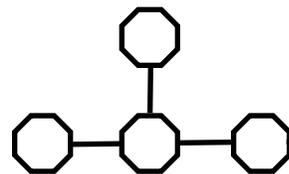
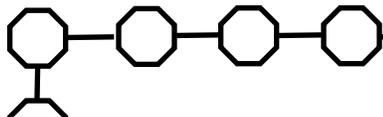


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The **connection**

The City of Groveport's Media Hub



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Joint Venture brings New Newsletter Name

The Parks & Recreation Dept. and the Community Affairs Dept. have merged their monthly newsletters. What does this mean for you? This means that not only will you be able to see what's going on in the Parks & Recreation Dept, but you will now be able to check out all of the cultural, educational, arts, nature & special event programming offered at Town Hall, Crooked Alley KidSpace & the Groveport Nature Center. On occasion, we will also include information from other City departments.

As a result of this information connection and after much research and study (not really, but it sounded good), our new newsletter has been named, drum roll please... **THE CONNECTION.**

Please consider this an invitation for you and your family to truly experience all that Groveport has to offer. Regardless of where you live, we want you to make the City of Groveport your recreation & cultural events destination.

OnLine Registration for Parks & Recreation Department Programs



Tired of waiting in line? Don't like filling out forms by hand? Busy? Do you constantly forget to stop in on your way home from work and register? If so, you're not alone. We have just what you need to stay out of the dog house with your significant other or your kids. Visa & MasterCard are acceptable forms of payment. Below are the steps that you will need to follow in order to register online.

In order for you to register online, your email address must match the email address that we have in our database. If your email does not match the one in our system, please stop by the Groveport Rec. Center and check to make sure that we have your correct email address. You will need to provide us with a picture ID (Driver License or State Issued ID Card). This will ensure that your information is current. We will then be able to assign you a User ID and Password (PIN).

If you are a **City of Groveport resident or corporate resident** and have NOT participated in any type of program or have not purchased a membership/pass within the last 6 months, you will need to come into our office so we can verify your residency status. Please bring a valid Driver License and Groveport Water Bill and/or another utility bill. Once we verify your residency status, you will be able to register online and receive the Groveport resident rate.

If you are a **Non-Resident** and have never registered with us, please complete the Non-Resident OnLine ID Request Form, located on our website. Please fax, email or drop-off the completed form to our office so your household information can be entered into our system. Your Username and Password will then be emailed to you so that you can use the online program registration system.

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Creating community through parks, recreation, education, culture, art & people

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1. Visit our website (www.groveportrec.com).
2. On our home page, click the ONLINE REGISTRATION line. This will take you to a Login Page.
3. Type in your Username (ID) and Password (Pin).
4. Change your password. You will be prompted to do this immediately. NOTE: Please make note of your password as our staff will not have access to your password. If you forget your password, please click "Forgot my Password".

If you have any questions, please contact:
Cathy Kirkwood, Administrative Assistant
614-836-1000 ext. 1504 / ckirkwood@groveport.org

Braydon Jordan, Front Desk Coordinator
614-836-1000 ext. 1508 / bjordan@groveport.org

New Check-In Process for Daily Visitors

In an effort to improve facility safety and security, the GRC has implemented new check-in software for our adult daily visitors. With SafePoint software, visitors will scan their driver's license and the software will track the date and time of entry and will also screen for unwelcome visitors, including those who may be suspended from the facility. Annual Pass holders will continue to scan their GRC photo ID using the current check-in process.

Free Blood Pressure Screenings

Compliments of the Madison Township Fire Dept., free blood pressure screenings will be offered in the lobby of the GRC. *Due to emergency runs, there may be times when the Madison Twp. Fire Dept. staff may not be available.

DATES: Thursday, Oct. 2 TIME: 9 AM - 12 PM
 Thursday, Oct. 16

Oct. Climbing Wall Hours

Tue. & Thurs. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Sat., & Sun. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM



Participants under the age of 18 must have the waiver signed by their parent prior to use. All climbers are required to be harnessed and must wear a helmet.

Parking

This is just a reminder that unless you have a current Groveport Senior Center parking sticker, you should NOT be parking in the spaces designated as 

Cars that are parked in those spots without the appropriate sticker may be ticketed. Persons with handicap placards are also not permitted to park in those spots, unless they have a Senior Center parking sticker.



Birthday Parties

If you are a parent with an active child, you need to read further. For **\$10.50** per person your child and his/her friends can celebrate a birthday at the Groveport Recreation Center. \$210 covers: • 20 Day Passes to the GRC • 90 minute room reservation • 3 Large Single Item Pizzas • 1 Dairy Queen Ice Cream Cake • 4 Two Liters of Pop • Disposable plates, cups, napkins & utensils • T-shirt for the birthday boy or girl • 4 GRC or GAC Day Passes to be used at a later date. Your child will also have his birthday splashed on our massive digital marquee sign. All you need are a few decorations, some invitations and maybe some ear plugs (optional). Minimum party size is 20 (at \$10.50/each). Additional party guests are only \$5/person. To book your child's party, call Braydon Jordan (Front Desk Coord.) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1508 or stop by the front desk anytime.

Groveport's 41st Annual Apple Butter Day Festival

Who: All ages welcome
Date: Sat., Oct. 11
Time: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Location: Heritage Park (551 Wirt Rd.)
More Info: www.groveport.org



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DAY	TIME	CLASS	INSTRUCTOR
Mon.	9:15 a.m.	Trim Tummies	Denune
	9:15 a.m.	** PUROFitness	James
	10:00 a.m.	Water Aerobics	Frank
	10:00 a.m.	Boot Camp	Newland
	10:00 a.m.	SilverSneakers Classic	Denune
	11:15 a.m.	Arthritis Aquatics Program	Frank
	5:00 p.m.	Arthritis Land Based Program	Frank
	5:00 p.m.	*Tae Kwon Ki Do/Karate Ki Do	Evans
	6:00 p.m.	Water Aerobics	Denune
Tues.	6:15 p.m.	Zumba	Frank
	7:00 a.m.	** PUROFitness	James
	8:30 a.m.	Water Aerobics	Denune
	5:30 p.m.	Pilate's	Neu
	6:30 p.m.	Hot Yoga	Blanton
Wed.	6:45 p.m.	Zumba	Neu
	9:15 a.m.	**PUROFitness	James
	9:15 a.m.	* Cycling with Sara	Denune
	10:00 a.m.	Water Aerobics	Frank
	10:15 a.m.	SilverSneakers Yoga	Denune
	11:15 a.m.	Arthritis Aquatics Program	Frank
Thurs.	6:00 p.m.	S.W.A.T. Cycling	Denune
	6:15 p.m.	Aqua Zumba	Frank
	7:00 a.m.	**PURO Fitness	James
	9:15 a.m.	Stretch to Fitness	Frank
	9:15 a.m.	H2O Kickboxing/Step	Denune
	10:30 a.m.	SilverSneakers Classic	Frank
Fri.	5:00 p.m.	Arthritis Land Based Program	Frank
	6:15 p.m.	Zumba / Strength & Tone	Frank
	8:30 a.m.	Water Aerobics	Denune
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	*Tae Kwon Ki Do/Karate Ki Do	Evans
	8:30 a.m.	Advanced Zumba	Ferrell
	10:00 a.m.	Boot Camp	Newland
Sun.	11:15 a.m.	Indoor Cycling	Newland
	9:00 a.m.	S.W.A.T.	Denune
	11:00 a.m.	Restorative Yoga	Finneran
	12:15 p.m.	Power Yoga	Finneran

For more info., pick up The Fitness Guide

* Pre-registration REQUIRED.
** Class takes place in Groveport Senior Center

2nd Annual Apple Butter Day 5k

This 5k route will incorporate sidewalks, nature trails and the paved leisure path in Groveport Park. All ages welcome.

