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City of Monroe, Ohio

July-August

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Fourth of July Celebration

Thursday, the Fourth of July will be a day of fun for the entire family as we celebrate American Independence Day on the Fourth of July every year. We think of July 4, 1776, as a day that represents the Declaration of Independence and the birth of the United States of America as an independent nation.

Beginning at Noon the City’s Fourth of July parade will travel from the Kroger parking lot, down Macready, to South Main Street, and ending at Monroe Community Park.

The Monroe Lions Club’s Light up the Sky Event will be held at the Monroe Community Park with the gates and kids zone opening at Noon. 1:00 p.m. the beer tent opens and the game between the Losantiville Black Stockings versus the Tippecanoe Canal Jumpers begins. The parking shuttle from Monroe High School starts at 5 p.m. 6:00 p.m.—Will Fluke; 7:00 p.m. to 9 p.m.—Batman of Monroe; 8:30 p.m.—5th Crow.

The evening will end with a spectacular fireworks display by Rozzi’s Famous Fireworks at 10:00 p.m. compliments of the City of Monroe.



Monroe Messenger

Movies in the Park



There are two remaining “Movies in the Park.” The movies are shown at Monroe Community Park located at 500 South Main Street and begin at dusk. **Saturday, July 13, 2019 - Incredibles 2. Saturday, August 10, 2019 - How to Train Your Dragon - The Hidden World.**



Monroe Optimist Club “Avenue of Flags” Program

The Monroe Optimist Club is now starting to sell subscriptions for their “Avenue of Flags” Program! If you order now they will be giving two free holidays as a bonus for anyone that signs up! That’s seven holidays for the price of five. This breaks down to less than \$10 a month! There is also a discount for additional flags. They will also take payment via Square so you can subscribe by credit card. Just reach out to Cherie Gentry at 513-850-1954 or cheriegentry1@gmail.com to take advantage of this more convenient method.

Monroe and Lemon Township Residents and Business Owners: We invite you to participate in our patriotic, community service program called “The Avenue of Flags.” Your participation in this fundraiser helps us support our youth activities and scholarships in our community. We will place a 3 foot by 5 foot high-quality American Flag on a 10 foot flag pole 15 feet from the curb in front of your home or business for days surrounding **Memorial Day Weekend, Fourth of July , Labor Day Weekend, and Veterans Day.** For \$50 per year we deliver and place your flag prior to each holiday and retrieve after the holiday. We are responsible for replacement of the flag and store flags between holidays. We pro-rate at \$10/holiday after Memorial Day. If you wish to display more than one flag, save \$10 on each flag (two flags = \$90, three flags = \$130, etc.).

Mail your check with the form below. Payable to Monroe Optimist Club, AOF Monroe Optimist Club, P. O. Box 85, Monroe, Ohio 45050. To pay by credit card contact Cherie Gentry at 513-850-1954. For more information you can contact MonroeFlags@monroeooptimists.org.

Check Date _____ Check # _____ Check Amount \$ _____

Name Flag address Phone

Email Billing address if different than flag address

Mark this box if you would like to volunteer to help with this program.

MONROE MESSENGER



Sergeant Eric Walton retired on June 1, 2019 after 28 years of service with the City of Monroe Police Department. Eric joined the Monroe Police Department in 1991 as a Police Cadet. He was the first and only cadet that was appointed while still attending Lemon Monroe High School by Village Manager Seth Johnston. Eric's lifelong dream was to be a police officer. Eric served as an Animal Control Officer for the Village of Monroe and then attended Dee Russell Lee (now known as Butler Tech) police academy, graduating in September of 1993. Eric became a part time police officer in 1993 for Monroe and was appointed one of the first four full time police officers hired with the City in 1995 under Chief Ernie Howard.

Eric, along with Captain Brian Curlis, started and served as advisors to the first Monroe Police Department Explorer Post #184. Eric was a Field Training Officer for several years and was then assigned to Field Training Officer Coordinator under Chief Homer. Eric served as the Community Service Officer for 2.5 years and started Monroe's first Touch a Truck event. Eric also started the first Police Chaplain program and was assigned as the

Coordinator. Eric was then promoted to the rank of Sergeant in May of 2014 by Chief Homer and was assigned to supervise road patrol midnight shift. Eric continued to supervise the midnight shift under current Chief Bob Buchanan until June of 2018.

