



# Clayton LIVING

## LABOR DAY FIREWORKS A HIT

The 4th annual Labor Day Festival and Fireworks was another great success at Meadowbrook at Clayton. The Parks Advisory Commission, along with Kroger, Lowe's and Englewood Truck, Towing and Recovery sponsored the event attended by almost 1,000 people and watched by hundreds more across the community. Northmont's A Cappella Choir provided entertainment

along with free bounce houses and face painting for the kids, while hot dogs and snacks were handed out by City Council and staff. Thanks to everyone who attended along with the dozens who volunteered to make the event another awesome experience. We look forward to seeing everyone at the next free Clayton community event.

# CLAYTON SAYS GOOD BYE TO TERI BIRCHFIELD



Much has changed over the past three decades in our community, but one constant seems to have always been Teri Birchfield in the Randolph Twp. and City of Clayton Administration building. After 32 years working in our community, City Council and staff celebrated Teri's retirement in September. Teri, the Assistant to the Finance Director, was a dedicated employee who always came in early, stayed late and volunteered at all the community events, including playing the Easter Bunny every year. However, the most endearing quality Teri always had was her empathy and compassion for all the residents of Clayton. Although we're excited for Teri and her family as she moves onto the next phase of her life, everyone in Clayton will miss Teri the person more than anything else. Congrats Teri and the best of luck to you and your family! You will be greatly missed.

## WELCOME OFFICER LEVANGIE

Clayton is excited to welcome Officer Joseph LeVangie to our community. Many people will recognize Officer LeVangie as he's been busy patrolling the city's neighborhoods this summer and handing out gift certificates to JD's Frozen Custard to kids riding their bicycles with helmets. Officer LeVangie comes to Clayton with a distinguished work history serving the community at large. He joined the army, after graduating from Carlisle High School, where he served as a combat field medic and further trained to become an orthopedic technician. After serving in the army, he became a supervisor in the home building industry for 15 years before realizing the need to get back into the public service sector. After graduating with an associate degree in paramedics, he worked in the fire and EMS service for 7 years before eventually graduating from the police academy. Regarding Clayton, Officer LeVangie comments, "The small town feel with big town ideas is the perfect environment, I feel, to create strong bonds with public and fellow officers and to continue with the community-based peace work that is being done here." Join us in welcoming Officer LeVangie to Clayton!



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE TASTE OF NORTHMONT



It's never too early to mark your calendars for a great community event. The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Taste of Northmont is being held on Thursday, January 16, 2020 at Meadowbrook at Clayton. Tickets will be available at the beginning of the year. Admission gets you all you can eat from over a dozen local vendors. Warped Wing and Heidelberg will also be there offering local craft beer and wine selections. If you're a local restaurant or food vendor interested in participating, contact Cathy Hutton at the Northmont Area Chamber of Commerce at 937-836-2550.

# FROM THE MAYOR...

Fall is here! This is the favorite time of the year for many and our city is a hive of activity during the next few months.

School has started and all the activities associated with Northmont Schools are in full swing. Sports, clubs, and academics are the focus of our students, teachers, and parents. I encourage all Clayton residents to support our local school district through event attendance, student/athlete fundraising efforts, and any other opportunities to back our students and teachers. And please, keep an eye out for students walking/biking to and from school. Watch for school zones. Help keep our kids safe.

The city will host two community-based events that have gained popularity each year. Look for our annual Open House held at station 85, at the corner of Taywood and Old Salem. It is a hands-on experience. We will feature Clayton Fire, Police, and Service equipment, Dayton SWAT, Care Flight, Pink Ribbon Girls, Montgomery County Sheriff, K9 and more! Plenty of parking across the street at LaPetite! Also, Carving and Costumes for Kids at Meadowbrook is a great event for our younger residents. Pumpkin carving contest and a best costume contest, along with other activities make this a popular event. As always, Clayton community events are free and open to the public.

Leaves are starting to fall. Please help us out by raking them as close to the curb as possible, without raking into the street. Our equipment is very efficient, but our reach is limited! Please, no limbs or yard waste. Watch the website for zone pickup details.

Meadowbrook at Clayton is open for golf! The course is in great shape and open for business. The fall months are especially good for golf with the lower temperatures and colorful foliage. If you haven't golfed Meadowbrook this year, make it a point to visit. Check the indoor simulators for fall and winter leagues forming soon.

