



# HAPPY HOLIDAYS

Wishing you and your family a safe and happy  
holiday season & spectacular new year!

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## A Thankful Look Back at 2021



This time of year it is important to reflect and recognize the many staff that provide vital services on a day to day basis for the Township. Our Police, Firefighters and Paramedics that provide safety services 24/7; our Service department employees that maintain our streets and beautiful parks; our

Recreation employees that provide a wide variety of activities, camps and programs throughout the year; and our Administrative staff that handle the day to day business of the Township. Our thanks to them for making 2021 another great year for the residents of Miami Township.

Most of all, our thanks to the citizens of Miami Township for supporting the community and making our home one of the best in Greater Cincinnati.

We are thankful to serve such an outstanding community and look forward to an equally successful 2022!

## Welcome New Businesses

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We appreciate the investments made in our community by several new businesses. These investments by the private sector work towards our goal of diversifying our tax base and providing new jobs for residents. Please join us in welcoming the following new businesses to the community.

**AT&T MOBILE CELLULAR SERVICE**  
1064 State Route 28

**BEYOND BEERS BAR & GRILL**  
1220 -1222 State Route 28

**1-TOM-PLUMBER GLOBAL**  
24 Whitney Drive

**SWEET BLISS BAKERY AND COFFEE LLC**  
6417 Branch Hill Guinea Road

**FYZICAL THERAPY AND BALANCE CENTER**  
6417 Branch Hill Guinea Road

**AT YOUR SERVICE ROOFING & REMODELING OFFICE**  
6064 Branch Hill Guinea Road

## Citizens Police Academy Graduates 26<sup>th</sup> Class

The MTPD graduated 14 citizens from the Citizens Police Academy. This is the 26<sup>th</sup> class to graduate from the Academy since it was established in 1998. To date, over 385 citizens have completed the Academy.

The Citizens Police Academy is a ten week program that meets one evening per week and introduces students to different functions and components of the Police Department.

Upon completion of the Citizens Police Academy, graduates are invited to join the Alumni Association with members from previous academies. The Alumni Association is very active in Miami Township and Clermont County. Many of the events offered by Miami Township are successful due in part to the volunteerism of the Police Academy Alumni.

Congratulations to the students of Session XXVI of the Miami Township Police Department Citizens Police Academy! We at Miami Township look forward to a very successful partnership for many years to come.

For more information about the Citizens Police Academy, contact Lieutenant Ted Swain at 248-3721 or visit us on the web at *MiamiTwpOH.gov*.



## Summer Camp Leaders and Assistants Needed

The Miami Township Recreation Department is currently hiring Summer Camp Leaders and Assistants for our upcoming 2022 Summer Camp Programs. We are hiring both School-Age and Preschool Leaders that have strong experience in planning and creating activities as well as directing support staff. Our Camp season starts June 6 and runs through August 12. We offer flexible weeks and camp times to accommodate summer schedules and Leaders can choose the number of weeks they want to work with a minimum of a 4-week commitment.

We are also looking to hire Leaders who have a love and passion for science in both age groups. Hands on experiences and experiments are highly encouraged. We are seeking Preschool Leaders who can plan themed camp programs that focus on sensory activities, creative outdoor play, and crafts. We also have several established themed programs in both age groups with pre-planned activities and crafts.

We will train and orient all staff on Miami Twp. Camp policies and procedures with an opportunity to assist in a camp prior to leading their first camp. Competitive pay based on experience and background.

To apply, visit our website at [MiamiTwpOH.gov](http://MiamiTwpOH.gov) and click on 'Popular Documents' and select Employment Application. You may mail to: Miami Twp. Recreation Dept. 6101 Meijer Dr. Milford, OH. 45150 or email to [Krystin.Thibodeau@MiamiTwpOH.gov](mailto:Krystin.Thibodeau@MiamiTwpOH.gov)



## Community Garden

Interested in having a plot at the Community Garden located at 6101 Meijer Drive next to the Civic Center? Call (513) 248-3727 and express your interest in a plot. You will be put on a waitlist and contacted once the past participants have determined their involvement. The 10 x 20 size is \$40, 4 x 20 size is \$30, and the 4 x 10 size is \$25. You can print off a Garden Plot Application at [MiamiTwpOH.gov](http://MiamiTwpOH.gov) by clicking 'Parks & Rec' and selecting Recreation. You will find the Garden Plot Application under Recreation - Info & Links in the right hand column.



## Christmas Tree Recycling

Christmas tree recycling starts on December 26<sup>th</sup> and ends on January 31<sup>st</sup>. The drop-off locations are at Miami Meadows Park at 1546 State Route 131 and Paxton Ramsey Park at 6265 Price Rd. Drop-off areas will be clearly marked at the parks.

Call the Service Department at (513) 248-3728 for more information.



# MIAMI TOWNSHIP POLICE

**Mike Mills, Police Chief**

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## MTPD Spreads Holiday Cheer Through 'Shop with a Cop'



Sergeant Bullock

The Miami Township Police Association is gearing up to once again spread holiday cheer through our annual 'Shop with a Cop' event. This year's 'Shop with a Cop' event will be held on December 15, 2021, at Meijer located at 1082 SR 28 in Miami Township, Ohio. The Miami Township Police Association is teaming up with first responders, community businesses, and close to a hundred volunteers to make this year's holiday season just a little brighter.

The Miami Township Police 'Shop with a Cop' event continues to exceed all expectations with the 2020 event being the most successful yet. Our holiday event in 2020 saw 131 youngsters shopping with first responders to find the perfect gifts for their family members and something for themselves. Families were invited to check out the large selection of new and donated coats that were given away at no cost.

Additional giveaways included complete turkey dinners, free play vouchers, and stuffed animals for the participants and their siblings. At the conclusion of the event, the Miami Township Police Association had bought over \$24,000 worth of gifts to help families in our community. Our 'Shop with a Cop' event would never be possible without the generous support of our local partners:

**Meijer** – hosted the event, donated over \$4,000 worth of gift cards, and provided over \$5,000 worth of discounts on the purchased items

**Griff's Custom Cleaners** – collected, cleaned, and donated nearly 300 hundred coats and provided the staff for the coat donations

**PetSmart** – donated 130 stuffed animals

**Recreations Outlet** – donated vouchers for two hours of free play

**Reset 360** – donated and delivered 15 complete turkey dinners

**Miami Township Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association** – volunteers gift-wrapped all items purchased during the event



MIAMI TOWNSHIP POLICE  
**SHOP with a COP**  
Supported by Businesses & Residents of Miami Township

First responders from Miami Township Police, Miami Township Fire & EMS, Ohio State Highway Patrol, and Loveland Police had the honor of shopping with all the participants. The Miami Township Police Association would also like to recognize the many generous private donations we receive in order to make this great event possible. The Miami Township Police Association is a 501(c)3 organization and all donations are tax deductible. Donations can be made to the Miami Township Police Association, just note you would like the donation to go to the 'Shop with a Cop' event. As the holiday season is fast approaching, all of us are looking forward to another successful 'Shop with a Cop' event.

