

Community Calendar

Saturday, December 2
Hometown Christmas
All Day

Monday, December 4
Hagerstown Town Council
Town Hall
6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 12
Free Community Meal
Greens Fork Community Center
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 13
Nettle Creek School Board
Administration Building
6:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 14
Hagerstown Optimist
Lumpy's Cafe North
6:30 p.m.

Thank You

Words cannot express our gratitude and appreciation to our friends, family, co-workers, and local Western Wayne and Nettle Creek community members for your support during our recent loss of Joel Stout. We were overcome with so much love over the past months as Joel's illness became severe and eventually took him from us much too soon. We thank Culberston Funeral Home and Nettle Creek Church of the Brethren, Brian Mackie and our cousin Daniel Poole for a wonderful service. A special thanks to awesome church members for a wonderful meal to warm us afterward. Thank you from the extended Stout family!

Shelley Newton, for:
Lucille & Fred Dilling
Gary, Greg, Jeff, & Jon Stout & spouses
Alicia (Stout) Osborne,
Heather Stout, Madison Stout,
& Moriah Stout
Barry & Melissa Ritter.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

November 26

**Chris Cross
Robin Davis-Reed
Steve Wieseke**

November 27

Lori Crownover

Hagerstown Jefferson Township Library

Monday:
10:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday:
10:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday:
3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday:
10:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Friday:
10:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday:
10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

HAGERSTOWN POLICE REPORT



**Daily Log:
Nov. 10 -
Nov. 16**

Friday 11/10:

12:10- Elementary School made HPD aware of possible problem with a parent.

12:51- Unwanted subject at Elementary school, parent from above call, at the school.

14:52- Low hanging power line in area of Lacy and Pike Roads. Town Electric was notified and made repairs.

16:35- Teenager came home alone and thought he heard someone in the basement. Checked the house and everything was OK.

19:30- Report of possible burglary in-progress at residence on Sycamore Street. Homeowner advised it was a worker and OK.

21:40- Traffic Stop, Perry and Main Streets. Warning

Saturday 11/11:

13:25- Speak with an Officer, parent concerned over child being bullied at school. Referred to school administrators.

15:30- Peace Officer detail on Parkway Drive while ex-boyfriend picks up his truck. Subject was issued Trespass warning when he arrived, at the request of resident.

17:02- Assist WCSO with subject out of control who assaulted staff at Group home on Scout Lake Road.

20:13- Report of a Domestic Dispute in the roadway on Jones Road. Verbal only and both parties said it was over. No report.

Sunday 11/12:

00:33- Unoccupied disabled vehicle at SR1 and Jerry Meyers Roads. Vehicle is off the roadway and not a hazard.

Monday 11/13:

07:12- Report of dog barking on High Street. Owner took the animal inside.

07:45- Traffic Stop, HHS parking lot. Warning.

21:30- Traffic Stop, Main and Perry Streets. Warning.

Tuesday 11/14:

00:30- Assist CPD on a Domestic Dispute on Hunnicut Road. All WCSO units are busy.

20:00- HPD presence at HHS for Girls Basketball Game.

21:30- Vehicle crash on Main Street. Unoccupied vehicle rolled across Main Street and down embankment by Subway. Report made.

22:33- Assist WCSO on Traffic Stop, SR38 and Tee-tor Roads.

Wednesday 11/15:

12:20- Follow-up on active investigation at HPD.

19:06- Domestic Dispute on East Harrison Street. Verbal only.

20:03- Peace Officer assistance at Marathon Station.

Thursday 11/16:

08:45- Ambulance driver reported reckless driver on SR38 towards town. Unable to locate the vehicle

11:51- Report of a dog running loose in area of Jones Road. Placed at Kurtz Vet Clinic.

13:05- Speak with an Officer, owner of new business on Main Street wanted HPD to have contact info and be advised of alarms.

15:05- Report of a speeding vehicle on SR38 approaching SR1. Located the vehicle North on SR1, followed and observed no infractions.

