

HIRAM COMMUNICATOR

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MEMORIAL DAY MONDAY, MAY 30th

Join us **Monday, May 30th** for the **2022 Memorial Day Program** honoring our service men and women at Fairview Cemetery.

The parade will step off from the Hiram Christian Church at Noon and proceed to Fairview Cemetery for our traditional Memorial Day program. Rev. Father Lee Martin will offer the invocation and benediction; this year's speakers include Hiram College President Dr. David Haney, PhD., the Honorable Judge John Eklund, and Hiram Township Trustee Jack Groselle. Hiram Police Officer Hoyle West (U.S. Army retired) will lead the Pledge of Allegiance. A reception with light refreshments will follow at the Hiram College Koritansky Hall located at the corner of Garfield Rd. (SR 700) and Wakefield Rd. (SR 305).

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning & Zoning Commission met May 3, 2022 to discuss nuisance properties throughout the Village.

The Planning & Zoning Commission is looking for Village residents interested in serving on the P&Z Commission. This position is an unpaid, volunteer appointment. The Commission meets as needed, usually the first Tuesday of the month. Anyone interested should contact Mayor Lou Bertrand at mayor32.hvoh@gmail.com.

NEW REMOTE READ WATER METERS

Effective May 5, 2022 the new digital water meters are now being read remotely. If you have questions regarding your water utility bill please do not hesitate to call the Water Department billing desk at 330-569-7677 ext. 227, Monday through Friday, 8-4pm.

JULY 4TH COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!



The July 4th Committee is looking for volunteers to help plan the Hiram Community Independence Day celebration. If you would like to participate in bringing this fun 2 day event back to life for 2023 please contact Mayor Lou Bertrand at mayor32.hvoh@gmail.com.

HYDRANT FLUSHING TO START MAY 23rd



Hydrant flushing will begin Monday, May 23rd and continue periodically through September. You may experience discolored water when flushing occurs. Please let your faucets run till the water color returns to normal. Any boil alerts or widespread water service interruptions will be posted on the **Smart911** system and on the Village website hiramvillage.org.

Smart911 ENHANCED 9-1-1 SERVICE AVAILABLE

The Hiram Village Administrator announced March 28th that Smart911 + Alert is now available to all individuals and families living in the Hiram area. Smart911 is a free service that allows individuals to create a Safety Profile for their household that can include any information they may want 9-1-1 call takers and first responders to have in the event of an emergency, then if they need to dial 9-1-1 their Safety Profile will immediately display on the call taker's screen saving critical seconds and even minutes in response to an emergency. Coupled with Rave Alert, individuals will receive notifications on potentially hazardous situations involving weather, traffic and other emergencies, **including water breaks and boil alerts for Hiram water utility customers.**

Go to the Hiram Village website hiramvillage.org, click on the "Residents" tab for more information on the program and the app.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WATER TESTING

The Hiram Village Water Department is seeking volunteer households to allow us to test their interior faucet water every 6 months. The EPA requires routine compliance testing of household water samples bi-annually. The Water Department will provide sample containers with instructions and will then collect the containers. If you are interested in participating in the program please call the Village Administrator, James McGee at 330-569-7802 ext. 223 or email at va.hvoh@gmail.com. Registration for volunteer households has been extended.

FLUSHABLE WIPES NOT SO FLUSHABLE

Those handy dandy "flushable" wipes turn out to be not so flushable and may cost you big bucks in plumbing repairs. The Water/Sewer Department is requesting residents not flush these items down their toilets. The wipes do not make it through the filters at the sewer plant, gumming up the processing of our Village's sewage. Not only are they gumming up our facilities, they may gum up yours. Flushable wipes may or may not make it past the end of your toilets out flow pipe possibly clogging it causing a sewage back up, costing you needless repairs to your plumbing. The wipes are great and do the job they are designed to do, please dispose of them correctly, but not flush them down your toilet.