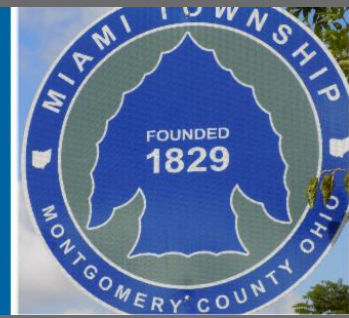




MIAMI TOWNSHIP MONTHLY



September 2021

Trustees plan for community investment

Fund could mean \$1M for neighborhood initiatives



During a special meeting in July, Board of Trustees President John Morris and Trustee Terry Posey brought forward a motion to create a *Community Investment and Innovation Fund*. They expect to identify approximately \$1 million for new neighborhood initiatives. The motion passed unanimously.

"This group of trustees is committed to supporting our neighborhoods. I look forward to working with our citizens and exploring their ideas for the best way to invest these funds into our neighborhood parks, roads and organizations. Step 1 was the passage of this motion to create the community investment fund," Trustee President John Morris said.

The next steps will be for the trustees and administration to identify available funding and potential uses. In 2020, Senate Bill 4 was passed, allowing local governments to redirect restricted funds for investment into other areas. Also, the 2021 American Rescue Plan may provide additional funding. These efforts may identify as much as \$1 million to be available for community investment.

"The pandemic affected all of our citizens and businesses," Trustee Vice President Terry Posey, Jr. said. "Through the creation of this fund, we look forward to engaging neighborhood, business and non-profit

stakeholders on this rare opportunity to drive township improvement without raising taxes."

Introducing the Miami Township Marketplace

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Miami Township is a community rich with quality businesses... retail, food, recreation, hotels! We want our businesses to thrive, so the township is now offering the *Miami Township Marketplace*!

We will shoot a short video interview at your business to highlight all that your establishment has to offer. It is quick and easy but will share the message that you are open for business! The videos will live on our website, www.miamitownship.com, and will be shared on our social media pages, including Facebook, Twitter and YouTube.

We will be reaching out to local businesspeople to participate, but please reach out to us! Call (937) 433-9969 or email twpstories@miamitownship.com and share your story. Be a part of the *Miami Township Marketplace* – it's free!

Non-emergency dispatch to change December 30, 2021

Watch the video:

Miami Township is contracting with the Kettering Police Department to provide non-emergency dispatch services.

Beginning December 30, 2021, at 8 a.m., those living in the unincorporated township (does not include city of Miamisburg), will dial (937) 296-2558 for any non-emergency calls requiring police assistance. Until December 30,



continue to call (937) 225-4357. As always, dial 911 if you have an emergency.

This month, we asked MTPD Community Resource Officer William Olinger to talk about the plan. Watch the video to learn more.

When do I dial dispatch vs 911

Click to print reminder:



RESIDENT REMINDER: **Effective December 30, 2021**

Miami Township's Non-Emergency Dispatch phone number is changing. Please add it to your contacts and keep a copy available in your home.

NON-EMERGENCY DISPATCH:

(937) 296-2558

IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY:

DIAL 911



*Until December 30, 2021, Miami Township residents should still dial (937) 225-4357 for all non-emergency police matters. The change is for unincorporated township residents. The city of Miamisburg is not included.



Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

August 16 -September 6, 2021



At Your Service - News and Events

Crains Run Road repair to be complete soon

Repairs are underway on Crains Run Road after a summer storm washed away a portion of roadway. After securing funds and dealing with a supply shortage,

repair work began August 24. Depending on the weather, work could be complete as early as the weekend of Sept. 3. But for now, the road remains closed to through traffic. We'll let you know right away when it reopens!



MVFD firefighter receives special commendation

The Miami Valley Fire District honored Lt. Brett Beach recently with a special commendation for his deployment with Ohio Task Force One to the condominium collapse in Surfside, Florida. Beach was among a team of rescuers who spent two weeks in July assisting at the scene.

