

VILLAGE OF NORTH LEWISBURG
"WHERE FAMILY, FRIENDS AND TRADITION STAY FOR A LIFETIME."

Fall/Winter 2009



COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR JASON KEERAN

I would like to take this opportunity to talk about some topics of interest to the residents of the North Lewisburg.

I want to start out by thanking two previous employees of the village for their hard work and dedication to the Village of North Lewisburg while they were here. First is Jennifer Ganson who was the Water/Wastewater Superintendent for the past two years. She left to pursue a career in the field of EMS. I want to wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors. The second is Phil McMahill; he will be leaving the village as our daytime deputy. He was in North Lewisburg two different times for a total of 8 years. He will be going back out into the county as the new Champaign County DARE Officer. This will take effect August 29, 2009; if you see him out in his new position, I hope you wish him the best of luck. I would like to thank him for all of his hard work and dedication to the residents of the Village of North Lewisburg. It was a pleasure working with them both.

Deputy John McNeely will be coming to days and the new second shift Deputy will be Darren Vernon. These new assignments will take effect on September 1, 2009.

The two water wells, which provide the drinking water for the village, have been serviced. The servicing included checks and inspection of the motors, shafts, bowls, and screens. The wells were disinfected, "scratched and bailed" which involved mechanically scraping and removing built up material from the wells. The service was completed on August 28. The maintenance was an EPA mandated compliance that has to be completed every seven to eight years. The cost to have this done was approximately \$ 46,000.00. There were no major problems found while servicing the two wells.

The new sheriff's cruiser is on order; it will replace one of the two cruisers owned by the Village. The new cruiser should arrive sometime in December.

The two CDBG projects the Village had went out to bid this year. The pedestrian walk bridge came in at \$82,500.00 with the county's share from CDBG being \$71,200.00 and North Lewisburg's share \$11,300.00, which equates to \$282.50 a year over the life expectancy of the bridge. This project is scheduled for completion by the end of October of this year. This will be a valued asset to the residents; it will keep pedestrian traffic off the East Street Bridge, and allow access to the Multi-Use Path from the Village Park. The second project the Handicapped accessible approaches on Sycamore Street went to bid and it looks like there will be no cost of that project to North Lewisburg, all the costs will be covered by CDBG. These approaches will allow for future expansion of the path through North Lewisburg.

The next topic I want to discuss is the Covered Bridge Festival that will be taking place in the village on September 12th & 13th. There is a list of scheduled events on a separate page in this newsletter. The big items I want to touch on in my article is that there will be Village wide yard sales free of charge for that weekend starting on Friday the 11th. I also want to touch on the outdoor non-denominational church service on Sunday at 12:00 P.M. the two pastors will be Pastor Lee of the Methodist Church and Pastor Carl Spain Jr. from the Victory Chapel CCCU, followed by a community potluck/picnic meat provided (ham & chicken) bring a covered dish, tableware and your beverages. That will be followed by approx three hours of Gospel music. Bring your lawn chairs and come out and enjoy a day filled with gospel music performed by local artists.

The last topic I believe that is of high interest to all residents of North Lewisburg is that of the Lawsuit with Woodstock. The Lawsuit was settled out of court on August 12, 2009. The settlement itself saves the taxpayers of North Lewisburg approximately \$20,000.00 in attorney fees by not having to go to trial, but also includes the following judgment entries into Champaign County Common Pleas Court; the following are summaries of the entries:

- Woodstock shall pay to North Lewisburg the sum of \$42,645.00 for wastewater treatment services provided.
- North Lewisburg shall receive said sum of \$42,645.00 within 30 days of the Champaign County Auditor issuing an amended certificate. Within 30 days of the Entry being filed, Woodstock shall provide the Champaign County Auditor all documentation necessary to issue the amended certificate.
- The contract is terminated that was signed in "May 1997"
- The parties shall execute a new contract for wastewater treatment
- Beginning September 1, 2009 and continue through September 30, 2018 Woodstock shall pay North Lewisburg \$14.00 per EDU for a minimum of 134 EDU's

The complete entry is found on the Champaign County Common Pleas Court's website.

NOTES FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR
SUBMITTED BY: ANDY YODER
RESOLUTIONS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

Ordinance 241(B), Amending Ordinance 241(A) allowing for proposed Sewer Rebate Amendment, in case of catastrophic and unforeseen circumstances.

Ordinance #245 Recommendation of Planning Commission regarding an alley between Lots 200 and 199 on West Elm St. be Vacated.

