



## Boards, Commissions seek volunteer members

Throughout history, volunteers have given generously of their time and talents to sculpt Fairfield into the thriving community it has become. Volunteers are still needed to continue the legacy of progress by serving on a variety of boards and commissions which quietly shape day-to-day decisions to benefit residents.

On March 31, the following positions will open for volunteers to assume duties in a variety of capacities.

Applicants must be residents of Fairfield and meet any specific qualifications noted for each position listed. Applications are available **online** or in the Clerk of Council's Office at the



Municipal Building. Applications must be received by February 28.

Questions regarding the following openings can be directed to the Clerk of Council's Office by calling 867-5383:

### PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

*One position available for a three-year appointment.*

Duties of the Parks and Recreation Board include determining programs and activities regarding parks and recreation, authorization of monies and the awarding of contracts for the operation and maintenance of the City's parks and recreation programs, the adoption of rules and regulations and

systems of streets, boulevards, or parkways as the Board believes to be in the best interest of the efficient and orderly use and operation of the City's parks and recreation areas.

### CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

*One position available for a three-year appointment.* The Civil Service Commission administers the Civil Service provisions of Ohio laws for classified employees of the City and school district. Three members serve on this Commission and, according to the Charter, not more than two members shall be registered to vote in a primary election of the same political party.

### BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

*One position available for a five-year appointment.* The Board of Zoning Appeals hears appeals from zoning decisions and has the authority to grant zoning variances.

### COMMUNITY FOREST COMMISSION

*Two positions available, each for three-year appointment.* The Community Forest Commission serves as an advisory body to the City for the purpose of maintaining and increasing the amount of tree cover on public and private land by coordinating, initiating and publicizing activities that affect the community forest.

### DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE

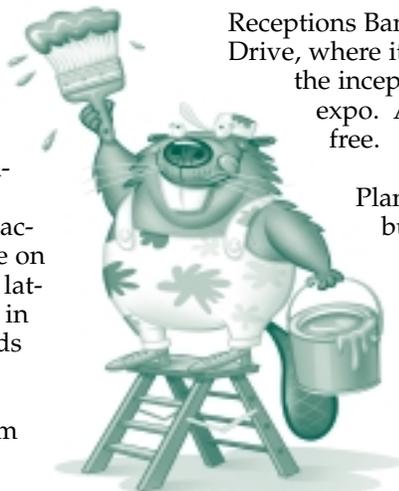
*One position available for appointment until March 13, 2007.* Applicants cannot have a financial interests in business or residential property in Fairfield's Town

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## Spring Home Improvement Expo planned April 1 at Receptions

The only April fools during the 4th Annual Home Improvement Expo might be those who tackle a major home improvement without attending the April 1 event. A variety of contractors and suppliers will be on hand to demonstrate the latest concepts and designs in home improvement trends and techniques.

The event is planned from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at



Receptions Banquet Center on Boymel Drive, where it has been hosted since the inception of the highly popular expo. Admission to the event is free.

Planning is still underway, but there will be entertainment for the entire family amid the booths and exhibits. Numerous door prizes will be presented, along with at least one valuable grand prize drawing for one lucky eager beaver.

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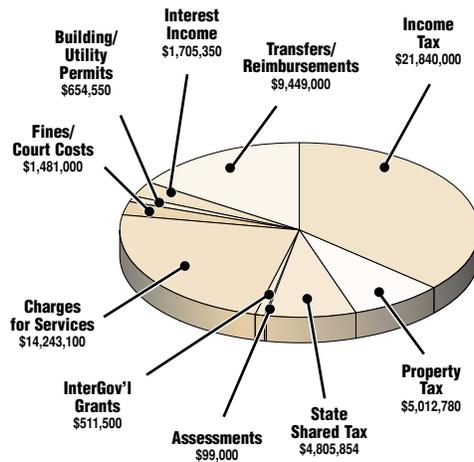
# Council approves a \$55 million operating budget

The City of Fairfield will invest \$55.3 million in services to residents during 2006. Public Safety Services topped the spending priorities for the year, gaining nearly 28 percent of the planned budget, which equals \$15.3 million dollars.

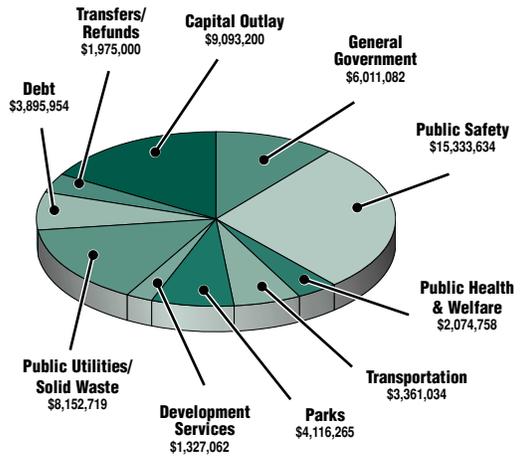
Revenue projections for the year anticipate income of \$59.8 million, allowing for a contingency in the event of unanticipated expenses and for planned capital improvement projects.

Fairfield's single largest source of revenue is the City income tax, which should generate \$21.8 million in 2006. Income tax revenues are projected to increase only 3.8 percent over the preceding year. Local property taxes are expected to yield a projected \$5 million in income.

**Fairfield's Projected 2006 Revenue**  
Total: \$59,802,134



**Fairfield's Planned 2006 Expenditures**  
Total: \$55,340,708 (BEFORE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM)



# Fairfield welcomes new Mayor, three Councilmen

Fairfield began the year with a new Mayor and three new Councilmembers-at-Large. New Mayor Ron D'Epifanio is joined by Councilmembers Tim Abbott, Tim Meyers and Mike Oler.



Mayor D'Epifanio



Councilman Abbott



Councilman Meyers



Councilman Oler

Troop 967 and has served as a volunteer at Children's Hospital in Cincinnati. Most recently, he performed the lead role in *Shadows of Time*, an original play

## Mayor Ron D'Epifanio

Now a retired small business operator, Mayor D'Epifanio and his family moved to Fairfield in 1976. He has been married for 41 years to his wife Patty. Mayor D'Epifanio previously served the City as a Councilmember for eight years, two as Vice-Mayor. He has also served two terms on the City's Charter Review Committee and three terms on Planning Committee.

In addition to his dedication to City service, Mayor D'Epifanio also has coached youth football for 43 years, receiving the honor of National Youth Football Coach of the Year and the 2003 Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Youth Football Association.

## Councilman Tim Abbott

A 15-year resident of the City, Councilman Abbott was elected in

November 2005 to his first public office. His wife Kathy is a lifelong resident of Fairfield. Councilman Abbott is Regional Manager for the Cinergy Corporation. He has been active in Fairfield Rotary, the Fairfield Chamber of Commerce, the Butler County United Way, and the Butler County Economic Development Corporation.

## Councilman Tim Meyers

Councilman Tim Meyers has been a resident of Fairfield for 20 years. He and his wife Jeannie have three children. Prior to his election, Councilman Meyers served seven years on the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Board, serving as President for the last two years. Councilman Meyers is the Environmental, Health and Safety Leader at the GE Evendale Plant.

He has also been active with Boy Scout

performed for Fairfield's 50th anniversary celebration.

## Councilman Mike Oler

A resident of Fairfield since 1971, Councilman Mike Oler most recently served as a member of the Fairfield School Board for 16 years, where he also served as Vice President and President. He has also served 14 years on the Board of Education for the Butler Technology and Career Development Schools. He is a former member of the Fairfield Planning Commission and has served on the Board of Directors of the One Way Farm.

A retired Fairfield Police Officer, he currently serves as part-time Crime Prevention/Public Relations with the Fairfield Township Police Department. Councilman Oler and his wife Carol have three children.

**Energy Saver Watch: A periodic update**

# Energy vigilance saves Fairfield \$100,000 annually

Rising energy costs are impacting everybody. Just as each resident is finding ways to save energy expenses, so are the various departments within the City of Fairfield. In the first of a series, we'll explore innovative ways Fairfield is trying to conserve energy and maximize the value of City dollars.



Recent successful energy conservation measures in Fairfield's Public Utilities Department have led the City to look for additional conservation initiatives in other City operations as well. Dwight Culbertson, Public Utilities Director, is in the process of assembling a team of key staffers to meet and assess energy saving options in their respective departments. A short term goal is to make certain that the City is operating as efficiently as possible every day. The long term objective is to monitor and maintain a reasonable energy budget. Additionally, the City intends to take the leadership in setting a good example

for Fairfield's business and residential customers. The city will provide a periodic update in this newsletter as its internal assessment continues.

As an example, the Public Utilities Department has made several improvements to operations at the Water and Wastewater Treatment facilities. As a result of a comprehensive energy usage evaluation, improvements have been made to the pumping and biological treatment operations, including equipment replacements, changes in control strategies, and installation of a boiler to utilize byproducts of the treatment processes.

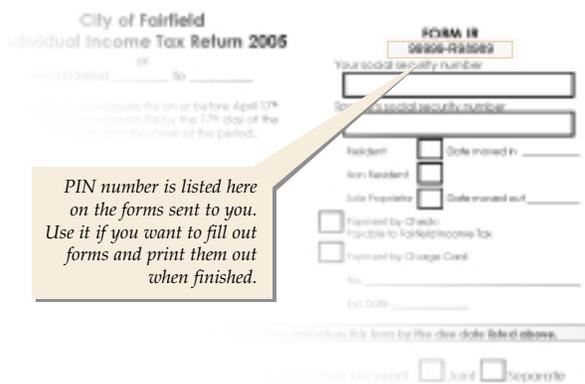
As a result of these improvements, the Wastewater Division has trimmed energy costs \$80,000 - \$100,000 annually

for an accumulated savings of more than \$750,000 over the past ten years. In addition to saving energy, new equipment has improved reliability and provided additional operating and treatment capacities. Similar measures have been implemented at the Water Treatment Plant. Maintaining control over rising energy costs helps to hold the line on water and sewer rates, which are among the least expensive in southwest Ohio.

## Calculate income taxes online

Fairfield is offering residents a new way to complete their tax forms this year. A new online tax center, which should be in place in late February, will allow Fairfield taxpayers to access and complete their forms on the City's web site.

Tax forms, which will be arriving in homes in early February, will include a Personal Identification Number that will be needed to login to the system.



Once logged in, taxpayers will be able to access their information and calculate their taxes electronically. Mary Hopton, Fairfield Tax Administrator, describes the program as an easy-to-use application similar to the popular TurboTax software. **For this year, forms must be printed and mailed to the City along with necessary documentation.** Future enhancements may include online filing and payment.

Watch the Web site for additional details and important information throughout income tax season. General tax forms are already available on the Web site and can be found by logging onto [www.fairfield-city.org/tax](http://www.fairfield-city.org/tax).

### Tax Division plans move

The Income Tax Division will move from its current location in the south wing of the Municipal Building to the building which originally housed the Lane Library at 701 Wessel Drive. Most recently the building had been used by the Parks & Recreation Department before its move to the Community Arts Center last year. The relocation should occur in late March through early April. Taxpayers who need to visit the office during the move should call 867-5327 to learn where to connect with personnel.

## At your service...

Never hesitate to contact any of the following departments with questions or concerns. They're here to help...

**Police or Fire Emergency**

# 911

Urgent, but not an emergency? Call 829-8201.

- Non-Emergency**
- Police/Fire Dispatcher** ..... 513/829-8201
- Fire Department** ..... 513/867-5379
- Building Inspection & Zoning** ..... 513/867-5318
- City Council Office** ..... 513/867-5383
- City Manager's Office** ..... 513/867-5350
- Finance Department** ..... 513/867-5315
- Income Tax Office* ..... 513/867-5327
- Human Resources** ..... 513/867-5352
- InfoFairfield Citizen Information System** ..... 513/867-5301
- Mayor's Office** ..... 513/867-5374
- Municipal Court** ..... 513/867-6002
- Parks & Recreation Dept.**
- Administrative Offices* ..... 513/867-5348
- Community Arts Center* ..... 513/867-5348
- Aquatic Center* ..... 513/939-2782
- 18-hole Golf Course* ..... 513/858-7750
- 9-hole Golf Course* ..... 513/939-3741
- Development Services** ..... 513/867-5345
- Public Works Department** ..... 513/867-4200
- Public Utilities**
- Customer Billing* ..... 513/867-5370
- Director* ..... 513/867-5375
- Wastewater Division* ..... 513/858-7760
- Water Division* ..... 513/858-7775
- All Other Calls** ..... 513/867-5300
- Telecomm. Device for the Deaf (TDD)** ..... 513/867-5392

# Citizen Police & Fire Academies seek candidates

If you have ever seriously wondered what it's like to be a police officer or firefighter, you could find out with first hand experience by participating in a Citizen Police or Fire Academy, both of which begin in March.

To qualify for the free academies, applicants must either live or work in Fairfield. Applicants for the Citizen Police academy must also clear a background check.

## Citizen Police Academy

The Citizens Police Academy will provide 10 weekly sessions beginning Wednesday, March 8. Classes meet from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Fairfield Fire Headquarters on Nilles Road.

Participants will learn various aspects of police operations through classroom and hands-on demonstrations. To obtain an application, contact Officer Dennis Valentini at 896-8292.

## Citizen Fire Academy

The Citizens Fire Academy is a 12-week series meeting on Monday nights beginning March 6. Classes meet from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Fairfield Fire



Headquarters on Nilles Road.

The academy is not intended as a training to become a firefighter, but will provide an in-depth vision of a firefighter's experience. Participants will learn about the hiring process, fire prevention, first aid, CPR, fire

investigation, hazardous materials, fire safety, fire ground procedures, handling public assists and much more.

Applications are available at Fairfield Fire Headquarters on Nilles Road. For information, call Deputy Chief Dennis Glenn at 867-5378.

# New Fire Command Center ready for service

The Fairfield Fire Department has placed a new Mobile Command Center into service, replacing a 28-year-old motor home previously used at major

emergency situations. The new unit, a 30-foot modified Class A motor home, will offer a variety of uses at the scene of complex emergencies.



The new unit is divided into two main areas. A smaller rear area provides three desks equipped with a wireless network so that fire commanders can coordinate operations at major situations. In addition to a potable water supply, microwave and refrigerator, the front area offers benches and tables which can be used to shelter and treat victims and service personnel, or as a meeting area during working emergencies.

The air conditioned, centrally heated unit will be particularly helpful during inclement weather where displaced victims and personnel need to escape frigid cold or excessive heat.

In addition to major emergencies, the Mobile Command Center will respond to the scene of all structure fires when temperatures are below 25 degrees or when temperatures are excessively high. It will also be used for a first aid station at community events.

# Poster contest takes winners to the firehouse

What's better than winning a fire prevention poster contest? How about a ride in a fire truck or other emergency unit back to the firehouse for a VIP tour and breakfast with the firefighters! That was the top prize awarded to one student in each of the elementary level schools in the Fairfield School District as the result of last fall's Fire Prevention Poster Contest.

The 2005 edition of the competition was the third annual installment of the contest. In previous years, the contest was offered to children in kindergarten

through fourth grade. With the help of members from the Fairfield Exchange Club, the recent contest was expanded to include fifth and sixth graders as well, attracting 246 entries.

Two winners were selected districtwide in each grade level. The winners were announced during Chilifest, with prizes awarded by the Exchange Club. One grand prize winner was also selected

from each school, with the winner getting a ride to a nearby fire station in a fire unit, breakfast with the crew and a VIP tour.

The grand prize idea presented a small dilemma to planners. While the contest was originally coordinated by City of



*Mackenzie Talley from Tri-County Christian School, along with her brother Ben, visit with firefighters. Her VIP treatment was part of her prize for having the top fire prevention poster at her school. Also pictured, from left to right, are Firefighter-Paramedics Jamie Ruh and Shawn May, and Fire Captain Jim Howell.*

## Fire Prevention Poster Winners

**Fairfield North Elementary:**  
*Sidney Fletcher*

**Fairfield East Elementary:**  
*Sebastian McIntosh*

**Fairfield South Elementary:**  
*Javy Brown*

**Fairfield West Elementary:**  
*Kaitlin Barbieri*

**Tri-County Christian School:**  
*Mackenzie Talley*

**Fairfield Intermediate School:**  
*Holly Schweder*

**Fairfield Kindergarten Center:**  
*Dylan DeBoarde*

**Fairfield Central Elementary:**  
*Nathan Levesque*

**Sacred Heart School:**  
*Liz Marot*

Fairfield Firefighters, there was a concern about running a fire unit into the jurisdiction of Fairfield Township to pick up the winners at Fairfield North and Fairfield East.

When contacted about the concern,

Fairfield Township Firefighters had a simple, quick solution: In support of the poster program, THEY would pick up the winners and host them at the nearby township stations. One of their fire officers even helped with some of the judging.

## Fire Department cautious about the value of using window decals

At first thought, a window decal identifying the bedroom of a child or disabled person sounds like a good idea. Theoretically, in a fire, emergency personnel can quickly locate and rescue the occupant. In reality, however, professional firefighters — including those with the Fairfield Fire Department — have serious concerns about the decals.

Here's why: real estate professionals know that the average family moves every five years. When occupants change, so do bedroom assignments. As a family matures, rooms change. Children grow up and move out, leaving the bedroom empty. The decal, however, remains.

Even if the decal appropriately designates the room of a child, all too often, the child runs to another part of the house. They even hide from the danger under beds, in closets, anywhere in the house. So decals offer little help to firefighters, who are trained to quickly conduct thorough, systematic searches for occupants during a fire.

Sadly, the decal can signal a potential burglar an entry point where they will encounter little or no physical resistance. In at least one case nationally, the decal identified the room of a child who was abducted and sexually assaulted.

Residents who are concerned enough to consider applying window decals would be better served by ensuring that working smoke detectors are located near children's bedrooms, that they are tested monthly, and that the family plans and practices fire drills so that children are well prepared for an emergency.

When testing smoke alarms, consider using commercially available canned spray which simulates real smoke so you can be better assured the unit would work in an actual fire.

When teaching children fire escape plans, be sure they know how to exit the house if the hallway is not safe. They should know how to open the window to shout for help, and how to negotiate screens or storm windows if they are able exit the house via the window.

Tornado Season will soon be here

# Prepare now... later may be too late

The unseasonably warm winter and almost surreal winter thunderstorms have served as a reminder of the approaching tornado season in the Midwest. In Ohio, the peak tornado season runs from April through mid-July. Planning ahead will lower the chance of injury, or even death, in the event that a tornado strikes.