Date: Saturday, Oct. 11

Check-In: 8:30 am - 9:15 am (9:30 am race begins)

Location: Race begins & ends in Groveport Park

Divisions: 12 & Under, 13 - 17 Yrs., 18 - 29 Yrs., 30 - 39 Yrs., 40 - 49 Yrs., 50 - 59 Yrs., 60 & Over

Prizes: Prizes go to the top male & female finishers in each age group.

Fee: \$20, includes keepsake t-shirt, post race beverage & healthy snack and a Groveport Recreation Center Day Pass

1 Mile Fun Run

Join us for a 1 Mile Fun Run. Not a runner, not a problem. Walkers are welcome. The 1 Mile Course will be contained inside Groveport Park and is all about having fun and getting some exercise.

Date: Saturday, Oct. 11

Check-In: 8:30 am - 8:50 am (9:00 am start)

Location: Begins & ends in Groveport Park

Fee: \$15, includes keepsake t-shirt, post race beverage & healthy snack and a Groveport Recreation Center Day Pass

NEW 1 Mile Dog-N-Jog

We realize that even your dog needs exercise. Bring him or her out for a morning jog or stroll in Groveport Park. All dog owners must show proof of dog vaccination. All dogs must be leashed (6 foot maximum).

Date: Saturday, Oct. 11

Check-In: 8:30 am - 8:50 am (9:00 am start)

Location: Begins & ends in Groveport Park

Fee: \$15, includes keepsake t-shirt, post race beverage & healthy snack and a Groveport Recreation Center Day Pass

Registration begins Aug. 11 and ends Oct. 3.

Questions, contact Stephania Bernard (Sports/Fitness Manager) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1513 sbernard@groveport.org.

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Important Fact

You do not have to be a Pass Holder/Member to register or participate in any of our classes or programs. Annual Pass Holders pay the resident rate.

Fitness Freedom Pass

This pass allows you take participating fitness classes at a reduced rate. Simply purchase the package that best suits you and start enjoying. Pick up a Fitness Guide to see all participating classes.

5 Classes	\$20 Resident/Pass Holder	\$25 NR
10 Classes	\$40 Resident/Pass Holder	\$50 NR
20 Classes	\$80 Resident/Pass Holder	\$100 NR

Zumba Freedom Pass

This pass is similar to the Fitness Freedom Pass. The pass allows to take all Zumba classes at a reduced rate.

5 Classes	\$25 Resident/Pass Holder	\$30 NR
10 Classes	\$50 Resident/Pass Holder	\$60 NR
20 Classes	\$100 Resident/Pass Holder	\$120 NR

Buckeye 188 Fitness Challenge

Walk, jog, bike, rollerblade, swim, etc., whatever you prefer. We need you to cover 188 miles (the distance between Columbus, OH and Ann Arbor, MI). Track the mileage for all of your cardio workouts. Hit 188 miles (or more) and you will win a cool t-shirt and be entered into a drawing to win a free month-long pass to the Groveport Recreation Center. If you already have an Annual Pass, give it to a friend. You have between Nov. 1 and Nov. 29 (Game Day) to complete the challenge.

Who: All ages welcome
Cost: \$7
Registration: Accepted thru Oct. 31



Advanced Zumba

We take the "work" out of workout, by mixing low-intensity and high-intensity moves for an interval style, calorie burning dance fitness party. Once the Latin and Work rhythms take over, you'll see why Zumba Fitness Classes are often called exercise disguise. Super effective? Check. Super fun? Check & check. A total workout, combining all elements of fitness - cardio, muscle conditioning, balance & flexibility, boosted energy and a serious dose of awesome each time you leave class.

Days/Times: Saturdays (10/4 - 10/25) / 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM
Fee: Drop In: \$6 Residents / \$7 Non-Residents or Use your Zumba Freedom Pass
Ages: 13 & Over
Instructor: Kalynn Ferrell

Tae Kwon Ki Do/Karate Ki Do (Beginners)



Class is for newcomers to this martial art. Students learn the basic movements and philosophy necessary to build a strong foundation and understanding of what they are learning & why. All students in this class are White Belts, preparing to test for their 1st Yellow Belt.

Ages: 6 & Over
Loc.: Groveport Recreation Center
Fee: \$24 Res. / \$44 Non-Residents
Instructor: Richard & Kazuko Evans
 At the time of this publication, dates & times for Oct. had not been set. Please call 614-836-1000 ext. 1513 for more info.



Tae Kwon Ki Do/Karate Ki Do (Advanced)



Class is for those who have tested, advancing above the rank of White Belt. Students in this class will learn techniques and philosophy above and beyond those at the beginner level. Students in this class are Yellow Belts, up to the rank of Blue Belt (1 test away from achieving Brown Belt).

Ages: 6 & Over
Loc.: Groveport Recreation Center
Fee: \$24 Res. / \$44 Non-Residents
Instructor: Richard & Kazuko Evans
 At the time of this publication, dates & times for Oct. had not been set. Please call 614-836-1000 ext. 1513 for more info.

Quote of the Month

"Excuses don't burn calories!"

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- Kelly Carter**, Aquatics Coordinator
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- Stephania Bernard**, Sports/Fitness Manager
- Vance Casebolt**, Recreation Coordinator
- Braydon Jordan**, Front Desk Coordinator
- Deb Scholl-Saulnier**, Senior Citizens Coordinator
- Bob Dowler**, Senior Transportation Coordinator
- Jeff Fields**, Building Maintenance Technician

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Men's Winter Basketball League

It's time to get off the couch, find your high tops and grab some of your buddies for some rec league hoops action. Teams will play a 10 game schedule and we will wind down the season with a single elimination tournament. Registration is on a first come - first served basis. Games are on Sundays at the beautiful Groveport Recreation Center.

Ages: Men 18 years of age & older

Days: Sundays, beginning Dec. 7

Fee: \$525/team

Registration: Oct. 6 - Nov. 30



Don't have a team? Want to play?

Call Stephania Bernard (Sports/Fitness Manager) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1513. She will then put you on a Free Agent List and try and get you on a team. If there are enough Free Agents, a "Free Agent Team" may be formed.

Scholarships Available for Youth Athletic Programs

Marty DuBoe Muncy Memorial Scholarships may be used towards athletic programs through the Groveport Parks & Recreation Dept., such as Youth Soccer & Swim Lessons. For more information about the scholarship program and to see if you are eligible, please contact Groveport Madison Adopt-A-Family at 614-836-7939. Persons that are utilizing scholarship funds must register in-person at the Groveport Recreation Center.



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Questions regarding the Jump Starts Sports Programs should be directed to Aaron Bally, Area Manager at 440-371-6585 or abally@jumpstartsports.com. *denotes a \$10 late fee will be assessed if registering after deadline, provided space is still available.

