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Mayor's Greeting

Dear Friends,

Summer in Kettering officially kicks off with our annual Community Block Party. Join us for this FREE, fun family event on Wednesday, June 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Kettering's Frazee Pavilion and Lincoln Park Civic Commons.

Learn more about City of Kettering departments and services, enjoy free entertainment on

the Frazee stage and meet your friends in Lincoln Park. Strike up a conversation with a new neighbor and share why you are proud to say "Kettering is Home".

Gather information at booths and interactive displays throughout Lincoln Park showcasing City of Kettering Police, Fire, Planning, Streets, Engineering, Economic Development, Volunteer, and Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Departments. Also visit booths by Kettering City Schools and the Kettering, Moraine, Oakwood Chamber of Commerce.

Back again this year — bicycle helmets. While supplies last, the Safety Section of the City of Kettering will be providing free bicycle helmets for children ages 5 to 16. One of the most popular events at each year's block party!

Enjoy free hot dogs and chips courtesy of the City of Kettering Volunteer Department. Enjoy the annual performance by the talented musicians from the Kettering Civic Band on the Frazee stage at 7 p.m. Join us as we say thank you to our community volunteers!

For more information, visit www.fraze.com or call (937) 296-2454.

As a special treat, City of Kettering volunteers will be receiving a coupon to be redeemed for a free gift when visiting the volunteer booth at this event. This gift is a small token of appreciation for all you do for our city!

Speaking of Frazee, you'll find the complete lineup of the 2019 Frazee season in the center section of this magazine. Once again, we offer artists of every genre and tickets in every price point. Don't let the summer pass you by without joining us for a night at Frazee to see one of these world class artists right here in our backyard!

Sincerely,

Donald E. Patterson, Mayor

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Kettering Community Block Party
Wednesday, June 12 from 6 to 8 p.m.
Lincoln Park Civic Commons

Spass Nacht

Kettering Sister Cities Austrian Festival
Wednesday, June 19 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Lincoln Park Civic Commons

Go 4th! Celebration

Thursday, July 4 from 6 to 10 p.m.
Delco Park



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KETTERING

is home

Celebrating 40 Years of Service

Kettering is home to volunteer spirit and this year we celebrate 40 years of our award winning volunteer program.

In 1979, Mayor Charles F. Horn shared this thought with City leaders, "It is my belief that a community cannot remain strong without a tradition and spirit of volunteerism. Volunteers are Kettering's most valuable asset."

Soon after, the City hired Joyce Conner to create a formalized volunteer program for Kettering. She named the program The ACTIVE (Area Citizens Together In Volunteer Endeavors) Volunteer Program. Conner formed the Kettering Volunteer Advisory Council by inviting area business leaders, faith-based leaders and school representatives to provide the expertise, talent, and resources necessary to help guide and promote the program. One of the first projects enlisted the help of students to plant marigolds (the city flower) in the medians.

Joan Hjelm was soon hired to assist Conner in the Volunteer Office and together they created the Citizens Police Academy Alumni volunteers which supported police activities and events; the Volunteer Firefighter Program; the Neighborhood Pride Program; Frazee

Pavilion volunteers; volunteers in summer camps; youth sports coaches and special events through the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department. Conner also implemented projects for National Make A

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Difference Day and worked with volunteers to establish the Christmas Day Open House at Polen Farm.

After 20 years of service to the City of Kettering, Conner retired and Bonnie Pittl took the lead in the Volunteer Office along with her assistant Mary Lou Randolph.

In 2003, Councilman Bruce Duke worked with volunteer staff to design and implement the Kettering Leadership Academy. Over 200 people have graduated from the Academy with most graduates taking on various volunteer leadership roles in our community.

In 2011, the City of Kettering joined the Cities of Service (COS) Initiative. This program is a coalition of more than 260

cities across the Americas and Europe. COS serves as guide to help cities tap into the knowledge and creativity of volunteers to help identify and solve critical public problems. Kettering's area of focus is to help sustain and strengthen neighborhoods. Hundreds of volunteers from a variety of organizations help with this initiative as we enter a new neighborhood every year.

After 15 years of service with the volunteer program, Pittl retired in 2015. Today, Mary Lou Randolph serves as Administrator for the program with assistant, Brittany Ingraham.

While the needs of the city have changed through the years, the spirit of community remains strong in Kettering. Over 1,000 volunteers contribute time, talent and expertise to the city's programs and activities. This figure does not include the hundreds of volunteers representing schools, faith-based organizations, service clubs and businesses who contribute hundreds of hours helping with special projects.

Thank you to all of our wonderful and dedicated volunteers! The gift of your time and talent allow us to remain "The City of Volunteers!"





Door-to-Door Sales and Solicitation

While door-to-door solicitation is permitted in the City of Kettering, residents can take action to reduce unwanted solicitors.

Property owners are able to discourage door to door solicitors by posting a sign which is at least 3" x 4" in size that says "No Solicitors". If an unwanted solicitor approaches your property ignoring the sign, it is your responsibility to call the Kettering Police Department to report the incident.

A limited number of compliant "No Solicitors" signs will be available at the Kettering Community Block Party on Wednesday, June 12 for Kettering residents. Any signs remaining after the event will be available at the reception desk at the Kettering Government Center.

For individuals or businesses wishing to conduct door-to-door solicitation, we suggest you contact our Kettering Police Department to inform them what areas of the city you will be in so they are aware of your activities.

If at any time you feel your safety is in danger as a result of a door-to-door solicitor, please call 911.



