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Growing Our Culture of Wellness

I am excited to announce the expansion of TriHealth's services at Mason Community Center!

With Assurex Health's graduation from the Community Center to their new Corporate Headquarters in Mason, the City once again has the opportunity to expand on the business model established by the partnership between TriHealth and the City to continue strengthening the financial position of the Center. Over the last several months the City has pursued discussions with TriHealth for the approximately 10,000 square feet of vacant space, formerly home to Assurex Health. The new space, located just inside the entrance to the Community Center and directly across from TriHealth's existing operations, represents the continued commitment to the City and TriHealth's interest in providing Mason residents high quality health care in a convenient location at the Center.

In November 2007, City Council designated TriHealth as the preferred provider for long-term space lease and health services operations at the Community Center. This partnership has provided both financial support to the Community Center, facilitated an expansion for the state-of-the-art facility, once again formalized a unique strategy for economic development and job growth, and forever changed the culture of wellness in the Mason community.

This additional partnership will allow TriHealth to expand the number of doctors, specialists, and medical services available to Mason residents. By all measures, the current business model has been extremely successful

and this builds on that track record. This project also aligns nicely with Mason's quest for attracting companies to expand our bio-cluster. The ability to integrate community assets, such as the Mason Community Center, into business recruitment remains an important component to our economic development strategies. Using health and wellness to attract and retain a young, active, and educated workforce is critical to the success and growth of entrepreneurial companies.

The lease for the expansion space enhances the already strong financial commitment of TriHealth, continues the model of sharing some of the common expenses of the Community Center, including parking, snow removal, lobby utilities, etc., and strengthens the partnership through a commitment to an annual payment to a shared Community Fund used by both the City and TriHealth in furthering economic development initiatives that strengthen the mission for building a culture of wellness in Mason. In total it is anticipated the lease agreement has a net \$1.3 million benefit to the Community Center over a five-year period. Work on the expansion space should begin this year. We anticipate the disruption to operations to be minimal as most of the work will be contained to the internal space.

TriHealth's expansion builds on the foundation of health and wellness synergies developed at the Center to grow a culture of wellness throughout the community.

Thank you to TriHealth, Assurex, and especially members for building this culture.

Building a Stronger Community
Expanded Services Coming Soon!



Lonnie Vestel

Deerfield Township Board of Trustees

Update on Township's Debt-Free 2020 Plan

The duties of a trustee are primarily fiduciary in nature. If the Township's finances are properly managed, it will be reflected in the overall happiness of the community as roads will be properly paved, parks will be maintained, and police and fire services will stand at the ready to protect our streets, homes, and businesses. Conversely, money squandered, inevitably, manifests itself in poor, inadequate delivery of these essential services. The best communities are those that have been properly and patiently maintained and operate within their means.

Deerfield is a great community, and as we look toward the maintenance and growth of our Township, my attention is fixed on our ledger book. Every decision the Board of Trustees makes on behalf of the township carries with it a sub question: How is taxpayer money being spent?

The previous elected officials, pursuant to their fiduciary duties, set out to do what few political jurisdictions have been capable of doing: become debt-free. Setting as a goal the year 2020, under the guidance of the past elected officials and led by our Township Administrator, Eric Reiners, and his predecessors, the administration began making aggressive payments to reduce the Township's debt, which at one time was upwards of \$50 million.

Even before assuming office, I made a commitment to the voters of Deerfield that I would stay the course to see the Debt Free 2020 plan through to completion. I am thankful that my fellow trustees have also championed this initiative. For us, it makes complete sense to put Deerfield on track to meet its future financial obligations

without the burden of debt service to worry about. It is perhaps the most responsible action public servants entrusted with public funds can take, and it is one that will ensure the continued growth and prosperity of Deerfield.

So how are we doing? From 2006 to 2016, nearly half of that debt (\$25 million) was eliminated, which was a remarkable financial leap forward! Since then, another \$10.5 million has been paid off bringing the remaining debt for Deerfield to approximately \$14.5 million. Major properties like Fleckenstein Park and Kingswood Park are now debt free and our general obligation bonds will be paid in full by the end of 2018.

Our challenge in the remaining two years is to reach the goal of Debt Free 2020. This will include closing out the TIF accounts, which have all been useful and profitable, and paying off our remaining bonds and miscellaneous outstanding debt.

An enormous thanks goes to the previous elected officials and the past/current administrative staff for the planning and budgeting that was necessary to launch and execute Debt Free 2020. In a very real sense, we are building upon the labors of many, and Deerfield Township will be better off because of the work that has been done

Becoming a debt-free Township is the best way to prepare for the future. After all, the current Board of Trustees cannot

do the work needed to service Deerfield in 2050. Our terms of service will end, and others will eventually step in and take the reins of leadership. When that time comes, the least and best we can do for the future of Deerfield is to set them up for success by handing over a healthy ledger and a thriving township.



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Mason Welcomes Boutique International Technology and Innovation firm Altix Consulting

After a 25-year career in production, engineering, and executive management at Festo, Yannick Schilly and Anne Cappel, former executive director of the Cincinnati European American Chamber of Commerce (EACC), joined forces to launch Altix Consulting, Inc., on September 26. Their boutique consulting firm could have located anywhere in the U.S., but chose Mason as the preferred



epicenter for this resource. Their offices are located in the Mason Tech Elevator and offer counsel in technology and innovation, global business strategy, and operational performance to help companies navigate increasingly complex environments while accelerating performance and profitability.

Schilly and Cappel have both been longtime strategic partners and early adopters of the Innovation movement in the City of Mason. Schilly not only led the launch and 2017 expansion of Festo's Mason-based advanced manufacturing center but also was a collaborator with the City, bringing opportunities that put technology into the hands of our school students and the community. Schilly and Cappel's new venture Altix is a perfect match for Mason. Their expertise brings a new layer of depth and resource to our international, manufacturing, and innovation sectors here in the City.

Combined, Schilly and Cappel possess more than 50 years of experience in numerous countries across three continents.

Schilly's work spans production management, industrial engineering, new product development, logistics and supply

chain, and sales and operations across multiple industries, including automotive, food and beverage, packaging, automation, electronics, and machine builders. In his most recent role as COO, he led construction of Festo's \$60 million smart factory in Mason and relocation of North American supply chain operations there.

Cappel brings an extensive trans-Atlantic business network and understanding of American and European cultural and economic climates. Through work at the EACC, she gained valuable insights into how global companies can manage international growth.

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Journey Across America

CAPTAIN PAUL LINDENSCHMIDT

Captain Paul Lindenschmidt is a resident of the City and a Captain with the Mason Police Department. He currently serves as the Assistant Chief of Operations and has been a member of the department for over 38 years. Not only does he excel in the workforce, he takes his extracurricular activities to a new level. He has been bicycling since 1985 and averages 3,000 to 4,000 miles a year of riding. In July, Captain Paul Lindenschmidt checked off one of his bucket list items by completing a bicycle ride across the United States.



"Seeing the country from the seat of a bicycle was a great experience. We rode through many small towns and on many back roads that most people will never experience."



Myself and a group of 10 other riders left the beaches of the Pacific Ocean in San Francisco on June 3 and headed east. Fifty-two days later, on July 24, we arrived at the beach in Rye, New Hampshire, on the Atlantic Ocean, completing a journey of 3,839 miles.

The journey proved to be both physically and mentally challenging. I had never done anything quite like this before. The longest rides I have previously done were week-long rides of 400 to 500 miles. I had the idea for this ride for at least 25 years, just waiting for the right time. I committed to a team in January. The cold wet spring we had did not allow much time to train and it was not enough to prepare me for the trip.

The daily mileage varied from the longest day of 121 miles to the shortest day of 51 miles. Although I soon discovered it wasn't always about the miles—heat, hills, and headwinds proved to be just as important. Just on the fourth day, we climbed over 8,600 feet which was twice the amount of climbing I had ever done in a single day. Less than a week later we rode 107 miles into double-digit headwinds through Utah. The heat hit us hard in early July as we made our way through Missouri, with temperatures in the mid-90s and heat indexes well above 100. Later as we rode through northern Ohio, the tip of Pennsylvania, and into New York, we rode nearly 500 miles over five days.

While there were some difficult days, there were also many highlights including riding across the Golden Gate Bridge, climbing up and over the Continental Divide through Monarch Pass at 11,300 feet, crossing over the Mississippi River, riding along the Erie Canal, and finally our first glimpse of the Atlantic Ocean as we approached the beach on the last day. Overall we had outstanding weather, experiencing only a few days of rain and the skies clearing for our final stretch to the beach.

We are proud of Paul's personal achievement and his continued commitment toward the City's mission for Building a Culture of Wellness in the Community.



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Kings Local School District Enrollment Quickly Increasing

The Kings Local School District is growing! The most recent enrollment numbers show nearly 300 more students than last year. This growth has brought the district's first class over 400 students: This year's Kindergarten class of 2031 boasts 412 students.

In fact, this year's enrollment has surpassed the enrollment predictions given by Decision Insite by nearly 100 students. Decision Insite is a company that specializes in school enrollment predictions. They have been assisting Kings District administrators and the long-range facility planning team, which consists of administrators, teachers, and community members, to plan for future student growth and overcrowding in school buildings.

"We are excited to welcome our new students to the district," says Kings Superintendent Tim Ackermann. "The increase in enrollment is a good problem to have because it speaks highly of the excellent school district we have," he says.

Additionally, the district has teamed up with a company called Thoughtex-



change to assist in getting input from the Kings community. The district has asked the community on two different occasions their thoughts regarding the long-term facility planning process. As a district, it is important to connect with the community to gather thoughts, ideas, and future considerations to continue meeting the needs of their students.

"The feedback received thus far has

been very helpful," says Dawn Gould, Community Relations Coordinator. "It is important that we connect with our community's desires since they are the owners of our school district," she says.

The district will develop a final master plan using the feedback they received, and their goal is to present a final master plan to the Kings Board of Education by year end.

Kings Schools Enroll in Ohio Checkbook

The Kings Local School District has enrolled in the Ohio Checkbook Program through the Ohio Treasurer's Office.

In December 2014, Treasurer Josh Mandel launched OhioCheckbook.com, which puts all state spending information on the internet. Kings is the third school district in Warren County to post its spending on OhioCheckbook.com.

"I believe the people of Warren County have a right to know how their tax money is being spent, and I applaud local leaders here for partnering with my office to post

the finances on OhioCheckbook.com," says Treasurer Mandel. "By posting local government spending online, we are empowering taxpayers across Ohio to hold public officials accountable."

"The Kings LSD is proud to enhance our financial transparency by joining OhioCheckbook.com," says Cary Furniss, Kings Treasurer. "The site will increase the access to financial information for our residents and help them understand how their tax dollars are being spent. The process to create this site was simple, straightforward, and required a very small amount of staff time with the help of Treasurer Mandel's office."





Snow and Ice Removal

Snow removal is a top priority during the winter snow season. The City is unique in that it uses an Incident Command structure for snow/ice removal operations. The Incident Command structure makes snow removal a shared priority with employees from all departments. The City has developed a program encouraging employees within any department to obtain a CDL license, which is needed to drive the larger snow/ice removal vehicles. Other employees provide assistance in smaller vehicles, supervising and subsidizing operations as needed. As a result some City services such as building inspections, maintenance operations at the Water Reclamation Plant, equipment maintenance programs, etc. do experience some impacts as snow and ice removal operations become the priority and resources are shifted to meet the priority. The City averages 15 snow/ice events per season. While a majority of those events are handled by maintenance staff, when the event is more significant (amount of snowfall or duration) all hands are on deck.

The City is divided into 18 snow plow routes with a truck assigned to each route. Snow plow routes are designed to allow each truck to complete salting its assigned streets within a three-hour window or be able to make one pass with the snow plow in each direction within a four-hour window, during an average storm. Unfortunately varying weather conditions may alter the plan. The clearing of roadways is prioritized beginning with the main thoroughfares, major arterials, minor arterials, and then moving to secondary roads and cul-de-sacs.

Preparing for the snow and ice season begins as early as January each year as new equipment/trucks are ordered. Then, during the summer months, staff evaluate bids and Council authorizes contracts for the purchase of rock salt. In September, the Incident Command Team is developed, trucks and equipment are evaluated and supplies and chemicals are ordered. During this time the Incident Command begins meeting and any employee training needs are identified and conducted. Then it becomes a matter of monitoring for potential storms. Fall is

a challenging time for preparing and allocating resources. As maintenance crews are focused on leaf collection an early snowstorm can disrupt leaf removal operations. Trucks used for leaf removal operations need to be converted for snow/ice removal. While a few vehicles are allocated

for both services, staff must monitor weather conditions, evaluate timing, strength, and length of a snow/ice storm, and convert additional trucks accordingly.

As a storm approaches, staff are monitoring storm predictions, weather temperatures, pavement temperatures, and humidity. All play a factor in how crews react to a snow/ice storm. Roadway pretreatment is usually applied 24 hours in advance of a storm and is a mixture of rock salt and calcium chloride, liquid brine, or a combination of both. Pretreating roadways is dependent upon if roadways are currently dry, whether rain is forecasted for the next 24 hours, if pavement temperatures are within the range of 20–35 degrees or within critical dew point range, if sufficient time exists for pavement to dry before pavement temperatures fall below 20 degrees, whether

blowing snow is anticipated, and whether or not sufficient material residue already exists on the roadways. The plan for fighting the storm is established and communicated to all employees. After each snow/ice event, a debriefing is held to gather and share information, educate employees, and make adjustments to operations as needed.

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Summary of 2017–2018 Snow/Ice Season

* Snow Events 16	* Salt 4,500 tons	* Brine 5,000 gallons
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* Ice Events 2	* Liquid Calcium 15,500 gallons	

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Clear a space to the left (as you face the street) of your driveway that's 10 feet long and at least a car width wide.



Deerfield's Strategic Planning Efforts

The Deerfield Township Trustees and Administration are committed to ensuring that the Township reflects the wants and desires of the community. They are doing this through the engagement of the community in strategic planning efforts, which include the development of a Master Plan for the Township's parks and an update to the Township's 2015 Comprehensive Plan.

Parks Master Plan

Deerfield Township has a total of six community parks (larger recreation facilities meant to serve those in a 2- to 3-mile radius), four neighborhood parks (smaller-scale open spaces), and two Warren County regional parks (designed to serve a broad area). These spaces provide the community with gathering space, areas to maintain an active lifestyle, and entertainment.

To this end, staff has been engaged in a process to create a long-range parks master plan. This plan will serve as a roadmap for parks and park related activities to not only meet current needs, but also serve the future generations of Deerfield Township residents and visitors.

To date, staff has engaged the public in a variety of ways. There were six focus groups which brought together a broad sampling of Township residents to provide insights on community needs and current perceptions. There have been three community visioning workshops to more closely analyze the feedback being gathered. Finally, a survey went out to cast a wide net and gather additional feedback.

