

Below are comments from just a few of our supporters...

“This year, we also feed the hope that our county’s Metroparks system continues to grow and maintain its 45 miles of trails at ten parks and facilities throughout the most beautiful county of Ohio, free and accessible for all Ashtabula County residents and visitors.”
- Ashtabula County Metroparks

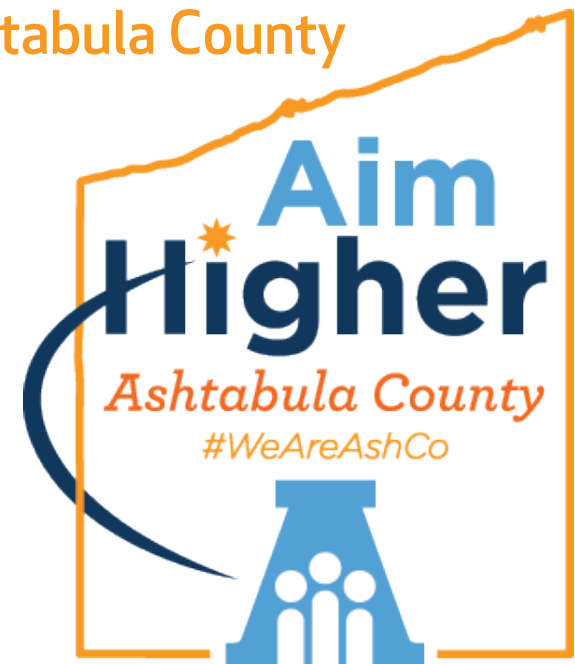
“We are an industry that relies heavily on faith, hope and hard work. From the seeds we plant and the animals we raise, faith, hope and hard work keep farmers feeding the world.”
- The Ashtabula County Farm Bureau

“The YMCA is so much more than a gym - we exist to strengthen the foundations of our community. If you really think about it, our raffle funds hope by ensuring we are able to identify and meet community needs through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind and body for all.”
- The Ashtabula County YMCA

“The Aim Higher Committee, coordinated by Rep. John Patterson, was formed to provide hope and promote the good things within our community. In addition to coordinating the inspiring ‘Week of Hope,’ the group seeks to make even greater impact. The Committee is currently working toward putting together workforce development subcommittees to discuss not only what is being done in the schools and community in regard to workforce development, but what is also being done in respect of Trauma Informed Care with some of those initiatives. We are seeing an ever-growing population of students graduating high school who are not ready for the workforce due to traumas they have experienced. Initially we want to have two subcommittees - one to discuss the workforce development currently being implemented for the community, and the other for those involved in the school-based workforce development initiatives. Our hope is to eventually combine these committees to talk about how we may be able to fill the gaps.”
- Workforce Development & Education Leaders

Aim Higher Ashtabula County

Week of Hope begins



September 13, 2019

The Week of Hope will celebrate the hope and beauty of Ashtabula County;
From our wide open green spaces and beautiful natural resources to the people who choose this special place in which to raise a family;
From our diverse and unique business community to the groups, clubs and organizations that celebrate our history and family traditions;
From our religious community who keeps us firmly grounded in our beliefs to our schools and educators who give us the knowledge and wings to take flight;

We will celebrate what brings us together as one family.

We Are Ashtabula County

Share your stories of success and hope by using

#WeAreAshCo

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week of Hope Activities

Friday, September 13

Event: Feed The Hope • **Time:** 9 am

Where: Ashtabula Towne Square

Saturday, September 14

Event: Ashtabula County Metroparks Friends of the Parks raffle

Where: Harpersfield Covered Bridge

Sunday, September 15

Event: Walk for the Cure • **Time:** 11 am

Where: Geneva High School

Monday, September 16

Event: Ohio Farm Bureau Annual Dinner

Time: 6 pm • **Where:** Spring Hill Winery

Event: Job Seeking in Ashtabula County free workshop • **Time:** 6:30-7:30 pm

Where: Ashtabula Public Library

Tuesday, September 17

Event: Introduction to Windows 10 and Microsoft Word • **Time:** 10 am - noon

Where: Ashtabula Public Library
Advanced Registration Required

Event: Second Chance Citizen Circle, Reentry

Time: 11 am - 1 pm

Where: Ashtabula Public Library

Sunday, September 22

Event: Higher Hope. Higher Praise • **Time:** 4 pm

A concert to help us aim higher and energize the hopes and dreams of all Ashtabula County.