## Revamping Community Policing Events in 2022



Officer Miller

If you like to get an early start on your Christmas shopping, you have already been educated in the lack of supply versus demand this Holiday season. Covid-19 has taken a hit not only on the availability of products and items, but also on social events in the last two years. Understandably, people are wary of participating in big group settings. We are hoping that in 2022 things will return to a sense of "normalcy" in the way of social gatherings.

Police involved social gatherings are extremely important in the way of building a sense of trust and partnership amongst law enforcement and the community they serve. Miami Township Police Department places a huge emphasis on reaching out and engaging our community. In hopes of continuing to build upon the strong partnership we have maintained with our residents, we want to encourage you to contact our department for your upcoming group activities when applicable. Reach out and schedule a tour of the police department for your Girl or Boy Scout troops in 2022. Contact us about Bike Safety for your children in May—we are always willing to partake in a group training setting with the children in our community. Enroll your children in the Township sponsored summer camps where we participate in educating them about proper 911 usage and various other safety tips. We are a resource for the Miami Township community that many do not often think of outside of criminal matters.

We are looking forward to a renewed sense of engagement with our community in 2022, and we would love for you to be a part of it! To schedule any safety trainings or police department tours, please contact Officer Staci Miller at [Staci.Miller@MiamiTwpOH.gov](mailto:Staci.Miller@MiamiTwpOH.gov) or (513) 965-6876.





# MIAMI TOWNSHIP RECREATION

To register for an activity, go online to [Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov](http://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 248-3727.

## KIDS ACTIVITIES

Online Registration available at  
[Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov](http://Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov)

*Pre-registration is required for ALL programs and activities may be changed or modified.*

*Children must be potty trained to participate in the following program 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.*

### TAE KWON DO

Classes are being offered at the Miami Township Civic Center for kids six and older, with Jason Jacobs - elementary teacher in Milford and a certified instructor. Jason can be contacted at [Jason.Jacobs@live.com](mailto:Jason.Jacobs@live.com) to answer questions. Only registered participants can stay in the classroom. This is necessary to enable a focused environment for the students.  
4:15-5:15 pm **or** 5:30-6:30 pm  
Tuesdays & Thursdays (Ages 6+) **MTCC**  
\$95 R - \$115 NR (Session)  
Session 1: JAN 4-MAR 10  
Session 2: MAR 15-MAY 12 (no class 3/29 & 31)

### DRAWING with Katie Pokopac from Creating Joy

Creating Joy is an instruction based art studio where children get to "Shine" and enrich their imaginations! It is designed as an avenue for children to express themselves and develop new skills. Preschool lessons focus on shapes, size, placement/balance, fine motor, and coloring with control. Elementary lessons focus on elements of art and basic drawing principles with highlight lesson themes on design/line/graphic, animal drawings, art history/artist feature, landscape, still life, and creativity.  
Mondays; **MTCC**  
5:30-6:15 pm (Ages 4-6) \$55 R - \$65 NR  
6:30-7:45 pm (Ages 7-12) \$70 R - \$85 NR  
Session 1 - JAN 10-FEB 14 (no class 1/17)  
Session 2 - MAR 7-APR 11 (no class 3/28)  
Session 3 - APR 18-MAY 16

Miami Township has partnered with Soccer Shots to bring you soccer programs for your children. Soccer Shots has a relentless commitment to providing best-in-class coaching, communication and curriculum as they teach your child the fundamentals of soccer in a non-competitive environment. Parents will receive a weekly summary of what their child is learning. The developmentally appropriate curriculum places an emphasis on character development and skill building. Our program is created under the guidance of childhood education specialists, professional soccer players and experienced and licensed soccer coaches who are trained in the use of developmentally appropriate techniques. All equipment will be provided.

**NOTE:** Parents must be present during ALL classes. Sign up for these programs at [Soccershots.org/cincinnati/north](http://Soccershots.org/cincinnati/north)

### SOCCER SHOTS MINI

Soccer Shots Mini is a high-energy program introducing children to fundamental soccer principles, such as using your feet, dribbling and the basic rules of the game. Through fun games, songs and positive reinforcement, children will begin to experience the joy of playing soccer and being active.  
5:30-6pm (Ages 2-3) \$100 R - \$120 NR  
Session 1: Mons, MAR 21-MAY 16; **LH**  
Session 2: Weds, MAR 23-MAY 18; **MR**

### SOCCER SHOTS CLASSIC

Soccer Shots Classic utilizes creative and imaginative games to focus on basic soccer skills like dribbling, passing and shooting. We also highlight a positive character trait each session such as respect, teamwork and appreciation.  
6:10-6:45 pm (Ages 3½-5) \$100 R - \$120 NR  
Session 1: Mons, MAR 21-MAY 16; **LH**  
Session 2: Weds, MAR 23-MAY 18; **MR**

### SOCCER SHOTS PREMIER

Soccer Shots Premier focuses on individual skill, fitness and sportsmanship, providing an opportunity for children to be challenged through fun games and team interaction. Children will also be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner.  
6:55-7:40 pm (Ages 6-8) \$109 R - \$129 NR  
Session 1: Mons, MAR 21-MAY 16; **LH**  
Session 2: Weds, MAR 23-MAY 18; **MR**



## TEEN ACTIVITIES

### YOUTH ENGAGED IN LEADERSHIP & LEARNING (YELL)

The purpose of the YELL program is to provide youth ages 14-15 the training and experience to help them to be positive role models. The "2022 Summer Camp" program promotes responsibility, teamwork, leadership, and communication. This is a 3+ week volunteer program that includes field experience and some classroom time to learn about camp procedures, safety procedures, and positive camper interaction. The selected candidates will be contacted for an interview and during that time, the program scheduling will be discussed with candidate's availability. The successful candidate will be notified of program acceptance. The applicant can stop by the Miami Township Recreation Department to pick up a packet during business hours which are Monday through Friday, 8:00 am until 4:30 pm and is required to turn in the YELL Application before Friday, January 28th.

## PRESCHOOL ACTIVITIES

### 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, and listen to a story. Come and see what it's all about! Pricing is per family.  
9:30-11:30 am; **MTCC** (Ages 0-4)  
\$50 R - \$60 NR (Session)  
Session 1: JAN 6-FEB 10  
Session 2: FEB 17- MAR 24  
Session 3: APR 7-MAY 12

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Krystin Thibodeau

My staff and I have always taken the mindset of adapting our services, programs, and activities for our residents in a safe and responsible manner. I am

very proud of all of them from the part-time summer camp workers to our long-standing program leaders and front desk staff.