3rd - 4th Grade Volleyball Clinic

This is a fun instruction clinic that will cover serves, sets, spikes, blocks, returns, positioning & team strategy. Whether your child is an experienced player or complete novice, they will have fun learning about the sport. Fee includes t-shirt. Knee pads are recommended, but are optional. This program is run by Jump Start Sports.

Who: 3rd - 4th Grade Boys & Girls

Dates/Times: Mon., Nov. 10 - Dec. 8, 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Location: Groveport Rec Ctr. **Fee:** \$60*

Registration: Accepted thru Oct. 28



5th - 6th Grade Volleyball League

The Jump Start Sports Staff will teach the fundamentals of the game of volleyball. Practices will take place on Monday evenings and games will be played on Thursday evenings. Fee includes t-shirt. Knee pads are optional.

Who: 5th - 6th Grade Boys & Girls

Dates/Times: Mon., Nov. 3 - Dec. 8, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Thurs., Nov. 6 - Dec. 11, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
* no program on Nov. 27

Location: Groveport Rec Ctr. **Fee:** \$70*

Registration: Accepted thru Oct. 28



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1st - 2nd Grade Basketball Clinic

Enroll your child in this co-ed program designed to teach the fundamentals of basketball. Our staff will cover dribbling, passing, shooting, lay-ups, rebounding, defense and more during our fun-filled sessions at the Groveport Recreation Center. Players will shoot at 8 ft. high hoops and play with age appropriate basketballs. Fee includes keepsake t-shirt and award. Parents interested in helping should contact Vance Casebolt (Recreation Coord.) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1505. NOTE: 3rd graders may participate in this program if they are not interested in playing in the 3rd - 4th Grade Basketball League.

- Who:** 1st - 2nd Grade Boys & Girls
Dates/Times: Saturday mornings, tent. late Oct. - Dec.
Location: Groveport Recreation Center
Cost: \$45 Resident / \$55 Non-Res.
Registration: Sept. 22 - Oct. 26



3rd - 4th Grade Basketball League

Games will be played on 9 foot hoops with rules geared towards making the league fun with focus on building basketball fundamentals. Players will be evaluated and placed on teams in an effort to create a balanced league. Teams will typically practice one evening per week and will play games on Saturdays and possibly weekday evenings. Fee includes keepsake t-shirt jersey and award. Separate Boys' & Girls' Divisions will be offered. However, in the event that there are not enough players registered to have separate divisions, the divisions will be combined and a co-ed league will be formed. Volunteer coaches are needed.

- Who:** 3rd - 4th Grade Boys & Girls
Dates: Tent. late Oct. - Dec./early Jan.
Location: Groveport Recreation Center
Cost: \$45 Resident / \$55 Non-Res.
Registration: Sept. 22 - Oct. 26



5th - 6th Grade Basketball League

Games will be played on 10 foot hoops with rules geared towards making the league fun with focus on building basketball fundamentals. Players will be evaluated and placed on teams in an effort to create a balanced league. Teams will typically practice one evening per week and will play games on Saturdays and possibly weekday evenings. Fee includes keepsake t-shirt jersey and award. Separate Boys' & Girls' Divisions will be offered. However, in the event that there are not enough players registered to have separate divisions, the divisions will be combined and a co-ed league will be formed. Volunteer coaches are needed.

- Who:** 5th - 6th Grade Boys & Girls
Dates: Jan. - Mar.
Cost: \$45 Resident / \$55 Non-Res.
Registration: Oct. 1 - Dec. 29



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Allowing Youth Sports to be Child's Play

The picture of youth sports today is far different from that of the 20th century. Physical activity in the form of "free play" was a more common daily occurrence for most children then. Today, the child-organized games in the neighborhood that many of us remember have given way to adult-organized youth sports. The experience that a young athlete has with a sport can be positive or negative depending on the focus of the league and goals set by parents and coaches. Coaches also have a significant impact on the youth sports experience, whichever positive or negative. People who volunteer to coach should enjoy and relate well to children, know the sport and teach it well, and keep it child focused.

The value of sports and the physical, psychological and emotional benefits to children are undisputed. When the expectations of adults become excessive and they overcontrol young athletes, the pressure to win is overemphasized, and all the benefits of sports are negated. The quality of adult supervision, coaching and the amount of pressure put on their children to perform can take a large toll on the child. When parental pressure becomes too great, young athletes may experience headaches, muscle pains, stomach aches, sleep disturbances, fatigue or depression. Participation in sports should always be a positive experience for kids as long as parents and coaches keep a positive support the efforts of these young athletes and keep the "competition" in perspective.

For more info. on Youth Sports, please visit Nationwide Children's Hospital Sports Medicine website:
www.nationwidechildrens.org/allowing-youth-sports-to-be-childs-play

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The Groveport Parks and Recreation Department is a local provider of The American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim program. This program teaches participants, beginning at age five, how to swim skillfully and safely. Courses are fun and interactive. More advanced-level students refine their skills, learn the basics of springboard diving and how to incorporate swimming into a fitness plan. Below is a more detailed description of each level we have to offer.

Parent & Tot (6 months to 2 years of age):

This class is designed to give children an introduction into the world of pool water. Hands-on parent involvement required. You and your child will gain confidence in the water and learn water safety skills.

Pre-school Program (3 years to 5 years of age):

Splash, play games and build confidence. Class is designed for children that are unsure of the water.

LEVEL 1 - Introduction to Water Skills:

Helps students feel comfortable in water. Participants learn to enter & exit water safely, open eyes underwater & pick up submerged object, swim on front & back using arm & leg actions, submerge mouth, nose & eyes, float on front & back, follow basic rules, exhale underwater through mouth & nose, explore arm & leg movements, use a life jacket.

LEVEL 2 - Fundamentals of Aquatic Skills:

Participants learn to enter water by stepping or jumping from side, open eyes underwater, pick up a submerged object, roll over from front to back & back to front, swim on side, exit water safely using ladder or side, float on front & back, tread water using arm & leg motions, move in the water while wearing a life jacket, submerge entire head, perform front & back glide, swim on front & back using combined strokes.

LEVEL 3 - Stroke Development:

Participants learn to jump into deep water from the side, bob with head fully submerged, perform survival float, butterfly (kick & body motion), use check-call-care in an emergency, dive from kneeling or standing position, use rotary breathing in horizontal position, change from horizontal to vertical position on front & back, perform the HELP & Huddle position, submerge & retrieve an object, perform front & back glide & crawl, perform a reaching assist.

LEVEL 4 - Stroke Improvement:

Participants learn to shallow dive or dive from stride position, perform open turns on front & back using any stroke, swim underwater, tread water using sculling arm motions & kick & perform feet first dive. Swimmers will perform front & back crawl, swim on side using scissors-like kick, breaststroke, butterfly & elementary backstroke.

LEVEL 5 - Stroke Refinement:

Participants learn to tread water with two different kicks, learn survival swimming & perform rescue breathing. Swimmers will perform standing dive, pike surface dive, butterfly, shallow dive, front flip turn, breaststroke, backstroke flip turn, elementary backstroke, tuck surface dive, front & back crawl, sidestroke.

LEVEL 6 - Swimming & Skill Proficiency:

Participants will refine their strokes so they swim with ease, efficiency, power and smoothness over greater distances. This class prepares swimmers to participate in more advanced courses, including Water Safety Instructor & Lifeguard Training Courses. These options include: personal water safety, fitness swimming, lifeguard readiness & fundamentals of diving.