And finally, please support our local businesses. The money spent at local restaurants, shops, and stores are direct investments in your community. Jobs, goods and services, and even additional business opportunities all depend on our support. Support Local. Buy Local.

It is a great time to live and work in Clayton. Your city staff and city council are working together to keep Clayton a great place to live, work, and play. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Mike Stevens  
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Mike Stevens was born and raised in Clayton. He attended historic Clayton Elementary and graduated from Northmont High School in 1977. He earned a Marketing Management certification from Sinclair Community College, a BA Political Science from Wright State University, and an MBA Marketing from Wright State University. Mike is retired from Cox Media Group Ohio where he held a succession of management and leadership roles for 23 years. He served as President of the Ohio Circulation Managers Association in 2011-12. Mike served the City of Clayton Planning Commission in 2014-15. He is currently a licensed REALTOR® working for Coldwell Banker Heritage Realtors. Mike is active with the Dayton Area Board of Realtors serving the Equal Opportunity and Diversity Committee as Vice Chair, and the Legislative/RPAC Committee, as well as these respective committees with the Ohio Association of Realtors. He is a current board member of the Valley Brook Homeowners Association. Mike is married to Diane for 33+ years. They have three adult children and two grandchildren.

# INCOME TAX ESTIMATED PAYMENT CLARIFICATION

Since 2016 there have been changes to Ohio regulations for income tax payment and filing which has caused a lot of confusion and consternation in our community. These changes were made by the state legislature and not the City of Clayton. These regulations apply to residents across every city in Montgomery County and Ohio.

The biggest change, mandated by the Ohio Legislature and not your local community, is the annual estimate and quarterly payment requirement. The new regulation, which is very confusing, requires a statewide threshold for requiring the remittance of estimated taxes to be \$200 after withholding and credits for taxes paid to other municipalities is considered. If the taxpayer meets the \$200 threshold, the taxpayer shall file a declaration of estimated taxes and make quarterly payment with all payments due by January 15<sup>th</sup> the following year. These dates are determined and announced by the state of Ohio and will be passed along when Clayton receives them.

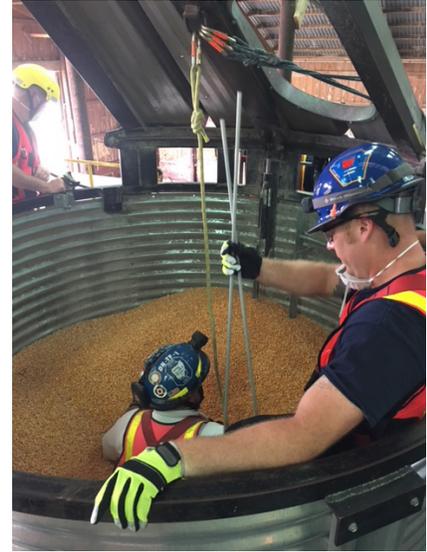
Clayton understands this new change is very confusing and we want to help answer any questions you may have. To cut costs of services, Clayton contracts with CCA to collect municipal income taxes. Quintena Sweeny-Smoot is CCA's Administrator for Clayton Income Tax can be reached at 216-664-2969 and will be happy to answer or clarify any questions our residents have with regards to this state mandate. Michelle Jordan from CCA can also questions at 216-857-7382. Residents can also call CCA-Division of Taxation at 216-664-2070 or toll free at 800-223-6317. The City of Clayton can also be reached at 937-836-3500.

Below is an example of income tax requirements for City of Clayton residents. This is a simplistic example demonstrating the different income tax regulations for Clayton.

## Example of Income Tax Estimated Payment Calculation for Clayton Resident

<b>A.</b>	Earned Income	\$80,000	Example of Annual Salary
<b>B.</b>	Clayton Income Tax - 1.5% <b>(Line A x Line B)</b>	\$1,200	Total annual tax owed to City of Clayton.
<b>C.</b>	Tax withheld for <b>work</b> city -50% credit and max of .75%  <b>If work city rate is 1.5% or less then use 1/2 the rate.</b>  <b>If work city rate is 1.5% or higher then use .75%.</b>	\$600	Tax rate for Clayton residents who work in another city. Different cities have different tax rates.  This is an example of a work city who has a income tax rate of 1.5% (or higher). Residents who work in cities with lower than 1.5% income tax rates will owe only half of the work city income tax rate to the City of Clayton in estimated payments.
<b>D.</b>	Estimated Income Tax to be paid <b>(Line B-Line C)</b>	\$600	TOTAL ANNUAL tax paid to Clayton if you work in another city.
	<b>Quarterly Payment (Line D / 4)</b>	<b>\$150</b>	Quarterly amount owed to Clayton because you live in Clayton.
			<b>State of Ohio mandates this quarterly payment NOT the City of Clayton</b>