Even with the significant amount of outreach and feedback received, there is still more work to be done. There is one final community visioning workshop on November 28 at Kings High School from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The community input as well as an audit of existing resources and outside research will be transformed into a plan by the Township with the assistance of Woolpert, PROS Consulting, ETC Institute, and a steering committee made up of representatives from throughout the Township. The new plan is expected to be completed with implementation starting in January of 2019.

To stay informed about the parks master plan, the feedback received, and the process that has been followed, please visit PlanDeerfieldParks.com or ChooseDeerfield.com.



Comprehensive Plan Update

Upon completion of the Parks Master Plan the Township will immediately undertake an effort to update the Comprehensive Plan.

In July, staff released Request for Qualifications (RFQ). This RFQ sought information from qualified consulting firms. Currently, those submissions are being reviewed by the selection committee. Once this process is complete, the selected firm will present to the Board of Trustees and be approved. This will allow work to begin promptly at the beginning of 2019.

Overall, the Comprehensive Plan Update will be completed with input from the Board of Trustees, Zoning Commission, Township staff, and interested citizen stakeholder groups. The primary object of this update is to create comprehensive and executable strategies to enhance the quality, economic vitality, and sustainability of Deerfield Township.

The Deerfield Township Board of Trustees and Administration are committed to making this process inclusive and transparent. Therefore, it is envisioned that, while this plan is being compiled, there will be ample opportunities for public input.





Community Garden Contributions

City Team One is a team of City employees identified as future leaders and compiled to expand each member's organizational knowledge and ideals. Since 2016, City Team One members have been carefully selected for year-long periods of specialized training, assignments, and exposure to new ideas and experiences. City Team One assists each team member in becoming the best version of themselves as employees and to increase their value to the City and its residents and business partners.

City Team One Class of 2018 was given the groundbreaking opportunity to create a project dedicated to giving back to our community. The team envisioned a City Garden to grow organic fruits and vegetables to help fight hunger in our community. A City Garden plot was planted at the Community Garden on Ma-



Special thanks to Bern's Nursery for giving back to those in our community with their generous donation of many fruit and vegetable plants.

son-Morrow-Millgrove Road this past spring. The 15'x30' plot was prepped and sown with a large variety of vegetables and fruits including zucchini, tomatoes, jalapeños, green beans, and melons. Each team member donates several hours per month performing garden maintenance including weeding, watering, harvesting, and donation delivery.

The City Garden has provided 26 large zucchini, 296 tomatoes, 140 bell peppers, 337 jalapeños, 129 banana peppers, 11 bags of green beans, and 7 watermelons to the grateful staff of the Mason Food Pantry. The City continues to maintain the garden and harvest fruits and vegetables through this fall and looks forward to continuing to provide assistance to those in need within our community.

The Mason Food Pantry is always in need of fresh food and welcomes donations, fresh and shelf stable, throughout the week. If you would like more information about the Mason Food Pantry, please visit www.masonfoodpantry.org.

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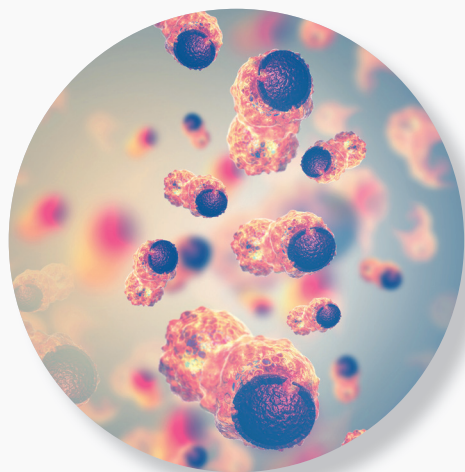
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Advances in Cancer Treatment

Immunotherapy and Precision Medicine Offer New Options



For the past two decades, cancer deaths in the U.S. have declined steadily, according to the American Cancer Society. Better screenings, better lifestyle choices, and significant advances in cancer treatment account for sparing nearly 2 million lives since 1991.

“We’re definitely making strides,” says Benjamin Kurtizky, M.D., hematologist/oncologist with TriHealth Cancer Institute. Two of the most exciting advances Kurtizky has seen are with immunotherapy and precision medicine (also known as targeted medicine).



IMMUNOTHERAPY: EMPOWERING YOUR OWN IMMUNE SYSTEM

Also called biologic therapy or biotherapy, immunotherapy is a cancer treatment that enlists your own immune system to attack cancer cells.

One main type of immunotherapy uses monoclonal antibodies, which are manufactured immune system proteins designed to attack a specific part of a cancer cell. A second type is called immune checkpoint inhibitors. These stimulate your immune system to recognize and attack cancer cells.

“Not every cancer can be treated in this way,” says Kurtizky. “These therapies are most effective with melanoma, certain leukemias and lymphomas, and cancers of the lung, bladder, kidney, brain, and digestive tract.”

He says it’s an option for patients who can’t tolerate traditional chemotherapy. Immunotherapy has fewer side effects, since it doesn’t work by harming normal cells along with cancer cells. Side effects that do occur include rash, fatigue, or autoimmune reactions like colitis.

“We weigh the pros and cons of chemotherapy versus immunotherapy and then recommend what we think will work best,” Kurtizky says. “Typically, we choose one form of treatment. I have patients who are doing very well with immunotherapy.”



PRECISION MEDICINE: TARGETING GENE MUTATIONS

Another cancer treatment advance has come with better understanding of how genes within cancer cells have mutated and are directing cancer cells to grow and spread. Doctors counteract this by using a drug that targets the genetic change. It’s called precision medicine because it’s customized to match particular medicines to particular types of mutations within cancer cells.

“We get a tissue biopsy from a tumor and test the DNA of cancer cells to look for mutations so we have a better idea of which targeted therapy to use,” Kurtizky further explains. “These targeted therapies only go after cancer cells. Our goal is higher cure rates with fewer

side effects.”

For example, Herceptin® is a drug that shuts down the HER2 protein that accelerates cancer growth in women with breast cancer.

“There have been lots of advancements in this area. I have many patients with stomach and breast cancer who are doing very well with precision medicine,” he says.



WHAT’S NEXT

Kurtizky emphasizes that surgery and radiation therapy still have an important role in treating and eliminating early-stage tumors, and they improve survival and quality of life in cancers in more advanced stages. Immunotherapy, precision medicine and other new treatments are currently used most often in patients with metastatic disease and more advanced cancers. Kurtizky sees the potential to use these treatments in earlier stages, once there’s a greater body of knowledge regarding their effectiveness.

He notes that cancer care is rapidly changing, with treatments significantly different than those offered just five years ago. “In five more years, I’ll be using things not available now. There’s a lot of good research being done at TriHealth and nationally.”

He continues, “It’s a huge honor to take care of patients at such a hard time in their lives. We don’t have all of the answers and all of the cures, but we’re coming up with new treatments at an increasing rate.”

For more information on advances in cancer treatment, Kurtizky recommends the American Cancer Society and National Cancer Institute websites.



Benjamin Kurtizky, M.D., sees patients at TriHealth Cancer Institute in Kenwood, 8240 Northcreek Drive, and at Bethesda Arrow Springs, 100 Arrow Springs Blvd., in Lebanon. For an appointment, call 513.853.1300.



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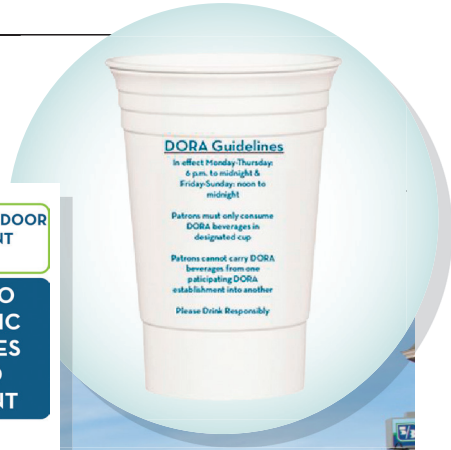
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Current participating establishments include:

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- Common Beer Company
- Pleasure Inn
- Banana Leaf Modern Thai
- VFW Post 9622
- Two Cities Pizza
- Quatman's Café
- Aponte's Pizzeria
- Troy's Café
- American Legion Post 194

Throughout this year the City in cooperation with the Mason Deerfield Chamber of Commerce has been building on the success of the 2017 Music in Mason Downtown concert series and block party to strengthen the momentum for attracting patrons to Downtown Mason.

The return and expansion of Music in Mason on Friday nights for the 2018 season was one initiative. Another top priority has been the creation of a DORA that serves to attract patrons to Downtown Mason and highlight the area as a destination for dining and entertainment with vibrant restaurant, arts, retail, and lodging.

A Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) allows patrons ages 21+ to carry and consume alcoholic beverages in a designated cup from various permitted businesses into public space and/or other non-alcohol serving businesses during designated hours established by City Council.

The City of Mason plans to introduce the Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area to the community as part of the Christmas in Mason Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, December 7. After that date, patrons will be able to enjoy the DORA all year round.

The designated area of the DORA spans from Dawson Street

near Wildflower Café to Fourth Avenue throughout Downtown Mason. Currently the DORA consists of 10 establishments that already have the necessary qualifying liquor permit to serve DORA beverages. And we expect more to become eligible in the future. Look for the sticker indicating participating establishments.

- Hours of Operation**
- Monday–Thursday: 6:00 p.m. to midnight
 - Friday–Sunday: noon to midnight

Only drinks purchased from qualified businesses within the DORA are allowed. No cans, glass bottles, or outside drinks are permitted within the boundaries. Beer, wine, and liquor are allowable beverages to be consumed in designated DORA cups, but must be purchased from a participating business.

Beverages purchased at a participating establishment must be consumed before re-entry into the same business or other participating businesses.

Please enjoy your beverage within the designated DORA District. Signs will be posted along the perimeter of the District.

If you have any additional questions regarding this initiative, please contact the City of Mason at 513.229.8500.



Three Questions with:

THERESA BIRD

MASON ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



When a Mason City Schools staffer or parent isn't sure where to turn, they often seek out Administrative Assistant Theresa Bird. Theresa joined the district's curriculum and instruction department in 2002, and is most proud of the relationships she has formed with members of the school community.

Theresa and her husband David live in Mason, and are the proud parents of four Comets: Class of 2005's Tiffany, Class of 2008's Nick, Class of 2019's Sierra, and Class of 2020's Max.

1 Your journey to Mason began long ago as a refugee leaving Vietnam. This year, Mason Middle School students will read *Refugee* by Alan Gratz, and the entire community is encouraged to read the book, too. Can you share a little of your story, and why it is important that students learn about refugees?

When Saigon fell in 1975, hundreds of thousands of people tried to escape Vietnam in rickety, overloaded boats. Officially, the war had ended, but the shelling and bombing was endless, and my aunt realized we had no choice but to escape by sea. So at age 7, I was separated from my parents and came to the United States with my aunt and my younger brother on a

very small private boat. It was crammed with 200 others fleeing the mayhem. The journey lasted for days and will remain forever etched in my memory. Even now, I remember every detail of being cramped on that boat leaving the only home I had ever known. I remember the sufferings and atrocities on the long and dangerous journey across the Pacific to get to America.

When I arrived in the U.S., I lived in refugee camps with many others like me in Pensacola, Florida, and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. There we learned basic English taught by the U.S. Army men and women. After six months, my family was given word that we had been approved for resettlement status and sponsored by Blessed Sacrament, a catholic church in Northern Kentucky. We were offered a home in Covington where I started my journey into the American way of life, learning English and adapting to a very different culture from what I had always known. While attending school from grades 2–12, I was given love and support by many people who have remained an important part of my life even today. It is important that we continue to welcome the world's most vulnerable in partnership with our local communities, from business and faith leaders to teachers and employers, and together ensure that families like these have the tools they need to rebuild their lives in their new homes.

2 You work in our Chief Academic Office, helping to support

the teaching and learning that happens in our district. This year, we have a lot of work happening with culture—and have organized every staffer in our district to sit on a Team of 8. Why is that important?

Taking a proactive approach to defining the district's culture and related values are key to our success. The Teams of 8 create a core group of people for every staff member to share valued creativity and beliefs. It is important to dedicate time for staff to discuss these new ideas and helps us to think outside the box. It is also a bridge between leadership and staff to relate to each other for the common good of the district and creates a deep sense of ownership towards the workplace and why we serve our community through education.

3 You are an amazing cook, and gift your friends and co-workers with dishes that delight. What meal is a "must have" for you?

Hands down, Phở is my "must have"! It is one of my favorite Vietnamese soups and is the National Vietnamese food. Pronounced "fuh" like the beginning of the word "fudge." It is a beef broth served with rice noodles and tender, thin pieces of flank steak flavored with traditional Vietnamese spices. I am not a professional cook, I've never attended any cooking classes, but I just love to cook for my family and friends. For me, cooking is an expression of love. I love to cook and I cook for the ones I love. Great food is nourishment for the body and soul!

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Duck Donuts is open 6:30 a.m.–7:00 p.m. daily at 5635 Deerfield Blvd. More information about Duck Donuts can be found at DuckDonuts.com.

Local Business Spotlight – Duck Donuts

One of the hottest new businesses in Deerfield Township is Duck Donuts.

Duck Donuts traces its roots to the seaside town of Duck, located in the Outer Banks region of North Carolina, where the company was founded in 2006 by Russ DiGilio. Since then the business has become one of the fastest growing donut shops in the United States with over 58 locations.

The Deerfield Township shop, which opened in April 2018, is locally owned and operated by Kerry Foley. It is the fourth Duck Donuts in Ohio, following locations in Westerville, Dublin, and Dayton.

The shop utilizes a unique system that puts the control and culinary creativity into the hands of the customer. The menu offers several featured donuts or customers can build their own.

If a customer chooses to create their own, they move through a three step process taking the signature vanilla cake and choosing a coating for it, then picking from a variety of toppings, and finally choosing a drizzle to go on top.

Customers can sit back and watch as the donuts are made right in front of them, before being served their warm, gooey, and delicious creations.

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Social Media Safety

Today's kids and teens are among the first generations of young people who don't know about life before the rise of social media. Despite the fact that social media has been a part of their lives since they were old enough to use a smartphone, parents shouldn't assume that they know how to stay safe online. Teach your children about social media to make sure they stay safe and secure.

1 The Internet is Forever

About 90% of teens have used some sort of social media at this point, which means that there is a huge social media community for kids. It's important they know that anything they post—including pictures, videos, statuses, and messages—can come back to haunt them. Many kids and adolescents think that deleting an embarrassing picture means it's gone forever; you should show them how caching and screenshots can mean even short-lived posts can have long-term consequences.

2 Set Time Limits

It's rare to find kids who will set their own time limits regarding their social media usage, which is probably why 55% of parents limit the amount of time their teenagers are allowed to be online. However, it's important to teach your kids why they should limit their social media time—mainly it keeps them from developing real-world relationships and from getting involved in other, more productive activities.

3 Be Nice

Over half of kids and teens have been victims of cyberbullying, and about the same number have engaged in it. This means that there is a good chance that your kid at least knows someone involved in getting bullied or bullying others online. Make it clear to your children that bullying is unacceptable, whether on social media or in real life, and encourage them to tell you if they're victims of it.