19:15- Assist WCSO with a deer hit by vehicle on Brick-Church Road.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF MEETINGS OF WAYNE COUNTY COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of Wayne County, Indiana, that the County Council of said county will meet in the Administration Building, 401 East Main Street, Richmond, Indiana, at 8:00 a.m. on the 6th day of December 2017, to consider transfers, additional appropriations and other miscellaneous business.

County General Fund #01000 - Council	
#33950 Misc. Contingency	\$300,000

Reduction in Appropriation:	
Local Road and Street Fund 01169	\$ 12,000

MVH Fund 01176	
Administration	\$ 25,000
Maintenance & Repair	\$ 80,000
General & Undistributed	\$ 60,000
	\$165,000

Immediately following the Council Meeting, the County Personnel Committee will meet in the Commissioners Conference Room, also located in the Wayne County Administration Building.

Immediately following Personnel, Council Finance Committee will meet.

On Wednesday, December 20, 2017 at 6:00 PM, Wayne County Council will meet with The Board of Commissioners for a joint workshop and the meeting will be held in Chambers in the Wayne County Administration Building.

Taxpayers appearing at the December 6, 2017 Council Meeting shall have a right to be heard herein. Any additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the Department of Local Government Finance, which board, upon receipt, will hold a further hearing within fifteen days at the county Auditor's Office of said county, or at such other place as may be designated. At such hearing taxpayers objecting to any or such additional appropriations may be heard. Interested taxpayers may inquire of the Auditor when and where such hearing may be held.

Kimberly Walton
Wayne County Auditor

Carter

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The Carter's have three granddaughters: Lindsay Abernathy, married to Chad; Emma Ullery, married to Michael; and Lily Ballenger; three grandsons Gabriel, Grant, and Adam Cox; and one great grandson Greysen Abernathy.

"I applied for a job at a private law office right out of college in 1965," says Carter speaking about her path to the prosecutor's office. "When I was informed that I was hired, I was told to report for my first day of work on July 4. Can you believe that, the Fourth of July! I think it was that attorney's way of testing my dedication early on."

Carter worked in that office until it closed in February of 1984. A few months later, then the Prosecuting Attorney, Gerald Surface, called and asked if she would fill in for a secretary who was going on maternity leave. "That was thirty-three years ago and five prosecutors later I was still waiting for her to come back!" laughed Carter.

Being able to reach out and touch the hearts of the children who came to her office was one of the most rewarding parts of the job, admits Carter. "I made so many good friends! My co-workers all became family. Their children became my grandchildren. Just being able to reach out to a child - that's the most rewarding."

But the prosecuting office does face many unpleasant challenges. Carter says that by far the hardest part of her job was connecting with the families of victims. "Families who were dealing with the aftermath of a loved one being murdered, or parents of children who had been molested. Those were tough. One case in particular connected me with a family whose daughter had been kidnapped and was later found murdered. The horrible crimes that were personal for others were always the most difficult."

Though it all, Carter feels blessed to have the co-workers that she had over the years; saying they were all just as affected as she was emotionally but they carried each other through. "We couldn't talk outside of the office about these cases, but we could support each other within. Even in the most difficult times we could find some silly thing outside of the tragedy to laugh about. The laughter is what I'll miss the most - the laughter kept us all sane."

While working those 33 years at the courthouse, Carter always climbed the stairs, even though there is an elevator. She gave two reasons for this. "When I first started working there, I heard stories of the elevator getting stuck. I didn't have time to get stuck in an elevator. Second, there was always a line for the elevator and I could climb the stairs and be where I wanted to go before the elevator arrived. Oh, there is a third reason. I went to Zumba class. You can't go to Zumba class and feel good about taking the elevator!"

Retirement plans will be bittersweet for Carter. "I'll be caring for my husband, who has Alzheimers. I also plan to take every opportunity I can get to spend more time with my kids, grandkids and my great grandson!"

Daughter Sandy added that if it was not for the ravages of her father's Alzheimer's affliction, her mom would still be attending to the duties of her office, running - not walking - up and down the marble stairs to the second and third floors of the courthouse "You could count on one hand the number of times mom rode the elevator in 33 years!"

Carter concludes by commenting on her love for her church and immediate and extended family. "These two things are immense blessings to me. I can't imagine life without them."

