

A Message from the Mayor's Office

Summer is officially here, and WOW has it been hot, hot, hot!

I want to urge all residents, with school out and children outside enjoying the sunshine and playing with friends, to please slow down on streets and alleyways. Chief Ballinger has installed new radar signs throughout the Village, and will speak more on those in this newsletter.

Complimentary limb pickup is scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. The Village will no longer be picking up outside the pre-scheduled days, unless a severe storm occurs.

Village Ordinance states all trash receptacles must be stored inside or in rear yards and not visible from public streets. Trash receptacles can be set out 24 hours before trash pickup, but MUST be removed 24 hours after the scheduled trash pickup.

It is that time of year that violations are issued for sidewalk and property maintenance. Weather in the summer and fall months is the opportune time for completing exterior maintenance. It is imperative that residents that have received a violation, communicate with the Village plans for corrective action. To help maintain smooth walking surfaces, residents are encouraged to spray their sidewalks for growing grass and weeds. After mowing, please remove all grass clipping from the street and curb areas.

We've received many favorable comments on the beautification of our Village and parks. This is primarily due to residents putting forth the extra effort for their community. THANK YOU TO ALL OUR RESIDENTS WHO PUT FORTH THE EXTRA EFFORT. I'd also like to thank the Community of Faith Church for painting the shelters and for the new roof on the gazebo at Ivester Park.

The Parks and Recreation Committee was recently added to the Village of Arcanum. To better serve the community, they are asking that residents please complete the brief survey included with your utility payment, and is also available on the Village's Facebook page and website. Information collected will be used to drive the direction of plans for future projects.

The Village is proud to announce that the park expansion land has been PURCHASED!! Additionally, a grant for \$25k for the repaving of West South Street has been awarded. However, the \$750K Neighborhood Revitalization Grant was unsuccessful, but the Village will be reapplying next year.

The Village recently joined the T-N-R Partnership (Trap, Neuter, Release) with the Darke County Humane Society. Look for more information next newsletter.

Chief Troutwine has some 4th of July reminders within the newsletter, and please be respectful of your neighbors and conclude all fireworks by 11:00pm each night.

I want to wish everyone a SAFE and Happy 4th of July!!!

Prizes include:



Pay your bill online between July 1 and August 31 to be entered to win 1 of 90 prizes!



5 \$4,000 travel vouchers, 5 Apple Watches, and 80 Amazon Gift Cards.

Customers who make an online payment and are already enrolled in paperless automatically receive two entries.



Mayor Bonnie Millard may be reached by calling 692-8500 or by email: Mayor@villageof arcanum.com



Special thanks to the Preservation Society detailing the history of the Village of Arcanum's Street Department Building on this beautiful plaque.

Sign up for paperless for a second chance to win.

A Message From Police Chief Ballinger

There is a good chance many of you have already seen the new radar signs around town. These radar signs will be moved around periodically, to help raise speed awareness to traveling motorists. These radar signs have been used all over the country; generally, speeders will slow down by 80%; with speed reductions of about 10-20%, and overall returned compliance with the posted speed limit of 30-60%. Radar signs are particularly effective for those driving 20 MPH or more over the posted speed limit – to slow down.

Our radar signs are equipped with a digital readout of the driver's speed, and will flash to alert the driver of their speed. If the driver is traveling faster than the speed limit, a digital readout will signal red and blue strobes to flash, drawing more attention to the driver to slow down. Both devices will be collecting data on all speeds in the area, and data is able to be collected even if the readout is turned off. So, if you pass the machine and it doesn't show you your speed, we may have turned it off to collect data.

Usually, only one patrol officer is on duty at a time, the data collected will help us determine the best times throughout the day to enforce focused traffic enforcement in the areas where we receive complaints and have collected data. Our goal as a police department, is to find unique ways to try and provide the best service to the community we serve, and produce a 10-20% reduction in speeders in our community for the safety of everyone.

Village Offices closed for Independance Day June 12 Village Council Meeting, 7pm July 13 **Mosquito Spraying** July 13 **Preservation Society Meeting @7pm** July 14 **Limb Pickup** July 28 Park & Recreation Committee Meeting @6:30pm **Council Chambers**

July 28 Limb Pickup

June 26 Village Council Meeting, 7pm

A Message From Fire Chief Troutwine

Beginning July 1, 2022, Ohio residents can discharge consumer grade fireworks in Ohio on your own property or another person's property with their permission. Only set off fireworks where they will not cause harm, damage, or fire to oneself, others or property.

Safety in using these products is of most concern. Please read the safety procedures that is given to you by the retailer before use.

Dates and times allowed by law for the July 4th Holiday are: July 3, 4 & 5 and the Friday, Saturday and Sunday immediately before and after from 4:00pm to 11:00pm

Residents who are wanting to set off fireworks on private property, are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the new firework laws set in Ohio. Please visit www.com.ohio.gov for more information.

Let's be safe handling these products which will allow everyone to enjoy.

AWTHS July Event!

AWTHS will be holding a special event July 9th at 9am at the Ithaca cemetery. The program will feature local residents portraying in character some of our early settlers and their life stories. Some of these residents are actual descendants of the character they are talking about. Follow our event on Facebook for short bio's on each character, so you can learn about these early settlers and history of the area.

<u>Please bring a lawn chair as this is an outdoor event and will require</u> <u>some walking.</u> Rain date will be July 16.

> Arcanum Preservation Society July 4th Festivities



To register or for questions please email arcanumpreservationsociety@gmail.com or call 937-459-1157

