

Morrow e-News

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Village of Morrow News

EXIT Best Realty's Julia Hayes Receives 2014 Warren County Realtor of the Year

EXIT Best Realty's Julia Hayes was recently awarded 2014 Warren County Realtor of the Year by the Warren County Board of REALTORS.

"Julia has worked hard and this award is a well-deserved recognition of that effort," said Ralph Blanton, Broker/Owner of EXIT Best Realty.

"I have had the pleasure of being friends with this lady for many years. Her favorite question is 'What can I do to help you?' She has been active in her community throughout her life through her volunteer activities, and was named 'THE LITTLE MIAMI AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR' for 2012."



From Left to Right: Ralph Blanton, Julia Hayes & Debi Blanton

EXIT Realty is a proven real estate business model that supplies single-level residual income - for agents, security, stability and direction; for agents' families, security in the form of beneficiary and retirement residuals. EXIT's MIND-SET Training Systems offer the industry's best hands-on, interactive sales training. State-of-the-art technology, including the Digital Marketing Strategy, gives EXIT Realty agents the edge in a competitive marketplace. EXIT is a by-invitation-only company focusing on the business of real estate. A portion of every transaction fee collected by EXIT International is applied to its charitable fund. To-date, over \$2 Million has been pledged to Habitat for Humanity.

EXIT Best Realty has 2 offices located at 500 West Pike Street in Morrow, and 637 Columbus Avenue in Lebanon. For more information, please contact Julia at 513.967.7730 or visit her website www.Julia.WeFindHomes.com. Congratulations Julia!

Water Shut-Off Valves – Do You Know Where Yours is?

With winter weather upon us, please make sure that everyone in your household knows the location of your water shut-off valve for emergency purposes. The valve is usually located where the waterline enters your home. In the event your pipes break, shut off the water to your house and contact the Village of Morrow Public Works Department immediately by calling 513.899.2821 between 8:00 am – 4:30 pm Monday – Friday or 513.695.2525 after hours.

Morrow Tree Board Presents “Tree Care in Morrow” – February 21

The Village of Morrow Tree Board presents “Tree Care in Morrow.” Learn why it is so important to take care of your trees and how easy it is to do it. This program will share how to prune and plant trees to make them healthy, as well as diagnose common problems. Speaker Wendi Van Buren is an ODNR Urban Forester and ISA Certified Arborist. This free event will be held at **10:00 am – 12:00 pm on Saturday, February 21, 2015**, at the Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152. For more information, please <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/boards-commissions/tree-board/news-events/>.

Village of Morrow Seeking New Fiscal Officer

Incumbent Retiring May 31, 2015

The Village of Morrow is accepting applications for the full-time position of Fiscal Officer. The Fiscal Officer, an FLSA exempt position reporting directly to the Mayor, performs a variety of accounting, financial reporting and cash management functions, as well as procurement, benefits administration, payroll and overall financial management of the Village in accordance with Ohio Revised Code § 733.262. The Fiscal Officer provides a variety of reports to the Mayor, Councils and staff to ensure that the Village and each department operate within their respective budgets. The Fiscal Officer explores financial opportunities to save the Village money and grow the public treasury, while advising the Mayor, Council and staff on ways to improve the Village’s overall financial status. The Fiscal Officer works with the Mayor and staff to present an annual Tax Budget and an annual Operating Budget and other duties as assigned. The successful candidate will serve as Deputy Fiscal Officer until the incumbent’s retirement on, or before, May 31, 2015, at which time, he or she will assume the role of Fiscal Officer.

Minimum qualifications: Must possess a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited four-year college or university in Business, Finance, Accounting, Public Administration, or a closely related field. A Master's Degree in either Business or Public Administration is preferred, as is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) or Certified Government Finance Officer (CGFO). While experience in public finance is not mandatory, an understanding of basic financial and accounting principles along with a firm grasp of computer and basic software operations is required. An equivalent combination of education and experience which provides the skills and abilities necessary to perform the job will be considered. The position requires a valid state of Ohio driver’s license. Salary is negotiable and dependent upon qualifications.

Application Process: Applications and a full job description are available at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152 and on the Village of Morrow website at <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/departments/human-resources/employment-opportunities/>. Please return your completed Village of Morrow employment application, cover letter, resume and three (3) professional references to Office of the Mayor, Village of Morrow, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152, Attention: Fiscal Officer Search. Application materials may also be submitted electronically to mike.erwin@vil.morrow.oh.us. This position will remain open until filled.

The Village of Morrow is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer and a Drug-Free Workplace.

Warren County Prosecutor’s Office 2015 Annual Report

The Warren County Prosecutor’s Office is pleased to present their 2015 Annual Report, which can be found at <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/prosecutor/community/reports/report2015.pdf>.

2nd Annual Warren County Friends of NRA Banquet – April 18

Join other champions of the Second Amendment for dinner, raffles, auctions and fun with a chance to win exclusive NRA guns, gear, décor and collectibles! [To download a flyer for more information, please click here.](#)

When: **5:30 pm Saturday, April 18, 2015**

Where: Warren County Fairgrounds | Building C | 665 North Broadway | Lebanon, Ohio 45036

Cost: \$50.00 per person

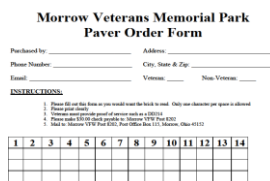
[CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS](#)

Winter 2015 Warren County Electronic Newsletter

Warren County has published the Winter 2015 edition of their electronic newsletter, which can be found at <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/commissioners/Newsletters/2015/Winter-Newsletter.pdf>.

Honor our Veterans with an Engraved Paver at the Morrow Veterans Memorial

Engraved 4" x 8" brick pavers with veteran's names may be purchased for \$30.00 each. If you are interested in purchasing a brick or making a donation to help with the construction of the Park, please contact the Village of Morrow at (513) 899-2821 for a paver order form or click on the Paver Order Form link below.



**Morrow Veterans Memorial Park
Paver Order Form**

Purchased for: _____ Address: _____
Phone Number: _____ City, State & Zip: _____
Email: _____ Veterans: _____ Non-Veterans: _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please fill out this form as you would want the brick to read. Only one donation per space is allowed.
2. Please print name and address of person making donation.
3. Please print name of person making donation on back of brick.
4. Please call (513) 899-2821 for more information.
5. Please call (513) 899-2821 for more information.

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A scale model of the proposed Veterans Memorial Park and actual brick paver is available for viewing at the Village Administration building located on Pike Street. Please make your check payable to Morrow VFW Post 8202. Please mail your completed brick form and check to:

Morrow VFW Post 8202
Post Office Box 115
Morrow, Ohio 45152

If you have any questions concerning the Morrow Veterans Memorial, please call Bob Blankenship at 513.678.4410 or the Village of Morrow at 513.899.2821.

Salem Township News

Salem-Morrow Fire Department Annual Fish Fry – March 27

The Salem-Morrow Fire Department will be hosting their annual fish fry this Friday, March 27, 2015, from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Salem-Morrow Fire Station, 5270 U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152. Menu items include fish, shrimp, coleslaw, baked beans, macaroni & cheese, and desserts. Dessert donations are gladly accepted. For more information, please call 513.899.2222.

Free Blood Pressure Checks at the Salem-Morrow Fire Department

The Salem/Morrow Fire department staffs a member of the department at the fire station at all times. Anybody is welcome to stop by for a free blood pressure check or for any health concern. That's what we are here for. If you feel you are having a medical emergency please call 9-1-1 and we will come to you.

CPR Classes Offered Salem/Morrow Fire Department

Our instructors are certified by the American Heart Association and will teach you how to perform CPR, how to save a choking victim, use an AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) and Basic First Aid. The Salem/Morrow Fire Department is offering CPR classes on the following dates and times:

- Wednesday, **February 11, 2015**, at 6:00 pm
- Saturday, **May 16, 2015**, at 9:00 am
- Wednesday, **August 19, 2015**, at 6:00 pm
- Saturday, **November 7, 2015**, at 9:00 am

We are also more than happy to set up private classes for groups of 4 or more people upon request. Dates and times of those classes are subject to instructor availability. CPR classes consist of 3-4 hours of classroom time and the cost is \$35.00 per person. All classes will be held at the Salem/Morrow Fire Department, 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152. To enroll in a class please contact the Salem/Morrow Fire Department at 513.899.2222.

Get Your Car Seat Safety Inspection at the Salem-Morrow Fire Department

Did you know these Child Passenger Safety Facts (from www.safekids.org)?

- Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death among children ages 3 to 14.
- Correctly used child safety seats are extremely effective and reduce the risk of death as much as 71%.
- Nearly 73% of child restraints are not installed or used correctly.
- Nearly half of kids 14 and under who died in crashes were completely unrestrained.

You can come to the Salem-Morrow Fire Department for car seat checks which are conducted by National Child Passenger Safety Board certified technicians. Appointments can be made by calling Salem Morrow Fire Department at 513-899-2222 or emailing jzwerling@station71.com. Please allow approximately 30-45 minutes per car seat. When you come in for a car seat check please have the following:

- The car seat (not in the box if new)
- The car seat instructions
- The vehicle owner's manual

All parents/caregivers and any children riding in the car should try to be at the appointment.

Help the Salem-Morrow Fire Department Protect Your Dreams

The quicker the Salem-Morrow Fire Department's firefighters or EMT's can locate you, the quicker we can begin helping you and your family. In an effort to locate your home or business in an emergency, the Salem-Morrow Fire Department is providing a 6" x 18" reflective sign that will clearly display your street address. These signs are invaluable to firefighters, EMT's, and police officers, who may be looking for your home in your time of need. Similar signs have been installed in other communities with startling results. The Salem-Morrow Fire Department is selling these signs at the low cost of \$12.00 each. If you wish to have the SMFD mount your sign for you, they will do so for \$14.00. Each sign has your street address prominently displayed on both sides in highly reflective 3" numbers against a green background similar to those on an interstate sign. The signs are installed in such a way that assures their visibility, even in high grass and snowy weather conditions. If you would like to purchase one of these signs, simply stop by the Salem-Morrow Fire Department, 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152, to complete an order form. In approximately 7 days, your sign will be ready for pickup or installation. Generally, the signs can be made, while you wait, in less than 10 minutes. Isn't \$12.00 worth the peace of mind of knowing that help can find you in your time of need?

Salem/Morrow Fire Department Cadet Program

The Salem/Morrow Fire Department Cadets is a youth oriented program directed at helping young adults who have an interest in the field of firefighting and Emergency Medical Services, as well as, to assist the Salem/Morrow Fire Department when able.

The program meets on the 1st (first) Monday of the month at the fire station at 1800 hrs. Cadets are required to participate in the department's fire training, held the 2nd (second) Monday of each month at 1830 hrs. Cadets are taught the basic skills of firefighting and first aid. Much of the training is hands-on and is supervised by Fire Department personnel. Meetings also include public service projects and fund raising activities.

Cadets are allowed to respond with the department to any "station response", provided that he/she is not serving any type of suspension – school or program. During the school year, cadets are permitted to make runs from the time that school is dismissed for the day until 9:30pm, only if school assignments are complete or at the discretion of parents/guardians. If cadets are on a response close to the 9:30pm cut-off, every attempt will be made to return them to the station to meet their parents/guardians or to take them home. During school vacations/breaks, cadets are allowed to run around the clock, but only at the discretion of his/her parent/guardian.

Cadets will learn how hard work, discipline, and a structured work environment in the fire service promote safety and teamwork toward successfully completing a common objective. All members shall be trained and certified in Basic First Aid and C.P.R. Cadets will also gain a sense of pride in serving the community. Parents will witness the positive outcome by having their child enroll in this growing program.

The Cadets are always in search of energetic young men and women who are eager to learn more about the fire service. Any student between the ages of 14 and 18 years of age with a grade point average of 1.0 or greater is eligible to apply.

Anyone interested in becoming a cadet contact:

Salem/Morrow Fire Department · 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3 · Morrow, Ohio 45152 · 513.899.2222

Join the TEAM! Make a change for the better!

Program Advisors

Lieutenant Richard Oeder, FF/EMT

Mike Belanger, FF/EMT

KNOX-BOX® Rapid Entry System

The KNOX-BOX® Rapid Entry System was specifically developed for the fire department. With one master key, you can gain access to commercial and residential property. More than 7,000 departments nationwide use Knox key boxes, vaults, Haz-Mat cabinets, key switches, locking FDC caps, padlocks and the Knox-Scan heat sensor.

Many of these departments use Sentralok(tm), the master key security system, to control the Knox Master Key®. Property owners in your community store entrance keys, access cards and floor plans in high-security Knox-Boxes mounted near their building entrances.

Commercial Properties

Each KNOX-BOX® purchased by the property owner is keyed to a single master key controlled by your department. With the Knox System, there is no cost to the fire department, no waiting for a property owner to unlock the door in the middle of the night, and no forcing the door open to gain entry. The Knox Rapid Entry System reduces response time, property damage and the liability for lost keys. The Salem-Morrow Fire Department is currently using the Knox System on several properties in the area.