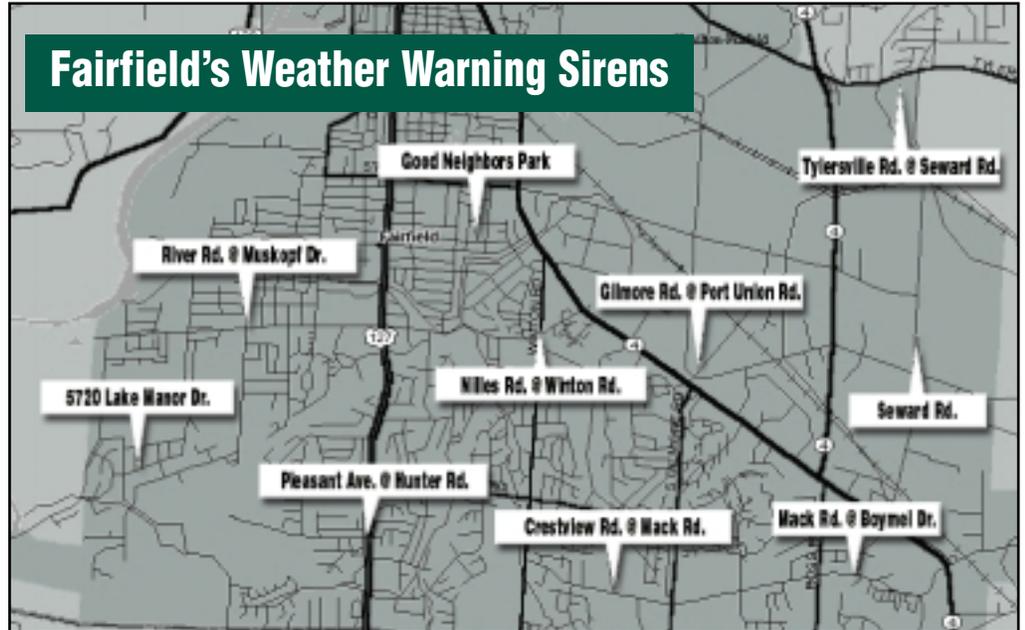


In developing a tornado plan, it might be helpful to know that the City of Fairfield has a series of early warning sirens that should be audible from most outdoor locations in the city. It is important to know that the sirens are meant to be

outdoor warning devices and are likely not heard indoors, where residents should strongly consider a weather radio alarm that can alert you to dangerous weather conditions.

During a tornado emergency or warning, the following information could be invaluable in protecting your family:

**AT HOME:** Go to the basement and sit under a sturdy object, such as a workbench. If there is no basement, a small room in the middle of the house (a closet or bathroom) is best. Always stay away from outside walls and windows.



**AT WORK OR SCHOOL:** Stay away from large open rooms like auditoriums and gymnasiums, and rooms with windows. Lie low with hands covering the back of your head and neck to minimize potential injury.

**IN A SHOPPING MALL:** Go to a designated shelter area or to the center of the building on a low level. Stay away from large open rooms and windows. Never seek shelter in cars in the parking lot.

**ON THE ROAD:** Never try to outrun a tornado that is posing an immediate threat. Park your vehicle and seek shelter. If a sturdy structure is not readily available, find a ditch or low spot in the ground. Stay away from cars and trees, which may become airborne.

**IN GENERAL:** Always be mindful of the unbelievable force of high winds. Even small objects can become deadly missiles. Stay away from windows or exterior walls. Try to locate yourself next to a sturdy structure or object which could provide structural support to protect you from heavy falling debris. Lie down and use your hands to cover your head and neck to minimize injury.

**THE AFTERMATH:** Emergency help usually arrives within minutes. Keep family members together. If possible, wait for help to begin rescue efforts. Stay out of damaged buildings, which may collapse without warning. Be mindful of a potential gas leak, even in buildings without heavy damage. Never use a match or open flame device to check darkened areas; instead, use a flashlight.

## Boards and Commissions...

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Center. The Design Review Committee reviews plans to assure that the objectives of the City's Design Guidelines are achieved.

### BOARD OF BUILDING APPEALS

Three positions available, each for four-year appointment. One seat is available for each specific trade of Heating Engineer, Building Contractor and Master

Plumber. The Board of Building Appeals hears appeals resulting from the Building Superintendent's denial of a building or occupancy permit due to the requirements of the Building Code.

### FAIR HOUSING BOARD

Two positions available, each for a three-year term. Duties of the Fair Housing Board include investigation of

complaints of unlawful housing practices, resolution of complaints, conducting hearings on matters under investigation, written reports of its activities and recommendations to City Council, recommendations—as needed—regarding educational and other programs designed to promote the purposes stated under Fair Housing regulations.

To download an application for appointment, or to see a list of who is currently serving, log onto the City's Web site at [www.fairfield-city.org/Council/councilboards.cfm](http://www.fairfield-city.org/Council/councilboards.cfm).

# A spring cleaning of a different sort

Spring cleaning is an annual ritual for many people. Just as the first crocus of spring ushers in a new beginning for nature, our spring cleaning habits signify a fresh start for us after the long winter months.

Spring cleaning can take on another meaning. It's the ideal time to check our homes and yards for dangerous materials and unsafe conditions and to spend the time to protect our families and our properties.

Start by taking a few minutes to plan your safety clean up day. You will want to check each room in your house, including the attic and basement. Also, don't forget the garage, yard and storage shed. Plan to do several different things:

**First, Remove All Hazards.** Check and correct things like:

- Frayed or damaged appliance cords, wiring, fuses or breakers.
- Piles of rubbish, trash and yard debris.
- Remove stacks of paper and magazines; take them to recycling centers.
- Check for water leaks, especially near electrical appliances.
- Check for good clearance between heating appliances and combustibles.

**Second, Properly Store Flammable Liquids and Home Chemicals.** Make sure that:

- Gasoline and cleaning fluids are well marked and are out of the reach of children and pets.
- Store in a cool, dry place outside the house.
- Clean up work areas.
- Put dangerous tools, adhesives, matches or other work items away and out of any child's reach.
- Inventory all home and yard chemicals, paints and poisons. Store them according to their label. Properly dispose of any that are expired or leaking or that look bad but don't throw them in the trash or down the drain.
- Make sure that all your chemicals are kept under lock and key and out of reach of children and pets.

**Third, Check Fire Protection and Safety Equipment.** This is important!

- Check your smoke detector. Do it now while you're thinking about it. If you need one and can't afford to buy one, call us. We'll help you. If you need help checking or replacing a battery, call us. But most importantly, make sure your smoke detector works.
- Check fire extinguishers for proper type and placement.
- Make sure all doors and windows open easily for fast escapes.
- Make sure your street numbers are posted properly and are visible.
- Check and make sure you have a working flashlight and battery-powered radio for the approaching storm season.

And last, Plan Your Escape Now

- Sit down with your family and make sure that everyone knows what to do in the event of a fire.
- Make sure you have two ways out of every room and that you have a meeting place outside the house for the whole family.
- Practice the plan. Even the best plan is no good if you don't practice it!

You can do a lot to protect yourself, your family and your property. In fact, you are the key to your safety. A little time spent on simple common sense prevention will do a lot to make your house a safer place. For more information, call the Fire Department at 867-5378 .

## STROKE!

### Knowledge may be the best prevention

The Fairfield Fire Department warns that strokes kill 150,000 each year in the United States. Strokes are outranked only by cancer and heart disease.

An individual must be the first to recognize the symptoms and seek medical tests for diagnosis. The problem lies in the fact that patients too frequently underrate the seriousness of stroke's subtle, early symptoms, such as blurred vision and numb fingers. Unfortunately, most victims don't get a second chance.

To better recognize the potential for a stroke, here are some fact that could save your life:

#### Warning Signs of a Stroke

- Sudden numbness or weakness, especially on one side of the body
- Confusion

- Trouble speaking or understanding
- Difficulty seeing
- Trouble walking or loss of balance or coordination
- Sudden headache

#### Stroke Risk Factors

- Age: The risk doubles each decade after age 55.
- Gender: Males are more often at risk.
- Race: African-Americans have a higher risk.
- Prior stroke
- Family history
- High blood pressure
- Heart or artery disease
- Smoking
- Diabetes
- High red blood cell count

# Beware of City's newest officer: HE BITES

He'll risk his life catching the bad guys, and all he wants is a pat on the head and some playtime with his toy. Fairfield's newest officer is a black and tan German Shepherd from the Czech Republic... and, you're right, he doesn't speak English.

Rex began service with the Fairfield Police Department in January after an intensive training in patrol work and narcotics detection. And trained he is! His keen sense of smell can track suspects, conduct building and evidence searches, and find drugs. Rex can sniff out marijuana, cocaine, methamphetamines, heroin and heroin derivatives. So if you're a drug dealer, Rex is the last cop you want to see.

Sniffing out drugs is just one way he works, but imagine this scenario: an armed robber is apprehended following a hold-up, but he ditched his weapon

before he was apprehended. Finding the weapon is important so that a child doesn't

happen on it later thinking it is a toy.

Rex follows the general getaway route to sniff out the gun.

When Rex lays down during the search,

that's his signal that he found the weapon or

some type of evidence. *(If he scratches the ground, that's his signal that he found drugs. Barking means he found a*

*suspect, but cannot get to him to take him down.)*

Rex and his partner Officer Rob Corner train twice each month, sometimes using items hidden by officers in schools and other buildings to sharpen his skills.

Rex is Officer Corner's second canine partner. His first partner, Zeus, was forced to retire in June 2005 due to medical reasons. Rex lives with his partner and is a companion to Zeus who also lives in the Corner household.

Rex is the second canine to serve Fairfield residents. Ketcher, a fellow German Shepherd, has been in service since last year with his partner Officer John Cresap.



## Beware of telephone solicitations

Despite "do not call" lists, telephone solicitors seem to still continue to operate. In some cases, the solicitor claims to be working with police agencies in fundraising efforts. Sometimes they even claim to be representing the Fairfield Police Department. **It is important to note that**

**the Fairfield Police Department never solicits donations via the telephone.**

When dealing with a telephone solicitor, avoid the potential of a scam and refuse to donate to a charity they claim to be promoting. Never provide credit card or banking information.



If you feel compelled to support a cause, contact the charity directly and learn where it prefers to have a check mailed. Even legitimate solicitors take a percentage of the donation as their fee. By making a direct donation, not only do you avoid scams, but 100 percent of donations made directly to a charity benefit the cause.

If you receive a suspicious telephone solicitation, call the Fairfield Police Department Community Relations Division at 896-8254.



## Justice Center to open in May

Most of the construction at the new Justice Center is expected to be finished by the end of March, allowing ample time for preparations to move the Police Department and the Municipal Court into the building for a May grand opening. Shown above is a view of Municipal Judge Joyce Campbell's new courtroom.

The 50,000 square foot building will provide

separate entrances for each division. The entrance for police services will face Pleasant Avenue. The entrance for the Municipal Court will face both Pleasant Avenue and Nilles Road. The building is designed so that both divisions can expand, if necessary.

See more photos of the construction by visiting [www.fairfield-city.org/courtpoliceservice2.cfm](http://www.fairfield-city.org/courtpoliceservice2.cfm).

**More City News after the Parks & Recreation Section!**



Upcoming Programs from Fairfield's Department of

# Parks & Recreation

Spring 2006

Recreation that's  
eggs-actly what you need

## Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday  
April 8

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 Fairfield  
Community Arts  
Center



# SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

## SEASONAL EVENTS, THEATRICAL PROGRAMS

### SPECIAL/SEASONAL EVENTS

FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

#### Mom and Me for Tea

This isn't a pretend tea party, but the real thing. Come dressed up in your Sunday best for tea (or coffee or punch), sandwiches and sweets. Children participate in their very own fashion show, so bring a written description of your daughter's outfit for the commentator to the Community Arts Center by March 11th. Space is limited so please make your reservations early.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
March 26	Su	1 - 3 pm	\$7

**Location:** Community Room

#### Wine Tasting

Join representatives from Jungle Jim's International Market to taste a variety of wines. Hors d'oeuvres will be available. The tasting is limited to those at least 21 years of age. Call 867-5348 for more information or to make reservations. Previous wine tasting events have proven to be quite popular, so make your reservations early. *Look for more tasting events on a monthly basis in the next Fairfield Flyer. Events will be scheduled at the Community Arts Center on the second Friday of each month beginning with the May 12 Wine Tasting.*

Date	Day	Time	Fee
March 24* (Australian Wines)	F	7 - 9 pm	\$20
May 12†	F	7 - 9 pm	\$20

\* Babysitting available  
 † Kids Night Out available

**Location:** Community Arts Center Community Room

#### Easter Extravaganza

Join the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department and AurGroup Credit Union for the annual Easter Egg Extravaganza at Harbin Park (lower end soccer fields). Visits and photographs with the Easter Bunny will be available, along with a jellybean-guessing contest, with plenty of prizes. Age group hunts are offered for Fairfield children 3 and under, 4 & 5 year olds, and 6-8 year olds.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
April 8	Saturday	11 am	FREE

**Location:** Harbin Park (lower end soccer fields)

#### Alexander McCall Smith

The Fairfield Community Arts Center, in cooperation with The Lane Libraries, is proud to announce the upcoming appearance of Alexander McCall Smith, author of The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency novels, the Isabel Dalhousie novels, the von Igelfeld novels and the Scotland Street novels. Smith will speak in the Arts Center Theater as part of Lane Libraries' ongoing effort to bring well-known authors and poets to our community. Smith is Professor of Medical Law at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. His books include works on medical law, criminal law and philosophy, as well as numerous books for children, collections of short stories, and the series of novels for which we know him best. A meet and greet with the author will also follow the talk.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
May 2	Tu	7 pm	FREE

**Location:** Community Arts Center

#### Fine Arts Fund Sampler Weekend



SPONSORED BY MACY'S

Greater Cincinnati's 20th Annual Fine Arts Fund Sampler Weekend comes to Fairfield, Saturday, February 11, from 12 - 3 p.m., featuring performances by Tanze Performing Arts Studios, the Miami Valley Ballet Theatre, Fairfield Footlighters, and a hands-on art-making workshop for the kids. A fun, artsy and free event for the whole family.

Call 867-5348 for event times.

Date	Day	Time	Activity
February 11	Sa	12 pm	Excerpt from Fairfield Footlighters Crimes of the Heart
February 11	Sa	12 - 2 pm	Children make heart valentines
February 11	Sa	12:30 pm	Miami Valley Ballet Theatre presents classical ballet and national dances from Hungary, Poland and Spain
February 11	Sa	2 pm	Tanze Performing Arts showcases original modern dance works

**Location:** Community Arts Center

#### 2006 Groovin' on the Green Concert Series

Date	Day	Time	Featured Performer
June 1	Th	6:30 pm	Fairfield High School Band
June 8	Th	7 pm	The Menus ( <i>Rock 'n Roll</i> )
June 15	Th	7 pm	The Jack Carr Band ( <i>Big Band</i> )
June 22	Th	7 pm	Parrothead Band ( <i>Jimmy Buffett Salute</i> )
June 29	Th	7 pm	The Bentwood Rockers ( <i>Classic Rock 'n Roll</i> )
July 6	Th	7 pm	Stagger Lee ( <i>Country/Rock</i> )
July 13	Th	7 pm	The Fabulous Blues Brothers Legendary Soul Tribute Show
July 20	Th	7 pm	Miami University Steel Band ( <i>Steel Drum</i> )
July 27	Th	7 pm	The Mystics ( <i>Motown</i> )
August 3	Th	7 pm	Robin Lacy & Dezydeco ( <i>Zydeco</i> )
August 10	Th	7 pm	The Paul Otten Band
August 17	Th	7 pm	Ft. Hamilton Jazz Band ( <i>Jazz</i> )
August 24	Th	7 pm	The Klüberheads ( <i>German</i> )
August 31	Th	7 pm	Eight Days a Week ( <i>Beatles Tribute</i> )

**Location:** Village Green Amphitheater

#### Seeking Sponsors for Concert Series

Want to be involved with the best event of the summer? Sponsorships are available for the 2006 Groovin' on the Green Concert Series. Every year local businesses help support this series that brings thousands of people to Fairfield and the Village Green area. As a concert series sponsor, your business is listed in all print materials (such as this newsletter and more), city website, and on signage at each concert (depending on level of sponsorship). For more information on sponsorship levels and how to get involved with the biggest event in Fairfield, please contact Ben Strickler of the Parks & Recreation Department at 896-8414 or [bstrickler@fairfield-city.org](mailto:bstrickler@fairfield-city.org).



## Birdhouse Workshop

The Fairfield Community Forest Commission is sponsoring the fourth annual Birdhouse Workshop. Each participant will assemble a bird feeder from a kit to take home. Tim Coats of Wildbirds Unlimited in Forest Park will be on hand to discuss where to place the feeder and how to attract certain birds for your viewing pleasure. Pre-registration is necessary by calling the Parks Department at 867-5348. Space is limited, please register by February 17.

Date	Day	Time	Residents Only
March 4	Sa	10 - 11:30 am	\$10

**Location:** Community Arts Center

## Movies in the Park

This year's series of movies in Village Green Park will begin on Friday night, May 5, with Robin Hood. A different movie will be featured throughout the summer on the first Friday of each month through October 6. Visit [www.fairfield-city.org](http://www.fairfield-city.org) for the movie schedule, as well as other fun, educational events during pre-show activities, thanks to the Fairfield Fire Department.

## THEATER

### Crimes of the Heart

PRESENTED BY FAIRFIELD FOOTLIGHTERS  
DIRECTED BY RAY SULLIVAN

The scene is Hazlehurst, Mississippi, in the fall of 1974, where the three Magrath sisters have gathered to await news of the family patriarch, their grandfather, who is living out his last hours in the local hospital. Lenny, the oldest sister, is unmarried and facing diminishing marital prospects; Meg, the middle sister, who quickly outgrew Hazlehurst, is back after a failed singing career on the West Coast; while Babe, the youngest, is out on bail after having shot her husband. Their troubles, grave and yet, somehow, hilarious, are highlighted by their priggish cousin, Chick, and by the awkward young lawyer who tries to keep Babe out of jail while helpless not to fall in love with her.



Date	Day	Time	Tickets (Now Available)	
February 16	Th	8 pm	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
February 17	F	8 pm*	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
February 18	Sa	8 pm	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
February 19	Su	2 pm	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors

\*Babysitting Available

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theater

### Cohesion Jazz Ensemble

PRESENTED BY JAZZ ALIVE

Led by bassist Jim Anderson and drummer Bobby Scott, The Cohesion Jazz Ensemble has been playing a rock solid, straight ahead brand of jazz since 1973. The group features Garin Webb on tenor sax, Steve Kortyka on alto sax, soprano sax and flute, Mark Fields on trombone and Jim Connerly on piano. The well conceived, hand crafted original material written for the group by the group members is the basis for The Cohesion Jazz Ensemble's unique and inspired improvisational capabilities without limit.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (Now Available)
February 24	F	8 pm*	\$12

\*Babysitting Available

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theater

### Purlie

PRESENTED BY CINCINNATI BLACK THEATER COMPANY

The Cincinnati Black Theater Company presents for the first time in Fairfield the musical *Purlie*. Come laugh, cry and sing along with songs like "Walk Him Up" and "Skinnin a Cat." In the early days of the civil rights movement, a southern plantation owner, Ol' Cap'n Cotchipee, holds his sharecroppers in virtual slavery. Purlie comes home as a preacher who will shake things up and bring freedom to his people. The play first appeared on Broadway in March 1970. Ossie Davis, Philip Rose and Peter Udell wrote the musical with music by Gary Geld.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (Now Available)
March 10	F	7:30 pm	\$18
March 11	Sa	7:30 pm	\$18
March 12	Su	3 pm	\$18

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theater

### Señora Tortuga

PRESENTED BY LEXINGTON CHILDREN'S THEATER

Pedro and his family live on the Mexican border in a barn that has been transformed into a humble home. One day, a woman comes to their house and spins tales of wonder. To teach Pedro a lesson about giving, Pedro's mother invites the magical storyteller to dinner. Señora Tortuga's stories of Mexican legends bring Pedro heroic dreams of fighting dragons and monsters that convey important lessons about family, love, and strength of spirit.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (Now Available)
March 11	Sa	11 am	\$7 Adults/\$5 Students

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theater

### Love on Broadway

PRESENTED BY OHIO METROPOLITAN THEATRE ORCHESTRA

DIRECTED BY MAESTRO BENJAMIN PRICE

The Ohio Metropolitan Theatre Orchestra presents the most famous love songs heard around the world and music from the greatest love musicals to ever hit Broadway! They will be performing all the big hits from "Lion King", "Phantom of the Opera", "My Fair Lady", "West Side Story", "The Carpenters" and many more!!