As we look to a new year, we are excited about new programs we are offering. One of these programs involves roller skating fitness taught by retired Cincinnati Rollergirl Shelly Moreno. She has a passion for skating and is seen skating regularly over her lunch break at Miami Meadows Park. Local historian Gary Knepp is returning with his walking tours of history in our very own community and he will offer several fascinating talks on various subjects that history lovers will enjoy. We have another local historian and Military Chaplain, Jess Abbott who will share some topics of interest with our residents.

We have added another area of interest with Jamie Norvell owner of Creation Studios who will lead several creative art classes that will delve into various mediums.

We have two dedicated pickleball courts at Community Park and another court that is used for both pickleball and tennis. We have awesome instructors who teach Beginning Pickleball classes, and we will also offer some Open Play times and schedules.

Mark your calendars for the annual Daddy Daughter Dances happening in early February and in April our Easter Extravaganza event that we were unable to hold last year.

Look for a short survey our department will be putting on our website in January regarding input from residents on new program ideas and activities. Our community is constantly growing, and we would love to hear from residents of all ages on topics and activities that they would be interested in.

We hope you'll take the time to register for a program and activity that might interest you. Happy New Year!!!

### 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

**ADULT SPORTS & WELLNESS**

Online Registration available at  
[Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov](http://Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov).

*Pre-registration is required for ALL programs and activities may be changed or modified.*

**SCUTTLEBUTT SKATERS**

Ladies and gentlemen, it is time to get off your buns and get involved with this beginner's trail skating program. Join retired Cincinnati RollerGirls Diva, Shelly Moreno, in this fun filled class. Topics discussed include basic skills like: safety equipment, balancing, how to fall, stop, navigate outdoor trails, trail etiquette, skate care, proper hydration and stretching. After a bit of instruction, we will then take a leisure skate. Gear required: skates (four wheeled quad-old school), helmet, wrist guards, knee pads, and water bottle. Inline skates are welcome.

Sats, 10-11:00 am; \$30 R - \$35 NR (Session)

Session 1: MAR 12-APR 16; **MML**

Session 2: APR 23-JUN 4 (no class 5/28) **MR**

**MAT PILATES**

Did you know your core entails 38 muscles? Mat Pilates is a workout that will strengthen, lengthen, and enhance your posture by increasing the range of motion, strength, and length of these core muscles. A powerful core means a stronger and healthier you! Classes taught by Jennifer Gleason, MA, AFAA and AHA CPR certified and has taught group fitness for 25+ years and Mat Pilates for 12+ years. Please bring mat or large towel. The views and opinions of this vendor do not necessarily state or reflect those of Miami Township. Mondays, 7-8:00 pm; **MTCC**

\$50 R - \$60 NR (Session)

Session 1: JAN 10-FEB 14 (no class 1/17)

Session 2: MAR 7-APR 11 (no class 4/4)

Session 3: APR 18-MAY 16

**TAI CHI EASY**

We will provide a lovely, retreat-like atmosphere in the Miami Township Civic Center for your relaxation and enjoyment. Limited Space.

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm; **MTCC**

\$70 R - \$80 NR (Session)

Session 1: JAN 4-FEB 8

Session 2: FEB 22-MAR 29

Session 3: APR 12-MAY 17

**WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE**

Join Miami Township Police Officers for self-defense training. The WSD program is about empowering women and teaching them not to panic or submit to an attacker and using up their energy. It teaches them to direct their energy towards goal-oriented movements and that submission is not an option. The course uses existing police defense techniques that primarily work thru leverage and basic defense principles. It teaches participants to utilize their body, no matter how big or small they are, essentially maximizing effect, while reducing the energy used. We work on using the mind and body to get maximum results.

Saturday, MAR 12; 9-Noon; **MTCC**

(Ages 14+) \$5 R - \$10 NR

**2022 COMMUNITY CPR**

In partnership with the Miami Township Fire & EMS we are offering "CPR For Friends and Family" and "Heartsaver CPR" not Healthcare Provider. The course will cover adult, child and infant CPR, AED and choking and will last 2-3 hours. We offer "American Safety and Health Institute CPR & AED Training" NOT Red Cross or American Heart Association Professional Rescuer or Healthcare Provider Training! Direct your questions to Miami Township Recreation Department at (513) 248-3727. Attached to your receipt will be a diagram showing where the Central Fire Station Public Training Safety Center is located.

\$25 R - \$40 NR; **PSTC**

Saturday, JAN 8; 9:00 am **or**

Tuesday, FEB 8; 6:00 pm **or**

Saturday, MAR 5; 9:00 am **or**

Tuesday, APR 5; 6:00 pm **or**

Saturday, MAY 7; 9:00 am

**LINE DANCING 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. Erica is successful at teaching beginners how to dance, and she truly understands and caters to the beginner dancer.

Wednesdays; JAN 5, 12 & 19; **LH**

6:30 pm-7:30 pm; \$25 R - \$30 NR (Session)

**LINE DANCING WITH ERICA**

Erica Robinson-Gripp has a passion for line dancing and for contemporary Christian music. She fused the two together and founded FUE-LD, which means "Fun, Uplifting, Encouraging ~ Line Dancing." Burning calories has never been so much fun. No special clothes or shoes are required. Come as you are and dance with us.

Wednesdays; LH; 5:00 pm-6:00 pm **or**

6:30-7:30 pm; \$35 R - \$40 NR (Session)

Session 1: FEB 2-MAR 2

Session 2: MAR 9-APR 6

Session 3: APR 13-MAY 11

**YOGA, MINDFULNESS & MORE**

Tone your body, clear your mind, and feel inner peace in an enjoyable introduction to yoga postures, breathing techniques, and guided relaxation. Good for new and ongoing students and most fitness levels. Bring a yoga mat and other props you desire. Wear comfortable clothes. Pre-registration required. Taught by Julie Lusk, yoga teacher, author & recording artist. It is suggested that you have a small bottle (1-2 oz.) of hand sanitizer for added safety. Social Distancing will be practiced. Mask wearing is regulated by the Governor's orders. We will follow the recommendations and directives from the Governor as they continue to be updated and changed. The views and opinions of this vendor do not necessarily state or reflect those of Miami Township.