4 There's No Such Thing as Anonymity

Many social media platforms, like Reddit, allow users to post and interact with each other under anonymous usernames. However, like the 50% of internet users concerned about how much of their personal information is available online, you should encourage your kids to exercise caution. Posts can be traced back to their real creators, and location trackers make posting from smartphones more revealing than kids may think.

5 Stay Private

In a similar vein, you should remind your kids that anything they post can be used against them. If they put up personal information like travel dates, pictures that show their school or the front of their house, phone numbers, and other information, people can take advantage. For instance, 11% of internet users have had their personal information like their Social Security Number or banking information stolen online.

7 Parents Are Involved

33% of parents have concerns or questions about their child's Internet use. The good news is, you can just ask! It's important that you are involved in your kids' social media presence; just make sure to be honest. Let them know that you're monitoring their pages and work together to come up with ground rules about what they should or shouldn't post. Your kids should take responsibility, but knowing that you're watching won't hurt.

Social media is an unavoidable reality for most of today's kids. By making sure they follow certain tips, you can help them stay safe when communicating with others online.

8 Communicate

Similarly, it's imperative to foster open communication with your kids about their social media usage. Make sure they feel comfortable telling you about any uncomfortable situations online by regularly talking to them about their positive and negative experiences. With only 15% of parents feeling "in the know" about their kids' online activity, you'll want to make sure they're comfortable approaching you.

8 Don't Trust Strangers

Chat rooms, online forums, and social media pages are all ways for strangers to contact young kids and teens—sometimes for less-than-benign reasons. 17% of teens say they've been contacted online by someone they didn't know in a way that made them feel scared or uncomfortable. To avoid this, tell your kids to avoid friending anyone they don't know, and if something feels wrong, to stop communicating with that person.

9 Create a Strong Password

30% of teenagers have had their Instagram, Twitter, or SnapChat account hacked into, largely because of someone guessing their password. Teach your kids that they should pick passwords that are a mix of characters and symbols and that are difficult to guess. They also shouldn't share their passwords with anyone.

10 Be Careful of Scams

Kids are a prime target for scammers online—20% of people who've been hacked said it was their children who had downloaded a virus to the parents' computer. Game scams are especially popular, which is when a virus is written into the code of a fake game and downloaded. Install all games with your kids, and teach them how to figure out if a game is safe to download—mainly by reading reviews and checking the game's source.





Help Prevent Stormwater this Winter

Winter brings with it lots of fun activities, like sledding, ice skating, and skiing. Winter also means mounds of snow to shovel and layers of ice to remove from your sidewalks and driveways. Applying de-icers, like salt, often make the job easier, but many de-icers contain chemicals, like cyanide. When ice melts, the salts and chemicals dissolve and flow into street drains that lead directly to the river, endangering aquatic life. Here are a few tips to reduce salt use and prevent pollution year-round:

TRY AN ALTERNATIVE.

► Calcium magnesium acetate (CMA) was developed as a de-icing alternative because it has fewer adverse environmental impacts than salt and doesn't cause corrosion. Although CMA is more expensive than rock salt, it is recommended for environmentally sensitive areas.

REDUCE YOUR SALT USE.

► By limiting the amount of salt we use on sidewalks and driveways, we can reduce the amount of polluted stormwater washing into our waterways.

USE DE-ICING PRODUCTS BASED ON WINTER CONDITIONS.

► Before applying a de-icer to your sidewalk, think about the air temperature, potential for sun exposure, and how much product you'll need. Remember to follow

label directions carefully and use products sparingly. It's easy to over apply de-icers, but applying more than you need won't melt your ice any faster.

REMOVE ICE BEFORE SALT USE.

► Most importantly, physically remove as much ice as possible before applying salt. Use a shovel to break up the ice before you add another layer of salt to your sidewalk. Adding more salt without removing what has melted can result in over-application, meaning more salt and chemicals end up in the river.

LIMIT PATHWAYS.

► You can also reduce salt use by limiting access to your home to one entrance. For every doorway that is not used, there will be less salt running into the catch basin in your street.



- **Dry & Powdery Snow:** Shovel or sweep snow immediately to avoid using de-icer.
- **Wet & Heavy Snow:** Apply de-icer product as soon as snow begins falling in order to prevent snow from bonding.
- **Sleet & Freezing Rain:** Apply de-icer product early on during these conditions

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What does a Fire Inspector do?

A fire inspector is someone who visits and inspects buildings and other structures to search for fire hazards and to ensure that federal, state, and local fire codes are met. They also test and inspect fire protection and fire extinguishing equipment to ensure that it works. Fire inspectors work both in offices and in the field.



Fire inspectors typically do the following:

- Search for fire hazards
- Ensure that buildings comply with fire codes
- Test fire alarms, sprinklers, and other fire protection and extinguishing equipment
- Inspect equipment such as gasoline storage tanks and air compressors
- Review emergency evacuation plans
- Conduct follow-up visits when an infraction is found
- Confer with developers and planners to review plans for residential and commercial buildings
- Conduct fire and life safety education programs
- Keep detailed records that can be used in a court of law

Fire inspectors and prevention specialists assess fire hazards in both public and residential areas. They look for issues that may pose a risk and recommend ways to reduce the fire hazard. During patrols, they ensure that the public is following fire regulations and report fire conditions to central command.

- to prevent ice from building up.
- **Significant Snowfall:** When more than 2 inches of snow falls, plow or shovel first and then use a de-icing product to melt any underlying layers of ice that have built up due to packed snow.



Mason's POW/MIA Memorial

On Friday, September 21 the City unveiled a new POW/MIA Memorial with a special ceremony for veterans and their families. Then, on Monday, September 24 the new memorial was unveiled to the public at a ceremony just prior to the Council meeting. Students of Mason High School Choir sang the National Anthem and closing song. Guest speakers included Guy Gruters, former Vietnam prisoner of war, who spent five years in a POW cell next to Senator John McCain. Both ceremonies incorporated heartfelt presentations esteeming Mason veterans and the Missing Man Table to honor Mason's missing men and women.



Visit the POW/MIA Memorial
Located just inside the Municipal Center
6000 Mason Montgomery Road

MASON VETERANS MEMORIAL APP

The new Mason Veterans Memorial App is available for both iPhone and Android phones. Download the Mason Veterans Memorial App to learn more about the memorial and history of Mason veterans or donate to the Veterans Memorial located just outside of the Municipal Center on the southwest corner. If you have already purchased a brick for the Memorial you can locate your brick via the new App.

MASON HONORS VETERANS

In appreciation for your dedication, join the City of Mason for a Veterans Memorial event on Sunday, November 11 at Mason Municipal Center. For more information, please visit imaginemason.org.





Manufacturing and Makers Month in Mason

Leaning on the City's strong P3 partnerships with companies, Mason brings hands on examples of next gen innovation



On October 5, 2018, throughout the City of Mason and the nation, National Manufacturing Day was celebrated. This annual celebration is intended to motivate millions to learn about manufacturing and proved to be an incredible opportunity for the world-class companies operating in Mason to showcase the factory of the future.

Throughout the month of October, the City of Mason partnered with a host of companies, schools, and manufacturing stakeholders to highlight what today's manufacturing really looks like with automation, robotics, and industry 4.0 transforming the future of Mason's Makers.

Companies like Rhinestahl, Festo, Makino, and Ashley Ward leaned into the manufacturing month initiative and hosted schools from across the region at their Mason facilities. An estimated 700 kids visited Mason companies to tour and learn about the innovative environments that these companies offer. Mason companies and the Economic Development Office collaborated in this effort to maximize students' experiences. Several events showcased mul-

iple companies and the variety of opportunities in manufacturing. For example, Makino's day provided students with a robust tour and experience that integrated other manufacturers including Fanuc, which demonstrated robotics, and Festo, with dynamic automation. The City also presented an overview of the strong and connected ecosystem of manufacturers.

The City further highlighted a commitment to the advanced manufacturing sector and formally proclaimed Mason Manufacturing and Makers Month at the October 8 Council Meeting and invited corporate partners to bring signature products made in Mason to show off. The evening was a unique celebration.

To learn more, please visit www.mfgday.com.



MERCY HEALTH KICKS OFF THE DISTRICT OF DEERFIELD DEVELOPMENT

Mercy Health recently broke ground on a \$14 million, 26,500-square-foot medical complex near the intersection of Parkway Drive and Mason Montgomery Road. The building will house primary and specialty care physician and diagnostic services. It is expected to open in summer 2019 with 40 employees.

The significance of this building goes beyond the services that it will bring to the Township. It is the first part of the larger District and Deerfield development. The District is a \$140 million mixed use project that will include not only Mercy's space, but also 362 high-end apartments, 95,000 square feet of retail/restaurant space, and a 150-key hotel surrounding a public square and greenspace.

When complete the project will bring 28 acres of land to life and create a walkable, vibrant community center that will give Deerfield Township a taste of urban entertainment centers.



Calendar

Mason Schools Winter Break

**Monday, December 24–
Friday, January 4**
Schools Closed



Christmas

Monday, December 24
Mason Community Center open
7 a.m.–4 p.m. (facility hours vary)
City offices closed

Tuesday, December 25
Mason Community Center open
12 p.m.–4 p.m. (limited facility)
City offices closed



New Year's

Monday, December 31
Mason Community Center open
7 a.m.–4 p.m. (facility hours vary)
Tuesday, January 1
Mason Community Center open
8 a.m.–8 p.m. (facility hours vary)
City offices closed



Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Monday, January 21
Mason Community Center open normal
operating hours
City offices open



Presidents' Day

Monday, February 18
Mason Community Center open
normal operating hours
City offices closed



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Christmas Tree Recycling

Mason Residents

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MASON POLICE OUTREACH

Officer Stephanie Neal participated in Children's Academy of Mason's Community Helpers Week.



Explore Downtown



Downtown Mason is a growing, eclectic mix of businesses creating a vibrant area for residents and visitors to our region. We encourage you to explore Mason's downtown as we profile the company owners and entrepreneurs who help make Mason thrive.

BRINGING BEAUTY TO MASON — INSIDE AND OUT

Priscella Bonwell founded All Together Lovely Beauty Supply (ATL) in 2017 with her daughter Charisse and close friend and co-owner Rachel Pitman to provide education, consultation, and multicultural hair and beauty care products. With both online and retail stores, ATL offers a wide variety of premium-quality all-natural wigs, weaves, and extensions; cosmetics; and other hair accessories and tools designed to enhance customers' natural beauty.



You are located in the ORCA Center in Downtown Mason. What brought you to that specific area? What about Mason is special to you?

▶ We all have personal ties to Mason. I was a volunteer in the ORCA Center with Self Sustaining Enterprises, a nonprofit organization that supports economic development. Rachel and I are also both members of Grace Chapel. Charisse attends Crossroads Mason and is a member of Women in the Marketplace, a women's ministry that meets in the ORCA Center on Mondays. So, the ORCA Center became a natural choice for us.

In addition, Mason is home to many multi-racial families that have needs related to beauty care. We realized there was a lack of ethnic hair care products in the area and wanted to address the needs right here in our own community.

In addition to selling hair and beauty supplies, you also host beauty parties and are active in the adoptive and foster care community. Tell us more about those initiatives.

▶ We have a ministry arm to what we call our "biz-nistry" and that is our ATL Beauty Parties. We host the parties on the second

Sunday of every month at the ORCA Center and focus on educating transracial adoptive and foster care families on how to properly care for and manage their children's ethnic hair. The parties are all inclusive, and we encourage the entire family and their support system to attend.

What inspired you to open ATL?

▶ Well, first and foremost, we are passionate about sharing the basics of transracial hair care with others, and that led us to our beauty parties. Out of the parties came our online and retail stores. We love being able to fill a need in the area.

We also cannot express the joy we feel after seeing the brightest of smiles on children's faces when their parents, siblings, or guardians have done their hair after attending one of our beauty parties. That is all the inspiration we need!

Is there anything else you'd like people to know about ATL?

▶ As a multicultural beauty supply store, we have products for the entire family and encourage everyone to stop in to see what we have to offer!

All Together Lovely Beauty Supply

408 Fourth Ave., Mason, Ohio 45040, atlincincy.com



Municipal Tax Note



FRIENDLY TAX REMINDERS

- If you are a Mason resident and expect to owe Mason City income taxes for 2018, your quarterly tax payment is due January 15, 2019.
- 90% of your 2018 tax liability is due by January 15, 2019.
- Have questions about your Mason income taxes? Contact the Mason Tax Office with any questions or inquiries. Our knowledgeable and friendly staff are available:
 - By phone: 513.229.8535
 - By email: tax@masonoh.org
 - In person: Monday–Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Municipal Center located at 6000 Mason Montgomery Road

TAX DEFINITIONS

- **Tax Declaration:** Estimate of the amount of income tax liability that may be owed for the year. Tax Declaration may be adjusted if financial situations change during the year.
- **Tax Liability:** Total amount of Mason income tax owed, less taxes paid/estimated to be paid to Mason, other cities and/or resident homeowner credit, and any prior year overpayment.
- **Estimated Payments:** Residents with Declarations in the amount of \$200 or more shall pay estimated taxes on a quarterly basis. Making estimated payments assists residents in meeting their annual tax liability.

DUE DATES FOR ESTIMATED PAYMENTS

- April 15
- June 15
- September 15
- January 15

THE MASON TAX OFFICE OFFERS TWO WAYS TO ASSIST WITH MAKING YOUR QUARTERLY PAYMENT

- 1 **Online Tax Tool:** www.imaginemason.org/services/tax-information/tax-payments
- 2 **Payment Vouchers:** www.imaginemason.org/services/tax-information/tax-forms-for-individuals



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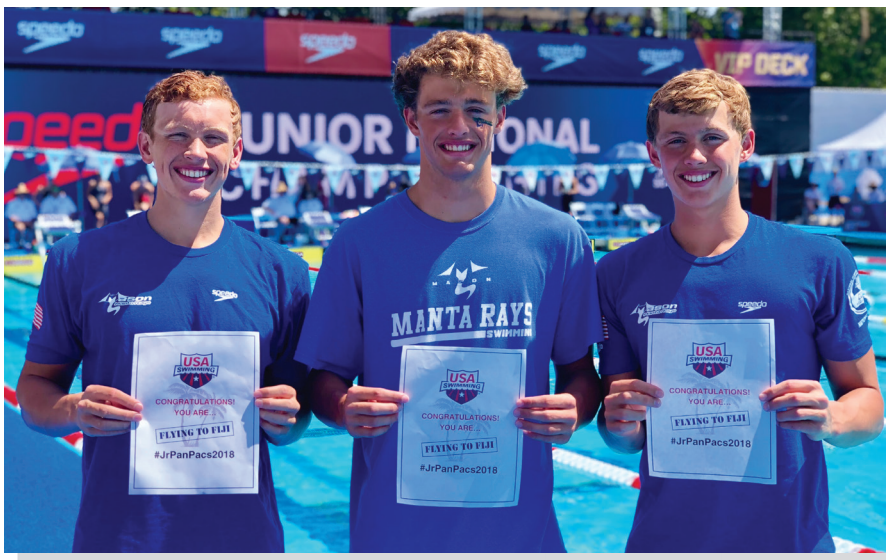
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- Friday: 8am - 5pm
- Saturday: 9am - 1pm



Mason Manta Rays Ranked Top In The World



Rays make the list for Top 100 swimmers in the world ages 18 & Under:

- Adam Chaney
- Carson Foster
- Jake Foster
- Noah Young
- Tyler Babinec

ond in the 18 & Under 50 meter Freestyle with the third fastest time in 15 & 16 year old age group history. Chaney also swam the second fastest time in 15 & 16 age group history during the 100 meter Freestyle. Carson Foster, 16, swam the fastest time in history in the 200 meter Individual Medley (IM) with a time of 1:59.45. He set a national 15 & 16 age group record and surpassed Michael Phelps. Carson was the 18 & Under national champion in the 200 meter Backstroke. Jake Foster, 17, was the second fastest 18 & Under swimmer in the 400 meter Individual Medley. After securing their spots on the Junior Pan Pacific team, the three boys stayed in California another week and propelled the City of Mason Manta Rays to their second Junior National Men's Team National team title.

