

2019

City of Monroe, Ohio

March-April

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## City Income Tax Information

The income tax office is now accepting appointments for free assistance in completing City of Monroe income tax returns. Appointments are available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. To schedule an appointment please call 513-539-7374 option 3. Saturday appointments must be scheduled by Thursday at 5 p.m. We still allow walk in appointments Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Individual and business tax forms are available on our website [www.monroeohio.org](http://www.monroeohio.org). In the center of the front page you can click on forms to find the information needed.

A copy of an individual’s federal tax return must accompany their local return. As usual, returns must also include all W2s and, if applicable, Schedules C, E, and F and 1099-MISCs. Any Form 2106 employee business expenses must include federal schedule A.

Homeowner must provide a copy of their property tax statement to qualify for the tax rate increase exemption. This can be found by visiting the Butler or Warren County Auditor’s website.

Each year during tax season, the City of Monroe tax office issues 1099-G statements to individual taxpayers, notifying them that they have received a refund or credit. State and local tax authorities must file information returns with IRS on Form 1099-G with respect to individuals’ income tax refunds, or credits or offsets with respect to income taxes, aggregating \$10 or more in one calendar year. The return must include the aggregate amount of the state or local income tax refund (credit or offset). A “credit or offset” is a tax overpayment which, in lieu of being refunded to the taxpayer, is either applied against an existing liability of the taxpayer, or is available for application against a future liability of the taxpayer, or otherwise used or available for use for the taxpayer’s benefit. Please consult with your tax preparer concerning the taxability of this 1099-G issued to you for tax year 2017. If you have any questions, please call the City of Monroe at 513-539-7374 Option 3.

# Monroe Messenger

## City of Monroe Employment Opportunities

The City of Monroe is currently accepting applications for an Engineering Technician and Income Tax Administrator. For more information please visit <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/monroeohio>.

## Church Listing

We are currently creating a list of churches in the City of Monroe to be easily accessible to current and new residents. Please send us the name of the church, address, telephone number, email, and denomination if applicable, to [wassona@monroeohio.org](mailto:wassona@monroeohio.org). If you have any questions please call Angela S. Wasson at 513-539-7374 extension 1012.

## Monroe Lions Club



**March and April Meetings.** Please join us for the March 25th and April 22nd general meetings. Both meetings are at 6:30 p.m. in the small meeting room of the Community Center at 6 East Avenue and open to the public.

**Lions Club Scholarship Applications Now Available!** Attention Monroe Seniors!! Pick up an application from the School guidance office, or contact us at [monroelions@yahoo.com](mailto:monroelions@yahoo.com). Applications are due April 1st.



**Annual Easter Egg Hunt.** The Annual Monroe Lions Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Monroe Community Park on April 20th. The hunt will begin at Noon sharp! Don't be late!

**Light up the Sky.** The 4th of July will be here before you know. We are taking applications for crafters and food vendors as well as business/community organization booths. Applications can be found at [lightuptheskymonroe.com](http://lightuptheskymonroe.com).



**Save Your Plastic Bags!** The Trex Decking Company will gift a bench to the Monroe Lions Club for every 500 lbs of plastic bags in the form of : grocery bags, bread bags, dry cleaning bags, newspaper bags, softener bags, Ziplock bags, woodstove pellet bags, produce bags, cereal bags, bubble wrap and case overwrap plastic. Plastic bags may be dropped off at the Primary, Elementary, Jr/Sr High School and the Monroe Lending Library. We are very close to our first bench!

**Become a Lion! Find out how by contacting us at [monroelions@yahoo.com](mailto:monroelions@yahoo.com).**

**For the most up to date event information follow us on Facebook.**

## Nathaniel Sackett Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution

**About the Chapter** – The chapter was named in honor of Nathaniel Sackett, who along with John Piatt, was responsible for platting and founded the Village of Monroe in 1817, which they named after the new President of the United States, James Monroe.

**Who We Are** – Founded in 1890, the Daughters of the American Revolution is a nonprofit, nonpolitical, volunteer women’s service organization for women 18 and older who can prove they are lineally descended from someone who served as a patriot in the American Revolution. With 3,000 chapters across all 50 states, including the chapter in Monroe and international affiliates overseas, the organization’s 165,000 members are dedicated to promoting historic preservation, education and patriotism through service to the community.

