

# 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 7<sup>th</sup>  
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

John and Joan Boyd

Tom Peters

Carolyn Young

Joseph Bolzenius

Jerry Kelley

Jane Wilkerson

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](mailto:mayor@lockbourneohio.us) or (614) 491-3161 x 4



P.O. Box 73  
Lockbourne, Ohio 43137  
[rdlockbourne@gmail.com](mailto:rdlockbourne@gmail.com)  
[www.lockbourneohio.us](http://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 (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 30<sup>TH</sup>**
- 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 7<sup>th</sup>

### 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 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup>  
Limited spots available

For more information, please contact Karen  
Carter at

(614) 491-3161 x2 or you may email us  
[deputy.admin@lockbourneohio.us](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place plus a people's choice award. All voting will take place at the Christmas Hop celebration on December 7<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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

1<sup>st</sup>  
1<sup>st</sup>  
4<sup>th</sup>  
7<sup>th</sup>  
13<sup>th</sup>  
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21<sup>st</sup>  
25<sup>th</sup>  
27<sup>th</sup>  
31<sup>st</sup>



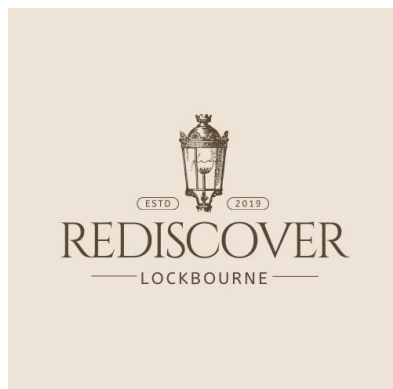
Kevin & Tiffany Trout  
Archie & Arminta Mills

2<sup>nd</sup>  
31<sup>st</sup>

If you would like your birthday or anniversary in the newsletter, please [email us](mailto:admin.assistant@lockbourneohio.us) at [admin.assistant@lockbourneohio.us](mailto: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](http://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@hamtwpfcogoh.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 Station 172  
 1460 Obetz Road 6410 Lockbourne Road

**DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS ANYTIME, 24/7**

**Community Pancake Breakfast with Santa**

**December 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**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/iron.brotherslemc>

**CHRISTMAS HIGHOFF & PARADE**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6**

Junction Park  
 4390 Lancaster Ave  
 Obetz, OH 43207

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



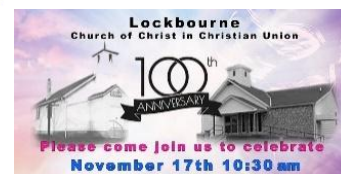


From left to right:

**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 24<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m. with  
candle-lighting and service of  
Holy Communion.

All are welcome to attend!

**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



**Covenant Believers Community  
Church**  
99 Commerce Street (43137)

Church Service  
Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

**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



[WWW.BEDFORDFALLSCTF.COM](http://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**  
FROM WASTE TO RESOURCES

### #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.

[SWACO.ORG](http://SWACO.ORG)

## 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

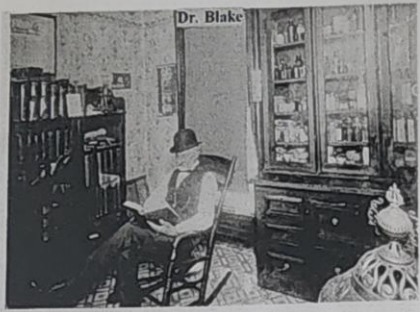


MID-OHIO REGIONAL  
**MORPC**  
PLANNING COMMISSION

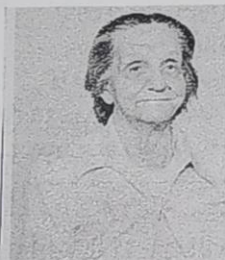
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Do you recognize any of these people?



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