Group Swim Lessons



Let our staff teach your child the skills they will use the rest of their life. Classes normally fill quickly. Registrations are taken on a first come, first served basis. In the event of "bad" water chemistry or storms in the area, some classes may be held out of the water.

Ages: All (6 months - 15 years & Adults 16+)

Fee: \$45 Res / \$55 Non-Res

\$5 late fee assessed if participant is registering after posted registration deadline & provided space is still available.

Dates: Sept. 30 - Oct. 23 (T/Th., PM @ indoor)
Registration = Sept. 15 - 29

Oct. 28 - Nov. 20 (T/Th., PM @ indoor)
Registration = Oct. 13 - 27

Private & Semi-Private Swim Lessons

Is your little one having a hard time integrating into a group lesson? Are you looking for stroke refinement for your older swimmer? Private Lessons might be just what you need. We offer Private (1 swimmer) or Semi-Private (2 or more swimmers) Lessons with an instructor.

Please contact Kelly Carter (Aquatics Coord.) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1512 to be set up with an instructor. The cost is \$180 for six 30-minute Private Lessons or \$240 for six 30-minute Semi-Private Lessons.

Master's Swimming

Are you at least 19 years of age? Enjoy swimming as part of your workout? If so, give Kelly Carter (Aquatics Coord.) a call at 614-836-1000 ext. 1512 or send her an email at kcarter@groveport.org. She would be happy to give you more information regarding our Masters Swim Team.



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Parent-Tot Open Gym & Swim

Open Gym - We provide the space, music, toys & opportunities for gross motor play, as well as some structured staff led activities. Come have fun and make some new friends. Participants must wear soft soled shoes and all children must be accompanied by an adult. **Open Swim** - All children must be accompanied by an adult and children that are not toilet trained must wear swim diapers.

Who: Parents & their kids (5 yrs. & under)
Date & Time Mon. (Gym), Wed. (Gym), Fridays (Swim)
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Cost: \$2.50 one child; \$4 two children;
PARENTS ARE FREE. \$5 three children; \$8 four+ children
\$20 for a 10 visit punch pass.
Kids must be in same family to receive multi-child discounted rate.

Kids' Night Out



Ditch the parents and head to the GRC for some good old fashion fun. Well, you might need a ride. Play games, swim, eat pizza, climb the wall (on occasion) and more under the watchful eyes of our staff. Pack your swim suit and towel as well. Don't forget your tennis shoes! Space is limited so sign up early. Where else can you find a deal this good?

Who: 6 - 11 year olds
Dates/Times: Fridays: Oct. 10 & 24, 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Cost: \$ 8 Res. / \$10 Non-Res.
Registration: The deadline to register is the Wed. before the scheduled Friday.



Tae Kwon Do/Karate Ki Do

Please see page 4 for information regarding our classes. The classes are for both youth and adults.

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Fun With Fitness

This class will help your child develop motor skills, learn teamwork and improve social skills all while getting exercise. Your child will be engaged in active group games as well learn the basics of traditional and non-traditional sports. Please wear appropriate gym attire along with soft-soled, closed toe shoes.

Who: 4 - 6 Yrs., 7 - 10 Yrs., 11 - 18 Yrs.
Dates/Times: Fridays, Sept. 19 - Nov. 21
10:15 am - 11:15 am
Cost: \$25
Registration: Aug. 4 - Sept. 17



Water Fun

This is an instructional swimming course, but not the American Red Cross Learn-To-Swim Program. Participants do not need to be enrolled in an additional class in order to participate.

Who: 5 - 10 Yr. Olds
Dates/Times: Fridays, Sept. 19 - Nov. 21
9 am - 10 am
Location: Groveport Rec Ctr. Indoor Pool
Cost: \$25
Registration: Aug. 4 - Sept. 17

Swim Time

Participant must be enrolled in Fun With Fitness in order to register for Swim Time. Swim Time is an open swim to give children an opportunity to have fun in the water without instruction. Children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult (18 & over) who must directly supervise them while in the pool.

Who: 4 - 18 Yr. Olds
Dates/Times: Fridays, Sept. 19 - Nov. 21
11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Location: Groveport Rec Ctr. Indoor Pool
Cost: \$25
Registration: Aug. 4 - Sept. 17

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Are you 55 years or older? Do you enjoy shooting pool, playing cards, going on day and overnight trips, playing board games, participating in educational seminars, dancing, exercising, playing shuffleboard, making crafts, eating meals, playing ping pong, participating in holiday special events and more? If so, you might want to consider joining the Groveport Senior Center. Under most cases, persons must be a member of the Groveport Senior Center to participate in programs. Annual membership dues are only \$6. Persons 55 years of age are encouraged to join. Questions, call Deb at 614-836-4599.

DAILY ACTIVITIES

Monday	Bridge	11:30 a.m.
	Progressive Euchre	12:30 p.m.
Tuesdays	Line Dancing	9:30 a.m.
	Pinochle	11:00 a.m.
Wednesdays	Game Day	11:00 a.m.
	Pinochle	3:30 p.m.
Thursday	Lunch	11:45 a.m.
Saturday	Progressive Euchre	4:00 p.m.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES & TRIPS

Oct. 9, 10 AM - 12:30 PM: Medicare 101

Have questions about Medicare or the open enrollment period? Get your questions answered by Rick Wagner of Wagner Insurance Agency.

Oct. 10, 10:30 AM: Monthly Craft

Join us for a craft making session. Sponsored by Winchester Place. Pre-registration is required, but the program is free.

Oct. 14 - 17: Riverboat Rendezvous

This trip includes motorcoach transportation, 3 nights accommodations, 8 meals, a private boat charter, paddle-wheel boat cruise to watch the Belle of Louisville race the Colonel of Galveston, tour the Kentucky Derby Museum, walking tour of Churchill Downs, stops at Fabulous Furs & Jungle Jims and more. \$599/person. Double occ.

Oct. 29: La Comedia Dinner Theatre presents "He Keeps Me Singing". \$60/person, includes motorcoach transportation, a delicious lunch buffet and show. Register by Oct. 10.

Metro Parks Walking Program

WHO:

Persons that are members of the Groveport Senior Center.

WHAT:

The Groveport Senior Center is offering a new program that will get us out into the beauty of the Columbus & Franklin County Metro Parks. It's time to put on your favorite walking shoes and leisurely stroll through some of the state's most beautiful parks. The walks will be supervised by a member of the Groveport Senior Center staff and will take place on paved trails that venture in and around prairies, woodlands, marshes, ponds and more.

WHY WALK:

Physical activity does NOT need to be complicated. A daily brisk walk can help you live a longer & healthier life. Here is why you need to join us for a walk: (1). maintain a healthy weight, (2). strengthen your bones, (3). lift your mood, (4). improve your balance & coordination, (5). prevent or manage various conditions, including heart disease, high blood pressure and type 2 diabetes, (6). slow down the aging process, (7). lower your risk for cancer, (8). increase your lung function, (9). improve your flexibility & (10). burn off stress.