Eric is a third-generation police officer. His Grandfather, Bob, retired as a Captain with the Middletown Police Department after 28 years. His Grandfather was then elected to serve as the Butler County Sheriff for 12 years. Eric's dad, Chuck, served as a police officer with the Middletown Police Department for 30 years and his Uncle Bobby also served 30 years of service with the Middletown Police Department retiring at the rank of sergeant. This is a combined total of 128 years of law enforcement service to the citizens of Butler County.

Eric is married to his wife Cathy of 27 years and has two children Alyssa and Jake. Jake is working on his degree in Criminal Justice and wants to be a police officer.

It has been a great honor to serve with many of the best past and present police officers and dispatchers of the Monroe Police Department as well as the other departments of the City. There are a lot of great people that work for the City of Monroe that I have had great privilege to meet and get to know and work beside. I truly believe that the citizens of Monroe are in the very best and safe hands for protection and other services the City provides.

Monroe Night Out



MONROE NIGHT OUT



EVERYTHING IS FREE!



TEAM FASTRAX SKYDIVERS WILL BRING THE FLAG IN

MEDICAL HELICOPTERS AND EMERGENCY VEHICLES

GOLF CART IMPAIRED DRIVING SIMULATION COURSE

FASTPOPO POLICE RACE CAR

GIFT BASKETS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES IN FREE RAFFLE

OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD INFLATABLE OBSTACLE COURSE