He is currently with Ohio Task Force One in Louisiana assisting in the aftermath of Hurricane Ida.

Lt. Beach is a veteran of the MVFD having been promoted to the rank of lieutenant in 2017.



(Bottom photo courtesy Ohio Task Force One)

Vienna Springs Health Campus grand opening

The Vienna Springs Health Campus officially opened in August. Board President John Morris presented a special proclamation to Vienna Springs Executive Director Mike Lacey during a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Vienna Springs Health Campus is located at the corner of Vienna Parkway and SR 741. Services



include independent living apartments, assisted living, memory care and acute care.

Visit Vienna Springs online



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- Get back on track with normal rent payments
- Improved communications and reduced stress

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- Avoid an eviction judgment for tenant
- Avoid negative reporting on credit report
- Get support & options about staying in your home
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Your mediated agreement is an official court order. Participation is voluntary for both parties.

All parties must agree to mediation - Call 937-333-2349

Download informational postcard

Assistance available for rental eviction mediation

The Dayton Mediation Center has received Emergency Solution Grant funding (CARES Act) from the city of Dayton and Montgomery County to support homelessness prevention through its landlord/tenant programming.

The grant funds allows these services to be made available to all Montgomery County residents free of charge.

The goal is to assist residents in their efforts to maintain housing, through mediation, conflict coaching, landlord/tenant education and referrals for additional support such as rental assistance.

CLICK for more information or contact **Aaron Primm**, Mediation Specialist at (937) 333-2349.

Business Insider



EMBER AND ART

Nicole Kessel is an entrepreneur with artistic flair. The former township employee is making waves after a bold



move to open her own art studio, Ember and Art:

How did Ember and Art come about?

I have always found myself drawn to making art and have pursued all things creative throughout my personal and professional life. My passion for photography and the arts is what led me to ceramics, while my past business experience, sense of adventure and

fierce resourcefulness motivated me to explore new opportunities within a creative arts field.

You live in Miami Township! Tell us about the setup of your business.

I have a home studio where I create work while the retail side of my business takes place online, at galleries, craft festivals, craft shows and other events.

Where does your love of pottery and art come from? Crayons, pens and paper were absolutely my first love. When I was little, I could spend hours drawing, coloring or painting. I enjoy the entire process from learning new creative skills to finding fun and interesting ways to connect an expressive piece or idea with others. I took a pottery class back in college and really enjoyed it. A few years ago, I was looking for a challenging creative outlet, and knowing how much I enjoyed that class, I decided to look into ceramics once again. From there, my interest and pursuit of education in pottery and ceramic glaze chemistry grew and grew, as did my home studio.

Plans for future growth? I'm currently creating new ceramic work for local shops and galleries and hope to do more shows and festivals in the near future. Things have been a bit weird with the pandemic, so online retail will likely continue to be a large part of my business both now and in the future. As my interests in the creative arts continue to expand, I would love to one day have an art studio or gallery people can visit and learn more about the ceramic and creative process.



How can people purchase your pottery? I have a list of upcoming events listed on my website, emberandart.com. There you will also find a link to my Etsy shop where work can be purchased online. I currently have some pieces on display at the Chasing Light Art Gallery in downtown Springboro and will be a participating artist at the Maker's Market in the Barrel Room at the **Yellow Springs Brewery** on September 24. I hope to participate in several holiday events later this year, which will also be added to my website as those dates are confirmed.

For upcoming announcements, giveaways, events and to see what

Ember and Art is up to next, follow it on Instagram at @emberandart or at facebook.com/emberandart. You can also sign up for the Ember and Art online newsletter for special promotions and other information at emberandart.com.

Did You Know?

- The Miami Township Government Center is closed Monday, September 6, 2021, for Labor Day. Offices reopen Tuesday, September 7, at 8 a.m. Rumpke trash pickup is on a one-day delay.
- The Miami Township Veterans Breakfast is returning in 2021! More details in the months ahead, but mark your calendar now for November 10 at 8 a.m.



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