

Dear Friend:

It feels like just yesterday we were sweltering in Ohio's humid, 90* summer, and now we, or at least I, am freezing in the 60-70* September temperatures. With school back in session, please remember to take it slow on the roads, stop for school buses, and put the phone down. There are children out and about all hours of the day, patience and diligence behind the wheel is our responsibility as drivers.

This September, I had the incredible honor and privilege to host and speak at a Naturalization Ceremony, where 25 individuals took their final steps in their long, arduous journey, to join us as fellow Americans by swearing an Oath of Allegiance to our great nation; The United States of America. This ceremony took months of planning, and coordination to make sure it went smoothly. You can read more about this Naturalization Ceremony on [my blog](#) in the coming days.



As always, I am out and about attending a number of community events. Hopefully I will see some of you at the second annual Rotary Clambake (read more later on), the Friends of Twinsburg Public Library Reverse Raffle (read more later on), or the Spook-tacular event through the Parks and Recreation Department. I always love meeting new neighbors and friends in our great city.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jonah T. Pichette".

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E-Bikes and Rules of the Road

I'll be honest, I didn't know much about e-bikes until a few weeks ago. I was surprised to learn just how quickly the e-biking community has grown. There are different "classes" of e-bikes, specific rules about where you can and cannot ride them, and even additional regulations depending on the situation. One issue that has caught the attention of many communities is the increasing number of young children riding e-bikes without fully understanding the risks or rules.

To help with this, the City of Twinsburg Police Department has put together a clear and helpful infographic on **E-Bike Rules of the Road**. I encourage you to take a look and share it with others. It's a great resource for keeping both riders and our community safe.

WHAT TO KNOW

ELECTRIC BICYCLE RULES

ORC 373.06, 373.13

CLASS 1: Pedal assisted only, motor cuts out at 20MPH

CLASS 2: Pedal and throttle controlled, motor cuts out at 20MPH

CLASS 3: Pedal and throttle controlled, motor cuts out at 28MPH

Every bicycle or electric bicycle must be equipped with white front light, rear red reflector and have a working brake.



e-bikes

CLASS 1 & CLASS 2 E-BIKES

- If any bike is on the roadway, **ALL TRAFFIC LAWS** must be followed
- The motor cannot be engaged on the sidewalk
- Allowed on bike paths and shared-use trails

CLASS 3 E-BIKES

- If any bike is on the roadway, **ALL TRAFFIC LAWS** must be followed
- Not permitted on sidewalks, bike or shared-use paths
- Exception: Allowed if the path is next to a road or specifically authorized by the City

NATURAL SURFACE & SINGLE-TRACK TRAILS

- E-bikes (Class 1, 2, or 3) are not allowed on trails meant for hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, or similar uses
- Unless authorized by the Municipality

LAW ENFORCEMENT EXEMPTION

- Rules do not apply to officers using e-bikes while performing official duties

CLASS 3 AGE & SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- Riders must be 16 or older to operate
- Under 16 may ride as a passenger, if the bike allows
- All riders and passengers must wear a helmet that meets safety standards

Violations may result in a minor misdemeanor



To learn more





Ward One Resource Day Recap

Councilman Bonacci's Ward One Resource Day was a success! It was great to attend both as a resident, and member of the Environmental Commission where I was able to thoughtfully engage with a number of neighbors, community non-profits, and county officials. I'm optimistic that Councilman Bonacci will continue to host such a meaningful event, and will be eager to attend again in the future. I hope you attend!

Construction Continues



Construction will continue on the long-anticipated Ravenna/Shepard/Broadway/Richmond intersection improvement project.

Stay Informed

At least one lane of traffic in each direction will remain open throughout construction. Access to homes, businesses, and nearby streets will also be maintained. The City of Twinsburg will continue to share updates and notify the public in advance of any changes in traffic patterns.

Learn more here, <https://bit.ly/3Ti7fER>

Rotary Clambake

The Twinsburg Rotary Club is hosting their second annual Rotary Clambake, on Saturday, October 4th. With only 100 tickets for sale for the low price of \$50 it's a great deal! Last year my wife and I both had bought tickets, and I unfortunately had to miss it due to an illness. I am really looking forward to making this one, will I see you there? [Buy your tickets here.](#)

**ROTARY CLUB OF TWINSBURG
CLAM BAKE**

EVENT DETAILS
Date: Saturday, October 4th
Location: 9550 Liberty Rd.
Twinsburg
(Red Barn)
Cost: \$50 per person

EVENT TIMELINE
Appetizers 6:00pm
Dinner Buffet 7:30pm
Dessert 8:30pm
Raffles 9:00pm

REGISTER HERE

MENU
APPETIZER
Only \$50 Per Person
Huge charcuterie board
MAIN COURSE
BBQ/Plain Chicken
Corn on the Cob
Sweet Potato Casserole
Loaded Mashed Potato Casserole
Homestyle Baked Beans
Cole Slaw
1 dozen middle neck Clams
Salad
Roll and Butter
DESSERT
Assorted cakes and cookies
BEVERAGES
Beer & Wine
Coffee/Tea/Water/Pop

Proceeds benefit Rotary projects





Foundation of Twinsburg Public Library Reverse Raffle

Buy your tickets for the Foundation of Twinsburg Public Library Reverse Raffle! Only 100 tickets are sold for the event taking place on November 13th, at 6:30pm. You can win a trip to one of four fantastic locations, or choose \$2,500 in cash. [Learn more about it here.](#) This has become a favorite of mine (even though I am terribly unlucky).

Dates to Remember

E-Waste Recycling - Saturday, Oct 4th - 9AM-1PM @ Twinsburg Public Library. Recycle your old electronic devices and help save the planet! Hosted by Summit e-Waste.

Spook-tacular Fall Family Fest - Saturday, October 18th, 11AM - 2PM @ Glen Chamberlin Park. [Read more here.](#)

Trick or Treat - Friday, October 31st 6PM-8PM - Throughout the City.

Safety Force Open House - Wednesday, October 8th, 5PM - 7:30PM @ Fire Station #1/City Hall. Mark your calendars! The Twinsburg Safety Forces Open House is happening on Wednesday, October 8th, from 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM at Fire Station #1/City Hall.

There will be a FREE raffle for some great items—including the chance to win the Police Raptor Power Wheels—and plenty of FREE food while you enjoy all the demos and displays.

As you can see from the photos, Officer Klein couldn't resist taking the Police Raptor Power Wheels for a spin and even managed to make a quick traffic stop. Don't worry—no tickets were written, but there may have been a warning issued for speeding in the toy aisle.

Bring the family, check out the equipment and demonstrations, and maybe leave with the coolest set of wheels in town for your future officer-in-training. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Open House.

