

Community news

Organization slates campaign kickoff

Citizens For Westerville will kick off a campaign in support of the city's income tax restructuring plan from 6:30-8 p.m. Monday at the Antrim Shelter House at Heritage Park, 60 N. Cleveland Ave.

The family-friendly event will feature free picnic food, plus information about Issue 54 on the Nov. 4 ballot.

Citizens For Westerville also will hold a sign-up drive for others interested in helping with the campaign.

In case of bad weather, the event will be held at the American Legion hall on College Avenue.

If passed, Issue 54 would change Westerville's income tax rate from

1.25 percent to 2 percent, with a full credit on taxes paid to other municipalities by city residents who work outside of Westerville. It would raise approximately \$10.6-million in new revenue, according to information from the city.

Park, trail work set for Sept. 13

The Friends of Alum Creek & Tributaries (FACT) is seeking volunteers to help remove invasive honeysuckle bushes and trash from Cooper Park and along the Alum Creek Greenway trail.

The cleanup day is set for 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 13.

Cooper Park is on the far north side of Columbus, just west of state

Route 3 (Westerville Road). Volunteers will meet at the park's picnic shelter.

Boy Scouts and students from Columbus schools and Otterbein College are expected to assist. Workers should wear long pants, hats and work boots or other heavy shoes.

Please bring tools such as heavy-duty pruners, loppers, long-handled shovels, bow saws and/or chain saws. FACT will provide gloves, trash bags, snacks and beverages.

For more information, visit www.friendsofalumcreek.org or call (614) 409-0511.

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