Each year, the Mason Manta Rays strive to succeed in and out of the water. Their team atmosphere encourages a high level of family and community involvement and pride in the team. Manta Ray coaches challenge each swimmer and maintain competitive strength at local, regional, and national levels. The Manta Rays hold a significant representation at an international level as well which is especially true for this year.

This past summer, three Mason Manta Rays—Adam Chaney, Carson Foster, and Jake Foster—traveled 7,400 miles to compete

with the world's greatest swimmers, ages 13 through 18, in Fiji for the Junior Pan Pacific Swimming Championships. During the USA Swimming Phillips 66 National Championships in California, Adam Chaney, Carson Foster, and Jake Foster were selected to represent Team USA internationally. To qualify for Team

USA, swimmers had to place in the top two of all 18 & Under swimmers in the USA. With over 500,000 swimmers ages 18 & under in USA Swimming and only 20 boys able to earn a spot on this team, this was a tremendous feat for these Manta Ray swimmers. Adam Chaney, 16, placed sec-



"Just them making Team USA was a tough achievement—it means you're one of the best in the world, and these three boys put on great performances." —Ken Heis, Manta Rays Head Coach

The 2018 Junior Pan Pacific Swimming Championships took place at Dardar City Aquatic Centre in Fiji August 23–26, 2018. The event featured the best swimmers in the world ages 13 through 18. Adam brought home gold in the 400m Freestyle relay, silver in the 100m Backstroke, bronze in the 100 Freestyle and placed fourth in the 50m Freestyle. His times in 50m and 100m Freestyle rank him third in US swimming history for 15 & 16 year-old boys. Carson led the way breaking two National Age Group records in the 400m IM and 200m Freestyle. Carson won gold medals in the 200m IM, 400m IM, 200m Backstroke, and a record setting 800 Freestyle relay. His time in the 400m IM currently ranks him first in the world for 18 & Under athletes and 20th in the world overall! Jake Foster brought home a silver in the 400m IM ranking Jake third in the world for 18 & Under and 28th in the world overall.

Congratulation Mason Manta Rays!

“Our team’s coaches, swimmers, and community could not be prouder that Mason had three swimmers represent USA in Fiji and we’re blown away with how well they performed!” —Ken Heis, Manta Rays Head Coach



CARSON FOSTER

How did you get involved with swimming?

I got involved in swimming when I was 3 years old when we lived in Arizona. We had a pool in our back yard and before our parents let us swim in the pool, we had to take lessons. I loved the water and started swimming competitively when I was 4.

How do you help your fellow swimmers?

I really strive to be a good leader for the group. I think I help the team in ways like supporting each other during practice and also being a good friend outside of swimming.

Do you have any pre-race rituals or good luck charms?

I share a really special bond with my grandpa and before every race, since I was 9, we make a sign to each other on our chests even when he can’t make it to the meet.

What are some of your most memorable moments in swimming?

My most memorable moment in swimming was getting first and second at the Junior Pan Pacific Championships with my brother Jake.

What are your plans for the future and do you plan to stay involved with swimming?

My dream has always been to make an Olympic team for the U.S. But no matter what, I always want to stay involved in the sport—whether it’s being a coach or working with USA Swimming.



JAKE FOSTER

What do you do that makes yourself the best possible athlete?

I am very focused and driven to do my very best. I try to be very disciplined both at practice with technique and hard effort and out of the water with nutrition and recovery.

Do you have any pre-race rituals or good luck charms?

I don’t have any real rituals or good luck charms but I do avoid stretching my forearms prior to a race because I have a superstition that it makes me swim badly.

What are some of your most memorable moments in swimming?

Probably my most memorable moments in swimming have been swimming at the 2016 Olympic Trials and being on the podium for Team USA at the Junior Pan Pacific Championships this past summer. Both of those moments made me proud to have the opportunity to represent something greater than myself.

How do you manage school, social life, and swimming?

During the week, I don’t have too much of a social life outside of my interactions with people at practice and school. I mostly just focus on getting my work done, having good practices, and getting enough sleep. On the weekends, I typically spend a good portion of my time hanging out with friends. In the end, it’s a good balance.

What do you enjoy doing in your free time?

I mostly enjoy being with friends. In the summer, we usually go fishing which is a lot of fun. If I’m not with friends though, I like to just relax and play video games or watch movies—Marvel movies are my favorite.

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Captain Strausbaugh Sworn in as NEW Fire Inspector

Captain Strausbaugh began his fire service career in April of 1987 as a volunteer with the Perrysburg Township Fire Depart. He then left for a four-year tour as a corpsman in the U.S. Navy. Following his honorable discharge, he moved to the Cincinnati area serving part-time with several local departments. In 2002 he took a full-time position with Anderson Township Fire.

Serving the residents of Deerfield for 19 years, Captain Strausbaugh began his career at Deerfield Township as a part-time firefighter in 1999, was then promoted to part-time lieutenant, and in 2009 was hired as a full-time lieutenant. During his tenure as lieutenant he served as the public education and information officer. He was then promoted to captain in July of 2018 serving as the primary fire inspector for new and existing businesses in Deerfield Township.

Captain Strausbaugh holds an associate degree in Fire Leadership from Cincinnati State and a bachelor's degree in public relations from the University of Cincinnati. In addition, he is a certified Fire and Life Safety Educator and Juvenile Fire Setter Intervention Specialist, Paramedic, Fire Investigator, Fire Inspector, and Fire Officer III.

Captain Strausbaugh has overseen Safety Town for the past 10 years. That programming will now be managed by Firefighter Mike Dulovich.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CAPTAIN STRAUSBAUGH AND BEST WISHES TO CAPTAIN DENNIS WALDBILLIG!

Patrick Strausbaugh was sworn in as Fire Captain of Deerfield Township Fire and Rescue.

Captain Strausbaugh joined the Township in 1999 and is a U.S. Navy Veteran.

His leadership and dedication to the community is valued and appreciated. Prior to this promotion, Captain Strausbaugh served as a lieutenant and was the fire and rescue liaison to the local schools.

The newly appointed captain is taking over for Captain Dennis Waldbillig who is retiring after 40-plus years of dedicated community service.

Join us in both congratulating Captain Stausbaugh and thanking Captain Waldbillig for his service.

MATT HANNIGAN SWORN IN AS LIEUTENANT

Lieutenant Matt Hannigan comes to Deerfield Township Fire Rescue as a lifelong resident of Warren County. Hannigan became a certified Firefighter and EMT in 2006.

Hannigan initially started his career as a part-time firefighter/paramedic with Deerfield Township Fire Rescue in 2010. In 2012 he was hired full-time as a firefighter medic. Hannigan was then promoted to lieutenant in August 2018.

DTFR and Lt. Hannigan are excited to serve the community as they progress forward.



CAPTAIN STRAUSBAUGH



CAPTAIN DENNIS WALDBILLIG



Mason Innovator, Festo Announces Significant Plans for Investment and Job Creation

After four short successful years in Mason, master plan for more growth on 47-acre campus kicks off

The City of Mason and Festo officials celebrated a groundbreaking and the announcement that the company will expand its existing state-of-the-art Regional Service and Manufacturing Center in Mason by approximately 350,000 square feet, nearly tripling the company’s capacity in logistics, production, and industrial training solutions offered through its Festo Didactic Learning Center, which serves manufacturing companies and colleges throughout the Tristate.

Construction will be conducted in two phases and is expected to be completed by 2024. The company also plans to add 350 jobs in the fields of engineering, mechatronics, purchasing, and material management, as well as production and logistics operations, over the next five years.

“Strong market growth in the U.S. and other North American countries requires us to expand our capacity in logistics and production to ensure product and service excellence for our customers,” says Oliver Ring, Festo’s Global Senior Vice President of supply chain and logistics. “We are pleased and proud to announce this substantial expansion here in Mason, where our team feels welcome and at home. We look forward to a long future of collaboration and success with our customers and partners.”

“While this may seem like a traditional economic development announcement on the surface, this investment represents far

more,” says City of Mason Mayor Victor Kidd. “Our four-year friendship with Festo runs deep. Through its incredible generosity to our community and schools, Festo has redefined what it means to be a partner, helping to inspire curiosity in STEM education in our youngest residents.”

Festo’s leadership team credits the strong foundation established with Mason, regional and state officials, as well as the opportunities the regional ecosystem provides in terms of talent, connectivity and innovation in Industry 4.0/Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT), as the impetus to locate and expand here. This new investment is a next step in maximizing the 47-acre campus acquired by Festo to meet growing demands in the North American market.

Festo is a German-based global corporation specializing in advanced automation technology

for more than 40 industries which maintains United States and North American regional headquarters in New York. Festo first announced its move to Mason in 2013, opening doors in 2015 to a \$50 million, 150,000 square-foot facility located along the I-71 Innovation Corridor.



Congratulations Festo!

To learn more, www.festo.com.



WELCOME SONDER BREWING

Every person has a story. Every beer has a story. Come add a new chapter to your story at Mason/Deerfield’s own Sonder Brewing. Enjoy one of Sonder’s uniquely crafted beers in our casual and family-friendly taproom, patio, or outdoor beer garden. Delicious, hand-crafted gastro pub fare is available in the taproom daily. Taproom hours are Monday–Thursday 11 a.m.–10 p.m., Friday and Saturday 10 a.m.–Midnight, Sunday 10 a.m.–9 p.m. Follow us on social media or visit sonderbrewing.com.

Other unique features:

Corn hole and bocce ball courts • Sonder beer brewed on site • Plenty of parking



MCS Staff Commit to 3 Big Rocks for Future Ready Schools

The school year began with a defining moment. All Mason City Schools staff came together to celebrate the promise of the new year at the annual opening day convocation. But, for the first time in Mason history, Mason closed its buildings so that *all* staff could join the opening day kickoff.

“I believe it is critical that everyone in our organization is included in our celebration,” explains MCS Superintendent Jonathan Cooper. “We all know that Mason is only great because of the people.”

Cooper introduced 3 Big Rocks that are important goal areas Mason City Schools will remain committed to over the next three to five years.



#Rock1: Culture = beliefs that drive behaviors which shape experiences we hope to create.

#Rock2: Inclusive Excellence = celebrate diversity, embrace equity and justice, and live out authentic inclusion.

#Rock3: Personalized Learning/Experience = learner-driven design and learner-driven solutions that keep learners at the center.



The kickoff session ended with a journey that led to the introduction of “Teams of 8” in which every employee in the entire organization was divided and assigned to a team of eight. The teams meet six times throughout the year to discuss and give feedback on key district conversations. There are approximately 150 teams, and a key “connector” was chosen for each team. This person helps the teams connect and give ongoing feedback to the district’s leadership team. This elevates the voices of employees, while valuing their professional ideas. This approach has potential to make the district a more agile organization that is connected to ground level conversations where the important work with students takes place on a daily basis.





Investing in People

During the height of the Mason City School District's growth in the early 2000s, the district was hiring 70 new teachers a year, and additional support staff to keep up with all the new families who chose to send their children to Mason City Schools and make this community their home. Today, our growth has stabilized and the majority of our teaching staff averages 15 years of experience. The Mason City School District employs 46 administrators, 655 certified staff (teachers, school counselors, school psychologists, etc.), and 640 classified staff (aides, administrative assistants, bus drivers, custodians, nurses, etc.) As a service organization, it is not surprising that people make up the largest part of the bud-

get, too. 71% of the district's budget goes to direct classroom instruction—with 86% of operating expenditures going for salaries and benefits.

“We are excited to invest in our people as we intentionally look at our culture, embrace inclusive excellence, and prepare for a more personalized learning environment. In education, we are moving away from an initiative-driven world to a world that is influenced by the professionals in our field who give us direction and guidance toward our next iteration—the best version of ourselves. We know that if we can tap into the local talent in our district and leverage our community's strengths, our students' potential is limitless.”





Holiday Shopping Safety Tips from the Sheriff's Department

With over \$5.55 billion estimated total amount of credit card fraud worldwide, the Warren County Sheriff's Department wants to offer you tips for safe holiday shopping.



Know who you're buying from

Verify that the business is legitimate using sites like Epinions.com or BizRate.com.



Be smart about your passwords

Longer passwords reduce the chances of a hacker making a correct guess.



Use secure site for online transactions

Make sure the online stores you're shopping from start with http//.



Use one credit card

Dedicate one credit card for all your shopping needs.



Beware of phishing attacks

Don't enter sensitive or financial information into pop-up windows on suspicious emails.



Update, update, update!

Make sure your security software is up-to-date before shopping.



Download secure apps only

Use a mobile secure solution so that you know that apps you download are safe.

SHOP LOCAL

WED., DECEMBER 5
12:00 - 7:00 pm
MASON COMMUNITY CENTER

- Cash and carry (OR) place your order for the holidays
- Open to the public
- Featuring Mason area merchants and home sales representatives
- Take a tour of Mason Community Center!

RACE TO ANYPLACE

HELP RAISE FUNDS FOR LIFESAVING CANCER RESEARCH

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Deerfield Township Personnel Hires and Promotion



Deerfield Township officials have announced the hiring of Jim Flick as Economic Development Director and Public Information Officer.

“We are very excited to have Jim join our team,” says Eric Reiners, Township Administrator. “We have experienced a great deal of growth over the last several years and it was time to bring someone on board to help us manage that momentum.”

Flick has over 11 years’ experience in data analytics, research, communications, project management, and public affairs within government, real estate, and legal settings.

Prior to joining Deerfield Township, Flick spent two and a half years at the City of Cincinnati’s Department of Community and Economic Development as a development officer within the major projects division and was an interim division manager of its policy and communications division. He also spent five years at the commercial real estate firm Cushman and Wakefield, most recently as the vice president of research and marketing.