FREE FOOD AND DRINKS PROVIDED BY LOCAL BUSINESSES

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1ST, 2019

5PM TO 9PM

MONROE HIGH SCHOOL

220 YANKEE ROAD, MONROE OHIO

Women's Self Defense Class

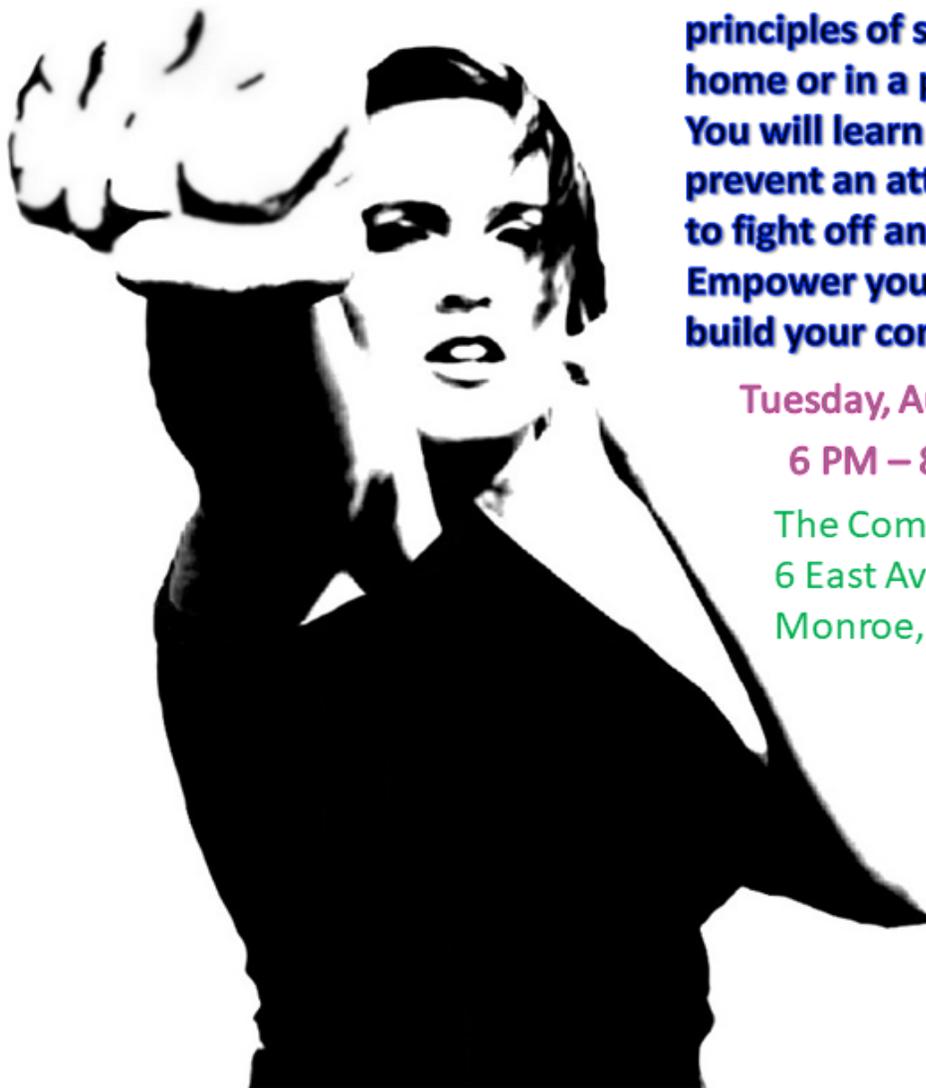


Monroe Police Department



Women's Self Defense Class

DON'T BE A VICTIM!!



You will learn the basic principles of self defense , at home or in a parking lot. You will learn how to prevent an attack and how to fight off an attacker. Empower your self and build your confidence.

Tuesday, August 6th

6 PM – 8 PM

**The Community Room
6 East Avenue
Monroe, Ohio 45050**

**No RSVP needed.
If you have
questions please
contact Officer King
at 513-539-9234.**

Touch-A-Truck



Monroe Police Department



2019 Touch-A-Truck

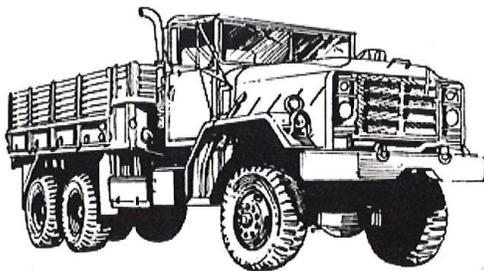
Friday, August 9th, 2019
10AM to 1PM

Monroe Community Park
500 S. Main Street, Monroe, Ohio 45050

This is a one day event which allows children to see, touch, and explore their favorite big trucks and vehicles as well as to meet the personnel, who protect, serve, and build the community.



Please contact Officer Joshua D. King at kingj@monroeohio.org or at 513-360-2210



PAWS-A-PALOOZA

Grab your kids, grab the dog, bring a friend, or come alone, all are invited to celebrate our 7th Annual PAWS-A-PALOOZA! Do some shopping with our great vendors, try your luck with our wonderful raffle items (including a Gatlinburg getaway), and be amazed by the Southern Ohio Flying K9s! Have a wiener dog or wiener dog mix? Sign them up for our Wiener dog race! Think your dog has the best talent? Put it to the test with our Best Dog tricks contest! Is your dog your mini-me? You can find out in our Owner/Dog Lookalike competition!

Come on down to the Monroe Community Park on Saturday, August 24, 2019 from 2pm – 8pm! Don't worry about the heat, we have the Mobile Cone, misters, and doggie pools to help keep everyone cool. And donuts, pizza, and hot dogs to keep your belly full. You'll be glad you came!

Check out www.pawsadoptioncenter.org or www.pawsapalooza.weebly.com for more information, to become a vendor or sponsor, and to sign up for wiener dog races.



SAVE THE DATE!

7TH ANNUAL

PAWS-A-PALOOZA

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2019
2 PM TO 8 PM
MONROE COMMUNITY PARK
500 South Main St., MONROE, OH 45050

\$2 Entry Donation

- Pet Rescues & Adoptions
- Kid's Corner with Games
- Demos & Entertainment
- Pet Vendors, Shopping, & Raffles
- Contests - Best Dog Tricks & Owner/Dog Lookalikes
- Food Trucks
- Wiener Dog Races
- Southern Ohio Flying K9s
- FRIENDLY PETS WELCOME

Wiener Dog Signup
<http://bit.ly/2019PAZRace>



For more information check out: www.pawsapalooza.weebly.com
or call 513.539.7297

Nathaniel Sackett Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution

July Activities Fourth of July Parade. Our chapter is participating in 2019 Monroe Fourth of July Parade. Parade begins at noon and will start at Kroger and end at the Community Park. Everyone come out and celebrate the birth of our nation; wear your red, white and blue; and don't forget to wave your flag!