Ohio Gas Tax Impact

"Our roadways and infrastructure maintain the connection between where our residents live and their economic livelihood," said Kettering Mayor Don Patterson. "Well maintained infrastructure is central to our efforts to attract and retain high quality jobs. Infrastructure is also critical to the City's responsibility to provide municipal services, particularly police and fire."

The additional \$1.2 million in annual gas tax revenue for the City of Kettering will go a long way toward improving the condition of City roadways. The City currently resurfaces the majority of our roadways on a 30 to 35 year cycle. To keep pace with the demands on infrastructure and the harsh freeze-thaw cycles that roadways endure, ideally we would resurface the majority of roadways on a 25 to 30 year cycle. This is where additional revenue from the gas tax increase will help the most.

"The City of Kettering frequently seeks public input on City priorities and we know that 82% of Kettering residents believe investment in roadway improvements should be prioritized," said

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- On average, the City of Kettering spends approximately \$7,000,000 on roadway infrastructure capital improvements each year to maintain 246 miles of roadway. The City is reliant on State and Federal grants to keep our 44 miles of primary thoroughfares in good condition, but like most Ohio cities, the City is struggling to maintain the condition of 202 miles of residential streets. This is particularly true since the State of Ohio reduced the Local Government Fund, a dedicated source for the City's annual capital improvement program that addressed infrastructure needs. Construction cost inflation over the last 15 years has eroded buying power, and without additional revenue the City is finding it difficult to keep pace with the repairs that many roadways need.



Help Fight Storm Water Pollution

Anything that enters a storm sewer system eventually flows untreated into lakes, streams and rivers. Because of the risk of pollution it can disturb the ecosystem.

Water from rain, melting snow or lawn watering flows along curbs in to our storm sewers. Along the way it can collect and transport soil, pet waste, salt, pesticides, fertilizer, oil, litter and other pollutants. These often toxic substances then make their way directly to a lake, stream, river, wetland, or coastal water.

What are some ways you can help reduce pollution in our streams and rivers?

Lawn care:

- Don't overwater your lawn. Consider using a soaker hose instead of a sprinkler.
- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. When use is necessary, use these chemicals in the recommended amounts.

- Use organic mulch or safer pest control methods whenever possible.
- Compost or mulch yard waste.
- Don't leave yard waste or leaves in the street or sweep into storm drains or streams.

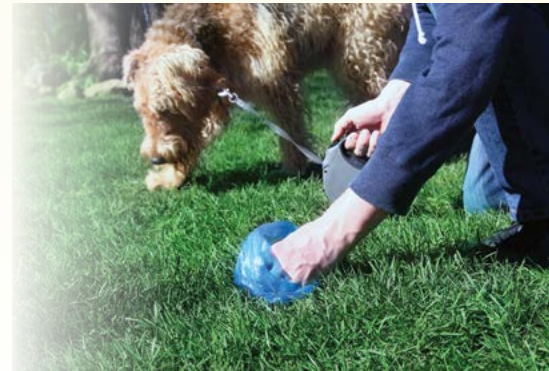
Auto Care:

- Use a commercial car wash that treats or recycles its wastewater, or wash your car on your yard so the water infiltrates into the ground.
- Repair leaks and dispose of used auto fluids and batteries at designated drop-off or recycling locations.

Pet Waste:

- When walking your pet, remember to pick up the waste and dispose of it properly.
- Flushing pet waste is the best disposal method. Leaving pet waste on the

ground increases public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into the storm drain.



If you would like more information about storm sewers in the City of Kettering, please feel free to contact the Engineering Department at 296-2436 or visit www.ketteringoh.org.

MVCC GATEway Project Underway

You may have wondered what is happening with the giant spools of blue and orange conduit being installed throughout the Miami Valley.

Led by the Miami Valley Communication Council and Miami Valley Education Computer Association, the GATEway (Gigabyte Access for Technology and Education) project is a fiber optic service ring which connects the communities of Kettering,

Centerville, Oakwood, Moraine, West Carrollton, Miamisburg and Springboro.

This infrastructure investment allows the cities to partner more efficiently on joint projects and to combine resources to gain economy of scale on shared technology services such as internet. In fact, the concept of this project was so unique that it was awarded \$100,000.00 in Local Government Innovation Funds in 2013.

Longer term, the intent is that other area government entities (including libraries, schools, park districts), non-profits and businesses could become customers on the network and realize technology service improvements or cost savings.

Data service is now a highly demanded form of infrastructure for companies and a critical resource for public safety.

Partnering with our neighbors to install the fiber-ring makes the project more affordable and allows us to connect our emergency operations centers to theirs increasing the reliability of our system, particularly in the case of a disaster or citywide outage.

We were proud to lead the way on this regional project and know that offering this modern infrastructure amenity will be highly valuable.





Kettering Police Department Offers Vacation House Checks

Recognizing Leadership

The Kettering Police Department honored several Kettering law enforcement leaders at the annual awards ceremony held in early April. Sergeant Robert Green, Patrol Officer Don Root and Lieutenant Holly Murchland recently retired and were given awards in recognition of their service. This summer, Patrol Officer Wendy Miller will also retire from the Kettering Police Department. The President's Award was given to Patrol Officer Jason Kramer for his service to the Kettering Fraternal Order of Police. The top honor, Officer of the Year, was bestowed upon Sergeant Andrew DiSalvo for his courageous leadership and service to the Kettering community.



In April, the Kettering Noon Optimist Club honored Patrol Officer Joe Ferrell as their Officer of the Year.

As a crime prevention and community relations service to the community, we provide checks of houses where residents are temporarily out of town on vacation or business trips. No vacant house checks will be made under this program. House checks will be made as time permits.