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (Available Feb 20)	
March 24	F	8 pm*	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
March 25	Sa	8 pm	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
March 26	Su	3 pm	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors

\*Babysitting Available

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theater

More Theater & Gallery on next page

## Need a Babysitter?

While you go out on the town or attend a Friday night show on February 17, February 24, March 24, April 7 and April 21, your 3 to 10-year-old could be having loads of fun in the Children's Room. Children may be dropped off after 6 p.m. and picked up by 10 p.m. or immediately following the show. *\$10 per child (\$12 non-residents) \$16 (\$20 Non-Resident) for two children in the same family.*

## Lisbeth of Maplecroft

PRESENTED BY FAIRFIELD FOOTLIGHTERS  
WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY PATRICIA A. DAVIS

"Lizzie Borden took an axe...", that childhood rhyme begins a journey into the mind of this infamous character who was accused of the brutal murder of her father and stepmother. The play takes a look behind the Victorian curtains to reveal what really may have happened to that ill-fated family. This suspense-filled drama shows us what may have occurred to Lizzie after the trial found her not guilty. History tells us she and her sister were very close until a few years after the trial when her sister suddenly moved out never to see Lizzie again. This play looks at those years and suggests what may have caused the rift.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (Available March 13)	
April 6	Th	8 pm	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
April 7	F	8 pm*	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
April 8	Sa	8 pm	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
April 9	Su	2 pm	\$10 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors

\*Babysitting Available

Location: Community Arts Center Theater

### Auditions:

Date	Day	Time
February 24	F	6:30 pm
February 25	Sa	2:30 & 6:30 pm

Cast Requirements: 5 Women and 6 Men (all adult roles)

Location: Community Arts Center Theater

## A Footlight Feast

Interested in a great night out on April 6, 7 or 8? Symmes Tavern on the Green, in cooperation with the Fairfield Footlighters, is offering a great opportunity to theater patrons. For an additional \$16 per person, patrons can enjoy a complete dinner at Symmes Tavern at 6 p.m., followed by a performance of *Lisbeth of Maplecroft* at the Community Arts Center. Reservations are required by Friday, March 31, by calling 867-5348.

## Cinderella

PRESENTED BY MIAMI VALLEY BALLET THEATER

Fairfield's own Miami Valley Ballet Theatre presents the timeless, classic story of Cinderella. Come watch Cinderella's story unfold, including the magical ball, Cinderella's fairy godmother, the toll of midnight, and the search for the true owner of the glass slipper.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (available March 27)	
April 21	F	7 pm*	\$12 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
April 22	Sa	7 pm	\$12 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
April 23	Su	2:30 pm	\$12 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors

\*Babysitting Available

Location: Community Arts Center Theater



## Ushering

THE COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER THEATER IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR USHERS FOR ANY OF ITS PRODUCTIONS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN USHER, PLEASE CONTACT KAREN WITTMER AT 896-8411.

## An Evening of Two One-Acts

PRESENTED BY J.B. MILLER ENCORE PRODUCTIONS  
DIRECTED BY JOHN BERMAN MILLER

J.B. Miller Encore Productions is proud to present *Staff Sergeant Bill Sackenheim* and *Grandmother's Cedar Chest*. Staff Sergeant Bill Sackenheim is a patriotic piece revealing the hardships of combat through the eyes of a Hamilton/Fairfield lifetime resident. Grandmother Cedar Chest is a sentimental one-act play of a mother's and daughter's reconciliation of family members and their memories. For Mother's Day, this emotional story helps to bridge across generation gaps through acquired understanding.

Date	Day	Time	Tickets (Available April 1)	
May 11	Th	8 pm	\$9 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
May 12	F	8 pm*	\$9 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
May 13	Sa	8 pm	\$9 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors
May 14	Su	2 pm	\$9 Adults	\$8 Students/Seniors

\*Kids Night Out Available

Location: Community Arts Center Theater

## Henny Penny

PRESENTED BY ARTREACH!

Based on the original folktale, *Henny Penny* is the story of a hen who is enjoying a day gathering acorns. When one hits her on the head, she is convinced that the sky is falling. Henny Penny feels it's her duty to tell the King. Along the way, she meets some of her friends and asks them to join her on her heroic quest. Almost to the palace, this gang of do-gooders meets the sly Foxy Loxy. The cunning of Foxy Loxy and Henny Penny's can-do attitude make this a delightful adventure with a strong message of self confidence, teamwork and friendship.



Date	Day	Time	Tickets (Available April 10)	
May 22	Sa	11 am	\$7 Adults	\$5 Children

Location: Community Arts Center Theater

## Special Theater Package

FOR HENNY PENNY (THE STORY OF CHICKEN LITTLE) AND SENORA TORTUGA PERFORMANCES

We are pleased to offer this unique and exciting opportunity for children ages 6-12. For an additional \$15.00 your child can receive priority seating for the performance, pizza lunch and a special meet and greet with cast members. Following the lunch children will spend time in our pottery studio designing their own special Henny Penny or fighting dragon. Limited space is available, so please register early.

## Kid's Night Out

Starting in March, on the second Friday of each month, parents can enjoy a relaxing evening out while their 3 to 10 year old children are having fun in our Children's Room. Kids will enjoy dinner, play games, create arts and crafts, and watch movies.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
March 10	F	6 - 10 pm	\$10/\$12*
May 12	F	6 - 10 pm	\$10/\$12*

\* \$16 for two children from the same family (\$20 Non Resident)



# GALLERY

EXHIBITS AT THE COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER

## Fifty Years of Rock & Roll

Through March 17

Twenty rock and roll posters from the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and Museum provide a fun look back on the history of rock music. Concerts by artists such as Chuck Berry, Ray Charles, the Grateful Dead, the Clash, Madonna and R.E. M. exemplify the diversity of the music.

## Cincinnati Reds Baseball Memorabilia

Opening Wednesday, April 5

Cincinnati Reds Memorabilia will be on display highlighting some of the greatest legends and events in Reds History. Artifacts from local collectors including items from Joe Nuxhall's private collection will be on view through June 2. Come celebrate the start of the baseball season Wednesday, April 5, for the opening of the exhibit.

# PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS (AGES 1 - 6)

## ARTS AND CRAFTS

PRESCHOOLERS (AGES 1 - 6)

### Creative Kids

SESSION I AND II

Pre-schoolers ages 3 to 5 years will enjoy arts and crafts, music, and physical activities in a class just for them. Children will enjoy lots of cutting, pasting and painting as they explore their creativity.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	10 - 11:30 am	\$37/\$42
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 22	M	10 - 11:30 am	\$37/\$42

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Paula Brinkman

### Toddler Time

Mom or Dad (or grandma or grandpa) can enjoy a special time with their 2-year-old as the child learns important socialization skills with others the same age.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 28	T	10 - 11 am	\$32/\$37
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 23	T	10 - 11 am	\$32/\$37

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

### Drawing for Kids

Children ages 4-6 will learn the basic techniques of drawing and will use their imagination to draw playful pictures.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	2 - 3 pm	\$32/\$37
Spring B	April 10 - May 22	M	2 - 3 pm	\$32/\$37

### Painting for Kids

This class will focus on the discovery of color primarily through painting. Children ages 4 to 6 will learn about the colors through fun and exciting projects. Be ready for some wonderful art, but be prepared for a messy kid!

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 28	T	1- 1:45 pm	\$32/\$37

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Jenna Hensley

### Open Preschool Art Time

Children ages 2-5 can drop by the Children's Room between 10 - 11 a.m. every Friday for a fun art activity. Different materials will be introduced and parents are required to stay. Registration is not required. (Not available on days of Storytime, Workshops or Seasonal Fun Days)

Day	Time	Cost
F	10 - 11 am	\$1 per child

## WORKSHOPS

PRESCHOOLERS (AGES 1 - 6)

### Storytime/Edible Art

PRESENTED BY THE FAIRFIELD LANE PUBLIC LIBRARY

This workshop for children from ages 4 to 6 incorporates story time with creating edible art masterpieces.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
February 24	F	10 - 11:30 am	\$7/\$8
April 28	F	1 - 2:30 pm	\$7/\$8

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

### Storytime/Pottery Time

PRESENTED BY THE FAIRFIELD LANE PUBLIC LIBRARY

After reading a story, children ages 4-6 will use their imagination to bring the story to life with clay.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
March 17	F	10 am - 11:30 pm	\$7/\$8
May 19	F	1 - 2:30 pm	\$7/\$8

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

### Spring Fun

This one day class will offer a full day of seasonal activities for 3 to 5-year-olds. Children will enjoy books, activities and crafts that are related to spring.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Apr 7	F	10 am - 2 pm	\$10/\$12

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Lori Haven

**More Programs for Preschoolers (Ages 1-6) on next page**

## Kid's Night Out

Starting in March, on the second Friday of each month, parents can enjoy a relaxing evening out while their 3 to 10 year old children are having fun in our Children's Room. Kids will enjoy dinner, games, arts, crafts and movies.

Date	Day	Time	Cost
March 10	F	6 - 10 pm	\$10/\$12*
May 12	F	6 - 10 pm	\$10/\$12*

\* \$16 for two children from the same family (\$20 Non-Resident)

## DANCE AND FITNESS

PRESCHOOLERS (AGES 1 - 6)

### Creative Dance

Children ages 2 1/2 - 4 years old will learn the basics of ballet in this 45 minute class. Stretch and dance time will also be included. This class allows children to take their first step into the wonderful world of dance for all budding ballerinas. Ballet slippers required.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	4 - 4:45 pm	\$42/\$47
Spring A	Feb 28 - Mar 30	Th	11:15 am - 12 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

### Creative Movement

This fun and creative class, all set to music, will teach children 3 to 5 years old how to use and strengthen various muscle groups with such props as balls, ribbon dancers and hoops. Children will also enjoy mat time, where they will roll and learn basic acrobatic movements. A great class for beginning athletes who love to dance and sing.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 28	T	11:15 am - 12 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

### Mom and Me Ballet

This 45-minute class for children ages 2 and up is designed for the young students who may need Mom with them as they enter the world of Ballet. Students and Mom will learn ballet basics that begin at the barre and progress to the floor. Ballet slipper are suggested.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 23 - Mar 30	Th	10:30 - 11:15 am	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

## Having a Ball

Teach your child the importance of fitness and an active lifestyle. This class will teach children ages 4-6 basic sports skills essential to soccer, t-ball, kickball and basketball. Through playful activities and games your child will increase body control, strength, flexibility, motor skills and eye-hand-foot coordination while also learning the importance of good sportsmanship.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 23 - Mar 30	Th	3:30 - 4:15 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Peggy Grow

## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

PRESCHOOLERS (AGES 1 - 6)

### Reading Rascals

This class is packed full with entertaining activities for children ages 4 to 6 to work on their pre-reading skills. We focus on teaching lessons that involving rhyming words, blending and separating sounds, sounds of letters, and beginning book concepts. By working on these skills you are increasing their chances for being a better reader.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 25	T/Th	1:30- 2:15 pm	\$37/\$42

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Lori Haven

### Tots Cooking & Eating Story Time

After an exciting story, your 3-5 year old will make the story come to life with baking. Spreading, cutting and measuring are some of the concepts the children will use to make their creations.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	10:30 - 11:30 am	\$32/\$37

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Children's Room

**Instructor:** Lori Haven

### Discovering the Animal Kingdom

This class takes 3-5 year-olds exploring through the exciting animal kingdom. It involves a lesson about different animals each class, and is full of whimsical and playful activities to enhance children's fine and gross motor skills.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	2 - 3 pm	\$32/\$37

**Location:** Children's Room

**Instructor:** Missy Burns

### Music Makes the World Go Around

Introduce your child to the world of music. From learning about rhythm, singing songs to creating their own musical instruments, this class will help children ages 3-5 discover their hidden musical talents in no time.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring B	April 12 - May 24	W	2 - 3 pm	\$32/\$37

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Missy Burns

Nothing kills a program faster...

than waiting for the last minute to

register. The decision to cancel a class due to low enrollment is usually made the week before the session begins. Registering late may mean the class had already been cancelled. **Don't wait too long to register!**





# YOUTH PROGRAMS (AGES 6 - 12)

## SMART CLUB

### JOIN THE SMART (STUDENTS MAKING ART) CLUB AND GET ART AFTER SCHOOL

The Community Arts Center offers an after school art club which children in grades 1 - 6 can experience the Arts. The Club runs Monday through Friday from 3 - 6 p.m. taking on a variety of projects that varies from pottery, painting, woodworking, edible art, Youthful Yoga, theater and more. Snack time, Friday field trips, homework and free time are also incorporated. Bus Service is available for residents attending Fairfield South Elementary, Intermediate and Parochial Schools.

The SMART Club is available on weekly bases for students who want to tryout a specific activity.

Date (Theme)	Day	Time	R/NR
Feb 6 - 10 (Valentine's Crafts)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Feb 13 - 17 (Candy Making)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Feb 21 - 24 (Oil Painting)	T-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Feb 27 - Mar 3 (Swing Dance)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Mar 6 - 10 (Pottery)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Mar 13 - 17 (Weaving)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Mar 20 - 24 (Glass Painting)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Mar 27 - 31 (Mosaics)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Apr 3 - 7 (Card Stamping)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Apr 10 - 14 (Easter/Spring Crafts)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40
Apr 17 - 21	<i>ART EXTRAVAGANZA SPRING BREAK CAMP</i>		
Apr 24 - 28 (Clay Art)	M-F	3 - 6 pm	\$35/\$40

## Art Extravaganza Spring Break Camp

Students in Grades 1-6 can be dropped of at the Community Arts Center for a week long Art camp. We will be doing fun spring crafts, pottery, theater, edible art, weaving, fitness and take a Friday field trip. Students need to bring a sack lunch.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Apr 17 - 21	M-F	8 am - 6 pm	\$120/\$130

**Location:** Community Arts Center

## Art Extravaganza

Students in grades 1 through 6 can join the SMART Club on February 20 (teachers' in-service days and holidays) at the Community Art Center for a full day of Art extravaganza! Lunch and snack are provided.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 20	M	8 am - 6 pm	\$35/\$40

*If your child is registered for the SMART Club After School Program, the cost for this program is \$25 (\$30 non-resident)*

## Summer SMART (Students Making Art) Club

This new Summer Club will allow students in grades 1-6 to experience the Arts all summer long. Offered Monday through Friday from 9 am - 1 pm, Summer SMART CLUB will introduce weekly art projects ranging from theater, pottery, drawing, painting to edible art. Fun Friday Field Trips will also be on the schedule. Cost is \$60/\$70 R/NR a week. Extended morning hours are also available for an additional \$10 per week.

Week/Theme	Day	Time	R/NR
1/Pottery	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70
2/Summer Fun Crafts	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70
3/Woodworking	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70
4/Drawing	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70
5/Edible Art	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70
6/Mosaics/Painting	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70
7/Theater	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70
8/Theater	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70
9/Fitness	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70
10/Scrapbooking/Stamping/Papermaking	M-F	9 am - 1 pm*	\$60/\$70

\* Extended morning hours are available starting at 7:30 am for \$10/week

**Location:** Community Arts Center

## Kids Night Out

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(\$16 for two children in the same family)

Date	Day	Time	Cost
March 10	F	6 - 10 pm	\$10/\$12*
May 12	F	6 - 10 pm	\$10/\$12*

\* \$16 for two children from the same family (\$20 Non-Residents)

[More Programs for Youth \(Ages 6-12\) on next page](#)

## Babysitting Available

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your 3 to 10-year-old could be having loads of fun in the Children's Room. Children may be dropped off after 6 p.m. and picked up by 10 p.m. or immediately following the show.

**\$10 per child (\$12 non-residents) \$16 (\$20**

**Non-Resident) for two children in the same family.**



# ARTS AND CRAFTS

YOUTH (AGES 6 - 12)

## Pottery Painting

We're opening the pottery studio for those who enjoy painting ceramics. This is also a great way to spend time with your children creating a special treasure to keep. No experience is necessary we have staff on hand to assist and answer questions. All painting supplies, over-glaze, and a tile to paint are included in studio time. We also have a nice selection of other ceramic items to purchase. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Weekly	M	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$15 Adult / \$7 Children under 12

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

## Children's Pottery

GRADES 1 - 6

Using the Community Arts Center's well-equipped pottery studio, elementary through middle school students learn all the basics of working with clay. Working at their own pace with individualized attention from instructors, kids will create several finished and glazed projects to take home.



Session	Grades	Date	Day	Time	R/NR
Spring A	1-6	Feb 23 - Mar 30	Th	6 - 8 pm	\$80/\$85
Spring B	1-6	Apr 13 - May 25	Th	6 - 8 pm	\$80/\$85

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructors:** Kevin & Maggie Carpenter

## Children's Pottery

GRADES 5 - 8

Using the Community Arts Center's well-equipped pottery studio, elementary through middle school students learn all the basics of working with clay. Working at their own pace with individualized attention from instructors, kids will create several finished and glazed projects to take home.

Session	Grades	Date	Day	Time	R/NR
Spring A	5 - 8	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	3:30 - 5:30 pm	\$80/\$85
Spring B	5 - 8	Apr 12 - May 24	W	3:30 - 5:30 pm	\$80/\$85

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

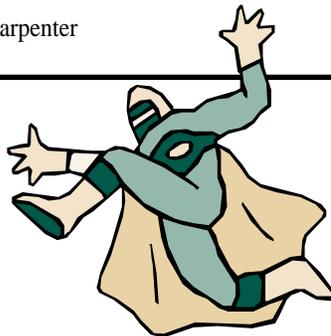
**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructors:** Kevin & Maggie Carpenter

## Comic Book Art

AGES 10 AND UP

This class teaches the elements of comic book art, focusing on character design, conveying motion, set design and story. The final project will be a comic page or flip book based on the students' ideas



Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 28	T	6 - 8 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Paul Bohart

## Animation Art

AGES 10 AND UP

This class examines how animation is created and focuses on character design, movement through space, set design, cinematic and storyboarding. May be taken in combination with or separate from Comic Book Art.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 23	T	6 - 8 pm	\$42/\$47

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Paul Bohart

# DANCE AND FITNESS

YOUTH (AGES 6 - 12)

## Fairfield Starz

The Fairfield Starz Dance Program runs from January through March. The program ends with a Spring Recital, "Back to Broadway" which will be held in the Community Art Center Theater. Only students registered in both sessions will perform in the recital. In order to register for Spring A you must have attended the Winter session.