Residential KNOX-BOX® Program

The Salem / Morrow Fire Department has started a Residential Knox Box Program to help us help you. What is Knox Box? It's a heavy duty box that we hang on your door that has your home key in it. We have a Master key that we use to open the box in an emergency situation so we can make access to your home and let us help you.

The reason we started the program is to help us make entry to our citizens without causing damage to their property. We receive calls to residents homes and when we get there we are unable to make access do to the house is locked up tight. We end up breaking into the house to help with their emergency and then they have an extra expense fixing what we had to break. Residents stop by and offer us keys so we do not have to break in. That would be a lot of keys for us to have and maintain. This would cause more of a hindrance then help. This program is for residents that have chronic medical problems, elderly folks that live alone, persons with disabilities that would make it hard for them to let us in, and that live in our protection area. If you are not sure if you qualify, contact Chief LaFollette or Assistant Chief Harrison. This is a free service provided to our residents for as long as they need it.

This program was started by donations to the fire department. We have purchased 6 Knox Boxes and Key Secure Systems. The Key Secure Systems secures the key to the vehicle and tracks who uses it. This gives us an accountability system on the use of the key. Supplies are limited.

Smoke Detectors

The Salem/Morrow Fire department offers smoke detectors to the community it serves. Please contact the station for more details at 513.899.2222.

Morrow Area Historical Society News

Heritage Advisory Council Awards Grant to MAHS!

The Morrow Area Historical Society was recently awarded a \$250 matching grant from the Heritage Advisory Council. The Heritage Advisory Council is a group comprised of historical societies and museums in Warren and Clinton counties who support each other in preserving and sharing our local history. We will use the grant money to purchase digital picture frames that will display a slide show of historical photos of the area and photos of some of the wonderful items in our collection. We are very excited to begin showing our artifacts to the community so please look for them at the Morrow Municipal Building, Salem Township Public Library, Pine Ridge Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation and other supporting businesses around town! Thank you Heritage Advisory Council!

Please Donate Your Aluminum Can Pull Tabs to Help Support the Morrow Area Historical Society

The Morrow Area Historical Society is collecting aluminum can pull tabs to help support our efforts to preserve our local history. Please drop off your aluminum can pull tabs at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152.

Historical Information Needed – Bridge over Todd’s Fork

We are interested in learning more about the history of the bridge that crosses Todd’s Fork along the Little Miami Scenic Trail. Do you know who the bridge manufacturer is? When was it constructed? Do you have any photos of the bridge you would like to share? Any historical information would be greatly appreciated. Please email any information you would like to share to administrator@vil.morrow.oh.us.

Morrow Area Historical Society Seeking New Members

The mission of the Morrow Area Historical Society is simple, to promote the appreciation of the rich local history of the Village of Morrow and the surrounding area. More specifically, “To aid in the discovery, collection and preservation of every variety of material illustrative of the history of the Village of Morrow and the surrounding area; such as letters, diaries, journals, memoranda, pioneer reminiscences, newspapers, account books, school and church registers, commemorative addresses, genealogies, biographies, photographs, pictures and paintings, aboriginal relics, material objects illustrating life of pioneers, maps, histories, records, etc. and to own both real and personal property to be used in the furtherance of these objects.”

The Morrow Area Historical Society has filed the necessary organizational paperwork with the appropriate federal, state, and local agencies and is actively working on getting their website up and running, as well as publishing the fifth issue of their newsletter, *Pathways*, and finding a home to house the MAHS museum. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in the history of our area. If you would like more information on the Morrow Area Historical Society, please call 513.899.2821 or view the MAHS Membership brochure here:



South Lebanon Historical Society News

South Lebanon Historical Society Monthly Meetings

The South Lebanon Historical Society meets regularly on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at the old South Lebanon Elementary School building. We occasionally have our meetings at historic homes throughout South Lebanon. All meetings are open to the public. Please join us! Future meeting dates:

- Tuesday, **February 17, 2015**, at 6:30 pm
- Tuesday, **March 17, 2015**, at 6:30 pm

For more information, please visit the South Lebanon Historical Society’s website at <http://www.southlebanonhistoricalsociety.com/>.

Warren County Historical Society News

Lunch & Learn

When: One Wednesday each month (except in July) 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. *Doors open at 10:00 a.m., lunch served promptly at 11:30 a.m., program ends at 1:00 p.m., museum closes 4:00 p.m.*

Where: Warren County History Center, 105 S. Broadway, Lebanon, OH 45036

Details: Enjoy a gourmet catered served lunch, the company of new and long-time friends, and a special lesson in history.

Cost: WCHS Members: \$20 per lecture, Non-Members \$22, paid registration required in advance--*by the Saturday prior to the event--*by calling 513-932-1817.

- **February 11, 2014**

- Topic: CINCINNATI AND SOUP: Great Grapes! Ohio Wine
- Details: This talk is a historic and current presentation on Ohio wines. It will cover grape "appellations" of Ohio and some of the great wineries and wines of Ohio and their historic significance. It will make audience members more informed consumers of Ohio wines and excited about the great wines we have right here in the Buckeye State.
- Speaker: Cheri Brinkman is the author of Cincinnati and Soup: Recipes from the Queen City and Great Soup, and Cincinnati and Soup: A Second Helping: More Recipes from the Queen City as well as several other local cookbooks that make up the only Cincinnati "series" cookbooks ever published.

- **March 11, 2015**

- Topic: The Talent & Tragedy of "Lebanon's Most Promising Young Man"- Vernon H. Jones
- Details: Over a century ago, while Vernon Jones was still a student in Lebanon, Ohio, he was recognized as a talented sculptor. He trained for many years at the Cincinnati Art Academy. He was selected to be one of the dozens of sculptors hired to create the 1,500 statutes for the 1915 Panama Pacific International Exhibition in San Francisco. We will view many of his beautiful works of art that are part of the collection in the Warren County History Center and explore circumstances of his tragic death in 1914.
- Speaker: John J. Zimkus, the Historian and Education Director of the Warren County Historical Society, is the author of Historical Footnotes of Lebanon, Ohio and a co-lead writer of Lebanon, Ohio: Celebrating 200 Years published by the WCHS.

- **April 15, 2015**

- Topic: TREASURES DISCOVERED! Art from the Warren County Historical Society's Collection
- Details: It is rare for a museum like the Warren County History Center to possess an art collection of such depth and diversity. This lecture will showcase artists of various historical styles and paintings ranging from landscapes to portraits from the WCHS collection. New discoveries about the works, the artists, and the journey of these works in our collection will be revealed.
- Speaker: Michael L. Coyan, a professor of Art and Architectural History, has authored numerous publications of Fine and Performing Arts. He currently is working to assess, conserve, and curate the paintings and sculptures in the WCHS Collection.

- **May 13, 2015**

- Topic: NEIL ARMSTRONG: The "Reluctant Hero" Who Was Our Warren County Neighbor
- Details: This talk will not explore the Neil Armstrong who was an astronaut and the first man to walk upon the surface of the moon, but rather the Neil Armstrong who was a citizen of Warren County, and of Turtlecreek Township, and who was an active member of Lebanon, Ohio community for 23 years. Neil lived in our area longer than any other place on this Earth. We will examine how one the most famous people on that Earth attempted to live a normal life as our neighbor.
- Speaker: John J. Zimkus, the Historian and Education Director of the Warren County Historical Society, is the author of Historical Footnotes of Lebanon, Ohio and a co-lead writer of Lebanon, Ohio: Celebrating 200 Years published by the WCHS.

- **June 17, 2015**

- Topic: Luman Watson: the Man and His Tall Clocks

- Details: Luman Watson (1790-1834) spent his boyhood in the center of Connecticut's clock making country. In 1809 at the age of 19, he moved to Cincinnati, Ohio and began manufacturing and marketing new wooden works clocks. Watson's factory became known as one of the most prolific clock making companies of that time. It is estimated that his company built over 30,000 tall case clocks between the year 1815 and 1835
- Speaker: Tom Spittler, author of American Clocks and co-author of American Clockmakers and Watchmakers, and Earl Harlamert are both high ranking members of the National Association of Watch & Clock Collectors.

2015 Lebanon Quilt & Fabric Arts Show

When: **March 6, 7, & 8, 2015**, Fri & Sat 10-5, Sun 11-4

Where: Warren County History Center and Lebanon Conference & Banquet Center, 105 & 121 South Broadway, Lebanon, OH 45036

Details: Managed by American Treasures Productions. Vendors from around the country will offer quilts, quilting & craft supplies, patterns, fabrics, vintage textiles, & more!

Special Exhibit: Blankenbecker Family Treasure: The personal work of a meticulous 19th century weaver, knitter, and quilter.

Admission \$5 (Admission proceeds benefit the Warren County Historical Society's mission to preserve and present the history of Warren County, Ohio)

For More Information Warren County Historical Society 513-932-1817 wchs@wchsmuseum.org or American Treasures Productions, 740-965-3047 americantreasurespro@gmail.com.

Girls' Night Out

When: 4 pm - 9 pm on these dates in 2015:

March 14

May 9

August 8

November 7

Where: Rocking Horse Gift Shop at the Warren County History Center, 105 S. Broadway, Lebanon (Two doors South of the Golden Lamb) and throughout Historic Downtown Lebanon.

Details: Don't miss this opportunity to get out and have fun on this girls-only adventure in downtown Lebanon! Shopping, eating, and socializing...what could be better on a Saturday night?!! Get your punch card at a participating merchant and enjoy great deals and prizes at participating shops, including the Rocking Horse Gift Shop at the Warren County History Center! Enjoy refreshments and see what's new! We are always updating our inventory!

No museum admission required to shop, ever! Contact us at 513-932-1817 or wchs@wchsmuseum.org.

Lebanon Antiques & Collectibles Study Forum

When: **Saturday, April 11, 2015.**

Where: Warren County History Center, 105 S. Broadway, Lebanon, OH 45036.

Details: This lecture series is for novices or experienced collectors. Attend a variety of lectures to learn about antiques! Enjoy a special catered lunch! Topics Include:

Ancient Chinese Artifacts

Vintage Fountain Pens

Antique Transferware/China

Disney Collectibles

The Current Antiques Market - "What's Hot and What's Not"

Cost: *Advance registration required.* \$20 per lecture, \$25 for lunch with guest speaker; or \$75 for full day of lectures with lunch included. Payment by credit card (Visa, Mastercard, Discover) may be made over the phone at 513-932-1817

For more information, wchs@wchsmuseum.org or 513-932-1817.

Pioneer Cemetery Tour

When: **Friday, May 15, 2015, 8:00pm to 9:30pm**

Where: Pioneer Cemetery, Corner of West Street and Mulberry Street, Lebanon, Ohio

Details: Join us for a historical tour of the Pioneer Cemetery in Lebanon, Ohio. Visit the graves of notable pioneers and meet the "spirit" of the departed through historic character reenactments. Led by John Zimkus, WCHS Historian.

Cost: \$20 for adults, \$10 for students under 18. Ticket sales are limited to 35 people.

For more information, 513-932-1817 or wchs@wchsmuseum.org.

Time Travelers History Explorer Program 2015

Looking for educational and fun activities for the kids this summer? Don't miss this popular FREE program!

When: **Thursdays beginning in June 2015** (date TBD), 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Where: Warren County History Center, 105 S. Broadway (next to the library), Lebanon, OH 45036

Details: Young historians! Join us each Thursday this summer for a chance to journey back in time, tour the museum, discover artifacts within the museum's collection and participate in a hands-on activity or game!

Enjoy a different topic each week. This program is best suited for children ages 6-12, but siblings are welcome.

Parents, please plan to accompany your children.

Check back for topics and specific dates!

Cost: FREE!

For more information call 513-932-1817 or wchs@wchsmuseum.org.

Turtlecreek Summer Music Festival

When: **Saturday, July 2015, Date TBD 11 am to 11 pm**

Where: TBD in Lebanon, OH 45036

Details: Mark your calendar and check back for details! The 2nd annual Turtlecreek Summer Music Festival will be even bigger and better! More music, more food, more craft vendors, more fun!

For more information, contact us at 513-932-1817 or wchs@wchsmuseum.org.

History Camp 2015

WHEN: **July 13-16, 2015.** Mornings, times TBD.

WHERE: Warren County History Center, 105 S. Broadway, Lebanon, OH 45036

DETAILS: WCHS Historian & Education Director John Zimkus is developing a comprehensive and fun program for students entering the 4th through 8th grades. Camp consists of on-site activities at the Warren County History Center and field trips! Mark your calendar and check back for details!

COST: \$40 for the entire four-day camp. Class size is limited.

TO REGISTER: Contact the Warren County Historical Society at 513-932-1817 or wchs@wchsmuseum.org.

Lantern Light Cemetery Tour at Lebanon Cemetery

When: **September 2015.** Check back for specific dates.