# FIRE DEPARTMENT'S CONTINUAL TRAINING KEEPS CLAYTON SAFE



The old saying, “practice makes perfect” carries a lot of weight for the Clayton Fire Department as the organizations holds continual training exercises throughout the year ensuring the safety of the community at large is always the departmental point of emphasis. Demonstrating this commitment, the Fire Department holds an average of over 400 classes totaling 3,000 plus hours of training every year. As part of their training, all Fire Department employees are required to annually demonstrate competency of basic skills including cardiac rhythm interpretation, ground ladder, driving, fire pumps, hose stretches, gas monitor operations, hazardous material operations, airway maintenance, forcible entry, live fire attack, auto extrication, air pack, medical equipment and stroke recognition.

Complimenting the daily commitment ensuring the Fire Department staff is ready for any type of emergency, the Clayton Fire Department continues to be the machine rescue team for northern Montgomery County. Included with this awesome responsibility is carrying special equipment and weekly training to ensure staff can perform at the highest level for this special rescue discipline.

One consistent threat to emergency personnel’s health across the entire fire safety industry is the amount of injuries related to lifting, loading and unloading patients from medic units. The Clayton Fire Department has dedicated the past several years attempting to decrease these types of injuries. The Fire Department trains in proper lifting techniques, has acquired equipment to assist in lifting and recently purchased a power load system which actually loads and unloads patients from the medic unit. The City of Clayton received \$50,967 in grants from the Ohio Bureau of Worker Compensation and the Mathile Family Foundation to assist in the purchase of this equipment which greatly reduces the risk of injuries to our Firefighters and EMT personnel. Without this grant funding the fire department wouldn’t have been able to provide a safer working environment for our staff.

Below is a list of other training categories the Clayton Fire Department work on throughout each calendar year:

- Trauma
- Fire tactics
- Incident command
- Search and rescue
- Commercial building pre-planning and familiarization
- Ropes and rigging
- Medical operations
- Rescue task force which is special training for active shooter incidents
- Mass casualty triage
- Fire inspector updates

# RESIDENTIAL LEAF PICK-UP PROGRAM

It's that time of year again when the leaves begin to fall, and yards transition from the bright colors of summer to beautiful hues of autumn. To help residents remove fallen leaves, Clayton will continue offering two scheduled pickups starting in October through the end of November. Crews will also make additional tours through neighborhoods during the leaf pickup program and one time afterwards to ensure all the leaves taken out to the road during the program are removed prior to the snow removal season.

As always, this service is weather dependent. Fall rain and early snow falls will alter the schedule of leaf pickup, however the crews will be in every neighborhood multiple times throughout the leaf pickup season. To assist in making the leaf collection process run as smoothly as possible residents are asked to remember the following tips:

- Place only leaves in the leaf piles. Other forms of yard waste such as rocks, pieces of cement, tree branches, twigs, flowers, walnuts, and grass clippings slow the collection process and damage City equipment.
- Have leaves in place on the Sunday preceding the scheduled week of your zone collection.
- If there are leaves left after the pickup, it is because crews could not reach them with the equipment. Residents will need to move them closer to the street and they'll be picked up on the next pass.
- Residents may place leaves and yard waste at the curb in standard plastic bags for normal trash pickup at any time.



Leaf piles should be placed as close to the curb as possible (without obstructing traffic). City vehicles will not leave the paved area. If we can't reach the leaves we can't pick them up.

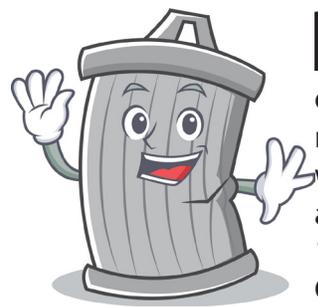


Leaves should not be piled behind parked vehicles, near storm drains, or around telephone poles, sign posts, or mailboxes.



Property owners without curbs may pile their leaves as close to the street as possible, but should never be placed in the street.