ORDINANCE #246 Repeal N.L.V.O. 90.16 and Amend N.L.V.O. 90.26 and renumber to 90.09.

ORDINANCE # 247 Establishing a Curfew for Minors within the Village of North Lewisburg.

ORDINANCE # 248 Ordinance Authorizing an Increase in the Sewage Treatment Charge by the Village of North Lewisburg to the Village of Woodstock to \$ 13.67 per E.D.U. per Month.

Resolution 04-07-09, Declaring Spring Clean-up.

Resolution 06-09-09. Adopting Park rules submitted by the Park Board.

WATER AND SEWER BILLING DEPT. -
SUBMITTED BY: JAYNE LEITER, UTILITY CLERK

Water and Sewer bills are based on the usage per your monthly meter read which normally occurs on or about the 26th of each month. There is no "typical" water bill as usage varies not only by the number of occupants in the household but also on individual habits which vary tremendously even in one person households.

Water bills are mailed within the first 4 days of each month. They are printed directly from the files on our computer and are all mailed at the same time. If you do not receive a bill on a timely basis, please check with post office as there may be a delivery problem . You may call us to get the amount of the bill and the due date is always the 18th.

If property is sold, please notify us by calling (937) 747-3645. We will need to read your meter to obtain the number of gallons used so that we can issue a final bill and we will need a forwarding address. If we are not advised of the vacancy, the bill will continue to be sent to the name on record and will be the responsibility of the name on record.

Just a few things you might be surprised to know_

A leaky faucet can waste 100 gallon a day - 3000 gallon in a month!

You use about 5 gallons of water if you leave the water running while brushing your teeth



COMMUNITY NOTES OF INTEREST

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Maple Acres Garden Club for their many years of taking the time and effort of providing the beautiful flowers and containers for the village. Your "beautification efforts" are truly appreciated not only by the residents but by all who pass through the village.

The Northeast Champaign Co. Fire Dist is conducting a "pig" raffle. Tickets can be obtained at the Fire Dept.

A "Flu Clinic" will be held on Sept. 23 from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM at the Municipal Building. The shots are for the traditional type flu and the Clinic is open to the public..

From the desk of Deputy John McNeely:

The weather is hot, and summer temperatures are at a high, this condition is very uncomfortable to some people, even dangerous to others. This is a time for all residents in the Village of North Lewisburg to pull together and check on one another. Being a Deputy in the Village of North Lewisburg, both as a helper and a servant to the residents, I want to take this opportunity and ask all residents to keep checks on your neighbor. Some people may not have the cooling needed for these hot days. This could really be a difficult time for shut-ins and other elderly persons.

In the short time I have been in the Village, the one thing I have noticed is the caring of all, for all, which is an advantage of a small community. If you think there is someone in your neighborhood that needs checked on, be a good neighbor and knock on their door, maybe just to ask and see if they are ok. In these trying times, it may be time to act like a small community and show that you care about your neighbor.

If the Champaign County Sheriff's Office can be of any assistance to you feel free to call our dispatch center at 937-653-3409.

Thanks goes out in advance to all the residents and your help is greatly appreciated.



Chief, Richard Bishop

Northeast Champaign County Fire District

www.neccfd.weebly.com



Asst, Chief, Chuck Keeran

NEWS FROM THE FIRE HOUSE

We have currently added the following new staff to our department:

Maranda McDaniel-EMT / Cory McDaniel-FF / Daniel Beckley-FF

Kyle Holbrook-FF / David Keeran, Cadet

Congratulations to the following for their efforts in continuing their education to better serve their community:

ITLS

Dennis Anderson, Jim Collins, Cheri Wiley, Krista Flora, John Flora, Brad Flora, Chuck Keeran, Melissa Keeran, Scott McCain, Maranda McDaniel, Mike Penhorwood, Earl Schrack, Cheryl Wilson

PITLS

Dennis Anderson, Jim Collins, Cheri Wiley, Krista Flora, John Flora, Brad Flora, Chuck Keeran, Melissa Keeran, Maranda McDaniel, Mike Penhorwood, Earl Schrack, Cheryl Wilson

FF I

Daniel Beckley

VFF

Kyle Holbrook

A Special thanks to,

Triad School Board for the use of their facilities for our training.

The following staff for their time served with us:

Tricia Deere, William Brown, Rea Jean Brown, Drew Davis, Dodd Davis, Bill Barks, & Andy Sheets

Good Luck with your future endeavors!