## Fairfield Starz: Beginner Dance

This class for 4-6 year olds will work on the basics of Ballet, Traditional Dance, Tap and Jazz. It will involve Ballet warm ups at the barre, learning movements of Ballet, mat time with acrobatic movements followed by Tap. Ballet and Tap shoes are required.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb. 20 - Mar. 27	M	4:45 - 5:30 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

## Fairfield Starz: Intermediate Dance

This 45-minute class is for students 6 and up who have a basic familiarity with ballet movement. Students will progress on the floor as they begin to learn turns and Ballet combinations. Mat time will include acrobatics followed by tap instruction and timed steps. Ballet and Tap shoes are required.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	5:35 - 6:20 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers

## Fairfield Starz: Pre Teen Dance

This 45-minute classes is for students ages 8 to 14 to dance to today's music using basic Ballet and Tap moves adding a twist of hip hop fun. This is a great class for old and new dancers. Ballet and Tap shoes are required.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	6:25 - 7:10 pm	\$42/\$47

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Jean Meyers



## Youthful Yoga

Children in grades 3 to 8 can get started on the path to a healthy and fit lifestyle. Your son or daughter will learn a deeper feeling of awareness for his/her body. Age-old techniques of Yoga are taught in a fun and relaxed atmosphere where children build strength, confidence, and character. Participants will focus on basic breathing techniques and balancing which will create a strong mind body connection. Bring an exercise mat and wear comfortable workout wear.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 28	T	4 - 5 pm	\$40/\$45
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 23	T	4 - 5 pm	\$40/\$45

No classes from April 14 to April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** BevySue Hammons

## Introduction to Tae Kwon Do

This traditional and comprehensive martial art builds fitness, confidence, discipline and mental concentration. Safety and respect are emphasized while learning basic Tae Kwon Do techniques and self-defense. No previous experience necessary. Progressive advancement with each session! Ages 7 and up recommended, parent/child participation is welcomed! Uniforms are encouraged and available through the instructor for an additional fee.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	7:30 - 8:30 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	7:30 - 8:30 pm	\$35/\$40

No classes from April 14 to April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Brian Jump

## THEATER

YOUTH (AGES 6 - 12)

### From Page to Stage

Using imagination, students will learn to write and create their own original story. They will bring the story to life by acting out the characters and presenting the original drama to family and friends on the final class. The instructor will teach this class and assist students in playwriting. Be a Playwright and Perform!

Grades	Date	Day	Time	R/NR
5th - 8th	Feb 21 - Apr 4	T	3:30 - 5:30 pm	\$65/\$70

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Ingrid Shea

### Audition to be a STAR

The class will learn how to audition for a play. Each student will be cast in a role and work on learning how to perform in a show. Acting, performing and theatrical techniques will be studied, including theater games. On the final class, the students will present a performance of scenes to family and friends for everyone's enjoyment. The instructor will teach the class and direct the performance. Come be a STAR!

Grades	Date	Day	Time	R/NR
5th - 8th	Apr 11 - May 23	T	3:30 - 5:30 pm	\$65/\$70

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Ingrid Shea

## WORKSHOPS

YOUTH (AGES 6 - 12)

### Kids Working with Wood

During this workshop, kids ages 6 to 14 will create their own chalkboard. Children will complete this woodworking project using nails, glue, and paint.

Date	Day	Time	Project	R/NR
Feb 11	Sa	12 - 2 pm	Chalkboard	\$25/\$30

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Chris Schnetzer, Center For Learning Through Wood

### Edible Art

Does your child enjoy being in the kitchen and eating food? If so, this is the workshop for them! Children ages 6-12 will create and decorate edible masterpieces. The Theme will be winter.

Date	Day	Time	Project	R/NR
Feb 10	F	6 - 7:30 pm	Valentine Candy	\$15/\$20
Mar 17	F	6 - 7:30 pm	St. Patrick's Day Surprise	\$15/\$20
May 5	F	6 - 7:30 pm	Spring Bouquet	\$15/\$20

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Lori Haven

### Birdhouse Workshop

The Fairfield Community Forest Commission is sponsoring the fourth annual Birdhouse Workshop. Each participant will assemble a bird feeder from a kit to take home. Tim Coats of Wildbirds Unlimited in Forest Park will be on hand to discuss where to place the feeder and how to attract certain birds for your viewing pleasure. Pre-registration is necessary by calling the Parks Department at 867-5348. Space is limited, please register by February 17.

Date	Day	Time	Residents Only
March 4	Sa	10 - 11:30 am	\$10

**Location:** Community Arts Center

### Scrapbook and Stamping Workshop

Children ages 6-12 will create their own class valentines in the February session. In April, they will make a photo storage container and scrapbook of their Spring Break memories. Children need to bring 10-15 pictures with a Spring theme for the April workshop.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Feb 9	Th	6 - 7:30 pm	\$7/\$9
April 28	F	6 - 7:30 pm	\$10/\$15

**Location:** Community Arts Center Children's Room

**Instructor:** Lori Haven

### Scratch Art

(AGES 8 AND UP)



Create your masterpiece in this different and fun process. Artists will use an ink covered surface, and in their own special way, "scratch" off the ink to reveal a picture. Please bring \$2 to the first class for your supplies.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	4:30 - 6:30 pm	\$70/\$75
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	4:30 - 6:30 pm	\$70/\$75

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Linda Fisher

More Programs for Youth (Ages 6-12) on next page

## Better Babysitters Training Class

If you want your child to feel confident and more knowledgeable about baby sitting. Enroll them in this Babysitters Training course today! Kids learn Child and Infant CPR, Heimlich Maneuver on others and themselves, First Aid (students receive a real First Aid kit to take home), problem solving skills, interviewing skills, diapering, infant and toddler feeding, growth and development and how to create a safe and effective babysitting flyer. Visits from the Police and Fire Department to discuss safety are also included! Students must be at least 10 years old.

Dates	Day	Time	Cost
Mar 1, 8, 15, 22	W	3:30 - 6 pm	\$65

## SUMMER DAY CAMPS

### Summer Fun Camp

The Parks and Recreation Department offers an exciting summer of Day Camp for children 6 to 11 years old. Summer Fun Camp is Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with extended camp hours available.

Our staff includes certified school teachers and college students. A staff-to-child ratio of approximately 1 to 10 will be maintained. Planned activities will consist of challenging and fun crafts, cooperative games and contests, swimming at the Fairfield Aquatic Center, hiking and nature activities. Field trips are an integral part of the camp program, with trips such as the Cincinnati Zoo, museums, roller skating and Reds games. Camps are held, rain or shine, with rain-day activities planned.

Campers are dropped off at the Parks and Recreation Community Arts Center located at 411 Wessel Drive and picked up at the Fairfield Aquatic Center on Augusta Blvd. Each child will receive a Summer Day Camp shirt. Children should bring a sack lunch and drink. A light snack will be supplied in the afternoon.

**Early Bird and Twilight Camp are offered before and after Summer Day Camp. Early Bird Campers can be dropped off as early as 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. and Twilight Camp provides care 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Info- 867-5301(414)**

Date	Day	Time	R/NR
Weekly (June 12 - Aug 18)*	M-F	9 am - 4 pm <sup>†</sup>	\$90/\$100

No camp on July 4th

\* Extended hours are available starting at 7:30 am and until 6 p.m. for an additional cost of \$20/week (\$25/week for noon residents).

† Part-time rates are also available at \$30/day (\$35 non-residents)

### Summer Adventure Camp

Info-Fairfield 867-5301(372)

The Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department will again have "Adventure Camp" for kids between the ages of 12 and 15. Programs will be offered Monday through Thursday from June 12 to August 17. The program will offer exciting trips and park/community projects. The types of trips that we will take will be Cincinnati Reds game, Sun Lite Pool, Omnimax, Caesar Creek, canoeing, and many other adventures will be part of the fun. Campers are dropped off at the Grange facility on Forest Lake Lane and picked up at the Fairfield Aquatic Center on Augusta Blvd.

All Sessions are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., with extended camp available in the morning from 7:30-9 a.m. and 5 -6 p.m.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR
Weekly (June 12 - Aug 17)*	M-Th	9 am - 5 pm	\$70/\$80

No camp on July 4th

\* Extended hours are available starting at 7:30 am and until 6 p.m. for an additional cost of \$20/week (\$25/week for non-residents).

## TEENS/ADULTS (AGES 13 AND UP)

## ARTS AND CRAFTS

### Pottery Painting

We're opening the pottery studio for those who enjoy painting ceramics. This is also a great way to spend time with your children creating a special treasure to keep. No experience is necessary we have staff on hand to assist and answer questions. All painting supplies, over-glaze, and a tile to paint are included in studio time. We also have a nice selection of other ceramic items to purchase. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR
Weekly	M	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$15 Adult / \$7 Children under 12

Location: Community Arts Center Arts Studio

### Exploring with Clay

AGES 13 AND UP

This class provides an introduction to the many possibilities of working with clay, including different ways of hand-building, wheel throwing and glazing. Participants in this class will have time to make several finished objects or vessels, including drying, firing and glazing. Absolutely no experience required.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 28	T	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$95/\$105
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	1 - 3 pm	\$95/\$105
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$95/\$105
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 23	T	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$95/\$105
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	1 - 3 pm	\$95/\$105
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$95/\$105

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

Location: Community Arts Center Art Studio

Instructor: Kevin & Maggie Carpenter

### Comic Book Art

This class teaches the elements of comic book art, focusing on character design, conveying motion, set design and story. The final project will be a comic page or flip book based on the students' ideas.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 28	T	6 - 8 pm	\$42/\$47

Location: Community Arts Center Classroom

Instructor: Paul Bohart

### Animation Art

This class examines how animation is created and focuses on character design, movement through space, set design, cinematic and storyboarding. May be taken in combination with or separate from Comic Book Art.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 23	T	6 - 8 pm	\$42/\$47

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

Location: Community Arts Center Classroom

Instructor: Paul Bohart



## Portfolio Preparation

(AGES 13 AND UP)

Attention young artists!!! Are you planning to attend an art school after high school graduation and a career in the world of art and need to get your portfolio in order? Get the extra help you need with your portfolio with renowned local artist Linda Fisher. This setting will allow you to create additional projects or put the finishing touches on those you are currently working on for your portfolio. Students will provide all necessary materials to complete their projects.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 24 - Mar 31	F	4 - 6 pm	\$70/\$75
Spring B	Apr 7 - May 26	F	4 - 6 pm	\$70/\$75

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break.*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Linda Fisher

## WORKSHOPS

(AGES 13 AND UP)

### Precious Metal Clay Workshop

**BEGINNER**

Precious metal clay is an exciting new silver jewelry-making medium that requires few tools and no experience. Participants in these Saturday workshops will learn texturing, slip joining, firing and finishing. Everyone leaves with a ready to wear piece of jewelry and all the skills needed to embark on a new craft. Fee includes materials.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
January 28	Sa	9 am - 2 pm	\$85 /\$90
February 25	Sa	9 am - 2 pm	\$85 /\$90

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructors:** Kevin & Maggie Carpenter

### Precious Metal Clay Workshop

**INTERMEDIATE**

Participants in this workshop must be skilled in texturing, slip joining, firing and finishing of precious metal clay. Participants will learn about stone-setting and hollow forms during this workshop. Everyone leaves with a ready to wear piece of jewelry and all the skills needed to embark on a new craft. Fee includes materials.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
March 11	Sa	9 am - 2 pm	\$85 /\$90

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructors:** Kevin & Maggie Carpenter

### Ceramic Garden Art Workshop

Create personalized decorative elements for your garden or lawn. We will help you make a bird or toad house, plant markers, or even wind chimes. This will make your garden or lawn unique!

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
April 4 & 18	T	6:30 - 9 pm	\$25 /\$30

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructors:** Kevin & Maggie Carpenter

## Drawing Workshop

**BEGINNER, INTERMEDIATE AND ADVANCED**

This class focuses on beginning drawing skills, using pencils, charcoal and other drawing media. It will also introduce participants to the fundamentals of drawing: line, shading and perspective. Students will work at their own pace, with individual attention from the instructor. Bring projects in progress. Supply list provided

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	10 am - 12 pm	\$70/\$75
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	4:30 - 6:30 pm	\$70/\$75
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$70/\$75
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 22	M	10 am - 12 pm	\$70/\$75
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 22	M	4:30 - 6:30 pm	\$70/\$75
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 22	M	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$70/\$75

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Linda Fisher

## Scratch Art



(AGES 8 AND UP)

Create your masterpiece in this different and fun process. Artists will use an ink covered surface, and in their own special way, "scratch" off the ink to reveal a picture. Please bring \$2 to the first class for your supplies.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	4:30 - 6:30 pm	\$70/\$75
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	4:30 - 6:30 pm	\$70/\$75

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Linda Fisher

## Drawing Animals

**BEGINNER TO ADVANCED**

From the family pet to the beasts of the world, animals capture our hearts and imaginations and have long been the subject of art. This class offers students step by step guidance in drawing animals in media such as pencil, pen and ink, scratch board, pastel and colored pencil. Supply list provided.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$70/\$75
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$70/\$75

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Classroom

**Instructor:** Linda Fisher

## Watercolor Painting

Getting pleasing results with watercolor paint is easier than one would imagine. In this class students will learn a variety of techniques and approaches, concentrating on still life and nature. No experience necessary; supply list provided.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 23 - Mar 30	Th	4:30 - 6:30 pm	\$60/\$65
Spring B	Apr 13 - May 25	Th	4:30 - 6:30 pm	\$60/\$65

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Mary Sue Markey

**More Programs for Teens & Adults (13+) on next page**

## Mixed Media

Have fun making art without knowing how to draw or paint. This class explores the many art making possibilities of found objects, mixed media and collage. All that's required is a sense of humor and a bit of imagination. Some materials included; others supplied by students.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 23 - Mar 30	Th	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$60/\$65
Spring B	Apr 13 - May 25	Th	6:30 - 8:30 pm	\$60/\$65

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Art Studio

**Instructor:** Mary Sue Markey

## Youth Sports Contacts

### Select Soccer

[www.eteamz.com/fosc](http://www.eteamz.com/fosc)

Steve Wood ..... [sgwood@fuse.net](mailto:sgwood@fuse.net)

### Fairfield Optimist SAY Soccer

[www.fairfieldsoccer.org](http://www.fairfieldsoccer.org)

Registration Hotline ..... 684-4183

### TOP Soccer (for children with special needs)

[www.cincytopsoccer.com](http://www.cincytopsoccer.com)

Bob Schindler ..... 588-4980

### Fairfield Youth Athletic Assn.

[www.fairfield-city.org/fyaa.cfm](http://www.fairfield-city.org/fyaa.cfm)

Steve Sams (Football) ..... 887-8450

Steve Spencer (Cheerleading) ..... 874-3312

[www.fyaacheerleading.org](http://www.fyaacheerleading.org)

### FYBA (Fairfield Youth Baseball Assn.)

[www.fairfield-city.org/fyba.cfm](http://www.fairfield-city.org/fyba.cfm)

Hotline ..... 829-7292

Brett Lewis ..... 860-0206

### Civitan Girls Softball

Nancy White ..... 829-5163

### Butler Co. Youth Hockey Assn.

[www.usahockey.com/bcyha](http://www.usahockey.com/bcyha)

### Cinn. Amateur Hockey Assn.

[www.caha-cincy.org](http://www.caha-cincy.org)

### Lindenwald/Hamilton/ Fairfield Youth Basketball

Glen Hensley ..... 829-4767

### Fairfield YMCA Basketball

[www.gmvymca.org/fairfield.html](http://www.gmvymca.org/fairfield.html)

Fairfield YMCA ..... 829-3091

### Fairfield Lacrosse Club

(Boys and girls grades 1-12)

[www.fairfieldlax.com](http://www.fairfieldlax.com)

Andrea Johnson ..... 829-4002

## DANCE AND FITNESS

(AGES 13 AND UP)

### Summer Fitness Pass - COMING SOON!

Enjoy all of your favorite fitness classes without the commitment! There is no need to register for individual classes; the Pass will get you in to any of the eligible classes (class maximums will apply) for Summer sessions through September 2.

To get your pass, come in to the Parks & Recreation Department to have your picture taken. Pass holders are free to take as many classes during the Summer sessions as possible. A limited number of passes are available. See the next Fairfield Flyer for a complete schedule of Summer Fitness Classes! Passes go on sale May 17 (May 19 for Non-Residents).

**Fitness Pass:** \$100 (\$110 non resident)\*

\*Add Spinning and Beginner Spin to your Fitness Pass for an additional \$20.

## Pilates Plus

Pilates is a complete mat based series of exercises primarily aimed at developing and helping to strengthen the core muscles of the body. This class is for individuals who wish to increase flexibility and develop their core (back and abdominal) muscles. Each class is comprised of a warm-up, Pilates based mat and stability ball exercises, and a cool-down stretch at the end. All levels of fitness ability are encouraged to attend. Bring your exercise mat and wear comfortable, workout attire.



Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 30	T/Th	1:30 - 2:15 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 30	T/Th	5 - 5:45 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 25	T/Th	1:30 - 2:15 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 25	T/Th	5 - 5:45 pm	\$35/\$40

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** JoBeth Yambrich

## Beginner Pilates Plus

Learn the basic movements and postures of Pilates in this class. Core mat and ball movements will be introduced to prepare for the Pilates Plus program. This class is geared for those who have not previously participated in Pilates and wish to learn more about this unique exercise program.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 30	T/Th	12 - 12:45 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 25	T/Th	12 - 12:45 pm	\$35/\$40

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** JoBeth Yambrich



## Spinning®

SPINNING® is a stationary bicycle program primarily aimed at achieving maximum energy output. Riders are led through a different ride each class by a coach. By using a variety of music and visualization techniques, riders can develop a strong mind-body connection that will build with each ride. Each class consists of a warm up period, a moderate to high intensity, low impact cardiovascular work out, and a cool down. Be sure to bring a water bottle or two and a towel (padded shorts are highly recommended). Individuals of all fitness levels are welcome, however due to a limited number of bikes, advanced registration is necessary.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 29	M/W	10:30 - 11:30 am	\$50/\$55
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 30	T/Th	7:15 - 8:15 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 30	T/Th	8:15 - 9:15 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring A	Feb 25 - Apr 1	Sa	9 - 10 am	\$25/\$30*
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 24	M/W	10:30 - 11:30 am	\$50/\$55
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 25	T/Th	7:15 - 8:15 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 25	T/Th	8:15 - 9:15 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring B	Apr 8 - May 27	Sa	9 - 10 am	\$25/\$30*

\* Add Saturday Spinning as your third class per week for an additional \$10.  
No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructors:** Ben Strickler (M/W), Cathy Chenoweth (T/Th/Sa)

## Beginner SPIN®

Are you wondering what SPINNING® is all about? Come try an all-new introductory class offered exclusively for beginners. This beginner class will cover the basic movements and postures during a half hour ride each class followed by a cool down and stretch. If you have never tried SPINNING® and you are looking for a great cardio workout, then this is the class for you. Make sure to wear your padded shorts and bring a small water bottle and towel.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 29	M/W	11:45 am - 12:30 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 24	M/W	11:45 am - 12:30 pm	\$35/\$40

\* Add Saturday Spinning as your third class per week for an additional \$10.  
No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Ben Strickler

## Yogalates

Yogalates is a system of physical and mental exercises that join the body and mind together. Along with the benefits of Pilates mat-based exercises, which are aimed at core conditioning, attention is applied to flexibility, lengthening and strengthening the muscles of the body. These two systems join together to provide a combination of postures, breathing and relaxation techniques that enhance your physical well-being. Be sure to bring your exercise mat and wear comfortable, clothes. Class size will be limited to provide quality one on one instruction to individuals of all fitness levels.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	5:15 - 6:15 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring A	Feb 23 - Mar 30	Th	6 - 7 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	5:15 - 6:15 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 13 - May 25	Th	6 - 7 pm	\$35/\$40

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** JoBeth Yambrich

## Body Sculpting

Body Sculpting a great way to achieve the firm, sculpted body that will help you look and feel better. Sculpting your arms, glutes, legs, and attention to your core muscles (back and abdominal), is provided in this twice per week class. Lightweights, resistance bands, and stability balls are used to achieve a creative combination of muscle toning and stretching. All levels of fitness ability are encouraged to attend. Bring your exercise mat and dress in comfortable workout wear.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Apr 3	M/W	2 - 2:45 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 24	M/W	2 - 2:45 pm	\$35/\$40

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** JoBeth Yambrich

## Cardio-Kickboxing

Join us for a high energy, low impact, fantastic, physical workout. Cardio-kickboxing uses low-impact aerobic kickboxing moves that will help you increase your cardiovascular endurance. Plus, you get the added benefit of improving body strength, muscle tone, reduce body fat, and stress levels! Get fit without getting hit. This cardio-kickboxing class does not require any additional equipment. Bring your workout mat, a water bottle, and wear comfortable workout attire. Get ready for high-energy fun and fitness in this class. All fitness levels are welcomed to attend.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 25 - Apr 1	Sa	10:15 - 11 am	\$20/\$25
Spring B	Apr 8 - May 27	Sa	10:15 - 11 am	\$20/\$25

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** TBA

## Trim & Tone

This exciting class offers the benefit of a low-impact aerobic workout and also utilizes weight resistance to keep your body trim and toned. Start out each class with fun low-impact exercises set to high-energy music. Move on to some light resistance weight training. Then it's time to stretch and flex your body with a relaxing, yet energizing cool down. Double your fun and change your body all at the same time. Bring your exercise mat, a water bottle and get ready for fun fitness. All levels of fitness ability are encouraged to attend.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 25 - Apr 1	Sa	11:15 am - 12 pm	\$20/\$25
Spring B	Apr 8 - May 27	Sa	11:15 am - 12 pm	\$20/\$25

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** TBA

More Programs for Teens & Adults (13+) on next page

**DO YOU HAVE A UNIQUE TALENT AND WOULD LIKE TO TEACH IT TO OTHERS? THE FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR FUN AND EXCITING PROGRAMS TO OFFER. STOP BY THE RECEPTION DESK TO PICK UP A PROGRAM IDEA FORM OR FIND IT ONLINE AT [WWW.FAIRFIELD-CITY.COM](http://WWW.FAIRFIELD-CITY.COM).**

## Body Basics

An hour long class that is centered around learning the basics to resistance and core strength training. Learn how to use your own body weight, light hand-held weights, resistance bands, and stability balls to help you sculpt your body strong. Attention is also applied to flexibility, breathing, and stretching techniques. Body Basics includes all the benefits of basic Pilates exercises, lightweight training, Yoga stretches and postures all together in one class! This is a great introduction to these wonderful exercise techniques. Bring an exercise mat and wear comfortable workout wear.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	3:30 - 4:30 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	3:30 - 4:30 pm	\$35/\$40

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** JoBeth Yambrich

## Introduction to Tae Kwon Do

This traditional and comprehensive martial art builds fitness, confidence, discipline and mental concentration. Safety and respect are emphasized while learning basic Tae Kwon Do techniques and self-defense. No previous experience necessary. Progressive advancement with each session! Ages 7 and up recommended, parent/child participation is welcomed! Uniforms are encouraged and available through the instructor for an additional fee.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	7:30 - 8:30 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	7:30 - 8:30 pm	\$35/\$40

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Brian Jump

## Nia

Nia is an expressive mind-body movement and lifestyle practice, embracing fitness and health. It integrates movements, concepts, and philosophies from both Eastern and Western traditions. It uses dance arts, martial arts, and healing arts and includes cardiovascular conditioning, flexibility, strength, balance, endurance, and relaxation. Nia is suitable for all fitness levels and people of all ages.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 28	T	8:30 - 9:30 am	\$35/\$40
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 23	T	8:30 - 9:30 am	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$35/\$40

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Joan Scanlon

## Tai Chi for Health

This class is a gentle yet powerful form of exercise that combines fluid movements with energy circulation, breathing and stretching techniques. Improve muscle tone, balance and reduce stress. All levels of fitness ability are encouraged to attend. This class is especially designed for arthritis sufferers.

Session	Date	Day	Time	Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$35
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 22	M	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$35

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Community Room C

**Instructor:** Julie McCarthy

## Circuit Training

Circuit Training is a high energy class that will target all muscle groups. This class offers a wide variety of cardio resistance training, targeting abs and glutes, to increase flexibility. Learn cardio-kickboxing, work with hand held weights, resistance tubes, and stability balls. This class has it all. Start your morning right with a total body workout that will make you stronger and more energized. Class includes a warm-up, stretch, fast-paced circuits, and a wonderful cool down, energizing stretch at the end!

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 29	M/W	8:30 - 9:15 am	\$35/\$40
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 24	M/W	8:30 - 9:15 am	\$35/\$40

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Pam Rouse

## Beginner Salsa Workout

**NEW**

Learn the basics of Salsa dancing and get a great workout at the same time! Salsa is the new, hot dancing sensation to hit the dance floor since Swing. This fun and exciting class will cover the essentials of Salsa such as staying on beat and dancing to music. Starting with the basics will make your dancing experience much more enjoyable and create a smooth transition into working with a partner. Neither a partner nor experience are required for this class.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 28	T	6 - 7 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 23	T	6 - 7 pm	\$50/\$55

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Herman Recalde

## Personal Training

Pam Rouse, certified personal trainer through the American Council on Exercise (ACE), will meet you once a week for an hour of one-on-one training. Start off your 4 week session with a comprehensive body fat assessment and then create a plan to achieve your personal fitness goals. Winter/Spring Fitness Pass holders receive a discount; please show your pass when registering.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Session B	Feb 6 - Feb 27	M	7:30 - 8:30 am	\$110/\$115
Session B	Feb 8 - Mar 1	W	7:30 - 8:30 am	\$110/\$115
Session C	Mar 6 - Mar 27	M	7:30 - 8:30 am	\$110/\$115
Session C	Mar 8 - Mar 29	W	7:30 - 8:30 am	\$110/\$115
Session D	May 1 - May 22	M	7:30 - 8:30 am	\$110/\$115
Session D	May 3 - May 24	W	7:30 - 8:30 am	\$110/\$115

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Pam Rouse

## Salsa Partner Work

**NEW**

If you know the basics of Salsa or need a place to to refine your moves? Improve your dancing ability and learn how to be a good leader and follower. No partners necessary. This is a great opportunity to meet someone new and fulfill your dreams as a dancer. All skill levels are welcome to this class.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 25 - Apr 1	Sa	12:15 - 1:15 pm	\$50/\$55
Spring B	Apr 8 - May 27	Sa	12:15 - 1:15 pm	\$50/\$55

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Herman Recalde

## Social Dance

Dance Step	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Mambo/Cha-Cha	Feb 24 - Mar 24	F	6:30 - 7:30 pm	\$40/\$45
Ballroom <i>(Continuation)</i>	Feb 24 - Mar 24	F	7:30 - 8:30 pm	\$40/\$45
Swing Dancing	Feb 24 - Mar 24	F	8:30 - 9:30 pm	\$40/\$45
West Coast Swing	Apr 28 - May 19	F	7 - 8:15 pm	\$40/\$45
Hot Latin	Apr 28 - May 19	F	8:15 - 9:30 pm	\$40/\$45

**Location:** Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

**Instructor:** Carolyn Rollin

## THEATER

(AGES 13 AND UP)

### Scene Study and Technique

AGES 16 AND UP

This class will focus on the actor's use of the entire body, voice, breath, and mind to create, explore, and develop characters for the stage. Students will study, rehearse, and interpret scenes using the characterization skills presented. Learn how character changes, different interpretations, and focus on motivation and mood can change scene outcome and presentation. This class is great for anyone who wishes to enhance their inner actor. Gain valuable experience, confidence, and freedom, plus have tons of fun! At the end of the session, students will invite family and friends to an evening of scenes, highlighting their fantastic talent and experience gained in this class. Fee includes all materials

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	6 - 7:30 pm	\$125/\$130
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 22	M	6 - 7:30 pm	\$125/\$130

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

**Instructors:** James and Patricia Davis

### Introduction to Playwriting

This introduction to the art of playwriting will cover the basics writing for the stage, including techniques for how to turn an idea or adaptation into a script. Students will generate a one-act play as the culminating project. Unleash your inner writing skills with this exiting new course. Fee includes all materials.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	7:30 - 9 pm	\$100/\$105
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 22	M	7:30 - 9 pm	\$100/\$105

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

**Instructors:** James and Patricia Davis

### Acting for Adults

AGES 16 AND UP

This class is perfect for the aspiring actor, or anyone looking for a fun theater experience. Explore character development, stage movement, voice techniques, and scene study. This dynamic class will help build confidence and presentation skills. Fee includes all materials.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 23 - Mar 30	Th	7 - 8:30 pm	\$125/\$130
Spring B	Apr 13 - May 25	Th	7 - 8:30 pm	\$125/\$130

*No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break*

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

**Instructors:** James and Patricia Davis

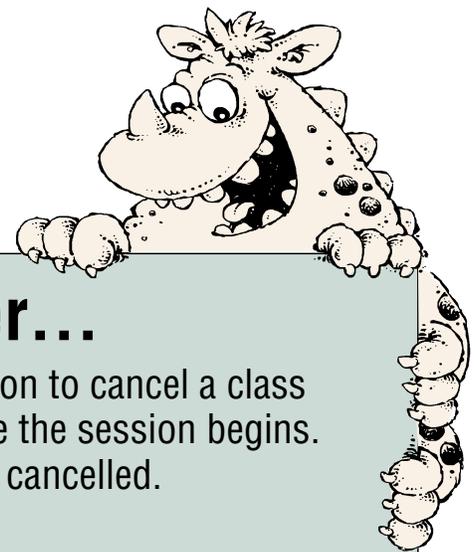
### Clowning Around

Taught by professional clowns from Fun For All Clowns and Company, this 6-week course introduces students to clown history and clown basics, including how to build a clown character, makeup, costuming, skit writing, role playing, and improvisation. The class also includes an introduction to props, balloon sculpture, juggling, face painting and comedy magic. Supplies included.

Session	Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
Spring A	Feb 22 - Mar 29	W	6 - 8 pm	\$45/\$50
Spring B	Apr 12 - May 24	W	6 - 8 pm	\$45/\$50

**Location:** Community Arts Center

**Instructors:** Amy "Gumdrop" Cowgill and Judy "Promise" Ellington



## Nothing kills a program faster...

than waiting for the last minute to register. The decision to cancel a class due to low enrollment is usually made the week before the session begins. Registering late may mean the class had already been cancelled.

**Don't wait too long to register!**

# SENIOR ADULTS

(AGES 55 AND UP)

## Fairfield's Senior Program

### Senior Lounge

The senior lounge is open to adults and seniors 55 years and older. Hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.



### Senior Adult Parking

There are designated parking spaces located outside the Senior Lounge in the west parking lot. Allowing for easier accessibility, senior parking is available from 8 a.m. to 5 pm, Monday through Friday, for all individuals 55 years and older.

### Senior Adult Newsletter

Senior Adults at the Community Arts Center publishes a free bi-monthly newsletter entitled "Senior Adult News." Call 867-5348 to be added to the mailing list.

### Visit the Website

[www.fairfield-city.org/seniors](http://www.fairfield-city.org/seniors)

### For More Information

Contact Brad Williams, Senior Adult Programmer  
Phone: 896-8407  
Email: [seniors@fairfield-city.org](mailto:seniors@fairfield-city.org)

## LEISURE ACTIVITIES

### ONGOING PROGRAMS FOR ACTIVE SENIOR CITIZENS

Something is always happening for Fairfield's Senior Citizens at the Community Arts Center. In addition to special programs and events, a variety of regular activities are planned each week. Come and get involved in friendly competition while enjoying the company of great friends.

Event	Days	Time
500	Tuesdays	1 pm
Billiards	Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays	11 am
Bingo	Thursdays	3 pm
Bocce (Indoor)	Tuesdays & Fridays	3 pm
Bridge	Wednesdays & Fridays	1 pm
Corn Hole	Mondays & Wednesdays	1 pm
Euchre	Thursdays	1 pm
Hand and Foot	Tuesdays & Fridays	10 am
Mah Jongg	Mondays	1 pm
Ping Pong	Wednesdays & Fridays	11 am
Scrabble	Tuesdays	3 pm
Shuffleboard (Indoor)	Tuesdays & Fridays	1 pm
Texas Hold 'Em	Wednesdays	1 pm

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### PROGRAMS FOR ACTIVE SENIOR CITIZENS

### Senior Adult Cookouts

Join friends and neighbors for a monthly carry-in at the Community Arts Center. Check the Senior Adult Newsletter for themes and times of upcoming cookouts.



### Medicare Part D Enrollment Event

#### THANKS IN PART TO COUNCIL ON AGING OF SOUTHWESTERN OHIO

Trained representatives from the Council on Aging will be available for a personal session to help you compare Medicare prescription drug plans. Medicare beneficiaries can get the information they need to help select a Medicare prescription drug plan that will best meet their needs. Call 345-8643 to schedule a 30 minute session to review your meds and plan options. Please call Council on Aging of Southwestern Ohio at 345-8643 for more information or to register.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 9	Th	9 am - 2 pm	Free

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

## SOCIAL EVENTS

### PROGRAMS FOR ACTIVE SENIOR CITIZENS

### Ice Cream Social

Don't miss this delicious opportunity to meet with friends and neighbors while enjoying a bowl of ice cream topped with a variety of your favorite toppings. Free

Day	Time	Fee
1st Tuesday	12 - 1 pm	Free

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

### Coffee & Donuts

Start your day off with a warm cup of coffee and donut in the Senior Lounge. Come to socialize with friends, surf the internet, watch sports center on the television, or read up on current events in the morning newspaper.

Day	Time	Fee
2nd & 4th Thursdays	9 - 10 am	Free

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Lounge

### R.O.M.E.O.

#### Retired Old Men Eating Out

Men age 55 or older get an opportunity to meet and enjoy lunch together at local restaurants. This is an on-going lunch club, with new members welcome at any time. Call the Senior Lounge at 896-8422 to RSVP and get the details of the next meeting place, or check the Senior Adult Newsletter for location.

Day	Time	Fee
One Monday each month	12 - 1 pm	Cost of your meal

Call the Senior Lounge at 896-8422 for details and to RSVP



## J.U.L.I.E.T.

### Just Us Ladies Interacting & Eating Together

Women age 55 or older meet for lunch and converse with friends on the topics of the day. This is an on-going lunch club, with new members welcome at any time. Call the Senior Lounge at 896-8422 to RSVP and get the details of the next meeting place, or check the Senior Adult Newsletter for location.

Day	Time	Fee
One Thursday each month	12 - 1 pm	Cost of your meal

Call the Senior Lounge at 896-8422 for details and to RSVP

## ARTS & CRAFTS

ALSO SEE PROGRAM OFFERINGS IN THE TEENS & ADULTS SECTION BEGINNING ON PAGE 18

### Quilters & Knitters Club

Come share new techniques, exchanges tips, and welcomes ideas and suggestions to make this a fun club. All levels of experience or inexperience are welcome.

Day	Time	Fee
2nd & 4th Tuesdays	11 am - 1 pm	Free

Location: Community Arts Senior Adult Lounge

## ARTS & CRAFTS WORKSHOPS

PROGRAMS FOR ACTIVE SENIOR CITIZENS

### Precious Metal Clay Workshop

#### BEGINNER

Precious metal clay is an exciting new silver jewelry-making medium that requires few tools and no experience. Participants in these Saturday workshops will learn texturing, slip joining, firing and finishing. Everyone leaves with a ready to wear piece of jewelry and all the skills needed to embark on a new craft. Fee includes materials.

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
February 25	Sa	9 am - 2 pm	\$85 /\$90

Location: Community Arts Center Art Studio

Instructors: Kevin & Maggie Carpenter

### Ceramic Garden Art Workshop

Create personalized decorative elements for your garden or lawn. We will help you make a bird or toad house, plant markers, or even wind chimes. This will make your garden or lawn unique!

Date	Day	Time	R/NR Fee
April 4 & 18	T	6:30 - 9 pm	\$25 /\$30

Location: Community Arts Center Art Studio

## DANCE AND FITNESS

PROGRAMS FOR ACTIVE SENIOR CITIZENS

### Stretch, Flex, and Move

Geared toward the active senior, this class uses low impact movement, basic stretching techniques, and light resistance training to help strengthen the body, improve flexibility, and increase energy levels. This class uses light hand held weights and resistance bands to improve muscle tone and maintain muscle mass.

Session	Date	Day	Time	Fee
Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 29	M/W	9:30 - 10:30 am	\$35
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 24	M/W	9:30 - 10:30 am	\$35

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

Location: Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

Instructor: Pam Rouse

### Staying Fit

This class, set to music, uses light hand held weights, resistance bands, and one's own body weight for a gentle toning and energizing twice weekly class. All levels of fitness ability are encouraged to attend.

Session	Date	Day	Time	Fee
Spring A	Feb 21 - Mar 30	T/Th	9:30 - 10:30 am	\$35
Spring B	Apr 11 - May 25	T/Th	9:30 - 10:30 am	\$35

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Location: Community Arts Center Dance/Fitness Studio

Instructor: JoBeth Yambrich

### Tai Chi for Health

This class is a gentle yet powerful form of exercise that combines fluid movements with energy circulation, breathing and stretching techniques. Improve muscle tone, balance and reduce stress. All levels of fitness ability are encouraged to attend. This class is especially designed for arthritis sufferers.

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Spring A	Feb 20 - Mar 27	M	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$35
Spring B	Apr 10 - May 22	M	5:30 - 6:30 pm	\$35

No classes between April 14 and April 22 for Spring Break

Location: Community Arts Center Community Room C

Instructor: Julie McCarthy

More Programs for Active & Inquisitive Seniors on next page

## The Institute for Learning in Retirement is coming...

MIAMI UNIVERSITY'S OFFICE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND FAIRFIELD COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER HAVE JOINED TOGETHER TO BRING THE INSTITUTE FOR LEARNING IN RETIREMENT AT MIAMI UNIVERSITY, A LIFELONG LEARNING PROGRAM, TO THE COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER THIS FALL. VISIT [WWW.MUOHIO.EDU/CE/ILR](http://WWW.MUOHIO.EDU/CE/ILR) OR CALL 529-1508.

# COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY

PROGRAMS FOR ACTIVE SENIOR CITIZENS

## Introduction to Computers

This class is for beginners who are unfamiliar with computers and the Windows operating system. Gain the knowledge with hands on experience as you learn to turn the computer on and off, use the mouse and keyboard, and familiarize yourself with the desktop.

Session	Date	Day	Time	Fee
Spring A	Mar 14 - Apr 4	T	9 - 10 am	\$20
Spring B	Apr 25 - May 16	T	9 - 10 am	\$20

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Adult Lounge

**Instructor:** Brad Williams

## Email & the Internet

An introduction to the basic skills needed to access the Internet and Personal Email. Learn to surf the World Wide Web with a couple of search engines and learn to send and receive messages in your very own email account.

Session	Date	Day	Time	Fee
Spring A	Mar 14 - Apr 4	T	10 - 11 am	\$20
Spring B	Apr 25 - May 16	T	10 - 11 am	\$20

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Adult Lounge

**Instructor:** Brad Williams

## Digital Photography and Your Computer

This class is for those who have or are thinking about upgrading to the world of digital photography. Learn to how to put the pictures on your computer, manipulate them, send them to friends and family via email, and to set them as your desktop background.

Session	Date	Day	Time	Fee
Spring A	Mar 14 - Apr 4	T	11 am - noon	\$20
Spring B	Apr 25 - May 16	T	11 am - noon	\$20

**Location:** Community Arts Center Senior Adult Lounge

**Instructor:** Brad Williams

## Online Travel Booking Workshop

Making travel plans is one of the most common activities on the Web today. Find out how you can be your own best travel agent - learn the best sites to find deals, how to use Priceline, tricks for getting better rates and other online travel planning tips. Some computer and Web experience will be helpful.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 23	Th	3 pm	\$5

**Location:** Community Arts Center Theater

**Instructor:** Amy Whitaker

# SUPPORT GROUPS

PROGRAMS FOR ACTIVE SENIOR CITIZENS

## Communicating Effectively with Health Care Professionals

THANKS IN PART TO CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF SOUTHWESTERN OHIO

Does it ever feel like you don't get what you need from the health care professionals in your life? What you can do to feel like a part of the team!

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Feb 15	W	1 pm	Free

**Location:** Community Arts Center Green Room

## Where Do You Turn for Help?

THANKS IN PART TO CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF SOUTHWESTERN OHIO

When you need help, you don't need to get a list of people and places to call - where can you go to get guidance and support through the maze of health care decisions; nursing homes, home care, finances, legal...

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Mar 1	W	1 pm	Free

**Location:** Community Arts Center Green Room

## The Caregiver and the Family

THANKS IN PART TO CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES OF SOUTHWESTERN OHIO

How do you communicate your needs with family members? How do you ask and receive help? How do you cope with changing roles and responsibilities?

Date	Day	Time	Fee
Mar 15	W	1 pm	Free

**Location:** Community Arts Center Green Room

# SENIOR TRAVEL SERIES

UNIQUE & COST EFFECTIVE TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

The Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department has joined with Your Man Tours, Inc. to offer the following travel packages. For more information about the trips, call Jim Williams with Your Man Tours, Inc. at 772-4411, or Brad Williams with Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department at 867-5348.

## Hawaii Queens Tour

March 30

This spectacular 15-day dream vacation will tour four islands - Oahu, Kauai, Maui and Hawaii. Included are airfare from Cincinnati, bus transportation, hotel accommodations, sightseeing and special events. \$2,238 per person.

## Canadian Rockies

June 5

Take a 14-day ride through the Canadian Rockies and enjoy stops in Banff National Park, Lake Louise, British Columbia, and Alberta and Saskatchewan Provinces. Included are airfare from Cincinnati, bus transportation, hotel accommodations, sightseeing and special events. \$1,548 per person.

## Mexican Riviera Cruise

October 12

Join us aboard Holland America Line's "MsRyndam" for a 12-day cruise of the Mexican Riviera. Ports of call include Acapulco, Zihuatanejo, Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan, and Cabo San Lucas. Included are airfare from Dayton, cruise aboard MsRyndam in category (NN) inside cabin, and a large variety of entertainment aboard ship each day. \$1,698 base price per person.

## Panama Canal Cruise

October 23

Bon Voyage aboard Holland America Line's "MsRyndam" for a 19-day cruise of the Panama Canal and Mexican Riviera. Ports of call include Cabo San Lucas, Puerto Vallarta, Haultulco, Costa Maya, Puerto Quetzal, Puerto Caldera, Cartagena, and Cozumel. Included are airfare from Cincinnati, cruise aboard MsRyndam in category (NN) inside cabin, and a large variety of entertainment aboard ship each day. \$2,638 base price per person.

SPRING EVENTS/RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

# FAIRFIELD GREENS GOLF COURSE

## Rates for Golf

Discounted greens fees are being offered now through February 28. Greens fees are currently \$11 for 9 holes/\$19 for 18 holes. (Juniors/Senior are \$9 for 9 holes and \$14 for 18 holes). We also have discounted cart rentals. For info, call 858-7750. The Golf Professionals are Dave Hartman and Keith Crutcher.

SOUTH TRACE	Weekdays	Weekends/Holidays	Senior/Junior*
18 holes	\$23.00	\$25.00	\$17.00
9 holes	\$14	N/A	\$11.75
Cart Rental/per person	\$14 (18 holes)	\$7 (9 holes)	

NORTH TRACE	Weekdays	Weekends/Holidays	Senior/Junior*
9 holes	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$8.00
Cart Rental/per person	\$6 (9 holes)		

\* Not valid on holidays or league play. To qualify, Seniors must have a Golden Buckeye Card; Juniors must be 17 or younger.

## Plan Now for 2006 Outings

Now is the time to make arrangements for your 2006 leagues and outings. Please call now to get early jump on open or work leagues. Those already planned for this year are:

Date	Event
May 17	Chamber of Commerce Outing
June 16	Fairfield Champions Outing
July 8/9	City Tournament

## Junior Golf League

The staff at the North Trace would like to invite you and your friends to participate in our summer Junior League for kids 17 and under during the months of June and July this summer.

Date	Day	Time	Fee
June & July	T/Th	8 - 10 am	\$6/round*

\$8.00 per round if you are not a R.E.A.C.H. member.

## R.E.A.C.H. for Golf/JUNIOR GOLF

This program for junior golfers from 9-17 will be held in conjunction with a national program called REACH (Rules, Etiquette, Appreciation, Conduct, History). Participants meet at the South Trace. The 2006 R.E.A.C.H. card will be good at both of the city courses Monday thru Friday except outing and leagues and on Saturday, Sunday and holidays after Noon. For more information, call 858-7750 (South Trace) and 939-3741 (North Trace)

Date	Day	Time	Location	R/NR Fee
May 20	Sa	10 - 11:30 am	North Trace	\$10*
June 12	M	10 - 11:30 am	North Trace	\$10*
May 13	T	10 - 11:30 am	North Trace	\$10*

\* Anyone who already has a R.E.A.C.H. card may pay this \$10.00 fee and get their updated sticker at anytime at the North Trace Pro Shop

**Congratulations to Keith Crutcher for passing all the necessary requirements to become a Professional Golf Association member.**

# Community Arts Center: available for your meeting or party!

## MEETINGS & PRESENTATIONS

The Community Arts Center provides an ideal setting for a variety of events, big and small. The Community Room, with its terrace overlooking Village Green Park, is the perfect site for a wedding or party and can be divided into smaller rooms for business meetings and intimate gatherings. The Center also rents the theater, with



state of the art audio and visual capabilities, classroom, and ground floor lobby. Discounts are available for Fairfield residents and non-profit organizations. For more information call 867-5348.

## BIRTHDAY PARTIES AND CELEBRATIONS

### The Ice Cream Sundae

includes rental of room for 1-1/2 hours, cake, ice cream, 5 different toppings, supplies (table clothes, plates, cups, napkins, and utensils), balloons and drinks (orange drink, lemonade or fruit punch) and a special gift for the birthday child.

Up to 10 guests, includes 2 adult chaperons: \$80  
Up to 20 guests, includes 4 adult chaperons: \$125  
Up to 35 guests, includes 6 adult chaperons: \$175

### Pizza Party

This party package includes rental of a room for 1-1/2 hours, cake, ice cream, one topping pizza, chips and pretzels, drinks (orange drink, lemonade or fruit punch), balloons, supplies (table clothes, plates, cups, napkins, and utensils) and a special gift for the birthday child.

Up to 10 guests, includes at least 2 adult chaperons: \$100 (3 pizzas)  
Up to 20 guests, includes at least 4 adult chaperons: \$150 (6 pizzas)  
Up to 35 guests, includes at least 6 adult chaperons: \$200 (9 pizzas)

You may add Popcorn and a movie in the beautiful Community Arts Center Theater, children's art project, pottery making, tile painting or birthday games to your party package. Call 867- 5348 for more details.



## MARSH PARK FISHING LAKE

FAIRFIELD'S FISHING LAKE OPENS FOR ITS NINTH SEASON. THE LAKE IS OPEN WEEKENDS ONLY, BEGINNING MARCH 10, THEN DAILY AFTER APRIL 1 IF IN DOUBT, CALL THE BAIT HOUSE AT 858-1685.

### FISHING RATES

	Adults 16+	Seniors* 60+	Youth† 7-15	Child† 6 & under	Twilight After 5 pm
Resident	\$7	\$6	\$5	Free	\$3
Non-Res.	\$10	\$9	\$5	Free	\$5

Family Day Pass (\$15/Residents Only)

\*Must have a Golden Buckeye Card †Must be accompanied by a paying adult

There is a two-pole limit for adults and a one-pole limit for those under 6 years of age. Lake rules are posted at the Bait Shop.

### Special Events

On these special days, a new fishing pole will be awarded to the guest of honor catching the day's largest fish.

Event	Date
Mothers Day	May 14
Fathers Day	June 18
Senior Day (62+)	July 4

### Customer Appreciation Weekend

OCTOBER 21 & 22

We will celebrate customer appreciation weekend at Marsh Park. The first 50, paying fisherman for each day will receive a free gift.

### Youth Fishing Tournament

JUNE 10, JULY 8, AUG. 12, & SEPT. 9

A Youth Fishing Tournament will be held on the second Saturday of the summer months. The price of admission will be the entry fee, which is \$3.00 for all kids under 15 years old. Prizes will be awarded for the winners.

### All Night Fishing

FRIDAY, MAY 26 - SUNDAY, MAY 28

EACH WEEKEND DURING JUNE, JULY, AUGUST

During these weekends, Marsh Lake will remain open for the entire weekend, opening at 6 a.m. on Friday and remaining open until 9:30 pm on Sunday. Regular general admission will be charged every 12 hours at the lake.

### Youth Learn to Fish

JUNE 11, JULY 9, AUG. 13

Any Fairfield youth 8 years or older that would like to learn to fish can call Marsh Lake to set up an appointment with the Fishing Lake Manager. One-hour sessions are offered on the second Sunday of each month between noon to 2:00 p.m. Each child will be responsible for paying admission to get into the lake. To sign up for an appointment, call Marsh Fishing Lake at 858-1685.

### Senior Fishing

WEDNESDAYS

Fairfield resident Seniors can fish for free at Marsh Park. A senior is defined as anyone who qualifies for a Golden Buckeye Card.

## ELISHA MORGAN MANSION

GILBERT FARMS PARK, ROSS ROAD (between Mack Rd. & Woodridge Blvd.)

THE ELISHA MORGAN MANSION IS A FLEMISH BOND BRICK FARMHOUSE BUILT ABOUT 1817 WHEN OTHER HOUSES IN THE AREA WERE STILL MADE OF LOGS. IN 1980, THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD PURCHASED THE HOUSE AND 16 ACRES FROM THE GILBERT FAMILY TO CREATE A PARK. FUNDS WERE RAISED TO RESTORE THE BUILDING, THANKS IN LARGE PART TO THE EFFORTS OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION GROUP FRIENDS OF ELISHA MORGAN.

### Educational Tours

Attention teachers, scouts leaders! The Elisha Morgan Mansion is a wonderful learning opportunity for your school group, scout group, etc. Schedule a guided tour of the mansion and learn the history of the restored 1817 mansion. Please call the Parks and Recreation Department at 867-5348 to schedule your tour. Please allow two weeks notice in order to schedule guides for your event.

## WATER WORKS PARK

### Chipping Program

INFO-FAIRFIELD 867-5301, ext. 375

The City of Fairfield Parks Department will accept limbs and brush on the Second Saturday of every month throughout the year. The dates for the spring/summer months are March 11 April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8. The time that you can drop off your limbs is from 8 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The location site is on Groh lane, just past Waterworks Park. If you have any questions about the Chipping program please fell free to call the Fairfield Parks Department at 867-5348.

## HARBIN PARK

### Sledding and Cross Country Skiing

INFO-FAIRFIELD: 867-5301, ext. 412

9 A.M. - 9 P.M. (WHEN CONDITIONS PERMIT)

While everybody else is inside looking out at the snow, Harbin Park will be coming to life with sled riding and cross country skiing. Of course, we'll need the right snow amounts, but when we do, bring the whole family and your friends to enjoy the season. (Please note that the Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to close the sled riding hill because of inadequate snow cover, low temperatures, dangerous wind chill factors, lack of participants or for any safety related reasons.

### Pond Clinic

Join the Butler and Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation Districts for weekly presentations about pond construction, weed control, fish stocking and various pond management concerns. There is no cost to attend.

Date	Day	Time	Cost
April 5, 12, 19 & 26	W	6:30 - 8 pm	Free
June 7, 14, 21 & 28	W	6:30 - 8 pm	Free

Location: Golf and Community Center



# FAIRFIELD FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER

2605 AUGUSTA BLVD.

Info-Fairfield 867-5301(381)

Season Opens..... June 3

Season Closes ..... September 4

The Fairfield Aquatic Center offers a variety of features: diving boards, wading pool, large slide, sand volleyball court, sand play area, and a Water play structure. We invite you to participate in our specialized swimming programs this summer. Qualified lifeguards and instructors are on duty at all times. We also offer special Birthday and party packages, please call us for details at the Parks office at 867-5348.

## Pre-season Sale of 2006 passes

Pre-season Pool passes for the 2006 pool season are on sale at the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department office in the Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Drive.

Until April 15	Family	Senior/Youth/Teen	Adult/Individual
Resident	\$225	\$85	\$110
Non-Resident	\$350	\$135	\$170

After April 15*	Family	Senior/Youth/Teen	Adult/Individual
Resident	\$275	\$100	\$130
Non-Resident	\$440	\$165	\$210

Five-person maximum on a family pass, each additional family member is \$20.00. Family pass restricted to immediate family members.

\*Season passes can be purchased at 2/3 of price after July 1st\*

\*Season passes can be purchased at 1/3 of price after August 1st\*

## Youth Swim Team

Info-Fairfield: 867-5301 (415)

Area youth, ages 18 and younger, are invited to participate on our summer swim team at the Fairfield Aquatic Center. All swimmers must be able to swim the length of the pool without flotation aides. The team competes in the Tri-County Swim League with public and private pools. Practice begins the first week in June, concluding with championships in late July. Those interested can attend an informational meeting on May 16 at 7 p.m. at the Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Drive. For further information, call Swim Team Boosters President Kim Braunig at 858-6563 or the Fairfield Parks Department at 867-5348. The cost to participate on the swim team is \$75 (\$80 non-residents).

## Swim Lessons

### Morning Classes

SESSION 1 ..... JUNE 12 - JUNE 22

SESSION 2 ..... JUNE 26 - JULY 7 (No Class on Monday, July 4)

SESSION 3 ..... JULY 10 - JULY 20

SESSION 4 ..... JULY 24 - AUGUST 3

SESSION 5 ..... AUGUST 7 - AUGUST 17

Class	Date	Days	Time	Cost R/NR
Guppies	All Sessions	M-Th	11 - 11:45 am	\$40/\$45
Turtle	All Sessions	M-Th	10 - 10:45 am	\$40/\$45
Turtle	Sessions 2 & 4	M-Th	11 - 11:45 am	\$40/\$45
Alligator	All Sessions	M-Th	9 - 9:45 am	\$40/\$45
Alligator	Sessions 2 & 5	M-Th	10 - 10:45 am	\$40/\$45
Alligator	Sessions 1 & 3	M-Th	11 - 11:45 am	\$40/\$45
Seal	All Sessions	M-Th	10 - 10:45 am	\$40/\$45
Seal	Sessions 2,4 & 5	M-Th	11 - 11:45 am	\$40/\$45
Marlin	All Sessions	M-Th	9 - 9:45 am	\$40/\$45
Dolphin	All Sessions	M-Th	11 - 11:45 am	\$40/\$45
Shark	All Sessions	M-Th	11 - 11:45 am	\$40/\$45

### Evening Classes

Class	Date	Days	Time	Cost R/NR
Turtles	July 10 - 20	M-Th	6 - 6:45 pm	\$40/\$45
Seal	July 10 - 20	M-Th	7 - 7:45 pm	\$40/\$45
Alligator	July 24 - Aug 3	M-Th	6 - 6:45 pm	\$40/\$45
Marlin	July 24 - Aug 3	M-Th	7 - 7:45 pm	\$40/\$45
Adult Beginner	July 24 - Aug 3	M-Th	7 - 7:45 pm	\$40/\$45

### Saturday Classes

June 17 - August 5

Class	Date	Days	Time	Cost R/NR
Alligator	June 17 - Aug 5	Sa	10 - 10:45 am	\$40/\$45
Seal	June 17 - Aug 5	Sa	10 - 10:45 am	\$40/\$45
Turtle	June 17 - Aug 5	Sa	11 - 11:45 am	\$40/\$45
Guppies	June 17 - Aug 5	Sa	11 - 11:45 am	\$40/\$45

# SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT OFFERS A VARIETY OF POSITIONS TO YOUTH FOR SUMMER EMPLOYMENT. POSITIONS AVAILABLE ARE: CAMP LEADERS FOR SUMMER DAY CAMPS AND LIFEGUARDS AT THE FAIRFIELD AQUATIC CENTER.

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR SUMMER EMPLOYMENT, APPLICANTS MUST BE AT LEAST 16 YEARS OF AGE AND HAVE RELIABLE MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION. APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FAIRFIELD MUNICIPAL BUILDING EACH WEEKDAY FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT SUMMER JOB OPPORTUNITIES CALL THE PARKS AND RECREATION OFFICE AT 867-5348.

FAIRFIELD PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

# REGISTRATION NOW UNDERWAY!

REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS BEGINS WEDNESDAY, MAY 17 (MAY 19 FOR NON-RESIDENTS)

Registration is accepted at the Parks and Recreation office in the Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Drive. All fees must be paid at the time of registration.

