



THE VILLAGE VIEW

The Village of Jackson Center Newsletter

AUGUST 2026

From the desk of the Administrator...

Hello August, I can't believe school will be starting this month. Parents are you ready for them to go back?!?! This month I want to discuss few projects.

Robb Avenue Reconstruction Project: The Village awarded Sturm Construction to reconstruct Robb Avenue. As a reminder, the project consists of new 12" watermain, curb/gutters, removal of the concrete road, and new asphalt on the entire roadway. Sturm is anticipating starting the project mid-August and predicting about a month and half to complete the work. With that being said, **Robb Avenue Residents** your participation is needed for that timeline to become a reality. We know this project is very needed and we know it's not going to be easy. If you're willing to adjust your parking and schedules to accommodate for the work being done, will allow Sturm to meet the deadlines that they are foreseeing, depending on weather. The Village will be reaching out to all residents on Robb Avenue very soon to invite them to the Family Life Center for Q/A sessions about the project. Stay tuned.

Underground Bore "Ruhenkamp" Ruhenkamp Boring & Trenching will be town on August 3rd to bore a new 3 Phase underground electric line in the areas of West Street, South Fork and North Fork.

Story Walk Project "Wally Byam Park" Last week, Village Parks and Street Departments completed installation of our new "Story Walk" in Wally Byam Park, along the walking paths. This fun and interactive outdoor activity allows you to walk the path where the pages of a children's book are disassembled, laminated, and displayed sequentially. There will be a kick-off for the walk on **August 6th at 6pm at Wally Byam Park.** There will be face painting from Artful Expressions, games, and door prizes. We invite you and your families

Sanitary Smoke Testing

The Village's Sewer Department in collaboration with the Rural Community Action Partnership "RCAP" will be conducting smoke testing of our Sanitary Sewer System on August 11th- 13th. A "Smoke Test" survey will assist the inspection crews in locating breaks and defects in the sewer system, eliminating Inflow/Infiltration. ***The smoke should not enter your home unless you have a defect in your homes plumbing system or you have drain traps that are dried-up.*** It is advisable for the homeowner to slowly pour a gallon of water into each floor drains, and other seldom used drains, prior to the testing date. If smoke does enter your home, there is a strong reason to assume that dangerous sewer gases are entering your home or business. You should open windows and doors and evacuate the building immediately and notify the work crew.



Tuesday, Aug 4th, 6-8 PM

JC POOL, 800 E PIKE ST.

FREE ADMISSION

**Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Chips & Cookies...and the B-Hive!!!
Games & Prizes for all ages!
Come out and join in the fun!**

JACKSON CENTER LOCAL SCHOOLS

**IMPORTANT REMINDERS
2026-27 BACK TO SCHOOL**

OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, Aug 18th, 6:30 – 8pm

STUDENT FIRST DAY

Thursday, Aug 20th

SCHOOL HOURS

7:55a m – 2:45pm

31th Annual JC Corporate Challenge Golf Scramble

4-Person Golf Scramble, Saturday, September 19th, 8A - Cherokee Hills Golf Course, Bellefontaine

To enter contact Jim Gooding @ jim.gooding1971@gmail.com, call/text t 937-622-5139. Entries & payment due by Wed., Sept. 9th.

Business Spotlight:

JACKSON CENTER FAMILY LIFE CENTER

The Family Life Center is a community outreach ministry of the Jackson Center Methodist Church. Located in the former location of the long-time family-owned and operated Leininger Lumber Company, it offers a wide variety of opportunities for village residents, as well as others living in the area. Our mission is to bring people together and provide a clean, versatile facility for church and family gatherings, as well as a meeting place for local civic and business affairs.

This facility features clean restrooms, seating for 84, and 12 8' long tables, and 3 round tables for 102 people and is equipped with a large kitchen area to prepare and serve food. This is a great place for family reunions, family holiday gatherings, birthday and anniversary parties and even business meetings. In addition to the fellowship hall, the building also has a scaled-down gymnasium and basketball court with a hardwood floor. For more information, please call the Church Office at (937) 596-6919. Office hours are Monday- Thursday 9:00 am- 1:30

Sales Tax Holiday Announced

2026 Ohio Sales Tax Holiday will take place Fri – Sun, Aug 7-9th.

What Qualifies:

During the three-day holiday, the following items qualify for the tax exemption:

- Clothing priced at \$75 or less per item
- School supplies priced at \$20 or less per item
- School instructional materials priced at \$20 or less per item

Fireworks Returning for Community Days? We Need Your Help!

This year's Community Days Festival featured something brand new — a full fireworks show to help kick off the America 250 celebration. Thanks to the generosity of local donors, the display was a huge success and quickly became one of the most favored moments of the weekend. Since then, we've heard numerous requests to bring fireworks back again. We would love to make that happen. To secure fireworks for the 2027 Festival, we need to raise **\$10,000**.

If you enjoyed the fireworks or want to help keep this new tradition alive, please consider making a donation. Every contribution, large or small, helps us continue building a festival that brings families together and celebrates the pride we share in Jackson Center. Donations can be dropped off at the JC Village Office or to Tina at F&M Bank. Thank you for supporting our community!

BLOOD DRIVE

Sons of the Legion

627 E College St.

Tuesday, Aug. 4th, 12:30 – 6:30P

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 4 Blood Drive, 12:30-6:30P @ Legion

Aug 4 National Night Out, 6-8P @ Pool

Aug 5 JC Senior Citizens Gathering, 1P

Aug 6 Story Walk, Wally Byam Park, 6P

Aug 7-9 Ohio Sales Tax Holiday

Aug 9 JCYSO Night with the Dragons

Aug 10 Village Council Meeting, 7P

Aug 12 Fish Pond Food Pantry, 11-2P

Aug 13 Joint Ambulance Dist. Mtg 7P @
JC Council Chambers

Aug 16 Fish Pond, Executive Board Mtg, 6P

Aug 17 School Board Meeting, 7P

Aug 18 JC Schools – Open House, 6:30-8P

Aug 19 JC Senior Citizens Gathering, 1P

Aug 20 BACK TO SCHOOL – First Day

Aug 20 Jackson Township Trustee Mtg, 7P

Aug 24 Village Council Meeting, 7P

Aug 26 Fish Pond Food Pantry, 11-2P

Trash Collection Dates:

Aug 4, 11, 18, 25

Recycling Collection Dates:

Aug 4, 18

Mosquito Spraying @ Dusk:

Aug 11, 25



JC Municipal Pool

LAST DAY, Sunday, Aug. 16th

Thanks for another great summer!!