SCHEDULED WALKS:

Sept. 23	Walnut Woods
Sept. 30	Three Creeks
Oct. 7	Blacklick Woods
Oct. 14	Slate Run
Oct. 21	Pickerington Ponds
Oct. 28	Walnut Woods

Participants will meet at the Senior Center at 9:45 a.m. and drive to the parks noted above. Please register at least 2 days prior to each scheduled walk.



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1st Annual Pumpkin Derby

Whoever said that we were a little bit crazy is probably right. Anyway, you're invited to participate in our 1st Annual Pumpkin Derby. You build a pumpkin racer (per our rules) and race it. This is a "gravity race". Decorate your pumpkin, put some wheels on it, place it on our ramp and watch it break the U.S. speed record for fastest pumpkin (j/k). It's that easy.

There's more? Yes, there's more. Decorate your pumpkin because we will be giving away some cool prizes for Most Creative, Best Sports Theme, Best Racecar, Cutest and Funniest. Pumpkins may not weigh more than 20 lbs. after fully assembled & decorated. Pumpkins will be verified & weighed on site.

Visit ACE Hardware in Groveport for your wheels, axles, etc. Visit our website (www.groveportrec.com) for a complete set of rules or pick up a copy at the front desk of the Groveport Recreation Center.

Divisions: Youth (12 Yr. & Under)
Adult (13 Yr. & Older)
Corporate (Any age)
* Age determined as of Dec. 31, 2014

Date & Time: Sunday, Oct. 26 (4:00 PM)

Location: Groveport Recreation Center Gymnasium

Cost: *Each entry includes a complimentary day pass to either the GRC or GAC (Outdoor Water Park) that can be used at a later date.*
\$10 per Person
\$20 per Corporate/Team Entry
* Maximum of 3 entrants per pumpkin in the Corporate/Team Division.



Registration: Accepted thru Oct. 22



"I can take this guy. He's got no guts!"

Questions: Contact Steve Hawkins (Aquatics Manager) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1510 or shawkins@groveport.org.

2nd Annual Great Pumpkin Plunge

No, you did not misread the title. Kids will be swimming with pumpkins. Yes, pumpkins float and really well as a matter of fact. It's a hoot! After you are done swimming with your pumpkin and have had a chance to dry off, head over to the Pumpkin Derby. NOTE: Since only a few folks stayed and carved their pumpkin with us last year, we will not be carving at the facility this year. Parents, be sure to bring your camera so you can get some great shots of your guy or gal with their floating pumpkin.

Who: Parents & their kids. All kids must be accompanied by an adult

Dates/Times: Sunday, October 26
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Location: Groveport Rec Center Indoor Pool

Cost: \$6 per person (includes pumpkin)
\$2 per person (does not include pumpkin)

Registration: Accepted thru Oct. 22



As we said, "pumpkins float!" Not to worry, there's nothing in our pool that can take a bite out of one of these our big boys.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



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Halloween Monster Craft

Make a cute Frankenstein or Mummy monster from a drink

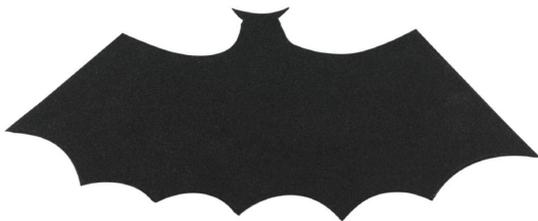
Who: Ages 3 - 10
Dates/Times: Tuesday, October 14 at 7 pm
Location: KidSpace - 630 Wirt Road
Cost: Free
Registration: Register by October 13 at 836-3333

Owl - O - Ween

During this time of the year, the owl is associated with a somewhat spooky holiday. Learn some fun facts about owls and other creepy animals associated with fall. Whoooo knows whooo they will see!



Who: Family
Dates/Times: Saturday, October 18 at 7 pm
Location: Groveport Nature Center - 551 Wirt Road
Cost: Free
Registration: Register by October 17 at 836-3333



History Comes Alive at Groveport Cemetery

"All true stories begin and end in a cemetery". Join us at the Groveport Cemetery to enjoy an interesting evening of history. Meet "past" residents of Groveport including the famous "Horse Whisperer" John S Rarey, Catherine Richardson, a canal worker, Catherine Rarey and more at this free "Merry not Scary" event.

Who: Family, all ages
Dates/Times: Wednesday, October 22
Location: Heritage Park - 551 Wirt Road
Cost: Free
Registration: Drop in

Trick or Treat Bag

Beggar's Night is just a few days away, children can make a decorative goodie bag to take trick or treating. All supplies are included in this free program.

Who: Ages 3 - 12
Dates/Times: Tuesday, October 28 at 7 pm
Location: KidSpace - 630 Wirt Road
Cost: Free
Registration: Register by October 27 at 836-3333

Groveport's Fall Festival combines with Make a Difference Day

Gather your family and friends for an opportunity to help our community at the *USA Today's National Day of Doing Good* by bringing a nonperishable food to our Fall Festival. Enjoy a hay ride, campfire, activities and crafts. Bring a carved pumpkin and/or scarecrow and enter it in our contest. We'll have human and pet costume contests and a prize will go to the family that brings the most food items. The evening concludes with a PG-13 movie (TBD) starting at 7:00 pm. In case of inclement weather our festival will be held at KidSpace, 630 Wirt Road.

Who: Family, all ages
Dates/Times: Saturday, October 25 from 5:30 - 7 pm
Movie begins at 7 PM
Location: Heritage Park - 551 Wirt Road
Cost: Free
Registration: Drop in



Trick or Treat

Thurs, Oct. 30. 5:30 - 7 pm

Groveport Lions Club
Block Party with Costume Contest
and refreshments. Main and Front Streets at 7 PM.

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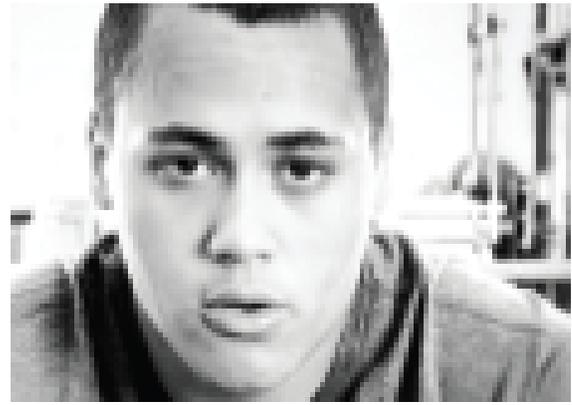
EVENT / PROGRAM	DATE
5th - 6th Grade Basketball League registration begins	Oct. 1
Free Blood Pressure Screening at GRC 9 AM - 12 PM	Oct. 2
Men's Winter Basketball League registration begins	Oct. 6
Kid's Night Out at GRC	Oct. 10
Apple Butter Day 5k, 1 Mile Fun Run & 1 Mile Dog & Jog	Oct. 11
Free Blood Pressure Screen at GRC 9 AM - 12 PM	Oct. 16
2nd Annual Great Pumpkin Plunge registration deadline	Oct. 22
1st Annual Pumpkin Derby registration deadline	Oct. 22
Kid's Night Out at GRC	Oct. 24
1st - 2nd Grade Basketball Clinic registration deadline	Oct. 26
3rd - 4th Grade Basketball League registration deadline	Oct. 26
2nd Annual Great Pumpkin Plunge	Oct. 26
1st Annual Pumpkin Derby	Oct. 26
JSS 3rd - 4th Grade Volleyball Clinic registration deadline	Oct. 28
JSS 5th - 6th Grade Volleyball League registration deadline	Oct. 28
Buckeye 188 Fitness Challenge registration deadline	Oct. 31

Please see page 7 for Important Dates regarding our Learn To Swim Program.