- By submitting your information online at <https://www.ketteringoh.org/vacation-house-checks/>.

- Checks will be made during daylight hours only.
- Checks will be made for vacations lasting between three and thirty days.
- Residents are asked to notify the police department if they return early.

There are three ways to register:

- In person between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. at the police department 3600 Shroyer Road.
- By phone at (937) 296-2584.



National Police Week Celebrated in May

National Police Week is celebrated in May. The Kettering Police Department hosted their annual Kettering Police Memorial Service on May 8, to honor and remember those in law enforcement who are no longer with us. Also during National Police

- Week, law enforcement leaders from across the nation gather in Washington DC. Several members of the Kettering Police Department traveled to the nation's capital to participate in the procession.





Fire Hydrant Inspections

Will the water hydrant near your home work in the event of a fire? The Kettering Fire Department tests every fire hydrant in the City on a regular schedule to ensure that the answer is YES!

Fire Department personnel will begin inspecting fire hydrants throughout Kettering in early June and testing will continue through August. During this inspection the hydrant will be opened to ensure proper operation while checking the hydrant



for damage. All deficiencies discovered through this inspection process will be reported to

Montgomery County Environmental Services so that repairs can be made.

Fire hydrants will be inspected Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Please

be aware that through this inspection process sediment contained within the water delivery system may be disturbed causing a discoloration of the water. This sediment is not harmful

to your health but can cause discoloration to clothing. Residents are being asked to wash clothing after 5:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday or anytime Saturday or Sunday to avoid the risk of discoloration caused by brown water. It is suggested to check the clarity of your water prior to washing laundry. If your laundry does become discolored, simply do not dry it and wash again using a rust removing detergent after your water returns to a clear state.

Residents will be notified when hydrant inspections are being conducted in their area using the Code Red Emergency Incident and Community Alert System.

Please take a moment to enroll using the link provided below. When you enroll in Code Red, you may opt to receive alerts on your home or cell phone, by email and by text. Thank you for your cooperation as we work to ensure our fire hydrants are in a state of readiness.

<https://www.ketteringoh.org/code-red-emergency-incident-community-alerts/>.

Information about this program can be found on our website at <https://www.ketteringoh.org/fire-hydrants/>. You may contact Kettering Fire Department Headquarters at 937-296-2489 with questions concerning the inspection process.

Every second counts in a medical or fire emergency. Kettering Fire Department has taken steps to ensure highly trained first responders arrive to emergencies quickly. You can help reduce this response time even more. Kettering Fire Department uses the Knox Rapid Access System to make entry into a property while avoiding time consuming forced entry.

The Knox Rapid Entry System uses a lock box mounted on the exterior wall of a home or business to safely secure an access key to the property. These lock boxes are accessible only by proprietary keys secured on Kettering Fire Department vehicles. This system is continuously monitored to preserve the security of our residents and business owners. Please call the Kettering Fire Department Headquarters 937-296-2489 for more information.

Pool Safety

Peak pool season is upon us. Pools provide great fun and much needed relief from hot summer weather. However, pools also create a unique life safety hazard. Drowning is the number one cause of unintentional death among children ages 1 through 4. According to 2018 Consumer Product Safety Commission data, approximately 350 children tragically drown in pools and spas annually. Fatal drowning is preventable, but to prevent such tragedies, we need everyone to follow these simple water safety steps.

• **Restrict Access to Pools:** prevent young children from being able to get near the water if an adult isn't nearby. One of the best layers of protection is 4-sided fencing with a self-closing, self-latching gate around pools and spas.

• **Designate a Water Watcher:** Watch children whenever they are in or around water – supervision is the most important step you can take to keep children safe. The Water Watcher is an adult whose only job is to watch children when they're in the pool. It's important that they put away their phone and not be distracted by texting or phone calls.

• **Teach Kids to Swim:** While supervision is critical, it's also important for children to learn how to swim. Kids who can't swim face a much higher risk of drowning, so sign your children up for swimming lessons. Kettering Recreation Complex is a great place to go for information on swimming lessons for children as young as 6 months.

• **Learn CPR:** In the case of an emergency, bystander CPR can often make a real difference while waiting for emergency first responders to arrive at the scene. The American Heart Association offers online training and a list of training centers is available at www.heart.org/cpr.



2019 season calendar

Stars Shine Bright at Frazee Pavilion!

MAY

Thursday, May 23

7:30 PM

An Evening with

MICHAEL BOLTON:

