

VILLAGE OF EAST SPARTA 2018 FALL INTO SPRING 2019 NEWSLETTER

Hello residents and supporters of East Sparta. The following is a listing of planned events to help you know what is happening in our little village. As we all realize volunteerism is at an all-time low. That is why we are so fortunate to have your help. Additional events will be added when planned and you will be advised through flyers, FaceBook and our village website which is www.villageofeastsparta.com. Of course the word of mouth method is still the best. There are links at this site which will allow checking other local organizations, our Mayor, council information and our Sandy Valley Cardinals. Our Face Book address is [East Sparta, Pike Twp. and Sandyville](#). We will try to update events with posters and Press News articles. Check the calendar on our webpage for daily scheduled events. The following are events scheduled to date:

September 6 – **Property Maintenance Ordinance** for the Village of East Sparta becomes effective. One aspect of this ordinance involves a prohibition on placing grass clippings or leaves in the streets, alleys and roadways of the Village. Grass clippings and leaves blown into streets are not only an eyesore and a hazard to cyclists and motorists, but also damage creeks and lakes, clog storm drains, cause flooding and increase maintenance costs to the Village. It is therefore important to abide by this ordinance. Village police and the zoning inspector can issue citations which may result in a mandatory fine of \$150.00 and possibly subject you to jail time. No one wants to be fined or go to jail over yard waste in the streets. See copy attached.

September 21 – Homemade **spaghetti sauce** will be for sale at \$5.00 a quart. Sponsored by the ESVFD Auxiliary. Call Sue Freitag (330.866.3142) to order some of this delicious sauce.

September 28 – **Pizza Time** – Who doesn't like pizza? You can have your pizza and support the Community Building at the same time. Supremes are \$12 while the Cheese and Pepperoni pizzas are \$10. You can have your pizza and support the Community Building Maintenance Fund at the same time. Call Linda if you want one made especially for you.

October 6 – Jimmy & Tammy's **Craft Show** will be held in the East Sparta Community Building. Hours are 9:00a to 4:00p. Please call Tammy Tucker for more info.

September 6-October 16 – Cub & Boy Scouts will be taking presale **popcorn** orders. Contact any Scout to place an order. Who doesn't need some popcorn when it's to support such a good cause?

September 20-22 – Fall Ride Week

October-December - Legion is selling \$10 **raffle tickets** starting this month through December. This is their main fundraiser so let's support them and we may win \$50. There are three winners a month of \$50 for the months of January through June. See any Legionnaire for tickets.

October 9 – Sandy Valley Community Park & Pool **Benefit Supper** – Ten dollars (\$10) will get you a tossed salad, scalloped potatoes, green beans, baked sirloin, jello and beverage. Hours: 4:00-7:00p. See you at the Crossroads Restaurant for this good meal while supporting our Community Pool.

October 12 – **Euchre** time again. Registration at 6:30p with play beginning at 7:00p. Cost is only \$5.00.

October 13 – Let's support our future. The Scouts will be having their annual **Spaghetti Supper** from 4:00 to 6:30 pm. This is always so delicious. There will be spaghetti and meatballs along with dessert and beverage. Get this good food at the East Sparta Methodist Church.

October 20 – **Sweetest Day** flowers and candy will be sold at Crossroads for the Homecoming fund. East Sparta Civic Association will sponsor this fundraiser. Details will be announced later

October 26 – **World Series Sub Day**. Regardless of who you are rooting for you can't lose with one of these subs. These subs are sponsored by the East Sparta Civic Assoc for the Homecoming Entertainment Fund. Call Linda at 866-3205 to order subs.

October 27 – **Boo in the Park** is for kids of all ages. This is an annual fun event which benefits our Sandy Valley Community Park. Free food, a cake walk, costume contests and more contests are planned. Don't miss this fun event. Hours are 3:00 – 5:00p.