Where: Lebanon Cemetery, West Silver Street, Lebanon, Ohio

Details: A Historical tour of the Lebanon Cemetery in Lebanon, Ohio. Visit the graves of notable and historic Lebanon citizens & meet the “spirit” of the departed through historic character reenactments. Led by John Zimkus, WCHS Historian.

Civil War Encampment

The Ohio Valley Civil War Association Returns to Glendower! This free event takes place on the lawn at Glendower Historic Mansion.

When:

September 26, 2015 from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

September 27, 2015 from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm

Details: Canons blast, soldiers drill and fire their rifles, while camp fires simmer a soldier’s supper.

Visit the U.S. Sanitary Commission hospital tent, the information officer in the signal corps tent and much more.

Cost: Admission is FREE

Glendower Mansion will be open for guided tours:

Saturday September 26th from 10-5

Sunday September 27th from 11-4

Admission for tours is \$7 adults, \$6 seniors over 65, \$4 Students 5-18

For more information, contact the Warren County Historical Society at 513-932-1817.

Christmas at Glendower 2015

When: **Every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday in December**

Where: Glendower Historic Mansion, 105 Cincinnati Avenue, Lebanon, OH 45036

Details: Bring the whole family to enjoy a guided tour of this beautiful Greek-Revival mansion, which will be professionally decorated for the holidays.

Check back for details!

Fort Ancient Earthworks & Nature Preserve News

Fort Ancient Earthworks and Nature Preserve offers Lecture Series

Fort Ancient is hosting three, free lectures in the classroom at Fort Ancient over **the first Saturday in February, March and April**. Two presentations will deal with Archaeology in the area and the third presentation will discuss the Historic Native populations of Ohio during the late 17th and early 18th Centuries. The lectures are free to the public but there will be a regular site admission for guests wanting to go through the museum or grounds. The museum and grounds will be open from 10AM to 5PM on Saturday and 12 Noon to 5 PM on Sunday. General Admission (excluding the free lecture) is \$6.00 for adults, \$5.00 for students. For additional information go to www.fortancient.org or call 513-932-4421.

“Looking Into The Ground Without Digging”

Saturday February 7th, 10:30AM-12:00PM

Dr. Jarrod Burks

Director of Archaeological Geophysics

Ohio Valley Archaeology - Columbus, Ohio

Archaeologists love to dig in the dirt, but there is nothing worse than not finding anything after a hard day of excavation. This is why they are always trying to figure out how to dig in just the right place to locate what they are after. Geophysical survey instruments can do just that—they can look into the ground, without digging, and locate buried archaeological features like cooking pits, foundations, wells, and graves.

Geophysics is revolutionizing the way that archaeology is done in Ohio, finding things that we never knew were there. In this presentation Dr. Burks explores how various types of geophysical instruments work and some of the fascinating things that he has found with them on sites in Ohio. From old church foundations and buried wells to ancient earthworks and 3000 year-old earth ovens, geophysical surveys are helping archaeologists rediscover Ohio's rich history.

Dr. Jarrod Burks is Director of Archaeological Geophysics at Ohio Valley Archaeology, Inc., a small cultural resource management firm based in Columbus, Ohio. He received his doctorate in anthropology from The Ohio State University in 2004, with a dissertation focused on studying Middle Woodland period (*circa* A.D. 250) Hopewell households at the Strait site in central Ohio. During his day job Jarrod conducts geophysical surveys on all manner of archaeology sites, primarily in Ohio and surrounding states, but he has also been to Guadalcanal searching for the remains of World War II MIAs. Rediscovering Ohio's earthworks and Hopewell domestic sites using geophysics occupies most of Jarrod's research efforts—though he is a sucker for requests to do geophysics on just about any archaeology site.

"Farmers till the End: Four Centuries of Fort Ancient Life at the Hahn Site near Cincinnati"

Saturday, March 7th, 10:30AM-12:00PM

Mr. Robert Genheimer

George Rieveschl Curator of Archaeology

Cincinnati Museum Center - Cincinnati, Ohio

Sometime in the 13th Century AD, Fort Ancient peoples constructed a large circular village on a high terrace in the lower reaches of the Little Miami River valley. Field investigations at the Hahn Site reveal that a ring or rings of houses surrounded an open communal plaza. These village dwellers grew maize and beans, hunted deer, elk, turkey, and other animals, gathered wild plants, and exploited a variety of river resources including fish and mussels. Archaeological excavations at the site have been aided by a robust remote sensing program that has delineated hundreds of probable pit features and burials. The combination of remote sensing and excavations reveal that through time, the site expanded across the 10-12 acre terrace, and was finally abandoned sometime during the 17th Century AD. Join us in examining seven years' worth of excavations at the site.

"Historic Indians of Ohio"

Saturday, April 4th, 10:30AM-12:00PM

Mr. Randall Buchman

Professor Emeritus of History and Archaeology

Defiance College - Defiance, Ohio

Randall Buchman is Professor Emeritus of History and Archaeology at Defiance College. This presentation examines the relocation of the Historic People into Ohio and the cultural ramifications of Euro-Americans on the People in the process. This program uses slides and overhead projections as illustrations. Mr. Buchman specializes in Ohio Valley American Indian studies, and has worked at prehistoric sites in Ohio and Indiana. He recently taught Native American History at Bacone College and Indian College in Oklahoma.

Morrow Area Church News

"Meals for Morrow" Riversway Ministry, Feeding the Morrow Community – February 14

Riversway Ministry recently began serving "Meals for Morrow." Meals are served at the Old Train Depot on Main Street in Morrow, where people may eat at tables provided. Meals are provided at no cost to those in need every other Saturday from 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm. Future meal dates are: **February 14, 2015**. We will be

putting up flyers around town and will be going door to door on the Friday night before, so we hope to have a big crowd. We have had a lot of interest in helping with this ministry, so we are hoping that on that day there will be plenty of help. For more information, please contact Melonie at meloniemetz@embarqmail.com or call 513.932.9678.

Caregiver Resource Connection at Morrow United Methodist Church

Caregiver Resource Connection: Who is a caregiver? You are a caregiver whether you devote as little as 5 minutes a week or as much as 24 hours a day to providing or supervising the care for a loved one who is disabled, frail, or elderly. It can be both physically and emotionally demanding! Meet others who share your experience to discuss topics like maintaining balance as a caregiver, solving caregiving problems, the guilt/stress of caregiving, and learning to care for yourself. There is a group at Morrow United Methodist that normally meets every month on the **2nd Monday of each month** from 4:00 - 5:30 pm in the Church Library. This group is free and open to the public and is here for you! We are also in need of facilitators for several new groups forming in the Greater Cincinnati Area. If you, as a current or former caregiver, feel called to this service, have questions about our groups, or about caregiving in general, please call the Caregiver CAREline at (513) 929-4483 for more information.

Morrow/Maineville MOMS Club®!

Seeking all stay-at-home moms, either full or part time. We want YOU to join us and become a member of The Morrow/Maineville MOMS Club®! MOMS stands for Moms Offering Moms Support®. We are an international non-profit organization supporting stay-at-home moms. Become a member of MOMS Club® and discover a wonderful local group of supportive moms who, like you, know the ever changing needs and challenges of being a stay-at-home mom! Here are just a few things our local chapter offers:

- * Daytime activities for moms and children
- * Book Club
- * Moms night out each month
- * Monthly meeting with speakers and/or discussions and crafts for the children and Much More!
- * Weekly playgroups
- * Community service projects
- * Holiday parties

For more information about membership and/or the Morrow/Maineville E MOMS Club® chapter, please email: MorrowMainevilleMomsClub@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you! The Morrow/Maineville MOMS Club®! meets at Grace Community Presbyterian, 6246 Turning Leaf Way, Maineville, Ohio 45039, but is not affiliated with the church.

Church News and Event Information Needed!

Is your Church having a special event that you would like to share with the community? If so, please email your news and events to administrator@vil.morrow.oh.us.

Morrow Area Business News

Shelton's Produce and Glory Farms at Deerfield Farmers Market & Lebanon Farm Market

"What?!? I never win anything!" But this week's Lebanon Winter Market's tenth visitor was indeed Trevor, and the next time he visits the Lebanon market he has a coupon for \$10 worth of Glory Farm products. ALSO, we have four young hogs going to the packer March 5, these are \$4 per pound delivered, quarter, half, or whole. Glory Farms is at the Deerfield market every Saturday with products from Wild Holly Farm, Shelton Produce, as well as Glory Farms, as well as CSA's and herd shares, and orders. JUST A

NOTE: sometimes there are events there, so we have to go to the large parking lot across the street.

And EVERY Thursday at the Lebanon market we are there with Ohio Organic Cheese from 3 till 5. Rain, shine, snow, whatever. And I SHOULD say, we are there with our hardy, hard-core customers: YOU could be

one, also. And the tenth customer each week receives a \$10 coupon for their next market trip, for Glory Farm products only. This is kind of a fun thing for us.

A NOTE TO HERD SHARES:

Unfortunately, our new cow did not survive birthing the little heifer calf that I'm bottle feeding every three hours, round the clock. That means that there will be a further delay in resumption of some of your herd shares. I'm sorry, but this is all part of farm life. Our ten year old cow that was born and bred here is able to supply her calf and several herd shares, but two of our cows (these, too, were purchased a couple of years ago, and without a doubt you get someone's culls, but this is the best in this area we are able to do) did not breed. We have a heifer born and raised here who will calve in a few months, and we are hopeful she will be gentle enough to milk. She is pretty much of a pet, so again, we are hopeful. Some of you have a balance, and I can refund that to you, or you can wait till we wean Sammie's calf. The new calf will have to be on milk replacer. I think everyone understands that the entry herd share fee is a legal purchase into the herd, for better or for worse, and cannot be refunded, but some of you had paid ahead on your monthly fee.) We have maple sap boiling on our wood stove, even as we text, the sap eventually being syrups in CSA's. Our chickens already are starting to lay again, and we have 75 beautiful young white rock hens that I expect to start laying next month. We have the stewing chickens available for \$2 a pound, as well as jams, jellies, butters, baked goods, yeast breads as well as banana walnut and pumpkin pecan, syrups, CSA's, herd shares, alfalfa, mung, salad, and fenugreek sprouts, eggs, honey, hot sauces, hickory and maple syrups, and who knows what else!

Sylvia / Glory Farms / Wild Holly Farm / Shelton Produce
937.725.8773 call or text / gloryent@tds.net / www.wildhollyfarm.com

"It's Just Wine, Beer & Music" Every Thursday at Valley Vineyards

Come and enjoy great music featuring local artists, with all of your friends at Valley Vineyards, 2276 East U. S. Route 22 & 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152 **every Thursday** evening from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm. Available are selected half-priced glasses of wine, seasonal hors d'oeuvres and light fare. No reservations necessary so come in and enjoy complimentary live music every Thursday with *"It's Just Wine and Music."* This fun filled, relaxing evening will begin at 6:00 pm and go until 10:00 pm. For more information, please contact Valley Vineyards at 513.899.2485 or visit their website at <http://www.valleyvineyards.com/events.html>.

Healthy Solution Yoga & Cardio Drumming Drop-In Classes

Exciting News! Drop-in classes have begun for Yoga and Cardio Drumming. Yoga classes will be held on Mondays from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Cardio Drumming classes will be held on Mondays at 7:45 pm and Thursdays at 6:30 pm and 7:45 pm. Get a jump on your New Year's resolution to lead a healthier lifestyle. For more information, please contact Jennifer Kavensky, Wellness Coach with Herbalife International, 513.387.9745, jkprezteam@yahoo.com or www.JenniferKavensky.com.

Marks Xpress Trucking & Hauling, LLC

Marks Xpress Trucking & Hauling, LLC is a Woman Owned Small Business provider of Transportation and Logistics Solutions. We are a family owned and operated company that makes a commitment to treat customers like family. Our company is staffed by a group of dedicated transportation and logistics specialists that strive to solve our customers' needs. Our drivers and dispatchers operate by our company motto of *"Safety. On time. Every Time."* We look forward to serving your future needs! Flatbed hotshots 33' and 35' trailers, 10,000 lbs. capacity. For more information, please contact Marks Xpress Trucking & Hauling, LLC, 9173 Wilson Road, Waynesville, Ohio 45068, at 937.974.6327 or cwarego@aol.com for all your hauling needs.

Plain Folk Café Offering Some of the Area's Finest Food & Entertainment

Whether you're looking for a place to gather with friends for a great meal or you're looking for great live music, look no further than the Plain Folk Café, 10177 State Route 132, Pleasant Plain, Ohio 45162. For more information, please check out Plain Folk Café's calendar of events at http://plainfolkcafe.com/CALENDAR_OF_EVENTS.html.