THE SYMPHONY SESSIONS

Powered by Omega XL

\$41 - \$61



JUNE

Wednesday, June 12 - 6:00 PM

KETTERING BLOCK PARTY

FREE

7:00 PM - Kettering Civic Band

Thursday, June 13 - 7:30 PM

MVRPC PRESENTS A DRIVE LESS

LIVE MORE TRIBUTE CONCERT

HOLLYWOOD NIGHTS

A Bob Seger Tribute Experience

\$15

Friday, June 14 - 8:00 PM

GESMV PRESENTS

A \$5 FRIDAY CONCERT

THE MENUS

\$5

Saturday, June 15 - 7:30 PM

LAKE STREET DIVE

& THE WOOD BROTHERS

\$30 - \$45



Sunday, June 16 - 9:00 AM

WTUE'S

BREAKFAST WITH THE BEATLES

\$10 Mug Day

FREE

Wednesday, June 19 - 5:30 PM

SPASS NACHT

An Austrian Festival

FREE

6:00 PM - Chardon Polka Band

Friday, June 21 - 7:30 PM

CASSANO'S PIZZA KING PRESENTS

KINGS OF CHAOS

featuring Lou Gramm, Dee Snider,

Sebastian Bach, Warren DeMartini,

Gilby Clarke, James LoMenzo &

Kenny Aronoff

\$45 - \$75

Saturday, June 22 - 7:30 pm

15TH ANNUAL

CONCERT FOR LITERACY

BOOKSTOCK

featuring Locking Up Otis,

Arrows of Neon, Deron Bell & Silky T

Benefiting Project READ

\$15

Sunday,

June 23

7:30 PM

KENNY G

\$25 - \$45



Wednesday, June 26 - 7:00 PM

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

BAND OF FLIGHT - FLIGHT ONE

FREE

Thursday, June 27 - 8:30 PM

RAIN - A TRIBUTE TO THE BEATLES

\$29 - \$49

Friday, June 28 - 8:00 PM

GESMV PRESENTS

A \$5 FRIDAY CONCERT

MARK FARNER'S AMERICAN BAND

50th Anniversary Tour with

Nick Mitchell & Skeptical Cats

\$5



Saturday, June 29 - 7:30 PM

LITTLE BIG TOWN

with special guest Jillian Jacqueline

\$59 - \$109

Sunday, June 30 - 1:00 PM

TACO FIESTA

FREE

1:00 PM - Mariachi Guadalajara

3:00 PM - Yumbambe

JULY

Wednesday, July 3 - 8:30 PM

"WEIRD AL" YANKOVIC

The Strings Attached Tour

with The Dayton

Philharmonic

Orchestra

\$41.50



Saturday, July 6

7:30 PM

An Evening with

DIANA ROSS

\$42



Tuesday, July 9 - 7:30 PM

MIX 107.7 SUMMERFEST 21

PAT BENATAR & NEIL GIRALDO

with special guest Richard Marx

\$37 - \$57

Wednesday

July 10

7:30 PM

SHERYL CROW

\$45 - \$65



Thursday, July 11 - 7:30 PM

MVRPC PRESENTS A DRIVE LESS

LIVE MORE TRIBUTE CONCERT

UPTOWN FUNK

Tribute to Bruno Mars

\$15

Saturday, July 13 - 3:00 PM

MIAMI VALLEY RESTAURANT

ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

KICKIN' CHICKEN WING FEST

A Sizzling Hot Festival!

FREE

3:00 PM - The Magnums

5:30 PM - Rock This Way

8:00 PM - Southbound

Sunday, July 14 - 9:00 AM

WTUE'S

BREAKFAST WITH THE BEATLES

FREE



Tuesday, July 16 - 7:00 PM

Classic Rock Meets Classic Country

STEVE MILLER BAND

& MARTY STUART

and his Fabulous Superlatives with

special guest Matt Andersen

\$47 - \$77

Wednesday, July 17 - 7:30 PM

THE COMMODORES

with special guest Touch

Faith & Hope Concert

\$35 - \$60



Saturday, July 20 - 7:30 PM

CHARLIE WILSON

with special guest Lalah Hathaway

\$49 - \$79



Sunday, July 21 - 7:30 PM

BRIAN CULBERTSON &

AVERAGE WHITE BAND

\$25 - \$45

Thursday, July 25 - 7:30 PM

MVRPC PRESENTS A DRIVE LESS

LIVE MORE TRIBUTE CONCERT

FACE-2-FACE

Tribute to Billy Joel & Elton John

\$15

Friday, July 26 - 8:00 PM

GESMV PRESENTS

A \$5 FRIDAY CONCERT

MCGUFFEY LANE

\$5

Saturday, July 27 - 6:30 PM

K99.1FM A DAY IN THE COUNTRY:

30TH BIRTHDAY BASH!

JAKE OWEN

with special guests Gretchen Wilson

and Hasting & Co.

\$39.25

AUGUST

Thursday,

August 1

7:30 PM

BONEY JAMES

WITH NORMAN

BROWN & LINDSEY WEBSTER

\$30 - \$55



Visit **FRAZE.COM** for tickets, news, info and more.



Saturday, August 3 - 7:30 PM
BAD COMPANY
 with special guest Foghat
\$55 - \$105

Sunday, August 4 - 9:00 AM
 WTUE'S
BREAKFAST WITH THE BEATLES
Open Mic Day
FREE



Tuesday, August 6 - 8:00 PM
JOE BONAMASSA
The Guitar Event of the Year
\$69 - \$129
 (student/military discount available)

Thursday, August 8 - 8:00 PM
HAPPY TOGETHER TOUR
 starring The Turtles, Chuck Negron formerly of Three Dog Night, Gary Puckett & The Union Gap, The Cowsills, The Buckingham and The Classic IV
\$40 - \$60



Friday, August 9 8:00 PM
 An Evening with **FRANKIE VALLI & THE FOUR SEASONS**
\$45 - \$75

Saturday, August 10 - 3:00 PM
FESTIVAL OF THE VINE
Fine Wine & Cool Jazz
FREE
 3:00 PM - New Basics Brass Band
 5:30 PM - Fo/Mo/Deep
 8:00 PM - Hot Tonic

Sunday, August 11 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM
THE 31ST ANNUAL ART ON THE COMMONS
 Presented by Rosewood Arts Centre and the Kettering Arts Council
FREE

Friday, August 16 - 7:30 PM
DOUBLE VISION REVISITED
 featuring Bob James, David Sanborn & Marcus Miller with special guests Billy Kilson & Larry Braggs
\$32 - \$42



Saturday, August 17 - 3:00 PM
 RESTAURANT RAIDERS PRESENTS **BACON FEST**
Everything Goes Better with Bacon
FREE
 3:00 PM - George Barrie Band
 5:30 PM - Honey and Blue Band
 8:00 PM - Pandora Effect