10-11:30 am; **MTCC**; \$60 R - \$75 NR (Session)

Session 1: JAN 4-25

Session 2: MAR 8-29

Session 3: MAY 3-24

**MEN'S BASKETBALL**

Miami Township Recreation Department is coordinating Men's Recreation Basketball in cooperation with **Meadowview Elementary School**. Bruce Brunetti is the facilitator for this activity. Scheduling conflicts may arise after registration due to school related activities. The fee is based on session and no refund will be granted due to cancellations. Limited Space. Thursdays, APR 7-MAY 19; 6:30-9:30 pm (Ages 25+) \$45 R - \$55 NR

**AQUATIC FITNESS  
HI-LO CARDIO COMBO**

This total body Aquatic Fitness workout utilizes the properties of the water (buoyancy, hydrostatic pressure, viscosity, and thermodynamics) in both shallow and deep water to improve overall fitness and health through cardio-respiratory fitness, muscular strength and endurance, flexibility, range of motion, core stability, and balance. This class incorporates moderate to high-intensity intervals with low intensity active recovery segments of exercises/movements to assist in boosting your metabolism while improving physical function. This class may be modified to any fitness level and a deep-water floatation belt is required to be worn while in the deep-water segment of the class to effectively perform and maximize the benefits of all exercises. An MEVSD consent form must be completed prior to participation.

Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30-10:45 a.m.

**MHS Pool**; \$85 R - \$95 NR

Winter Schedule: JAN 18-MAR 18

Spring Schedule: APR 5-MAY 20

**PICKLEBALL BEGINNERS CLASS**

The leaders/coordinators for the Pickleball Beginners Class are Reene Reese and Anita Smith and they have been playing Pickleball for about 4 years. We are glad to have them with their zeal to foster the sport of Pickleball in Miami Township. Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in America. The game combines elements of tennis, ping-pong, and badminton. The rules are simple, and the game is easy for beginners to learn. Pickleball Beginners Class will meet at Community Park, 5951 Buckwheat Road and will last for a total of two hours. Please bring your own Pickleball paddle and balls to class.

\$10 R - \$15 - NR (Session)

Monday APR 25; 6-8:00 pm **or**

Monday MAY 9; 6-8:00 pm **or**

Saturday MAY 21; 9-11:00 am **or**

Wednesday JUN 1; 9:30-11:30 am

**PICKLEBALL OPEN PLAY**

Beginners/novices: Feeling intimidated stepping onto the court with more experienced players after just a lesson or two or having a hard time finding a foursome to play at your skill level? Join us for open play! **No sign up required.** All "newbies" or those wishing for a more relaxed style of play are invited to join us on the courts for open play. Bring your own paddle and balls. Playing format will be winners stay and split and two new players on, with a paddle line feeding the courts if need be. The losing team of the first games of the day will rotate off first to start the rotations. Pickleball Courts are located at Community Park, 5951 Buckwheat Road, Milford, OH 45150. **FREE!** Tuesdays, MAY 3-MAY 24; 9:30 am **and/or** Thursdays, MAY 5-MAY 26; 6:00 pm

**SENIOR ACTIVITIES**

**Lifelong Learning is Happening at the Civic Center!** Clermont Senior Services offers lifelong learning & a wide variety of senior activities at the Miami Township Civic Center. Call Lori Malpass from Clermont Senior Services at 248-4345 for more information.

Additional information can be found by visiting [ClermontSeniors.com](http://ClermontSeniors.com).

# December 2021



Sunday

Monday




Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

			1	2 ZONING COMMISSION 7:00 pm • MTCC	3	4  HOLIDAY HOOPLA & TREE LIGHTING 3:00 pm • MTCC
5 TRUSTEE WORK SESSION TBD • MTCC BOARD of ZONING APPEALS 7:00 pm • MTCC	6	7 COMMUNITY CPR 6:30 pm • PSTC	8	9 GINGERBREAD DECORATING 6:30 pm • MTCC	10	11
12	13	14 TRUSTEE BUSINESS MEETING 7:00 pm • MTCC	15	16	17	18
19	20	21  FIRST DAY OF WINTER	22	23	24 CHRISTMAS OBSERVED Township Offices Closed	25  CHRISTMAS DAY
26	27	28	29	30	31 NEW YEAR'S DAY OBSERVED Township Offices Closed	



# January 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	<b>3</b> <b>BOARD of ZONING APPEALS</b> 7:00 pm • MTCC	<b>4</b> <b>TAI CHI EASY</b> Thru FEB 8 • MTCC  <b>YOGA MINDFULNESS &amp; MORE</b> Thru JAN 25 • MTCC  <b>TAE KWON DO</b> Thru MAR 10 • MTCC	<b>5</b> <b>LINE DANCING WORKSHOP</b> Thru JAN 19 • LH	<b>6</b> <b>ZONING COMMISSION</b> 7:00 pm • MTCC  <b>PLAYGROUP PRIMETIME</b> Thru FEB 10 • MTCC	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>COMMUNITY CPR</b> 9:00 am • PSTC
9	<b>10</b> <b>TRUSTEE WORK SESSION</b> TBD • MTCC  <b>DRAWING WITH KATIE</b> Thru FEB 14 • MTCC  <b>MAT PILATES</b> Thru FEB 14 • MTCC	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <b>VISION BOARD WORKSHOP</b> 6:30 pm • MTCC	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b>  <b>MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY</b> <i>Township Offices Closed</i>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> <b>TRUSTEE BUSINESS MEETING</b> 7:00 pm • MTCC  <b>AQUATIC HI-LO CARDIO</b> Thru MAR 18 • MHS Pool	<b>19</b> <b>HAND BUILDING &amp; PAINTING</b> & JAN 26 • MTCC	<b>20</b> <b>DRAWING WITH JAMIE</b> 6:30 pm • MTCC  <b>SEED STARTING</b> 7:00 pm • MTCC	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>MILITARY CHAPLAINCY</b> 6:00 pm • MTCC	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <b>(YELL) APPLICATIONS DUE</b> Youth Engaged in Leadership & Learning	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>MILITARY MINISTRY</b> 6:00 pm • MTCC					



# February 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <b>BEGINNING BEEKEEPING</b> & FEB 8 • MTCC	2  <b>GROUNDHOG DAY</b>  <b>LINE DANCING WITH ERICA</b> Thru MAR 2 • LH	3 <b>ZONING COMMISSION</b> 7:00 pm • MTCC  <b>CREATING A HEART ART</b> 6:30 pm • MTCC  <b>BEGINNING INVESTING</b> 7:00 pm • MTCC	4 <b>DADDY-DAUGHTER VALENTINE DANCE</b> 6:30 pm • MTCC	5 <b>DADDY-DAUGHTER VALENTINE DANCE</b> 6:30 pm • MTCC
6	7 <b>TRUSTEE WORK SESSION</b> TBD • MTCC  <b>BOARD of ZONING APPEALS</b> 7:00 pm • MTCC  <b>HANDMADE CARD MAKING</b> 6:30 pm • MTCC	8 <b>COMMUNITY CPR</b> 6:00 pm • PSTC	9 <b>CLERMONT COUNTY UNDERGROUND RAILROAD</b> 6:00 pm • MTCC	10 <b>BEGINNING INVESTING</b> 7:00 pm • MTCC	11	12
13	14  <b>VALENTINE'S DAY</b>	15 <b>TRUSTEE BUSINESS MEETING</b> 7:00 pm • MTCC	16	17 <b>PLAYGROUP PRIMETIME</b> Thru MAR 24 • MTCC	18	19
20 	21 <b>PRESIDENTS DAY</b> <i>Township Offices Closed</i>	22 <b>TAI CHI EASY</b> Thru MAR 29 • MTCC  <b>MILITARY MINISTRY</b> 6:00 pm • MTCC	23	24	25	26
27 <b>FAITH &amp; STAINED GLASS</b> 6:00 pm • MTCC	28					