Little Miami Area Chamber of Commerce News

February LMA Chamber Meeting – February 5, 2015

Charlotte Johnston, CPA, with JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES, LLC

With the Affordable Care Act and so many other issues out there affecting business and personal taxes it's even more important than ever to seek the guidance of a qualified tax professional. We are fortunate enough to have Charlotte! Here is your opportunity to learn how to make getting through the tax season a little more efficiently! **Please RSVP** to Peoples First Savings Bank at 513-899-2040 or info@littlemiamiareachamber.com with the number attending.

Little Miami Area Chamber of Commerce Website

With the switch to the new hosting company I-MKTG completed we want to make sure member information is up to date. Over the next week or so please take a look at your company's listing. Please let us know if there changes we need to make to contact information, names listed or your company bio. Here's the link to the site: <http://littlemiamiareachamber.com/>

2015, the year ahead

We have found one of the best ways to promote who you are is to be involved in community events. Even though we know you may already have a lot on your calendar we sure could use your help with chamber events in the Little Miami area this year. We are grateful for all of those that made last year's programs a huge success and look to build on that this year. Here are some of the upcoming events we are looking for member involvement on:

- Spring Dinner committee
- Touch-A-Truck
- Cardboard Boat Regatta
- Chamber Golf Outing

If you would like to know more about being involved please send us a note with the event you are interested in and a number to contact you at to info@littlemiamiareachamber.com.

Little Miami Area Chamber of Commerce February Meeting

Thursday, February 5, 2015

11:45 am until 1:00 pm

Valley Vineyards, 2276 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152

We'll see you February 8th at Valley Vineyards!

Dynamic Asset Allocation Presentation – February 26, 2015

Guest speaker Stanley B Weiland presents "From the Hill to the Street: An Insider's Perspective"

Who: Craig Capital Corporation Inc.

When: **Thursday, February 26th, 2015**

Where: Carrabba's Italian Grill in Mason

For additional information please contact Christine Walton at cwalton@wfafinet.com or call 513-234-0700.

Morrow VFW Post 8202 News

Rent the Morrow VFW Post 8202 Hall for Your Upcoming Event

Do you have an upcoming wedding, anniversary, birthday, retirement party, or other special event? The Morrow VFW Post 8202 hall offers the perfect setting for your special event. If you'd like more information on renting the Morrow VFW Post 8202 hall for your special event, please call Gary at 513.899.2612.

Morrow Masonic Lodge No. 265 News

Rent the Morrow Masonic Lodge for Your Upcoming Event

Do you have an upcoming wedding, anniversary, birthday, retirement party, or other special event? The Morrow Masonic Lodge offers the perfect setting for your special event. If you'd like more information on renting the Morrow Masonic Lodge for your special event, please call Paul at 513.850.5788.

Salem Township Public Library News

A Winter's Treat

Come in out of the cold and find a nice warm winter's treat at your library! Enjoy all the library has to offer and receive special treats. Prizes awarded for your 2nd and 4th and 6th visit.

- Sign up (18 years of age and older)
- Visit the library often and check out some of your favorite things.
- Receive weekly treats.
- Receive drawing slips with each weekly visit for a chance to win a tablet.

Contact the library for more information!!!

Reading with Raider and Friends

Reading with Raider and Friends is one of the most beloved programs...and for a good reason! Kids can drop in to read to the sweet certified therapy dogs **the first Tuesday of each month from 6:30-7:30 pm**. The dogs are calm and welcoming, which creates a great atmosphere for children to practice their reading. Reading with Raider is tail-wagging fun for all!

Writers' Circle Group Meetings

Calling all adults and high school students who are interested in writing: the library's Writers' Circle is a group that meets **twice monthly on Saturdays from 10:30 am-12:00 pm** at the library to share their creative writing pieces. Prompts are decided by the group and sharing ideas is welcomed and encouraged. Free coffee is served at each meeting. Join the group by contacting the library or emailing Dylan at: mccrackendy@salem-township.lib.oh.us. Future dates:

- **February 7 & 21, 2015**
- **March 7 & 21, 2015**
- **April 11 & 18, 2015**

How-To: Knitting & Crocheting Classes

Perfect for beginners and anyone who enjoys knitting and crocheting, the library will be holding several how-to classes with instructor and library employee Lani Trinh. Lani's years of experience working with both knitting and crocheting will have you casting off and creating pieces in no time. Please bring at least one skein of yarn of your choice, knitting needles, and size G, H, or I crochet hooks.

The class schedule is as follows:

- Crocheting Classes:
 - **Monday, February 9 from 6:30-7:30 pm**
 - **Saturday, February 14 from 12:30-1:30 pm**

Pre-School Story Time and Toddler Story Time

Two of the most popular and well-loved programs are back at the library this fall! Register your little book worm for Pre-School Story Time or Toddler Story Time, beginning in January. Preschool Story Time for 3-6 year-olds focuses on listening to stories, playing games, making friends, and creating crafts. Each thirty-minute Story Time class is held on **Tuesdays at 11:00 am or 2:00 pm**. Toddler Story Time for young children ages 18-36 months and a caregiver focuses on listening to short stories, rhymes, finger plays, and songs. Each 15-20 minute class is held on **Wednesdays at 10:45 am**. Call or stop in the library to sign up; registration is under way: (513) 899-2588.

Adult Book Discussion Group

Join a lively discussion group of book lovers and get in on the fun! Adults are welcome to sign up to attend monthly book discussions, which take place **the first Tuesday evening of each month from 6:30-8:00 pm**. The group discusses a different book each month, which can be picked up at the library. Interested participants can stop in to pick up the next book. Future dates:

- **March 3: Me Before You** by Jojo Moyes

You may register for one or multiple sessions. Please contact the library if you have questions and to register for classes.

Download eBooks and Audiobooks for Free to Your Devices

Did you receive a tablet, eReader, computer, or smartphone during the holidays? You can use your device to download and enjoy thousands of free eBooks, Audiobooks, Music and Videos, all for free from the library. Your library card enables you to borrow digital materials without the responsibility of returning physical items or being charged overdue fees—borrowing, reading, and returning eBooks can be done anywhere, anytime—you don't even need to leave home! Enjoy bestsellers, popular series, classics, children's and teens' titles, audiobooks, and more. Get started by visiting www.ohioebooks.org or visit the library in order to sign up for a library card.

February 2015 Salem Township Public Library Newsletter Available

The February 2015 Salem Township Public Library is now available by clicking:



February newsletter
2015.pdf

Please contact the library for more information and to sign up for events.

Salem Township Public Library

535 West Pike Street

Morrow, OH 45152

513-899-2588

There's more news to know! Like us on [Facebook](#) to keep up with upcoming events, new materials, pictures, and more. Contact the library to sign up for all events. Receive more information by calling or visiting the library.

Little Miami Local School District News

Select Women's Chorale to sing in Ohio State outreach festival

The Little Miami Select Women's Chorale will participate tomorrow in the Ohio State School of Music's Women's Choir Festival entitled "CONCEPT: Freedom." The ladies will be singing in a multi-generational women's chorus, participating in sessions about human trafficking, and working in master classes with OSU professors. Read a story [here](#).

Testing trial completed yesterday

Little Miami, along with many other Ohio districts, participated in a state testing infrastructure trial yesterday. An infrastructure trial is an opportunity for districts, buildings and students to prepare for computer-based state testing by simulating test-day network utilization. Read more about the trial [here](#).

Primer on new state assessments

Ohio's adoption of new state standards has brought new assessments, and with it new terminology, acronyms and testing procedures. Read [this article](#) to learn about the changes and what to expect for your child in the months ahead.

Five teachers represented Warren County in ODE focus group

Five Little Miami teachers who educate our youngest learners were chosen to represent Warren County last Friday in an Ohio Department of Education regional focus group about new state assessments. Erin Burgett (Butlerville), Courtney Meyer (Salem), and Stephanie Pennix (Maineville) participated in the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment group, and Preschool teachers Sara Harris and Kim Ksander took part in the Early Learning Assessment group. Their feedback about the assessments conducted back in the fall will be forwarded to the ODE state offices.

Pantherfest set for next Saturday

Pantherfest, the annual extravaganza sponsored by the Athletic Boosters, is next Saturday (Feb. 7). The event runs from noon-5 p.m., with food, crafts, and local performers, including a 2 p.m. performance by Ballet Tech of Ohio. Take note that an "open mic"/karaoke hour has been added at 4 p.m. More entrants for the chili cookoff are welcomed, and booth vendors and volunteers (including students who need service hours) are also needed. To sign up or ask any questions, contact Susan Knippenberg at 513-728-1402 or susan.knippenberg@gmail.com. Read about Pantherfest and access the flyer at [this link](#).

College Credit Plus meeting on Feb. 4

On Feb. 4, the high school will hold a meeting for parents and students interested in participating next year in College Credit Plus (formerly known as PSEO). The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will take place in the high school auditorium. See more info [here](#).

Nominate a teacher for the Project Excellence Awards

Parents: You can nominate outstanding teachers for the Project Excellence Awards. For more information or to submit a nomination, click here: <http://www.apcwc.org/project-excellence/>

"Panther Pride" Night Out ticket deadline: February 2

Tickets for the **Feb. 14** "Panther Pride" Night Out event will be sold at the girls basketball game tomorrow afternoon and from 6-7 p.m. Monday in the high school cafeteria. Monday is the deadline to buy tickets. View info about the event [here](#).

LMIS spelling and geography bee winners crowned

LMIS held its annual Spelling Bee and National Geographic Bee this week. Fifth grader Dakota Baldwin was the top speller, and fifth grader Andrew Vance claimed top geography honors. To view photos, click [here](#) for the spelling bee and [here](#) for the geography bee.

Butlerville gets visit from Zoo Cats

The Cincinnati Zoo's Cat Ambassador program came to Harlan-Butlerville Primary for PTO assemblies on Tuesday and Wednesday. Students saw a cheetah, a porcupine, an Anatolian shepherd dog, and a housecat. See photos [here](#) and a video clip [here](#).

Spring Carnival set; planning meetings start Tuesday

Mark your calendar: The annual Spring Carnival is scheduled for **Friday, May 1** from 6-9 p.m. at Little Miami High School. Planning begins with a meeting Tuesday (Feb. 3); take note that this is a new meeting date after school was cancelled this past Monday. Read more info [here](#).

Senior newsletter posted

Seniors and parents, the February Senior Newsletter is now posted. [Click here](#) to access it.

Kindergarten registration starting

Kindergarten registration for the 2015-16 school year will be held on **March 10 and April 30**. For details and to learn about the enrollment process, please [click here](#).

Save the date: "Beauty and the Beast"

The spring LMHS musical, "Beauty and the Beast," will be **April 17-18**. There will be 7 p.m. performances each day, plus a 2 p.m. matinee on the 18th that'll be preceded by a princess tea.

Follow Little Miami news on social media

Are you following the school district on Facebook and Twitter? The main district Facebook page is accessible [here](#), and the district's Twitter handle is [@LM_Schools](#). You can also follow Superintendent Greg Power on Twitter; his handle is [@LM_GPSuper](#). Our YouTube channel is youtube.com/littlemiamischools.

LMHS/LMJH sports update (Jan. 30, 2015)

High School

Academic Team: The Academic Team swept Edgewood 43-30 and 47-40 to maintain its hold on first place in the league. The team is 9-1 in the SWOC and has won 33 of its last 34 league matches, and is chasing a third consecutive conference title.

Bowling: The boys bowling team is in 5th place in the league. Gavin Vires has the third-highest average in the SWOC (203.7). The girls are in 4th place in the league and are led by Kay Rothermund, who ranks sixth in the SWOC with a 155.8 average.

Boys Basketball: The team is 6-8 overall, 4-4 in the SWOC. It has three of the top nine scorers in the conference: Cole Christman (third, 13.2 ppg), Andrew Burleson (sixth, 12.5) and Austin Hinds (ninth, 11.4).

Girls Basketball: The Panthers (9-9) posted a huge win Tuesday, defeating host Talawanda 60-48. The SWOC-leading Braves entered with a 36-1 all-time mark in the league. Little Miami's Laine Studer leads the SWOC in assists (5.1 avg.) and steals (5.8), and also ranks second in scoring (14.0).

Swim/Dive: Last Tuesday, Little Miami came in second in a tri-meet against Norwood and Seven Hills.

Wrestling: The team fell to a tough Fairfield team in the first round of the statewide team wrestling tournament.

Upcoming High School Events:

- **Feb. 4: Girls Basketball, home vs. Loveland (freshmen) and Kings (JV/Varsity) – Senior Night**
- **Feb. 5: Bowling, at Harrison**
- **Feb. 6: Boys Basketball, home vs. Northwest – Senior Night**
- **Feb. 7: Girls Basketball, at Ross**
- **Feb. 7: Boys Basketball, at Felicity**
- **Feb. 7: Swimming, at Bethel-Tate**

Junior High School

Boys Basketball: Our 8th Grade 'A' team is 5-2. Our 8th grade 'B' team is 3-4. Our 7th Grade 'B' team is 4-5.

Girls Basketball: The 7th Grade 'A' team is 6-1, and the 8th grade 'A' team is 4-3.

