



# VILLAGE OF EVENDALE

MAY 2020

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

Kudos to the Recreation Department for their continued work during Governor DeWine's Stay-at-home Order. Rec. employees have been making phone calls to Evendale senior citizens to make sure they are okay and to help with any needs they may have. The calls have been well received. Meanwhile, if you know of ANY resident in need, please contact the Recreation Department at 513-563-2247.

Anyone who has not been over Glendale-Milford Road at I-75 should take a road trip. The railings for Glendale-Milford Road are being installed and they are quite impressive. The railings give you some idea of what the finished project is going to look like. Bids for the bridge towers have been agreed to, and the contractor is moving forward. In addition to the custom railings and towers, internally-lit signs reading, "Village of Evendale" will be installed on both sides of the bridge serving as a beautiful gateway to the Village while announcing our location to all travelers along Interstate 75.

Our five million dollar bond issue to complete Phase II of Aerohub Blvd. is currently being vetted with Standard and Poor's, the bond voting agency. We should get our rating by the time this newsletter is published. Cross your fingers that the Village receives a favorable rating. Even though it is tough times, we feel it is important to proceed for the long term benefit of our community.

Please note our budget figures for the month and the year to date. The push back of the date for tax payments makes it hard to predict future income receipts; however, the Village is keeping expenses down at the moment.

Good news to report! The Village has entered into a land purchase agreement with Kinetic Vision to relocate to AeroHub from their current location on Evendale Commons. Their business has been thriving as of late and they need additional space. They plan to construct a 45,000 +/- sq. ft. new headquarters in AeroHub. Their current three facilities combined equal approximately 28,000 sq. ft.

We have been advised that the Village will receive a nice rebate of \$110,000 +/- from the State of Ohio Workers Compensation Program due to the program's high reserve. Also, because Evendale claims have been low over the past few years, our plan renewal premium for this year has been reduced by \$21,251 from \$72,607 to \$51,356. The rebate and premium reduction help in tough times.

Meanwhile, stay well!!!

Sincerely,

Your Mayor

The Village of Evendale is fiscally conservative and maintains a reserve to protect operations in the event of a sudden economic downturn. The Village is well positioned to deal with the current economic downturn and management is monitoring the fiscal situation daily.

### Village of Evendale Financial Comparison

	2020 March	2020 Year to Date	2019 March	2019 Year to Date
<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$ 1,307,756	\$ 4,405,278	\$ 1,849,807	\$ 4,296,796
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	\$ 1,291,537	\$ 3,861,812	\$ 883,643	\$ 3,662,693
<b>Net Result</b>	\$ 16,219	\$ 543,466	\$ 966,164	\$ 634,103

Due to the State of Ohio Stay at Home Orders due to COVID-19.  
The Village Shred Day had to be postponed to  
Saturday, July 18, 2020  
from 9:00am to 12:00pm.

We apologize for the inconvenience.



## EVENDALE INCOME TAX DEPARTMENT

### TAX NEWS



The due date for filing your 2019 Evendale Income Tax Return has been extended to **July 15, 2020**. The due date for paying the balance due on your 2019 Evendale Income Tax Return, and for paying the first and second quarter 2020 Estimated Tax Payments, has also been extended to **July 15, 2020**. Please note that in-person taxpayer assistance remains suspended at this time. Help with your Evendale Income Tax Return is still available by email or by telephone. Please contact the Tax Administrator, Cindy Vaske, at (513) 563-2671, [cindy.vaske@evendaleohio.org](mailto:cindy.vaske@evendaleohio.org).



## EVENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Evendale Fire Department stands at full strength, ready to respond to the needs of our citizens. Overall, as a department, we are doing well. Our firefighter/paramedics remain diligent in their cleaning and sanitation routines of our building and vehicles. Furthermore they remain diligent in the proper use of their PPE (Personal Protective Equipment). As a result, we have not had to isolate or quarantine any of our personnel. I strongly believe this is the result of them taking the situation and all related guidance seriously. The University of Cincinnati EMS Medical Directors have also been an invaluable partner in providing guidance.

The PPE that has been acquired and available to the Fire Department which includes surgical masks, N95 masks, Air Purifying Respirators, protective gowns, gloves and eye protection. We have been able to obtain a small number of these supplies free of charge, but otherwise we have not received any additional funding for PPE, from outside of the budget. It is estimated that we have spent \$3,000 to \$4,000 on PPE, specifically for response to this pandemic. Our firefighters are serious about providing the best possible service to our citizens at all times, including during this situation. It is largely due to the efforts of our firefighter/paramedics that the Evendale Fire Department currently stands at full strength, ready to respond to the needs of our citizens.

