

Village of Morristown

Summer 2010 Newsletter



Coal Supporters Also Support Our Kids

The Independent Supporters of Coal (ISCOal), a non-profit organization that supports the local coal mining industry, is also a supporter of Morristown and our kids. Most noticeably, the organization funded construction of the two shelters at the Lynn-Hunkler Memorial Park. Recently, the company put a Morristown boy in the driver's seat of a soap box derby car.

Eleven-year-old Steven Petrey won the honor of driving the ISCoal-sponsored car in the Martins Ferry Soap Box Derby on June 13th. Steven was among children from across the Ohio Valley who sent their information to the ISCoal website between March 1st and May 3rd in hopes of becoming a derby car driver. Steven's name was drawn on May 3rd. His entry fee, helmet, car set-up, shirt, and lunch were provided by ISCoal. Steven made an impressive first appearance in the derby, placing 16th out of 57 entrants. He is the son of Pia and Dewayne Petrey of Main Street.

ISCOal supports the local coal mining industry and educates the public on the benefits of coal.



ISCOal put Steven Petrey in the driver's seat of its Soap Box Derby car this summer. Steven (far right) is pictured with ISCoal and village representatives, from left: Emily Reed, ISCoal, Mayor Gordon Price, Todd Graham of the Park Commission, Patrick Dubiel of ISCoal, and Steven's parents, Dewayne and Pia Petrey.

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Honored Guests at First Game

Betty Hunkler Modie (far right), had the honor of throwing out the first pitch of the first official game held May 5th at the Lynn-Hunkler Memorial Park at Morristown. Betty is pictured with her brother and his wife, Bill and Alice Hunkler of Barnesville. It was the generous donations from Betty and her family that have made the park possible.

We're online at www.morristownohio.org

Girls' Softball Tourney on Tap

They were in the dugout, but these players (right) were still in the game because they were on the girls' softball team that played the first official game at the Lynn-Hunkler Memorial Park on May 5th.

Morristown area residents are invited to see the girls play in the Lynn-Hunkler Memorial Inaugural Softball Tournament, a girls' fast-pitch competition, to be held August 18-22. The tourney will feature girls 10 and under with each team guaranteed three games. For information, contact Beth Robb at 740-238-1788.



Village Council Highlights

Governing bodies of every village, township and city have a responsibility to protect the health and safety of the general public. This responsibility comes with the right to regulate activities that might harm residents. That is why Morristown Village Council recently approved an ordinance concerning garbage.

Council meets on the second Monday of the month at 6 p.m. in the village office.

Ordinance No. 10-2 was approved June 7th and governs the keeping and disposal of household garbage in the village.

It is important that residents do not let household garbage accumulate uncovered along the street and on private property. This creates a health risk by attracting animals that break open the bags and skatter the contents.

Highlights of the ordinance are as follows:

Each householder in Morristown must have at least one and no more than three metal or plastic garbage containers between 10 and 35 gallons capacity. The containers must be air-tight, watertight and have a close-fitting lid to hold all accumulated garbage between collection

dates. Garbage containers must be placed near the curb, but not within the street or any other public place. Residents must place their garbage curbside no more than 24 hours before collection. The garbage containers should also be removed from the street after collection. Violators of this ordinance will be guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If you

have questions regarding this or any village ordinance, call 740-782-1551.

Park District Formed

After taking all the legal steps required, the Morristown Park District was formed by resolution at the June 7th council meeting. This action required the establishment of a Park Commission. Mayor Gordon Price appointed Vicki Burghy (three year term), Robin Thomas (two years), and Todd Graham (one year) to the Park Commission. This body will now oversee all park operations, capital improvements, and fundraising.

Commissioners to Meet Here

The Belmont County Commissioners will conduct their September meeting at Morristown on Sept. 13th. Tentative plans are for the meeting to be held in the shelter house at the Lynn-Hunkler Memorial Park. The public is invited to attend.

Did you know... that a variety of information about county government and how it operates can be obtained by logging onto the Belmont County Commissioners' website at www.belcc.com? Minutes of commissioners' meetings, budget information and other useful items are found there.

CURFEW REMINDER

Remember, all young people under the age of 18 must be off the streets by 10 p.m. unless accompanied by a parent or guardian (Ordinance No 93-21). Recent violations of the ordinance have prompted the village to issue this reminder. The firehouse whistle that blows each night at 10 o'clock is an audible reminder of this curfew that is meant to keep our children safe and our neighborhoods peaceful after dark.

