

Village View

OUR HOME, OUR COMMUNITY, OUR STORY



Gazebo at Veterans Park



from the
Village Staff

HOLIDAY HOURS



The Village office will be closed for the holidays on:

November 26, 27, 28, 2025
December 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 2025
December 31, 2025
January 1, 2026



CHRISTMAS HOP

Date: Sunday, Dec 7th
Time: 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Location: Lockbourne Historical Hall
206 Vause St. Lockbourne

Join us for our annual community
Christmas celebration

Village Council Bulletin

Pending Legislation

- **Ordinance 43-2025** authorizing the Village Administrator to enter into an agreement for snow removal services for the 2025-2026 winter season and declaring an emergency
- **Ordinance 39-2025** amending the application to rent the community building at 206 Vause Street and declaring an emergency
- **Ordinance 41-2025** to amend the amount of income tax and net profit monies collected by RITA on behalf of the Village of Lockbourne before they are required to research the validity of the companies
- **Ordinance 42-2025** to authorize the Mayor or her designee to advertise for bids to begin construction of the Lockbourne / Rickenbacker Air Force Base Memorial Wall, and to declare an emergency



The Village's website is currently under construction and will be completed by February 2026.

Our readers will be able to sign-up for the monthly newsletter for insider news and special events.

MONTHLY DONATIONS FOR THE MEMORIAL WALL

Lockbourne is pleased to announce contributions for the Memorial Wall project.

THANK YOU TO:

Mark Albrecht

Joseph Bolzenius

John and Joan Boyd

Jerry Kelley

Tom Peters

Jane Wilkerson

Carolyn Young

Make a donation to the Memorial Wall, click on the link
or scan the QR code below.

<https://square.link/u/IGzGWh80>



Honor a Loved One....Set Their Memory in Stone



LOCKBOURNE / RICKENBACKER MEMORIAL WALL ENGRAVED BRICK CAMPAIGN

LEAVE A LEGACY THAT WILL STAND THE TEST OF TIME

Join us in honoring the legacy of our heroes by purchasing an engraved brick for the Lockbourne/Rickenbacker Memorial Wall. Your contribution will help preserve the memory of those who served and support the maintenance of this important landmark.

WHY PURCHASE AN ENGRAVED BRICK?

- **Honor a Loved One:** Commemorate a family member, friend, or loved one who served.
- **Leave a Legacy:** Your brick will be a permanent part of the memorial.
- **Support the Community:** Proceeds will go towards the upkeep and enhancement of the memorial.

ORDER DETAILS

- Brick Size: 8"x8"
- Engraving: Up to 6 lines per brick, 20 characters per line (including spaces and punctuation)
- Pricing: \$250 per brick

HOW IT WORKS

- Fill out the order form with your desired engraving.
- Submit your payment online or mail a check to the address below.
- For more information, contact Mayor Christie Ward at mayor@lockbourneohio.us or (614) 491-3161 x 4



P.O. Box 73
Lockbourne, Ohio 43137
rdlockbourne@gmail.com
www.lockbourneohio.us

If you or your loved one served at Lockbourne / Rickenbacker Air Force Base, leave a legacy by purchasing a special brick to honor their service.

Bricks are also available to anyone who wants to purchase a brick.

You may honor a loved one on the brick as well.

MEMORIAL WALL ENGRAVED BRICK ORDER FORM

Order a brick for a veteran, family member, friend, or yourself to be displayed at Lockbourne's Veterans Park.

MAXIMUM 20 characters per line (including spaces and punctuation):

Line 1. _____

Line 2. _____

Line 3. _____

Line 4. _____

Line 5. _____

Line 6. _____

1. Name
2. Branch of Service (optional)
3. Dates (optional)



Please check all that apply:

The above person served at Lockbourne Air Force Base, Rickenbacker Air Force Base or Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base. Please include years of service _____

The above person served in the military.

The above person is the donor.

PURCHASER INFORMATION

Purchaser _____ Phone # (_____) ____ - ____

Email Address _____

Number of Bricks _____ @ \$250.00 = \$ _____ (check or credit card)



Position Title: Fiscal Officer

Department: Finance / Administration
Reports To: Mayor and Village Council
Employment Type: Part-Time

Position Summary:

The Fiscal Officer serves as the chief financial administrator for the municipality, responsible for maintaining accurate financial records, preparing budgets, managing payroll, overseeing accounts payable/receivable, and ensuring compliance with all applicable state and local laws. This position works closely with elected officials, department heads, and external auditors to safeguard public funds and support transparent governance.