Flick is currently an adjunct instructor for the master’s of public administration program at Northern Kentucky University, where he earned his master’s degree in 2010. He also has a bachelor’s degree in political science from Eastern Michigan University.

“I want to thank Mr. Reiners and the Board of Trustees for this opportunity,” says Flick. “I look forward to working with them, the community, and the local businesses to shape Deerfield Township in a smart and sustainable way.”

Newly Created Economic Development/ Public Information Role Grows Township

Deerfield Township recently welcomed Jim Flick to the newly created role of Economic Development/Public Information Officer position. This varied job includes supporting the implementation of the community’s Strategic Action Agenda, which can be found at www.DeerfieldActionAgenda.com. This key role will serve as the point person to welcome,

support, and expand businesses throughout the Township, as well as maintaining and development partnerships and relationships with new and existing companies in this region.

If you would like to contact Jim Flick, please feel free to reach him at: jflick@deerfieldtwp.com or 513.770.2386.



Billy Highfill promoted to Public Works Director



Deerfield Township officials recently promoted Billy Highfill to Public Works Director.

“We are proud to have Billy as a part of the Deerfield Township staff,” says Eric Reiners, Township Administrator. “His experience and knowledge of the Township makes him a true asset to the office and I have no doubts that he will thrive as Public Works Director.”

Highfill is a lifelong Deerfield Township area resident. His tenure with the Deerfield Township administration began in 2006. In 2012 he was appointed as project coordinator and was promoted to the position of assistant public works director in 2018. Shortly thereafter, upon the resignation of the former public works director Wes Kroll, Highfill took on the interim director role.

Highfill is responsible for a variety of Public Works tasks related to the management of Township public improvement projects and maintenance programs.

He holds certifications in municipal stormwater inspection, snow and ice control, traffic signs, pavement markings, and asphalt pavement preservation. Additionally, he has received Ohio Department of Transportation Road Scholar Certification, Ohio Department of Agriculture Commercial Applicator Certification, and FEMA Emergency Management Training.

Highfill represents Deerfield Township in the “Public Works Officials of Southwest Ohio,” where he held the office of President in 2016 and 2017.

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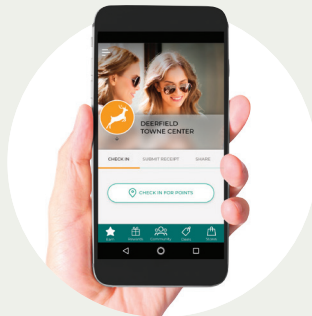


Holiday Events for Everyone at Deerfield Towne Center

- **Holiday Lights**
Saturday, December 8 (5–7PM)
- **Glow in the Dark Chanukah**
Tuesday, December 4 (5:30PM)

Shopping Center Rewards App Program

- Ramco Rewards - THE MORE YOU ENGAGE IN **DEERFIELD TOWNE CENTER**, THE MORE YOU'RE REWARDED!
- Download the Ramco Rewards App
- Sign up **TODAY** to get started
- Earn points for checking in, attending events, submitting receipts, and sharing!
- Cash in your points—choose a gift card from your list of rewards



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Visit www.deerfieldtownecenter.com



Thank You Mason Corporate Challenge

On behalf of the City of Mason Leadership and Economic Development team—thank you to all the sponsors, companies, and people that came out to participate in the Fourth Annual Mason Corporate Challenge on October 20, 2018. This Corporate Challenge is a unique opportunity to bring Mason portfolio companies and their employees together, foster healthy activities, and support talent recruitment. This successful initiative is an incredible nod to the significant level of public private partnerships that the City and its companies consistently commit to nurture.

Driven by the City's corporate community and designed to engage Mason businesses in a city-wide competition, support employee involvement in health and wellness activities, and "give-back" by donating proceeds to select charities, the event has been a creative approach to economic development and corporate involvement. With more than \$60,000 donated to charity since its inception, the Mason Corporate Challenge is winning.

The City of Mason Economic Development Office and the Mason Community Center are committed to cultivating a culture of wellness for the companies, citizens, and visitors to the community.

POLICE SWEARING-IN

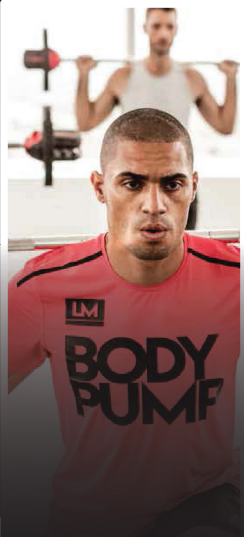
Six police officers were recently promoted and five officers were recently hired. From Left to Right: Captain Jerry Deidesheimer, Lieutenant Craig Kline, Lieutenant Matt Hayes, Lieutenant Michael Bishop, Sergeant Brad Walker, and Sergeant Nick Fantini were recently promoted and Officer John Werner, Officer Justin Byrd, Officer Pat Witte, Officer Chris Hunter, and Officer Drew Robbins were recently hired with the City of Mason.



**SATURDAY,
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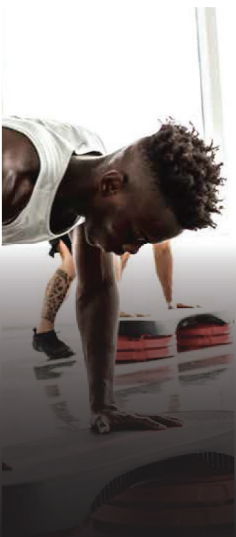
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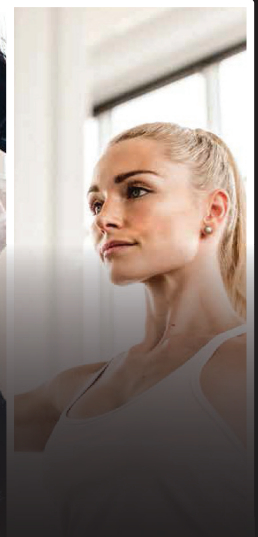
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10:25a - 11:15a



**LES MILLS
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11:25a - 12:15p

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MAIN STREET
EXPO 9 AM - 12 PM



Public Works Project Updates

Deerfield Township, the Warren County Engineer, and the Warren County Transportation Improvement District are actively working on several public works projects that will greatly enhance traffic patterns within its boundaries. These include the following projects:

MASON-MONTGOMERY WIDENING

Work was recently completed on the Mason-Montgomery Road Widening Project. This project allows for better traffic flow along this major corridor within the Township. It also adds to the walkability of the area, making it easy and safer for pedestrians.

This project added a northbound lane to Mason-Montgomery Road from Parkway Drive to Socialville-Foster Road as well as a southbound lane stretching from Socialville-Foster Road to Escort Drive.

Other improvements included additional pedestrian walkways and bike paths, a shared use path stretching from Socialville-Foster Road to Irwin Simpson Road along Mason-Montgomery Road, and a sidewalk from Irwin-Simpson to Parkway Drive.

PARKWAY DRIVE

As a part of the District at Deerfield Project, Parkway Drive is being extended. This project was delayed by an environmental site assessment and archaeological study that took longer than expected to finalize. Phase I of this project is expected to be completed in early 2019, which will extend Parkway to Wilkens Blvd. Phase II of the project will consist of the internal streets, to begin in 2020.

RICH / DAVIS / PRIMROSE INTERSECTION SAFETY IMPROVEMENT

Deerfield Township has been working with the Warren County Engineer's Office for the past two years on the design of a project that would realign Primrose Drive with Rich Road at the Davis Road intersection.

During that time, alternative solutions for the intersection were analyzed. A roundabout was first considered, but would have required the acquisition of two entire residential properties. To limit the impact to the residents, the decision was made to realign the intersection.

These improvements are necessary to improve safety for drivers in the area. The realignment greatly increases visibility and reduces conflict points that have contributed to there being six injury-related crashes and three non-injury crashes at the intersection in the past five years alone. Additionally, the project includes water main replacement within the project area and much needed storm sewer improvements.

All of the land needed to straighten the roads and realign them into a conventional intersection is now owned by the Township and road work is currently underway. The project is expected to be completed in November 2018.

This project was funded through the receipt of a CDBG grant.



MASON COMMUNITY CENTER: WHEN WINTER WEATHER STRIKES

Mason Community Center is open 365 days per year and offers a variety of programs, services, and facility access to members and guests. When winter weather strikes, Mason Community Center approaches operating hours with safety and customer service in mind. Operated by the City of Mason, staff at Mason Community Center coordinates decisions regarding facility hours and operation with other City departments responding to the inclement weather event. By responding to each weather event individually, the Center is able to adjust facility offerings to members and guests and make as much as possible available.



The following resources are available to members and guests when inclement weather is present:

- Like us on Twitter (@MasonOHRec) or follow us on Facebook (City of Mason Recreation) for social media updates regarding facility and program information.
- Subscribe to Mason Community Center's e-newsletter <https://www.imagemason.org/subscribe/>.
- Contact Mason Community Center at 513.229.8555.



MASON POLICE COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Mason Police Officers participated in the ceremonies and awards presentations at the Challenger League Ohio Jamboree this past summer. Officers greeted children and families, handed out stickers and Frisbees, and Officer Burdick threw out the ceremonial first pitch to Cincinnati Reds bat boy Teddy Kramer.

ATTENTION WARREN COUNTY DOG OWNERS



Warren County dog licenses go on sale December 1, 2018 - January 31, 2019

1 Year Regular Tag	\$15	Online or any agent location
1 Year Bone Tag*	\$20	Online or select agent locations
3 Year Tag	\$45	Online or Warren County Auditor's Office
3 Year Bone Tag*	\$50	Online or Warren County Auditor's Office
Kennel Tag*	\$75	Warren County Auditor's Office
Permanent Tag	\$150	Online or Warren County Auditor's Office

*Bone Tag - \$5 of this fee is a donation to the Humane Association for the spay and neuter fund.

For more information please visit
www.wcauditor.org



Arts Alliance Offers Unique Winter Programming

FRESH GREEN WREATH MAKING WITH THAT GIRLS' FLOWERS

• December 1
2:00 pm–4:00 pm
\$55.00 per person
All supplies included. You are welcome to bring your own embellishments (ornaments, beads, etc.).

ART BAR – GLASS ORNAMENT MAKING

• December 4
7:00 pm–9:00 pm
\$25.00 per person
All supplies included.

The Arts Alliance would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for their participation in The Arts Alliance programming, including Summer Art Camps, Art Bar, Workshops, Performing Arts, and the FallFair Arts Festival. They hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful year of arts programming!

They also thank Deerfield Township Trustees and Administration for their continued support of their efforts!

Look for even more expanded arts programming opportunities in 2019! Volunteer! We'd love to meet you!

For more information about The Arts Alliance and registration, please visit www.the-arts-alliance.org.



MYB SCHOLARSHIPS

Mason Youth Basketball awarded scholarships to Charlie Wilson and Gabriella Mordino, to be used towards college.



FIRE SWEARING-IN

Fire Lieutenant Mike Breen was recently promoted and firefighter/paramedics Scott Brown, Andy Cook, Jeremy King, and Nick Luttrell were recently hired with the City of Mason.

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Leaf Collection in Mason

LEAF COLLECTION HELPFUL HINTS

To help the City meet its leaf collection schedule, residents are encouraged to:

- Rake leaves as close to the curb as possible.
- Do not rake leaves into the street or storm sewers; leaves clogging the storm sewers can cause street flooding during heavy rains.
- Do not mix twigs, sticks, rocks, bottles, garden debris, pumpkins, decorative grass clippings, etc. in with the leaves as these items can clog up the machine and cause considerable damage or delay to the leaf collection program.
- Avoid parking near leaf piles. Piles of leaves blocked by vehicles will not be picked up as it is difficult for the truck and leaf machine to maneuver around parked cars.
- If possible, please place leaf piles at least 40 feet from obstacles on each side.

Preparing for the leaf collection season begins in September each year. City staff begin converting vehicles that are used for a variety of tasks throughout the summer months with the equipment needed for leaf removal operations. It takes approximately four hours to prepare one truck for leaf or snow and ice removal operations.

Leaf collection begins in mid-October and typically ends in mid-December unless early snowfall forces leaf removal operations to cease. Unusually dry summers or early season frosts will cause leaves to fall early. Also, the variety of tree influences when the leaves fall. Ash and cotton wood trees generally lose their leaves first while pear trees will keep their leaves until very late in the season.

At this time of year it becomes a challenge preparing and allocating resources. As more leaves begin to fall, leaf collection becomes a top priority for many City departments as they often work extended hours to remove the significant amount of leaves. Most resources are directed to the heaviest areas while other crews rotate through the lighter areas in the City every two to three weeks. Leaves left in roadways can clog storm drains, often causing street flooding during heavy rains. To avoid street flooding and keep neighborhood roads safer, residents are encouraged to help by raking leaves to the curb but not into the street.

An early snowstorm can disrupt leaf removal operations. Trucks used for leaf removal operations need to be converted for snow/ice removal. While a few vehicles are allocated for both services, staff must monitor weather conditions, evaluate timing, strength, and length of a snow/ice storm, and convert additional trucks accordingly—a challenging task when weather conditions can change rather quickly. If the snow/ice storm dissipates or weakens and trucks have been converted then staff must begin the tasks of converting vehicles back for leaf removal operations.

Each year the City collects over 2,500 cubic yards of leaves and recycles them with the assistance of local mulch companies into useable products, reducing the demand on our solid waste landfills and reducing residents' waste collection fees.





Deerfield Parks and Recreation



For more information, please visit DeerfieldRec.com or contact us at sgebe@deerfieldtwp.com



Community Visioning Workshop

We value your feedback! Join us at the final Community Visioning Workshop as the draft Parks Master Plan is presented to the community for discussion and comment. The final plan will be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval in January.

Visit PlanDeerfieldParks.com for more details, including project documentation, timelines, and additional opportunities to participate in the planning process.



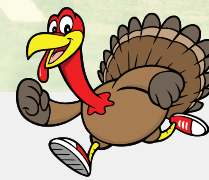
Meeting	Date	Time	Location
Community Visioning Workshop #4	November 28, 2018	6:30pm	Kings High School – Cafeteria 5500 Columbia Road, Kings Mills, OH 45034
Presentation to Board of Trustees	January 15, 2019	5:30pm	Deerfield Trustee Meeting Room 4900 Parkway Drive, Suite 180, Mason, OH 45040



Paint-Your-Own Pottery

Create something unique for the holidays! Participants may select from a variety of options—cups, bowls, boxes, banks, and more. We provide all the supplies you need to relax and paint your piece. Finished pieces will be glazed and fired for you; items will be available for pick up at the Deerfield Township offices within two weeks.

Date/Time	Location	Registration	Fee
Tuesday, November 13, 6pm – 8pm	Snyder House at Cottell Park	Reserve your spot online at DeerfieldRec.com .	Payment is collected from the instructor at the event. Pottery pieces range from \$8 to \$25. Studio Fees are \$0 residents / \$2 nonresidents.