Wednesday, August 21 - 7:30 PM
GET THE LED OUT
An American Led Zeppelin Experience
\$20



Sunday, August 25 - 6:30 PM
UMPHREY'S MCGEE
 with special guest SunSquabi
\$35

Wednesday, August 28 7:30 PM
Nickelodeon's JOJO SIWA
D.R.E.A.M. The Tour
 Presented by Party City
\$39 - \$89



Thursday, August 29 - 6:00 PM
THE TASTE
"Festive Flavors With Flair"
Adults - \$25 in advance
\$30 day of event
Children under 10 - \$10 at the door

Friday, August 30 - 8:00 PM
 GESMV PRESENTS
 A \$5 FRIDAY CONCERT
DISCO INFERNO
\$5

SEPTEMBER

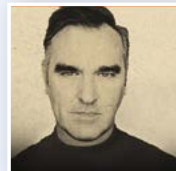
Thursday, September 5 - 7:30 PM
 MVRPC PRESENTS A DRIVE LESS LIVE MORE TRIBUTE CONCERT
ELEVATION
 The International U2 Tribute Band
\$15



Friday, September 6 - 7:30 PM
DAVE KOZ & FRIENDS SUMMER HORNS
 Featuring Gerald Albright, Rick Braun, Kenny Lattimore and Aubrey Logan
\$44 - \$64

Sunday, September 8 - 5:00 PM
 KETTERING HEALTH NETWORK PRESENTS THE 6TH ANNUAL **GOSPELFEST**
FREE
 5:00 PM - Local Group Performances
 7:30 PM - National Artist to be announced in June

Wednesday, September 11 - 7:30 PM
MORRISSEY
 with special guest Interpol
\$69 - \$119



Buy Tickets



Fraze FanFare Store

Located inside Town & Country Shopping Center
 Monday - Saturday: 10 am - 8 pm
 Sunday: Noon - 5 pm

Fraze Pavilion Ticket Office

Open on show days only from 3 pm through intermission

Most tickets increase \$5 day of show

All ticket sales are final. Artists and programs subject to change.



800-514-3849
 etix.com

FRAZE.COM

2019 SEASON SPONSORS:



Venue Bag Policy

Bag/purse/tote size is limited to 12"x12"x6".

Any bag/purse/tote in excess of 12"x12"x6" must be returned to vehicle and will not be item checked.

NO BACKPACKS, BACKPACK PURSES OR COOLERS

Download the Fraze Pavilion App Today!





May is National Bike Month

May is National Bike Month, sponsored by the League of American Bicyclists and celebrated in communities from coast to coast including here in Kettering.

Established in 1956, National Bike Month is a chance to showcase the many benefits of bicycling — and encourage more people to give biking a try.

Bike Miami Valley, the regional organization committed to advocating for and promoting bike friendly communities in our area, host a Miami Valley Cycling Summit in coordination with National Bike Month.

We are thrilled to announce that Kettering, Ohio was recently named the host community for the 2021 Miami Valley Cycling Summit. Watch our website www.ketteringoh.org/bikekettering for details.

Did you know 57 million Americans cycle?

Whether you bike to work or school; ride to save money or time; pump those pedals to preserve your health or the environment; or simply to explore your community, National Bike Month is an opportunity to celebrate the unique power of the bicycle and the many reasons we ride.

Kettering continues to increase the options for bicyclists in the city. The City boasts more than 4 miles of separated,

shared-use paths; 4 miles of shared-use paths along roadways and 10 miles of signed street routes. Many of our local bike routes connect to the largest network of paved, shared use paths in the country. The Miami Valley area offers an outstanding network of trails and bikeways for its residents and visitors. More than 340 miles of paved trail connect ten counties surrounding Kettering. Many of those path users are not only walkers and runners, but also families out on their bikes and competitive cyclists alike. Whether using the trails for recreation or transportation, safety on the paths is a top priority for the City.

Our website offers links to help you as you bicycle in and around Kettering. Enjoy!

Neighborhood Block Parties

Neighborhood Block Parties are a great opportunity to build neighborhood and community pride.

Block parties offer an opportunity for neighbors to get to know one another and develop the kind of supportive relationship many of us remember from the

neighborhoods where we grew up.

Maybe you will meet an older neighbor who could use some help raking leaves or shoveling snow. Maybe your children will make new friends. Maybe you'll learn about a book club, golf league or walking group.

At the very least you'll become more familiar with your neighbors and build the kind of bonds that are critical to a sense of belonging.

The City believes so strongly in the power of these gatherings that we offer assistance with everything from planning, to road closures to participation

by our Police and Fire Departments. Our Board of Community Relations even sponsors grants for ice cream!

Please help us build the strength of our neighborhoods and our sense of Kettering community pride by hosting a Block Party in 2019. Visit www.ketteringoh.org for more information.



Big Changes at Kettering Business Park

Smile! We have good news! We can confirm that a developer in our Kettering Business Park recently signed a long-term lease with Amazon that will bring a last mile distribution center and several hundred new jobs to Kettering.

In early January, our Economic Development team negotiated an agreement with Cincinnati based TW Development for their purchase of 14 acres of city-owned property in the Kettering Business Park, including the vacant 200,000 sq. ft. building located at 907 Forrer Boulevard. Demolition of the building began in April.

“Certainly this is great news and yet another

- exciting development in the rebirth of the Kettering Business Park,” said Kettering Mayor Don Patterson. “I’m grateful to Jim McCarthy and to TW Development Group for their investment and their steadfast determination to bring Amazon to Kettering.”

