class reunion on August 20, 2016 at Sunny Hills Golf Club. If you can help locate classmates for future communications, need more information or to RSVP, please email: [fieldhs1976@yahoo.com](mailto:fieldhs1976@yahoo.com).



# **Ohio Click It or Ticket Initiative**

## **May 23 – June 6, 2016**

Law enforcement agencies throughout Ohio are participating in the national Click It or Ticket initiative highlighting the wearing of seatbelts that began May 23 and runs through June 6, 2016.

While Ohio drivers cannot be pulled over by law enforcement because they aren't wearing a seat belt, drivers and front-seat passengers in Ohio are required by law to wear seat belts. If you are stopped for any other violation, and you're unbelted, you will be ticketed. The seat belt law is in addition to Ohio's Car Seat and Booster Seat Laws.

Seat belts save lives. In the last 5 years, 3 out of 5 people killed in Ohio traffic accidents were not wearing seat belts.

**BUCKLE UP!! It's the law!! The life you save may be your own!**



# Brimfield Police Paper Recycling and Shredding Day

Wednesday June 15, 2016 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00  
p.m.

at the Brimfield Police Department Parking Lot



It's time to clean your home or business of accumulated paper. Please bring all of your newspapers, junk mail, envelopes, phone books, magazines, catalogs, and office paper to the Brimfield Police Department's Paper Recycling Bins located at 1287 Tallmadge Road. The **D.A.R.E.** Program will receive funds from the River Valley Paper Company, based off the weight of the paper, to support our children's programs. As a special thank you for helping with the Brimfield Police Department **D.A.R.E.** to Recycle Program and to help citizens prevent identity theft, we have arranged to have the Neoshred Truck in our parking lot on Wednesday, June 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The truck will shred up to five grocery bags of confidential paper per person. Volunteers will unload your vehicle.

***The Neoshred Truck was generously sponsored by:***

**Hometown Bank, 4023 State Route 43, Brimfield, 330-673-9556 and**

**RJ's Auto Pros, 310 Tallmadge Road, Brimfield, 330-673-7767**



## R.I.P. K-9 King

It is with sad hearts that we report the passing of one of Brimfield Police Department's retired K-9s, King, on May 23, 2016. King was assigned to Amber Wheeler during his BPD service and remained with her in his retirement. King was 10 1/2 years old. A tumor apparently ruptured, which led to internal bleeding and unfortunately, King had to be put down.

King looked a lot like his brother K-9 Joker, another retired BPD K-9 who still resides with Capt. Adkins.



R.I.P., King, and thank you so much for your service.

[www.facebook.com/BrimfieldPolice/photos/a.173434669352251.45008.124800457549006/1322115281150845/?type=3&theater](http://www.facebook.com/BrimfieldPolice/photos/a.173434669352251.45008.124800457549006/1322115281150845/?type=3&theater)

## BPD's Sgt. Knarr and K-9 Havoc Compete in Law Enforcement K-9 Challenge

Sgt Knarr and K-9 Havoc showed how it's done during the Law Enforcement K-9 Challenge held at Lock 3 in Akron on May 21, 2016. Havoc took **1st place** among 18 teams in the Apprehension event! Way to go, Sgt. Knarr & Havoc. You make us proud!

Congratulations!!



[www.facebook.com/BrimfieldPolice/](http://www.facebook.com/BrimfieldPolice/)

# **BPD's Car Seat Safety Checks Friday, June 24, 2016**

## **Health & Safety Event With FREE Car Seat Checks!**

**Join Us!**

**When: Friday, June 24**

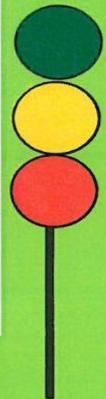
**Where: Brimfield  
Police Dept.**

**1287 Tallmadge Road,  
Brimfield, Ohio**

**Time: 11am—1pm**



**PORTAGE  
LEARNING CENTERS**



German Family Society's  
Annual  
*Old European Days  
& Bierfest*

*Games,  
Dancing,  
Family Fun!*



*Food,  
Drinks,  
Fun!*



**Saturday, June 25, 2016**

3 pm - 11 pm

**Sunday, June 26, 2016**

1 pm - 7 pm

Kirchweih Mass, 11:30 am

Fr. David Misbrener



*Visit our Beer Garden and enjoy European style food!*

Music by:

Deutscher Musik Verein, Al Zimmerman Band, Fred Ziwich Band and Hank Haller Band.

Dancing performed by

The GFS Tanzgruppe, GFS Youth Group, GFS Jr. Youth Group and the GFS Kindergruppe

Traditional Donauschwaben Kirchweih Program on Sunday.



Childrens games, and other fun activities  
Sunday afternoon behind the main building.  
Inflatable bounce house and More!

**Entrance - \$5 for adults ages 12 and older.**

**Free Entrance for Children under 12.**

**Free Parking**



Located at: 3871 Ranfield Road, Brimfield township (Kent) Just East of Routes 43 and 18.

# And Speaking of the German Family Society...



## German Family Society's 2016 Lederhosen 5K, 1 Mile Fun Run, & 50 Yd. Toddler Dash 9/10/2016

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### Registration:

\$25 5-K Pre-Registration (T-Shirt\* guaranteed if you register by Saturday, August 27, 2016)

\$30 5-K Day-of-Race Registration 7AM-8:30AM Saturday, September 10, 2016 (T-Shirt NOT guaranteed)

\$20 1-Mile Fun Run Registration (T-Shirt\* guaranteed before 8/27/16)

\$25 Day of Race (T-Shirt NOT guaranteed)

\$10 50-yd. Toddler Dash (under 5 - No T-shirt Available)

\*((\$5 extra for 2XL Shirts)

**Online race registration link:** <http://www.active.com/kent-oh/running/distance-running-races/lederhosen-5k-2016> - ends Friday, September 9, 2016 at 12PM, Noon.