October 31 – Trick or Treat. Halloween Trick or Treat will be held this year and in the future on the actual Halloween date. Little goblins, witches and ghosts will be out this night. Be careful – have fun!

November 3 – Jimmy & Tammy’s Craft Show in the Community Building will be held from 9:00 to 4:00p.

November 6 – Please let your voice be heard – **VOTE today. Your vote does matter.**

November 9 – Get your turkey now. The Civic Association will be serving the **annual turkey supper** with all the trimmings. Come to the East Sparta Community Building from 4:00 – 6:30p or call Linda at 866-3205 for to-go orders. Profits will benefit the Community Building in maintenance/repairs. A 50/50 will also be available for a lucky winner.

November 10 – **Scouting for Food** – Our Scouts will be picking up the bags you have filled with cans of food. This food will be given to Helping Hands. Please have your bags on your porch on November 10 by 9:00a.

November 16 – **Euchre** time again. East Sparta Community Building at 7:00p – registration begins at 6:00p. Cost is \$5 with cash prizes for first three places. Door prizes. Food/beverage available.

November 17 – The **annual Christmas Parade** will be hosted this year by Waynesburg. Details will be announced later.

November 24 – **Breakfast with Santa.** Santa again will be the star of the day at the Crossroads Restaurant from 9:00-11:00a. Kids’ \$2.00 menu is available. The East Sparta Women’s Club sponsors this fundraiser for kids of all ages. Proceeds will be placed in the Scholarship Fund for a deserving SVHS senior.

November 30 – **Pizza Time** again. Support our Community Building by buying a delicious pizza. Pick-up time begins at 3:00p. Test your luck by purchasing a 50/50 ticket.

December 2 – The tree is getting taller which will hold many more Christmas lights. The annual **Christmas Tree Lighting** will be held outside the Community Building at 6:00p. Santa and Mrs. Santa will arrive to hear all the kids’ Christmas wishes. A Santa Shop for kids with super reasonable prices will again be available. Little Miss Snowflake and Mr. Jack Frost will be chosen. Be sure to apply so you can ride in our parades. Coloring contests winners will also be chosen. Cookies and hot chocolate will be served. Entertainment surprises will happen. Join us – sponsored by the East Sparta Women’s Club.

December 7 – **Marathon Appreciation Luncheon** will again serve residents and anyone who has supported the village with a **free luncheon**. Turkey, mashed potatoes and all the trimmings will be served by Marathon employees. Everyone come to the Community Building from 11:00a to 1:00p. Thanks Marathon. We appreciate

December 8 – This month’s **Craft Show** will be held in the East Sparta Community Building. The hours are 9:00 to 4:00p. Don’t miss this one – there will be a lot of Christmas gift ideas.

December 16 – **Santa at the Cabin.** Yes, Santa has scheduled a visit to the Pike Township Historical Society’s Log Cabin from 2:00-4:00 pm. Tour the cabin and see Santa in this one visit.

TBA – **ESVFD Firehouse Santa** will be wishing all a Merry Christmas from our beautiful fire truck. He will begin his trip in Sandyville at 6:00p and ride to East Sparta afterward. The ESVFD Auxiliary will be selling their yummy peanut brittle and hardtack candy. Call Sue at 866-3142 to place orders.

JANUARY 1, 2019 – **HAVE A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR.**

January 11 – Don’t forget **Euchre**. Play begins at 7:00p with registration beginning at 6:00p. Cost is \$5.00 with cash prizes and door prizes. Food is available. Meet us at the Community Building.

January 22 – Last day to order your **Super Bowl Subs** from our Cub Scouts. Call Linda at 866-3205 to order. Subs will be available on Super Bowl Sunday

February 3 – **Super Bowl Game.** Don’t bet on the Browns being there but you can eat your sub if you pick it up from the Cub Scouts at 2:00p. Hopefully the Browns will at least win a game this season.