Wilbur Wright Birthplace Christmas Tree Festival

December 1, 2, 8, 9, 15 and 16. Hours are from 5-7 p.m. Stroll and enjoy the beautifully lit and decorated trees in the birthplace. Admission and tours are free. The museum is located at 1525 N. 750 E., Hagerstown.

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Chapter 5.17 GARBAGE AND WEEDS

5.17.010 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms have the following meanings unless otherwise designated:

- "Town" means the Town Council of Economy, Indiana
- "Garbage" means putrescible animal and vegetable wastes, resulting from handling, preparation, cooking and consumption of food; refuse; and rubbish.
- "Owner" means a person holding legal title to real property within the Town of Economy.
- "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, trust, or any commercial association or venture, however defined.
- "Putrescible" means substances which are subject to organic decomposition.
- "Recyclable materials" means those materials designated by the Town or its designee as those which may be collected for recycling purposes. Such materials may include, but may not be limited to, aluminum products, clean glass containers, bimetal containers, newspapers, magazines and periodicals, and plastic containers. What constitutes "recyclable materials" may change depending on what the Town or its designee is able to dispose of through its recycling efforts.
- "Refuse" means all putrescible and nonputrescible solid wastes, including animal wastes, garbage, rubbish, ashes, street cleanings, and solid market and industrial wastes.
- "Rubbish" means nonputrescible solid wastes consisting of both combustible and noncombustible wastes, such as paper, cardboard, tin cans, wood, glass, bedding, crockery, construction debris, and similar materials.
- "Weed" means any plant or vegetation classified as a detrimental plant, invasive plant or noxious weed by either the state under authority of IC 15, entitled Agriculture and Animals, or the United States government in accordance with 7 USC 7701.
- "Yard waste" means grass, weeds, leaves, brush, tree trimmings, hedge clippings, and other yard and garden materials.

5.17.020 Deposit of garbage & rubbish.

It is unlawful for any person to throw, place, or scatter any garbage, rubbish, recyclable materials or yard waste over or upon any premises, street, alley, either public or private, or to suffer or permit any garbage, rubbish, recyclable materials or yard waste to be placed or deposited on the premises owned, occupied or controlled by such person either with or without the intent to later remove, cover, or burn it. This provision shall not restrict the filling of low lands within the town with brick, stone, sand, gravel, cold ashes, or dirt.

5.17.030 Excessive growth.

It is unlawful for the owner of any lot or tract of ground within the town to allow it to become overgrown with weeds, grass, or noxious plants beyond the height of eight inches or to such extent that the growth is detrimental to the public health and constitutes a nuisance.

5.17.040 Inspections.

It shall be the duty of the Town or its designee to make a careful inspection of any lots, grounds and tracts of land situated within the corporate limits of the town for the purpose of determining whether there is a violation of this chapter.

5.17.050 Enforcement procedures.

(a) If the Town or any other designee of the Town determines that there is a violation of this ordinance, the Town shall issue a notice of violation (NOV) to the responsible party. For purposes of issuing a NOV, the following persons shall be considered responsible parties, with liability for fines and responsibility for remedy of the violation: persons with any possessory interest in the property; property owner(s); and/or any persons who have caused the violation.

Liability for fines shall not attach to nonpossessory property owner(s) for a period of seven days following issuance of the NOV, provided that the nonpossessory property owner(s) presents to the Town, within seven days after issuance of the NOV, a true and exact copy of any and all leases in effect during the time period covered by the NOV.

(b) The NOV shall be in writing and shall be served on one or more of the responsible parties in one or more of the following manners: delivery in person; by first class mail; and/or by placement in a conspicuous place on the property where a violation occurs. The notice shall state:

- (1) The location of the violation;
- (2) The nature of the violation;
- (3) The period of correction (if any);
- (4) The fine assessed for the violation;
- (5) Additional remedies the town may seek for violation (including abatement of the violation by the Town or by a private contractor hired by the Town) after the seven-day period of the NOV);
- (6) That the fine is to be paid to the Town of Economy;
- (7) That the fine may be contested in the Wayne County Circuit Courts;
- (8) That the NOV may be appealed to the Town, provided the appeal is in writing and received by the Town no later than seven days from the date of the NOV.

