

VILLAGE OF
ARCANUM
 A Message from the Mayor's Office

Where did January go! Other than a couple weeks of really cold weather and a little snow (that we would like to forget), seems it was Christmas and then a hop skip and a jump into February. We can only hope and pray that Punxsutawney Phil does not see his shadow on February 2nd, and spring will be just around the corner. Let's be honest, his accuracy is like a weatherman's... 50 /50.

As a reminder, please plan to attend one of the two Town Hall meetings scheduled for February 19th and February 28th, for a presentation and Q&A in regards to the upcoming Village Operating Levies on the March ballot. Town Hall meetings will begin at 6:30pm each night and will be held at the Village Administration Building in the Council Chambers.

With being awarded the OPWC -Clean Ohio Grant, coupled with the ODNR grant, Access Engineering has provided the Village with four different funding options for completion of the Nature Preserve, with the worst-case scenario being a 38% fund match from the Village. The Park and Recreation Committee will meet Thursday, Feb. 8th at 5pm in Council Chambers to discuss the best utilization of the funding.

Once better weather is upon us, the installation of the school crossing lights will begin, with the first ones being placed at Trojan Way and Sierra.

A new storage shed has been placed behind the Scout House, for the storage of the Scout supplies. The Scout House will then be cleaned and refreshed for residents to rent for special occasions. A big thank you to the Utility personnel for building the shed, costing only half of a purchased one.

Please see the back of this newsletter for information on a Village Pool Survey.

This month we are highlighting the Utility, Water and Sewer Department employees.



Water & Waste Water Department
 Tyler Reinoehl, Jarod Stout, & Rick Snyder



Utility Department
 Devin Marker, Jeff Clark, Gary Besecker,
 Devin Fourman, & Randy Baker

There have been many passing of friends from our area that were near and dear to the community. I wish to share my condolences and prayers for all their families. The saying is so true that we should spend every day as it's our last.

A little tidbit from my church bulletin: "Your life is your garden – Your thoughts are the seeds – If your life isn't awesome – You've been watering the weeds."

Happy Valentine's Day!!



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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.villageofarcanum.com.

Village Pool Survey

The Village of Arcanum is asking for residents to give their input on ideas moving forward with a new pool. There are many options for the community to consider from not building a new pool, to what style of pool should be built.

The information received from this survey, will give the Village a clearer direction on what the community would like. Please keep in mind that there is no current estimated cost for a new pool, and each amenity will add to the overall cost.

The survey is to be filled out by ONLY Village of Arcanum residents. No more than two (2) surveys per address will be used towards official survey results.

There are two ways to participate in the survey:

- 1) Return the included survey with your utility payment
- 2) Accessing the online survey by the Village Facebook page.

Surveys will be accepted until February 16th.

AWTHS NEWS

Arcanum Wayne Trail Historical Society, Inc. would like to thank the community, and friends from distant places, in helping to preserve the history of the Arcanum area by donating family and business histories, year books, photos, artifact, memorabilia, etc. during the 20 years since a small group of friends formed the historical society in 2004. There is much to see and learn at AWTHS. Please visit the first Saturday of each month from 9- noon. Also plan to attend events planned in March, May, September and November.

Submitted article

AJBS Registration



Lets play ball! Registration for AJBS 2024 summer season is here!

Sign-ups are in the Community Room @ Arcanum Schools.

- Feb. 3rd 9am-12pm
- Feb. 10th 9am-12pm
- Feb. 12th 6pm-8pm

Online signs-ups are Feb. 3rd-20th

The cost is \$95 per child or \$140 max per family. The minimum age is 4 by January 1, 2024. Further information may be obtained at www.arcanumjuniorbaseball.org, or by visiting their Facebook @Arcanum JBS.

February

February 4
AWTHS open 9am-Noon

February 13
Village Council Meeting @7pm

February 14
Valentine's Day

February 19
Village Offices Closed- President's Day
Village Levies - Town Hall Meeting @6:30pm

February 27
Village Council Meeting @7pm

February 28
Village Levies - Town Hall Meeting @6:30pm

Arcanum Area Business Association

AABA 2024 Membership forms are now available! Membership is open to all businesses in Arcanum and the surrounding area! Great things are happening in 2024 for the AABA that you don't want to miss!! Join now to be part of the experience!

AABA forms can be found on the AABA Facebook page or by emailing:

arcanumareabusinessassoc@gmail.com