February 8 – Monthly **Euchre** time. Cost still only \$5.00. Play begins at 7:00p. Community Building

February 10 – **Scout Sunday.** Thanks to all the leaders who give their time to our future.

February 13/14 – Flowers and candy are a hit for **Valentine’s Day**. Crossroads is where you can find members of the Civic Association selling these items. Call Linda at 866-3205 to place your order.

March 2 – Our Boy Scout Troop 38 will again be preparing their delicious **chili**. The place to be is the East Sparta Methodist Church from 4:00p-6:30p. Dessert and beverage are included. Let’s help our Scouts and eat well also.

March 8 – Euchre tonight begins at 7:00p. Cost is \$5.00. See you at the Community Building. Join us – it's fun!

March 26 – Pizza orders are being taken by the East Sparta Cub Scouts. Call Linda at 866-3205 to place orders.

April 6 – Pick up those pizzas from the Cub Scouts. Enjoy!

April 13 – The annual **Easter Egg Hunt** will happen this day at the East Sparta Community Building yard at noon. Lots of eggs will be waiting to be found. Don't miss these prizes. Sponsored by the East Sparta Civic Association

April 28 – Tri-Country Trail Association's **Easter Ride** and children's games/egg hunt

May 11/12 – **Mother's Day** Flowers and candy are always a hit with Mom. Crossroads is where you will find members of the Civic Association selling these items. Call Marguerite at 866-2004 to place orders.

May 10 – Let's enjoy a night of **Euchre**. Cost only \$5. Play starts at 7:00p at the Community Building.

May 17/18 – Community **Spring Garage Sales** are back. This time we are trying a little later in the month hopefully to have warmer temperatures. Spring cleaning = garage sales. Sales available from 9:00a to 4:00p. Free maps are for the asking. Call Linda to have your sale placed on the map. The Eat Stand will be open

May 17,18,19 – Tri-County Trail Association's **Spring Ride Weekend**. Enjoy family style meals; organized trail rides on Saturday & Sunday.

May 24 – Time for **pizza**. The Civic Association will again be selling pizza. Pick up begins at 3:00p.

May 27– **Memorial Day Parade**

June 1 – Last **Euchre** night for the season. Meet at the Community Building where play begins at 7:00. Cost is \$5.

June 13,14,15,16,&17 – Tri-Co's **Summer Bash Weekend**. Trail Challenges for any age. Lots of fun things to do.

June 15 – Pike Township Historical Society will have the Log Cabin open for the annual **Log Cabin Day**. Good food, a tour through the cabin and other fun surprises will be there. For more info call Kay at 330.866-2761.

June – East Sparta's **81st Annual Homecoming** will present a big celebration. Lots of events planned.

More details to be announced later (All dates/events are subject to change.)

Dollar General has opened and is busy at the traffic light at the intersection of Rt. 800 & Westbrook. Another new opening in 2018 is Creekside Cottage Winery. They have entertainment, food and good wine.

Thanks again to all of our volunteers and supporters of our village. And many, many thanks to our businesses who constantly support our fundraisers. These are the backbone of any municipality. Volunteers are so needed – not just in East Sparta but all over America. We are all so busy but if you have time and can volunteer in any way you will feel a lot better – meet new people, reconnect with friends all while helping the village. East Sparta is a small typical town trying to better itself in appearance and administration. We are looking forward to our annual 81st Annual Homecoming. Not many villages have enjoyed this longevity. Please attend the nightly events. Without volunteers continued homecomings will be impossible.

Our churches are instrumental to our village. Tim Carlson is the pastor of the East Sparta Christian Church. Along with his wife Patty they have fit right in with our village. And our Pastor Peggy Garner of the East Sparta Methodist Church is always available when needed. Call Pastor Carlson at (330)866-2552 and Pastor Garner at (330)866-3341.

Our organizations would appreciate hearing from you. Please attend a meeting or call for more information.

