

A Message from the Mayor's Office

Spring Greetings!

With the arrival of spring comes April showers, and wow have we been getting our share. I am sure the ducks are delighted and our yards will be greening up nicely and mowing will begin before we know it.

The Village has gone through some major restructuring recently with Council approving the promotion of Marcus Ballinger to VA/Police Chief, Karen Deao promoted from Tax Administrator to Fiscal Officer and Pool Manager Alychia Wright has been hired full-time as the Tax Administrator. In the Police Department, Officer Kyle Yount has been promoted to Corporal and new hire, Officer Taton Bertsch was sworn in and began his training March 27th. Please welcome and congratulate all of them, as they are all deserving individuals and will provide the community with exceptional service.

Village announcements:

The Village wishes to thank you all for your continued bottle cap collection! The hard work has begun paying off as we will be receiving the first set of six new benches in April.

A community Shred-It event has been scheduled for April 8th from 9-12pm at the Village Administration Office for those of you wanting to get rid of confidential information.

VA/Police Chief Ballinger has been asked to perform as the Master of Ceremony for the Back the Blue Memorial on May 16th at the fairgrounds to honor our fallen law enforcement officers.

The Utility and Service Departments have been busy getting the ballpark and pool ready for their openings. They've installed poles for batting cages and have been renovating areas of the pool. I am excited to say the pool concessions will be offering some exciting new items this year, <u>and during the month of April the pool will be offering an Early Bird special of \$10 off any purchased membership.</u>

The Village is applying for an ODNR Recreational Trails Grant in May to further our progress in the park expansion. Until additional funding can be secured, we will however, continue working on opening the trails in the wooded area for the walking path. The work on the pickle ball courts should begin in May as the weather permits.

Service and Leisure Committee will begin their annual assessments of sidewalks, driveway approaches, and general overall property maintenance.

If anyone is planning on improvements in these areas, please contact the Office and let VA Ballinger know.

Below are several events over the next few months to mark your calendars early for!

- May 3th Culpepper & Meriweather Circus at the
- Ball Diamonds
- May 6th -AJBS Summer Sports Parade
- May 12th Serve Arcanum Day
- June 5th Arcanum Pool Opens
- June 14-17th Garage Sales & Grub Food Truck Rally
- June 16th AABA- Family Movie Night in Ivester Park
- July 4th Preservation Society's Picnic & Kiddie Parade

Enjoy Palm Sunday and Good Friday and wishing everyone a Happy Easter and understanding the true meaning of these blessed days!



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"April 1st is fools day...let's not get caught acting like one!!!"

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Tax's Due April 18th

Taxes can be filed through the mail, brought into the office or through our website. Log on to our website at www.villageofarcanum.com Click the Income Tax tab and then the Online Filing. Follow the instructions to file online. Please upload copies of your W-2's, 1099's and your Federal 1040 page 1 and Schedules C & E (if applicable).

Please remember to sign your return!!
Filing assistance welcome anytime,
appointments will be needed from April 10th18th.

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Utility/ Street Dept. News

- Residents of the Village of Arcanum are provided a complimentary tree limb removal service beginning April - October.
- <u>Hydrant Flushing</u> The Village Utility Department will be flushing hydrants on **April 18 & 19 between 7am-4pm.** This may cause some water discoloration, so residents are advised to check the water before washing, cooking, etc.
- <u>Spring Clean-Up</u> Village of Arcanum will offer residents an opportunity to dispose of large household items, picked up by Rumpke, Inc. on **Thursday**, **April 27th**.

Arcanum Preservation Society News



"Arcanum Preservation Society was excited to show State Senator Stephen A. Huffman (R-Tipp City) around the Arcanum Opera House on March 13th."

April

April 1
Pool Early Bird Special Begins

April 6 & 20 Limb Pick-Up

<u>April 8</u> Community Shred-It - 9am-12pm Village Admin. Building

> <u>April 9</u> Happy Easter

<u>April 11</u> Village Council Meeting, 7pm

> <u>April 18 & 19</u> Hydrant Flushing

<u>April 25</u> Village Council Meeting, 7pm

> April 27 Spring Clean-UP

Community Easter Egg Hunt

A community Easter egg hunt for ages 2yrs - 5th grade will be held at Ivester Park on Saturday, April 8th at 1pm rain or shine. Please be sure to bring a basket or bag for each child to collect the eggs.

Event provided by Faith United Methodist and FHC Fellowship.

Arcanum Wayne Trail Historical Society Spring Events!

Open House hours for April 15th, will be from 2 - 4pm, along with AHS's alumni banquet.

Darke County Center for the Arts presents a Coffee Series Music Event at AWTHS April 20th @ 7:00 p.m. Tickets (\$10) are available at Fourman's Variety or through DCCA.

Know any information about the natural gas wells in and around Arcanum first drilled in 1886? Those who have any information about the wells including bills, receipts, names of people who worked for the companies, etc., let us know by email (awths@awths.org), Facebook or by contacting a board member. Everyone is welcome to come May 11th and share their information.

Community Vote!! New Park Expansion Name!!!

Voting is open to all Arcanum Water & Light customers and can be done by returning this portion of the newsletter circling your choice with your utility payment or by following the link on the Village Facebook page. Voting will end on April 21st.

The names to choose from are:

Arcanum Nature Preserve at Ivester Park

Painter Creek Preserve at Ivester Park

(name of the creek running through the park)

Gunder Nature Preserve at Ivester Park

(name of the founder of Arcanum, William Gunder)