THANK YOU



for sponsoring our Fall Youth Soccer Program



There's only one sports medicine leader for serious athletes.

We're the best at getting them ready for battle. The best at getting them back in the game. And the best at bringing their goals into reach. We're the sports medicine experts at Nationwide Children's Hospital and we're the best equipped to treat concussions, rehab sports injuries or prevent them from happening in the first place. So, if your athlete is 18 or under, don't risk their career to anyone else.

For more information about our five central Ohio locations, visit NationwideChildrens.org/Sports-Medicine



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Burlap Wreath Class

Participants will learn how to make a burlap wreath and decorate with silk flowers at this class. All materials are provided. A minimum of 3 students are needed.

Dates/Times: Tuesday, October 28 at 6:30 pm
Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Cost: \$40 Groveport residents, \$45 nonresidents
Registration: Prepay by Oct. 25, 614-836-3333

Basic Bow Making Class

Learn to make beautiful bows to use for decorations and gifts. Bring at least 4 yards of 2.5" wide ribbon to make a 7" bow with tails. A minimum of 5 students are needed for this class.

Dates/Times: Monday, October 6 / 6:30 pm
Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Cost: \$10 Groveport Residents, \$12 nonresidents
Registration: Prepay by October 4, 614-836-3333



Intermediate Bow Making Class

Want to learn to make fuller, larger and fancier bows? Participants must have taken the Basic Bow Making Class or have prior knowledge of bow making. Bring several styles and kinds of ribbon. It will take 4 yards of 2.5" ribbon to make one 7" bow with tails. Bigger bows require more materials. A minimum of 3 students required.

Dates/Times: Monday, October 20 / 6:30 pm
Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Cost: \$15 Groveport residents, \$18 nonresidents
Registration: Prepay by October 18, 614-836-3333

Tuesdays @ One

Every Tuesday (1 PM - 2 PM) we will have creative projects & activities and speakers for the curious mind. The program is child friendly. For more info., call 614-836-3333. Free program.

Who: Everyone
Dates/Topics: Oct. 7 History of Northwest Ohio
- presented by Vernon Pack
Oct. 14 Essential Oils
- presented by Christine Brock
Oct. 21 Creepy Candy Jar
- supplies provided
Oct. 28 Universal Design Workshop
- presented by OSU Extension Office

Location: Groveport Town Hall, 648 Main Street

Baker's Secrets

Join us for this "tasteful" evening. The emphasis of this instructor demonstration and participant recipe exchange class will be on alteration, presentation, eyeballing measurements, baking/cooking and of course EATING! Bring a sample dessert and the recipe to share with the group.

Who: Adults
Dates/Times: Tuesday, October 14 / 6:30 pm
Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Cost: Free
Registration: By October 11, 614-836-3333



Basic Applique - Pillow Sham

Learn to make this beginner sewing project to decorate your house for fall. Some Sewing machines provided. Call 614-836-3333 for supply list.

Dates/Times: Monday, October 27 / 6:30 pm
Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street
Cost: \$15 Groveport residents, \$18 nonresidents
\$5 supply class fee paid to instructor
Registration: Prepay by Oct. 24, 614-836-3333

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Line Dancing

All skill levels and ages are invited to participate in this daytime line dancing program. Please wear shoes with leather soles or socks.

Dates/Times: Mon. & Wed 10 - 11:30 am

Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street

Cost: Free

Registration: Drop in

The Art of Movement Foundations

The Art of Movement Foundations combines the East and West intuitive dance practices to help you add energy and relieve stress.

Dates/Times: Thursdays, 6:30 - 8 pm

Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street

Cost: \$4 Groveport residents, \$5 nonresidents

Registration: Drop in

Elegant Profile Dance – New

The Elegant Profile Dance Class focuses on the most beautiful and graceful synchronized dances in a similar format to Rumba and Waltz line dances. Dress is casual, and no previous experience is necessary as each dance will be instructor led. No partners needed.

Dates/Times: Wednesdays at 7 - 8:30 pm

Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street

Cost: \$6 Groveport residents, \$7 nonresidents

Registration: Drop in



October Art Gallery
Blue Moon Art and
Photography
By: Michele Leach

“Blue Moon” means something very rare. Finding one’s passion is a rare gift. Michele Leach is sharing her passion & hope through her eyes in photography.

TOPS Weight Loss Support Group

This is a weight management class.

Dates/Times: Wednesdays, 9:30 am

Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street

Cost: Free

Registration: Drop in

Intermediate Knitting - 3D Knitting

Choose your favorite colors and cast on for this project. Learn to make a sheep or doll. Participants should be very capable of cast-on, knit, purl, bind off and some experience in lace knitting and working in the round is helpful. Call 836-3333 for supply list.

Dates/Times: Wednesdays in October - starting Oct. 1.
(5 weeks) 6:30 pm

Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street

Cost: \$10 Groveport residents, \$12 nonresidents

Registration: Prepay by Oct 1, 614-836-3333

Beginning Knitting – Bear or Rabbit

Do you have some basic knitting experience and are looking for an easy beginner project? This class is for you! Call 836-3333 for supply list.

When: Thursdays, Oct. 2, 9, 16 & 23 6:30 pm

Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street

Cost: \$10 Groveport residents, \$12 nonresidents

Registration: Prepay by Oct 1, 614-836-3333

Crochet Class

Come learn new crochet patterns at this intermediate crochet class. Basic knowledge of crochet is required. Call 614-836-3333 for the supply list.

When: Mondays, Oct. 6, 13 & 20. 6:30 pm

Location: Town Hall, 648 Main Street

Cost: \$10 Groveport residents, \$12 nonresidents

Registration: Prepay by Oct 4, 614-836-3333

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Grow With Me

Activities designed to accommodate different age groups within the same setting. Lesson, snack and free play help children grow academically and socially.

Preschool Rock n' Rollers: Movement and movement-centered program for your junior rockers.

Preschool Picassos: Creative crafts that little hands can easily construct. Adult participation is required.

Who: Preschool Children
Dates/Times: 10 am
Grow with Me - Tuesdays & Wednesdays
Rock n' Rollers - Thursdays
Preschool Picassos - Fridays
Location: KidSpace - 630 Wirt Road
Cost: Free
Registration: Drop in



Live & Laugh...
It's all about being
a kid!



Preschool Story Hour - NEW

Little ones can join Miss Angela at the KidSpace library for story time and a craft designed especially for ages 1 - 5. A different children's author will be highlighted each month. A minimum of 10 registrations are needed.

Who: Preschool ages 1 - 5
Dates/Times: Sunday, October 19 at 2 pm
Location: KidSpace - 630 Wirt Road
Cost: Free
Registration: Register by October 17 at 614-836-3333

Masking Tape Painting

Tween Scene... create a cool painting on canvas using masking tape. Supplies are provided. Wear old clothes.

Who: Ages 8 - 12
Dates/Times: Tuesday, October 7 at 7 pm
Location: KidSpace - 630 Wirt Road
Cost: Free
Registration: Register by October 6 at 614-836-3333

Junior Chefs

Calling all Junior Chefs! Join us for a fun, 3 week, beginner cooking class. Learn the basics while enjoying your creation. Supplies included.

