



THE VILLAGE VIEW

The Village of Jackson Center Newsletter

OCTOBER 2025



From the desk of the Administrator...

Greetings JC and hello October! Fall is here which means football is back on TV! A lot of great things happen this time of the year. As we close the chapter to the 2025 summer season, I wanted to provide you all with an update about our Water Treatment Plant.

Water Treatment Plant

The Village owns and operates a Class 1 community Public Water System that serves our residents and businesses. The Water Department is led by Braden Lotz and the Village has 3 other employees who are licensed Operators. As a reminder, the Village is currently underway with constructing a new "Ion Exchange" Water Treatment Plant. Following completion, the new Treatment Plant will have a design capacity of 0.72MGD (500 GPM) with room for further expansion to 1.152MGD (800GPM).

What is "Ion Exchange?" Ion Exchange is a water treatment system that removes contaminants like calcium and magnesium from the water that causes water hardness. I'm sure most of our readers/residents have installed water softeners in their own homes because of the scaling, chalky residues, or their soap not lathering because of how hard our water is in the system. In our efforts to provide safe and reliable water, the Village's new Ion Exchange Water softeners will reduce the hardness to 140mg/l from an average raw water hardness of 427mg/l. *(be advised this can change)*. This new treatment style will bring softer water to your faucet and potentially reduce the amount of salt you have to buy for your own softener.

The project is still on schedule and is looking like the 1st QTR of 2026 for project completion and operation. Contractors are installing the inside work such as electric, plumbing, filters, and much more! Details to come! As always, if you have questions about your bill or other Village matters, feel free to call me @ the Village Office.

TRICK OR TREAT

in the village, Sunday, Oct. 26th, 5-6:30P

in the

Business Spotlight

JR & Sons Service Center

Every small town has a few long-standing businesses that not only keep things running smoothly but also reflect the values of the community itself. Here at home, one of those businesses is JR & Sons Service Center. What makes JR & Sons special isn't just the *quality of their work*—it's their story.

Founding owner Jerry Butler and his wife, Amanda, both born and raised in JC, made the decision to open his own mechanic shop back in 2008 when both the factories they were working in decided to close their doors...the timing seemed perfect. Though opening and running a business would take a lot of time, dedication and honesty, naming this business would be easy; it would honor his dad, the person that taught him everything he knows about vehicles. Growing up, Jerry was always in the garage with his father JR, working on all types of vehicles, even racecars.

As the only mechanic shop in town, JR & Sons offer a full range of automotive services—everything from routine oil changes, tires & rotations, brake work to more complex repairs. When you stop in, you'll likely see his nephew and family friend working alongside on small engines like lawn mowers, snow blowers and weed eaters.

For many residents and the many others coming from out-of-town, JR & Sons has been the go-to when it comes to their cars. After 17 years, they have seen a new generation following in those footsteps. That sense of trust, built over years of handshakes, conversations, and dependable repairs, has turned customers into family. But what keeps people coming back is the transparency and care. The JR & Sons team takes time to explain what's needed, why it matters, and how to keep your car safe and reliable **without unnecessary costs**. Jerry values the loyalty of his customers and always makes time to listen to concerns, answer questions, find and offer the most **cost-effective solutions**. The shop is normally booked out at least a week, sometimes two and to Jerry, that says a lot! "Car's change, technology changes, but **treating people right never has to change**. We're proud to serve Jackson Center and operate a business that's about more than just fixing cars—it's about helping our community & citizens." Whether it's keeping you safe on the road or sponsoring school/sporting events, auto racing teams or helping with different fundraisers in JC and Indian Lake, JR & Sons is woven into the daily life of the village. For residents, supporting JR & Sons means more than keeping a car running—it means investing back into a hometown business that gives back in return.

Next time you hear a rattle, see your maintenance light come on or just need routine service, remember you don't have to go far for **fair, quality service**. Call or stop in to schedule an appointment... or just say Hi!

937/ 596-6143 // Hrs. M-Th 8A-5P, F 8A-12P // 308 E Pike St.

Crosswalk Safety



In the village, whether walking, biking, driving a car or golf cart- safety is a shared responsibility. With more walkers around town and some reported “*near misses*”, it’s a good time to review crosswalk safety and pedestrian right of way. Observing a few extra seconds of patience for crosswalk safety is a simple but powerful way to protect our neighbors.