**Mail In Registration Form:** <http://www.germanfamilysociety.com/files/5kreg.pdf>

**SPONSORS NEEDED:** Please consider sponsoring this event for our Youth Group: <http://www.germanfamilysociety.com/files/5ksponsor.pdf>

**Questions about the race?? E-mail us at:** [lederhosen5k@germanfamilysociety.com](mailto:lederhosen5k@germanfamilysociety.com)



## Brimfield Township Bicentennial Pins Available June 1

To commemorate Brimfield's bicentennial, the Lions Club will be selling Brimfield Township Bicentennial Pins beginning June 1. For more information please contact Jill Reitz - 330-931-8028 or email: [born2ride44240@yahoo.com](mailto:born2ride44240@yahoo.com).



## **13 Township Residents Tour Farmakidis' Property, Future Home of Brimfield's Community/Art Center**

On May 12, 13 Brimfield Township residents met for a tour of the Farmakidis property on Edson Road, which was directed by Township Trustee Mike Kostensky, Fiscal Officer John Dalziel and Wendi O'Neal of Brimfield parks and recreation.

In this grassroots effort, residents ultimately will develop the property into a center that is available for the entire community. The project will be developed solely by donations, grants and fundraising.

In order to have better access to the property for larger groups, the first priority is to convert the existing concrete driveway to an entrance-only drive with ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) parking. Wendi O'Neal has applied for a \$32,000.00 NatureWorks Grant focusing mainly on the construction of a gravel egress along with an approximate 20-space gravel parking lot.

Renovations will have to be completed to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, including building a restroom in what is now the garage and a ramp into the main entrance.

Suggestions from residents included having an area to sit and enjoy nature, a building or area for wood-working and art classes, concerts, and youth and senior programs. A suggestion by Crystal Shanley, Program Coordinator at Family & Community Services, was to create a community garden on the property that would support the Brimfield Community Food Cupboard.

The fully-equipped kitchen, which will stand as is, could be used for baking activities with seniors or Girl Scout troops, or as a set-up area for events and small weddings. The space inside the house has endless possibilities, such as areas to play cards, watch television or just visit, and bird watching off the deck, room for civic groups, like Lions Club and the Chamber of Commerce to meet and hold events.

These visions and ideas will be of great benefit to all Brimfield residents but in order to make these visions into reality, funding is crucial. We are seeking donations from residents, businesses, and organizations for this important project and are asking for your support. A fund-raising committee has been formed. You may contact Sue Fields at 330-541-8573 for more information. Please make checks payable to Brimfield Township with "Farmakidis Project" written in the memo.

Together we can make this vision a reality!

All donors will have their name listed on a plaque on a wall in the center. Donations of any amount are welcomed and greatly appreciated. As of May 25, 2016, \$2,252.00 has been donated for this project, as well as "in-kind" commitments.

Thank you for your support!

<http://www.recordpub.com/news%20local/2016/05/17/brimfield-plans-use-for-17acre-property>

# Faith United Methodist Church Free Community

## Dinner Monday, June 27

### Free Community Dinner



The Faith United Methodist Church in Brimfield offers a free community meal to all residents the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month. This month it will be June 27 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Again, everyone is we

## Brimfield 1<sup>st</sup> Graders Take Field Trip to Brimfield Fire Department



Brimfield Elementary School first graders' annual field trip to the Brimfield Fire Department took place on May 27, 2016. The students participated in a number of events as well as having a visit from SRO Officer Dinkelman, Sgt. Knarr and K-9 Havoc. It was a great day!



# Restland Cemetery Memorial Day Service

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**We Honored Those who Sacrificed  
Their Lives for our Freedom  
May 30, 2016**



# More Brimfield Township 200 Year Celebration Events Scheduled

To celebrate our Township's 200 Year Birthday, these are the latest events we have scheduled for all our residents to enjoy.



**All-American  
Pot-Luck  
Picnic In The  
Park  
Sat. July 16**



Brimfield Township is hosting an All-American Pot-Luck Picnic on Saturday, July 16, 2016 starting at 4 p.m. Any and all residents are invited to attend. This is a pot-luck event so please bring a dish to share. Chuck Keiper Duo will provide music from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tents, tables, chairs, paper plates, plastic ware, cake, cupcakes and bottled water will be provided.

The picnic will be held in the Town Square Park, 1333 Tallmadge Road. You may park at the Brimfield Plaza.

Come out and enjoy your park, visit with your neighbors, and enjoy the day! We look forward to seeing you!



**Lion's Club Cemetery Walk  
& Ice Cream Social & Quilt  
Show August 14, 2016**

Sunday Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. the Brimfield Lions will sponsor a Brimfield Heritage Day...Cemetery Walk, Ice Cream Social and Quilt Show.

Join us at Restland Cemetery to walk through 200 years of family heritage and pride that built our great community as we know it today – we'll have family members at the gravesites of their ancestors to tell others of their Brimfield roots and family history.

After the walk, enjoy an ice cream social and quilt show to be held in the fellowship hall of Faith United Methodist Church. For more information please contact:

Lion Jill Reitz: Call/Text: 330-931-8028 email: [born2ride44240@yahoo.com](mailto:born2ride44240@yahoo.com)

Jendy Miller - Brimfield Town Hall: 330-678-0739 email: [jmiller@brimfielddohio.gov](mailto:jmiller@brimfielddohio.gov)

Chick or Joanne Sprague: 330-673-8480

Brimfield Lions....We Serve!





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