Key Responsibilities:

- Maintain the municipality's official financial records and ledgers.
- Prepare and submit annual operating and capital budgets.
- Process payroll, benefits, and related tax filings.
- Manage accounts payable, receivable, and bank reconciliations.
- Prepare monthly, quarterly, and annual financial reports for Council.
- Ensure compliance with Ohio Revised Code and other applicable regulations.
- Coordinate annual audits and respond to auditor inquiries.
- Attend Council meetings and provide financial updates as requested.

Qualifications:

- Associate's or Bachelor's degree in Accounting, Finance, or related field (Bachelor's preferred).
- Minimum 3 years of governmental accounting or finance experience.
- Knowledge of Ohio municipal finance laws and practices.
- Proficiency in accounting software and Microsoft Office Suite.
- Strong organizational, analytical, and communication skills.
- Retirement plan.

Application Process:

Submit a cover letter, resume, and three professional references to:

Village of Lockbourne - Mayor Christie Ward
85 Commerce Street, Lockbourne OH 43137
mayor@lockbourneohio.us
(614) 491-3161 x4

Deadline: Applications will be accepted through Thursday, December 11, 2025.



Two vacancies on council will open on January 1, 2026. Residents have an opportunity to be considered for the position and to make an impact on our community.

According to the Ohio Revised Code, the legislative authority of the village rests in its council. Most powers and duties of the village council are set forth in Ohio Revised Code Chapters 705, 731, and 733. Below is information on the qualifications, commitment and process.

Qualifications

- Must have resided in the village one year immediately preceding the appointment
- Be a registered voter of the village

Commitment

- Attend monthly council meetings (2nd & 4th Monday of each month)
- Attend special council meetings (as needed)
- Serve on a village committee

Process

- For consideration, complete the questionnaire and submit it at the municipal building by **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30TH**
- Meet with council for interview

Name _____

Address _____

Have you lived in Lockbourne for one year immediately preceding this appointment?

Yes _____ No _____

Are you a registered voter in Lockbourne?

Yes _____ No _____

What is your interest in serving on Village Council?

What should be the top priorities of the Village?

How would you like Lockbourne to look in the next 5 years?

Christmas Corner

Lockbourne's Annual
**Christmas Hop
 & Holiday Market**
Schedule of Events

December 7th
3:30pm – 6:30pm

Join us in kicking off the holiday season with a fun filled afternoon surrounded by your family, friends and community. Our annual Christmas Hop Celebration is expanding to include new and exciting activities for whole family to enjoy!

3:00pm

- Ticket Sales for Horse & Carriage Rides
- Little Italy Food Truck
- Fine Smoke BBQ Food Truck
- Gathered Grounds Coffeehouse

3:30pm- 6:30pm

- Holiday Market
- Santa & Ms. Claus
- Touch-a-Truck
- Holiday Bounce House
- Tour of Churches Kickoff

United Methodist Church

3:30pm - 4:15pm

Covenant Believers Community Church

4:25pm - 5:10pm

CCCU Church

5:45pm - 6:30pm

5:15pm

- Christmas Tree Lighting



Pre - Sale Tickets for Horse and Carriage Rides

December 1st - 5th

Limited spots available

For more information, please contact Karen Carter at (614) 491-3161 x2 or you may email us deputy.admin@lockbourneohio.us

Christmas Lights Contest

Help us light up our community by participating in the **Christmas Lights Contest**. Decorate your home for a chance to win a prize and bragging rights! Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place plus a people's choice award. All voting will take place at the Christmas Hop celebration on December 7th from 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Those who wish to participate in the Christmas Lights Contest will need to register their house with the Village Office to be eligible for prizes. To register for the contest please contact Karen Carter at (614)491-3161 x 2 or by email: deputy.admin@lockbourneohio.us

Please include the following information:

1. Your Name
2. Your Address
3. Your preferred contact method (phone number or email)

GOOD LUCK AND HAPPY DECORATING!



Vause Street, Kilbourne Alley, and Mechanics Street (between Vause & Plumb Street) will be closed for the Christmas Hop on December 7th @ 1:00p - 8:00p

The holiday season is all about community, kindness, and a little extra sparkle – and we'd love for you to be part of it!

We're looking for helping hands to make our **Christmas Hop** a magical experience for everyone. Whether you can help decorate before the Christmas hop or assist with activities, your time and energy will make a big difference and be very appreciated.