## NOTICE: CHANGES TO TRASH BILLING



Residents should have received a letter from Republic Services and the City of Clayton in August detailing the new trash contract which will now run through June 2024. As detailed in the letter, there will be no change in current services and most residents will see no increase in billing during this contract year, ending in June 2020. Any minor route changes will be communicated to impacted residents prior to the change occurring. The major change announced with the extension of the partnership with Republic Services is after October 1<sup>st</sup>, the City of Clayton will no longer be responsible for billing for trash services. This means Clayton will no longer invoice or collect payments for Republic Services. For those residents who prefer to pay invoices on-line with no processing fees, Republic Services has an app

called, "My Resource" that can be used to pay your bill online, manage your account and report missed collection and container issues. Residents can also pay by the following methods: toll free by calling 1-877-692-9729, via autopay, through check or credit card by mail with statement or online through their website at [RepublicServices.com/pay-bill](https://RepublicServices.com/pay-bill).

# 2019 LEAF PICK-UP TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Schedule is flexible and may vary depending on weather and timing of leaf drop, however, the service department will stop leaf pick-up by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4
Pass 1	<b>Wk. of Oct. 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Wk. of Oct. 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wk. of Oct. 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Wk. of Oct. 28<sup>th</sup></b>
Pass 2	<b>Wk. of Nov. 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wk. of Nov. 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wk. of Nov. 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wk. of Nov. 25<sup>th</sup></b>

## LEAF COLLECTION ZONES:

City crews will make every attempt to follow the pickup schedule but the weather may cause changes.

Afton-Zone 3  
Allison-Zone 1  
Amy-Zone 1  
Anneliese-Zone 2  
Artistic-Zone 2  
Ashbrook-Zone 1  
  
Baldwin Hills-Zone 4  
Barnes-Zone 2  
Baronsmere-Zone 3  
Barrington-Zone 1  
Bethany-Zone 3  
Blue Teal-Zone 2  
Bolzano-Zone 2  
Borges-Zone 2  
Boston-Zone 3  
Brushwood-Zone 3  
Burkwood-Zone 2  
  
Caldero-Zone 3  
Cedar Bluff-Zone 3  
Cheri Lynne-Zone 1  
Cheryl-Zone 1  
Cilantro-Zone 2  
Circle-Zone 1  
Clinton-Zone 2  
Colemere-Zone 3  
Colleen-Zone 2  
Coralberry-Zone 2  
Coriander-Zone 2  
Corydale-Zone 3  
Coughlin-Zone 3  
Country View-Zone 2  
Countrydale-Zone 3  
County Line-Zone 2  
Crestway-Zone 2  
Crownwood-Zone 3  
  
Damson-Zone 2  
Dawnwood-Zone 2  
Debbie-Zone 1  
Delray-Zone 2  
Denver-Zone 4  
Deville-Zone 3  
Diamond Mill-Zone 2  
Dill-Zone 2

Dog Leg-Zone 1  
Dolores-Zone 2  
Dominican-Zone 2  
Dorchester-Zone 2  
Dorshire-Zone 3  
  
Elin-Zone 2  
Ellis-Zone 2  
Elmway-Zone 1  
Elru-Zone 2  
Enesco-Zone 4  
Esther Price-Zone 2  
  
Fairlawn-Zone 4  
Fallgold-Zone 2  
Fallwood-Zone 4  
Fig Tree-Zone 4  
Flagler-Zone 2  
Flaute-Zone 2  
Flower-Zone 1  
Fontella-Zone 2  
Foursome-Zone 4  
Fox Rd-Zone 2  
Frankfort-Zone 2  
Freeport-Zone 3  
  
Galaxie-Zone 3  
Garber -Zone 1  
*(Old Salem-Westbrook)*  
Garber-Zone 2  
*(Old Salem-SR 48)*  
Glenhaven-Zone 1  
Glenhills-Zone 4  
Gold Key-Zone 1  
Golf Manor-Zone 4  
Gorman-Zone 2  
Granite-Zone 2  
Greenbank-Zone 2  
Greenbay-Zone 3  
Greenview-Zone 1  
Grosse Point-Zone 3  
Groveview-Zone 1  
  
Haber-Zone 2  
Hacker-Zone 1  
Harrington-Zone 1  
Heathcliff-Zone 2  
Highfield-Zone 3  
Hill-Zone 2  
Hillgrove-Zone 2  
Hilltop-Zone 2  
Hoffman-Zone 1  
Hoke-Zone 2  
Honeybrook-Zone 3