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– Kettering Mayor Don Patterson

- City leaders are grateful for the leadership of the Kettering Development Corporation, a crucial partner in the strategic planning for the Kettering Business Park campus and marketing of available city owned parcels.

In 2017, the City worked with our

- tenant partners to develop a master plan for the Kettering Business Park campus. In 2018, we started to implement the first phase of that plan. We designed and installed modern entry signage and completed upgrades to landscaping and pathways near the entrance. This spring contractors began the second phase of the plan which will include sidewalks and landscaping near the round-about and installation of directional signage.

The Kettering Business Park, formerly Gentile Air Force Station, was created in 1996 to offset the loss of more than 2,500 jobs at the Base. Today, the business park operated by the City of Kettering is home to more than 2,000 employees of Kettering Health Network, Synchrony, PriMed Physicians, Alternate Solutions Health Network, Nanospense and the Kettering Municipal Court.





Neighborhood Pride

- Email Volunteer Administrator Mary Lou Randolph at marylou.randolph@ketteringoh.org with the information

Here are a few items to keep in mind when looking for properties to nominate:

- Check the overall condition of the structure
- Make sure fences and retaining walls are in good condition
- Is the driveway in good shape?
- Is the landscaping pleasing?

All nominations are reviewed by a committee of 25 dedicated volunteers. Last year, the committee reviewed nearly 500 nominations and awarded 39 property owners!

All award winners are recognized by Mayor Patterson at a City Council meeting and an attractive sign is placed in the front yard of the award winning properties.

The Neighborhood Pride Program is one more way volunteers work to keep Kettering the place people love to call home!

Nominations will be accepted until August 1.



The Neighborhood Pride Program is designed to honor property owners who have made significant improvements to their homes, or have maintained their properties impeccably year after year.

Keep an eye out for attractive properties and then take a moment to nominate a neighbor, a business, yourself, or any Kettering resident you think is deserving of the Neighborhood Pride Award.

There are three ways to submit a nomination:

- Visit www.ketteringoh.org
- Complete and mail the nomination form you received

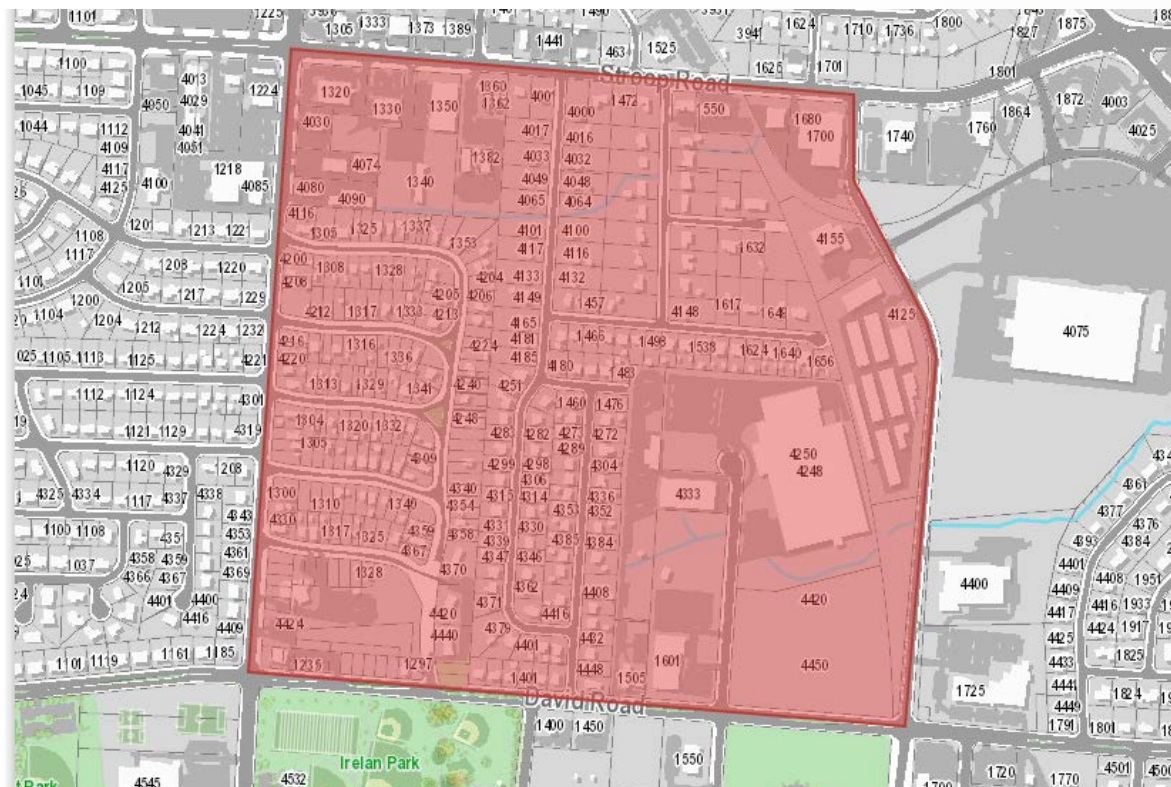


Celebrating Our Neighborhoods

We'll soon be kicking off our 2019 Cities of Service (COS) Neighborhood which encompasses Sunny View Acres, Irelan Estates and Rubicon Heights. This area is bordered by Stroop Rd., Marshall Rd., David Rd. and Hempstead Station Dr. This is the seventh neighborhood in the COS initiative. Neighbors in the area will soon be receiving invitations to our COS Block Party which will be held Saturday, June 8 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Irelan Park. This free event will include hot dogs and children's activities as well as information on public safety, senior services, home improvements and more! Don't miss the fun as we celebrate all that makes Kettering a wonderful place to call home!