Swim/Dive: On Jan. 17, the team came in 16th place of 18 teams at the Junior High Swim Championships, which is not bad considering we have only eight swimmers. During this meet we had several new personal-best times for swimmers.

Wrestling: The team had a good conference meet last weekend. Some high finishers in their weight classes: Josh Wilder 4th, Cole Gintert 2nd, Skylar Workman 3rd, Matt Meal 4th, Devin Middleston 3rd, and Ben Blevins 3rd.

Upcoming Junior High Events:

- **Feb. 4: 7th/8th grade 'B' Boys Basketball, vs. Edgewood, 4:30 p.m.**
- **Feb. 5: 7th/8th grade 'A' Girls Basketball, at Kings, 4:30 p.m.**
- **Feb. 5: 7th/8th grade 'B' Girls Basketball, at Kings (following 'A' Girls Basketball)**
- **Feb. 5: 7th/8th grade 'B' Boys Basketball, vs. Kings, 4:30 p.m.**
- **Feb. 7: 7th/8th grade Wrestling, at Mechanicsburg**
- **TBA: 'A' Boys Basketball Tournament, at LMJH**
- **TBA: 'B' Boys Basketball Tournament, at Milford**
- **TBA: 'A' Girls Basketball Tournament, at Talawanda**

Little Miami Athletic Boosters Club News

Little Miami Pantherfest – February 7

Little Miami Pantherfest 2015 sponsored by Little Miami Athletic Boosters Club will be held **Saturday, February 7, 2015**, at Little Miami High School, 3001 U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152. Pantherfest kicks off at noon and features Food, Booths, Performers, Craft Booths, Chili Cook-Off, Pie Bake-Off, TNT Nitro, Premier Tumbling, Hills Martial Arts, ShowBiz Dance, Games & More! Special performance by Ballet Tech of Ohio. Enter your prize winning chili in our Chili Cook-Off. Purchase booth space. See community performers. Fun for the entire community! Admission is free! For more information, please contact Susan Knippenberg at 513.728.1402 or susan.knippenberg@gmail.com.

Inaugural "Panther Pride" Night Out Benefit Gala – February 14 (Reservation deadline is February 4)

The inaugural "Panther Pride" Night Out benefit gala will be a night of fun and celebration of our wonderful Little Miami athletes and supporters of those athletes. This fund-raiser event at Bel-Wood Country Club on Feb. 14, 2015, will offer dinner, dancing, and a fun atmosphere of people full of Panther Pride. We are going to offer a raffle for many great prizes and a gift basket silent auction. Ticket purchase gets you an Italian buffet and two drink tickets. There will be a cash bar available too. Questions can be emailed to pantheradultsocial@yahoo.com. **The order deadline is Saturday, February 4.** The information page is [available here](#), and the order form is [available here](#). Registrations may be mailed to or dropped off at LMHS.

Little Miami Athletic Boosters February Meeting – February 9

The next Little Miami Athletic Boosters meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Monday, February 9, 2015, in the Media Center of Little Miami High School, 3001 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152. For more information, please visit <http://www.lmpanthersports.com/pages/currentofficers/>.

Inaugural Panther Run, 10K, 5K, 1K & Kids Fun Run – April 11

The LMABC is proud to present the Inaugural Panther Run, 5K, 10K, 1K kids fun run. This event will take place on Saturday, April 11, 2015. Participants will Start and Finish at LMHS. The route will take participants through beautiful downtown Morrow along the Little Miami Scenic Trail. Registration is \$25 per participant and includes a t-shirt. \$10 for kids fun run, under 12 years of age. Additional \$5 for same day registration. Registration will start at LMHS at 7:30am and race to start at 8:30am. More details to follow.

Use Your Kroger Rewards Points to Support the Little Miami Athletic Boosters

It is that time again! Kroger requires that you sign up yearly to enroll your Kroger Reward card to support the Little Miami Athletic Boosters.

Go to www.KrogerCommunityRewards.com

1. Select Cincinnati, Ohio as your location
2. Scroll down the page and select ENROLL NOW
3. If you already have an account you will sign in with your Email and Password
4. If you do have an account please make sure that all of your information is correct (name etc.) go to step 7
5. If you do not have an account. You must create an account by selecting the "Create An Account"
6. After you have created an account, return to step 1
7. Under Community Rewards select Little Miami Athletic Boosters or Organization No. 81640
8. Once you select Little Miami Athletic Boosters select SAVE CHANGES
9. When you look at your Account Summary you should see a box on the right hand side:
Community Rewards
Organization Name: Little Miami Athletic Boosters
Organization No.:81640
Enrollment Date: xx/xx/xxxx (your date of enrollment)

After 7-10 days, you will see "At your request, Kroger is donating to "Little Miami Athletic Boosters" at the bottom of your Kroger receipt.

Thank you for supporting the Little Miami Athletic Boosters.

Call to Arms for All Boosters

Little Miami School District is one of the fastest-growing areas in southwest Ohio. Our community is primarily rural, covering 98 square miles of mostly farmland. The economic upswing in recent years has brought new development into our area, and we now have our largest enrollment ever.

The education our school district provides continues to be rated excellent by the state of Ohio. We are proud of this accomplishment and feel this helps make our community attractive for potential homebuyers.

The LMABC currently supports over 850 athletes in grades 7-12. Our plan is simple: to bring our sporting teams up to the level of our education. It is with this spirit that we come to you seeking aid for our student-athletes.

One of the problems our athletes face is an inadequate training facility. Our current weight room is 900 square feet and can't house more than 15 kids at a time. The school board has given the Boosters the opportunity to transform the former Industrial Arts room (3,600 square feet) into a training facility, but the Boosters must pay 100% of the costs. With several initiatives going forward, this state-of-the-art training facility is by far our largest, with an estimated cost of \$175,000. We are now beginning a fund drive to accomplish this goal.

There is opportunity in the corporate world for us to raise money. There are a few organizations who might match funds with us for the advancement of sports. The Cincinnati Bengals, for example, recently announced a matching grant for \$150,000 to Harrison High School for the installation of a new turf field. The Bengals have done this for numerous schools, but seemingly always for the installation of a turf field, and always in a matching-grant scenario. We have feelers out with them as well as many other corporations in the Cincinnati area. We are trying to reach out to any businesses that can help us advance our athletic facilities.

These opportunities are exciting and yet unsure. The bottom line is that we have to have a plan in place to assure that this training center comes to fruition. That is where we must begin: with you! We need our alumni base, parents of student-athletes, parents of non-student athletes, parents of past student-athletes, local businesses, and companies you work for or with. In other words, we need to pull from every aspect of our lives.

The average citizen, who does not have a student-athlete or care much for sports, may ask how athletics would affect his/her life. A National Center for Education Statistics study shows that children who participate in extracurricular activities will have a higher GPA, have a higher percentage of post-secondary education, have a healthier lifestyle (by percentage of non-smokers and non-binge drinkers), earn a higher average income, and tend to stay in (or return to) the school district they grew up in. This makes our school district more desirable to live in, and thus raises our property values and provides us with a greater customer base for our local businesses. We truly are all in this together.

It would be easy to say that if everyone in the school district would donate \$100 then we would probably exceed our goals. Honestly, the reach is not far from that. If our local businesses could partner with us in exchange for advertising, we would encourage everyone to give those businesses a better consideration.

If the loss of one outstanding young man this year taught us anything, it's that we are truly a community that cares. It is with that sense of closeness that I ask you kindly to support the initiative before us. Let us build something we all can be proud of.

The Green & Gold Committee is the point of contact for this fund drive. You may call 513.476.8610 or email us at lmgreenandgold@gmail.com. A member of our team will contact you.

Contributions should be sent to:

LMABC 3001 US 22/3 Morrow, Ohio 45152

Thank you,

The Green & Gold Team

Biff Arnold (chairperson)

Patty Wehrung, Darrick Davidson, Delanna Oeder, Pat Kilgore, Casey Shirey, Stacy Becker, Keith Becker, Joy D'Andrea, Dave Glaser, Steve Burgess, Chrissy Bailey & Lorri Lykins

Little Miami Youth Basketball Association

Harlem Wizards: Tricks, Hoops & Alley Oops – February 12

The Little Miami Youth Basketball Association proudly presents the Harlem Wizards at Little Miami High School, 3001 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152, on **Thursday, February 12, 2015**. Gates open at 6:00 pm; game time is 7:00 pm. Tickets are available for purchase during Little Miami Youth Basketball Association games on Saturday mornings at Salem Township Elementary School, 605 Welch Road, Morrow, Ohio 45152, or email andrea2u@hotmail.com. Tickets purchased via email will be available at the "Will Call" window at LMHS game day. Advance tickets are also available online at www.HarlemWizards.com (a \$.99 processing fee per ticket will be applied). Advance tickets are \$8.00 for Students and \$10.00 for General admission. Tickets at the gate are \$10.00 for Students and \$12.00 for General admission. Tickets are not available through Little Miami Schools.

Little Miami Youth Baseball News

Little Miami Youth Baseball Announces 2015 Baseball Signups

You've been missed! We wanted to make sure to let you know that baseball signups are in their final 2 weeks and we couldn't help but notice that you hadn't signed up! We know there is a lot going on, but we also don't want you to miss out on what promises to be a very exciting year for Little Miami Youth Baseball. We will be opening the 4 brand new fields that we just built at Testerman Park. We are planning a huge "Grand Opening Celebration" for the kids which should be a great time. We will be headed to a Reds game on June 9th which is always fun. We plan to build upon the success that we had last year and are exploring another land lease that will allow us to build another 4 fields! We're growing, but we can't grow without you! **You can register online between now and February 15, 2015,** at <http://lmybaseball.com/Registration/Default.asp?n=96215&org=lmybaseball.com> or come and see us in the Little Miami High School Cafeteria on **Wednesday, February 4, 2015, from 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm**. You'll see our "yard signs" around the schools for the next 2 weeks as a reminder, but don't delay signup today and secure your spot on the team! For more information, please contact Ken Floss, Little Miami Youth Baseball President, at ken.floss@LMYBaseball.com.

Warren County Warthogs Baseball News

Warren County Warthogs SpritWear Available Now

Order your Warthogs spiritwear online or at our store in Eastgate Mall. You can also book a batting cage as low as \$20 an hour next door at Blackout Sportscenter. For more information, please visit <http://warthogs.blackouttees.com/stores/?pid>.

Warren County Career Center News

WCCC Shows Appreciation to School Board

WCCC School Board members convened for the 2015 organization meeting and elected Bobbie Grice, Little Miami, as Board President and Esther Larson, Lebanon, as Board Vice President. January is School Board Appreciation Month, and members enjoyed cupcakes prepared especially for them by the WCCC Culinary students. They were also given certificates of appreciation from the district. Our superintendent expressed the district's appreciation for their commitment to Career and Technical Education.

BIT Academy Launched at South Campus in Kings Mills

Business and Information Technology Adult Education programs have been based at the WCCC South Campus in Kings Mills for several years. To increase awareness of the excellent services offered there, it has been rebranded and launched as the BIT Academy. Along with a new name and logo, new programming in the area of IT will be announced, including courses on computer security. The Academy will hold an Open House on March 4 from 4-7 p.m. Read the Spotlight on Success below for one student's recommendation of the IT programs. For updates, follow us on the WCCC [Facebook](#) page, and the new BIT Academy [Facebook](#) page!

Career-Tech Student Organizations Develop Skilled Leaders

Students in our Career-Technical Student Organizations, which are Business Professionals of America, SkillsUSA, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, FFA, DECA and Future Educators Association, are busy this spring with skills competitions and leadership opportunities on the local, regional, state and national level. WCCC hosted the BPA Region 17 competitions recently, and coming up Feb. 10 is the Local SkillsUSA competition here at WCCC. CTSOs provide valuable learning experiences for our students, and broaden their horizons as they plan for their futures.

There is still time to apply for high school programs for 2015-16

Sophomores interested in two-year programs and juniors interested in senior-only programs can still apply for the 2015-16 school year. It is easy to do! Just go online [HERE](#), create an account and start the application process.

Early Placement for Seniors Starts Now

Many of our seniors are being placed in jobs now for the second semester. The students report to WCCC for academic classes, and then go to work, in a paid position, instead of their program lab. If you are an employer and are interested in knowing more about our early job placement program, please contact our Director of Secondary Education, Gary Patton, at 513-932-5677 ext. 5202.

Spotlight on Success: IT Student Finds a World of Opportunity

The WCCC CCNA program has blown my career doors off! I started this program as laid-off and unemployed from IT sales. I found a job after my first earned certifications from WCCC as an entry level desktop support technician with Atos, to interviewing as a network administrator paying \$80,000+ with my CCNA certification.

Compared to the costs of this program versus a technical college that does not offer certifications, it's an easy choice. Your return on investment for a year of your time and roughly \$11,000 is incomparable. Do you want to spend 4 times the amount for a \$50,000 job from a technical college or get college credit and end up with a high-paying job? The numbers speak for themselves. Two months from now I will be working somewhere making a lot of money and taking additional steps toward other certifications for my own designed career path.

