

Community Update

Nov. / December 2010



Habitat for Humanity Builds Home in Community

Dayton Habitat for Humanity broke ground at 3586 Lane Gardens Court to begin construction of a home for Alice Twagirayezu and her family on Friday, November 12, 2010. Dayton Habitat for Humanity is an ecumenical Christian ministry that welcomes to its work all people dedicated to the cause of eliminating poverty housing.



Since its founding in 1983, Dayton Habitat for Humanity has built or renovated 160 houses throughout Montgomery County, providing simple, decent, affordable homes to more than 750 people, including 450 children. For more information or to learn how you can get involved with the Dayton Habitat affiliate, please visit www.daytonhabitat.org or call (937)586-0860.

Indians Pee Wee Football Goes to Super Bowl

Congratulations to the 6th grade Mad River Indians Pee Wee Football Team for making it to the Friendly's Super Bowl that was held on November 14, 2010 at the University of Dayton's Welcome Stadium. As the Indians lost to the Centerville Elks, 13-12, the 6th grade team was the first team in 41 years to make it to the Super Bowl.

Council Corner

Autumn is gone and the winter months are bearing down on us. We need to remember that what we clean up now will not have to be cleaned up in the spring. I am talking about those colorful leaves falling from our trees. You can bag or mulch your leaves, but please DO NOT rake them into the street or burn them. The placement of yard waste in the street can present a roadway safety hazard and clog the storm drains, increasing the potential for flooding problems and if you burn them they will pollute the air. Please be a good neighbor and mulch or bag your leaves and set them out with your trash.

With winter comes SNOW. We need to keep our sidewalks shoveled and keep an eye out for our neighbors. If they need help shoveling their walk, why not help them out; it makes our city a better place to live. If you have a fire hydrant in your front yard or near your home, make sure it gets dug out too, it could save lives. Remember when we have heavy snow, it is a lot easier to get the streets cleaned with fewer cars parked on the street.

We all want to make Riverside a GREAT place to live work and play. So what can you do? VOLUNTEER! There are many places to volunteer; churches, Mad River Lions Club, Historical Society, RABA, Youth Soccer, Pee Wee Football, Riverside Jaycees, Riverside Festival, Riverside Seniors, one of the many commissions of the City, school PTO, just to mention a few. To make this City better, it takes EVERYONE doing a little.

With the holidays approaching, there will be many opportunities for you to do a little extra for someone else. Take that opportunity and do something positive with it. Whether it is helping with food baskets or putting some money in that pot next to the person ringing the bell, take every opportunity to do something to help someone else. It will make you feel good inside and help others at the same time.

Have a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year!

Mike Denning

City or Riverside Council Member



Dayton Power and Light's TOP 10 TIPS for Saving Energy in Your Home

- 10** Change habits to conserve energy, like turning off the lights when you leave the room.
- 9** Understand how your home uses energy.
 - 46% goes to heating and cooling.
 - 12% goes to lighting.
- 8** Insulate your house.
- 7** Weatherize your house. Seal leaks with:
 - Caulk between materials that DON'T move like around the chimney and out door overhangs.
 - Weather stripping around pieces that DO move like windows and doors.
- 6** Reduce leaks in ducts.
- 5** Reduce heating usage in the winter.
 - Each degree above 68 degrees can add 3% to the amount of energy needed for heating.
- 4** Reduce air conditioning usage in summer.
 - Setting the heating thermostat higher will use less energy.
- 3** Improve the efficiency of your air conditioner.
 - Replace air filters every month.
 - Tune up your system.
 - Upgrade your system - Higher efficiency central air conditioners use about 14% less energy.
- 2** Recycle your refrigerator.
 - Older refrigerators use 2 to 3 times more energy than newer models. DP&L will pick up your refrigerator or freezer for FREE and send you a \$25 check and you will save up to \$150 in energy costs. Call 1-800-545-4112 to schedule a pick-up.
- 1** Change to compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs).
 - CFLs use 75% less energy and last 10 times longer. Save up to \$30 in energy costs over the life of each bulb.

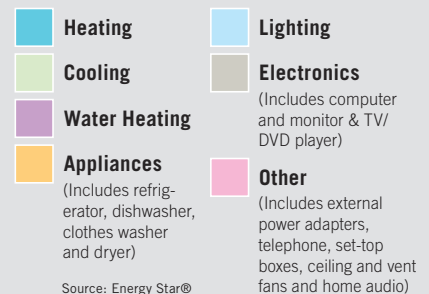
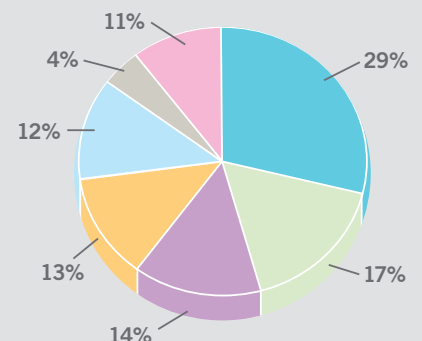
Bonus Holiday Tip!