August Activities Fall Fun Fair. Many of the ladies will be traveling to Columbus to participate in Fall Fun Fair. This year's motto is "Honoring, Serving, Being DAR Together". Participants are given the opportunity to visit State Chairman displays and ask questions one on one, purchase chapter supplies, National and State Administration items, support the Christian Waldschmidt Homestead and the Juniors at the Bazaar and Sales tables. Lunch and Learn speaker will be discussing "Doing Good the Right Way: Legal Obligations of Charitable Board Members." Following the luncheon, a meeting of the body is conducted, All Star Academy Graduates are recognized; Administration Information, Projects and Goal are discussed; select officer and committee information is disseminated and the 121st State Conference Information is provided.

Picnic. Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and Husbands Of the Daughters of the American Revolution (HODAR) are getting together for a picnic. This is a great opportunity for everyone to get to know each other better.

Next Meeting. Our next regular meeting is September 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Monroe Community Room, 6 East Ave, Monroe, Ohio.

Become a Member!! Find out how by contacting our Chapter on Facebook at "Nathaniel Sackett Chapter NSDAR Monroe, Ohio"

Monroe Historical Society

Past events: The Monroe Historical Society was honored to host local historian Mr. Roger Miller as our guest speaker at the May 30 General Membership Meeting. His program topic was the history of the Miami Erie Canal. He explained it's conception, the glory of its working days, and its final demise. Mr. Miller supplemented the program with wonderful photos and sketches. The Society and its numerous guests truly enjoyed and appreciated Mr. Miller's program.



Upcoming events: SEARS KIT HOUSES - The next General Membership Meeting will be on Thursday August 29, 2019 at 7pm. It will be held in the Monroe Community Room at 6 East Ave. The program topic will be Sears, Roebuck and Company "kit" houses. Yes, Sears sold kits to build houses through its catalogs in the early 20th century and many of the houses can still be found standing in Ohio. Cindy Catanzaro, a Sears-house researcher from Springfield OH, will provide information about why Sears began marketing kits, how they were produced, the numerous architectural plans that were available, and where to locate some of the houses that still exist. Could YOUR house be one of these?? Please join the Historical Society for this evening event that is free, open to the public, and for all ages. Light refreshments will be provided. Please direct any questions to the Society by visiting its Facebook page at MonroeOhioHistoricalSociety, visiting its website at MonroeOhHistoricalSociety.org, or calling 513-539-2270.

Donations: For those who are General Electric employees or retirees, your donations of \$25 or more to the Monroe Historical Society are eligible to be matched by the GE Foundation Matching Gifts Program. Please call 1-800-305-0669 for additional information. THANK YOU for your support of the Historical Society!

Monroe Business Spotlight

Treasure Aisles Flea Market—The Bargain Hunter's Paradise!



Treasure Aisles Flea Market is one of Ohio's largest flea markets! Located near Cincinnati, Columbus and Dayton, they are home to over 500 shops on more than 64 acres of land—with an abundance of merchandise, there is something to be found for everyone.

They have a variety of food options in their concessions, including burgers, wings, pizza, and an assortment of snacks such as nachos, soft pretzels, and ice cream. They even have an authentic Mexican restaurant located within the market! In addition, Treasure Aisles provides live entertainment each weekend!



320 N. Garver Road
Monroe, OH 45050
(513) 539-4497
www.treasure-aisles.com

Open every Saturday & Sunday from 9am-5pm



Farm to Charm & Aged Accents - Antiques and Uniques Store. Two local entrepreneurs have teamed up to give a unique shopping experience full of vintage, upcycled, repurposed, and handmade items. The store, located at 117 South Main Street in Monroe, is half “Farm to Charm” owned by Vickie Lambert, and half “Aged Accents” owned by Matt Murray, both longtime Monroe residents.

The owners combine recycling, salvaging, and entrepreneurship and channel it into the passion that is very clear when you step foot into the store. Vickie is fearless in her pursuit of finding the best treasures, whether it's in a barn, attic, or field, she loves the hunt of rescuing items bound for the trash pile, and giving them new life. She is also a master of “seasonal situations” in the shop that feature warm and Pinterest-worthy displays. While Matt is tech-savvy and is always looking for new ways to promote and innovate the store and it's processes. He has an eye for conversation-starting industrial and rustic décor and signage. Farm to Charm and Aged Accents has something for everyone and they are open Monday through Friday from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM and Saturday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Look for special hours during citywide holidays and events.