Who: Ages 7 - 12
Dates/Times: Thursdays, Oct. 9, 16 & 23 / 7 pm
Location: KidSpace - 630 Wirt Rd.
Cost: \$8 Groveport residents, \$10 nonresidents
Registration: Prepay by October 5, 614-836-3333

Creative Movement

Your child will be introduced to movement and music in this fun and energetic class that will strengthen and develop large and fine motor skills, coordination, flexibility, rhythm and socialization. Children must be 3 year old by class date, potty trained and be able to be in the dance room without a parent. Call for supply list.

Who: 3 year old girls and boys
Dates/Times: Fridays starting October 17 5:30 - 6:15 pm (5 weeks) No class on Nov. 7.
Location: KidSpace - 630 Wirt Road
Cost: \$35 Groveport residents, \$40 nonresidents
Registration: Prepay by Oct 15, 614-836-3333



Dare to Combo Dance

Introduce your child to ballet and tap all in the same class! Through age appropriate material, children will learn the beginning fundamentals of classical ballet and the percussive dance of tap. Call for supply list.

Who: Ages 4 - 6 girls and boys
Dates/Times: Fridays starting October 17 6:15 - 7 pm (5 weeks) No class on Nov. 7.
Location: KidSpace - 630 Wirt Road
Cost: \$35 Groveport residents, \$40 nonresidents
Registration: Prepay by Oct 15, 614-836-3333

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Groveport's 41st Annual Apple Butter Day Festival

**Saturday, October 11
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM**

Heritage Park (551 Wirt Rd.)

Celebrating Groveport's pioneer heritage, with kettles of homemade apple butter bubbling over wood fires, homemade crafts, pioneer demonstrations & entertainment.

Craft Demonstrations • Hayrides • Homemade Crafts • Antique Tractor Show • Food Vendors • Cornbread/Beans at KidSpace • Petting Zoo • Free Pony Rides

2nd Annual Apple Butter Day 5k, 1 Mile Fun Run and
NEW 1 Mile Dog-N-Jog

For info. regarding the runs, call Stephania Bernard (Sports/Fitness Manager) at 614-836-1000 ext. 1513 or pick up an entry form at the Groveport Recreation Center

ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

10:00 AM	Welcome
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Michayla Jacks - Main State
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	4th Annual Groveport Cane Fishing Derby.
11:15 AM - 1:00 PM	Northwest Territory - Main Stage
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Tentative	Flag Retirement Ceremony
12:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Johnny Appleseed Portrayer - Appleseed Way
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Delightful Sound - Log House
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Spelling Bee & Octogenarian Recognition
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Ellen Ford, Story Teller - Appleseed Way
2:15 PM - 3:45 PM	The Other Brothers - Main Stage
2:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Mark Springer & Roger/Sharon Tedrow - Log House
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Out of Mind - Main Stage
5:30 PM	Announcement of Quilt Raffle Winner

Tailgate Party

You're invited! We are having a party at Lovell's Grille when The Buckeyes take on the Spartans. All you can eat menu includes brats, hot dogs, wings, mac & cheese, potato salad, desert, condiments and soft drink. Bring your own lawn chair. Prize for the best team football attire. \$5 a square football pool. Cornhole tournament at halftime. Game will be shown on multiple flat screen TVs in the facility. Questions, call 614-836-3333.

Who:	Everyone
Dates/Times:	Sat., Nov. 8 (8 PM - 11:30 PM)
Location:	Lovell's Grille (at The Links At Groveport) 1005 Richardson Rd., Groveport, OH 43125
Cost:	\$15.00/person pre-sale \$20.00/person at the door
Ticket Sales:	Pre-sale tickets are on sale at Groveport Town Hall thru Nov. 3.



Lovell's Grille will also have
alcoholic beverages for sale.

The City of Groveport hopes that
you will take advantage of all that
our community has to offer.



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EVENT / PROGRAM	DATE
Intermediate Knitting - 3D Knitting begins (p. 14) Grow With Me (p. 15) Line Dancing (p. 14) Elegant Profile Dance (p. 14) TOPS Weight Management Class (p. 14)	Wed., Oct. 1
Beginning Knitting begins (p. 14) The Art of Movement Foundations (p. 14)	Thurs., Oct. 2
Apple Butter Stirrin' at Heritage Park (8 AM - 1 PM) Preschool Picassos (p. 15)	Fri., Oct. 4
Basic Bow Making (p. 13) Crochet Class begins (p. 14) Line Dancing (p. 14)	Mon., Oct. 6
Masking Tape Craft (p. 15) Tues. @ 1 - History of NW Ohio (p. 13) Grow With Me (p. 15)	Tue., Oct. 7
TOPS Weight Management Class (p. 14) Line Dancing (p. 14) Grow With Me (p. 15) Elegant Profile Dance (p. 14)	Wed., Oct. 8
Junior Chefs begins (p. 15) The Art of Movement Foundations (p. 14) Rock n' Rollers (p. 15)	Thurs., Oct. 9
Preschool Picassos (p. 15)	Fri., Oct. 10
Apple Butter Day (10 AM - 6 PM)	Sat., Oct. 11
Line Dancing (p. 14)	Mon., Oct. 13
Monster Craft (p. 11) Tues. @ 1 - Essential Oils (p. 13) Baker's Secrets (p. 13) Grow With Me (p. 15)	Tue., Oct. 14
TOPS Weight Management Class (p. 14) Elegant Profile Dance (p. 14) Line Dancing (p. 14) Grow With Me (p. 15)	Wed., Oct. 15
The Art of Movement Foundations (p. 14) Rock n' Rollers (p. 15)	Thurs., Oct. 16
Creative Movement begins (p. 15) Dare to Combo Dance begins (p. 15) Preschool Picassos (p. 15)	Fri., Oct. 17
Owl-O-Ween (p. 11)	Sat., Oct. 18
Preschool Story Hour (p. 15)	Sun., Oct. 19
Intermediate Bow Making Class (p. 13) Line Dancing (p. 14)	Mon., Oct. 20

EVENT / PROGRAM	DATE
Tues. @ 1 - Creepy Candy Jar (p. 13) Grow With Me (p. 15)	Tue., Oct. 21
TOPS Weight Management Class (p. 14) Line Dancing (p. 14) Elegant Profile Dance (p. 14) History Comes Alive Cemetery Tour (p. 11) Grow With Me (p. 15)	Wed., Oct. 22
Preschool Rock n' Rollers (p. 15) The Art of Movement Foundations (p. 14) Rock n' Rollers (p. 15)	Thurs., Oct. 23
Fall Festival & Make a Difference Day (p. 11) Preschool Picassos (p. 15)	Fri., Oct. 25
Basic Applique Pillow Sham (p. 13) Line Dancing (p. 14)	Mon., Oct. 27
Trick or Treat Bag (p. 11) Tues. @ 1 - Univ. Design Workshop (p. 13) Burlap Wreath Class (p. 13) Grow With Me (p. 15)	Tue., Oct. 28
TOPS Weight Management Class (p. 14) Grow With Me (p. 15) Line Dancing (p. 14) Elegant Profile Dance (p. 14)	Wed., Oct. 29
Trick or Treat (5:30 PM - 7 PM) Block Party at Main & Front Streets (7 PM) Rock n' Rollers (p. 15) The Art of Movement Foundations (p. 14)	Thurs., Oct. 30
Preschool Picassos (p. 15)	Fri., Oct. 31

NOTE: Many of the programs noted have registration deadlines. For more info., please refer to each individual program description. - Thank you.