### Walk-In Registration

All registration takes place at the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department Office in the Community Arts Center, 411 Wessel Drive. Walk-in registration is available on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### Telephone Registration

Registration may be made by calling 867-5348 during office hours. Payment for telephone registration must be made by Visa or MasterCard

**Programs often fill quickly, so please plan to register early. Please note that the Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel any class due to poor registration.**

## REFUND & TRANSFER POLICY

Refunds will not be given unless:

- Full refunds will be issued ONLY if the Fairfield Parks and Recreation Department cancels the program, rental, or activity.
- Refunds will not be given if requested less than 7 days prior to the day a program or event is scheduled to begin.
- All refunds will be assessed a \$5 Program/Processing Fee.
- Class or session transfers and changes made to facility rentals are also subject to a \$5 Program/Processing Fee, unless the change is initiated by the Parks and Recreation staff.
- Exceptions: Participant moves from the Fairfield area before the program begins (proof of move must be presented). Participant becomes ill (must present a doctor's statement). Exceptions are still subject to the \$5 Program/Processing Fee.
- A charge of \$25 will be assessed on all returned checks.
- Summer Fun and Adventure Camps are made up of 10 weekly sessions. THE REFUND AND TRANSFER POLICY PERTAINS TO EACH WEEKLY SESSION.
- Part time registration will ONLY be accepted beginning the Monday prior to the week you wish to attend. You may not register for part time any earlier than one week before this date.

USE THIS REGISTRATION FORM

## REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY & FILL OUT COMPLETELY

OFFICE USE ONLY DATE \_\_\_\_\_ INITIALS \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIPT No. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF ADULT PARTICIPANT (OR PARENT OR GUARDIAN)	LAST	FIRST	MI
	ADDRESS		
ID No.	CITY		STATE
	DAY PHONE ( ) -	NIGHT PHONE ( ) -	IN CASE OF EMERGENCY ( ) -

	PARTICIPANT NAME			BIRTHDATE				SEX	ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION	FEE
	LAST	FIRST	MI	MO	DAY	YR				

DOES THE PARTICIPANT NEED ANY SPECIAL ASSISTANCE?  YES  NO  
 IF YES, WHAT ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED?

WILL PARTICIPANT SUPPLY SOMEONE TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE?  YES  NO

MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO CITY OF FAIRFIELD. MAIL OR DROP REGISTRATION, WITH APPROPRIATE FEES, TO:

FAIRFIELD PARKS & RECREATION  
 CLASS REGISTRATION  
 411 WESSEL DRIVE  
 FAIRFIELD, OHIO 45014

YOU MAY FAX REGISTRATION TO 867-6070

TOTAL FEES
AMOUNT ENCLOSED

**WAIVER:** IN CONSIDERATION OF YOUR ACCEPTING ME OR MY CHILD'S ENTRY, I HEREBY, FOR MYSELF, MY CHILD, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS AND ASSIGNEES, DO HEREBY RELEASE AND DISCHARGE THE CITY OF FAIRFIELD, PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT, ALL SPONSORS, COORDINATING GROUPS, VOLUNTEERS, AND ANY INDIVIDUALS ASSOCIATED WITH THE EVENT/CLASS/TEAM FOR ALL CLAIMS OR DAMAGES, ACTIONS AND WHATSOEVER IN ANY MANNER ARISING OR GROWING OUT OF MY PARTICIPATION IN SAID EVENT/CLASS/TEAM. I DO HEREBY GRANT AND GIVE THESE GROUPS THE RIGHT TO USE MY OR MY CHILD'S PHOTOGRAPH OR IMAGE WITH OR WITHOUT MY OR MY CHILD'S NAME, BOTH SINGLE AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER PERSONS OR OBJECTS FOR ANY AND ALL PURPOSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS, ADVERTISING, PUBLICITY AND PROMOTIONS RELATING THERETO.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION (FOR MINORS):** GRANT CONSENT, IN THE EVENT REASONABLE ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT ME AT THE STATE EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER HAS BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL, I HEREBY GIVE MY CONSENT FOR 1) THE TRANSFER OF THE CHILD TO THE NEAREST HOSPITAL REASONABLY ACCESSIBLE; 2) THE ADMINISTRATION OF ANY TREATMENT DEEMED NECESSARY BY A LICENSED PHYSICIAN OR DENTIST. THIS AUTHORIZATION DOES NOT COVER MAJOR SURGERY, UNLESS THE MEDICAL OPINIONS OF TWO OTHER LICENSED PHYSICIANS OR DENTISTS, CONCURREING IN THE NECESSITY FOR SUCH SURGERY, ARE OBTAINED PRIOR TO THE PERFORMANCE OF SUCH SURGERY.

LIST FACTS CONCERNING THE CHILD'S MEDICAL HISTORY INCLUDING ALLERGIES, MEDICATIONS:

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT OF PARENT/GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

FORM OF PAYMENT  CASH  CHECK  MONEY ORDER  VISA  MASTERCARD

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT INFORMATION

NAME ON CARD \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCLE CARD TYPE EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

CARD NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

# Parent to Parent: Providing help and hope

Each generation grows up in an increasingly difficult and challenging world.

Parents through the years have faced similar problems in rearing children, but as society becomes more complex, issues present themselves in new light. Today's parents need all the help they can get.

To help, the City of Fairfield and the Fairfield YMCA have joined together to present an ongoing program called Parent to Parent. The program is held on Tuesday evenings at the Fairfield YMCA from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. *(There are no classes in February, July or December.)*



Participants attend four consecutive sessions to view a short video, then discuss the issue presented. Two topics are covered each session, with parents discussing a total of eight issues over the four sessions. A professional facilitator guides the sessions to ensure pertinent information is emphasized.

Research demonstrates that the parent to Parent Program better enables parents to deal with a variety of issues. Based on pre- and post-program surveys, parents demonstrated a 33 percent increase in their overall skills and abilities to deal with their children more effectively.

An independent survey by the County of Onondaga Drug and Alcohol

Commission in Syracuse, New York, over a five-year period revealed:

- 89 percent of participants had a greater understanding of their role in preventing drug and alcohol use by their children.
- 91 percent of participants changed the way they communicate with their children.
- 75 percent of the parents are becoming more involved in community efforts aimed at alcohol and other drugs.

Due to the impact of the program, the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention selected Parent to Parent as one of four parenting programs to be highlighted as proven programs for parent training.

The program is offered without cost, however registration is required by calling Holley Crowther at 939-0079.

## Parent to Parent Topics

### Session 1

#### **Today's Toxic Culture**

*The purpose of this session is to set the tone for the entire program by exploring the culture to which our children are exposed. Everyday our kids are inundated with messages promoting violence as fun, sexual promiscuity, drug and alcohol use, and lack of accountability. These messages are trumpeted in a variety of places including: music, media, internet, movies, etc. Parents can no longer parent in isolation and must be prepared to monitor their child's exposure to the culture.*

### Session 2

#### **Put Yourself in the Way**

*Get involved in your child's life. Know their friends, interests, habits, and feelings. Parenting today must be proactive. This session introduces the outline for the prevention process used throughout the workshop, and provides an early warning system for parents.*

### Session 3

#### **Awareness Is Your Best Friend**

*Listen to your intuition. If you note changes in your child's behavior, a sudden drop in academic interest, a new set of troublesome friends, don't ignore the situation. This session outlines significant, observable lifestyle indicators which would signal positive or negative changes.*

### Session 4

#### **Remember The Difference**

*Just because your 17 year-old stands 6'2" and weighs 250 lbs. doesn't mean that he's either physically or mentally "grown up." Adolescence is a middle ground where the difference between children and adults is not so clear. This session focuses attention on three character traits which must be developed in the early teen years. It trains parents to use the child's drive for independence as the vehicle for developing these traits.*

### Session 5

#### **Expect And Inspect**

*It is legitimate for you to have high expectations for your kids. Insisting that they be drug free, responsible, and respectful is your right. Furthermore, it is OK to supervise; we show love through inspection. This session trains parents how to communicate a family belief system clearly as well as turn unfulfilled expectations into an opportunity rather than a problem.*

### Session 6

#### **Never Cry Alone**

*Out of misguided affection, we sometimes spare our children the pain of life. Protecting them is one thing, but insulating them from life's everyday stresses can be dangerous. Real families have real concerns - about health, finances, each other's well being.*

*Genuinely sharing the bad times as well as the good will help them deal with feelings rather than mask them through the use of alcohol or drugs.*

### Session 7

#### **Traps To Avoid**

*In addition to promoting many dangerous and destructive behaviors, the Toxic Culture also sends messages which can prevent a child from becoming a productive, responsible adult. This session explores the 7 Traps which parents must help their children avoid.*

1. Wealth Without Work
2. Entertainment Without Conscience
3. Education Without Character
4. Love Without Limits
5. Freedom Without Accountability
6. Adulthood Without Childhood
7. Life Without A Vision

### Session 8

#### **Building A Family Vision**

*Companies do it. Organizations do it. Even individuals do it. The question is how many parents actually sit down and develop a mission statement or vision for their child. This session provides a time tested planning model that can help them organize a game plan for raising their child. By developing a Vision - Strategies - Projects - Tactics outline, parents can work with their children to help them reach their goals and dreams.*

# Recycling Program: What goes in the Bin?

Since introduction in 1993, Fairfield's curbside recycling effort has been considered a major success. If you are not recycling, in all likelihood, there is a significant portion of re-useable material being placed in dwindling landfill space.

Since the introduction of Fairfield's recycling effort, only a few changes have been made to the list of materials accepted, primarily the addition of cardboard products.

Here's a review of the items which can be recycled via the curbside recycling program:

## Paper Products

Place newspapers, magazines, junk mail, mixed office paper, paper grocery bags, cereal boxes, catalogs and telephone books in a brown paper grocery sack (*no plastic bags, please*), then place inside bin,

or — in case of rain— place under the bin. Boxes should be flattened and corrugated cardboard should be cut to a size no larger than three feet by three feet. *Not presently accepted: Pizza boxes or cardboard products contaminated with grease or food residue.*

## Plastics

Plastic milk containers, soft drink bottles, detergent bottles and shampoo bottles are accepted, providing they display the recycling logo with the number 1 or 2. Please remove all caps and lids, rinse out and crush the container. Labels do not need to be removed. *Not presently accepted:*

*Wide-mouth containers such as margarine bowls or whipped topping containers, oil jugs, film or plastic bags.*

## Glass

All glass food and drink containers or jars are accepted (colored or clear). Please discard caps and rinse out. No need to remove paper labels. *Not presently accepted: Broken glass of any type, window*

## Need a Lil' Red Bin?

At the start of the recycling program in 1993, each home was given a free bin. If the previous owners took their bin or you need another one, stop by the Utility Billing Office in Room 113 of Municipal Building. New bins are just \$8.

*glass, mirrors, light bulbs, drinking glasses/mugs or oven/cooking glassware (Pyrex).*

## Metal Cans

Aluminum and bi-metal beverage cans, steel soup and food cans, and empty aerosol cans are accepted. Please rinse, drain and crush cans (*when possible*), and remove plastic aerosol caps. Labels do not need to be removed. *Not presently accepted: Paint cans, coat hangers, steel scrap, and pots or pans.*

## Questions

These are the most popular residential items which are recycled. If you have questions about a particular item, please call the Rumpke at 242-4600.

## Computer recycling drop-off program to begin in March

If you have ever wanted to dispose of a computer, but never knew how, here's a great chance to clean out your office while recycling the components you no longer need. A residential Computer Recycling Drop Off Program is being introduced by the Butler County Solid Waste District from March to October to accept residential computers, monitors, and



computer components for recycling. The process ensures that 100 percent of the computer is recycled by an Ohio EPA certified processor. Hard drives are also destroyed as part of the recycling process.

The program will operate on the first four Saturdays of the month. For more information, call 887-3653.

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## Recycling makes real cents!

Since reports show that more than 69 percent of material in Ohio's landfills is recyclable, the Butler County Department of Environmental Services is launching a program that provides cash incentives to communities based on the total amount of material that is recycled by residents,

with priority given to communities like Fairfield that have contracted for curbside recycling. This means that Fairfield can earn valuable funding based on recycling efforts of each household. Not only does recycling make sense... now it makes cents too! Recycle Fairfield!

# Fairfield Community Calendar

## Upcoming community events, performances and celebrations

### FEBRUARY

9	Civil Service Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
9	Senior Coffee & Donuts	9 a.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
9	Beaded Safety Pin Craft	3 - 4 p.m.	Fairfield Lane Library
9	SAT/ACT Geometry Review	7 - 8 p.m.	Fairfield Lane Library
9	Medicare Part D Enrollment Event	9 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
10	Edible Art	6 - 7:30 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
11	Fine Arts Fund Sampler Weekend	TBA	Fairfield Community Arts Center
11	FYAA Fundraising Dance	7 p.m. - midnight	Elks Club in Fairfield Township
11	Dance Dance Revolution Contest	2 - 4 p.m.	Fairfield Lane Library
11	Fine Arts Fund Sampler Weekend	TBA	Fairfield Community Arts Center
11	Kids Working with Wood	10 a.m. - noon	Fairfield Community Arts Center
13	Fairfield City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
14	Parks and Recreation Board Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
16	Crimes of the Heart	8 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
16	Design Review Committee meeting	4 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
17	Crimes of the Heart/Theater Dedication	8 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
18	Crimes of the Heart	8 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
19	Crimes of the Heart	2 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
20	<b>President's Day</b>	<b>City of Fairfield Offices Closed</b>	
20	Art Extravaganza	8 a.m. - 6 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
22	Planning Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
23	Senior workshop: Online Travel Booking	3 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
23	Senior Coffee & Donuts	9 a.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
24	Jazz Alive presents: Cohesion Jazz Ensemble	8 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
24	Lisbeth of Maplecroft Auditions	6:30 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
24	Edible Art	10 - 11:30 a.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
25	Lisbeth of Maplecroft Auditions	2:30 and 6:30 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
27	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building

### MARCH

1	Community Forest Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
1	Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
4	Birdhouse Workshop	10 - 11:30 a.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
7	Senior Ice Cream Social	Noon - 1 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
8	Planning Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
9	Civil Service Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
9	Senior Coffee & Donuts	9 a.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
10	Kids Night Out	6 - 10 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
11	Señora Tortuga	11 a.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
13	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
14	Parks and Recreation Board Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
16	Design Review Committee meeting	4 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
17	Pottery Time	10 - 11:30 a.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
17	Edible Art	6 - 7:30 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
22	Planning Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
23	Senior Coffee & Donuts	9 a.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
24	Wine tasting	7 - 9 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
24	Love on Broadway	TBD	Fairfield Community Arts Center
25	Love on Broadway	TBD	Fairfield Community Arts Center
26	Mom and Me for Tea	1 to 3 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
26	Love on Broadway	TBD	Fairfield Community Arts Center
27	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building

### APRIL

4	Exhibit Opening: Cincinnati Reds Baseball Memorabilia		Fairfield Community Arts Center
5	Community Forest Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
5	Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
6	Lisbeth of Maplecroft	8 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
7	Spring Fun	10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
7	Lisbeth of Maplecroft	8 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
8	Easter Extravaganza	11 a.m.	Harbin Park
8	Lisbeth of Maplecroft	8 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
9	Lisbeth of Maplecroft	2 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
10	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
11	Parks and Recreation Board Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
12	Planning Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
13	Civil Service Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
14	<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>City of Fairfield Offices Closed</b>	
14	Kids Night Out	6 - 10 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center

19	CPR Class	6:30 p.m.	Fairfield Fire Headquarters
20	Design Review Committee meeting	4 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
21	Cinderella	7 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
22	Cinderella	7 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
23	Cinderella	2:30 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
24	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
26	Planning Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
28	Scrapbook and Stamping Workshop	6 - 7:30 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center

### MAY

2	Alexander McCall Smith	7 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
3	Community Forest Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
3	Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
8	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
9	Parks and Recreation Board Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
10	Planning Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
11	Civil Service Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
12	Wine tasting	7 - 9 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
12	Kids Night Out	6 - 10 p.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
14	Mother's Day at Marsh Park Fishing Lake		Marsh Lake
18	Design Review Committee meeting	4 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
22	City Council Meeting	7 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
22	Henny Penny	11 a.m.	Fairfield Community Arts Center
24	Planning Commission Meeting	6 p.m.	Fairfield Municipal Building
29	<b>Memorial Day</b>	<b>City of Fairfield Offices Closed</b>	

**This listing included events posted as of late January. For more current listings, visit [www.fairfield-city.org](http://www.fairfield-city.org).**

## You're Invited!

### Regularly Scheduled Monthly Meetings

*Held at the Fairfield City Building, Pleasant Ave. & Wessel Dr.:*

#### City Council

*2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 7 p.m.*

#### Planning Commission

*2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 6 p.m.*

#### Board of Zoning Appeals

*1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.*

#### Civil Service Commission

*2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.*

*Held at the Community Arts Center at 411 Wessel Dr.:*

#### Parks & Recreation Board

*2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.*

#### Community Forest Commission

*1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m.*

#### Cultural Arts Advisory Commission

*2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.*

# Jamie Ruhl wins STAR of Year honors

Fairfield's prestigious STAR of the Year Award was given to Firefighter/Paramedic **Jamie Ruhl** during the City's annual employee recognition event, held this year at the Community Arts Center. Each quarter, City employees who best exemplify Service, Teamwork, Above and Beyond and Reliability are named as a recipient of a STAR award. From these quarterly winners, a STAR employee of the year is selected.

Jamie began his career with the City as a part-time Firefighter/EMT more than 12 years ago in July of 1993. He became a full-time firefighter/paramedic in 1999.

In addition to his firefighter/paramedic duties, Jamie is instrumental in the annual coordination of the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) annual "Fill the Boot" Campaign for the Fire Department. Jamie solely coordinates between 15-20 off-duty firefighters to stand in front of Cincinnati Mills Mall



with a fire boot to collect donations for the MDA. In 2005, amid 95 degree heat, Jamie prepared the firefighters for the campaign by supplying them with water and Gatorade as they weathered the heat and humidity to collect a record-breaking \$13,550 for MDA.

Jamie started the program in 2000, collecting \$3,000. Each year, the contributions have grown. Over the six years that Jamie has coordinated the effort, more than \$45,000 has been raised for MDA. Thanks to his coordination of participating fellow firefighters, Fairfield is ranked 4th in donations for the Southwest Ohio Region. Each year, Jamie and a team of firefighters attend the local MDA campaign to publicly present the money raised.

## Officer Daniel Setterstrom wins 4th quarter STAR Award

**Police Officer Daniel Setterstrom**, a three-year veteran of the department, was selected as a STAR Award recipient for the fourth quarter of 2005. The nomination came from his fellow officers after they learned of his response to a difficult call.

In November 2005, Officer Setterstrom responded to the scene of vandalism in which trash was strewn about a resident's yard and hurtful words were scrawled on the driveway and yard targeting the resident's son who has a mentally handicapping condition.

With the resident understandably emotional about the situation, Dan first took the time to console her. With the son due home any minute, after documenting the vandalism, Dan helped clean up the debris and graffiti so the child would not see the words.

Not only did Dan help clean the mess, he lifted fingerprints from the bottles and other debris to eventually identify those connected to the vandalism. In most such situations, officers do not invest the time for prints due to the low rate of solvability for cases like vandalism.