### **Objectives of the DAR**

**Historical** – to perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American independence.

**Education** – to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge.

**Patriotic** – to cherish, maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom, to foster true patriotism and love of country, and to aid in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.

### **Benefits of DAR Membership**

- \* Learn more about your family genealogy
- \* Join with women who have an interest in history, family and community service
- \* Develop and/or use your leadership skills for the benefit of others
- \* Promote patriotic education to youth through DAR programs
- \* Support our active military and veterans
- \* Support historic preservation in your local community
- \* Share your patriotic spirit

Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7pm September-December and then February-June, at the Monroe Lending Library, 6 East Ave., Monroe, OH 45050

For more information about the Nathaniel Sackett Chapter find us on Facebook

## Monroe Messenger

The Monroe Rotary Club is sponsoring a blood drive on March 29, 2019. They are challenging all of the Monroe not-for-profit organizations to see who can get the most donors. When you come in to donate just let them know which organization you are donating on behalf of. While you are there you can also pick up a flyer and join one of our many wonderful organizations that volunteer their time in support of our community!



### UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE

**Hosted by the City of Monroe**

**Friday, March 29, 2019**

12:00pm – 1:45pm &  
3:00pm – 6:00pm

Blood Drive will be held at **Monroe Community Room**  
(6 East Avenue, Monroe, OH 45050)

To register, please visit: [www.hoxworth.org/groups/monroe](http://www.hoxworth.org/groups/monroe)  
OR call (513) 451-0910

Ask about [Red Cell](#) donation!



All You Can Eat  
**“Spring”hetti Dinner**  
Hosted By: Interact Club of Monroe



To Fund Scholarships  
& Community Service

**March 27th**  
4:00 - 7:30

**Monroe Elementary Cafeteria**  
220 Yankee Road

**Adults \$10.00**  
**Children 12 & Under \$6.00**

**Interact**  
Rotary Sponsored Club  
Monroe OHIO



**Rotary**  
Club of Monroe



## Monroe Lending Library

6 East Avenue, Monroe, Ohio 45050 Phone 513-360-0100

Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday - Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Closed Sunday

Book Club meets each Monday at 7:00 p.m. Time to snuggle in a warm blanket and read until the Spring thaw. Don't forget the Monroe Lending Library offers new best sellers every month! Drop in and browse our collection. We have the fireplace turned on and you can get comfortable in front of it and get lost in a good book.

Have you attended RAFFLEMANIA yet? If you haven't, you don't know what you are missing. There are loads of nice items to be won, good food and lots of laughs. We have Split-the-Pot and Queen of Hearts drawings and a Fantastic snack bar! Future RAFFLEMANIA dates are March 2, April 6, May 11, June 1, July 13, August 3, September 7, October 5, November 2 and December 7. We feature theme baskets, cash, gift cards, purses, Granny's Sweet Treats and Pampered Chef. Call 513-594-4845 to reserve your seat(s). Are you interested in giving back to your community? We have volunteer opportunities available. We would love to have you join us! Shifts are 3 ½ to 4 hours long.

## MidPointe Library Monroe Branch

1 Tennessee Avenue—Off Britton Lane, Monroe, Ohio Phone: 513-360-6224

Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Sunday

For a complete listing of events and to register go to [www.midpointelibrary.org](http://www.midpointelibrary.org)

**Book Club.** March 15 from 11:00 - 12:00 "Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls" by David Sedaris.

April 19 from 11:00 - 12:00 "Kitchen Confidential" by Anthony Bourdain.

**Captain Underpants Party.** March 22 from 4:30 - 5:30. It's a bird, it's a plane, no it's Captain Underpants! Calling all Captain Underpants fans! Join us for a fun filled program with crafts, games, hypno-cookies and super power juice! Tra-la-la! Grades K-3. Please register.

**Conversations that Matter.** March 1, 15 and April 5, 19 from 10:00 - 11:00. Start your day inspired by TED Talk speakers describing new ideas that may change the world. We watch and discuss short TED Talk videos.