A person could go from pushing a broom for a living to one of the most in-demand jobs in the world, not just the U.S.A., THE WORLD! If you have the flexibility (like me) the world is wide open to you!

- Russ Holton

Warren County Convention & Visitors Bureau News

2015 Warren County Visitors Guide

Plan your escape to Ohio's Largest Playground today with our all new 2015 Visitors Guide! Packed full of lodging, dining, shopping, and attraction information, it's your go-to tool for Warren County fun!

[\[Get your FREE Guide! \]](#)

Find Your Fun!

From high-flying adventure to low-key cuisine, there's something for everyone in Warren County! Love the outdoors? Soar through the skies at Ozone Zipline Adventures, or zoom down Beach Mountain's 400 foot snow tubing hill. How about a grown-up getaway? Pair shopping, dining or even a thrilling night at Miami Valley Gaming with a comfortable stay at a cozy and convenient bed & breakfast. Check out all of our expertly assembled itineraries, and find the trip that's right for you today!

[\[Plan your getaway! \]](#)

Get the inside scoop!

What's the word on Warren County? Read up on popular attractions and uncover some of Southwest Ohio's best kept secrets on [Stories from the Playground](#), the official blog of Ohio's Largest Playground!

[\[Check it out! \]](#)

Friends of the Little Miami State Park News

Vote for our Trail!

We bet you've had some fun outdoor adventures on the Little Miami Scenic Trail. As you remember these and look forward to more, vote in the Today's Pulse poll to make our trail the "*Best Outdoor Adventure*" in Warren County!

todayspulse.com/bestofwarren

Wishing you great adventures in 2015,
The Friends of the Little Miami State Park

Public Meeting: Peters Soil Cleanup – February 12

A public meeting will be held **Thursday, Feb. 12 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Warren County Administration Building regarding the lead-contaminated soil cleanup approved by the EPA at the former Peters Cartridge Factory. The contractors are planning to mobilize on Feb 16th, and the remedial action work is scheduled for completion between March and September 2015.

Friends of the Little Miami State Park February Meeting

The Friends of the Little Miami State Park will hold their February meeting on **Sunday, February 22, 2015**, at 4:00 pm at the [Loveland City Hall](#), 120 West Loveland Avenue, Loveland, Ohio 45140. For more information, please visit www.flmsp.org.

Tell Us We're Cracking Up

Help us identify bumps on the trail so they can be scarified and crack-filled this spring. Please send [Don Hahn](#) or [Don Mills](#) the mile marker location of any bump that is over 1/4" high.

Subscribe to Friends of the Little Miami State Park Electronic Newsletter, *TrailMail*

TrailMail, the e-newsletter of Friends of the Little Miami State Park, is published ten times a year. *TrailMail* welcomes submissions of trail-related photos and articles about people, events, history, and the trail's natural environment. Send submissions to: trailmail@flmsp.org.

Little Miami State Park Usage Soars!

By Paul Morgan

Total visits to the Little Miami State Park in 2014 were 760,000! This figure is from our first-ever comprehensive count of trail visits. The last estimate, 200,000, done by OKI in 1998, was based on very limited manual count data and a shorter trail length.

The 2014 estimate was calculated using electronic counters operating 24/7 for at least one month on each of the 22 "counting" sections of our 50-mile trail. The monthly counts were extrapolated to annual visits using data from the National Bike & Pedestrian Documentation project and with support from the Rails to Trails Conservancy.

FLMSP will use the new estimate to encourage grantors and other organizations to invest more money into the maintenance of this trail. We'll help them understand what we trail users already know-that our trail is cherished by the individual users and by the communities the trail passes through, and is a valuable asset to our entire region.

Our counting program will continue for the foreseeable future. If you'd like to help, contact us through our website.

Trailside Historical Marker Approved

By Janet Slater

Hamilton Township's first historical marker, explaining the contribution of the Butterworth family to the Little Miami Railroad, the Underground Railroad, and Maineville Academy, will be placed along our trail at Butterworth Station, 2.6 miles north of Loveland. It will mark the location of the stone depot, no longer standing but pictured above.

The boy in the old photo is Thomas Foster, a Butterworth descendent. Although Thomas is deceased, his wife Avery lives in Mason and supplied the photo. The depot is round because it doubled as a water tower for the railroad, using water from nearby springs, as well as a place to await the train.

The engraved sign with a picture and the state-required dedication ceremony require about \$3,000 in funding, and the local group who worked for the historical marker needs your help. The caretaker of Butterworth Farm, located just east of the approved marker, is offering a special tour of the stone house where slaves were hidden in the 1830s and 40s to all who contribute \$100 or more toward the project.

To contribute, please send a check made out to the Warren County Foundation, designated for Butterworth Station, to: Warren County Foundation, 118 Main St., Lebanon, OH 45036.

A public dedication ceremony for the marker is planned for **June 6, 2015**.

Little Miami Scenic Trail Hotline

Call 513-212-6958 to report downed trees or other non-emergency safety issues, or email to adopt-a-trail@flmsp.org.

Human Services News

Winter Heating Assistance Available through the E-HEAP Winter Crisis Program

Warren County Community Services offers low-income households help in avoiding disconnection through financial assistance. Warren County Community Services provides assistance for people facing disconnection of primary or secondary heating sources, where service has been disconnected or in cases where less than a 10 day supply of bulk fuel is on hand. The E-HEAP Winter Crisis Program, a federally funded program, began accepting applications this month and will continue **through March 31, 2015**. Households with incomes at or below 175 percent of the 2014 federal poverty guidelines may apply. For more information, please call 866.747.1042.

Enjoy a Healthy Lunch at the Earl J. Maag Center

Are you tired of always eating alone? Is cooking becoming too much work? Are you looking for somewhere else to eat? Would you like to meet new friends and enjoy stimulating conversation? Are you finding it hard to make ends meet? If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, then you may not be living as healthy as you can. Recent studies have shown that seniors who are live alone are at high risk for malnourishment and for dehydration. "Five days a week, fresh, nutritious meals are cooked in the WCCS 741 Center kitchen. Lunch is a special time of day and we try to make it even more so. Sometimes the WCCS lunch is that person's only full meal of the day. You can find a healthy, delicious meal at the Earl J. Maag Center, 124 Pamela Drive, Morrow, Ohio 45152," says Mary Catherine Faller, MS, RD, LD, Manager of WCCS' Nutrition Services. Lunch with two menu options is served at 12:00 pm (noon) every Monday-Friday. Find the daily menus online at www.wccsi.org. Suggested meal donation for anyone aged 60 or over (or the spouse or disabled child of someone aged 60 or over) is \$3.00. Meal cost for anyone under age 60 is \$6.00. To make a reservation, simply call the Earl J. Maag Center at 513.889.8886 by 1:00 pm the day before. WCCS is a local non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Donations help fund the "Promote Healthy Living Among Older Adults" campaign. For more information about WCCS and its services, please visit the website at www.wccsi.org.

United Way of Warren County Offering Free Community Resource Directory

United Way of Warren County has copies of the 2014 Community Resource Directory available for distribution. This community resource is made possible through the support of your local United Way of Warren County. The First Call for Help Community Resource Directory has been a recognized valuable tool for many years. If you organization would like to receive bulk copies of the directory, please call Jerri Langworthy, Community Impact Director at 513-932-3987 Ext. 102 or email jangworthy@wcuwl.org. The

Resource Directory is also available on the United Way of Warren County website – www.warrencountyunitedway.org.

United Way of Warren County is a local, independent nonprofit serving all of Warren County. The organization currently supports 53 different non-profit programs advancing education, income stability and health. For more information, visit www.warrencountyunitedway.org.

United Way of Warren County Hosts Warren County School Readiness Summit

United Way of Warren County hosted the first ever Warren County School Readiness Summit on Friday, January 23, 2015. This event was co-sponsored by 4C...for Children and was held at the Golf Center at Kings Island in Mason. In 2014, United Way of Warren County made a strategic organizational decision to get involved in Kindergarten Readiness. Throughout the year, numerous meetings were held with educators and key organizations to identify the best way to get involved. As expected, it was clear that Warren County has excellent school districts and private preschools and that quality early childhood education leads to school and life success. The meetings also revealed a need for county-wide coordination and communication between school districts, private preschools and parents because too many children aren't starting school ready to learn. The first goals of United Way of Warren County's Kindergarten Readiness initiative are to build collaborative partnerships and build awareness.

Aaron Reid, President & CEO, United Way of Warren County said, "The School Readiness Summit is the first step in building awareness. We are excited to partner with our school districts to address some challenges we face with Kindergarten Readiness in Warren County."

The keynote speaker for the Summit was Senator Peggy Lehner, chair of the Ohio Senate Education Committee. Eight of the ten county school superintendents were also in attendance with over 150 people representing a diverse group of educators, political leadership, nonprofit organizations, community leaders and the business community.

United Way of Warren County is a local, independent nonprofit serving all of Warren County. The organization's mission is to improve lives by connecting people, organizations and resources to meet the needs of the community. United Way of Warren County currently supports 53 different non-profit programs advancing education, income and health. For more information, visit www.warrencountyunitedway.org

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Warren and Clinton Counties Recruiting Volunteer Mentors

Big Brothers and Sisters of Warren and Clinton Counties is currently recruiting volunteers to serve as mentors for the 2014/2015 school year. The Agency has three programs in Warren County located at Donovan Elementary School in Lebanon, Anthony Wayne Elementary, located in Franklin, and Western Row Elementary School in Mason. Volunteer mentors are matched one-to-one with a Little Brother or Little Sister and meet once a week in the school setting during the school year. Applications are being accepted for both adult and high school volunteers. Volunteers must be able to commit to the program for the school year, provide their own transportation to and from the program location, and complete the screening process. Screening includes application, references, and applicable record checks. Applications can be obtained online at www.bbbswarren.org or by contacting the agency office at 513.932.3966.

About Big Brothers Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Warren and Clinton Counties is a non-profit organization that provides children facing adversity with strong, enduring, professionally supported one-to-one relationships that change their

lives for the better, forever. Big Brothers Big Sisters holds itself accountable for: higher aspirations, greater confidence, and better relationships, avoidance of risky behavior, and educational achievement among the children we serve. For more information visit www.bbbswarren.org.

Business News

Small Businesses interested in information on the Affordable Care Act – February 12

The Affordable Care Act - Health care information and resources for your small business.

- Who: Small Businesses that are interested in obtaining information on the Affordable Care Act and doing business with West Chester Hospital.
- What: An Affordable Care Act Informational session for your Ohio Small Business & A West Chester Hospital informational on how to become a Vendor/Supplier to West Chester Hospital
- When: **Thursday, February 12, 2015, 7:45 am to 9:00 am**
- Where: The Plaza Conference Room
West Chester Hospital
7700 University Drive,
West Chester, Ohio 45069

The Plaza conference room is located on the "A" level Please enter through the main/lobby entrance. This is a free event. A lite continental breakfast will be served. For more information please contact Nicole Pickard at: nicole.pickard@sba.gov or 513.684.2814 ext. 207.

Free Seminar “Are You Certifiable? A Primer for Women Entrepreneurs” – February 17, 2015

Looking for a way to promote your company to major corporations that are actively seeking to conduct business with a woman/women owned business? WBENC (Women’s Business Enterprise National Council) provides and manages the development enforcement and implementation of its world-class of certification, which is nationally accepted by thousands of major corporations and a select group of government entities. Join Sheila Mixon, Ohio River Valley Women’s Business council to learn more about WBENC, certification criteria, the six steps to certification, costs, timing, etc. This FREE SEMINAR will be held from 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm on **Tuesday, February 17, 2015**, at the Warren County Career Center – Commons Room, 3525 North State Route 48, Lebanon, Ohio 45036. You have three ways to register for the event:

- Register on line at: <http://clients.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov/events.aspx> or www.warrencountysbdc.org
- Call Angela Steffen at 513-695-2090
- Email Angela.Steffen@co.warren.oh.us

Warren County SBDC Offering Free Seminar “Steps to Starting Your New Business” – February 26, 2015

The Warren County Small Business Development Center is sponsoring a FREE SEMINAR “Steps to Starting Your New Business” on **February 26, 2015**, from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm. The seminar will be held at the City of Springboro Administration Building, 320 West Central Avenue, Springboro, Ohio 45066. Topics to be discussed include: Business Plans, The Business Name, Professional Service Providers, Taxes, Licenses, Permits, Legal Issues, Record Keeping, Business Loans and Alternative Financing and much more... Anyone considering starting up a business or anyone who recently started a business should attend. You have three ways to register for the event:

- Register on line at: <http://clients.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov/events.aspx> or www.warrencountysbdc.org
- Call Angela Steffen at 513-695-2090
- Email Angela.Steffen@co.warren.oh.us

Women's Business Center of Ohio February Training Calendar

- **Improving Your Bottom Line By 61% Guaranteed – February 12**
 - *Thursday, February 12th, 6:00PM-7:00PM*
 - Join the WBC and Deb August of Action Coach for valuable information on improving your bottom line. Come ready to adopt a proven process that helps a business owner to immediately generate more leads, attract more clients and make more money even in this challenging economy. This class is open to all, free for WBC/ECDI clients and \$10 for non WBC/ECDI clients.
- **Lunch and Learn- Personal Finance – February 20**
 - *Friday, February 20th, 12:00PM-1:00PM*
 - Bring your lunch and join the WBC and experts from the International Consulting Firm, Accenture, LLC for a Brown Bag Lunch & Learn on Personal Finance. This Lunch & Learn is ideal for small business owners who need tips on budgeting, setting financial goals, and building their Credit Score. This class is open to all and free to attend.
- **Dames Bond: Selling - Remember who you A.R.E (You are your Attitude, Resilience, Energy & Enthusiasm) – February 26**
 - *Thursday, February 26th, 4:00PM-6:00PM*
 - In partnership with Dames Bond LLC, you are invited to attend the second session in the Thrive Series. You will walk away with action steps to help improve your business, produce results and grow sales. This class is open to all, \$25 for WBC/ Dames Bond members, \$35 for non-WBC/Dames Bond members. To register for the Thrive Series, click [here](#)

Please register in advance for these classes [here](#) or call The Women's Business Center at 614-732-0981 for more details.

