



CITY OF GAHANNA

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION

TO: Gahanna City Council
Thomas R. Kneeland, Mayor

FROM: Troy Euton, Director, Department of Parks & Recreation

DATE: April 21, 2016

RE: Parks & Recreation - Report to Council for Monday, April 25, 2016

ACTION ITEMS:

Nothing at this time

COUNCIL UPDATES

Our request for \$500,000 in the FY 17-18 State Capital Budget to assist with the development of McCutcheon Road Park has passed through the House with \$250,000 in support for the project. The proposed budget still has to be passed by the Senate and signed by the Governor. All indications are favorable that this proposed budget bill will be passed and signed accordingly.

I'll keep you posted.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

Arbor Day

The National Arbor Day Foundation has named Gahanna a "Tree City USA" for the 27th consecutive year in 2016. To honor our City's commitment to community forestry, the Arbor Day Ceremony will take place at Middle School South, 349 Shady Spring Dr. on **Friday, April 29 at 11:15am.**

Senior Center Open House

Come visit the Gahanna Senior Center during our monthly Open House events held every first Monday (except holidays) from 10am-6pm. (May 2, June 6, July 11, and August 1)
If our Open House times are not conducive to your schedule, stop by anytime during our normal business hours for a tour.

An Herbal Affair

Preview and select your herbs early at **An Herbal Affair**, now in its second year, while sampling local brews, wines and spirits paired with hors d'oeuvres and desserts. This event is presented by the Gahanna Parks & Recreation Foundation. Purchase tickets (\$30 pp pre-buy: \$35 pp day of event) now at OhioHerbCenter.org.

Friday, May 6 from 7-9pm

Ohio Herb Education Center, 110 Mill St.

Herb Day

Herb Day is a one-day, annual celebration of all things herbal for the local Gahanna community and the region. Headlined with a plant sale with over a 100 different varieties of herbs, it is a free learning event with six different speakers who cover topics of culinary, craft, traditional medicines and gardening. Forty local vendors, a majority who make their own herb based products, sell their products to the public.

This event is presented by Andrea Taylor, State Farm Agent; James Hardie; Ohio Herb Education Center; Gahanna Parks & Recreation and the Gahanna Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Saturday, May 7 from 9am-4pm

Creekside Plaza, 117 Mill St.

Herb N' Arts Fair

The GLHS Community Art is organizing an arts fair to coincide with Herb Day. Students from all eleven Gahanna Jefferson Schools will be showcasing their talents at the fair. Additional information at <http://www.glhscommunityart.com/herb-n-arts/>

Saturday, May 7 from 12 – 6pm

Veteran's Memorial Park

May 7

Angling with an Officer

Paddle Boats open

Creekside Paddle Boat Hours of Operation			
Cost: \$5 per boat / 1/2 hour	Pre-Summer Hours May 7-May 29	Summer Hours May 30-August 14	Fall Hours August 15- September 25
Mondays	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
Tues, Wed, Thu	CLOSED	4pm-8pm	CLOSED
Friday	5-8pm	12-8pm	CLOSED
Saturdays	11am-8pm	11am-8pm	11am-3pm
Sundays	12:30-4:30pm	12-4:30pm	12-4:30pm

*Schedule is weather dependent. Hours may vary for special events, holidays and/or other conditions

Glow Golf

Enjoy 9 holes of Glow Golf under the stars! Each golfer will receive 2 glow in the dark golf balls, some glow swag, and 9 holes of golf with a cart. This event is a 4 player best ball scramble that is fun for golfers of ALL abilities. Prizes are available. Cost is \$30 per player, call 614.342.4270 to reserve your spot!

Friday, May 20, dusk

Gahanna Municipal Golf Course, 220 Olde Ridenour Road

Pool Opening Day

Hunters Ridge Pool opens Wednesday, May 25 at 11am

Gahanna Swimming Pool opens Saturday, May 28 at 12pm

Story Trail Opening

Gahanna Parks & Recreation has collaborated with the Columbus Metropolitan Library and Art Garden Studios to present the Gahanna Story Trail. The new story trail provides an engaging opportunity for visitors to learn the value of being good stewards of our environment as they walk and read the story. The story trail is also a part of the Gahanna Library's Summer Reading program encouraging families to engage in the outdoors through reading.

Friday, May 27 at 6:30pm

Friendship Park, 150 Oklahoma Ave.

Memorial Day Ceremony

Monday, May 30 at 1pm

Veterans Memorial Park, 73 W. Johnstown Road