Contact Karen Carter at (614) 491-3161 x2 or you may email us deputy.admin@lockbourneohio.us



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Birthdays & Anniversaries



Brenda Johnson
Mady Wilcox
Kathy McClellan
Diana Armstrong
Tammy Langley
Mike Coe
Linda Hudec
Jerry Thornhill
Bruce Wilkerson
Elizabeth Walters

1st
1st
4th
7th
13th
19th
21st
25th
27th
31st



Kevin & Tiffany Trout
Archie & Arminta Mills

2nd
31st

If you would like your birthday or anniversary in the newsletter, please email us at admin.assistant@lockbourneohio.us

Awards and Recognition

Thank you to
Cassee Kartman
for volunteering helping
Rediscover Lockbourne
with their fund raising

One kind word
can warm three
winter months!!

travelmelodies.com





news



HAMILTON TOWNSHIP
FOOD PANTRY

Supporting Local Families With Care & Dignity

Need help? We're here for you.
 Our pantry provides free boxes of non-perishable groceries to Hamilton Township residents facing food insecurity.

We do not have set hours - instead, we are offering appointments so you can pick up what you need at your convenience. Our first pick up day will be Friday, 11/21/25.

Contact Us to Schedule an Appointment
 Phone: 614-491-3963
 Email: htadmin@hamtwpfcoh.gov

Our Food Pantry is located at:
 Hamilton Township Community Center
 6400 Lockbourne Road
 Lockbourne, Ohio 43137

We are still collecting donations at our Community Center as well as both Fire Stations.

Together, we can support each other and strengthen our community.

HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

CELEBRATE THE SEASON OF GIVING!

How can you help?
 We are accepting toy donations until December 19th

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS
 Station 171 1460 Obetz Road Station 172 6410 Lockbourne Road

DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS ANYTIME, 24/7

Community Pancake Breakfast with Santa

December 13th

9:00am – 12:00pm
 Lockbourne Historical Hall
 206 Vause Street, 43137

Bring your whole family and join us for a magical, complimentary Pancake Breakfast with Santa. Make sure to bring your camera to capture your favorite holiday memories.

Graciously Sponsored by:
The Iron Brothers LE MC
<https://www.facebook.com/ironbrotherslemc>

OBETZ

CHRISTMAS KICKOFF & PARADE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

Junction Park
4390 Lancaster Ave
Obetz, OH 43207

Event will be held: 4:30pm to 8pm



From left to right:
Pastor Locker, Lockbourne United Methodist Church
Pastor Holt, Covenant Believers Community Church
Pastor Dague, Lockbourne CCCU Church



Lockbourne United Methodist Church
 1260 Vause Street (43137)

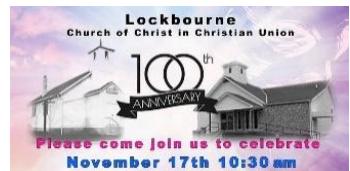
Christmas Eve Service on Sunday,
 December 24th at 7p.m. with
 candle-lighting and service of
 Holy Communion.

All are welcome to attend!



Covenant Believers Community
Church
 99 Commerce Street (43137)

Church Service
 Sundays at 11:00 a.m.



Lockbourne CCCU Church 156 Mechanic Street (43137)

Lockbourne CCCU Church invites the community to join us on Sundays at 10:30 am during the Christmas Season.

Starting **November 30** and running through **December 24**, we will explore the topic:
 This Christmas.

Using the lyrics from the familiar Donny Hathaway Christmas Song, we will tie that in with the following

Biblical topics:

November 30 - The Hope of Eternal Life
 December 7 - Without Peace There Is No Hope
 December 14 - Keeping Your Joy
 December 21 - Experience His Love

Special Events:

December 14 @ 10:30am- Children's Christmas Program
December 17 @ 6:30pm - Piano Concert & Bible Teaching from Henrison James
December 24 @ 5pm - Christmas Eve Service

Bethel Lutheran Church
Box Lunch
Saturday, December 13, 2025

Menu

Club Sandwich, Chips, Orange, and Christmas Cookie

It will be curbside pickup between 11:45 a.m. to 12 noon.



Bedford Falls Christmas Tree Farm

2025 HOLIDAY SEASON

When are we open?

Starting the day after Thanksgiving we are open:
Weekends: (& 11/28) 10:00am - 5:00pm
Last Day: Sunday 12/7

What about activities?

Enjoy a visit with Santa, complimentary hot cocoa and fresh cookies in our newly renovated gift shop, concession refreshments from our food truck partners and endless memory making fun! (For the latest schedule updates, follow us on our website and Facebook page)

What type of trees do we have?