10K on Turkey Day Race and 5K Run/Walk

Come join us for the annual Deerfield Township Life Time Fitness Turkey Day Race! The 10K run and 5K run & walk will begin and end at Life Time Fitness. Runners and walkers of all levels are welcome. This is a chip-timed event!

Date/Time	Location	Registration
Thursday, November 22, 8:00am	Deerfield Township LifeTime Fitness	www.turkeyday-5k.com/races/deerfield



Holiday Lights

See Santa arrive by Fire Truck, count down as they flip the switch to light the towering Christmas tree, and more. Come join the holiday magic at the Deerfield Towne Center for this free community event!

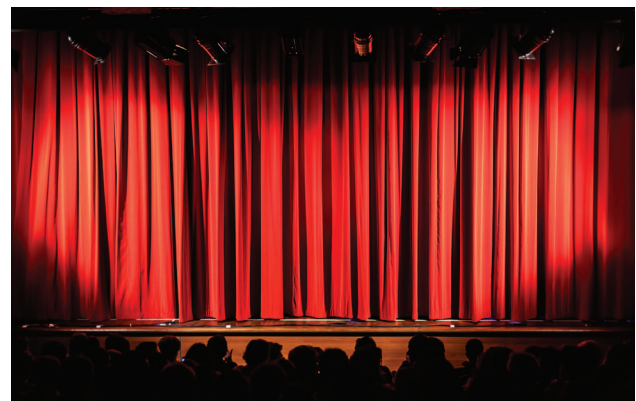
Date/Time	Location
Saturday, December 8, 5:00pm – 7:00pm	Deerfield Towne Center



Santa's Workshop

Santa's helpers scurry about to create special gifts for people on their holiday lists at Deerfield Township's annual Santa's Workshop. This free event for Deerfield Township residents offers children 3–8 years old an opportunity to visit Santa and create something special to give for the holidays.

Date/Time	Location	Registration	Fee
Saturday, December 1, 10:00am OR 11:00am	Snyder House at Cottell Park	Deerfield Township residents only; register online beginning November 1 at DeerfieldRec.com .	Free for Deerfield Township residents. (All children must be accompanied by an adult.)



2019 Performing Arts Series

Deerfield Township and The Arts Alliance are partnering once again to bring a Performing Arts Series to the community. All performances are family friendly and affordable. Join us for a puppet show, theater in the park, and more! Please visit our website, DeerfieldRec.com, in January for more details.



Family clay class

Create all with the kids—moms, dads, grandparents, aunts, and uncles! Join us for this two-day class as we learn with clay and pottery paints. We'll create some really cool pieces from clay on the first day that will get fired in the kiln. During the second class, we'll paint them using mega-fun techniques! All supplies provided.

Date/Time	Location	Registration	Fee
Saturday, January 26 AND February 2, 10:00am – 11:30am	Snyder House at Cottell Park	Register online at DeerfieldRec.com .	\$25 per person (children must be accompanied by a paid adult.)



Chanukah Wonderland

At Deerfield Towne Center in partnership with The Jewish Discovery Center, friends and families gather to celebrate the Festival of Lights and their Jewish heritage. The event includes the menorah lighting, music, entertainment, refreshments, and more.

Date/Time	Location
Tuesday, December 4, 5:30pm – 6:30pm	Deerfield Towne Center



Mason Community Center Activities



FAMILY

SPECIAL EVENTS

New Resident Coffee

Meeting Room

New to the area? Meet other new residents and their families to learn more about the area at our monthly new resident coffee held on the first Wednesday of every month from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The coffee is hosted by the Community Basket and is sponsored by the City of Mason and the Mason Deerfield Chamber of Commerce. Refreshments and tours of Mason Community Center will be provided. Those in attendance will also receive a one-day family pass to Mason Community Center.



SPORTS

Tae Kwon Do Beginner

Gymnasium

Tae Kwon Do is a well-balanced Korean martial art that specializes in kicking skills. No previous experience is necessary for this class. Adults, teens, and children will train together in a family oriented program.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Tu,Th	12/4-12/13	6:30-7:30P	6 & up	11/27	\$28 /\$33 /\$42 /\$50	411114-01
Tu,Th	1/3-1/31	6:30-7:30P	6 & up	12/27	\$45 /\$55 /\$60 /\$60	111116-04
Tu,Th	2/5-2/28	6:30-7:30P	6 & up	1/31	\$45 /\$55 /\$60 /\$60	111116-05

Tae Kwon Do Advanced

Gymnasium

This advanced class focuses on overall self-control, self-discipline, self-defense techniques, balance, flexibility, and strength. Tae Kwon Do will build character and develop courtesy, integrity, honor, respect, loyalty, perseverance, concentration, and compassion to their highest potential.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Tu,Th	12/4-12/13	6:30-8:00P	6 & up	11/27	\$28 /\$33 /\$42 /\$50	411113-04
Tu,Th	1/3-1/31	6:30-8:00P	6 & up	12/27	\$45 /\$55 /\$60 /\$60	111115-05
Tu,Th	2/5-2/28	6:30-8:00P	6 & up	1/31	\$45 /\$55 /\$60 /\$60	111115-06

MYB Game Admission

Admission to each recreational or athletic league game is \$2 per adult and \$1 per child or senior, and not more than \$5 per family. Mason Community Center members do not need to pay the daily admission fee for games held at Mason Community Center.

Save time at the door and purchase a punch pass for games played at Mason Community Center. (Games in the Mason City Schools and away games are not covered by the pass.)

Family Pass (5-game pass)
\$25

Single Adult Pass (5-game pass)
\$10

PRESCHOOL



AQUATICS



Me Too!

Leisure Pool

This parent/child class is designed to teach you to work safely in the water with your child. Skills will be taught at an introductory level including pool safety, water acclimation, floating and gliding with support, submerging, and blowing bubbles through mouth and/or nose. Please register for both sessions during registration.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Sa	1/12-2/16	10:45-11:15A	6 mos-2 yrs	12/30	\$57 /\$68 /\$85 /\$102	152312-01

ENRICHMENT



Mini Monet Art Class

Activity Room B

Get creative with friends! Each week you'll discover new ways to create art using sensory stimulating techniques. Be sure to dress for mess. A parent must be present for this class.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Th	1/10-2/14	10:00-10:30A	1.5-2.5	1/3	\$33 /\$39 /\$49 /\$98	123100-01

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PRESCHOOL



Preschool Drawing

Activity Room B

Winter-themed lessons will excite your child's imagination. Illustrations featuring a patterned giraffe and feathery owl will provide a great introduction to drawing animals.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
W	1/9-2/13	5:30-6:15P	4-5	1/2	\$72/\$85/\$107/\$128	131200-01

SPORTS



Me Too! Gymnastics

Multipurpose Room

This parent and child class will help develop your child's basic motor skills through jumping, skipping, hopping, running, and rolling. You will use beams, wedges, and mats to engage your child through structured play.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Sa	1/12-2/23	9:45-10:15A	18mo-3yrs	1/5	\$56/\$66/\$83/\$99	133461-03
Sa	3/2-4/27	9:45-10:15A	18mo-3yrs	2/23	\$56/\$66/\$83/\$99	133461-04*

*No Class 3/30

Tiny Tumblers

Multipurpose Room

Your child will learn to follow directions without the assistance of a parent and focus on basic gymnastics skills such as forward rolls, backward rolls, headstands, and backbends. He or she will also work on circuit training and be introduced to the vault, uneven bars, balance beam, and floor.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
F	1/11-2/22	4:00-4:45P	3	1/4	\$53/\$63/\$79/\$95	133470-07
Sa	1/12-2/23	10:15-11:00A	3	1/5	\$53/\$63/\$79/\$95	133470-08
F	3/1-4/26	4:00-4:45P	3	2/22	\$60/\$71/\$89/\$107	133470-09*
Sa	3/2-4/27	10:15-11:00A	3	2/23	\$60/\$71/\$89/\$107	133470-10*

*No Class 3/29, 3/30

Jumping Jacks

Multipurpose Room

Your child will improve gross motor skills, flexibility, and coordination through circuit training. He or she will also be introduced to the vault, uneven bars, balance beam, and floor.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
F	1/11-2/22	5:45-6:45P	4-5	1/4	\$65/\$77/\$97/\$116	133476-04
Sa	1/12-2/23	11:15A-12:15P	4-5	1/5	\$65/\$77/\$97/\$116	133476-05
F	3/1-4/26	5:45-6:45P	4-5	2/22	\$74/\$88/\$110/\$132	133476-06*
Sa	3/2-4/27	11:15A-12:15P	4-5	2/23	\$74/\$88/\$110/\$132	133476-07*

*No Class 3/29, 3/30

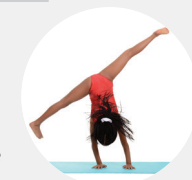
Invitation Only Classes

Please note: Invitation to the following classes is at the gymnastic coach's discretion.

Advanced Jumping Jacks

Multipurpose Room

Younger students who are ready for more advanced gymnastics skills may be invited by their instructor to practice in this class. He or she will work on more advanced skills on the vault, uneven bars, balance beam, and floor.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Tu	1/8-2/19	4:00-5:00P	4-5	1/1	\$65/\$77/\$97/\$116	133473-02
Tu	2/26-4/23	4:00-5:00P	4-5	2/19	\$74/\$88/\$110/\$132	133473-03*

*No Class 3/26

YOUTH



AQUATICS

MASON SWIM ACADEMY



Swim Assessments

If you are new to Mason Swim Academy or have missed three or more sessions, a swim assessment is required. Swim Assessments for spring classes will be held on Tuesday, February 5 and Thursday, February 7, 2019. Please call Mason Community Center beginning January 1, 2019 to register.



Station 1

Leisure Pool

Your child will learn to put his or her face in the water and blow bubbles through his/her nose as well as complete 10 relaxed bobs. To participate in this class, your child must be comfortable in a group class setting without a parent.

Class Times:

M 4:45-5:15P or 5:20-5:50P
W 4:45-5:15P or 5:20-5:50P
Sa 9:00-9:30A, 9:35-10:05A or 10:10-10:40A

Date	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
1/7-2/16	3-5	12/30	\$57 /\$68 /\$85 /\$102	152321*

Station 2

Leisure Pool

Your child will build on what he or she learned in Station 1 by learning to glide on his or her front and back in a streamline position. He or she will also learn to roll from front to back float.



Class Times:

M or W 4:45-5:15P, 5:20-5:50P, 5:55-6:25P, or 6:30-7:00P
Sa 9:00-9:30A, 9:35-10:05A, 10:10-10:40A or 10:45-11:15A

Date	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
1/7-2/16	3-17	12/30	\$57 /\$68 /\$85 /\$102	152322

A PERSONAL LETTER FROM SANTA



Request a personal written letter from Santa by completing the form below. Parents and guardians, please mail the completed form to:

Dan Chambers
6050 Mason-Montgomery Rd.
Mason, Ohio 45040

OR

Email:
dchambers@masonoh.org

Requests for letters must be received by **December 12, 2018** in order to guarantee a return letter from Santa.

Child's Name: _____

Child's Age: _____ Boy Girl

Parent's Names: _____

Form Completed By: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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Hobbies: _____

What does child want for Christmas: _____

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Station 3

Leisure Pool

Your child will enhance his or her breath control and streamlining skills learned in previous Stations while learning proper kicking.

Class Times:

M or W 4:45-5:15P, 5:20-5:50P, 5:55-6:25P, or 6:30-7:00P
Sa 9:00-9:30A, 9:35-10:05A, 10:10-10:40A or 10:45-11:15A

Date	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
1/7-2/16	3-17	12/30	\$57 /\$68 /\$85 /\$102	152323

Station 4

Leisure Pool

Your child will begin the side glide and front crawl stroke, adding on to skills he or she learned in previous Stations.



Class Times:

M or W 4:45-5:15P, 5:20-5:50P, 5:55-6:25P, or 6:30-7:00P
Sa 9:00-9:30A, 9:35-10:05A, 10:10-10:40A or 10:45-11:15A

Date	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
1/7-2/16	3-17	12/30	\$57 /\$68 /\$85 /\$102	152324

Station 5/6

Leisure Pool

Your child will add on to the techniques acquired in previous Stations and begin learning proper freestyle stroke with rotary breathing and the back stroke.



Class Times:

M or W 4:45-5:15P, 5:20-5:50P, 5:55-6:25P, or 6:30-7:00P
Sa 9:00-9:30A, 9:35-10:05A, 10:10-10:40A or 10:45-11:15A

Date	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
1/7-2/16	3-17	12/30	\$57 /\$68 /\$85 /\$102	152325

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Stroke School

Leisure Pool

Continue to build on your skills learned in previous Stations and learn advanced elements and stroke efficiency in all four stroke types. Stroke School meets twice a week and includes the skills taught in Stations 7 and 8 of the SwimAmerica program. A pair of long swim fins with adjustable backs is recommended.

Class Times:

M & W 6:00-6:45P or 7:00-7:45P

Date	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
1/7-2/13	3-17	12/30	\$115 /\$136 /\$161 /\$186	152326



SwimFit

Leisure Pool

SwimFit is Station 9 and 10 of SwimAmerica and focuses on building the swimmer's strength and endurance in every stroke through drills, multiple laps, and on-deck coaching. SwimFit allows swimmers to get the feeling of being on a swim team without the competition.



Class Times:
M & W 7:00-7:45P

Date	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
1/7-2/13	3-17	12/30	\$115/\$136/\$161/\$186	152327

Private Learn to Swim Classes

Are you looking for comfort in the water, improved stroke technique and endurance, or a supplement to the Mason Swim Academy Learn to Swim program? We offer classes for all ages and levels. Work one-on-one with a Mason Swim Academy coach who will customize the class to suit your goals. While we cannot guarantee the same coach for every class, there will always be a certified Mason Swim Academy coach available.

Class Times:
T 5:30-6:00P, 6:05-6:35P, 6:40-7:10P or 7:15-7:45P
Su 9:00-9:30A, 9:35-10:05A, 10:10-10:40A or 10:45-11:15A

Date	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
1/6-2/12	4 & up	12/30	\$150/\$177/\$202/\$227	152319



Science Matters: Grab Bag of Science Meeting Room



It's a Grab Bag of Science—A little of this, a little of that, some wild reactions is where it's at! Make a slushy treat to eat, create a fizzy bath bomb, and see Soda Slobber. We'll make water disappear and play with snow that never melts. With a pop, a bang, or even some fizz, you will become a chemistry whiz!

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
F	2/15	9:00A-4:00P	6-12	2/8	\$78/\$92/\$115/\$138	163300-01

CAMPS

Laffalot One Day Wonder Camp

Field House - Court 1

Laffalot's One Day Wonder includes many of the games and sports kids love. Soccer, basketball, dodgeball, parachute, pillo pollo, tag, scooters, and more! If being active and having fun with friends gets your child excited, then this is the program for them!