American Legion Post 244 – Any current active member serving our country or any wartime veteran is eligible to become a legion member. East Sparta's Isaac L. Kinney Post 244 meets the first Thursday of each month in the Community Building at 7:00p. Contact Commander Terry Potter at 330.484.2624.

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 244 – Any veteran or his or her spouse, mother, sister, daughter, granddaughter, grandmother of a veteran who served during certain war dates are eligible for membership. Legion Auxiliary meets the second Thursday of each month (except July) at 12:30p at the Crossroads Restaurant. The auxiliary

supports the Legion and serves to enhance the lives of veterans and their families. Call President Sue Freitag at (330)866-3142.

Boy/Cub Scouts Troop 38 – Both Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts meet each Tuesday evening at the East Sparta Methodist Church. The Cub Scouts meet at 6:30 while the Boy Scouts meet at 7:00p. This is an organization which has helped so many boys and East Sparta is fortunate in having produced many Eagle Scouts. The scouts have helped the community in so many respects. Call Boy Scout Leader Mike Billig at 330.478.5608 or Ashley Blanton for the Cub Scouts.

East Sparta Civic Association – Anyone interested in promoting the civic interests in the village is welcome. Civic meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30p in the Community Building. Call President Linda Muir at 866-3205. ***To rent the Community Building for your parties/events, call Linda Muir at (330)866-3205.***

East Sparta Fire Department – This volunteer department has been in existence since 1938-39. It is one of the most well equipped and trained volunteer departments in Ohio. We are proud to have the benefit of this safety organization. Meeting each Tuesday at 7:00p. Please contact Chief Arnie Adams at (330)327-8820.

East Sparta Fire Department Auxiliary – You do not have to have a member in the Fire Dept. to join the auxiliary. The group feeds the fire fighters after events & helps as needed. Your membership is welcomed. Meeting time is the first Thursday of each month at 6:30p at the Firehouse. Call President Sue Freitag at 866-3142 for more info.

East Sparta Water Board – Meetings are held the second Monday of each month at 7:00p at the new Water Treatment Plant at 1505 Farber Street. Calls can be made to Board President Bob Easterday at (330)866-3577 or the Treatment Plant at (330)694-1272.

East Sparta Women's Club – This club was organized in 1967 and its objective is to promote and participate in philanthropic endeavors, educational, civic, and social functions of the vicinity. It meets the second Monday of each month at 12:30p at the Community Building. We would love to have you join us. Call President Lovina Riggs at (330)866-9470.

Pike Township Historical Society – East Sparta, Sandyville and Pike Township comprises this society which meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30p in our Log Cabin in the summer. Meetings in the colder weather are at 5:00p at Crossroads Restaurant for dinner with the meeting following at 6:00p. Come join us and learn a lot more about your area. Please call President Kay Weisen at (330)866-2761. Check out the Pike Township Historical Society Face book page.

Sandy Valley Baseball – East Sparta is fortunate to have newly built ball fields for kids of all ages. Thanks to all the coaches and leaders who give their time to help kids have fun. Call Ann Ellington.

Tri-Division Ambulance District – One has to be highly trained to be an employee of our Tri-Division squad. Thanks to all who have saved many of our lives and who are there for us when needed.

Village of East Sparta – Council meetings are held the third Monday of each month at 7:00p at the Municipal Building. You are welcome and encouraged to attend a meeting and voice any concern. Mayor Don Stropki can be reached at 330.866.2977. Clerk Doug Neading can be reached at 330.209.8507. The Municipal Building phone number is: (330)866-2977. The Water Department Plant Operations can be reached by calling 330.694.1272. The Water Department Billing Clerk's phone number is 330.694.1113. Check our webpage for council meeting minutes/water board meeting minutes and other village information. www.villageofeastsparta.com This is a new web page. Our Face Book address is **East Sparta, Pike Township and Sandyville**. Our Face book is also shown on our webpage. Let us know how we can better communicate.

HAVE A GOOD YEAR EAST SPARTA