What is the difference between quarantine and isolation?

### Quarantine

Quarantine is used to keep someone who might have been exposed to COVID-19 away from others. Someone in self-quarantine stays separated from others, and they limit movement outside of their home or current place. A person may have been exposed to the virus without knowing it (for example, when traveling or out in the community), or they could have the virus without feeling symptoms. Quarantine helps limit further spread of COVID-19.

### Isolation

Isolation is used to separate sick people from healthy people. People who are in isolation should stay home. In the home, anyone sick should separate themselves from others by staying in a specific "sick" bedroom or space and using a different bathroom (if possible).



## GORMAN HERITAGE FARM

Based on suggestions by Federal, State and Local officials, the Farm is currently still closed to the public. We are hopeful to reopen soon, as soon as it can be done safely. Check our website and Facebook page for updates.

GHF trails are open to Evendale residents and we encourage you to get out, exercise and enjoy the sunshine. Please refrain from visiting the Farmyard for the safety of the Staff and Volunteers caring for our livestock. As always, you may walk your leashed dog on the trails, leaving no trace.

We are continuing our mission to educate about agriculture, nutrition, sustainability and the environment virtually! Check out our Facebook page (@gormanfarm), Instagram (@thegormanheritagefarm) and website for some serious fun! We continue working the gardens, planting crops, caring for our livestock, invasive species removal and tending to our 122- acre "classroom".

We have cancelled all events through May, again pending further developments. All registrations are refundable. Email [info@gormanfarm.org](mailto:info@gormanfarm.org) to have your event registration refunded, or with any questions.

Summer Kids Camp registration is still open. GHF Members receive a discount on camps. GHF Camps are ACA accredited and illustrates our continued commitment to providing safe, fun, enriching camp programming. Scholarships are available for families in need of assistance. Register today at [gormanfarm.org/summer-day-camp](http://gormanfarm.org/summer-day-camp)

### Save the Date

Row by Row August 22  
Sunflower Festival October 3 & 4



**RECREATION'S CHALKFEST 2020**  
**FRIDAY, MAY 22 – SUNDAY, MAY 24**  
**Community-wide event for all ages.**

Be creative, write a message, draw pictures, and include a heart or something patriotic! All drawings should be at the bottom of your driveway or along your sidewalk.



Need chalk? Request by 5/8 and we will happily drop to your home.

Interested in chalking an older residents' driveway to spread goodwill?

Interested in having your driveway chalked by some creative artists?

Please contact Sarah Hilton, sarah.hilton@evendaleohio.org for chalk delivery and/or to be paired with an older resident so they too can enjoy this event.

We would love to see all the beautiful artwork so please submit photos to [sarah.hilton@evendaleohio.org](mailto:sarah.hilton@evendaleohio.org) no later than Tuesday, May 26, to be considered for prize drawings that include one art class session or lesson at ECAC, art supplies, games/toys, gift cards, and more!



**Recreation's Family Backyard Campout**

Saturday, June 13 (Rain date, June 20)

Time to gather your supplies:

- Outdoor tarp and tent
- Overhead shade or umbrella
- Kitchen camping gear and utensils
- Barbecue or fire pit
- Water, favorite beverages and cooler with ice
- Clothing & hygiene essentials
- Outdoor games & toys, add in some glow products too!
- Some comforts of home for small children (pillow, battery-powered nightlight, security blanket, etc.)



In the June newsletter, look for a suggested time-line itinerary with fun activities for the night!



**First, let me say that we miss you.** We miss the smiling faces that stop in to the ECAC each day; we miss the

amazing art, music, and performances being created by all of you in our studios; we miss our talented and generous team of instructors. We hope that you are finding your way through this challenging and sometimes frightening time and we hope that the art in your life is keeping your spirits up. Keep making your art and music at home. We can't wait to see what you do!

Several of our music instructors are teaching virtual music lessons and are planning to continue into May and summer if needed. Evendale residents receive a 50% scholarship for student lessons. Visit the Evendale web page for a complete listing of musical offerings and instructor information. Call 563-1350 or email [susan.gordy@evendaleohio.org](mailto:susan.gordy@evendaleohio.org) for more information.