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
M	1/21	9:00A-4:00P	6-12	1/14	\$44/\$52/\$65/\$78	136502-01

Laffalot One Day Wonder Camp: Before and Aftercare

Before and After Care is designed for Laffalot campers who need extended care. These participants can be dropped off and picked up in Kids' Korner at 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Kids' Korner staff will take the campers to and from camp.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
M	1/21	8:00-9:00A	6-12	1/21	\$6/\$8/\$10/\$12	136502-02
M	1/21	4:00-5:00P	6-12	1/21	\$6/\$8/\$10/\$12	136502-03

Science Matters: Before and Aftercare



Before and After Care is designed for iDaP campers who need extended care. Participants ages 6–12 can be dropped off and picked up in Kids' Korner at 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Kids' Korner staff will take the campers to and from camp.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
F	2/15	8:00-9:00A	6-12	2/15	\$6/\$8/\$10/\$12	163300-02
F	2/15	4:00-5:00P	6-12	2/15	\$6/\$8/\$10/\$12	163300-03

Snow Day Registration Mason Community Center



Snow Day Camp takes place whenever the Mason City School District cancels classes due to inclement weather. Each snow day will feature group games, crafts, sports activities, a movie, and swimming. Please pack a full lunch, refillable water bottle, plenty of snacks, extra clothing, gym shoes, swimsuit, and a towel for your child.

For same day announcements, registration begins at 5:30 a.m. or when the announcement is made, whichever is later. If announced the night before, early registration is available online only. To register, call 513.229.8555 or visit www.imagemason.org. Space is limited.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
M-F	November to April	9:00A-5:00P	6-12	\$37/\$44/\$55/\$66	733807*

*You will not be able to register for Snow Day Camp until a snow day is announced.



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ENRICHMENT

Cartooning

Activity Room A

Encourage your child's enthusiasm for art! Your child will learn about exaggeration and drawing facial expressions, create fully realized cartoon characters, and tell a story through a series of drawings. The focus for our illustrations will be a humorous shaving sequence.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
W	1/9-2/13	6:30-7:30P	6-12	1/2	\$72/\$85/\$107/\$128	131201-01

Google Basics for Kids

Meeting Room

Become more proficient and gain confidence when given a digital task at school, like typing an assignment in Google Docs or a presentation in Google Slides. Participants will learn to navigate and utilize basic Google tools in Chrome, use the Chrome Web Store, add extensions and apps, improve Digital Citizenship Safety Skills, and much more!



Participants are welcome to bring their own Chromebook or other laptop that has access to the Chrome Browser.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
W	1/9-1/30	5:30-6:30P	6-12	1/2	\$72/\$85/\$107/\$128	163302-02



Keyboarding Basics for Kids

Meeting Room

Learn basic keyboarding skills with a focus on keyboard awareness and accuracy that are built upon correct techniques such as correct body posture, finger position, and quick keystrokes which in turn lead to increased typing speed. Participants will be taught to use an online tool that accesses targeted lessons and monitors progress in a gamified format that can be accessed at home to practice anytime!

Participants are welcome to bring their own laptop or Chromebook.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Th	1/10-1/31	5:30-6:30P	7-12	1/3	\$77/\$91/\$114/\$137	163301-01

SPECIAL EVENTS

Parents' Night Out

Premier Member Perk!
Kids' Korner



Enjoy a night out on the town while your children engage in a night full of fun at Mason Community Center. The evening will consist of themed programming and a pizza party sponsored by West Shore Pizza of Mason. We ask that you please pack a snack and drink for each event.

Children ages 6 and up will enjoy swim time while children under 6 will participate in preschool-themed activities on scheduled swim days. Please pack a swim suit and towel if your child will be swimming.

Parents' Night Out is available to Premier members only. Please stop at the Member Services Desk to upgrade your membership, prior to registration day, if you would like to take part in this program and the many other benefits of Premier membership. We ask that each family sign up for only one Parents' Night Out per month.

Early Bird Special



Online registration for Parents' Night Out starts at 7:45 a.m. on Friday, November 16. Phone registration starts at 8 a.m.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee	Activity
F	12/7	6:00-9:00P	3-12	11/30	Free	133805-01
Mismatch: Wear your clothes inside out for a wacky evening of fun! Participants 6 years and older will enjoy swim time.						
F	12/14	6:00-9:00P	3-12	12/7	Free	133805-02
Origami Fun: Enjoy making origami crafts!						
F	12/21	6:00-9:00P	3-12	12/7	Free	133805-02
Snowflake Art: Create a variety of different shaped snowflakes. Participants 6 years and older will enjoy swim time.						
F	1/11	6:00-9:00P	3-12	1/4	Free	133805-04
Winter Camping: Come in from the cold and paint a picture using marshmallows. Participants 6 years and older will enjoy swim time.						
F	1/18	6:00-9:00P	3-12	1/11	Free	133805-05
Winter Science: Learn and have fun with a winter-themed science experience.						
F	1/25	6:00-9:00P	3-12	1/18	Free	133805-06
Wacky Socks: Let's see the craziest socks you have! Participants 6 years and older will enjoy swim time.						
F	2/1	6:00-9:00P	3-12	1/25	Free	133805-07
The Final Showdown: Celebrate the Super Bowl and dress in your teams' sports attire for a night of fun! Participants 6 years and older will enjoy swim time.						
F	2/8	6:00-9:00P	3-12	2/1	Free	133805-08
Dream Catcher: Use your creativity to create your own dream catcher craft.						
F	2/22	6:00-9:00P	3-12	2/15	Free	133805-09
Arctic Adventure: Make an arctic penguin craft. Participants 6 years and older will enjoy swim time.						



SPORTS

Sassy Sixes and Sevens Gymnastics

Multipurpose Room

Students will work on gymnastics drills, conditioning, and routines similar to those introduced in the Beginners and Advanced Beginners classes. He or she will continue to improve on basic gymnastic skills, flexibility, and strength.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
M	1/7-2/18	5:00-6:00P	6-7	12/31	\$65 /\$77/\$97 /\$116	133472-05
Tu	1/8-2/19	4:30-5:30P	6-7	1/1	\$65 /\$77/\$97 /\$116	133472-06
F	1/11-2/22	4:45-5:45P	6-7	1/4	\$65 /\$77/\$97 /\$116	133472-07
Sa	1/12-2/23	12:15-1:15P	6-7	1/5	\$65 /\$77/\$97 /\$116	133472-08
M	2/25-4/22	5:00-6:00P	6-7	2/18	\$74 /\$88 /\$110 /\$132	133472-09*
Tu	2/26-4/23	4:30-5:30P	6-7	2/19	\$74 /\$88 /\$110 /\$132	133472-10*
F	3/1-4/26	4:45-5:45P	6-7	2/22	\$74 /\$88 /\$110 /\$132	133472-11*
Sa	3/2-4/27	12:15-1:15P	6-7	2/23	\$74 /\$88 /\$110 /\$132	133472-12*

*No Class 3/25, 3/26, 3/29, 3/30



Boys Beginners Gymnastics

Multipurpose Room

Introduce your child to the world of gymnastics. Students will learn basic gymnastics skills on boys' events including the floor, parallel bars, high bar, and vault. Gymnastics classes help teach flexibility, strength, coordination, and self-confidence.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Tu	1/8-2/19	6:30-7:30P	8-17	1/1	\$65 /\$77/\$97 /\$116	132488-04
Tu	2/26-4/23	6:30-7:30P	8-17	2/19	\$74 /\$88 /\$110 /\$132	132488-05*

*No Class 3/26

Invitation Only Gymnastic Classes

Please note: Invitation to the following classes is at the gymnastic coach's discretion.

Advanced Sassy Sixes and Sevens

Multipurpose Room

Younger students who are ready for more advanced gymnastics skills may be invited by their instructor to practice in this class. He or she will work on more advanced routines on the vault, uneven bars, balance beam, and floor. This class meets from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

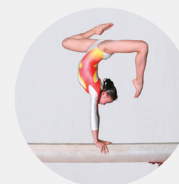
Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Tu,Th	1/8-2/21	Tu 6:30-7:30P Th 5:30-6:30P	6-7	1/1	\$142 /\$168 /\$193 /\$218	132468-02
Tu,Th	2/26-4/25	Tu 6:30-7:30P Th 5:30-6:30P	6-7	2/19	\$142 /\$168 /\$193 /\$218	132468-03*

*No Class 3/26, 3/28

Advanced Beginners

Multipurpose Room

Students in this class must have some gymnastics experience and have mastered the basic Beginner skills. This class will provide a greater challenge to students on the floor, uneven bars, balance beam, and vault.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
M,W	1/7-2/20	6:30-7:30P	8 & up	12/31	\$142 /\$168 /\$193 /\$218	133482-02
M,W	2/25-4/24	6:30-7:30P	8 & up	2/18	\$142 /\$168 /\$193 /\$218	133482-03*

*No Class 3/25, 3/27



Beginners Gymnastics

Multipurpose Room

Introduce your child to the world of gymnastics. Students will learn basic gymnastics skills on the floor, uneven bars, balance beam, and vault. Conditioning and flexibility are also introduced at this level.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
M	1/7-2/18	6:00-7:00P	8-17	12/31	\$65 /\$77/\$97 /\$116	133487-04
Tu	1/8-2/19	5:30-6:30P	8-17	1/1	\$65 /\$77/\$97 /\$116	133487-05
Th	1/10-2/21	6:30-7:30P	8-17	1/3	\$65 /\$77/\$97 /\$116	133487-06
M	2/25-4/22	6:00-7:00P	8-17	2/18	\$74 /\$88 /\$110 /\$132	133487-07*
Tu	2/26-4/23	5:30-6:30P	8-17	2/19	\$74 /\$88 /\$110 /\$132	133487-08*
Th	2/28-4/25	6:30-7:30P	8-17	2/21	\$74 /\$88 /\$110 /\$132	133487-09*

*No Class 3/25, 3/26, 3/28



TEEN

CAMPS



iDaP Academy Camp: Board Game

Meeting Rooms

Create your own board game that is electrified—imagine reinventing checkers or chess that is electrified with music or your own voice. You create the game and take a Makey Makey Go home with you to continue to invent anywhere.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
M	2/18	9:00A-4:00P	8-16	2/11	\$133 /\$157 /\$182 /\$207	136601-03



iDaP Camp: Before and Aftercare

Before and After Care is designed for iDaP campers who need extended care. Participants ages 6–12 can be dropped off and picked up in Kids' Korner at 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Kids' Korner staff will take the campers to and from camp. Participants ages 13–16 can be checked in at the front lobby.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
M	2/18	8:00-9:00A	8-12	2/18	\$6 /\$8 /\$10 /\$12	136601-07
M	2/18	4:00-5:00P	8-12	2/18	\$6 /\$8 /\$10 /\$12	136601-08

after SCHOOL teen drop-in PROGRAMS



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MON.

TEEN TRX FITNESS FLOOR 2:45-3:30
TEEN BASKETBALL GYM COURT A 2:30-4:30

TUES.

TEEN PILATES STUDIO B 2:45-3:30
TEEN PICKLEBALL GYM COURT A 2:30-4:30

WED.

TEEN CYCLE STUDIO C 2:45-3:45
TEEN FUTBAL GYM COURT A 2:30-4:30

THUR.

TEEN TONE STUDIO A 2:45-3:30
TEEN VOLLEYBALL GYM COURT B 2:30-4:30

FRI.

TEEN SMALL GROUP TRAINING STUDIO A 2:45-3:30
TEEN YARD GAMES GYM COURT B 2:30-4:30

HOMESCHOOL ZONE

ACTIVITY ROOM A 2:30-4:30 PM



ENRICHMENT

Practice ACT or SAT Test



Meeting Rooms

Join us for a free practice ACT or SAT test presented in partnership with College Tutors. Parents and students are offered a complimentary meeting to discuss the results of the test.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee	Activity
Sa	1/12	8:00-12:00P	9-12	1/5	Free	131602-01
Sa	2/9	8:00-12:00P	9-12	2/2	Free	131602-02



MASON TWISTERS

The Mason Twisters kicked off their season in September at the Challenge of Champions in Jacksonville, Florida. This is the first time the Twisters competed in this meet and it gave the gymnasts a good opportunity to be exposed to competition from a different region. Savannah and Isabella both placed first All-Around for their performances. Virginia placed second All-Around. The Mason Twisters brought home a first place team award.

AQUATICS



Adult Group Learn to Swim Class



Leisure Pool

Beginner adults with little or no experience in the water will work on various skills and techniques to achieve the goal of water acclimation. Intermediate adults who have mastered submerging and floating will work on backstroke and freestyle readiness. Swimmers whose skills exceed the intermediate level should contact our Aquatics team for additional class options.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Beginner						
M	1/7-2/11	7:05-7:35P	15 & up	12/30	\$65 /\$77 /\$97 /\$116	152334-01
Intermediate						
M	1/7-2/11	7:05-7:35P	15 & up	12/30	\$65 /\$77 /\$97 /\$116	152334-02



Bodies in Balance: Water



Leisure Pool

Join us to start your aquatic exercise program. You'll use the high resistance and low impact properties of water to increase overall muscle strength, endurance, balance, and flexibility. This water fitness program is ideal for those with arthritis, Parkinson's, fibromyalgia, discharged or phase 3 pulmonary rehab, or other joint complications. Led by a certified athletic trainer, Bodies in Balance: Water utilizes more rehab-based exercises compared to a traditional Water Fit class. There will be no make-up classes or rescheduling for any absences.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Tu,Th	12/4-12/20	9:00-9:45A	18 & up	11/27	\$48 /\$57 /\$72 /\$86	161605-04
Tu,Th	1/8-1/31	9:00-9:45A	18 & up	1/1	\$64 /\$76 /\$95 /\$114	161605-01
Tu,Th	2/5-2/28	9:00-9:45A	18 & up	1/29	\$64 /\$76 /\$95 /\$114	161605-02



ADULT



ALLOW FOR WARM UP TIME

It is always a good idea to arrive early and warm up prior to your round of golf.

VISIT THE DRIVING RANGE

- o Start with easy wedge shots to get your swing rhythm.
- o Hit either even number or odd numbered clubs; you do not have to hit every club in your bag.

STOP BY THE PRACTICE PUTTING GREEN TO CHECK THE SPEED OF THE GREENS

ARRIVE AT THE FIRST TEE 5 MINUTES PRIOR TO YOUR TEE TIME



CLIMB INTO THE NEW YEAR ON THE JACOB'S LADDER.

CLIMB 29,035 FEET TO THE TOP OF MT. EVEREST.

DECEMBER 1 - 31

AGES 10 AND UP

Prizes will be awarded to the top participants.

Registration required.



ENRICHMENT



CPR/AED Classes

Fire Station 51 Community Room



As part of our effort to make the community a safer place to live and work, the City of Mason Fire Department offers CPR classes. CPR training is free for Premier members and Mason residents, and a small fee for nonresidents (discounts available for nonresidents who are Basic members of Mason Community Center).

All CPR instructors are Mason Firefighter/Paramedics. During the sessions, participants will learn adult and child CPR as well as the proper operation of an automated external defibrillator (AED). After the four-hour class, participants will receive a certification from the American Heart Association.

