



2018

### Mark Your Calendars with Important Dates

- December 3 - Dog Licenses on Sale at the City Building
- December 7 - Leaf Collection Ends
- December 8 - Christmas in the Park
- December 24 & 25 - Christmas Holiday - City Hall Closed
- December 31 & January 1 - New Year's Holiday - City Hall Closed



### Rumpke Holiday Schedule

- December 25 - Christmas Day - No collection - Pick up delayed one day
- January 1 - New Years Day - No collection - Pick up delayed one day

### Income Tax Levy Passes

THANK YOU to the voters who supported the income tax levy. The Mayor and City Council have committed the majority of these funds for street maintenance projects. We are currently working on the 2019 street maintenance list. Concrete streets in Hillcrest are on the top of the priority list. Springtime will be orange barrel season in Germantown! Exciting things ahead!

### Christmas in the Park

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be visiting Veterans' Park to celebrate the annual Christmas in the Park event on December 8 from 4-9 p.m. Join us at 6 p.m. as Santa lights the Christmas Tree at the Gazebo. Enjoy treats and fun as you walk through the winter wonderland created in our hometown!



### North Pole Mailbox at City Hall



Would your child like to get a letter from Santa? If so, have them write a letter to Santa and place it in his mailbox at City Hall. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope. He will be accepting mail through December 15.

### City Tax Assistance

CCA will be available to offer tax assistance to residents on Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to noon at City Hall weather permitting.

### Got Leaves?

With the worsening weather conditions, the Germantown Service Department must turn their attention to our roads. Leaf Pick-Up services end on December 7th. Residents may continue to bring leaves to the Service Department, located at 148 S. Water St., between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Please place leaves in the designated area. Bagged leaves must be emptied and bags taken with you. Brush is not accepted. PLEASE do not pile leaves in the street and/or on top of storm drains. Blocked storm drains will result in standing water that may freeze causing damage to the curb and pavement. Thank you!

### Tax Reminder....

A reminder that on January 1, our income tax rate changes from 1.25% to 1.5%. You may want to contact your employer to make sure that appropriate taxes are being withheld.

### Free Online Utility Bill Payments

We offer free online utility payment options! We accept debit and credit cards as well as autopay from your checking account. You can conveniently make your payment using the City website [www.germantown.oh.us](http://www.germantown.oh.us).

### 2019 Dog Licenses

Dog Licenses may be purchased at the City Building, 75 North Walnut Street, Second Floor, Monday - Friday 8 am-4:30 pm from December 3, 2018 through January 31, 2019. For more information, call 855-7270 or 855-7255.



### 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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### ***Fire Station Open House a Fun Time for All***

Germantown Fire-EMS Station 63 held its annual Open House in conjunction with Saturday Nightmare on October 20th.



**Germantown Fire-EMS wishes all a safe and wonderful winter holiday season!**



### ***Chili Cookoff Winner!***

Susan Mullins, Dayshift Administrator for the Fire Department, participated in the first annual Chili Cookoff at Astoria Healthcare Center. She made the winning chili and took home the coveted wooden spoon and bragging rights.

### ***Winter Holiday Season Fire Safety Tips***

- Have furnaces and fireplaces inspected and serviced so they are performing at efficient safe levels.
- If you must use space heaters- GIVE THEM SPACE! - at least three feet clearance to all things that can burn. Turn the heaters off when sleeping or leaving the room.
- Before installing holiday lights-check them for frayed or damaged wiring-throw those away. Don't overload electrical circuits- read the manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands that can be connected together and don't exceed that number.
- Christmas trees are beautiful to look at-but can wreak havoc on your holiday if not taken care of. Live trees should be purchased fresh, make sure needles are soft and not falling off. Water your live tree often and keep it away from all heat sources.
- Candles become more popular during the holiday season and also contribute more to house fires. Keep candles at least 12 inches away from combustibles and never leave a candle unattended.
- SMOKE ALARMS- absolutely one of the best ways to protect your family from a house fire is by having working smoke alarms. One on each level of the home- HEAR THE BEEP WHERE YOU SLEEP!