**As of the printing of this May Newsletter,** the following information is available:

- The Evendale Cultural Arts Center and the Bell Tower Arts Pavilion remain closed.
- The 2020 Evendale Fine Art Exhibit has been postponed until fall.
- The Tri-County Players spring performance, "Vintage Hitchcock" has been postponed.
- All rentals, classes and programs for the month of May are cancelled.
- The June Evendale Fine Art Exhibit Winner's Show has been postponed to a later date.
- Playhouse in the Park Summer Theater Camps have been cancelled through June.
- No programs are being advertised.
- Follow us on Facebook, or register on our web-site to receive e-mail blast for the most up-to-date information:
  - ⇒ Facebook - Village of Evendale, Ohio (Recreation, Administration and Cultural Arts Center information)
  - ⇒ E-Mail Blasts - [www.evendaleohio.org](http://www.evendaleohio.org), Email Notifications, Check all that you are interested in receiving.



The Ohio Parks and Recreation Association is in frequent communication with the DeWine Administration, and they will provide us with guidance when they know more.

**WE MISS YOU AT THE RECREATION CENTER!** Our job as public servants is to improve the quality of life through programs, services and amenities. Normally, our facility is buzzing and full of energy. Our team loves that. It's all we've ever known and we thrive in that environment. Now, the rec center is quiet. To improve the quality of life for our residents, we must keep them away and this is very difficult for us.

Please stay safe during these unprecedented times ~ Your Recreation Staff

As of the submission and printing of this May Newsletter, the following information is available:

- The Recreation Center and all recreation facilities on the municipals grounds remain closed. Please utilize the grounds for walking, running, biking and hiking only.
- All Rentals for the month of May are cancelled; this includes the Enclosed Shelter House, the Open Air Shelter and the Recreation Center. When we able to re-open, cancelled rentals will be given first priority to reschedule dates. A lottery system will be put in place for new rentals.
- No programs are being advertised, nor are any sign-ups being taken, at this time.
- Summer Pavilion series events for June are cancelled; future events are unknown at this time.
- The 40th Anniversary Party of our Swim Team has been postponed until 2021.
- The Pool is being drained, cleaned and put into operation. An opening date, if any, is unknown. The operation of the pool, at this time, is for the prevention of mosquito breeding and to ensure the mechanics are working properly.
- Follow us on Facebook, or register on our web-site to receive Recreation e-mail blast for the most up-to-date information:
  - ⇒ Facebook - Village of Evendale, Ohio (Recreation, Administration and Cultural Arts Center information) ·
  - ⇒ E-Mail Blasts - [www.evendaleohio.org](http://www.evendaleohio.org), Email Notifications, Check all that you are interested in receiving.
- Call Recreation Center at 563-2247 and leave a message if you are in need of any assistance. One of our staff will call you back. Continue to call 911 for emergencies.



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### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Administration Office	563-2244
Director of Administration	956-2666
Building Department	956-2665
Tax Department	563-2671
Village Clerk	563-2244
Cultural Arts Center	563-1350
Fire Department	563-2248
Gorman Heritage Farm	563-6663
Police Department	563-2249
Recreation Department	563-2247
Pool	563-2246
Weather Hotline	956-2667
Service Department	563-4338
Rumpke Trash Service	1-800-828-8171
Chamber of Commerce	383-7034

**Website:** [www.EvendaleOhio.org](http://www.EvendaleOhio.org)

 Village of Evendale, Ohio -  
**Recreation, Administration and Cultural Arts.**

 Evendale Emergency Services -  
**Police, Fire and the Service Department.**

### BUILDING, ZONING, AND CODE ENFORCEMENT

Ah, Spring. The time of year when the birds are chirping, flowers are blooming, and the grass is growing...and growing...and growing! With all the rain this spring it is sometimes hard to keep up with the planting beds and yard. But, as time and weather allow, please remember to pull those weeds and cut the grass so as to prevent the growth of "noxious weeds." Village ordinances require the cutting and/or removal of all noxious weeds in excess of 10 inches. But fear not, noxious weeds do not include ornamental grasses, wild-flowers, butterfly gardens, and other purposeful landscape features. Additionally, as trees begin to leaf out, be aware of those dead or dying trees and limbs around your yard that may pose an immediate hazard to a neighboring property, the public street, or the natural flow of storm water. In such instances, the property owner is obligated to remove the trees and/or limbs within 60 days. If you notice a condition of noxious weeds or hazardous tree, please call the Building Department at 513-956-2665. Your report can remain anonymous.

Thank you for helping to keep Evendale beautiful!