Change to LED Christmas lights, which can use 90% less energy than incandescent light strings.

For more information, visit www.dpandl.com/save

WHERE DOES MY MONEY GO?

Annual Energy bill for a typical Single Family Home is approximately \$2,200.



THE SCOOP ON AIR CONDITIONING

Receive a \$200 - \$600 rebate on a new energy-efficient air conditioner or heat pump and save about \$150 in energy costs.

DP&L Certified HVAC Tune-Ups, performed by participating Miami Valley contractors, can help your air conditioner or heat pump operate at peak efficiency and improve the comfort of your home.



Winter Safety

The snow season is upon us and City crews will be plowing snow through residential subdivisions and major thoroughfares in the priority listed below.

- 1 Major Thoroughfares
- 2 Key Intersections/Interchanges
- 3 Bridges
- 4 Hills
- 5 Culvert Overpasses
- 6 School Crossings

Please be aware that during a snow event, all cars parked on the street should be removed so that the snow plow can clear the road. Cars that are parked on the street create additional obstacles and can restrict visibility for our crews plowing the streets. Please remember to use extreme caution when traveling during hazardous

conditions and to slow down when going around service vehicles, snowplows, and waste collection trucks.

Plowed snow can build-up along the roadway leading into driveways; wherever practical, we will attempt to keep the snow build-up to a minimum. Unfortunately, the crews will not be removing plowed snow from in front of driveways. When you are shoveling, please remember to not shovel the snow into the roadway.

Winter is very hard on roadway surfaces. Temporary patches can be done in the wintertime until a more permanent repair can be made in the spring. If you notice potholes, please contact our Services Department at 233-1801 with the location.

Shaker Board Lights Up Riverside

Hometown Holiday in Riverside, YULE Love It, was held on Saturday, November 20, 2010 in the Airway Shopping Center. Santa arrived at the shopping center on a fire engine and officially opened his Secret Santa Shop so children could get their pictures taken with him and to begin shopping for their parents and siblings. Many enjoyed the horse drawn carriage rides and watching Santa light the courtyard Christmas Tree. The Hometown Holiday event was a huge success and we hope to continue what will be a tradition in Riverside.

Photo above right: The 2010 "Christmas Star"; Alice Weaver representing five generations of her family riding in the first carriage ride of the evening; from left to right is Alice Weaver, her son Jim Weaver, Great Granddaughter Candice, Great Granddaughter Kendra, and Granddaughter Peggy.

Photo bottom right: Santa Claus making his grand appearance in the city of Riverside.



Christmas Holiday Waste Collection

There will be no delay in waste collection due to the Christmas Holiday falling on Saturday. Please have all items set at the curb for your normal waste collection pick-up.

Leaf Collection and Pick-up

Proper disposal of yard waste is tremendously important in order to prevent water pollution problems. Please do not place leaves, grass clippings, or other yard waste materials on the street, in drainage ditches or catch basins.

2011 Dog License

Montgomery County Dog Licenses are to be renewed annually between December 1st and January 31st. Ohio law requires dogs over three months of age be licensed. If you obtain a dog after January 31st, you are required to immediately license your dog in order to comply with Ohio law. The cost for a 2011 dog license is \$20. Licenses may be purchased at the County Auditor's office, the Animal Resource Center and other authorized agents around Montgomery County. The application form is available online at www.mcoho.org/dogs and can be printed out and sent to Karl L. Keith, Montgomery County Auditor, Dog Licensing, 451 West Third Street, Dayton, OH 45422 with the licensing fee. Please call 937-225-4314 for more information.



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► City Council Meetings

Council Work Sessions are held on every first and third Thursday of the month at 6pm located at 1791 Harshman Road.

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► City Administration

City Manager
Bryan R.H. Chodkowski

Director of Finance
Robert Gillian

**Director of Planning
and Economic Development**
Robert Murray

Director of Public Services
Mitch Miller

Acting Fire Chief
Robert Turner

Chief of Police
Mark Reiss

► Elected Officials

Mayor
Bill Flaute

Council Members
Beverly Campbell
Mike Denning
Steven C. Fullenkamp
Shirley Reynolds
Edward Schock
Michael Smith

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www.riverside.oh.us

► Important Numbers

Waste Collection333-4800
(City of Dayton)

Water & Sewer 781-2688
(Montgomery County)

Police & Fire Dispatch225-4357

Area Two Court 496-7231

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