**Creative Coding.** March 13 and April 10 from 4:30 - 5:30. In this monthly program, students will work in teams to learn the basics of coding using fun programs and activities. Computers are provided by the library. **Grades 4-8.** This month's theme: Stop motion animation with HUE Animation is the theme for March. In April, the theme is virtual reality with Google Expeditions. Grades 4-8. Please register.

**Exploring Fossils.** April 17 from 4:30 - 5:30. Learn about fossils in our area and their connections to things living today with Lynn White from the Butler County Soil and Water Conservation District. Grades 4 and up. Please register.

## MidPointe Library Monroe Branch Continued

**Families Code Together.** March 16 and April 20 from 11:00 - 12:00. In this monthly program, students will learn the basics of coding using fun programs and activities. Parents will also discover free resources and fun ways to continue learning at home. Computers are provided by the library. Theme for March: Stop motion animation with HUE Animation. Theme for April: Makey Makey guitars. Grades K - 3. Please register.

**Game Night - Life-sized Games.** Join us for fun with life-sized Scrabble, connect 4, Tic Tac Toe and Twister. Grades K- 3. Please register.

**Game Night - Star Trek .** March 6 from 4:30 - 5:30. In *Five Year Mission*, players are crew members on the Enterprise. In this dice placement game, players work cooperatively to deal with blue, yellow and red alerts. Each crew member has a different ability to contribute. Join us as we boldly go into the Star Trek Universe. Ages 8 & up. Please register.

**Game night - Avengers.** April 3 from 4:30 - 5:30. Thanos and his forces are trying to collect the Infinity Stones. It's up to the Avengers to stop them. Players will recruit heroes to teams and try to defeat villains in *Thanos Rising*, a cooperative deck/dice game. Sometimes the dice will help the Avengers, and sometimes it will help Thanos! Ages 10 & up. Please register.

**Magic Show by Cincinnati Circus.** March 20 from 4:30 - 5:30. Join us for a magic show presented by the Cincinnati Circus! All ages welcome! This program will be held in the Ohio Living Mt. Pleasant Chapel. Please register.

**Minecraft.** March 27 and April 24 from 4:30 - 6:30. Join us for this closed server Minecraft session moderated by library staff. We will play creative mode the first hour and Survival mode the second hour. Grades 4 - 12. Please register.

**Saturday Baby Storytime.** March 2 and April 6 from 10:30 - 11:00. Babies and their caretakers can enjoy stories, rhymes, and songs followed by free play with age appropriate toys. Ages 6 to 24 months. Please register.

**Registration begins for weekday Spring II Storytimes .** April 7 Please register at [www.midpointelibrary.org](http://www.midpointelibrary.org)

**Tail Waggin' Tutors .** March 9 and April 13 from 10:30 - 11:30. Children can ease those reading jitters as they grab a book, cuddle up and read to a doggie friend named Nemo, a registered therapy dog. Call 513 -360-6215 to register for a 15 minute session. Grades K and up.



## North Monroe and Mound Cemeteries



The Public Works Department continues to make efforts to prepare the cemeteries for the upcoming holidays in 2019. The week of March 25, 2019, we will be performing a heavy cleaning in a concentrated effort for the upcoming mowing season. Please keep in mind the City of Monroe's rules and regulations for our cemeteries.

No person shall wantonly or willfully remove, cut or break, or in any manner injure or destroy any tree, shrub or plant, or pick, gather, or in any way injure or destroy, any flower, or any herbage, fruit, or produce of any such tree, shrub or plant within the cemeteries. Burial of pets is not permitted.

No debris shall be deposited in the cemeteries except in designated trash containers. The cemeteries will be open from 8 a.m. until dusk. No planting of flowers, trees, vines or shrubs will be allowed. Hanging baskets, fencing, glass jars, and glass vases are prohibited. The placing of toys, bottles, vases, glass, figurines, and other decorations on the grass are not permitted. If any tree or shrub situated on any lot shall become detrimental to the care and maintenance of the grounds, the City has the right to remove at lot owner's expense. The City may remove all flowers, potted plants or wreaths when they become frosted, faded, withered or otherwise unsightly. The City shall not be responsible for any memorials, including plants. The City may remove fresh cut flowers when they have become dried, faded or withered.

