I want to wish everyone a safe and Happy 4th of July, hopefully spending time with friends and family, while enjoying 4th of July parties, and surrounding area community firework displays. Most of all, remember the day as the passage of the Declaration of Independence by Congress, declaring the 13 American colonies free from British rule. This act officially marked the birth of the United Sates of America as an independent nation with liberty and freedom for all.

Please mark your calendars for the Villages' 5th Annual Purple Heart Ceremony on September 11th. We have inducted 32 Purple Heart recipients over the past four years. If anyone knows of any recipients of the Purple Heart from Darke County that should be recognized and honored this year, please contact Julie Miller at the Village Administration Office.

Since school has been out, we have had vandalism to the ballpark sign and the pickleball net was demolished. I hope everyone realizes that this takes taxpayer dollars to replace. It's easy to say, "They're just kids having fun", however, causing damage is not acceptable "fun". The Village will be taking additional security measures to hold those responsible for the damages accountable. I found this quote to be appropriate "If you excuse your child's bad behavior today, you might need a lawyer to excuse their crimes tomorrow. Discipline isn't abuse; it's love with boundaries." Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, and makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people Cops.....lol

The bridges in Ivester Park have been set, and Walls Brothers will soon be paving the paths and Circle Drive. The Utility Department is repurposing poles for a new overhead sign at the north entrance of Ivester Park. Signs will also be installed for pedestrians and bicyclists to follow for safety and courtesy to all using the path and trails. All work is scheduled to be completed by mid-July. We're all very excited to see the finished product!

The volleyball court has been moved over by the water tower in Ivester Park and is almost ready for action. Lighting for the volleyball court is also in the process of being installed. A huge "Thank You" to Walls Brothers Asphalt for donating the limestone sand for the base.

With there having been a few injuries due to the slickness of the pickleball courts, the Village is looking into a paint with grit to make it safer. Once purchased, a few generous residents are willing to repaint the courts for all to enjoy.

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Vacation Bible School Invitation

Who: All Children entering grades 1-6 in the upcoming school year

When: July 29th, 30th, & 31st

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

Where: Faith United Methodist Church - 101 E. South St., Arcanum Registration begins at 6:15pm July 29th, or online at:

arcfaithumc@gmail.com





July 8 Village Council - 7pm

July 10 Limb Pickup Parks & Recreation Committee - 4pm

> July 17 Limb Pickup

July 19 SINGO- Arcanum VFW - 7pm

July 29 Village Council Meeting, 7pm The Village of Arcanum like to thank Cameron and Taylor Reed for being the "Ring Masters" at the AABA Circus in May. We would also like to thank State Rep. Johnathon Newman for visiting the Arcanum Opera House and speaking with residents of Arcanum.



Police Chief Message

The Village has seen an increase in the use of electric scooters and e-bikes, especially among youth. These devices are fun and convenient, but they come with rules and responsibilities.

- Per Ohio Revised Code 4511.512, riders must be at least **16 years old** to operate electric scooters and similar devices on public roads, sidewalks, and paths without adult supervision.
 - Riders under 16 must have direct adult supervision to ride legally and safely.
- Devices operated in violation of the law may be subject to enforcement. Our officers will prioritize education but will issue citations if necessary.

Please help us keep our community safe. Talk with your children about these laws and encourage safe riding practices.

Thank you for your cooperation!

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Arcanum Library

The Arcanum Public Library will be closed on Friday, July 4th.

~July 10th at 1pm: Movie Matinee "Harold and the Purple Crayon"

~July 14th at 6pm: Hatcher's Hatchlings on the Lawn (please bring lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy the program) ~July 15th at 1-2pm: Band Bracelet Craft

~July 24th from 5:30-7:00pm: Partner Free-Hand Summer

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- July 25th at 10am: Lisa Crutchfield from the St. Paris Library-Music Fun Program for families

~July 28th at 6pm: Canvas Bag Painting (Must Sign up)

~Final Bow Dance Classes at 10am on Tuesdays, July 8th, 15th, and 22nd (Must sign up)

~Summer Reading Program Storytimes on Thursdays at 10am on July 10th, 17th, 24th, and 31st

- End of Summer Reading Program Party: Join us Saturday, August 2nd from 10am-12pm to turn in your last log sheets of the Summer Reading Program and celebrate with games, drawings, food and fun.