SAFETY ISSUES

Remember to check your smoke detectors!

If you don't have one, get one Please.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE SCHEDULED FOR

Sept. 8th

From 1Pm to 7PM at the Municipal Building

PLEASE HELP US MEET OUR GOAL

OF 30 UNITS

Special Note:

Hog Raffle and Duck Race Tickets available at the Fire Department

Still have 911 address signs available home or mailbox type \$ 15.00

NORTH LEWISBURG
COVERED BRIDGE FESTIVAL 2009
SEPTEMBER 12TH & 13TH
EVENTS

Activity	Description	Time	Location
Pancake Breakfast	Pancake & Sausage Breakfast	7:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Sept.- 12 th	North Lewisburg Municipal Building
Covered Bridge Bingo	Bingo	7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Sept.-12 th	North Lewisburg Municipal Building
Hay Ride	Ride on North Lewisburg Trail	1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Sept.- 12 th	Village Garage 139 East Street
Junk Jaunt	Garage/Yard Sales	All day September 11 th 12 th 13 th	Village of North Lewisburg
Historic Log Cabin	Historic Bridge Photos & Blue Prints	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sept.-12 th	Corner of Maple and Audas Streets
Rummage/Craft Show/Bake Sale	Proceeds benefit Ronald McDonald House	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sept.-12 th	North Lewisburg Municipal Building
Inflatable Kids Area	Inflatables	9:00 a.m. till dark September 12 th	Village Park
Antique Car Rally	Teen Car Club Rally	10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Sept.-12 th	Erie Street across from Village Park
Motorcycle Poker Run	Sept.- 12 th	10:00 a.m. Registration 11:00 a.m. Departure	Village Garage 139 East Street
Homemade Chicken Noodle Dinner	Sponsored by United Methodist Women	4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Sept.-12 th	North Lewisburg United Methodist Church
Special Postal Cancellation Stamp	Postal Cancellation Stamp featuring Spain Creek Bridge	9:00-11:00 A.M. Sept.-12 th	US Post Office 24 E. Maple Street
Church Service	Non-Denominational	Noon-1:00 P.M. Sept.-13 th	Village Park
Christian Concert **	Various Local Artists	1:30 p.m. - ? Sept. 13 th	Village Park Shelter House
Encampment/History	September 12th		Village Park Behind Diamond 3
Baseball/Softball Tournament	September 12 th & 13th		Village Park
Community Potluck Picnic Meat Provided (Chicken & Ham)	Bring Covered Dish, Beverage, & Tableware	1:00 p.m. Sept.-13 th	Village Park
Carnival Games, Arts & Crafts, Face Painting, Pumpkin Decorating	Sponsored by Immaculate Conception Catholic Church	Noon to 5:00 p.m. Sep- tember 12 th	Village Park
Duck Race	Sponsored by Fireman's Assoc.	4:00 p.m. September 13th	Mill Race Bridge East Street
Karaoke/Dance	Sponsored by Fireman's Assoc.	September 12 th 7:30 p.m.- 11:00 p.m.	Village Park
Hog Raffle	Sponsored by Fireman's Assoc.	4:00 p.m. Sept.-13 th	Village Park
Corn-hole Tournament	Sponsored by NLUMC Youth Group	Noon-? Sept.-12 th 3 p.m.-? Sept.-13 th	Village Park Basketball Court

****Gospel Music provided by: Mary Fogle, Heidi, Eli, & Ethan Davis, Jeff Wynn, Yari Lee, Champaign County Dulcimer Society, Leslie Coleman, Pat Ferryman and Paul Davis. More artists may be added before event on Sunday September 13th, 2009**

***** \$.99 cent Hand-Dipped Ice Cream Cones at the 559 Café, September 12th, 2009 located on South Sycamore Street.**

North Lewisburg Library

Article submitted by: Kay Schenkel

Changes are coming to the North Lewisburg Branch of the Champaign County Library as state budget cuts and reduced tax collections make it necessary to reduce the library's budget by more than \$150,000 this year. Next year's reductions will probably top \$215,000. Ohio libraries are funded primarily by the Public Library Fund which gave to libraries 2.22 percent of taxes collected in the state General Revenue Fund. To balance the state budget that began on July 1, 2009, this percentage was temporarily reduced to 1.97 percent. The library administration are trying to limit the impact of these cuts on their patrons as much as possible and maintain the library's position as a valuable community resource. The Champaign County Library has reduced staff and will be buying fewer materials. Effective July 1st, fines increased to .10 per day for all items except DVDs, videos and CD-ROMS. The fines on those items remain \$1 per day.