OCTOBER ART GALLERY at Groveport Town Hall Blue Moon Art & Photography By: Michele Leach

“Blue Moon” means something very rare.
Michele Leach is sharing her passion and hope
through her eyes in photography.



Opening
Sept. 29

Groveport will soon have its very own hardware store. ACE Hardware is scheduled to open for business on Sept. 29. An official Grand Opening Celebration is planned for October 10 & 11, kicking off with a pig roast at noon on Oct. 10. This will be the third ACE Hardware store for owners Rick Foreman & Robin Hayes. The couple also owns stores in Baltimore, OH & Ashville, OH. The Groveport store will be their largest store yet.

According to Mr. Foreman, as soon as the dust settles from the ACE project, he plans to move ahead with the construction of the second building, which he anticipates enlarging from a one floor design to a two-story property with offices on the second floor and space for at least two restaurants on the first floor.

The new parking lot behind the ACE store is a public parking lot with 91 parking spaces. The parking lot will be accessible to the downtown by a walkway that will also connect pedestrians to Blacklick Park.



Grow Your Own Business

Have you ever thought what it would take to start your own business? The City of Groveport is offering a 5-week small business training program.

DATES: Tuesdays & Thursdays, beginning Sept. 23
TIME: 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
LOCATION: Groveport Town Hall
FEE: Groveport Residents FREE / \$50 Non-Res.
REGISTER: Call 614-836-5301 by Sept. 19.

Fall Leaf Pick-Up

Each fall, the Public Works Dept. provides free curbside leaf pick-up. The leaf pick-up program begins October 10 and ends on December 10. Residents are responsible for raking their leaves to the backside of the curb. The Public Works Dept. will not pick-up leaves that contain other debris, such as sticks, rocks or trash. Please avoid parking vehicles in front of or behind leaf piles, as that will interfere with leaf removal. If City staff is unable to access the leaves, they will not be picked up. Please call the Public Works Dept. at 614-836-3910 if you have any questions.



Back To School Safety Tips

WALKING TO SCHOOL

- Walk to school with a group of kids and always have an adult with you.
- Always walk on the sidewalk if one is available. If no sidewalk is available, walk facing traffic.
- The safest place to cross a street is at a street corner or intersection.
- If you are 10 years or younger, you need to cross the street with an adult.
- Before you step off of the curb to cross the street, stop & look both ways to see if cars are coming.
- When no cars are coming, it is safe for you to cross the street. Look left-right-left as you cross.
- Walk, don't run. This gives time for drivers to see you before you enter the roadway. Running also makes you more likely to fall in the street.
- Don't dart out in front of parked cars. Oncoming cars will not be able to see you.

RIDING A BIKE

- Always wear your helmet and make sure that your helmet fits correctly. The helmet should fit low on your forehead so that two fingers fit between it and your eyebrows. Another way to check is to put the helmet on your head and look up. If you can't see your helmet, it's too far back.
- Know the rules of the road.
- Ride on the right side of the road or trail and in single file line in the same direction as other vehicles and come to a complete stop before crossing streets.
- Wait for a driver's signal before crossing the street.

Back To School Safety Tips

RIDING A BIKE CONTINUED...

- Wear bright colors.
- Riding when it is dark out can be dangerous. If you ride when it is dark, ride with an adult. Your bike should be equipped with a white front light and red rear reflector. Reflective materials can also be put on your bike, shoes, helmet & clothing.
- Practice riding your bike.

GETTING ON THE SCHOOL BUS

- When the bus arrives, stand at least 3 giant steps (6 feet) away from the curb.
- If you have to cross the street in front of the bus, walk on the sidewalk or along the side of the road until you are 10 feet ahead of the bus. Then you can cross the street.
- Be sure that the bus driver can see you and you can see the bus driver.
- Never walk behind the bus.
- If you drop something near the bus, tell the bus driver. Never try to pick it up first because the driver may not be able to see you.

BEHAVIOR ON THE BUS

- Find a seat and sit down. Loud talking or other noise can distract the bus driver and is not allowed.
- Never put your head, arms or hands out the window.
- Keep aisles clear.
- Before you reach your stop, get ready to leave by getting your belongings together.
- At your stop, wait for the bus to stop completely before getting up from your seat. Walk to the front door and exit, using the handrail.

GETTING OFF THE SCHOOL BUS

- If you have to cross the street in front of the bus, walk at least 10 feet ahead of the bus along the side of the street until you can turn around and see the driver.
- Make sure the bus driver can see you.
- Wait for a signal from the driver before crossing the street.
- When the driver signals, cross the street, keeping an eye out for sudden traffic changes.
- Do not cross the center line of the road until the driver has signaled that it is safe for you to begin walking.
- Stay away from the wheels of the bus at all times.

Trick-Or-Treat Safety Tips

- Children should wear light colored costumes so they can easily be seen. Add reflective tape to the costumes and candy bag.
- Only buy costumes that are flame retardant.
- Wigs and beards should not cover your child's eyes, nose or mouth.
- Avoid masks. They can make it difficult for them to see and breathe. Use makeup or face paint instead.
- Put a nametag, with your phone number, on your child's costume.
- Avoid high-heels and oversized shoes (trip hazard).
- If your child is carrying a prop, make sure that it is flexible, dull and short.
- Children 12 & under should be accompanied by an adult.
- Older children should go in a group, stay together & stick to route approved by their parents.
- Stay in your neighborhood.
- Carry a cell phone and flashlight.
- Only go to houses with porch lights on and walk on sidewalks on lit streets.
- Walk from house to house. Don't run.
- Never go into a stranger's home or car.
- Stay away from candles and any open flames.
- Check all treats to make sure they are sealed. Discard any homemade treats and questionable candy.
- Don't allow children to eat hard candy or gum that could cause choking.

Pumpkin Carving Safety Tips

- Don't let your kids use knives. Instead, purchase a pumpkin carving kit from your local food store. They can be purchased for just a few dollars and are well worth the money.
- An adult should be the person cutting the top off of the pumpkin, as this cut is the most difficult to make.
- Keep your non-carving hand away from your carving hand to avoid any injury.
- Use an ice cream scoop or spoon to remove the pumpkin guts safely.
- Use a glow stick, instead of a candle, to illuminate your pumpkin.



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Recreation Center, 7370 Groveport Rd.	614-836-1000
Police Dept., 5690 Clyde Moore Drive	614-830-2060
Public Works, 7400 Groveport Rd.	614-836-3910
Town Hall, 648 Main Street	614-836-3333
The Links at Groveport, 1005 Richardson Rd.	614-836-5874

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Community Meetings

City Council - Tuesday, October 14 (6:30 PM)
 Council Committee of the Whole - Monday, October 20 (6:30 PM)
 City Council - Monday, October 27 (6:30 PM)
 * Meetings are held at the Groveport Municipal Building (Council Chambers),
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Save the date!
Saturday, October 11 (10 AM - 6 PM)
Apple Butter Day