Inwood-Zone 1  
Irvington-Zone 1  
  
Jack's Ln-Zone 2  
Jackie-Zone 1  
Jacquelyn-Zone 1  
Jana Cir-Zone 1  
Janice Pl-Zone 3  
Jean-Zone 1  
  
Kevton-Zone 3  
Kilgar-Zone 2  
Kimmel-Zone 2  
N. Kinsey-Zone 2  
*(across from Artistic)*  
Kinsey-Zone 4  
*(South of Old Salem)*  
  
Laurel Fork-Zone 3  
Lavon-Zone 3  
Layne Hills-Zone 4  
Lempco-Zone 2  
Linchmere-Zone 3  
Lindy-Zone 1  
Lockwood-Zone 2  
  
Main St-Zone 1  
*(Hillgrove- Westbrook)*  
Main St-Zone 2  
*(Sweet Potato to Union)*  
Marjoram-Zone 2  
Marlbank-Zone 4  
Marylew-Zone 1  
Maynard-Zone 2  
McKenna-Zone 2  
Meiring-Zone 2  
Melody-Zone 1  
Michelle Place-Zone 4  
Mill-Zone 2  
Mintwood-Zone 2  
Moorewood-Zone 1  
Morrow-Zone 3  
Mount Royal-Zone 2  
  
National-Zone 2  
Noranda-Zone 3  
Northfield-Zone 3  
Northland-Zone 1  
  
Oakfield-Zone 3  
Obispe-Zone 1  
Old Mill-Zone 2  
Old Salem-Zone 2  
*(48 to Garber)*  
Old Salem-Zone 4  
*(Garber to 49)*  
Oren-Zone 3

Pacemont-Zone 2  
Packingham-Zone 4  
Park Vista-Zone 4  
Parsley-Zone 2  
Pebble Brook-Zone 4  
Pepperton-Zone 2  
Phillipsburg-Union-Zone 2  
Pineland Trail-Zone 2  
Pleasant Plain-Zone 2  
Ponderosa-Zone 3  
Portrait-Zone 3  
Priscilla-Zone 1  
Prospect-Zone 1  
Pugliese Place-Zone 2  
Putnam-Zone 2  
  
Rahway-Zone 2  
Ramsey-Zone 3  
Ranch Hill-Zone 3  
Rangeview-Zone 3  
Raspberry-Zone 2  
Rathburn-Zone 4  
Reeves-Zone 3  
Remington-Zone 1  
Rhinehart-Zone 2  
River Ridge-Zone 1  
River Road-Zone 2  
Riverbend-Zone 1  
Riverdelta-Zone 1  
Robert Ulrich-Zone 3  
Roblar Hills-Zone 4  
Romaine-Zone 1  
Rose Bud-Zone 3  
Rosser-Zone 2  
Rundell-Zone 3  
Rushleigh-Zone 4  
Rushwood-Zone 4  
Rymark-Zone 3  
  
Salem-Zone 2  
Salem Crossing-Zone 2  
Sandpebble-Zone 4  
Satellite-Zone 3  
Savina-Zone 2  
Scenic River-Zone 1  
Scothills-Zone 4  
Semley-Zone 3  
Seville-Zone 4  
Shadywood-Zone 2  
Sheelin-Zone 2  
Shell-Zone 3  
Sidney-Zone 1  
Silverbell-Zone 2  
Skylark-Zone 4

Southway-Zone 2  
Spring-Zone 2  
Springway-Zone 1  
Stanwood-Zone 4  
Starlight-Zone 3  
Steineman-Zone 2  
Sterling Maple-Zone 2  
Sterling Oaks-Zone 2  
Sterling Woods-Zone 2  
Stillmore-Zone 4  
Stonewall-Zone 3  
Sue-Zone 1  
Summersweet-Zone 2  
Sunnyhills-Zone 4  
Swan-Zone 2  
Sweet Potato-Zone 2  
Sydenham-Zone 4  
  
Takisa-Zone 1  
Talmadge-Zone 2  
Tammy-Zone 1  
Taywood-Zone 4  
Templehurst-Zone 4  
Thelma-Zone 1  
Thundering Herd-Zone 2  
Trailway-Zone 1  
Tributary-Zone 1  
Turin-Zone 2  
Tuxford-Zone 2  
Tymill-Zone 3  
  