Incumbent Training for Advanced Manufacturing Now Available

In response to workforce needs being expressed by the private sector, our office created WIIN; a program that bundles like-minded training needs within Warren County businesses. Once bundled, WIIN interfaces with area educational partners to secure the best curriculum and rate to meet training needs.

WIIN's first training offering involves businesses in the manufacturing space, and classes are currently underway. Enrollment is on-going and once the appropriate number of employees are gathered, training modules can begin.

Flexible Training

The training program will cover 16 needed skills that have been expressed by the private sector. These skills cover a broad range of electric and mechanical needs from programming to blueprint reading.

To allow maximum flexibility, each skill is taught in a separate module, and can be taken individually or in combination with other training. For specific details of each module, and to participate, please [e-mail](#) Matt Schnipke.

Partnering Organizations

This effort would not be possible without collaboration from multiple sources including the Warren County Small Business Development Alliance, the Warren County Chamber Alliance, and the Warren County Port Authority. With the help of these participating organizations, WIIN hopes to deliver a quality training opportunity at a reduced cost to employers.

News You Can Use

Minimum Wage Increase

Another new law that began 1/1/15

Ohio's minimum wage increased to \$8.10 (\$4.05 for tipped workers) effective 1/1/15.

The federal minimum wage of \$7.25 can be used for businesses whose annual gross receipts are less than \$297,000.

There is a stalled bill in Congress to raise the federal minimum wage to \$10.10.

We'll keep you posted.

For more information, please contact us at either of our offices in Centerville at 937.436.3133 and in Xenia at 937.372.3504, or visit our website at www.bradstreetcpas.com.

Source: Bradstreet & Co. CPA's Tax Tip of the Week | February 4, 2014 | No. 288

Sign up for Health Insurance Under the ACA - then what? – Now through February 15, 2015

The healthcare open enrollment period starts soon (November 15th) at Healthcare.gov - and lasts **until February 15, 2015**. Go to the site to explore health insurance options so you can [sign up for a plan](#). Once you've done that - then what? [This video series](#) from the [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services \(CMS\)](#) will help you make the most of your coverage with:

- Policy Tips
- Help finding a Provider
- Information on preparing for your first doctor visit
- Words and terms to know
- Ways to live a long and healthy life

Source: USA.gov

For Hearts' Sake: Wear Red Friday!

Support Women's Heart Health – Friday, February 6, 2015

Women, get your red dress on. Friday is [National Wear Red Day](#), dedicated to raising awareness of heart disease in women. [Heart disease](#) is one area where women and men in the United States are equally affected: It's the leading cause of death for both genders. But you can change that! By learning the [risk factors](#) and making [healthy lifestyle choices](#), you can dramatically reduce your risk of developing heart-related problems. Learn more about [fighting heart disease](#), and don't forget to have some fun. Check out the [Red Dress Collection 2015](#) fashion show, livestreamed from New York Thursday, February 12, 2015, at 8:00 pm Eastern Time.

Source: USA.gov

College Bound? Fill out the FAFSA for Student Aid

Are you or someone in your household college bound? If so, you'll need to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) - and don't worry, it's not nearly as scary as it sounds. The U.S. Department of Education [created this video](#), which leads you step-by-step through the application process. Please note, every school has their own deadline for when the FAFSA is due - so it's best to get it done sooner rather than later, to be on the safe side. Figuring out how to pay for higher education can be overwhelming and confusing, but there is [lots of help out there](#) to make it simpler for you.

Source: USA.gov

Show Your Heart Some Love

Teach kids to love theirs. February is Heart Month, as in [love](#) and in [health](#). So while your kids are gearing up to hand out Valentine's Day stickers or invite someone to the dance, take this opportunity to teach them about heart health—and preventing the #1 cause of death of men and women in the U. S. It may even motivate you to make some changes in your own life!

- [ChooseMyPlate.gov for Educators](#)
- [Let's Move for Schools](#)
- [Physical Activity Cards](#)
- [National Wear Red Day](#) - February 7
- [What is Heart Disease? \(Spanish Version\)](#)
- [Your Heart and Circulatory System \(Spanish Version\)](#)
- Activity: [Parts of the Heart](#)
- Animation: [How the Heart Works](#)
- Lesson Plan: [Cardiovascular System](#) (PDF)

Source: KIDS.gov

It There Secret Graffiti Hidden in Abraham Lincoln's Watch?

Abraham Lincoln is considered one of the most popular presidents. Many students learn about his life and his achievements, but there are some interesting things that many students may not have heard about. For instance, do your students know the contents of Lincoln's pockets on the day he was assassinated? Do they know about the graffiti etched inside his watch? Have your students explore these resources to learn the answers to these questions and more:

- [Abraham Lincoln 1861-1865](#)
- [Abraham Lincoln - An Extraordinary Life](#)
- [Emancipation Proclamation, 1863](#)
- [Gettysburg Address](#)
- [Lincoln's Home](#)
- [Lincoln Memorial](#)
- [What Was in Lincoln's Pockets?](#)
- Activity: [WebRangers Young Abraham Lincoln Review and Quiz](#)
- Lesson Plans: [Lincoln Lesson Plans and Teacher Guides](#)
- Video: [Is There Graffiti in Lincoln's Watch?](#)

Source: KIDS.gov

Drug Facts Chat Day

High school students will connect with top scientists on the subject of drug abuse this Friday—[Drug Facts Chat Day](#)—and yours can tune in. From 8 am - 6pm EST, teens will be posing their most pressing questions online, to [National Institute on Drug Abuse](#) (NIDA) scientists, who will provide the facts. Students can warm

up for the discussion with the [2015 National Drug IQ Challenge](#) (also in [Spanish](#)) and they can join a [Twitter chat](#) Thursday from 4-5 pm. It's all part of [National Drug Facts Week](#), an annual observance aimed at shattering the myths about drugs and drug abuse for teens. You can follow-up anytime with these booklets from NIDA:

- [Marijuana: Facts for Teens](#)
- [Drugs: Shatter the Myths](#)
- [Drugs, Brains, and Behavior: The Science of Addiction](#)

Source: KIDS.gov

Revealing Secrets about Climate Change

How do we know what conditions were like on Earth millions of years ago? On February 12, at 11 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Smithsonian paleobiologist, Brian Huber, [explains](#) how studying the shells of tiny organisms called foraminifera, forams for short, tell big stories about climate change. Because they take on the chemistry of the surrounding environment, forams reveal secrets about ancient oceans and highlight extinction events. Lesson plans and click-through activities are available.

Source: KIDS.gov

Will Your Child Go to College?

Does your child want to go to college someday? For many families, the decision may come down to how much financial aid will be provided and how much the student will need to contribute. It's never too early to learn about the [financial aid process](#). For those of you who have seniors in high school, financial aid submission deadlines may be approaching. Visit www.studentaid.gov to learn: the types of aid available, how much aid your student qualifies for, details about applying for student aid, and how to manage student loans.

Source: KIDS.gov

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED: Fiscal Officer, Village of Morrow

The Village of Morrow is accepting applications for the full-time position of Fiscal Officer. The Fiscal Officer, an FLSA exempt position reporting directly to the Mayor, performs a variety of accounting, financial reporting and cash management functions, as well as procurement, benefits administration, payroll and overall financial management of the Village in accordance with Ohio Revised Code § 733.262. The Fiscal Officer provides a variety of reports to the Mayor, Councils and staff to ensure that the Village and each department operate within their respective budgets. The Fiscal Officer explores financial opportunities to save the Village money and grow the public treasury, while advising the Mayor, Council and staff on ways to improve the Village's overall financial status. The Fiscal Officer works with the Mayor and staff to present an annual Tax Budget and an annual Operating Budget and other duties as assigned. The successful candidate will serve as Deputy Fiscal Officer until the incumbent's retirement on, or before, May 31, 2015, at which time, he or she will assume the role of Fiscal Officer.

Minimum qualifications: Must possess a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited four-year college or university in Business, Finance, Accounting, Public Administration, or a closely related field. A Master's Degree in either Business or Public Administration is preferred, as is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) or Certified Government Finance Officer (CGFO). While experience in public finance is not mandatory, an understanding of basic financial and accounting principles along with a firm grasp of computer and basic software operations is required. An equivalent combination of education and experience which provides the skills and abilities

necessary to perform the job will be considered. The position requires a valid state of Ohio driver's license. Salary is negotiable and dependent upon qualifications.

Application Process: Applications and a full job description are available at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152 and on the Village of Morrow website at <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/departments/human-resources/employment-opportunities/>. Please return your completed Village of Morrow employment application, cover letter, resume and three (3) professional references to Office of the Mayor, Village of Morrow, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152, Attention: Fiscal Officer Search. Application materials may also be submitted electronically to mike.erwin@vil.morrow.oh.us. This position will remain open until filled.

The Village of Morrow is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer and is a Drug-Free Workplace.

HELP WANTED: Salem/Morrow Fire Department Seeking Firefighters/EMTs/Paramedics

Part-Time Firefighter/EMT: The Salem / Morrow Fire Department is continuously accepting applications for Firefighter/EMT's Position. Minimum requirements are Ohio EMT-B and Ohio FF I. Job description and application are available at the Salem / Morrow Fire Department, 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3 Morrow, Ohio 45152, Monday – Friday 0800 – 1600 hrs.

Part-Time Firefighter/Paramedic: The Salem / Morrow Fire Department is continuously accepting applications for Firefighter/Paramedic Position. Minimum requirements are Ohio EMT-P and Ohio FF I. Job description and application are available at the Salem / Morrow Fire Department, 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3 Morrow, Ohio 45152, Monday – Friday 0800 – 1600 hrs.

For more information, please call the Salem/Morrow Fire Department at 513.899.2222 or visit www.station71.com.

HELP WANTED: Little Miami Local Schools Seeking Substitute Bus Drivers

Substitute bus drivers for routes and field trips are needed. Requires a Class B CDL license with "S" and "P" endorsement. Hours vary, with regular routes between 6:00 am – 5:00 pm and field trips 2:00 – 11:00 pm. We prefer those with knowledge of the district. We may supply training. Call 513-899-2941 or email gblake@littlemiamischools.com.

HELP WANTED: Pine Ridge Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation in Need of STNA's - \$200 Sign-On Bonus!

We are hiring! STNA's 12 hour shifts, 6:00 am – 6:00 pm & 6:00 pm – 6:00 am, FT & PRN. Competitive wages with full benefits package after 90 days. Qualified applicants are encouraged to stop by Pine Ridge Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation, 463 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152, or call 513.899.2801.

HELP WANTED: Marks Xpress Trucking & Hauling LLC Seeking Experienced Drivers

Marks Xpress Trucking & Hauling LLC out of Waynesville, Ohio is looking for experienced drivers to join our team hauling LTL/general freight. A CDL is not necessary but a current DOT physical and drug screening is a must. Interested candidates must be at least 25 years of age and have a minimum of 2 years verifiable commercial driving experience along with a clean driving record. Experience with tarping, strapping and chaining cargo is preferred. To be considered, send resumes to lflfreightapps@gmail.com or call 518.238.3537 and ask for Marisa.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: A Few Good Men & Women to Serve on Salem Township Zoning Commission

As a member of the Salem Township Zoning Commission, you will help guide the future of Salem Township by advising the Salem Township Trustees on issues, such as:

- Future development projects;
- Zoning Code updates;
- Requests for change in land use.

