JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARK & FISHING ACCESS



DEVELOPMENT OF THE PARK

THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES WANTED TO DEVELOP A PARK FOR THE COMMUNITY. THE TOWNSHIP OWNED 10 ACRES OF BOTTOM LAND AND WOODED AREA RUNNING ALONG LITTLE DARBY CREEK AT THE REAR OF PLEASANT HILL CEMETERY. THE TRUSTEES FELT THAT THIS WOULD BE A GOOD SITE FOR A COMMUNITY PARK WITH ACCESS FOR FISHING. THIS WAS MADE POSSIBLE WHEN THE TRUSTEES OBTAINED GRANTS THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AND RECEIVED A DONATION FROM BATTELLE.

PARK HOURS

THE PARK IS OPEN EVERY DAY FROM DAYLIGHT TO DUSK. SPECIAL PERMITS MAY BE ISSUED FOR BOY SCOUT TROOPS AND SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS WISHING TO CAMP OVERNIGHT. THE PARK REMAINS A NATURAL AREA CONSISTING OF THE FOLLOWING:

SHELTER HOUSE & PICNIC AREAS



THE SHELTER HOUSE IS HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE AND WILL COMFORTABLY ACCOMMODATE 48 PEOPLE. THERE ARE TWO LARGE CHARCOAL GRILLS FOR USE. GROUP RESERVATIONS ARE AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE. ADDITIONAL PICNIC TABLES ARE LOCATED ALONG THE WOODED AREA.

JOGGING TRACK

THE BLACKTOP TRACK IS 1/5 MILE AND IS SUITABLE FOR WALKING OR JOGGING.

PLAY AREA



THE IN-FIELD IS AVAILABLE FOR GENERAL ATHLETICS OR PLAY. PERSONAL EQUIPMENT MUST BE USED BUT IT IS PERFECT FOR VOLLEYBALL, BADMINTON, SOCCER, OR CORN HOLE GAMES.

BIRD WATCHING

5 BLUEBIRD HOUSES ARE PROVIDED IN THE HOPES OF ATTRACTING BLUEBIRDS. OTHER SPECIES OF BIRDS ARE PLENTIFUL. AN OCCASIONAL GREAT BLUE HERON CAN BE SEEN FEEDING IN LITTLE DARBY CREEK.

NATURE TRAILS



PART OF THE WOODED AREA IS MOWED FOR EASY WALKING FOR VIEWING BIRDS, BUTTERFLIES, WILDFLOWERS, AND OTHER WILDLIFE. MANY SPECIES OF AQUATIC LIFE MAY BE SEEN IN THE FEEDER STREAM AND IN LITTLE DARBY CREEK.

FISHING ACCESS



A TRAIL LEADING TO SEVERAL FISHING ACCESS AREAS PROVIDE A PLACE TO FISH FROM THE BANK.

BLUEGILLS, CRAPPIES, CATFISH, BASS, AND OTHER SPECIES CAN BE CAUGHT USING EITHER LIVE BAIT OR ARTIFICIAL BAITS. OHIO FISHING LICENSE IS REQUIRED.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR FOR RESERVATIONS CALL THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE AT: 614-879-8606 OR BY E-MAIL AT jeffersontownship@att.net.