This initiative is a true example of what can be accomplished when volunteers, businesses and City staff come together in

- the spirit of civic engagement.
- Our COS team welcomes the opportunity to work with service clubs, students, faith-based groups and any organizations looking for ways
- to give back to our community.
- In addition, several area businesses contribute to this effort by providing volunteers, gift certificates, refreshments and monetary donations. If
- you, your organization, or your business is interested in partnering with us in this effort, please contact the City of Kettering Volunteer Office at 296-2433.



Mayor's Award for Volunteer Service

The Mayor's Award for Volunteer Service was created in 1983 as a way to honor outstanding volunteers who are making valuable contributions to the community through volunteer service in a wide variety of categories. Recipients of this award must either be a resident of Kettering or the volunteer service should be performed in Kettering. In celebration of National Volunteer Week, Mayor Patterson honored both a youth and an adult volunteer at the April 9 City Council meeting.

Meet our 2019 Mayor's Award Recipients:

Rick Moreton, is married to Stephanie and they reside in Sabina which is a 53 mile commute one way to the City of Kettering. They have one son, Austin. Rick works part-time at a Nike store near his home. He began volunteering for Kettering in 2013. To date, he has donated over 1,350 hours of service. His volunteer work includes helping with the City's Christmas Day Open House at Polen Farm, greeting guests at Frazee Pavilion, and assisting visitors at the Kettering Connection. Rick also generously provides guidance to City staff on matters of adaptability and inclusion.

One of Rick's nominators had this to say about his work at Kettering Connection, "Many of the people visiting Kettering Connection are desperate for help with very difficult situations. Several have lost spouses, friends and even children. Rick is comfortable enough to discuss the sad times as well as celebrate the good times. He creates a positive and welcoming atmosphere."

When Rick was asked why he drives so far to volunteer with the City of Kettering he stated, "There is no better place to serve." Rick always makes an effort to promote activities and events sponsored by the City.

Another nominator stated, "Rick is a very caring individual. He has a great sense of humor and a strong desire to help others. Rick is an inspiration. He overcomes obstacles, and chooses to live his life fully. I am so grateful to have shared the past six years with this gentleman and watched how, in spite of his challenges, he uses his gifts to be of service to others and ensure that each person he comes in contact with feels valued."

Sasha Whitaker is a senior at Fairmont High School. Her family includes her mother, Andrea Kannedy; father, James Whitaker; step-mother, Kelly Whitaker; and half-sister, Jessa Whitaker. Her current volunteer efforts include:

Dayton Honor Flight where she reports to the airport at 2 a.m. on flight days to greet veterans and provide assistance for the trip. She also returns in the evening to welcome them home. At the age of 16, Sasha served as a flight guardian for two veterans, one of which was wheelchair bound.

She is also an active SICSA foster. She responds to requests to pick up animals and the supplies to care for them, on a moment's notice. Without her help, these animals might never have the chance for adoption.



Rick Moreton and Sasha Whitaker receive their Volunteer Service award from Mayor Patterson

Sasha lost her grandmother to ALS. Since 2005 she's participated in Dayton Walk to Defeat ALS. For the past several years, she's been a member of the planning committee, with responsibilities including helping with event set-up and securing donations.

She has also been a student council member in both middle and high school. She is a National Honor Society member, a peer tutor, and has volunteered at the Kettering Early Childhood Education Center.

Sasha's volunteer work is extensive and impressive. She exemplifies the meaning of service to community. Her dedication and selflessness serve as a true model for both youth and adults.

Sasha plans to attend The Ohio State University in the fall to pursue a degree in Early Childhood Education.

Kettering Leadership Academy

The Kettering Leadership Academy (KLA) is currently accepting applications for the 2019 - 2020 class. This class will be the seventeenth class of the Academy! This program, created by Councilman Bruce Duke and city staff, is designed for people looking for leadership roles within our community, such as serving on a board or commission at the City of Kettering, or at one of our area non-profit organizations.

The Academy begins in September with an overnight retreat. Sessions are

held once a month throughout the year until graduation in May. These include information on history, local government, community organizations, education, health care, businesses, service clubs and volunteering.

Applicants must either live or work in Kettering to apply. The application is available at www.ketteringoh.org or by contacting the Volunteer Office at 296-2433. The deadline to submit an application is July 8. The fee for the

Academy is \$650. Many businesses sponsor employees to attend the Academy.

The Kettering Leadership Academy is a fantastic opportunity to learn about all aspects of the City of Kettering while experiencing both personal and professional growth.

If you would like additional information about the Kettering Leadership Academy, contact the Volunteer Administrator, Mary Lou Randolph at 296-2433.



Water Park Wednesdays What You Need to Know Before You Go:

- To enter the water park for free, students must provide a Resident ID card or a copy of a report card from one of the schools listed in the article. Obtaining a free Resident ID card is easy. All the student needs to do is bring a Resident ID card registration form, signed by a parent or guardian to the front desk of the Kettering Recreation Complex along with their report card, school ID or some other proof of residency.
- Home school students can obtain a letter from the Kettering City Schools Superintendent formally excusing the child from attendance laws for traditional schools (which constitutes acceptance of the Home Schooling Notification Form submitted by the parent for the current school year).
- Children 8 and under are required to be accompanied by someone 13 years of age or older.
- During Water Park Wednesday, participating children may bring one adult with them at no charge. Any other adults must pay the regular entry fee.