# March 2022



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

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Saturday

		1	2	3 ZONING COMMISSION 7:00 pm • MTCC PAINT WITH JAMIE 6:30 pm • MTCC STOCK MARKET DOs & DONTs 7:00 pm • MTCC	4	5 COMMUNITY CPR 9:00 am • PSTC
6	7 BOARD of ZONING APPEALS 7:00 pm • MTCC MAT PILATES Thru APR 11 • MTCC DRAWING WITH KATIE Thru APR 11 • MTCC	8 YOGA MINDFULNESS & MORE Thru MAR 29 • MTCC NATIVE PERENNIALS 7:00 pm • MTCC	9 LINE DANCING WITH ERICA Thru APR 6 • LH LINCOLN ASSASSINATION 6:00 pm • MTCC	10 STOCK MARKET DOs & DONTs 7:00 pm • MTCC	11	12 WOMEN'S SELF DEFENSE 9:00 am • MTCC SCUTTLEBUTT SKATERS Thru APR 16 • MML
13  DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS • Turn Clocks Ahead • Change Smoke Detector Batteries	14	15 TRUSTEE BUSINESS MEETING 7:00 pm • MTCC TAE KWON DO Thru MAY 12 • MTCC	16 BEYOND M.A.S.H. 6:00 pm • MTCC	17  ST. PATRICKS DAY	18	19
20 	21 SOCCER SHOTS MINI SOCCER SHOTS CLASSIC SOCCER SHOTS PREMIERE Thru MAY 16 • LH CREATION 6:00 pm • MTCC	22	23 SOCCER SHOTS MINI SOCCER SHOTS CLASSIC SOCCER SHOTS PREMIERE Thru MAY 18 • MR	24	25	26
27 MEMORY HEALTH 6:00 pm • MTCC THE ART OF CONVERSATION 6:00 pm • MTCC	28	29	30	31		



## FAMILY ACTIVITIES

Online Registration available at [Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov](http://Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov)

*Pre-registration is required for ALL programs and activities may be changed or modified.*

### VISION BOARD WORKSHOP

Start the new year by creating a vision board of your dreams for 2022. Join Jamie Norvell with Creations of Studio 39 to plan and create a visual representation of the goals you want to make happen for the year. Leave with a completed 11x14 board suitable for framing. All supplies provided. Space is Limited. Children must be accompanied by an adult.  
Thursday, JAN 13; 6:30-8:00 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 13+) \$10 R - \$15 NR

### FAMILY POTTERY HAND BUILDING & PAINTING

Bring your family and join Ann with Star Glazer to learn with clay! In the first class, students will create original pieces (of your choice) to be fired in the kiln. Do not worry! Star Glazers brings lots of examples to copy or to spark your imagination! You will paint the pieces in the second class. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. All supplies provided.  
Wednesdays, JAN 19 & 26; **MTCC** 6:30-8 pm; \$20 R (Adult) \$25 R (Child) \$25 NR (Adult) \$30 NR (Child)

### DRAW WITH JAMIE - Cardinal

Anyone can learn to draw! Join Jamie Norvell with Creations of Studio 39 to learn basic drawing skills. Start with some warm-up exercises then get step-by-step instructions for drawing a winter cardinal. All supplies provided.  
Thursday, JAN 20; 6:30-8:00 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 13+) \$15 R - \$20NR

### DADDY-DAUGHTER VALENTINE DANCE

Due to the popularity of this event, it will be offered on two nights this year. Be sure to designate which evening you prefer on your registration form. Come and dance to the music, make valentine crafts, enjoy a snack and other activities. Please bring your own camera for that cherished Daddy-Daughter photo. Escorts may be father or another significant parental figure. **REGISTER EARLY. THIS EVENT SELLS OUT!**  
Friday, FEB 4 or Saturday, FEB 5; **MTCC** 6:30-8:30 pm; \$10 R - \$15 NR (Person)

### CREATING A HEART ART CLASS

Join Jamie Norvell with Creations of Studio 39 to create a unique mixed media heart on an 11x14 canvas board. Explore many different art materials to make your own one of a kind heart for yourself or to give as a gift to a loved one. All supplies provided.  
Thursday, FEB 3; 6:30-8:00 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 13+) \$20 R - \$25 NR

### HANDMADE CARD MAKING CLASS

When was the last time someone displayed your email or text on their mantle? Sending a card, a handmade card, is a great way to tell someone how much you care. Join us for an evening of fun with this instructor-led course where you will learn a variety of card making techniques and create two cards. Monday, FEB 7; 6:30-7:30 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 8+) \$5 R - \$10 NR

### PAINT WITH JAMIE – Spring Bike

Join Jamie Norvell with Creations of Studio 39 to paint a spring bike. Step-by-step instructions for painting with lots of room for creative color choices. Leave with a 12x16 canvas painting you'll be proud to hang year 'round. All supplies provided.  
Thursday, MAR 3; 6:30-8:00 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 13+) \$30 R - \$35 NR

MIAMI TOWNSHIP'S

### EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA

The Easter Bunny will be making a very special visit to Miami Township Civic Center. He has invited children to come and make crafts, decorate cookies, face paint, & play games. **NO EGG HUNT.** Treats will be distributed by the Easter Bunny & helpers. Back by popular demand...the petting zoo and the magic show! **FREE EVENT!**  
Saturday, APR 2; 10 am-Noon; **MTCC**

### PAINT WITH JAMIE – Unique Cross

Join Jamie Norvell with Creations of Studio 39 to paint a cross using a unique tool. Step-by-step instructions for painting with lots of room for creative color choices and designs. Leave with a 12x16 canvas painting you'll be proud to display.  
Thursday, APR 7; 6:30-8:00 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 13+) \$30 R - \$35 NR

### KIDS ONLY FISHING

**TOURNAMENT** *Catch & Release*  
Do not miss out on the fun and excitement of the Kids Only Fishing Tournament. There will be prizes awarded for several age groups who have the largest (weighing the most) fish! **Registration is required at Lakeside Pavilion at 9:00 a.m.** and the Tournament is from 10:00 am until noon. Children require adult supervision. Weigh-ins can be done anytime during tournament with final weigh-in at the end of the tournament.  
Saturday, APRIL 23; **MML; FREE EVENT!**