Where: Jefferson Area High School Auditorium

Featuring: The Jefferson Area Children's Choir

Dramatic sketches and live band.

Pastors sharing prayers and Scripture readings on HOPE.

Come and join in the adventure

If you want your kids to join Sunday school class (Grade K-8) or others to be in the choir, call for more details. Contact Steve Sargent at 440-969-5553 or Dr. Mick Gilliam at 765-623-4630

Event: Growth Partnership honors Best of the County

Time: 5:30 pm • **Where:** Spire

Event: Creating a Winning Résumé

Time: 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Where: Ashtabula Public Library

Thursday, September 19

Event: Rural America Tackling the Drug Epidemic

Time: 7 pm *(following the Township Meeting)*

Where: A-Tech

Saturday, September 21

Event: Race Against Violence/Zonta Walk

Time: 9 am • **Where:** Lakeshore Park

Event: International Day of Peace, ADDA

Time: noon - 4 pm • **Where:** South Park

Event: Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Beach Cleanup

Time: 9 am • **Where:** Walnut Beach Park

Event: YMCA Raffle

Time: 5:30 pm • **Where:** Andrus Party Center

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One Book, One County Community Programming

Hosted by Ashtabula County District Library (ACDL), book discussions will be held at libraries across the County. The book is *Lost Connections: Uncovering the Real Causes of Depression— and the Unexpected Solutions* by Johann Hari. See library websites for additional information.

Four-part series

(Ashtabula, Conneaut, Geneva and other libraries - TBD):

- **Session 1:** Introduction and Film: TED talk by Johann Hari
- **Session 2:** Part 1: The Crack in the Old Story
- **Session 3:** Part 2: Disconnection: Nine Causes of Depression and Anxiety
- **Session 4:** Part 3: Reconnection. Or, a Different Kind of Antidepressant

September 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1

Event: Ashtabula Public Library Discussion Series

Time: noon - 1 pm • 6 - 7 pm (repeated)

Where: Ashtabula Library

September 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2

Event: Conneaut Public Library Book Discussion Series

Time: 6 - 7 pm

Where: Conneaut Library

September 16, 23, 30, Oct. 7

Event: Geneva Public Library Book Discussion Series

Time: 6 - 7 pm

Where: Geneva Library

Monday, September 16

Event: One Book, One County Book Discussion on *Lost Connections: Uncovering the Real Causes of Depression— and the Unexpected Solutions* (pt. 1 of 4)

Time: 6 - 7 pm

Where: Geneva Public Library

Tuesday, September 17

Event: One Book, One County Book Discussion on *Lost Connections: Uncovering the Real Causes of Depression— and the Unexpected Solutions* (pt. 2 of 4)

Time: noon - 1 pm • 6 - 7 pm (repeated)

Where: Ashtabula Public Library

Wednesday, September 18

Event: One Book, One County Book Discussion on *Lost Connections: Uncovering the Real Causes of Depression— and the Unexpected Solutions* (pt. 2 of 4)

Time: 6 - 7 pm

Where: Conneaut Public Library

Monday, September 23

Event: Henderson Memorial Public Library TED Talk and Book Discussion Event

Time: 6 - 7:30 pm

Where: Henderson Memorial Public Library

Tuesday, October 15

Event: Author Presentation: Johann Hari

Time: 7-9 pm

Where: Lakeside High School