The cost of a replacement card has increased to \$2.00.

Also effective September 3rd, the North Lewisburg Branch of the Champaign County Library will be closed on Thursdays. The main library located at 1060 Scioto St. , Urbana will be opening at 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays and Saturdays beginning September 4th. Both locations will restore their closing time of 8:00 p.m.

A second internet computer has been added at the Champaign County Library North Lewisburg Branch. As always, patrons under 18 must have a parent's permission to get online. Wireless access is also available at the North Lewisburg Branch for those patrons who have their own laptops.

Also this fall, watch for these blockbuster bestsellers being released. In September, the North Lewisburg Branch will receive the most talked about new book of the year – The Lost Symbol by Dan Brown, author of the Da Vinci Code. Also coming out in September are The Last Song by Nicholas Sparks and Hothouse Orchid by Stuart Woods. October brings Nine Dragons by Michael Connelly , Breaking the Rules by Barbara Taylor Bradford and Southern Lights by Danielle Steel. In November, watch for Ford County by John Grisham, Under the Dome by Stephen King , and Breathless by Dean Koontz. Some favorite authors are also putting out their annual Christmas

stories. Look for Quilter's Holiday by Jennifer Chiaverini, The Perfect Christmas by Debbie Macomber, The Christmas List by Richard Paul Evans and A Christmas Promise by Anne Perry. Call the branch library at 747-3043 or the main library at 653-3811 or log on to www.champaign.lib.oh.us with your library card number and pin number to get on the list for any of these books.

New titles already received this summer at the North Lewisburg Branch Library include these adult fiction titles – The Scoop by Fern Michaels, South of Broad by Pat Conroy, Alex Cross's Trial by James Patterson and The Traffickers by W. E. B. Griffin.

Visit the North Lewisburg Branch of the Champaign County Library at 161 Winder St. North Lewisburg, Ohio. Hours of operation are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ARE CONDUCTING A MONTHLY GIFT BASKET RAFFLE TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT LIBRARY OR FROM . FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY. OR CALL 747-2812 AFTER 4:30 PM



COMMUNITY POLICING – submitted by Deputy P. McMahill

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the village residents for making me feel so welcome over the past few years. It has been my pleasure and privilege to be a part of the community and to assist in any way that I can. It was a difficult decision to leave the village and move into another position in the county, but I also feel that I can better serve our community and the county by working with the youth for a brighter and drug free future. You have always made me feel welcome and a part of something good . Sheriff Emmons and the assigned Deputies have always tried to promote this as a model community and I will miss being a part of that but will never be far away. Deputy Darren Vernon will be assigned here the beginning of September. Darren worked for the county for several years and has rejoined the team. He is a family man and I believe that he will be a good asset to the village. I hope that he will always feel as welcome here as you have always made me.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to have served you.



NOTES FROM COUNCIL

Public Records Policy

Submitted by Gwen Beech, Council President

To comply with Ohio's Public Records Act, the Village of North Lewisburg enacted a Public Records Policy on May 8th, 2008. Within the provisions of the Public Records Act are specific guidelines by which public offices must abide in regards to public records.

One of the provisions requires the public office to enact a Public Records Policy, similar to the Model Public Records Policy created by the Ohio State Attorney General's Office. The Village's public records policy defines public records and lists the guidelines for handling public record requests, including how requests can be submitted, costs associated with record requests and timeframes for fulfilling record requests. To view the details of this policy go to www.nlewisburg.com and click on "Public Records Policy" or visit the Village offices (60 E. Maple Street), Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00am and 3:00pm, except during lunch from 12noon to 1pm and all published holidays.

If you have any questions in regards to public records please feel free to email councilpresident@nlewisburg.com or call the Village offices at 747-3645.

NOTE FROM COUNCILMAN TED MURPHY JR.

My name is Ted Murphy Jr. and I am currently on the Village Council. My wife (Debbie) & I moved to North Lewisburg in 1998. We have two children, Davis and Halley and they are both 9 years old.

I have been seated on the council just over a year now. Many things have happened and some have caused great discussion. My main goal when appointed was to make sure I kept an eye on the future for the village. We have addressed some controversial issues during my tenure; many of them should have been taken care of years ago. We need to make sure we are moving forward as a village and not let issues drag out from the past.