Union-Zone 2  
  
Valley Brook-Zone 4  
Viewmont-Zone 3  
Vinewood-Zone 2  
Vintage-Zone 2  
Vinway-Zone 1  
Virginia Springs-Zone 2  
Volk-Zone 1  
  
Warrior-Zone 2  
Wastler-Zone 2  
Water-Zone 2  
Wenger-Zone 2  
Wenger Meadows-Zone 2  
Westbrook-Zone 1  
West Wenger-Zone 2  
Wetzel Farm-Zone 2  
Whisp. Meadow-Zone 3  
Whitaker-Zone 3  
Willowcreek-Zone 3  
Wood Duck-Zone 2  
Woodacre-Zone 4  
Woolery-Zone 1

# CLAYTON CONTINUES TO EMPHASIZE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS



Over the past four years, Clayton City Council has placed a heavy emphasis on improving the City's infrastructure, specifically residential streets and curbs along with our commercial corridors. Heading into 2019, Clayton completed 124,000 linear feet of new curbs, 120 catch basins were replaced (& 50 repaired) and 144 residential streets, totaling 120 lane miles, were completely resurfaced. The total cost of the three-year resurfacing program was \$3.65 million along with \$2.88 million for the curb and gutter replacement portion. This year the Service Department concentrated on commercial corridors as well as some of the few remaining residential streets not included with the original three-year residential street program.

Finishing up just days before the first day of school was the Hoke Rd. Resurfacing Project, made possible with a Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission's Surface Transportation Program (STP) grant award which paid for \$190,438, almost 66%, towards the resurfacing of 3.7 lane miles. Clayton also completed the \$300,000 Salem Avenue/Hoke Rd. Safety Project which saw the realignment of the left turn lanes and traffic signal upgrades at the intersection. The entire construction cost of that project was also covered through a grant, this time through the State of Ohio Safety Grant Program. The final grant project which will be completed by the end of 2019 is the last phase of the Clayton ADA Ramp Project, a \$55,000 project which is installing ADA compliant ramps at all the intersections throughout the city. A Montgomery County CDBG grant will cover \$40,000 or over 72% of this project.

Clayton also spent the summer of 2019 completing \$552,000 in resurfacing an additional 9 lane miles including arterial roads Garber and Wenger and residential plat streets not included with the original three-year program: Cheri Lynne, Mintwood, Rathburn, Skylark & Wetzel Farm. Although these resurfacing projects prove to be inconvenient to neighbors and visitors alike, we appreciate everyone's patience as the results speak volumes on the importance of the investment in the city's infrastructure. Safer roads, improved aesthetics and improving property values continue to make Clayton a desirable place to live and do business.

Finally, staff recently submitted a grant to the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for resources to assist in the Salem Avenue Infrastructure Replacement Project, planned to coincide with the Ohio Department of Transportation's scheduled resurfacing of Salem Avenue in the next couple of years. The infrastructure component of the project, if funded, will see the replacement of all the crumbling curbs, gutters and culverts, some of which are over 50 years old, along Salem Avenue, within Clayton's boundaries. All of these projects demonstrate a long term investment in the future of not only the city's infrastructure, but also the community's bright future as a destination for new neighbors and businesses alike.

## CONGRATS TO SUMMER VIP WINNER!

Congrats to Burks family for being Clayton's first two-time VIP winner, this time being selected as the 2019 Summer VIP winner. Their home on Dominican Drive is always beautifully landscaped and decorated for the respective season. The Burks previously won the 2017 Fall/Halloween VIP. Congratulations to the Burks family once again!

Staff is now accepting nominations for the Fall/Halloween VIP. Please consider nominating a neighbor, family member or even yourself to be recognized for contributing to the beautiful aesthetic and seasonal appeal of Clayton. Nominations for the Fall/Halloween VIP will be accepted until October 31<sup>st</sup>. Staff will also be accepting nominations for properties decorated in the holiday spirit during the month of December. Nominations for the Holiday VIP will be accepted until December 31<sup>st</sup>.



# NEW BATTERY BACKUPS FOR TRAFFIC SIGNALS

Traffic signals play an important safety function for everyone in the community during normal working days, but even more so during local emergencies, as we all learned during the Memorial Day tornadoes. Traffic confusion and lack of familiarity with intersections due to unexpected detours often cause unsafe situations if traffic signals aren't operating correctly, especially during night time hours. Traffic signals being down also result in emergency resources, such as police officers or other staff members, being used to direct traffic instead of assisting in other aspects of an emergency response scenario.