For his caring words, involvement in clean-up and the extra effort to identify those responsible, fellow officers nominated Dan for the STAR Award.

*Fairfield is always interested in knowing of employees worthy of STAR status, defined when a staff member exhibits the qualities of Service, Teamwork, Above and Beyond performance, and Reliability. If you know of such a person deserving of special recognition, contact the City Manager's Office at 867-5350 to offer details.*

### Fairfield's 2005 STAR Award Winners

**Todd Bradbury**  
**David Bond**  
**Ken Bulach**  
**Robert Jackson**  
**Justin Kerlin**  
**Randy Levline**  
**Jamie Ruhl**  
**Tony Seals**  
**Daniel Setterstrom**  
**Cecil Young**  
**Dave Zlatic**



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# Fairfield OH BUSINESS BOOSTER

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## Planning for Crescentville/SR4 improvements continue

Planning continues for the widening of State Route 4 in the area of Crescentville Road. In mid-January, a discussion was held with area enterprises. Among suggestions were establishment of a school zone at Tri-County Assembly of God Church, a crosswalk at Woodridge Boulevard, a possible service drive along SR4 from Woodridge to the church.

A hazard elimination study concluded that improvements were needed due to congestion and an increase in traffic accidents along the corridor.

A conceptual design has been developed considering another northbound lane from Crescentville Road. For southbound traffic, an additional lane may be added for better access to I-275 from Fairfield.

Construction is not expected to begin until late 2007. 

## FOCUS ON: Performance Toyota Happy 35th Birthday!

Mike Dever's Performance Toyota celebrates 35 years as a Toyota dealership on February 17. During those years, the dealership has been in the same State Route 4 location near Gilmore Road. Much has changed over 35 years. Performance Toyota offers 17 different Toyota models this year, service has expanded to include Quick Lube Plus and evening and Saturday hours, and — with Toyota's regional warehouse in Blue Ash — the Parts Department expedites delivery of Toyota parts. Over the years, Performance Toyota has expanded significantly, now offering a two lane carwash where Performance customers can get free car washes.

In 2005, Performance Toyota celebrated the area's cultural



Among those appearing in Performance Toyota's multi-lingual commercial were (l to r) Ahmar Farooki, Gabby Finnen, Courtnell Francois and Richard Benaidrene.

diversity by running a multi-language commercial with employees welcoming guests to the dealership in a variety of languages including Japanese, Spanish, Portuguese, Hindi, French, and Russian.

Not only did the commercial

welcome a diverse customer base, visitors are encouraged to speak their native language when visiting the dealership.

For more information, call 874-8797, stop by the Toyota Performance showroom, or visit [www.performanceautoplex.com](http://www.performanceautoplex.com). 

## Kathman named Economic Development Manager

Greg Kathman has been appointed as Fairfield's new Economic Development Manager. He will act as the primary focal point between the City and its business community.

Greg has identified several areas of focus, with a primary goal of attracting new business while retaining existing businesses. As directed by the Mayor and City Council, the Route 4 business corridor will also be a major focus for economic development efforts.

In the short term, Greg is making an effort to introduce himself to area businesses. He plans to assess the needs of small businesses to provide resources. In



the long term, he feels a need to revisit the sign code.

Before coming to Fairfield Greg was Senior Development Specialist for

the Hamilton County Development Company. There, he administered economic development efforts for 23 suburban communities. Prior to that, he worked for the City of Cincinnati's Economic Development Department as a Senior Development Officer. He also managed the revitalization project for historic Findlay Market.

Greg graduated cum laude from the University of Cincinnati with a degree in Political Science. He is nearing completion of a Master's Degree in Community Planning.

More than 1800 businesses call Fairfield home. The vast majority of these are small businesses. In today's competitive economy, the pressures and demands on entrepreneurs are great. The City is committed to providing a supportive, pro-business environment that allows business owners to focus on what is really important – winning customers, providing good service, and making money.

If your business needs assistance from the City of Fairfield, contact Greg at 867-5345. 

# Web takes Bird Shoppe soaring high

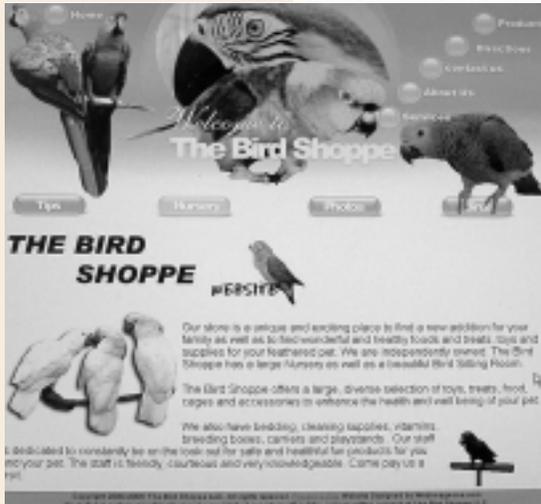
**Focus on  
the Web:  
Small  
business.  
Big  
Impact!**

Anne Crone, long-time Fairfield resident and 14-year Fairfield School Board member, started the pet store on Dixie Highway two years ago. It was then, and still is she says, not a way to make a living, but "a hobby, something I love doing."

It shows. She greets her customers and her birds by name. She set up benches for regulars who drop by just to see the birds and to chat. She's become a grandma figure to children who fill her e-mail inbox with news on their ball games and school plays as well as their pet birds. And her birds, from the tiny baby parakeets in the nursery to the brilliantly colored parrots and macaws holding court near the front of the store,



**Flying High:** Anne Crone holds one of her birds in her Dixie Highway shop. At far left is her online welcome page.



eagerly respond to her voice and touch.

The Web site began as a way to help her customers with their birds once they left the store. She wrote a monthly tips

column on everything from bird nutrition to bird psychology. With help from her husband, Michael, and one of her customers, she developed a site to share those tips with a broader audience and to showcase the store.

The results, she says, were surprising. "It's amazing how many people say they've seen us online," she says, citing as an example customers from Tennessee who first found out about the store through the Web site.

Crone admits she's "not a computer person," but it doesn't show on her Web site. [TheBirdShoppe.com](http://TheBirdShoppe.com) and the approach the Crones took to it offer lessons for other area businesses:

**1 A Web site doesn't have to be expensive.** The Bird Shoppe's Web site was built by a customer for trade. His birds are boarded for free in exchange for Web development services.

**2 Find your niche, and exploit it online.** Anne Crone attributes the popularity of her store to the quality of birds, staff expertise and unique products. To capitalize on that, Crone wants to add an e-commerce solution to sell a brand of bird seed for which her store is one of only three distributors in Ohio.

**3 Give your Web users something unexpected.** Instead of posting just the must-haves (product information, list

of services and directions to the store), the Crones gave their site a unique feature: a nursery section showcasing photos of their baby birds.

**4 Personally market your Web site.** Putting your Web address on business cards, letterhead and marketing materials helps attract users, but don't neglect the personal touch. The Bird Shoppe staff makes it a point to invite customers to visit their Web site and to interact with them through it.

**5 Don't expect to get rich overnight.** The Crones said if they had one tip for other small business owners, that would be it. Operating a small business, even when it's a labor of love, requires a hefty financial and time commitment, they say. A Web site can help draw new customers, but it will require additional time and effort to maintain it.

Do you have a question about the Web or an online success story to share? E-mail Amy Whitaker, the City of Fairfield's Web Analyst, at [awhitaker@fairfield-city.org](mailto:awhitaker@fairfield-city.org).

## Numbers to Know

- Building/Zoning:** 513/867-5318
- Customer Service:** 513/867-5351
- Development Services:** 513/867-5345
- Fire Prevention:** 513/867-5379
- Economic Development:** 513/867-5345
- City Income Tax:** 513/867-5327
- Utilities/Billing:** 513/867-5370
- General Info:** 513/867-5300

# Seven signs of terrorist activity

Ohio's Homeland Security Division of the Department of Public Safety has published a brochure listing seven signs of potential planning for a terrorist attack.

**1 Surveillance:** Early planning includes a study of the potential target to determine strengths, weaknesses and number of personnel that may respond to an incident at the site. Routes to and from the target are usually established. In this early stage, monitoring of activities occurs, sometimes with vision-enhancing devices.

**2 Elicitation:** Efforts are made to collect information. Attempts may be made to acquire information about critical infrastructure details. Efforts may include "placing" an inside person by seeking employment.

**3 Tests of Security:** Efforts may involve "innocent" breaches of security by testing detection or response when entering restricted areas. Response time and strength can then be observed. Often legitimate employment is gained to monitor daily activities and details.

**4 Acquisition of Supplies:** With planning completed, efforts may include purchase or theft of explosives or harmful chemicals. Efforts might also

include theft of ID badges uniforms. In some cases where official identification materials cannot be acquired, efforts are made to get a high quality photograph to aid in counterfeiting efforts.



**5 Suspicious People:** Often, people are observed who simply don't belong or are caught doing something other than a task assigned. Having someone in a workplace, building or neighborhood who doesn't belong should be a reason to raise concern.

**6 Rehearsals:** Before final execution, at least one dry run is often carried out to test a plan for unexpected problems. If you see someone monitoring a police frequency and

recording emergency response times, you may be observing a dry run.

**7 Deployment:** The final stage of execution places key units into position. Deployment may occur over weeks, months, or even years.

**If you have reason to believe terrorist activity is occurring, contact your local police department or call the Ohio Homeland Security tipline at 877-OHS-INTEL.** ☎

This report is a summary of the referenced publication. For more information, visit [www.homelandsecurity.ohio.gov](http://www.homelandsecurity.ohio.gov).

## Early planning begins for South Gillmore/Winton improvements

During January, the Cities of Fairfield and Forest park jointly hosted a meeting with area businesses to discuss early planning for improvements along the South Gillmore/Winton Road corridor. The business entities in attendance included representatives from the Cincinnati Financial Corp., Mercy Hospital, Meijer's, Home Depot, the Cincinnati Mills Mall, Kroger, Jeff Wyler and Parkwood Plaza. Also in attendance were representatives from the Ohio Department of Transportation and the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments.

During the meeting, a status report was provided regarding the recently funded corridor study along the area. The first phase of this study was to identify projects that might maximize capacity and safety along the corridor. The second phase, which will likely begin later this year, will address the need for a wider bridge across I-275 and what effect such a project is likely to have on the level of service along the Interstate. ☎

## Use a cell phone while driving? Think again.

According to a recent study by the New England Journal of Medicine, drivers who talk on a cell phone are four times more likely to be involved in an accident than drivers who do not use cell phones. Even with geeky advances in cell accessories, like wireless headsets, voice-activated dialing,



talking on a cell distracts the driver from paying full, undivided attention to the road.

Let's face it, it's not the cell phone, it's the lack of focus that causes problems. General conversation may be one thing, but some discussions

require thought as you close a deal or relay detailed information.

As a matter of fact, talking on a cell phone is just one of many driving distractions. Eating, applying makeup, or changing a CD can all have fatal implications. If you use a cell, think **PHONE: Pull off the road to talk. Hang up if you must drive. Observe driving conditions. Never give your conversation priority. Enable your voice mail to pick up calls while driving.** ☎

This article is condensed from a publication distributed by Ohio's Division of the American Water Works Association. For more information, visit [www.ohiowater.org](http://www.ohiowater.org).

# When the heavy

*Because some areas of Fairfield have been identified in a flood prone area, the Federal Emergency Management Administration has asked that residents take the time to be informed about flood issues. Questions regarding this information can be directed to the Development Manager's office at 867-5345.*

## History of Flooding in Fairfield

Low lying areas of Fairfield are subject to periodic flooding caused by overflow of the Great Miami River during the period from mid-winter to mid-spring, with the two largest floods (*those of March 1913 and January 1959*) occurring during that period. The waters from the Great Miami River cause backwater flooding on Pleasant Run Creek for a distance of approximately one-half mile. It is in this reach and in the area along the east bank of the river that the greatest flooding occurs.

The headwater flows from Pleasant Run also flood this area, but not to the extent and severity of the Great Miami River. Shallow flooding situations occur where water overtops the banks of Pleasant Run.

Repeated damage to structures in the flood plains of these streams has occurred during the floods of 1913, 1937, 1943, 1945, 1959, 1963, 1964, 1974 and 2003. The 1959 flood, the largest to occur in this area since the Miami Conservancy District facilities were completed, is estimated to have a frequency of occurrence between 40 and 50 years.

## Flood Warning System

When the area receives heavy rainfall, flood warnings are issued by the radio and TV stations in Cincinnati. Channel 5 (WLW), Channel 9 (WCPO), Channel 12 (WKRC), Channel 19 (WXIX) and WMOH all issue information as to the severity of the rainfall and broadcast flood warnings. Channel 41 on Time Warner Cable has continual weather information and issues flood warnings when they occur.

**Find out if your home or business is located in a flood zone through Fairfield's interactive maps. Visit the City's Web site at [www.fairfield-city.org/planning/map.cfm](http://www.fairfield-city.org/planning/map.cfm).**

## Flood Safety

Residents of flood hazard areas can take several actions to decrease the potential of injury due to flooding.

- *Do not attempt to cross a flowing stream where the water is above your knees.*
- *Keep children away from flood waters, ditches, culverts and storm drains.*
- *If your vehicle stalls in high water, abandon it immediately and seek higher ground.*
- *Evacuate the flood hazard area in times of impending flood.*
- *Cut off all electrical circuits at the fuse panel or disconnect switches. If this is not possible, turn off or disconnect all electric appliances. Shut off the water services and gas valves in your home.*

## Flood Insurance

**Standard homeowners insurance policies do not cover losses due to floods.** However, Fairfield is a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program, which makes it possible for Fairfield property owners to obtain federally backed flood insurance. This insurance is available to any owner of insurable property (*a building or its contents*) in Fairfield. Tenants may also insure their personal property against flood loss.

The actual cost will vary depending upon the amount of coverage and the degree of flood hazard. Persons who live or own property in flood hazard areas are urged to purchase flood insurance to protect themselves from losses due to flooding. This insurance is required in certain instances, such as the purchase of a home with a federally backed mortgage.

## Property Protection Measures

There are various actions which can be taken to flood-proof structures. Electrical panel boxes, furnaces, water heaters and washers/dryers should be elevated or relocated to a location less likely to be flooded. Basement floor drains and interior and exterior backwater valves can be installed, and interior floodwalls can be placed around utilities.

# rains come...

If flooding is likely, and time permits, move essential items and furniture to the upper floors of your home. Keep materials like sandbags, plywood, plastic sheeting and lumber handy for emergency waterproofing. This action will help minimize the amount of damage caused by floodwaters.

## Flood Hazard Areas

Two types of flood hazard areas are designated in Fairfield: the floodway and the flood fringe. To determine if you live in, or own property in, a flood hazard district, contact the Development Manager at 867-5345.

There are pamphlets available which discuss items of interest to residents of flood hazard areas. These may be obtained at the Office of the Development Manager at no charge. Information is also available in the Fairfield Lane Public Library, 1485 Corydale Drive.

## Maintenance of Drainage Systems

Fairfield has a storm drainage system which is comprised of both open and closed segments. The open sections are drainage swales/ditches which are utilized to carry storm waters away from homes and businesses to drainage areas, such as creeks. The closed system is comprised of storm water inlets and piping which also carry the water from streets and developments to drainage areas or drywells. Drywells allow the storm water to percolate into the underlying sand and gravel which exist in certain sections of Fairfield.

Maintenance of these systems is very important. Debris in ditches and streams obstruct the flow of water which can cause overflow onto roads and into yards. Partial or complete filling in any of these ditches can reduce the flood flow capacity, which will also result in overflow into roads or onto private property. It is extremely important that used oil, leaves and other debris are not deposited in drywells.

Maintenance of the drainage system is very important so that a high flood flow capacity can be realized. To aid in this, the City of Fairfield clears and performs maintenance work on the system at least two times each year. Work is also performed on an emergency basis as needed.

Citizens are expected to perform routine maintenance

on ditches located on right-of-ways in front of or to the rear of their properties. This includes the removal of high weeds, litter, or other items which may be considered a nuisance. Also, property shall be maintained so that water cannot become stagnant, thus eliminating breeding areas for mosquitoes.

If you know of unapproved changes occurring to the drainage system, such as filling or rerouting of streams or ditches, or a nuisance situation which exists, please contact the Development Manager at 867-5345.

Additional information on floods and related topics is available for review at the Fairfield Lane Public Library. Other pamphlets on floods and related items can be obtained at the Development Manager's office.

## Substantial Improvement Requirements

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requires that if the cost of reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, or other improvements to a building equals or exceeds 50 percent of the building's market value, then the building must meet the same construction requirements as a new building. Substantially damaged buildings must also be brought up to the same standards (*e.g., a residence damaged so that the cost of repairs equals or exceeds 50 percent of the building's value before it was damaged, must be elevated above the base flooding elevation*).

## Floodplain Development Regulations

The City of Fairfield requires permits for any development located in a floodplain. A development permit is required before any construction can begin and, if a residential, commercial, or industrial building is part of the project, an elevation certificate is required after the structure is built. Before any filling or building is done, the City of Fairfield's Planning Department should be contacted.

If anyone observes an activity within the floodplain of the City which they suspect might be illegal or a violation of existing ordinances, they should report this to the Development Manager at 867-5345.

# Bits and Pieces

## CodeRed: only one address per telephone number listed

Thousands of Fairfield residents have provided the information needed to be contact in the event of an emergency by Fairfield's new CodeRed Emergency Telephone calling System.

If you have signed up for the service, but have provided the same telephone number for multiple addresses, please know that the system will only call the number for the most recent address provided. The automation program cannot utilize one number for two different addresses.

If you have tried to use one telephone callback number for a business and a residential address, as an example, you may want to re-register both locations, but with different telephone numbers.

Using CodeRed, emergency crews can electronically designate the position of the accident, map the geographic area at risk, and send a recorded emergency

message by telephone to businesses and homes in immediate danger. The Code Red system can telephone 60,000 numbers in an hour to deliver a recorded message from emergency personnel. To sign up, follow the link under "Find It Fast" at [www.fairfield-city.org](http://www.fairfield-city.org)

## Four Seasons Garden Club offers spring plant sale

The Four Seasons Garden Club Annual Plant Sale will be held Saturday, May 20, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. The sale will be conducted at the Village Green Amphitheater. Funds raised at the event will benefit the City of Fairfield and the Parks and Recreation Department. Fairfield residents are encouraged to support the event by purchasing reasonably priced plants, including perennials and annuals. For additional information, call Gail Suiter at 829-5786.



## Municipal Court records now available via Internet

An online court records search, a project more than a year in development, has begun at [www.fairfield-city.org/court/](http://www.fairfield-city.org/court/).

The search allows users to access information on Fairfield Municipal Court cases as far back as 1988. Users are able to view upcoming cases or search cases by a variety of criteria, including name, case number, date and charge.

The online search is expected both to provide a valuable resource for Fairfield residents and to cut down on the number of calls for information. The service will allow area employers to quickly log on and check an applicant's history to see if they have appeared in Municipal Court.

When the court offices move to the new Justice Center this spring, a computer terminal in the lobby will give visitors the ability to access the records and request printouts electronically.



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