### FAMILY POTTERY PAINTING

Join Star Glazers as they turn a room at the Civic Center into a Paint-Your-Own-Pottery studio! A great time to make gifts for Mother's Day, graduations, teacher thank-you, etc. Lots of pieces to choose from. No artistic talent needed! **Pottery pieces range from \$9-\$36**, paid to the instructor at the time of class.  
Wednesday, APR 27; 6:30-8:00 pm; **MTCC** \$5 (Person) **DOES NOT** include pottery

### MOMMY AND ME PAINT WITH JAMIE

Pricing includes mother and child. Join Jamie Norvell with Creations of Studio 39 for a special Mommy and me owl painting experience. Leave with a 12x16 canvas for mom and an 8x10 canvas board for your child. All supplies provided.  
Thursday, MAY 5; 6:30-8:00 pm; **MTCC** (Ages 9+) \$40 R - \$50 NR

## ADULT ACTIVITIES

Online Registration available at [Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov](http://Register.MiamiTwpOH.gov)



### BEGINNING INVESTING

Have you socked away money for a rainy day and now you have built up a nest egg and are wondering what to do with it? Ben Jacobs is an investment advisor with Waterstone Investment Counsel, LLC and wants to explain the foreign language of investing. He wants you to understand basic investment concepts such as how stocks and bonds work, the differences in mutual funds vs Exchange Traded Funds (ETF's) and how annuities work. There will be NO products or services sold during this presentation.  
Thursday, FEB 3 or Thursday, FEB 10  
**MTCC; 7-8:30 pm; \$5 (Person)**

### STOCK MARKET INVESTING DO's & DON'Ts

The stock market is a wonderful way to invest and grow your wealth. There are many common mistakes that individual investors make when investing, from buying and selling at the wrong time to watching too much CNBC. The good news is we can identify those mistakes and learn from them. In this class we will explore the stock market and some of the most common mistake's investors make and how to avoid those pitfalls. The views and opinions of Waterstone Investment Counsel and Ben Jacobs do not necessarily state or reflect those of Miami Township.  
Thursday, MAR 3 or Thursday, MAR 10  
7-8:30 pm; **MTCC; \$5 (Person)**

### TIPS FOR ESTATE PLANNING

Haven't we all heard horror stories about probate court? This class will help people of all ages prepare for the unexpected. Ben Jacobs has firsthand experience with this topic. He is going to help you understand how to properly title your assets, wills, living wills, avoid probate, and understand gifting/wealth transfer.  
Monday, APR 4 or Monday, APR 11  
7-8:30 pm; **MTCC; \$5 (Person)**

### BEGINNING BEEKEEPING

Join Debbie Miller, avid backyard beekeeper, during this fun time to explore beginning beekeeping. Debbie wants to share with you what she has learned with over 40 years of her experience. We will be talking about beekeeping basics, equipment, and resources.  
Tuesday, FEB 1 & Tuesday, FEB 8  
7-8:30 pm; **MTCC; \$10 (Person)**

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*The Clermont County Extension Master Gardener Program is a community-based education branch of The Ohio State University. The following classes are being presented by Clermont County Master Gardener Volunteers. Their views and opinions do not necessarily state or reflect those of Miami Township.*

### SEED STARTING

The seed catalogues are filling your mailbox, now what? Find out how to get those heirloom plants you can't find at the garden center.  
Thursday, JAN 20, 7:00 pm; **MTCC; \$5 (Person)**

### NATIVE PERENNIALS for SOUTHWEST OHIO

See what the buzz is all about in color and style! Join OSU Extension as they discuss native perennials that can add life to your garden through color and attracting beneficial insects.  
Tuesday, MAR 8, 7:00 pm; **MTCC; \$5 (Person)**

### STRAW BALE GARDENING

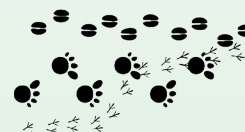
Join the Clermont Master Gardeners to learn how to grow your vegetables in Straw Bales. This is a technique that has many advantages and was showcased at the Clermont County Fair in 2021.  
Tuesday, APR 12, 7:00 pm; **MTCC; \$5 (Person)**

### GROWING, HARVESTING & USING YOUR AMAZING HERBS

This introduction to herbs will leave you wanting more. Join Clermont County Master Gardener to learn how to grow and care for your herbs by harvesting, preserving, and using them in a multitude of ways.  
Tuesday, MAY 10, 7:00 pm; **MTCC; \$5 (Person)**

### ANIMAL DETERRENTS

Are those deer driving you crazy? Do you blame all the plant damage in your yard on them? Did you realize the bunnies, mice, and chipmunks do plenty of the munching too? Come to this class and the Master Gardener from OSU will give you some tried and true solutions that they have discovered for our area.  
Monday, MAY 23, 7:00 pm; **MTCC; \$5 (Person)**



**ADULT ACTIVITIES (Cont)**

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*The following classes are led by Chaplain, Colonel (Retired), Jess Abbott. He was Command Chaplain for the 310th Expeditionary Sustainment Command (ESC) United States Army Reserve, Indianapolis, Indiana. The 310th was responsible for the logistics in withdrawing from Iraq by the end of December 2011. Chaplain Abbott also served as Deputy Command Chaplain from 2015 to 2020 at U.S. Central Command, overseeing all military religious engagements in the central region from Afghanistan, through the middle east, to Egypt. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army War College. The views and opinions of Jess Abbott do not necessarily state or reflect those of Miami Township.*

### THE HISTORY OF MILITARY CHAPLAINCY: From Constantine to Today

Join Chaplain Jess Abbott as he shares a history of the challenges of war for the Church, especially in U.S. history (1775 to present). From the fourth century to today, why was it important that clergy accompany soldiers and sailors into battle? What were the moral and religious issues of warfare from antiquity to the present? Monday, JAN 24, 6-7:00 pm; **MTCC**; \$5 (Person)

### MILITARY MINISTRY:

#### Why Chaplains in the Military?

Chaplain Jess Abbott will provide a colorful presentation along with a few stories of his own experience while deployed to Iraq, Kuwait, and Saudi Arabia. He will provide an inside view of what it means to be a U.S. military Chaplain. He will also address why it is important that our nation continue to include clergy for the sons and daughters of the United States when called upon to travel the "road to war".