Clayton has been installing battery backups on traffic signals at intersections over the past several years as they were damaged or replaced. However, there were several intersections continuing to operate without battery backups, including those areas without power because of the Memorial Day storms. Due to those storms, the remaining 9 intersections had battery backups installed in July. This \$60,000 capital improvement project will provide all the traffic signaled intersections in the city with backup power for 24-36 hours in the event of a power outage as well as the ability to use generators to recharge those batteries in case of a large-scale event such as the recent tornadoes.

## FALL GOLF LEAGUES NOW FORMING

Just because the warm breeze of summer is transitioning to the cold frost of fall and winter doesn't mean your golf game has to suffer. Fall simulator leagues are now forming at Meadowbrook at Clayton. This is the perfect setup for dedicated golfers or casual hackers that want to take advantage of Meadowbrook's state of the art indoor golf simulators. Groups and individuals are all welcome. The 8-week evening leagues will run October 28 through December 16. Call the Meadowbrook at Clayton Pro Shop at 937-836-6353 to sign-up or for more information. Additional information regarding the winter leagues playing January 6 through March 23 will be available soon.

If you're not interested in committing to a golf league or just looking for something fun to do after the weather turns cold, the simulators are available to anyone Monday through Friday: 9:00am – 4:00pm and Saturday and Sunday: 9:00am – 5:00pm. Call 937-836-6353 to reserve your tee time. Rates are \$30.00 per hour and can be booked in half hour increments. Rates are the same whether it's only you playing or a foursome. Ask about our business lunch specials too and bring out the entire office for a team building experience. Come out this fall and winter and check out the simulators at Meadowbrook at Clayton!

## WE ARE YOUR CLUB

Pro-Shop: 937-836-6353 | Event Facility: 937-540-9685

6001 Salem Ave. Clayton 45315

[www.meadowbrookatclayton.com](http://www.meadowbrookatclayton.com)



## NORTHMONT WINTER MARKET

The City of Clayton is excited to be partnering with the Northmont Community Market this winter with the introduction of the Winter Market at Meadowbrook at Clayton. The Winter Market gives the community an opportunity to continue sampling varieties in local artisans and craft vendors during the winter season here in Clayton. The Winter Market will also feature fun, exciting and free kid activities each month, such as Corks and Crafts and kid's FIT training, while their parents shop all the wonderful vendors at the market. The Grill at Meadowbrook will also be opened, so patrons can get a quick bite and drink while shopping or you can sit and watch the game on one of the televisions while your significant other shops and the kids play. The new Golf Simulators will also be open and features 80+ top golf courses. Reserve a tee time for up to groups of 6 for \$30/hour per simulator. The Winter Market will be open the fourth Sunday of every month, starting December 22<sup>nd</sup> through March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

# NEW CABLE PROVIDER COMING TO NORTHMONT AREA

**METRONET**  
Fiber Optic Internet, TV and Phone

By this time, most residents in the Northmont community have received a flyer from MetroNet, a new fiber, cable, internet and telephone provider coming into the Montgomery County region. MetroNet staff has been working with regional communities for over a year as they strategically plan their rollout of services for the northern Montgomery County region, including the City of Clayton. MetroNet has already installed underground fiber sections in three areas of Clayton and will soon announce their next steps as they begin making their services available to residential and commercial clients in 2020. Communication will be a high priority throughout this process. Their website explains exactly what to expect, "residents will see a series of messages before construction activity begins in their neighborhood, including a letter,

postcard, and yard marker. Next, they will see crews identifying underground utilities and marking their locations with temporary paint. In the days following this, MetroNet contractor teams will begin constructing our 100% fiber optic network. Rest assured, the construction phase is temporary. We'll do our best to minimize any impact to your property as we work within the utility easement areas." The City of Clayton will be in constant contact with MetroNet throughout the build out and will communicate all future construction updates on all of the city's various platforms.