(c) Schedule of Fines. The initial penalty or fine for all violations of this ordinance shall be fifty dollars (\$50). A second violation of this ordinance in any twelve-month period shall be subject to a penalty or fine of one hundred dollars (\$100). A third and all subsequent violations of this ordinance in any twelve-month period shall be subject to a penalty or fine of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150). The twelve-month period described above shall begin on August 1 of each year and end on July 31 of the following year.

(d) If the responsible party fails to pay any accumulated fines, the Town may collect said fines in any manner authorized by law.

5.17.060 Failure to remedy.

(a) Any property owner still in violation of a NOV after the correction period, will be subject of an abatement request by the Town. The property owner shall be notified of the request; said notice shall state the following:

- (1) The location of the violation;
- (2) The nature of the violation;
- (3) A statement that abatement of the violation is being sought;
- (4) A statement that the abatement may be provided by the town or by a private third-party contractor hired by the town to perform the abatement;
- (5) A statement that the property owner will be liable for any and all costs associated with the town, and/or the town's contractor, abating the property;
- (6) A statement that if the property owner fails to reimburse the town for any and all costs associated with an abatement of their property, said costs shall be filed with the appropriate county official and placed on the tax duplicate for the property at issue; said costs being collected as taxes are collected;
- (7) The date, time and location of the Town's hearing regarding the abatement request; and
- (8) A statement indicating that the property owner is entitled to appear at said hearing and is entitled to present arguments and evidence in his/her defense at said hearing. The abatement notice described in the above subsection

(b) shall be in writing and shall be served on the property owner via certified mail, return receipt requested. If the abatement notice is returned as undeliverable the notice shall be given by personally delivering a copy of the abatement notice to the property owner; leaving a copy of the abatement notice at the usual place of abode of the property owner; sending by first class mail a copy of the abatement notice to the last known address of the property owner; or by serving the agent of the property owner.

(c) At the abatement hearing the Town shall hear evidence from all parties and render its decision in writing.

(d) All appeals from the Town's decision at a hearing on an abatement request shall be made to courts of competent jurisdiction within ten days.

(e) If an initial notice of abatement was provided in accordance with this Section, and Section 5.17.050 was first followed, a continuous abatement notice may be posted at the property at the time of abatement instead of by certified mail. A continuous abatement notice serves as notice to the property owner that each subsequent violation of this chapter during the same twelve-month period for which the initial NOV was provided may be abated by the town or its private third-party contractors.

5.17.070 Cost of Removal by Town.

If the landowner fails to remedy a violation under this ordinance, the Town Clerk/Treasurer shall make a certified statement of the actual cost incurred by the town for any abatement conducted by the town or its private third-party contractor. The statement shall be served on the property owner by certified mail, return receipt requested. The property owner shall pay the amount in the statement to the Town of Economy within ten days (10) after receiving it. If the landowner should fail to pay within the ten-day period, a certified copy of the statement of costs shall be filed in the office of the county auditor or any other appropriate county official. The said official shall place the amount claimed on the tax duplicate against the property affected by the work. The amount shall be collected and disbursed to the general fund of the town. 5.17.080 Vehicles hauling garbage.

(a) It is unlawful to transport garbage, recyclable material, yard waste, stone or other materials that are likely to fall from a vehicle unless such materials are covered and secured so as to prevent their deposit on public and private property.

(b) Any materials falling from a vehicle shall be promptly removed by the person responsible for their deposit. If such person neglects or refuses to remove the materials, the town shall cause such materials to be removed at the expense of the person responsible, who shall be liable to pay the town the cost of the removal.

Barb Irvin, Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Economy

Health Officials Raise Awareness Of COPD

INDIANAPOLIS - November is National COPD Awareness Month, and the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) is raising awareness of an often undiagnosed condition.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), nearly 37 percent of Hoosiers with asthma also have chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Nationally, only about 15 percent to 20 percent of patients have been diagnosed with asthma-COPD overlap syndrome (ACOS). This condition occurs when someone has symptoms found in both asthma and COPD and frequently remains undiagnosed.