Pedestrian Right of Way: In Ohio, drivers are **required by law to yield to pedestrians** in marked crosswalks. Even if no stop sign or light is present, vehicles must stop and allow a pedestrian to cross safely once they’ve stepped into the crosswalk. (*Pedestrians, too, should use crosswalks whenever available and wait for traffic to stop before crossing*).

Tips for Drivers:

- Always slow down near intersections, schools, and parks.
- Be alert for pedestrians stepping out; especially children, older adults and people with disabilities whom may be closer to the ground or take a little slightly longer to cross.
- Never pass another vehicle stopped at a crosswalk—it likely stopped for a pedestrian you cannot see.

Tips for Pedestrians:

- Look both ways before entering the crosswalk, even if you have the right-of-way...**even if you have used the electric signal push button.**
- Make eye contact with drivers to be sure they see you.
- Walk. don’t run across the street.

Annual Leaf Collection has begun

This free service for residents of JC runs Oct-Dec. The Street Dept will do leaf pick-up Mon & Thurs. Please place leaves next to the curb, not in the street. Piles must be free of twigs, sticks, branches, bags, etc. Branch piles will still be picked up on Fridays.

JACKSON CENTER AMERICAN LEGION CHICKEN FRY

Saturday, October 4th, 4:30-6p

We’re Back.... 1st Saturday of every month...Drive Thru Only.

Presale tickets \$9, available @ the Hardware. \$10 @ door.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS

SOUP & SANDWICH MEAL – MEN’S MINISTRY

Sunday, October 19th, 4:30-6p

Grace Lutheran Church, 607 S Main St. Soups: Vegetable/Potato/Chili.

Sandwiches: Shredded Chicken/Hotdogs/Ham. Mac & Cheese/Cole

Slaw/Salad. Drinks/Deserts. **Free Will Donation**

BUCKEYE BANG

Saturday, October 25th

Social starting 5p, Dinner @ 6p, JC American Legion

Tickets \$50 – Only 200 sold. Must be 21 to enter.

Ticket includes: All-you-can-eat Chicken & Fish. Snacks & drinks (beer & wine included), & drawing for a Winchester 400 Legend or Glock Model 45. Sponsored by JC Tiger Boosters.

JC LIBRARY:

Oct Highlights: *Fall Festival 10/14*

@2:50-4P. Muffins & Movie: Sat., 10/18

@ 10A. Clay Creations, 10/30 @ 5P,

Registration required, \$10.

For full calendar of events follow @

www.shelbycountylibraries.org

HYDRANT FLUSHING

THE WATER DEPT WILL CONDUCT SEMI-ANNUAL HYDRANT-FLUSHING BEGINNING **10/6-10/17, 8:30A-3P**, EAST OF SR 65, M-W, WESTSIDE T-TH. YOU MAY NOTICE A DROP IN WATER-PRESSURE & SLIGHT DISCOLORATION DURING THESE TIMES. AVOID DOING LAUNDRY DURING WHEN SERVICE IS IN YOUR AREA.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS

Sunday, November 2nd @ 2a

Smoke Detectors proven to save lives

Protect your people - Change your batteries

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 1 Grandparents Day K-3@ School, 9:30A

Oct 1 JC Senior Citizens Gathering, 1P

Oct 2 Northern/Shelby County Joint Ambulance District Meeting, Anna Town Hall, 7P

Oct 4 Legion Chicken Fry

Oct 5 PTO – Fall Family STEM Festivities, Aux Gym, 2-4P

Oct 8 Fish Pond Food Pantry, 11A-2P

Oct 13 Village Council Meeting, 7P

Oct 15 JC Senior Citizens Gathering, 1P

Oct 16 School Early Dismissal, 1P

Oct 16 Jackson Township Trustee Mtg, 7P

Oct 17 NO SCHOOL

Oct 20 JC School Board Mtg, 7P

Oct 22 Fish Pond Food Pantry, 11A-2P

Oct 23 School Early Dismissal, 1P

Oct 24 NO SCHOOL

Oct 25 Mother/Son Event, 4-5:30P

Oct 26 Trick or Treat in the Village, 5-6:30P

Oct 27 Village Council, 7P

Trash Collection Dates

Oct 7, 14, 21, 28

Recycling Collection Dates

Oct 14, 28