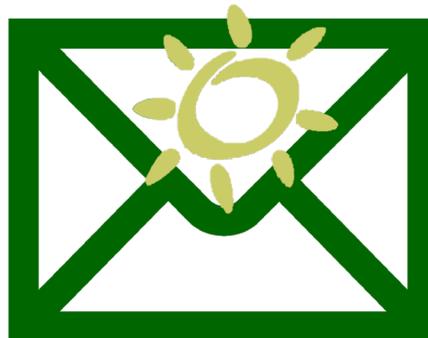
## PLAN CLAYTON MARCHES FORWARD IN THE PARKS

After spending almost two years working with a consultant gathering public and community stakeholder input on the future direction of Clayton, staff has spent considerable time in 2019 implementing the beginning phases of PLAN Clayton. One of the major components of the updated comprehensive land use plan was improving Clayton's parks and open spaces. The Clayton Parks Advisory Commission has worked with staff this year to create a list of recommended park improvements implementable over the next 12-18 months. The first wave of improvements includes 32 new trashcans and 20 new animal waste receptacles, with most of the cost being covered through a Montgomery County Solid Waste District grant, being installed across the three city parks. Staff has also ordered new disc golf baskets and accompanying equipment which will be installed by the end of 2019 at Westbrook Park. Northview Park is earmarked to receive a new swing set, and equipment. Hardscrabble is slated to have new horseshoe pits installed in the former basketball courts, new grills and new picnic tables and all three parks will receive new benches and bike racks. Staff has also submitted a CDBG application to Montgomery County to renovate the restroom at Westbrook Park.

Additional benchmarks being worked on by staff from PLAN Clayton is creating new signage at the parks as well as a landscape plan for the parks and all public areas throughout Clayton. Staff is also studying new parking alternatives at all three parks, making them more user friendly for the entire community at large. Staff will continue working with the Parks Advisory Commission to implement the PLAN Clayton changes and beautifying our city's open spaces.

## CONNECT WITH CLAYTON!

Clayton utilizes social media to connect with residents and business owners. Clayton posts on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#) and [Nextdoor](#). In addition, residents may sign-up to receive text messages and/or emails directly from Clayton's website. Take a moment to follow the City on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#) and [Nextdoor](#) and sign-up under 'Notify Me' to receive texts and/or emails from Clayton on the website!



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# 2019: FALL & WINTER EVENTS



## SWEEP CLAYTON CLEAN - Fall Clean-up

**DATE:** Saturday, October 19, 2019

**TIME:** 8:00 a.m. to Noon

**LOCATION:** 200 Woolery Ln. - Fire Station 83

Clayton residents may dispose of junk, storage, furniture, wood, tree limbs and yard debris. Refrigerators may be dropped off; Freon must be drained. Free to residents. *\*No Liquids, Paints, Freon, Tires, or Hazardous Items will be accepted.*



## FALL FESTIVAL - COSTUMES & CARVING FOR KIDS

**DATE:** Sunday, October 27, 2019

**TIME:** 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** 6001 Salem Ave, - Meadowbrook at Clayton

Kids grades K - 8<sup>th</sup> are invited! Pumpkin Carving Contests for all ages. Pumpkins & carving tools provided. Come dressed in your Costumes! Costume contest following carving. Goodie bags will be handed out at the end of the event. Call (937) 836-3500 to reserve your spot! RSVP's are appreciated but not required.



## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

**DATE:** Saturday, December 14, 2019

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**LOCATION:** 6001 Salem Ave, - Meadowbrook at Clayton

Tell Santa your Christmas wish and enjoy a yummy pancake breakfast. Tickets go on sale November 12<sup>th</sup>! Purchase tickets in advance; Adults \$7, Kids (Ages 4-10) \$4, Kids 3 & under are free. *\*Cash or check only.* Skip breakfast and see Santa start lining up at 10 am -- Admission is Free.



## WINTER MARKET

**DATE:** Fourth Sunday of the month, December through March

**TIME:** Noon to 4:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** 6001 Salem Ave, - Meadowbrook at Clayton

Join the Northmont Community Market for their first Winter Market at Meadowbrook. We invite everyone to shop with local artisans and vendors while kids are entertained with activities such as kids fitness classes, crafts, scavenger hunts and more all provided by the City of Clayton Parks Advisory Commission! The rest of the family may watch the game and enjoy a drink in The Grill while others can keep their golf game sharp with Meadowbrook's new indoor Golf Simulators. Admission is Free. Kids activities are Free.

**Questions?** Contact Jack Kuntz, *Development Director* at (937) 836-3500 ext.111 or email [jkuntz@clayton.oh.us](mailto:jkuntz@clayton.oh.us)



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