No experience necessary, only a desire to serve our community. Must reside in the unincorporated area of Salem Township. Please send a letter of interest to:

Zoning Commission · c/o Salem-Morrow Fire Department · Post Office Box 161 · Morrow, Ohio 45152

For more information, please call 513.899.9363 or visit www.salemtownship-warrencounty.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Join Our Dog Walking Team - Humane Association of Warren County Animal Shelter & Adoption Center

Volunteer a few hours a week to walk our dogs. To qualify, those interested, must be a minimum of 19 years of age and must attend one orientation session held from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at our shelter. We do not accept volunteers requiring high school community service credit or to fulfill court appointed hours. For more information, please contact the Humane Association of Warren County Animal Shelter & Adoption Center, 230 Cook Road, Lebanon, Ohio 45036, 513.695.2537 or www.homelesspets.org.

Calendar of Events

- February 4: 1:00 pm **Wednesday Afternoon Bingo at Earl J. Maag Center**
Earl J. Maag Retirement Community, 124 Pamela Drive, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call the Earl J. Maag Retirement Community at 513.582.7231
- February 4: 7:00 pm **College Credits Plus Meeting**
Little Miami High School, 3001 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please visit <http://www.littlemiamischools.com/district-news/entry/college-credit-plus-meeting-feb-4-23/>
- February 5: 11:45 am – 1:00 pm **Little Miami Area Chamber of Commerce February Meeting**
Valley Vineyards, 2276 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
Please RSVP to Peoples First Savings Bank at 513.899.2040 with the number attending
- February 5: 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm **"It's Just Wine, Beer & Music" at Valley Vineyards**
Valley Vineyards, 2276 East U. S. Route 22 & 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2485 or visit <http://www.valleyvineyards.com/events.html>
- February 7: 10:30 am **Writers' Circle Group Meeting at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
Join the group by contacting the library or emailing Dylan at mccrackendy@salem-township.lib.oh.us
- February 7: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm **Fort Ancient Lecture Series "Looking Into the Ground Without Digging"**
Fort Ancient Earthworks and Nature Preserve, 6123 State Route 350 Oregonia, Ohio 45054
For more information, please visit www.fortancient.org or call 513-932-4421

- February 7: **Little Miami Pantherfest 2015**
Little Miami High School, 3001 U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please visit <http://www.lmpanthersports.com/pages/news/entry/79/>
- February 9: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm **How-To: Crocheting Class at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- February 9: 7:00 pm **Little Miami Athletic Boosters February Meeting**
Little Miami High School Media Center, 3001 E. U. S. Rte. 22 & State Rte. 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please visit <http://www.lmpanthersports.com/pages/currentofficers/>
- February 10: 11:00 am **Pre-School Story Time at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- February 10: 2:00 pm **Pre-School Story Time at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- February 11: 10:45 am **Toddler Lapsit Program at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- February 11: 6:00 pm **CPR Class at Salem/Morrow Fire Department**
Salem/Morrow Fire Department, 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
To enroll, please contact the Salem/Morrow Fire Department at 513.899.2222
- February 12: 7:00 pm **Little Miami Youth Basketball Association presents the Harlem Wizards at LMHS**
Little Miami High School, 3001 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For tickets, please email andrea2u@hotmail.com or visit www.HarlemWizards.com
- February 14: **Valentine's Day**
- February 14: 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm **How-To: Crocheting Class at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- February 14: 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm **"Panther Pride" Night Out Benefit Gala**
Bel-Wood Country Club, 5873 Ludlum Road, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please visit <http://www.lmpanthersports.com/pages/news/entry/76/>
- February 16: **President's Day** – Village of Morrow Offices Closed
- February 17: 11:00 am **Pre-School Story Time at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588

- February 17: 2:00 pm **Pre-School Story Time at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- February 17: 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm **“Are You Certifiable? A Primer for Women Entrepreneurs” Free Seminar**
Warren County Career Center, Commons Room, 3525 N. State Route 48, Lebanon, Ohio 45036
You have three ways to register for the event:
- Register on line at: <http://clients.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov/events.aspx> or www.warrencountysbdc.org
 - Call Angela Steffen at 513-695-2090
 - Email Angela.Steffen@co.warren.oh.us
- February 17: 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm **Teen Movie Night with Snacks at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588 or mccrackendy@salem-township.lib.oh.us
- February 18: 10:45 am **Toddler Lapsit Program at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- February 21: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm **Tree Care in Morrow**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/boards-commissions/tree-board/news-events/>
- February 21: 10:30 am **Writers’ Circle Group Meeting at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
Join the group by contacting the library or emailing Dylan at mccrackendy@salem-township.lib.oh.us
- February 22: 4:00 pm **Friends of the Little Miami State Park Meeting**
[Loveland City Hall](http://www.flmsp.org), 120 West Loveland Avenue, Loveland, Ohio 45140
For more information, please visit www.flmsp.org
- February 24: 11:00 am **Pre-School Story Time at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- February 24: 2:00 pm **Pre-School Story Time at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- February 25: 10:45 am **Toddler Lapsit Program at the Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588

- February 26: 11:45 am – 1:00 pm **Dynamic Asset Allocation Presentation:**
“From the Hill to the Street: An Insider’s Perspective”
Carrabba’s Italian Grill, 5152 Merten Drive, Mason, Ohio 45040
For more information, please contact Christine Walton at cwalton@wfafinet.com or 513.234.0700
- February 26: 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm **“Steps to Starting Your New Business” Free Seminar**
City of Springboro Administration Building, 320 West Central Avenue, Springboro, Ohio 45066
You have three ways to register for the event:
- Register on line at: <http://clients.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov/events.aspx> or www.warrencountysbdc.org
 - Call Angela Steffen at 513-695-2090
 - Email Angela.Steffen@co.warren.oh.us
- March 3: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm **Reading with Raider and Friends at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- March 3: 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm **Adult Book Discussion Group at Salem Township Public Library**
March 3: *Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- March 7: 10:30 am **Writers’ Circle Group Meeting at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
Join the group by contacting the library or emailing Dylan at mccrackendy@salem-township.lib.oh.us
- March 7: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm **Fort Ancient Lecture Series**
“Farmers till the End: Four Centuries of Fort Ancient Life at the Hahn Site near Cincinnati”
Fort Ancient Earthworks and Nature Preserve, 6123 State Route 350 Oregonia, Ohio 45054
For more information, please visit www.fortancient.org or call 513-932-4421
- March 8: 2:00 am **Daylight Savings Time Begins**
At 2:00 am, clocks will “spring forward” to 3:00 am. Please check you smoke detectors.
- March 21: 10:30 am **Writers’ Circle Group Meeting at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
Join the group by contacting the library or emailing Dylan at mccrackendy@salem-township.lib.oh.us
- April 4: 10:30 am – 12:00 pm **Fort Ancient Lecture Series *“Historic Indians of Ohio”***
Fort Ancient Earthworks and Nature Preserve, 6123 State Route 350 Oregonia, Ohio 45054
For more information, please visit www.fortancient.org or call 513-932-4421
- April 7: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm **Reading with Raider and Friends at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588

- April 11: 10:30 am **Writers' Circle Group Meeting at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
Join the group by contacting the library or emailing Dylan at mccrackendy@salem-township.lib.oh.us
- April 17-18: **LMHS Spring Musical "Beauty and the Beast"**
April 17: 7:00 pm; April 18: 2:00 pm Matinee preceded by a Princess Tea & 7:00 pm
Little Miami High School, 3001 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please visit <http://www.littlemiamischools.com/little-miami-high-school/home-1/>
- April 18: 10:30 am **Writers' Circle Group Meeting at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
Join the group by contacting the library or emailing Dylan at mccrackendy@salem-township.lib.oh.us
- April 18: 5:30 pm **2nd Annual Warren County Friends of NRA Banquet**
Warren County Fairgrounds, Building C, 665 North Broadway, Lebanon, Ohio 45036
[CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS](#)
- May 1: 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm **Little Miami Schools Annual Spring Carnival**
Little Miami High School, 3001 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please contact bltfpettet@roadrunner.com or
bethanyrebman@yahoo.com
- May 5: 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm **Reading with Raider and Friends at Salem Township Public Library**
Salem Township Public Library, 535 West Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2588
- May 16: 9:00 am **CPR Class at Salem/Morrow Fire Department**
Salem/Morrow Fire Department, 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
To enroll, please contact the Salem/Morrow Fire Department at 513.899.2222
- June 13-14: **Fort Ancient Celebration: 25th Anniversary**
Fort Ancient Earthworks and Nature Preserve, 6123 State Route 350 Oregonia, Ohio 45054
For more information, please visit www.fortancient.org or call 513-932-4421
- August 4: **Third Annual Morrow Police Department National Night Out Against Crime**
Morrow Police Department, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
More information to come.
- August 19: 6:00 pm **CPR Class at Salem/Morrow Fire Department**
Salem/Morrow Fire Department, 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
To enroll, please contact the Salem/Morrow Fire Department at 513.899.2222
- September 26: **Fort Ancient Bluegrass Festival**
Fort Ancient Earthworks and Nature Preserve, 6123 State Route 350 Oregonia, Ohio 45054
For more information, please visit www.fortancient.org or call 513-932-4421

November 7: 9:00 am **CPR Class at Salem/Morrow Fire Department**

Salem/Morrow Fire Department, 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152

To enroll, please contact the Salem/Morrow Fire Department at 513.899.2222

If your business, church or organization is planning an event, please be sure to let us know and we'll gladly include it in our Calendar of Events. Please email or fax the details of your event to Rod Smith, Village Administrator, at rod.smith@vil.morrow.oh.us or 513.899.3170.

Business & Government Meetings

Morrow Village Council

Meets regularly on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152.

For more information, please call 513.899.2821 Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm or visit www.vil.morrow.oh.us.

Morrow Mayor's Court

Meets regularly on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 5:00 pm at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152

For more information, please call 513.899.2821 Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm or visit <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/departments/mayor-s-court/>

Morrow Neighborhood Watch

Meets regularly on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152

For more information, please call 513.899.2821 Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm or visit <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/boards-commissions/neighborhood-watch/>

Morrow Parks & Recreation Board

Meets regularly on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152

For more information, please call 513.899.2821 Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm or visit <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/boards-commissions/parks-recreation-board/>

Morrow Tree Board

Meets regularly on the third Thursday of each month at 10:00 am at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152

For more information, please call 513.899.2821 Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm or visit <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/boards-commissions/tree-board/>

Morrow Citizens Housing Committee

Meets regularly on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 pm, as necessary, at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152

For more information, please call 513.899.2821 Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm or visit <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/boards-commissions/citizens-housing-committee/>

Morrow Planning Commission

Meets regularly on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm, as necessary, at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2821 Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm or visit <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/boards-commissions/planning-commission/>

Morrow Zoning Board of Appeals

Meets regularly on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm, as necessary, at the Morrow Municipal Building, 150 East Pike Street, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2821 Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm or visit <http://www.vil.morrow.oh.us/boards-commissions/zoning-board-of-appeals/>

Hamilton Township Trustees

Meets regularly on first and third Wednesdays of each month at 6:00 pm at the Hamilton Township Administration Building, 7780 South State Route 48, Maineville, Ohio 45039
For more information, please call 513.683.8520 or visit <http://hamilton-township.org>

Little Miami Area Chamber of Commerce

Meets regularly on the first Thursday of each month at 11:45 am at Valley Vineyards, 2276 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
Please RSVP to Peoples First Savings Bank at 513.899.2040, by 5:00 pm on Tuesday prior to the meeting
For more information, please visit <http://www.littlemiamiareachamber.com>

Little Miami Local Schools Board of Education

Meets regularly on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Little Miami High School Auditorium, 3001 U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information please call 513.899.2264 or visit <http://www.littlemiamischools.com/districtBoardEd.aspx>

Little Miami Local Schools Business Advisory Council

Meets regularly on the second Monday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Little Miami Intermediate School, 7247 Zoar Road, Maineville, Ohio 45039
For more information, please visit http://www.littlemiamischools.com/content_page.aspx?cid=572

Salem Township Trustees

Meets regularly on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at the Salem-Morrow Fire Department, 5270 East U. S. Route 22 & State Route 3, Morrow, Ohio 45152
For more information, please call 513.899.2222 or visit www.salemtownship-warrencounty.com

Warren County Career Center Board of Education

Meets regularly on the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm at the Warren County Career Center, Admin. Bldg. Board Room, 3525 North State Route 48, Lebanon, Ohio 45036
For more information, please visit <http://www.mywccc.org/BoardOfEducation.aspx>

Warren County Board of Commissioners

Meets regularly on Tuesdays at 9:00 am at the Warren County Administration Building, The Board is also scheduled to meet on the first and third Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m., as needed
For more information, please call 513.695.1250 or visit <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/commissioners/>

Warren County Park District Board of Commissioners

Meets regularly on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm at the
Warren County Park District, 1267 North State Route 741, Lebanon, Ohio 45036

For more information, please call 513.695.1109 or visit <http://www.co.warren.oh.us/parks/index.htm>

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