

ARCANUM

A Message from the Mayor's Office

As the saying goes, April showers bring May flowers. Wish I could think of something catchy about the cold, windy, rainy, snowy days of April bringing forth better days in May.

What I can say for sure about April, is that it always brings out roaming cats. Three strays, so far, have been delivered to the Humane Society for neutering. The Village has seven traps available, for anyone willing to help with the cat situation. Please call for a trap to be placed at your residence. Volunteers are always needed.

Several residents have signed up for the Smart Energy Thermostat program being offered by AMP. With the peak summer months of hot AC weather approaching, this optional program may be something to consider. For more information, please contact the Village Administrator.

I wish to convey my deepest apologies for any and all hardships that residents have suffered during the ongoing East/First/Albright Street construction project. Communication from the contractor to the residents has been unsatisfactory during the entire project. I can assure you that the next Village project will be handled much differently. The project will be very nice once completed, however, no pain – no gain does not go far with the residents that have shared their concerns, pains, and inconveniences with me.

The last major street project coming in 2026 was awarded thru the Neighborhood Revitalization Grant and OPWC (South High Street/Downtown/Baseball Parking lots) for \$1.7M. I am proud to mention that the Village is the first to receive such a grant in Darke County. There will be no Village match dollars required, however, there will be a \$14k annual payment over the next 30 years.

NOTICES/REMINDERS:

The grant for the splash pad in Ivester Park was not approved.

Trash/garbage cans – Village Ord. 20-26 states, “No garbage cans shall be stored in front of a residence or commercial business.” Receptacles may be put out a day in advance, but **MUST** be removed the next day. It is the resident’s responsibility to contact Rumpke for a large item pickup, and to properly wrap the item before setting at the curb for Rumpke to remove.

Early Bird newspapers – It is the residents’ responsibility to dispose of these papers promptly. With the rains and windy conditions, they are getting into the catch basins and causing drainage issues.

All dog owners need to be responsible and courteous to all residents, by picking up and properly disposing of all dog waste while out in the community.

Permits must be obtained prior to any home improvement projects to beautify your property such as installing patios, fences, sheds etc. Also be sure to call 811 before you dig. There are several older shed and buildings around the community that need immediate attention under the Villages’ Property Maintenance Ordinance. Taking measures early will prevent a violation.

Serve Arcanum Day – Friday, May 2, sponsored by the Arcanum High School students. While students are out beautifying the community this day, please be extra cautious while driving through the Village, as the students will be walking. Additionally, Ivester Park will be closed from 11-3pm for the Arcanum High School’s Spring Fling.

This is the month to celebrate the past and present mothers in our lives. I want to wish all the mothers a very special Mothers’ Day.

I wish everyone a wonderful Memorial Day on the 26th, celebrating and remembering our loved ones that are near and dear in our hearts.

The thought for May: If speaking kindly to plants will help them grow, imagine what speaking to humans can do!



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

“Be an encourager, the world has plenty of critics already.”

Local Memorial Day Services
Van Buren Township

May 25 at 1:00pm
Abbottsville Cemetery

Twin Township
May 25 at 2:00pm
Ithaca Cemetery

Monroe Township
June 1 at 2:00pm
Mote Cemetery

www.villageofarcanum.com
309 South Albright St.
Arcanum, OH 45304

Arcanum Public Library May 2025 Events

On Thursday, May 1st:
-Storytime at 10am-Mother's Day

-After School Program
from 3:45-4:30PM-
Smoothies and Games

-Celebrate Creativity Art Show
from 5:30-7:30PM

Annual Book Sale:
May 7th-23rd
During Regular Business Hours
Lots of selection.

Closed May 26th
for Memorial Day

VILLAGE OF ARCANUM SMART THERMOSTAT PROGRAM



Get a \$55 virtual prepaid Mastercard®
by enrolling your smart thermostat.



Enroll in the Community Energy Savings program to receive a \$55 Prepaid Mastercard. Plus, if you stay enrolled, you will be entered for a chance to win a \$250 Prepaid Mastercard at the end of each summer season.

Arcanum Community Garage Sales June 18th-21st

To have your garage sale
listed on the Arcanum
Community Garage Sale
list, please email Tina
Melling at:

arcanumgaragesales@gmail.com

Please be sure to include
your address, days and
hours, and a general
description of your items.



In Support of Steve and Robin Kessler

Saturday, May 3rd 4pm-6pm

SonRise Church

750 Arcanum Ithaca Rd (North curve in Ithaca)

937-678-9062

Entertainment will include members of the
Full Circle Band

Spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, salad,
drinks, cookie

\$10 Per Person

Tickets may be purchased at SonRise Church, Arcanum Faith UMC or
Fourmans Variety Store.

Raffle Ticket Items!

Thank you Fitzwater's
for planting a tree in
Ivester Park in honor of
Arbor Day!!!



May

May 3
Limb Pickup

May 8
Parks & Recreation Committee, 5pm

May 13
Village Council Meeting, 7pm

May 15
Limb Pickup

May 16
AABA - Culper & Merriweather Circus
Arcanum Ball Diamonds- Shows at 5 & 7:30

May 17th
SINGO - Arcanum VFW, 7pm

May 27
Village Council Meeting, 7pm

AWTHS News

Activities in May are free and open to the public:

*May 8th - 7:00 p.m. Scott Baker of Arcanum - S&S
Vintage Warehouse, will share stories of antiques
and collectables he has found from distances
places that will remind us of our local history.

*Visit AWTHS Saturday, May 3rd 9:00 - Noon, or
by appointment, to view new Agricultural displays
and research local history.

*Euchre card parties continue to be held the first
and third Friday of each month at 1:00: May 2 and
May 16.

Vendor space is available at Veteran's Park for this
summer's farmer's market.

Contact information: www.awths.org, email -
awthsinfo@gmail.com or message AWTHS on
Facebook.