

VILLAGE OF
ARCANUM

A Message from the Mayor's Office

August all ready? Where did the summer go? August seems to be one of the busiest times of summer, with the Brick Street Block Party, the GREAT Darke County Fair and preparing for the return to school.

Here are some updates on current Village projects:

The traffic light at Main Street & Trojan Avenue, along with new traffic lines marked on Trojan Avenue will be completed by the beginning of school.

The Village was fortunate to be awarded the Darke County Parks Grant in the amount of \$8k. These funds will go towards upgrading the fencing and dugout on one of the diamonds at the ball park. The plan is to try to upgrade one diamond each year until all diamonds have been completed, as long as the Village continues to be awarded the grant.

Grants - The Arcanum Police Department has been awarded a grant that will cover 75% of the cost for the purchase of three new vests and carriers for officers. The Village was also awarded an EPA grant that will cover the entire cost of closing six old unused wells.

Once again, there has been more damage and vandalism done to Ivester Park. The kids teeter totter has been vandalized with one teeter totter completely broken and the other graffitied. It goes without saying that the repairs to the teeter totter will be costly and unnecessary. I find it very disappointing that this keeps happening, and wonder whether the individuals responsible for the damage would stop, if they were forced to pay for the repairs out of their own allowance.

The Park & Recreation Committee, along with the Service & Leisure Committee, have come up with a few different names for each section of trail in the Arcanum Nature Preserve. Village residents are asked to please participate in the naming of the trails in YOUR park by returning the included insert to the office by August 31st. A survey link is available on the Village Facebook page.

The Park & Recreation Committee will be doing another "Adopt a Tree in Ivester Park", similar to what had previously been done in fall of 2022. This year individuals will have the option to purchase a whole tree or make a smaller monetary donation. Please see the back of this newsletter, or the Village Facebook page for more information.

The Darke County Parks Tour de Darke will be Sunday August 4th with participants choosing to ride 4 different routes ranging from 13 miles up to 65 miles. You may see some riders cruising thru the Village this Sunday as Ivester Park is a rest stop on the lower route.

I want to wish all the kids participating at fair good luck on all their projects and events! I'm sure many of us are already preparing a list of food vendors to visit during the fair.

Let's enjoy this month to the fullest, and I'll leave you with this positive quote: "Don't look back with regret, look forward with hope."



Mayor Bonnie Millard may be reached by calling 692-8500 x224 or by email: Mayor@villa.geofarcantum.com

"IN ANGER WE SHOULD REFRAIN BOTH FROM SPEECH AND ACTION."
 (PYTHAGORAS)



Best wishes on your retirement, Kurt!

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Starts Serving At 7:00AM**

Arcanum Fire Department

AWTHS NEWS



Arcanum Wayne Trail Historical Society holds Euchre Parties the first and third Friday of each month at 1:00pm. Everyone is welcome to come to participate.

AWTHS still has several military & 20th Anniversary displays available to view.

August

August 13
Village Council Meeting, 7pm

August 8
Park & Rec Committee @5pm

August 9 & 10
Brick Street Block Party

August 14
Community Pool Last Day

August 27
Village Council Meeting, 7pm

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Arcanum Butler- Local Schools Resume

In 2020, during a time of being separated due to Covid, the Brick Street Block Party was created to bring our community back together. This is a 2-day event for families and community in downtown Arcanum, Ohio.



The Give Thanks Foundation is a non-profit organization that has helped to fund the Brick Street Block Party as well as other community projects such as park upgrades, school and sport projects, and Thanksgiving meals to all of Darke County. Our mission with the Give Thanks Foundation is to build connections with the community by giving back and supporting local projects that foster growth, innovation, and social well-being. We are dedicated to creating a collaborative environment where every community member can contribute, connect and have fun.

Sponsorships are still being accepted, and can be made by calling 937-692-8310 for more information.

4th Annual Purple Heart Ceremony

The Village of Arcanum will host the 4th Annual Purple Heart Ceremony on September 11th beginning at 7pm at the Arcanum VFW.

More information will be available in the September Newsletter, as well as, the Village Facebook page.

For more information or for any questions, please contact Julie Miller at adminspeg@villageofarcanum.com or by calling 937-692-8500 x233

The Park & Recreation Committee is looking for monetary donations to go towards purchasing 10 trees again for Ivester Park. This round of trees will all be Sugar Maples purchased from Browns Nursery, and planted by the Village. Deadline for sponsorship is September 30th. All donors will be listed on a permanent plaque in Ivester Park. Forms are available at the Village Office, Village Facebook and website.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Bronze Level	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Silver Level	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gold Level	\$150.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Platinum Level	\$220.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Platinum Sponsor Optional Marker	\$145.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

Platinum Sponsors purchasing an entire tree will have the option to have a granite marker made by Abbottsville Monuments at a discounted price of \$145.00 to be placed under their sponsored tree. (Those purchasing a marker will be contacted later by Abbottsville Monuments for information)