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Fire Prevention Week October 5th-11th

This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, October 5th - 11th, "CHARGE INTO FIRE SAFETY: LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES IN YOUR HOME", works to educate everyone about using these batteries safely. The campaign stresses how important it is to BUY, CHARGE, and RECYCLE safely when it comes to lithium-ion batteries.

BUY only listed products that have a safety certification mark such as UL, ETL or CSA. **CHARGE** devices safely by using the same cord that comes with the product to charge. Follow the instructions from the manufacturer. Charge your device on a hard surface. Don't over-charge your device. Unplug it or remove the battery when fully charged. **RECYCLE** batteries responsibly. **Don't throw lithium-ion batteries in the trash or recycling bins because they could start a fire.**

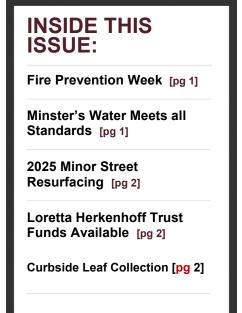
For recycling options go to www.call2recycle.org or the Auglaize County Recycling Center website at www2.auglaizecounty.org/resources/recycling-solid-waste

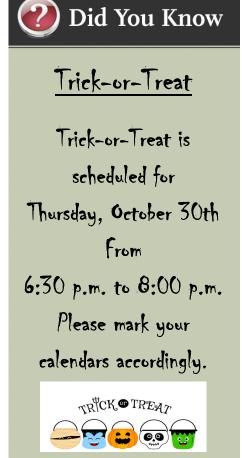
Minster's Water Meets All Standards

The 2024 Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report is available for the Village of Minster. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) mandates that all consumers of Village supplied water be given the opportunity to review the report. The report contains information on the water source and its availability, as well as results from tests performed on the water.

The report also contains information on lead, potential sources of water contaminants and offers advice for those who must take special precautions. Our number one priority is quality drinking water that meets or exceeds federal and state regulations. The Village has met all safety standards and the water supplied to the community has been found completely safe.

Copies of this report are available online by going to www.minsteroh.com and clicking on Municipal, Water Department, 2024 Water Quality Report. Residents can also stop at the Administration Building at 5 W. Fourth Street to pick up a copy. Email requests can be sent to: administration@minsteroh.com





2025 Minor Street Resurfacing

Village Council has approved the 2025 Minor Street Resurfacing Program which includes the resurfacing of the following streets and alleys:

- Parkview Drive
- Fourth Street from the canal to the west corporation limit
- Hanover Street from 2nd to 4th

- Alley between 2nd and 3rd and Main and Lincoln
- Alley east of Minster Supply
- Alley between 5th and 6th and Hanover and Lincoln
- Alley between 2nd and 3rd and Main and Garfield

Please watch for temporary parking and traffic restrictions.

The Village of Minster Contact List

419-628-2850 Utility Billing

419-628-3497 Administration

419-628-2378 Police Non-Emergency

419-628-2595 Electric/Water/Wastewater/ Park/Street

The Village of Minster 5 W Fourth St PO Box 1 Minster OH 45865

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Loretta Herkenhoff Charitable Trust Funds Available

Monies are again available from the abovenamed Trust to support projects and programs in the Minster, Ohio and Western Auglaize County area. To be considered, a request MUST be accompanied with the following information:

- Evidence from IRS indicating:
 - (a) tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3)
 - (b) organization is NOT a private foundation
- Specific budget required to carry out project
- Most recent audited financial statements or Form 990

The Trust does not:

- Make gifts to individuals
- Make grants outside of the Western Auglaize County area
- Underwrite propaganda or lobbying
- Respond to emergency requests or cash programs
- Support endowment funds

The Board of Trustees meets annually to review requests. The application deadline is December 5th, 2025.

Please address all requests to:

Loretta Herkenhoff Charitable Trust P.O. Box 88 Minster, Ohio 45865

CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION

Curbside leaf collection will begin on October 13th and will continue through the beginning of December. You may not co-mingle leaves and branches (or leaves and grass) as this causes damage to the leaf collection equipment. Leaves should be piled in the grassy area (tree lawn) between the sidewalk and the curb. Do not pile leaves in the street, gutters or on other people's property. THE LEAF TRUCK CANNOT FIT THROUGH THE NARROW ALLEYS.

Bagged grass should be taken to the Village Compost area on Seventh Street, as always. If there is too much grass mixed in with the leaves, the moisture causes damage to the leaf truck and will not get picked up at the discretion of the employee.

One final grass reminder. Please do not blow grass into the street as it clogs the storm drains.

Branch pickup will continue on Mondays, weather permitting. Branches (5 inches in diameter or smaller) should be placed on the tree lawn or next to the alley.

Efficiency Smart

Have you heard about Efficiency Smart's two summer promotions?

- Get a \$100 reward for recycling an eligible appliance.
- Get a \$150 rebate on a qualifying window air conditioner.

Don't miss out on these offers before they expire on September 30th.

Visit:

<u>www.efficiencysmart.org/minster-ohio</u> or call 877-889-3777 to learn more.

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