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

Summer Reading Program Kick-Off Event Continues through July 31. Free library cards. Prizes for all ages.

Animal Adaptations August 23 from 4:30 - 5:30 Grades K - 3. Please register.

Astronaut Training Camp July 31 from 2:00 - 3:00 Ages 3-5 but open to all ages. Please register.

Back to School Storytime August 5 from 11:00 - 11:30 Grades K - 3. Please Register.

Best of Science Matters July 17 from 11:00 - 12:00 All ages. Please register.

Book Club July 12 from 11:00 - 12:00 "Circe" by Madeline Miller. August 9 from 11:00 - 12:00 Stop by library to draw out of a hat. Adults. Please register.

Conversations that Matter July 5 & 19, August 2 & 16 from 10:00 - 11:00

Coding Obstacle Course July 20 from 11:00 - 12:00 Grades K- 3. Please register. July 10 from 4:30 - 5:30 Grades 4-8 . Please register.

Fandom Feud - Marvel Edition August 15 from 5:30 - 6:30 Grades 4-8. Please register.

I need my space! Magic Show presented by Mathew Taylor July 13 from 2:00 -3:00 All ages. Please register.

Pretend Play August 6 Around Town theme. August 13 Community Helpers theme from 11:00 - 11:45 Ages 3-5. Please register.

Puppet Karaoke July 18 from 5:30 - 6:30 Grades K-3. Please register.

Saturday Baby Storytime July 6 and August 3 from 10:30 - 11:00 For ages 6-24 months.

Sensory Play and Learn August 7 & 14 from 10:30 - 11:00 For ages 6-24 months.

Space is the place presented by Wump Mucket Puppets July 24 from 11:00 - 12:00 All ages. Please register.

Storytime at the Playground July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 from 11:00 to 11:30 at the Primary School on Macready Geared for ages 3-5 but all ages welcome. No registration. Rain cancels.

Tales to Tails July 13 and August 10 from 10:30 - 11:30. Read to a therapy dog. Ages 4 and up. Please register.

Ten Commandments of Baseball August 10 from 10:30 -12:00. Author J.D. Thorne presents his book, "The Ten Commandments of Baseball : An Affectionate Look at Joe McCarty's Principles for Success in Baseball (and Life). Butler County Hall of Fame Coach Mike Mueller will introduce the speaker. All ages welcome. Please register.

Calendar of Events

Here is a page you can add to the already many items on your refrigerator!

- [Light Up the Sky](#) - July 4th at the Monroe Community Park.
- [Movie in the Park](#) - July 13th at the Monroe Community Park. *Incredibles 2*
- [Monroe Night Out](#) - August 1st 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 220 Yankee Road.
- [Women's Self Defense Class](#) - August 5th & 6th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Monroe Community Room.
- [Touch-a-Truck](#) - August 9th 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Monroe Community Park.
- [Movie in the Park](#) - August 10 at the Monroe Community Park. *How to Train Your Dragon - The Hidden World*
- [Paws Adoption Center](#) - Paws-A-Palooza. August 24th at Monroe Community Park from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- [Monroe Historical Society](#) - General membership meeting, August 29th at 7 p.m. 6 East Avenue. Program is Sears, Roebuck and Company "kit" houses.
- [Movie in the Park](#) - September 7 at the Monroe Community Park. *Ralph Breaks the Internet*.
- [Nathanial Sackett Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution](#) - Regular meeting. September 18th at 6 East Avenue beginning at 7 p.m.
- [Monroe Historical Society Paranormal Investigation](#) - September 28th at 8 p.m.
- [Queen City Mobile Food Truck Association Food Truck Fair](#) - October 5th from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Monroe Community Park.
- [Monroe Rotary Club](#) - October 19th 5k Run/Walk.
- [Monroe Historical Society Ghost Walk](#) - October 19th at Mound Cemetery.
- [Monroe Lions Club Annual Pancake Breakfast](#) - December 7 at 220 Yankee Road.

Additional events, times, dates, and locations may change. Updates will appear in future newsletters and social media.

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Monroe, Ohio 45050

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cityhall@monroeohio.org

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Fire Non Emergency - 513-539-8380
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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