Probably the hardest decision I and many other council members have had to make recently is the raising of the water & sewer rates. This was a matter that caused great concern for all and continues to. We all saw how some inaction over the years got us to that point though. Many years this village took money from the general fund to cover the shortfall in the water & sewer. The water and sewer has to be a fund that pays for itself. We need to make sure general fund money is there for when the village needs it for projects or emergencies that may come along. I have enjoyed my time on council and working with all the members.

I see the role of a village council member being a person that serves the people and also one who needs to make decisions so the village can prosper and be the best that it can be. You cannot have a personal agenda or personal reasons when you take a seat on the council. You are only serving yourself if you do that, not the people or the village.

North Lewisburg is a great place to live and raise a family. What we need is to work toward a better future for our children and their children. What this means is all of us working together for this common ground. All of us need to be involved to make a better future for North Lewisburg. Come to council meetings, get involved in village functions. If you see me on the street, ask me a question(s) and also let me know what some of your concerns are. We are all in this together and we must all work together to keep the village going forward. In closing, I consider it an honor and privilege to serve on the North Lewisburg Village Council and serving you the people of this great community.



MAYOR'S COURT
 Diane Davis, Magistrate Clerk
 G. S. Weithman, Magistrate
 August 18, 2009



Magistrate Court began in April 2002, prior to the Village establishing a Magistrate/Mayor's Court all Traffic Violations and Misdemeanor Violations were sent to the Champaign County Municipal Court and all revenue generated was kept at the Champaign County Municipal Court, since we established the Court system the revenue stays within the Village with the exception of a small portion of the Traffic Violations going to the State.

As of September our day time Deputy Phil McMahill will be leaving to do the DARE program for the Champaign County

Sheriff. John McNeely who now is our evening Deputy will be going to the day time shift, the evening shift Deputy is to be announced at a later time.

Magistrate Court has generated the following revenue since its beginning in April 2002 to the present date of Aug. 18th, 2009:

Apr. – Dec. 2002	\$ 14,646.58
Jan. – Dec. 2003	\$ 24,186.52
Jan. – Dec. 2004	\$ 20,652.56
Jan. – Dec. 2005	\$ 33,868.22
Jan. – Dec. 2006	\$ 21,722.72
Jan – Dec. 2007	\$ 19,958.25
Jan – Dec. 2008	\$ 28,353.95
Jan – Aug 2009	\$ 13,505.75
Total	\$190,400.30

A small portion of that revenue must be sent to the State for all Traffic Violations:

Apr. – Dec. 2002	\$ 2,040.00
Jan. – Dec. 2003	\$ 1,800.00
Jan. – Dec. 2004	\$ 1,680.00
Jan. – Apr. 2005	\$ 3,020.00
Jan. – Dec. 2006	\$ 1,980.00
Jan. – Dec. 2007	\$ 2,040.00
Jan – Dec. 2008	\$ 2,587.50
Jan – Aug. 2009	\$ 1,298.50
Total	\$ 16,446.00

Court is held at the Community Building on the first and third Mondays of each month, unless it falls on a holiday. Gil S. Weithman resides as the Magistrate and hears all cases brought into court.

STREET DEPARTMENT– submitted by Bart Stokes, Street Superintendent

Leaf Pickup is scheduled for October 19 through November 30. The Village will pick up weekly as weather permits. All leaves are to be at the edge of the street. We would like to emphasize that pick up is for leaves ONLY (absolutely no rocks, tree limbs, sticks, or trash).

The brush pile at the park is for brush and grass only. DO NOT INCLUDE LUMBER, ROCKS, CEMENT, METAL , PLASTIC BAGS, OR TRASH.

The dumpsters at the park are for Village use only and should not be considered as a place to dump refuse of any kind.. Violators will be prosecuted.

Snow remover will be a reality before we know it!. Please be courteous and remove vehicles, trailers, etc. from streets in order that snow removal can be achieved in a workman like manner.

Village Phone Numbers

Adm. Office	747-3645	Water Dept.	747-2200
Mayor	747-3645	Park Activities	747-3645
W/S Billing	747-3645	Fire Dept.	747-2345
Magistrate Ct.	747-3645	Sheriff's Office	652-1313
Street Dept.	747-2200	Library	747-3043

**Administrator Office Fax
(937) 747-2122**

E-Mail :

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The Office of the Mayor and Administrator is located at 60 East Maple St. , PO Box 243

Office hours are weekdays:

9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Payment Drop Box for Water/Wastewater Bills is located east of the double door for your use during non-business hours.

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