

# HIRAM COMMUNICATOR

NOVEMBER 2023

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## PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

The Planning & Zoning Commission met Tuesday, November 7th. Various nuisance properties throughout the Village and possible zoning changes were discussed.

## LEAF PICKUP SCHEDULED NOV. 27<sup>TH</sup> & 28<sup>TH</sup>

Leaf pickup will take place on Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. The contractor will make **one pass per street** beginning on the 27<sup>th</sup>. This will be the **ONLY** collection this season. Please rake leaves to the curb not into the street. Bagged leaves will not be accepted.

## FROM THE HIRAM POLICE DEPARTMENT



This year's Hiram Police Department "Shop with a Cop" program will take place on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. This annual event, made possible through donations from area residents and businesses, enables children from qualifying households selected by the Garfield and Crestwood School systems to do their holiday shopping for their loved ones accompanied by an officer from their local police department. The event includes a morning of shopping for the kids followed by lunch for the entire family. For more information on the program or to donate please contact Hiram Chief Brian Gregory at 330-569-3236.

\*\*The Hiram Police Department is now accepting requests from the residents of the Village of Hiram to perform welfare checks by contacting Village residents during emergency situations that may arise, such as extreme heat, cold, natural disasters, or power outages. Should you have any questions please contact the Hiram Police Department at 330-569-3236.

## WINTER SIDEWALK CLEARING

From the Village Administrator – **Please be advised that per Village of Hiram Codified Ordinance 901.01 winter sidewalk cleaning and salting is the responsibility of the property owner.** The Street Department's primary concern is the plowing and salting of the Village streets. Although the Street Department has in the past cleared residential sidewalks, it is not the Department's priority or responsibility. Thank you.

## 2023 JFS HOLIDAY TOY CAMPAIGN

The Portage County Job and Family Services (JFS) has announced the 2023 Holiday Toy for Kids Campaign. New, unwrapped toys, gift cards and monetary donations can be dropped off at the Portage County JFS office Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, now through Friday, December 1, 2023.



The JFS offices are located on the Portage County Administrative Building 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, 449 S. Meridian St., Ravenna. Should you have any questions please call 330-715-0393.

## HIRAM VILLAGE PARKS SURVEY



The Hiram Village Park Board and Beautification Committee is asking for your opinion. Would you like a dog park at Reign Hadsell Park located on Bancroft Street Extension? Would you like to have an Arbor Day tree planted in your yard?

Using your phone, capture a shot of this QRL for a link to the Beautification/Park Board survey.

## HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Ohio has experienced many warmer than normal days this fall. Though we may be ready for more seasonable temperatures it's still hard to think of the cold winter weather headed our way and the added financial pinch of high heating bills that will soon be a reality for all of us. Many in our community will find themselves in need of assistance paying those bills. **The Home Energy Assistance Program, HEAP, is available to help eligible Ohioans pay their home energy bill.**



The benefit is applied directly to a customer's utility bill or bulk fuel bill. The amount of the benefit is determined by the number of people in the household, the heating source, and the region of residence. **To find out if you are eligible for help with your home heating bills contact the Community Action Council of Portage County, Inc. at (330) 297-1456 or the Home Energy Assistance Program at 1-800-282-0880, Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** You can also visit HEAP Ohio's website for more information and application forms at [www.development.ohio.gov](http://www.development.ohio.gov) and type HEAP into the search box.

## 2023 HOLIDAY CALENDAR

The Hiram Village offices will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Fiscal and Utility Billing offices closed  
November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving Holiday  
December 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Day  
January 1, 2024 – New Year's Day