The City of Kettering Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department is offering free admission to Adventure Reef Water Park on Wednesday evenings in June and July to children in grades K – 12 who attend:

- Kettering City Schools
- Kettering Alter High School
- Montessori School of Dayton
- Ascension School
- St. Albert School
- St. Charles School
- Dayton Regional Stem School
- Kettering resident children participating in home school

“We hope to see the youth getting out of the house to enjoy aquatic activities and having some fun in the sun along with their friends and families at Adventure

Reef Water Park,” explained Jonelle Carroll, Youth and Family Community Resource Coordinator for the City of Kettering and Kettering City Schools.

Water Park Wednesdays take place from 6– 8 p.m. every Wednesday in June and July. Exciting activities, free giveaways and snacks will be organized by the Kettering Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts staff from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

“The program was created to remove financial barriers to ensure all Kettering youth have the opportunity to participate in Kettering’s recreation opportunities, like Adventure Reef Water Park,” explained Carroll. “A special thank you goes out to the City of Kettering and Kettering Parks Foundation for sponsoring this event.”

For more information, visit playkettering.org or call 296-2587.

**ADVENTURE
REEF WATER PARK
OPENS
SATURDAY
MAY 25!**



PLAY KETTERING

Haverstick Neighborhood Embraces Public Art



In 2018, Mayor Patterson selected the Haverstick neighborhood of north central Kettering as the Cities of Service initiative area. This neighborhood, developed in the 1950s across from the current Kettering Business Park, sits between Forrer Boulevard, Wilmington Pike, Mendota Court and Smithville Road. Volunteers and City staff hosted events in the summer and fall to celebrate the neighborhood, and Kettering's CitySites Public Art Program commissioned a permanent public artwork in conjunction with the Mayor's initiative.

CitySites selected Jes McMillan, founder of the Mosaic Institute of Greater Dayton for this public artwork. McMillan saw an opportunity to engage children in outdoor recreation through her art and address the lack of a public park within the neighborhood. With Haverstick residents, McMillan designed a series of permanent sidewalk games. Installed in the spring of 2019, the public artwork titled *Bee Ambitions* is a collaboration with Haverstick residents, Kettering families and school children. During the fall of 2018 and winter of 2019, McMillan worked with students from Beavertown Elementary and Kettering Middle School to create the mosaics, along with families and artists at several community mosaic days at Rosewood Arts Centre.

Bee Ambitions



includes a broken beehive represented in a 29 foot mosaic hopscotch and game board on Mendota Court, with ten mosaic bees scattered along Tabor Avenue, Reardon Drive, Colton Drive, Gary Drive, Wilmington Pike, and Forrer Boulevard. The bees hold clues to a word scramble, with two to three letters found in their wings, and several more letters in the game board. In total, there are nine games that can be played in the artwork: hopscotch by numbers, hopscotch by letters, advanced hopscotch, long jump, a baby bee hop, hidden letters/word scramble, tic tac toe, checkers and hidden hearts.

Learn more about this project at www.playkettering.org/artlocal.



Play Dates

Touch a Truck
Saturday, June 1

Kettering Recreation Complex

FREE
ADMISSION

Annual Youth Fishing Derby

Saturday, June 8
Delco Park

FREE
ADMISSION

Kettering Community Block Party

Wednesday, June 12
Lincoln Park Civic Commons

FREE
ADMISSION

Movie Under the Stars!

Friday, June 14
Delco Park

FREE
ADMISSION

Kettering's Go 4th!
Thursday, July 4

Delco Park

FREE
ADMISSION

Bubble Fest*

Sunday, July 14
Indian Riffle Park

FREE
ADMISSION

Kids Day in the Park

Saturday, August 3
Delco Park

Art on the Commons

Sunday, August 11
Lincoln Park Civic Commons

FREE
ADMISSION

Movie Under the Stars

Friday, August 16
Delco Park

FREE
ADMISSION

Giant Family Fun*

Saturday, August 24
Indian Riffle Park Shelter

*Denotes events that require preregistration and/or a fee. For details about these events, visit

playkettering.org.

Changing the World One Camper at a Time

Designing camps that keep kids active, engaged, learning and having fun is just one of the challenges of planning for a successful camps season. Another challenge? Finding the right camp counselors. Kettering Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts has many counselors return year after year. Why? One of the main reasons our qualified and caring staff keep coming back to camp is because they feel like they are making a difference in kids' lives. How do we know this?



They've told us!

"I can't break down my favorite aspect of being a camp counselor into just one thing. I like the general overall experience of watching the kids grow over time and become a better people."
 — Paul

"I like being a camp counselor because I get to teach kids new things and be a positive role model."
 — Tracy

"I just love that it's something new every day. The kids are learning, I'm learning. It's full of energy and every day is a blast."
 — Cheree

"My favorite part of being a camp counselor is definitely working with the kids. Getting to know the kids and watching them grow and learn and figure out things for themselves."
 — Alex

"I like meeting kids from different backgrounds and getting to know them. I get to hear their stories and help them build their future. That's awesome."
 — Taylor

There is still time to get your kids registered for summer camp! Visit playkettering.org for a full schedule of summer camps.



Contact Numbers

Emergency	
Police/Fire/Paramedic Emergency	9-1-1
Non-Emergency	
Police and Fire Dispatch	296-2555
Frequently Called Numbers	
Animal Control	296-3266
Building Permits & Zoning	296-2441
City Income Tax	296-2502
Government Center	296-2400
Housing Rehabilitation	296-2441
Polen Farm	435-5787
Property Maintenance Hotline	296-3286
Recreation Complex/Water Park/Pool	296-2587
Rosewood Arts Centre	296-0294
Senior Adult Recreation	296-2480
Volunteer Office	296-2433
Yard Debris Hotline	296-3255

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