If you need further information, please call the Public Works Department at 513-727-8953. Thank you for your continued cooperation, help, and support of the Monroe cemeteries.

## Movie in the Park Schedule

Mark your calendars for our "Movie in the Park" schedule this year!

- ◆ Ralph Breaks the Internet on June 15, 2019
- ◆ Incredibles 2 on July 13, 2019
- ◆ How to Train Your Dragon—The Hidden World on August 10, 2019

## Upcoming Events

- ⇒ Food Truck Fair on May 16, 2019.
- ⇒ Touch-A-Truck on August 9, 2019.

## Monroe Historical Society

Please accept this invitation to become a member of the Monroe Historical Society. This invitation is for individuals, families, and businesses. The Monroe Historical Society was started over 50 years ago with the mission to gather and preserve the history of Monroe. This non-profit organization and its activities are completely run by volunteers. So we are also asking everyone to consider becoming a volunteer. Volunteer opportunities include assisting with events, working on preservation projects, and being a Board member. Please contact the Society if you are interested in becoming a volunteer.

To become a Historical Society member, please complete the enclosed form and mail it in with your membership fee to P O Box 82, Monroe OH 45050. To obtain more information or contact the Monroe Historical Society, please use the following methods: Phone - 513-539-2270 (Leave message & a volunteer will return call) Email - [Info@MonroeOhHistoricalSociety.org](mailto:Info@MonroeOhHistoricalSociety.org). Website - [www.MonroeOhHistoricalSociety.org](http://www.MonroeOhHistoricalSociety.org) Facebook - [MonroeOhioHistoricalSociety](https://www.facebook.com/MonroeOhioHistoricalSociety)

## Daylight Saving Time

Daylight Saving Time begins at 2 a.m. Sunday, March 10, 2019. This is when we set the clocks ahead one hour so that evening daylight lasts an hour longer.

Make sure smoke detectors have new batteries and are installed on each level of the home, especially near sleeping areas. These detectors should be heard in bedrooms even when the doors are closed. If you cannot hear them, install them in the bedrooms. Twice per year we change our clocks for Daylight Saving Time. This is a good time to always remember to check your smoke detectors.

## Monroe Messenger Submissions

The Monroe Messenger is a bi-monthly newsletter from your City to keep you up-to-date with events and not-for-profit activities. Submissions are due on the 15th of the month prior to the release of the next edition. Submissions received after the deadline may not be included until a later edition. Submissions may also need to be delayed until a future edition depending on how much information we have.

Do you have a business that you would like to see us spotlight in the newsletter or are a community organization with an event that you would like us to include? Please send the information to Angela S. Wasson at [wassona@monroeohio.org](mailto:wassona@monroeohio.org) or drop it off to her at the City Building located at 233 South Main Street, Monroe, Ohio.



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**Please select membership type:**

- New Membership
- Renewal Membership
- Gift Membership
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ Other Donation  
*(tax deductible, as allowed by law)*

**Please check membership category:**

- \$5 Student (under age 21) (Annual)
- \$10 Individual – Per Person (Annual)
- \$25 Family (Parents + children < 21) (Annual)
- \$100 Lifetime + Per Person  
*(never pay annual dues again)*

**Member Information (please print)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_

**2nd Membership (or gift membership)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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*(We have lots of great committees you can join!)*

You can make history in many helpful ways:

- Preservation
- Exhibits
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- Research
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Make Check Payable to

Monroe Historical Society

Annual Membership Dues: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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[www.monroehhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.monroehhistoricalsociety.org)

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- \$100 Bronze (Annual)
- \$250 Silver (Annual)
- \$500 Gold (Annual)
- \$1,000 Platinum (Annual)

**Member Information (please print)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**2nd Membership (or gift membership)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Police Non Emergency - 513-539-9234  
Crime Tip Line - 513-360-2211  
Public Works - 513-727-8953  
Mayor's Court - 513-539-6201  
Property Maintenance  
Hotline - 513-539-4836  
City Manager's Office - 513-360-2200

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