

HAPPY NEW YEAR  
VILLAGE OF  
**ARCANUM**

2024

Greetings to you this new year! I hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful Christmas and celebrated with a safe New Year.

I want to give a shout out to those participants for their Christmas displays in Ivester Park this year and congrats to all the winners with 1st place going to Cruizer’s Cafe, 2nd place Arcanum Preservation Society, and 3rd to the Bolyard Family. We have received so many nice comments on how wonderful the park and town looked this Christmas season. We are looking at the possibility for next year to have Christmas music playing downtown during the day to continue the festive feeling throughout the Village.

For all the Pickleball players, the nets have remained on the courts due to the unseasonal warm weather. We will wait until the snow begins to fall and the rigid temperatures are upon us before removing them.

As promised in the previous newsletter, we have selected the dates of Monday, February 19th and Thursday, February 28th at 6:30pm for the Town Hall Meetings regarding the necessity of the prior operating Levies dating back to 1974 and 1984, that were voted down in the November Election. Please mark your calendars accordingly, as we hope to see both sessions well attended by the community.

The Village was just awarded \$150K on the ODNR (Clean Ohio) Grant to be used towards further improvements at the Arcanum Nature Preserve at Ivester Park. The Park & Recreational Committee will be meeting in February to discuss plans on how to best utilize this funding. The community is welcome and encouraged to attend these meetings. Please check the Arcanum Parks & Recreation Committee Facebook Page for the 2024 meeting dates.

For the next few months, we will be highlighting the Village department employees. This month the Village department spotlight is the Administrative Staff that are always ready and willing to serve you with a smile, as well as, the Street Department that will keep your roads cleared this winter.



L to R Admin Staff: Julie Miller, Alychia Wright, Karen Deao, Marcus Ballinger, Angie Lear



L to R Street Department: Karson Wright and Sheldon Hoffman

Your laugh for the day:

Teacher: “Give me a sentence which includes the words, Defense, Defeat, Detail.”

Charlie: “When a horse jumps over defence, defeat go first, and then detail.”

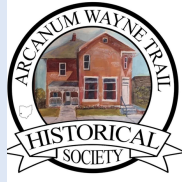


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## AWTHS NEWS



Arcanum Wayne Trail Historical Society Annual Membership Meeting and Appreciation Pizza Dinner is planned for January 11, 6:30. An invitation is extended to non-members who have volunteered their help with the fair gate, trash bash, Adopt-a-Highway, Christmas Bazaar, our programs and also other special guests.

January open hours will be January 6, 2024, from 9-noon, with tours at 10 am and 11 am of the house. This will include the building history and is a good tour for clubs and groups. RSVP's are encouraged and can be sent to [Awthsresearch@gmail.com](mailto:Awthsresearch@gmail.com).

Arcanum Wayne Trail Historical Society- "The Rails and Tales of the Dayton & Union Railroad: The Early Years" by Todd Clemmons. Available for purchase at Fourmans Variety Store, with a portion of the profits going to AWTHS. AWTHS was integral in helping Todd research through their archived newspapers and connections in Darke County. This new 156-page book explores the fascinating role in shaping the region's development. Arcanum grew and thrived more than any other village along the Dayton & Union in Darke County. This is a great gift for railroad buffs and those interested in the history of Arcanum and Darke County.

AWTHS wishes to thank the community for another very successful Christmas Bazaar, our major fundraiser.

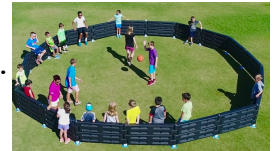
## 2024 Council Meetings

The Arcanum Village Council will meet on the second and last Tuesday of each month at 7pm in the Council Chambers at 309 S. Albright Street. Council strongly urges residents to attend Council and Committee meetings to stay adequately informed of the discussions and decisions of Council. Committee meetings are scheduled as needed, and are posted on the Village Facebook Page and Village Website.



## Gaga Ball coming to Ivester Park

Girl Scout Troop 3073 is working towards a Bronze Award by collecting plastic caps and lids to recycle into a new Gaga Pit for Ivester Park this spring. They will be holding a cap & lid collection on Saturday, January 6th, 2024 from 10am- Noon in Ivester Park. For more information contact Sandi @ 937-947-2049.



## Live Tree Pick-Up

The Village Street Department will be picking up live Christmas trees on January 9th, 2024, for all Arcanum residents.

Please place all Christmas trees by the curb the night before.



# January

January 2  
Village Council Organizational Meeting @6pm

January 9  
Live Christmas Tree Pickup

January 9  
Village Council @7pm

January 30  
Village Council @7pm

## Tax Department Update

When completing the 2023 Village of Arcanum Income Tax Return, please remember to:

- \*Sign your return.
- \*Attach page 1 of your Federal 1040.
- \*Include all W2's, 1099's and schedules.
- \*Include your full payment.

All residents 18 and over residing within the Village corporation must file a tax return. If you retired in 2023, then you must file a final return. If you filed a final return previously and have no earned income, then you are not required to file.

Tax returns are available online or in the Administration Office. Online filing is available through the website @ [www.villageofarc anum.com](http://www.villageofarc anum.com).