Monday, JAN 31 **or** Tuesday, FEB 22  
6-7:00 pm; **MTCC**; \$5 (Person)

### FAITH AND STAINED GLASS

The beauty of stained glass has inspired believers for centuries. Participants will learn the history of "stained glass" and how one produces stained glass works of art. Participants will also learn about symbols of faith commonly used in stained glass to inspire worshipers regarding the stories of faith. Join Rev. Dr. Jess Abbott as he shares both the mechanics of making stained glass pieces, and also ways stained glass has inspired the faithful for centuries. **THIS CLASS DOES NOT PRODUCE ANY STAINED GLASS.**

Monday, FEB 28, 6-7:00 pm; **MTCC**; \$5 (Person)

### CREATION: Five Common Domains We Share in Our Globalized World

As humans, we share five Common Domains: Land, Maritime, Air, Space, and Cyberspace. How do they connect us? How are we dependent on their peaceful use? How are they used non-peacefully? This study looks at the current understanding of each of these domains and compares our current understanding with how ancient people understood them. Join Chaplain, Colonel (Retired), Jess Abbott as he shares his insights about our current views (religious and political) about the cosmos.

Monday, MAR 21, 6-7:00 pm; **MTCC**; \$5 (Person)

### THE ART OF CONVERSATION

In a world that increasingly trusts in social media, what does it mean to be truly "present" with another person? What are the blessings and curses of social media? What can one do to prepare for, engage in, and evaluate oneself after a conversation? This presentation provides participants a brief overview of "conversational art" and if willing to use them, some tools to become a better conversational artist.

Monday, MAR 28, 6-7:00 pm; **MTCC**; \$5 (Person)

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### MEMORY HEALTH:

#### Even Elephants Forget Sometimes

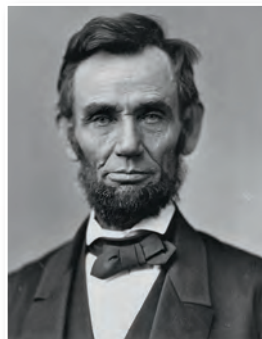
Monday, MAR 28; 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC**  
\$15 R - \$20 NR

Attendees will review irreversible and reversible causes for memory loss and how to manage them, review a list of medications that can contribute to memory loss and how to discuss with their doctor; and review the evidence behind nutrition & dietary supplements & lifestyle changes used to treat memory loss.

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### CLERMONT COUNTY UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

Come take a ride on the Underground Railroad! Clermont County was in the forefront of the national anti-slavery movement and played an active role in helping hundreds of the enslaved escape to freedom. This class will examine the paths, sites and people who participated in this fascinating episode of our county's history. Gary Knepp, the presenter, was the chair of the Clermont County Underground Research Project. His work led to the creation of the Clermont County Freedom Trail and to the publication of his book, *Freedom's Struggle*. This class has been recognized by the National Park Service for inclusion in its National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program. Wednesday, FEB 9; 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC**  
\$10 (Person)



### LINCOLN ASSASSINATION - THE MILFORD CONNECTION?

Gary Knepp, Clermont County historian, will lead this discussion on this fascinating topic. The assassination of President Abraham Lincoln was the crime of the 19th century, thrusting the country into a period of deep mourning. Two men from Milford claimed to have been present when John Wilkes Booth murdered the president. Their eyewitness testimony has been overlooked or discredited by historians through the years. In this class we'll take a look at the lives of these two men, read their statements, evaluate contemporary evidence supporting their claims and decide: Were their claims legitimate? Wednesday, MAR 9; 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC**  
\$10 (Person)



### BEYOND M. A. S. H.

#### What Really Happened in the Korean War

What most Americans know about the Korean War, was learned while watching the television show M.A.S.H. But there is much more to it than the misadventures of Hawk Eye and company. The Korean War, unfortunately called a "Police Action" by President Harry Truman, killed four million people during its three year history. More than 1.7 million Americans served "in country" during the war with 36,000 Americans killed, 103,000 wounded and nearly 8,000 still missing in action. This class will cover the controversies of Douglas MacArthur and his relationship with President Truman, the unheralded accomplishments of General Matthew B. Ridgway, the sordid stories of American P.O.W.s and the implications of the armistice that ended the war. The core of this program by historian Gary Knepp will be based upon interviews with local Korean War vets he conducted for his book "Forgotten Warriors." Mr. Knepp will share Korean War artifacts he has collected. Wednesday, MAR 16; 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC**  
\$10 (Person)



### U.S. GRANT: A REAPPRAISAL

April 27, 1822, will mark the 200th anniversary of the birth of Clermont County's favorite son, Ulysses S. Grant. His reputation has ridden the roller coaster of history. For decades he has been derided as a drunk, a reckless butcher, a lucky victor, and a corrupt, failed president. Contemporary historians are taking a fresh look at our 18th president. Join Gary Knepp, Clermont County's historian, as he presents a biography of this intriguing man through the lens of his changing reputation. Thursday, APR 14; 6-7:30 pm; **MTCC**  
\$10 (Person)



### WALKING TOUR OF CAMP DENNISON

Unlock the secrets of Camp Dennison with Hamilton County honorary historian, Gary Knepp, on this walking tour. Gary will share with you his deep knowledge of this very special place in Clermont County. Camp Dennison was a military recruiting, training, and medical post for the United States Army during the Civil War. A military hospital was set up with over 2300 beds by converting wooden barracks into hospital wards. In 1973, two of the remaining buildings from the camp were listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Please be aware this is a walking tour and there will be many uneven walking surfaces. It is recommended to wear comfortable walking shoes. Pre-registration with Miami Township Recreation Department. Saturday, MAY 7 **or** Saturday, MAY 14  
10-11:30 am, \$10 (Person)

**Location:** Please park near the soccer fields which is ACROSS the street from the Christian Waldschmidt Homestead, 7567 Glendale Milford Road, Camp Dennison, Ohio 45111 (located on Ohio State Route 126 between the towns of Indian Hill and Milford).



# MIAMI TOWNSHIP FIRE & EMS

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## Cold Weather Seasonal Safety Tips



Chief Steve Kelly

As the winter months come upon us, many of us have already had to fire up our furnace for the year and others are starting to pull out the space heaters for some added warmth. The members of Miami Township Fire & EMS want to make sure you remember some key fire safety points as we head into the coldest months of the year.

### HEATING

Heating is the second leading cause of US home fires and home fire injuries and third leading cause of home fire deaths. December, January, and February are the peak months for heating fires. Space heaters are the type of equipment most often involved in home heating equipment fires, accounting for more than two of every five fires (44%), as well as the vast majority of deaths and injuries in home fires caused by heating equipment. Remember to look for the “UL” (Underwriter’s Laboratory) label on all heating devices and if they do not appear to be working correctly, dispose of them immediately. Also, make sure to have your furnace or home heating unit inspected and serviced annually to ensure it is working properly.

