

UPCOMING
EVENTS

- April 25th — Trustees Meeting 8 AM
- May 8th — Trustees Meeting 7 PM
- May 30th — Trustees Meeting 8 AM
- June 12th — Trustees Meeting 7 PM
- June 27th — Trustees Meeting 8 AM
- July 10th — Trustees Meeting 7 PM
- July 25 — Trustees Meeting 8 AM

Quarterly Newsletter

APRIL 2017



Fire News

The Turtlecreek Township Fire Department would like to announce that we are starting a smoke detector and carbon monoxide detector program. The program is offered to township residents and will allow you to pick up a smoke and carbon monoxide detector, FREE, at our headquarters located at 670 N. St. Rt. 123 Lebanon, Ohio 45036, sometime after the end of the 2nd Quarter of 2017.

The program is made possible through the Walmart Community Grant Program. Standard detectors will be limited in quantity to the amount of the grant. The department has also purchased 2 specialized detectors for those who are hearing impaired. The detectors are designed to work with



Fire Chief Steve Flint

your existing smoke and carbon monoxide alarms and will provide a visual alarm as well as a vibration device to ensure you are notified that an alarm is going off.

The first quarter of 2017 has been another busy time for the department. We responded to 527 calls for service, 431 of which were EMS runs, and 96 were fire runs. We answered 27 calls for mutual aid to other departments.

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"In ourselves our safety must be sought. By our own right hand it must be wrought."

- William Wordsworth



Mike Jameson

EMS Corner

Assistant Chief Mike Jameson is in charge of Turtlecreek Township Emergency Medical Services, aided by Capt. Jon Paul Campbell.

The township provides 24/7 services to the township and operates with Basic Emergency Medical personnel as well as Paramedics. The staff is comprised of full-time and part-time EMTs, as well as the essential

volunteer EMTs who dedicate their time to serving the township.

GREEN SIGNS

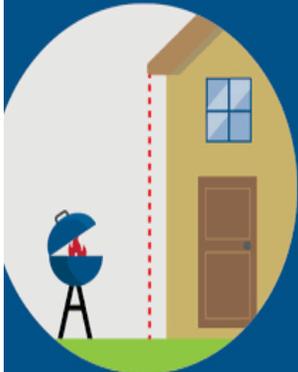
Turtlecreek EMS crews ask that residents obtain reflective street number signs for their mailboxes. These signs provide quick identification of your location for squads in emergencies. You may call or stop by the Central facility to order them from the township.

Cost is nominal.

VITAL INFO

If you or a loved one require emergency medical help, information about your medical condition and prescriptions should be kept in or on your refrigerator, where EMTs know to look for them. Forms may be obtained on the link on our main website.

Safety Corner



Only use your grill outside.
Keep it out from under roof edges and well away from siding, deck railings and tree branches.

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As we head into warmer months we also head into grilling season. We would like to remind you to stay safe this summer while grilling out by following a few simple rules:

- Always use your grill outside and well away from any structure
- Always light your grill with the lid open
- Wear short sleeves
- Keep pets and children away from the grill
- Check your propane connections for leaks.

These are a few tips to keep you safe this summer so you can enjoy the time with your family and friends. Please follow the link on the Fire Department web page for a more comprehensive list of tips to keep you safe while grilling out.

We would also like to remind everyone to make sure that you have working smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors in your home. Make sure to test your smoke detectors once a month and replace your batteries yearly. Please visit the Fire Department web page for a Home Fire Escape plan that you can do with your family. Practice this plan regularly so that everyone knows what to do in the event of a fire in your home.

We would like to wish you a safe and happy summer. If you have any questions please contact our station at 513-932-4902.

Road Department News

Although we all hope for mild spring weather now, please keep in mind that the occasional spring snowstorm does create problems here in Ohio. See our snow policy on the website for information in that event.

As we enter the mowing season, the road crew is preparing the equipment for a busy few months mowing alongside township roadways, and maintaining the Turtlecreek Cemetery grounds. Mowing circuits usually begin in early May, and each complete round requires about one week. Please be patient



Ron Chasteen
Road Department Supervisor

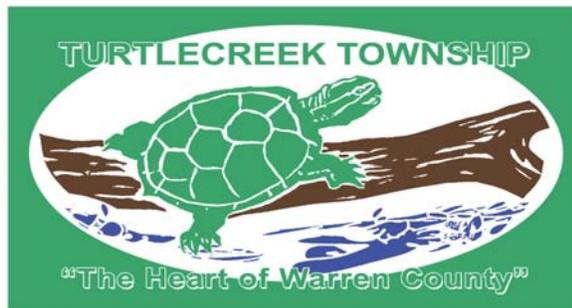
during rainy, warm weather, when grass growth often outpaces the crews. If you find that line-of-sight is poor along a township roadway

or intersection, creating a safety concern, please phone the Central Facility to report it at 513-932-4902. We will do our best to remedy the situation quickly.

When rains are heavy, ditches and culverts fill more quickly than they drain, so give them a few days to empty out before reporting a problem.

“Roads are a record of those who have gone before.”

-Rebecca Solnit, author



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