"If you've been diagnosed with asthma or COPD, it's important to talk to your healthcare provider about asthma-COPD overlap syndrome because ACOS can have more serious complications than asthma or COPD alone," said State Health Commissioner Kris Box, MD, FACOG.

Asthma, which causes wheezing, breathlessness, chest tightness and coughing at night or early in the morning, is one of the most common long-term diseases in children, though more than 500,000 Indiana adults have asthma.

COPD, which includes emphysema and chronic bronchitis and is characterized by chronic coughing, excessive mucus production, shortness of breath, wheezing and chest tightness, was the third-leading cause of death in Indiana in 2016.

Distinguishing between the two diseases can be difficult, especially in smokers and older adults. However, proper diagnosis is critical because ACOS patients with asthma symptoms require different therapies than those with COPD symptoms.

All patients with chronic airflow limitation should get treatment for any other health issues they have. Quitting smoking, increasing physical activity and treating other diseases and conditions that impact health can lessen the severity of ACOS symptoms.

Visit the Indiana State Department of Health at www.StateHealth.in.gov for important health and safety information.

Thanksgiving Thoughts

By Dan Harney

In this issue of the Nettle Creek Gazette you will find advice from second graders at Hagerstown Elementary school on the proper preparation of a Thanksgiving meal. Hopefully, you will enjoy the recipes as much as the staff of the newspaper did. The naïveté and youthful enthusiasm the students exhibit, shines through. For the most part the kids who wrote the recipes lead a simple, sheltered life. Hopefully, everyone in our small community will enjoy many blessings as they sit around the Thanksgiving table.

My only contribution to the meal I will enjoy will be arriving with a healthy appetite. Others will prepare the meal, and like most other men who have been married nearly 50 years, I will go where I am instructed to go and be there at the time I have been instructed to be there. This year the feast will be at my brother-in-law and sister-in-law's house next door. I can even walk if I choose.

Usually after we eat, and the men retire to watch football games we will have a drawing for Christmas gifts. This is on top of the already lengthy lists. I never mention it, but every year, my mind wonders back to my youth. I grew up with four other siblings. By any reasonable measure we were poor, but we did have one advantage. We did not realize that we were poor. We always had plenty to eat and a warm place to live. That was true at Thanksgiving and every other time. We always had a big garden and my mother did a lot of canning and freezing. As kids, we also talked about Christmas gifts we would like to have after our Thanksgiving meal.

But we were realistic in our expectations. We knew that Aunt Jo, who never married, would buy each of us one nice

gift. She was a caring, considerate person, who truly grew up poor and took great delight in seeing us smile when we opened our gift from her. She gave me my first new bicycle the same year that one of my friend's dad bought a new 1957 Chevrolet 2-Door Hardtop. The car was nice, and Bobby was always bragging about it, but I was equally proud of my new two-wheel ride. My Uncle Paul always took us Christmas shopping a few days before Christmas. He gave each of us \$5.00 to purchase a gift for each of our siblings. \$5.00 may not sound like much now, but it was always enough.

I have seen letters recently from children making gift requests. Some are heartbreaking. I saw a request from a ten-year old for snacks to take to school so that he would not be the only one with no snacks when they have "snack-time." I saw a request from an eight-year old girl for a warm coat that fits. Shoes are a common request from kids. Many would settle for socks. A surprising number of kids who have very little ask for nothing for themselves, but would like to see the basic needs of their siblings addressed.

As you gather around your Thanksgiving table this year, pricing the latest electronics gadgets to be placed under your tree, consider making a gift from your family to Joe Smith, the Jefferson Township Trustee.

Mr. Smith will have requests from families for help. It does not have to be much; all contributions add up. He can help a family or child that you may or may not know. You and your family can have the wonderful feeling of knowing you that you made a difference in the life of a child. That is something to be truly thankful for.

Christmas Cheap

Avoid overspending by learning how to create a plan for less stress during Christmas. Come to Christmas Cheap next Monday, Nov. 27 at the Greens Fork Community Center, beginning at 6:30

p.m. to learn how. The event is free but RSVP is encouraged. Call (765) 886-9908.

The Greens Fork Community Center is located at 117 E. Pearl St., Greens Fork, across from the fire station.

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