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Opening Day comes to Twinsburg Township Ballfield
Diamonds in the Rough plans Inaugural Game on new field

Twinsburg Township, Summit County, Ohio – October 3, 2019 – As the saying goes, “If you build it, they will come,” and that is exactly what is happening with the new Twinsburg Township ballfield located at 8776 Harvard Road, in the Twinsburg Heights neighborhood. In mid-2018 Twinsburg Township was approached by Jonah Schulz, Founder and President of Diamonds in the Rough, with the idea of transforming old, neglected fields, into new, state of the art baseball fields.

After 12 months of planning, fundraising, and construction, residents are now ready to play ball! The inaugural game is scheduled for 1:30 PM on Saturday, October 12, 2019 at the new field. The first pitch will be thrown at approximately 2:00 PM. Parking at the field is limited, however on-street parking is available nearby. Music, ballpark snacks, and celebrations will be had by all.

“The Harvard Road property holds a lot of memories for residents of the Twinsburg Heights neighborhood, and Twinsburg Township. Having the ballfield rebuilt through donations and community support says a lot about Twinsburg. This is another opportunity for people to come together and provide the youth of Twinsburg Township with activities close to home” said Trustee Tom Schmidt.

About Diamonds in the Rough

“After my career as a baseball player had seemingly ended and my lifelong love and passion was in the rearview mirror, I searched long and hard for direction. I packed my bags in New Mexico, and returned to my hometown of Chardon, OH- the place where I fell in love with the game of baseball. I took a drive over to a local field where I had played in my first little league All-Star game. I remembered the thrill of that night under the lights, the feeling that we all look back on and long for those summer nights when all is right with the world. I came back to this field, now as a 23-year-old, longing for those nights again. Only now, the field was in shambles. Patches of grass scattered across the infield dirt, fences rusting and falling down, sloping ground throughout the field. I then realized, that in my hometown where I played and learned this amazing game, there was no longer any decent place for our youth to play ball. This inspired me to create Diamonds In The Rough, an organization that partners with local government, businesses and the community to transform neglected baseball fields into state-of-the-art ballparks. Too many communities now lack adequate playing surfaces for local teams. I believe that everyone, regardless of where they live, should have access to a quality ballpark that the community can be proud of. The game of baseball has been the love of my life and I want to share that love in your community.” For more information, contact Jonah Schultz via telephone at (440) 226-9873 or via e-mail at jonah@diamondsintheroughballparks.org.

About Twinsburg Township

Twinsburg Township was founded in 1817, had a population of 2,828 in 2010. Twinsburg Township is home to an unparalleled combination of rich history, abundant natural resources, outstanding parks, well-planned neighborhoods, thriving businesses, and top-notch institutions. Whether you’re looking for a great place to live or do business, or just a spot to spend a quiet afternoon, you’ll find it all right here in Twinsburg Township. So stop by and see us sometime, and if you can’t make it in person, please check out www.twinsburgtwp.com to get a glimpse of all that Twinsburg Township has to offer. For more information, contact Robert S. Kagler, Township Manager, via telephone at (330) 425-4497 or via e-mail at rkagler@twinsburgtwp.com.

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