Cut your own: Blue Spruce, Canaan Fir, Fraser Fir, White Pine (Limited)
Fresh Pre-Cuts: Fraser Fir

YOU ARE NOW IN BEDFORD FALLS
CHRISTMAS TREE FARM

WWW.BEDFORDFALLSCTF.COM

COOKIES & HOT COCOA

With Santa & the Firefighters

Join us at Hamilton Township Fire Station 172 for Santa Claus's visit, where children can meet Santa, share their Christmas wishes, and enjoy hot cocoa and cookies with our firefighters.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10
Station 172, 6410 Lockbourne Rd

We will also be collecting new toy donations and non-perishable food items to support local families this holiday season. Your generosity helps make the season brighter for our community.





SWACO

#GREENHOLIDAY GUIDE

MAKE A DIFFERENCE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON BY RESOLVING TO REDUCE YOUR WASTE AND RECYCLE MORE.

REDUCE YOUR WASTE
Look for items with minimal-to-no packaging.

DONATE
Consider donating unwanted lights and decorations.

COMPOST
After the holidays, live trees and wreaths can be composted. Please remove ornaments and lights.

REUSE
Be creative with leftover food by sending dinner guests home with lunch for tomorrow.

RECYCLE RIGHT
Franklin County's curbside and drop-off recycling programs only accept plastic bottles and jugs, glass bottles and jars, metal cans, cartons, paper and cardboard for recycling. Be sure to break down any cardboard boxes before putting them in the container.

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DOG LICENSING SEASON IS HERE

December 1, 2025 - February 28, 2026

Don't incur extra fees— purchase your license before the deadline!

- Ohio law requires that all dogs 3 months and older be licensed.
- Licensing your dog helps you reunite in case they get separated.
- Fees from dog licenses support the Franklin County Shelter & Adoption Center.

Scan here to renew your dog's license



Or visit us in person at the Franklin County Auditor's Office
373 S. High Street, 21st floor
Columbus, OH 43215



MICHAEL STINZIANO
Franklin County Auditor
CONNECT. PROTECT. REASSURE

Jackson
Auditor's Office Dog of the Week winner
(October 2025)



FREE HOME WEATHERIZATION SERVICES

PROGRAM IS FOR HOME OWNERS AND RENTERS

Call 614.621.1171 Today!

Stop spending too much money on energy bills! MORPC's home weatherization services will help you and your loved ones be safer and more comfortable in your home at no cost to you!

FREE SERVICES MAY INCLUDE:

- Furnace tune-up or replacement
- Wall and attic insulation
- Refrigerator replacement
- Light bulb replacement

YOU MAY QUALIFY IF:

- Your household income is at or below the requirements shown in the chart to the right.
- You reside in Franklin County.
- You are a Columbia Gas of Ohio customer.

SIZE OF HOUSEHOLD	MAXIMUM ANNUAL INCOME
1	\$19,140
2	\$25,860
3	\$32,580
4	\$39,300
5	\$46,020
6	\$52,740
7	\$59,460
8	\$66,180

For family units with more than 8 members, add \$8,720 for each additional member

PROGRAMS ARE FUNDED BY:



Development
Services Agency

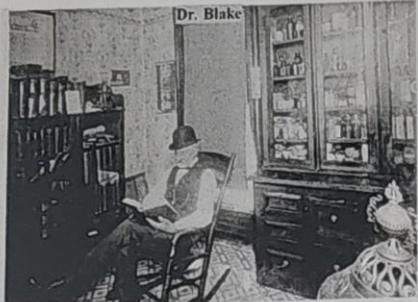


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MORPC
PLANNING COMMISSION

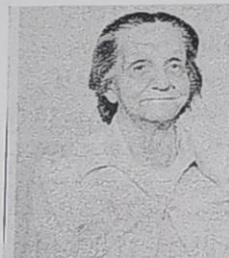
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Do you recognize any of these people?



Doctor Henry C. Blake



Warning, Charlotte



McDaniel, Mary



Bethel, Cora



Forshey, Clarence and Mary



SING WITH ME!!!

Traffic on the canal became congested as the boats approached towns. Mr. Nye said that often there would be a solid string of boats for two miles approaching a canal station. Crews eager to get their loads weighed so they could continue on their run would attempt to pass other boats even if they had to tip them over to do so. With long poles they would ram and fight to get ahead. The following song depicting such a scene was sung in a rough, boisterous style.

GET THAT BOAT

Get that boat! my luck-y lit-tle dri-ver,
 Get that boat, get that boat, I say.-- We've heard them say they'd
 make us di-vers, Get that boat, get that
 boat, I say.-- Skin them a-live, hang the
 car-cass on the fence; Don't stop for naught, no
 mat-ter what ex-pence; Pound them on the back, till
 they lay o-ver, Pass, pass them, get that boat, I say.-