### CARBON MONOXIDE

Often called the invisible killer, carbon monoxide (CO) is an odorless, colorless gas created when fuels such as gasoline, wood, coal, propane, etc. do not burn completely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel are potential sources of CO. Carbon monoxide incidents are more common during the winter months, and in residential properties. Make sure you have CO detectors installed in your home, especially near sleeping areas. If they are battery operated, check the batteries monthly.

### WINTER STORMS

Most of the U.S. is at risk for winter storms, which can cause dangerous and sometimes life-threatening conditions. Blinding wind-driven snow, extreme cold, icy road conditions, downed trees and power lines can all wreak havoc on our daily schedules. Be careful if you need to travel out when storms are predicted and always have an emergency kit in your vehicle in case you become stranded and need to wait for assistance.

### GENERATORS

Portable generators are useful during power outages, however, many homeowners are unaware that the improper use of portable generators can be risky. The most common dangers associated with portable generators are carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning, electrical shock or electrocution, and fire hazards. According to a 2013 Consumer Product Safety Commission report, half of the generator-related deaths happened in the four coldest months of the year, November through February, and portable generators were involved in the majority of carbon monoxide deaths involving engine-driven tools. Keep generators outside and away from windows and doors. If you choose to have a generator installed, be sure it is done by a certified electrician.

### CANDLES

December is the peak time of year for home candle fires; the top two days for home candle fires are Christmas and Christmas Eve. Each year between 2013-2017, an average of 7,900 home candle fires were reported each year. Consider switching to battery operated candles this season.

### ELECTRICAL

Electrical home fires are a leading cause of home fires in the U.S. Roughly half of all home electrical fires involved electrical distribution or lighting equipment, while nearly another half involved other known types of equipment like washer or dryer fans, and portable or stationary space heaters. Remember to unplug battery chargers when they are not in use and periodically check devices that are being charged to ensure they are not overheating.

### SMOKE DETECTORS

When you changed your clock for daylight savings time, you should have checked the batteries in your smoke detector, but do you know how old your smoke detector is? If it is over ten years old, it no longer works as effectively as it should and is probably past its normal operating lifespan. Consider replacing your old detectors with new ones this winter and give the gift of safety to your family. If you need advice or help with this, please give us a call at (513) 248-3700 and one of our fire inspectors can provide assistance.

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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## Census Data Shows Positive Growth for Miami Township



Brian Elliff  
Planning & Zoning Administrator

Information from the 2020 Census shows positive community growth for Miami Township, at a “just right” rate. Information compiled by *Cincinnati.com* (the Cincinnati Enquirer website) shows that from 2010 to 2020 the Township’s population grew from 40,848 to 43,943 – 7.6%. Clermont County overall grew from 197,375 to 208,601 – 5.7%. By comparison, some of the other larger townships in the county also experienced net positive inflow, including Batavia Township at 18.8% and Union Township at 6.9%.

Clermont County staff informed us that Miami Township was the only township to independently participate in the Census Bureau’s Local Update of Census Addresses program, also known as LUCA. LUCA is a decennial census partnership program that allows designated representatives of tribal, state, and local governments to review and update the Census Bureau’s Address List that is used to deliver questionnaires for the decennial census. Its common that the census bureau information can be several years behind in identifying new roads that a community may have added, for example, through new subdivision development. Participating in LUCA helps ensure all new residents are accounted for.

The moderate growth over the decade of 7.6% is a healthy indicator for community conditions and of the desirability of Miami Township. Population growth, income growth, and housing price growth are all measures of an area’s success. Growth might not seem important, but for townships they are either growing or shrinking, and the latter can create more problems.

United States  
**Census**  
Bureau

## LAND USE PLAN UPDATE COMMITTEE - Work Continues

Interested in future land use and development in Miami Township? The Land Use Plan Update Committee has re-started its work on recommendations for future land uses in Miami Township. At its most recent meeting held on November 10 of this year, the Committee considered seven focus areas throughout the Township.



In January 2022, save the date of Monday, January 24 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Miami Township Civic Center for a public open forum on the land use plan update. See what the Committee has done so far and provide your comments as well!

You can also track and provide feedback at any time on the land use plan and updates by visiting the Miami Township website, then click on the “Zoning” button, then on the “Land Use Plan Update in Progress” button on the Community Development page.



# MIAMI TOWNSHIP SERVICE

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## New Road Maintenance Supervisor



**Chris Burdsall**

The Miami Township Service Department is excited to introduce Road Maintenance Supervisor – Chris Burdsall. Chris took over the position when Jeff Weigel retired after 34 years of service.

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 Northwestern Ohio University. He has been on full time with the department since 2009.

As a full time employee and in recent years, 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.

“My experience over the last six years with Chris has shown him to be reliable, dependable and hard working,” said Service Director John Musselman. “He is capable of working independently and has great time management skills. I have confidence that he will do well in this new position and serve our residents well.” Chris officially started the Road Maintenance Supervisor position on October 20<sup>th</sup>.

As Road Maintenance Supervisor, Chris oversees the Township’s road crew and maintains Township infrastructure while working with residents to solve or correct issues. He also inspects the work done during the paving program to serve as quality control and to hold vendors to the high standards that has made Miami Township roads and infrastructure what it is 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 enjoys spending time with his wife and two kids. Together they enjoy being active in their church and working on the family cattle farm.

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

## Who Maintains the Road This Winter

As a reminder, Miami Township, the Clermont County Engineers Office, and the Ohio Department of Transportation maintain roads within Miami Township. Here is a list of who maintains what:

### STATE ROADS

*Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)*

- State Route 28
- State Route 48
- State Route 126
- State Route 131
- US Route 50

### COUNTY ROADS

*Clermont County Engineers Office*

- Branch Hill-Loveland Rd.
- Branch Hill-Guinea Pike
- Branch Hill-Miamiville Rd.
- Buckwheat Rd.
- Business 28
- Cook Rd.
- Deerfield Rd.
- Loveland-Miamiville Rd.
- Paxton Rd.
- Price Rd.
- Round Bottom Rd.
- Wards Corner Rd.
- Wolfpen-Pleasant Hill Rd.
- Woodville Rd.

The Clermont County Engineers Office can be reached via telephone at (513) 732.8857, or on the web at [ClermontEngineer.org](http://ClermontEngineer.org).

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 All other roads within the Township, with the exception of private drives, are maintained by the Miami Township Service Department. We can be reached at (513) 248.3728.





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**248-3725** Administration

**248-3721** Police

**248-3700** Fire/EMS

**248-3728** Service

**248-3727** Recreation

**248-3731** Zoning

### MEETINGS

*Miami Township Civic Center, 6101 Meijer Drive • 45150*

**Trustee Business Meeting**  
7:00 pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of Each Month

**Trustee Work Session**  
TBD, 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of Each Month

**Zoning Board of Appeals**  
7:00 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of Each Month

**Zoning Commission**  
7:00 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of Each Month

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