



2019

Mark Your Calendars with Important Dates

February 18 - Presidents' Day, City Hall Closed

Rumpke Holiday Schedule

February 18 - Presidents' Day - No Delays



NEED ASSISTANCE IN COMPLETING YOUR 2018 CITY INCOME TAX RETURN?

CCA Staff will be available at Germantown's City Hall, in the Council Chambers on the following dates:

Friday, March 1 9 am-1 pm (by appointment only)
Wednesday, March 13 3 pm-6 pm
Saturday, April 6 9 am-noon.



Residents requiring assistance on March 1st must call (216) 857-7382 to schedule an appointment. Walk-in customers will not be accommodated on that date.

Your Germantown City Officials

Mayor Steve Boeder	620-9532
President of Council Lynn Koogle	672-5312
Council Member Terry Johnson	855-7328
Council Member Mike Kuhn	313-0539
Council Member Rick Reed	367-3954
Council Member Rob Rettich	361-8711
Council Member Brian Wafzig	530-0766
City Manager Judy Gilleland	855-7255

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Goodnight Lights at Children's Hospital



Members of the Germantown Police Department took part in the "Goodnight Lights" at Children's Hospital in December. During this event area Police and Fire Departments turn on their emergency lights and wave goodnight with their flashlights to the children in the hospital.

Winter Home Safety

Extreme cold is here! Make sure your home is safe for the winter months.

- Working smoke alarms are a must. Change batteries at least once a year.
- Have home heating furnace serviced annually for proper, safe operation.
- Have chimney's cleaned and inspected at least once a year and only burn clean, seasoned firewood-never burn paper or cardboard in your fireplace and always use a spark arrestor screen when burning.
- If you must use a portable space heater-use only according to manufacturer's directions and always keep at least 3 feet away from anything that may burn.
- Never use your kitchen stove or oven as a heat source for your home.
- Have a portable fire extinguisher and know how to use it correctly.
- A carbon monoxide detector properly working in the home will protect you from THE SILENT KILLER that may be emitted from any fuel burning appliance.

Do-Not-Solicit List

Any person who owns or rents property within the City limits may be added to the "Do Not Solicit List" at any time. This list will be provided to any licensed peddler, canvasser, vendor or solicitor and they will not be permitted to approach your property. At this time we are asking residents to please contact the City Office by calling 855-7255 / 855-7270 or by visiting the City Offices at 75 N. Walnut Street.



City of Germantown Notice of Board Vacancies

The City is looking for individuals to make the commitment to be more involved in the leadership of their community. We have vacancies on the Records Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, City Beautiful, Park and Recreation Board, Personnel Board, Pool Board and Board of Tax Appeals. If you have been a City resident for at least one year and are interested in serving on a Board, please call the City Office at 855.7255 or send a letter of interest to the Clerk of Council, 75 N. Walnut Street, Germantown, OH 45327.



**There's Snowplace
like Home!**



Valentine Dinner & Dance for Seniors

The Germantown Senior Citizen's Center would like to invite all Seniors to a free Valentines Dinner & Dance on February 14 with local favorite Jimmy Rogers. The evening begins at 6 pm with a catered candlelight dinner and dancing to follow from 6:30-7:30. Come join us for a fun Valentine evening with friends. Please RSVP at 855-4191.



Sunscreen in Winter

No matter how thick those over-cast clouds look in the winter, up to 80% of the sun's rays can still penetrate them. UVA rays are potent year-round, therefore, your skin needs year-round protection. Just because the sun isn't at the forefront of your mind during winter, doesn't mean it's actually any further away. During winter, you're still at risk of getting skin cancer so protect yourself accordingly. The American Academy of Dermatology recommends that everyone wear sunscreen daily. Numerous studies have shown that regular use of sunscreen also has anti-aging effects.



Sunscreen in Winter: Why it's a Must | Reader's Digest



Shoveling Tip to Stop Snow From Blocking Your Driveway

After a snowstorm, you may find you have already shoveled your driveway, only to have it blocked in again once the snowplow comes through. However, there is a way to clear your driveway and avoid the dreaded "second shovel".

Clear a 10 ft area to the right of your driveway, which would give the snow on the plow a place to go other than your driveway. This should keep you from having to do the same shoveling job twice.

Check out the diagram for a look at how you should shovel. Below is a link to a video published by the Virginia Department of Transportation that also helps to describe this technique:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aYNrKsnW Rs>

Avoid the "Second Shovel"

People can play a part in ensuring the ends of their driveways remain clear of snow even after their local snowplow comes through. Shoveling a "corner" of the right-of-way free of snow in the area several feet before the driveway will help keep that same snow from being pushed into the driveway in an icy, heavy pile. Clearing an area large enough to hold the snow coming off the plow may help reduce the "second shovel."

