

Community Connection

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Special Points of Interest:

- *Ottawa Memorial Swimming pool closes for the season on August 10th!*
- *Hosting a summer party? Reserve the gazebo or a shelter house for just \$20!*
- *Information on Adopt-a-Tree program available in Clerk's Office.*
- *Rain Barrel Rebate Program - www.ottawaohio.us or call the office for details.*
- *Looking for a project? Call the Village for information on working in Pioneer Cemetery.*



MAYOR'S UPDATE

On June 30th, Council interviewed five (5) very qualified candidates to fill the seat vacated by Jeff Ducey after his recent resignation. After careful consideration, Council voted to appoint Dave Michel until the next municipal election which will be the end of 2015. Welcome Dave, and I am looking forward to working with you. Council member Jo Deskins has written an article below which includes some additional information about our newest member.

On July 10th, bids were opened on several interesting projects. Putnam Parkway is one that is especially exciting! The completion of this street will allow access to the new Ottawa Elementary School, the Putnam County Library, the Putnam County Educational Service Center, the

YMCA and the newly constructed Trilogy facility from SR 15 and SR 109. At their regular meeting on July 14th, Council awarded the contract for this project and some improvements on Williamstown Road to Hohenbrink Excavating. Both of these projects are scheduled to be complete by the end of October.

And... if you are interested in getting some exercise, check out the new stone walk/jog path around the top of the reservoir. It was recently improved and turned out great. You might even be able to spot the two eagles roosting in the tree behind the reservoir who occasionally come out to surprise visitors!

Enjoy the remainder of this beautiful summer weather!

Go TRIBE! —*Dean Meyer, Mayor*

Introducing Council Member Dave Michel

At their July 14th regular meeting, Ottawa Village Council welcomed newest council member, Mr. Dave L. Michel to his seat on council. Following the oath of office, Dave assumed the position left vacant with the resignation of council member, Jeff Ducey on June 6th of this year. Dave's selection by council was part of a presentation and interview process that included a total of five very qualified candidates interested in the position.

Dave is a life-long member of the community, having graduated from Ottawa-Glandorf High School in 1976,

served on the Ottawa Volunteer Fire Department from 1985 to his recent resignation, and provided service to Ottawa's youth through membership in the Ottawa Baseball Association and as a baseball and soccer coach. Dave presently works as a Production Supervisor with the Whirlpool Corporation, located in Ottawa, and is working toward completion of his Associates Degree in Technical Studies from Rhodes State College in December of this year.

In his interview, Dave stated that having lived his entire life in Ottawa, he knows the positives of living and working in this wonderful community as well as knowing the challenges it faces and feels qualified to help find solutions to those challenges and promote the idea that Ottawa is a great place to live, work and raise a family.

Council Member —Jo Deskins



Village of Ottawa Council

Dean Meyer—*Mayor*

Council Members

Tim Macke, *President*

Gene Hovest

Jo Deskins

Troy Yant

John Salsburey

Dave Michel

Village of Ottawa Park Board

Brad Leis—*President*

Scott Hershberger

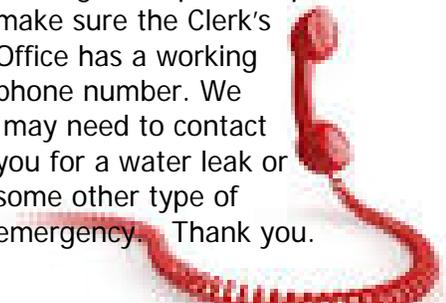
Carol Siebeneck

Kevin Bellman

Troy Yant

PHONE NUMBER

If you have disconnected your land line and are only utilizing a cell phone... please make sure the Clerk's Office has a working phone number. We may need to contact you for a water leak or some other type of emergency. Thank you.



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SWIMMING POOL INFO

The Ottawa Swimming Pool in Memorial Park will close out the season on August 10th. This is the final day the pool will be open to the public or that private parties can be held at the pool.

It is the fifth year the Putnam County YMCA was selected by the Village of Ottawa to manage the community swimming pool. YMCA Executive Director Lori Fetherolf said attendance increased slightly in 2014 over last year. She said the number of swimmers has been as high as 160 on a few occasions, typically on Fridays which are “Dollar Days” when pool entrance is reduced to \$1 per person.

In addition to being open for public swimming, the pool also had certified lifeguards available to teach swimming lessons to children, youths and adults and the pool is available for private event rental.

“We look at the pool as being a recreational service to the community, but on the other hand it also employs 28 teenagers, college students and a few adults who would otherwise need to seek employment elsewhere,” Fetherolf said.

Ottawa Area Chamber of Commerce —Amy Sealts

TIME WARNER CABLE

The Village has a franchise with TWC. If you would like to check out different packages or options they may have available; there is an office in Lima that has helped several Village residents save some money.

3100 Elida Road, Lima

Hours: Monday thru Friday 8:30 to 5:30 pm

Saturday 9 to 2 pm

Tryin’ On Clothes

I tried on the farmer’s hat, didn’t fit...
 A little too small—just a bit too floppy.
 Couldn’t get used to it, took it off.

I tried on the dancer’s shoes, a little too loose,
 Not the kind you could use for walkin’.
 Didn’t feel right in ‘em, kicked ‘em off.

I tried on the summer sun, felt good.
 Nice and warm—knew it would.

Tried the grass beneath bare feet, felt neat.
 Finally, finally felt well dressed,
 Nature’s clothes fit me best.

—Shel Silverstein—



NO ELECTRICITY?



There are several reasons that the electricity may not be working in the shelterhouses. The timer may have been reset by the previous renter by accident or there may have been too many crock pots full of delicious food plugged into one circuit causing the breaker to trip! If you have rented a shelterhouse in Memorial Park and the electricity is not working, please call the Police Department at 419.523.3449. If a police officer is not immediately available, you may contact the Sheriff’s Office at 419.523.3208 and an officer will be dispatched to fix the issue.

CURBSIDE TRASH

The Village of Ottawa sought bids for trash pick-up at the end of 2012 and entered into an exclusive contract with Republic Services for residential trash pick-up in the Village of Ottawa. If you are a residential customer, and have a contractor take care of your trash pick-up, it must be Republic Services. This allows Village residents to secure a better rate by purchasing in a larger quantity.

Republic Services is picking up trash and recycling weekly at the curb. They also have available for an additional cost a “bulk item” pick up service. Please call customer service at 1-800-491-1115 to schedule pickup of a bulk item.

Bath tub—no cast iron	\$20.00
Box spring or mattress	\$10.00
Chair (kitchen or lawn)	\$10.00
Chair (living room)	\$10.00
Recliner	\$10.00
Console TV	\$20.00
Couch or Loveseat	\$20.00
Dishwasher	\$15.00
Dryer or washer	\$20.00
Hot water tank	\$20.00
Microwave	\$10.00
Stove	\$20.00
Window	\$ 5.00
Door	\$ 5.00
Toilet	\$10.00
Carpet (cut 4’ wide and rolled)	\$20.00



Another option for disposal is to check with local charities or organizations to see if they are accepting donations.

**Recycling: it’s good for
 the planet and good
 for you!**