Classes will be held in the community room at Fire Station 51, 4420 Mason-Montgomery Road. Please register through Mason Community Center.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
M	1/7	9:00A-1:00P	18 & up	12/31	\$0/\$7/\$0/\$10	121620-03



PROTECT: Women's Self Defense Meeting Room

Develop awareness, strength, and self-confidence. Learn hands-on techniques, covering low level self-defense moves and simulated self-defense situations, to defend yourself in a dangerous situation.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
W	2/6	6:00-8:00P	14 & up	1/30	Free	221600-07



FITNESS & WELLNESS



Fitness Assessments

Fitness Center

Take the first step toward better health today! To help you track your results and see how your hard work is paying off, we offer fitness assessments with our certified staff. Assessments include: heart rate, blood pressure, body composition, muscular strength, muscular endurance, cardiorespiratory fitness, and flexibility. Assessments are recommended every three to six months or at the start of an exercise routine. A full assessment takes approximately one hour. Please wear gym shoes and comfortable clothing. Please complete the Fitness Center Appointment Request Form at Mason Community Center or online at www.imaginemason.org to get started.

Day	Age	Fee (PRE/BAS)
Varies	15 & up	\$0* /\$30**

*Up to 4 free assessments per year.
 **Rate will be discounted from a personal training package purchased following your assessment.



Building Your Wellness

Meeting Room

Learn to make food choices that will optimize your health and target healthy eating habits. Each week your dietetic technician will apply healthy eating habits into everyday living.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Th	1/10-2/28	6:30-7:30P	15 & up	1/3	\$92 /\$109 /\$134 /\$159	169118-01
F	1/11-3/1	11:00-12:00P	15 & up	1/4	\$92 /\$109 /\$134 /\$159	169118-02



Cycle 101

Studio C (2nd floor)

Starter Cycle is for the first-time cyclist. The class begins with tips on footwear, proper bike setup, and water intake. You'll then be guided through all the various climbs, jumps, and cadence speeds that are featured in our regular drop-in group exercise classes to ensure you build your strength and endurance for a safe and effective workout.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Sa	1/12	9:30-10:15A	12 & up	1/5	\$0 /\$2 /\$20 /\$20	721300-08



TRX 101

TRX

This introductory class will prepare you for our regularly scheduled TRX classes. The instructor will help you focus on correct form, safety, and strength training that challenges your major muscle groups. This program will also feature cardio, flexibility, and balance elements that you will experience in the drop-in group exercise TRX classes. Registration is required.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Sa	1/12	8:30-9:15A	12 & up	1/5	\$0 /\$2 /\$20 /\$20	721301-08



ADULT



Call the Community Center to learn more about Introductory Training Specials for Members!

Personal Training Fitness Center

Looking for the best work outs to achieve your goals, need a coach to keep you motivated, or need to change up your routine of exercises? The certified personal trainers at Mason Community Center offer a variety of training packages to cater to individual needs, no matter what the goal. Stop by the Member Services Desk for more information or call 513.229.8555 to get started!



Punch Passes for Multiple Visits

When you purchase a Personal Training package, your visits will be tracked through a punch pass system. Your visits will be linked to your membership card so you can find out how many sessions remain on your pass by stopping at the Member Services Desk. Your trainer will scan your card at the beginning of each training session.

	Premier	Basic	Non-Member
30-Minute Personal Training Package			
Individual			
One 30-Minute Session	\$35	\$42	\$63
Six 30-Minute Sessions	\$189	\$223	\$273
Twelve 30-Minute Sessions	\$370	\$436	\$486
Partner (train with a friend)			
One 30-Minute Session	\$26 each	\$31 each	\$47 each
Six 30-Minute Sessions	\$140 each	\$165 each	\$215 each
Twelve 30-Minute Sessions	\$275 each	\$324 each	\$374 each

	Premier	Basic	Non-Member
45-Minute Personal Training Package			
Individual			
One 45-Minute Session	\$45	\$53	\$80
Six 45-Minute Sessions	\$243	\$286	\$336
Twelve 45-Minute Sessions	\$475	\$559	\$609
Partner (train with a friend)			
One 45-Minute Session	\$34 each	\$40 each	\$60 each
Six 45-Minute Sessions	\$184 each	\$217 each	\$267 each
Twelve 45-Minute Session:	\$359 each	\$423 each	\$473 each

	Premier	Basic	Non-Member
1-Hour Personal Training Packages			
Individual			
One 1-Hour Session	\$55	\$65	\$98
Six 1-Hour Sessions	\$297	\$350	\$400
Twelve 1-Hour Sessions	\$580	\$683	\$733
Partner (train with a friend)			
One 1-Hour Session	\$41 each	\$49 each	\$74 each
Six 1-Hour Sessions	\$221 each	\$260 each	\$310 each
Twelve 1-Hour Sessions	\$433 each	\$510 each	\$560 each

	Premier	Basic	Non-Member
Small Group Training			
30-Minutes			
3 Participants	\$18 each	\$22 each	\$33 each
4 Participants	\$14 each	\$17 each	\$26 each
Six 30-Minutes			
3 Participants	\$97 each	\$115 each	\$165 each
4 Participants	\$76 each	\$90 each	\$135 each
Twelve 30-Minutes			
3 Participants	\$190 each	\$224 each	\$274 each
4 Participants	\$148 each	\$175 each	\$225 each
1-Hour			
3 Participants	\$35 each	\$42 each	\$63 each
4 Participants	\$25 each	\$30 each	\$45 each
Six 1-Hour Sessions			
3 Participants	\$189 each	\$223 each	\$273 each
4 Participants	\$135 each	\$159 each	\$209 each
Twelve 1-Hour Sessions			
3 Participants	\$370 each	\$436 each	\$486 each
4 Participants	\$264 each	\$311 each	\$361 each





"Enrolling in the Biggest Winner program was the best thing that happened to me this year! Before the program, exercising was not part of my daily routine or my life at all. A trip to the Community Center was strictly to drop off and pick up my kids to and from their activities. My wife enrolled me in the Biggest Winner program and here I am six months later. I've lost close to 40 lbs. so far and am actively going to the Center to work out.

"A big shout out to Cindy England for playing a large role in my success story, to all my team members on the Orange Team, and to my lovely wife Reem for all her support, motivation, and her healthy, delicious meals. I could not have done it alone!" —AHMAD SALEH

"I was consistently exercising at a comfortable level. The Biggest Winner program pushed me to try new classes, challenged me to do intimidating classes, and encouraged me to try classes out of my comfort zone. I have incorporated many of the classes from the Biggest Winner into my regular routine.

"The Biggest Winner added value to my membership by exposing me to classes I might have skipped because I felt that I wasn't fit enough to participate, which was encouraging! The Biggest Winner also provided an opportunity to meet and connect with people who have now become friends in the Mason community."

—ELLI EDWARDS

SPORTS

Members Only

Adult Badminton

Field House Court 1

Come in to play basketball with our members during these during designated drop-in badminton times.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee	Activity
T,Th,Sa	1/3-5/30	varies*	18 & up	Free	722201-10
*T,Th: 7 to 9P and Sa: 8 to 10:30A					

Members Only

Adult Basketball

Gymnasium A

Come in to play basketball with our members during these during designated drop-in basketball times. A Mason Community Center staff member will be present on the courts to verify that all participants are registered and following the posted rules.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee	Activity
M,W,Sa	1/2-5/29	varies*	18 & up	Free	722200-10
*M,W: 5 to 7P and Sa: 10A to 12P					
*No Class 5/27					

Adult Gymnastics

Multipurpose Room

Students will work on gymnastics drills, conditioning, and routines similar to those introduced in the Beginners and Advanced Beginners classes. He or she will continue to improve on basic gymnastic skills, flexibility, and strength.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Sa	1/5-1/29	8:30-9:30A	18 & up	12/29	\$36/\$43/\$54/\$65	133488-04



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Picasso Painters

Activity Room A

Try your hand at painting. No experience is required—people with various levels of skill will learn from each other. Bring your own supplies. This free class is limited to 15 people and is on a first come, first served basis.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Tu	9/11-11/26	10:00A-12:30P	55 & up	Free

K-Laser Therapy Discussion

Senior Lounge

Do you suffer from aches and pains from arthritis or other acute/chronic musculoskeletal injuries? Dr. Spille will discuss K-Laser therapy with benefits including decreasing pain and inflammation while accelerating tissue repair and healing time.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee	Activity
Tu	12/6	1:15-2:15P	All	11/29	Free	141514-01

Alzheimer's Holiday Tips

Senior Lounge

Learn tips for families coping with Alzheimer's through holiday celebrations and other family gatherings.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee	Activity
Th	12/13	1:15-2:15P	55 & up	12/6	Free	141511-01



Develop Your Computer Skills

The Senior Center offers computer classes to enhance your basic knowledge and learn about anti-virus protection, browsing the internet, and buying and selling on the internet. Contact Mason Community Center.

Know the 10 Sign of Alzheimer's: Early Detection Matters

New!

Senior Lounge

The 10 Signs are a key tool in recognition of common changes that may facilitate early detection and diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease or another dementia. Early detection is vital in providing the best opportunities for treatment, support, and planning for the future.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee	Activity
Tu	1/15	1:15-2:15P	55 & up	2/14	Free	141512-01



Senior Center Library

The Senior Lounge, located in the Senior Center, offers a variety books for you to read. No need to check a book out; if you take a book, please return it when you're finished.



AARP Tax Assistance

Meeting Rooms



AARP Tax-Aide is the nation's largest, volunteer-run tax counseling & preparation service. This free service is designed for low to moderate income seniors with less complicated returns. Beginning January 1, you can make an appointment through masonfreetax.acuityscheduling.com or contact the Community Center's Senior Center in person or by phone at 513.229.8555.

Please bring Social Security cards for all people listed on your return, your 2016 completed tax return, 2017's tax documents, your checkbook. Both taxpayer and spouse must be present with a government issued photo ID or with power of attorney.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee
Tu, W	2/6-4/11	9:00A-1:30P	55 & up	2/14	Free



Understanding Alzheimer's Senior Lounge



The Education Coordinator of the Alzheimer's Association will provide a presentation on Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee	Activity
Tu	2/19	1:15-2:15P	55 & up	2/12	Free	141513-01

Parkinson's Support Group Senior Center

Mason's Parkinson's Support Group offers you education, exercise therapy, and support that have proven beneficial in helping cope with this disease. On the third Thursday of each month, there is a pot luck dinner at 6 p.m. followed by a speaker at 6:30 pm.

Day	Time	Age	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)
Th	5:00-6:00P	18 & up	\$0/\$0/\$1/\$1



Cards, Games & More!

Do you enjoy playing cards and getting together with friends? Come join one of the Senior Center's many card and game groups including Hand & Foot Canasta, Pinochle, Euchre, Party Bridge, Mah Jongg, and Dominoes. Duplicate Bridge requires a

reservation. Call the Senior Center at 513.229.8555 for days and times or additional information.

Members Only

Tai Chi

The style of Tai Chi emphasizes soft and slow movements which enhances lower body strength and improves circulation, balance, and stability.



Day	Time
Beginner (Meeting Rooms)	
Th	12:00-1:00P
Advanced (Studio A)	
Th	1:00P-3:00P

FITNESS & WELLNESS



Senior Fitness Training Fitness Center

Stay strong with a senior workout program that is perfect for all fitness levels. Join us in a circuit program designed and run each week by a certified personal trainer and utilizes TRX straps, BOSU, stability balls, dumbbells, medicine balls, and more. Circuit training is a great way to get maximum results in minimal time and provides full body fitness, toning, and strength.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Tu,Th	12/4-12/20	8:45-9:30A	55 & up	11/27	\$40/\$57/\$72/\$86	161603-16
Tu,Th	1/8-1/31	8:45-9:30A	55 & up	1/1	\$55/\$65/\$82/\$98	161603-17
Tu,Th	2/5-2/28	8:45-9:30A	55 & up	1/29	\$55/\$65/\$82/\$98	161603-18

DROP-IN PICKLEBALL



ALL SKILLS LEVEL	
WEDNESDAY	12:00-2:00 PM
BEGINNER/INTERMEDIATE	
MONDAY & FRIDAY	12:00-2:00 PM
ADVANCED LEVEL	
TUESDAY & THURSDAY	12:00-2:00 PM



MASON COMMUNITY CENTER



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SPECIAL EVENTS



Pot Luck Luncheon

Senior Center

Join us during these cold, winter months. Main entrees are provided by our generous sponsors—Chesterwood, Mason Christian Village, Cedar Village, The Lodge, Mason Health Care, and other visiting organizations. Each individual attending must bring a side dish to serve 8–10 people. Reservations are required and can be made by calling Mason Community Center’s Senior Center at 513.229.8555.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee
Th	9/6-11/29*	12:00-1:00P	55 & up	\$1

*No lunch on 11/15, 11/22, 12/20 & 12/27



Casino Motorcoach Day Trip

Join us for a fun trip to the RISING STAR located in Rising Sun, Indiana. Space is limited. Register online or by visiting or calling the Senior Center at 513.229.8555. Your bus ride, lunch buffet, and \$10 slot play are included.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (PRE/BAS/MR/NR)	Activity
Tu	2/26	10:00A-4:00P	55 & up	2/19	\$23 /\$23 /\$26 /\$26	149101-01

Safari Lunch and Dinners

Let’s go on a SAFARI! One Wednesday a month, members of the Senior Center will meet at a local restaurant. Reservations are required and can be made under MASON SENIOR CENTER.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee	Activity
W	12/12	1:00-3:00P	55 & up	12/5	Free	144400-01
<i>Silver Spring House, 8322 E. Kemper Rd., Cincinnati</i>						
W	1/11	1:00-3:00P	55 & up	1/9	Free	144400-02
<i>Bonefish Grill, 7710 Voice of America, West Chester, Ohio</i>						
W	2/8	1:00-3:00P	55 & up	2/1	Free	144400-03
<i>P. F. Chang’s, 9435 Civic Center Blvd., West Chester</i>						

Movie Days

Senior Center

Come and enjoy a movie in the Senior Center on the third Friday of every month. Free popcorn and drinks are provided by Brookdale at Long Cove Pointe. Movies will be announced prior to the showing date.



Day	Date	Time	Age	Fee	Movie
F	12/21	2:00P	55 & up	Free	<i>Christmas Inheritance</i>
F	1/18	2:00P	55 & up	Free	TBD
F	2/15	2:00P	55 & up	Free	TBD



Holiday Celebration

The Mason High School Chorale will present a holiday performance in the Senior Center on Thursday, December 6 at 11:45am.



Breakfast Bingo

Senior Center

Join us for a morning of BINGO fun. Enjoy donuts, pastries, coffee, and yogurt parfaits while you play.

Day	Date	Time	Age	Deadline	Fee (Member/Non-member)	Activity
W	2/13	9:00-10:30A	55 & up	2/6	\$5 /\$5 /\$5 /\$5	143108-02

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- Kids Korner
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