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Mayor Jill C. McKelvey

Paint West Liberty PINK

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, an annual campaign to raise awareness about the impact of breast cancer. This year West Liberty is joining with Bellefontaine to support these survivors with a “**Pink Out**” during the **month of October**. Everyone knows someone whose life has been affected by breast cancer. Mothers, daughters, sisters, and even some men have fallen victim to this disease. And it hurts not only the one who has it but can also turn the world upside down for the friends and families left behind. If you are like me and would like to see this disease eradicated, you can help support this project by purchasing a **pink light** bulb for a donation at the Village Office with all monies going to the Logan County Cancer Society. We will also have t-shirts, car decals, and other items for purchase at the Clerk’s Office (all monies raised will go to the Logan County Cancer Society). On October 22 please wear pink in support of Breast Cancer Awareness. A great big thank you to the WL-S Cheerleaders for decorating our downtown storefronts and the library window!!! A big thank you to Malia Hughes and Lakeview Home Center for the donations to purchase the pink light bulbs.

In 2022, an estimated 287,500 new cases of invasive breast cancer will be diagnosed in women in the U.S. as well as 51,400 new cases of non-invasive (in situ) breast cancer.

65% of breast cancer cases are diagnosed at a localized stage (there is no sign that the cancer has spread outside of the breast), for which the 5-year relative survival rate is 99%.

This year, an estimated 43,550 women will die from breast cancer in the U.S.

Although rare, men get breast cancer too. In 2022, an estimated 2,710 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer in the U.S. and approximately 530 men will die from breast cancer.

1 in 8 women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime. Breast cancer is the most common cancer in American women, except for skin cancers. It is estimated that in 2022, approximately 30% of all new women cancer diagnoses will be breast cancer.

There are over 3.8 million breast cancer survivors in the United States. On average, every 2 minutes a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States.

Note: All statistics are from the National Breast Cancer Foundation

October 2022



WL Police Department:

With the kids back in school, fall sports in full swing and farmers preparing for harvest, I want to remind our residents that the roads and streets will continue to have increased activity. Please slow down and be patient with one another.

Please, **always** drive sober and buckle up because your life matters and the lives of others matter just the same.

Shane Oelker

Chief of Police West Liberty Police Department
111 Runkle St. 937-465-2801 ext. 101 or
by email at soelker@westlibertypolice.org

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Oct. 27th: Halloween Spooktacular, starts at 4:30pm, More info on Mywestliberty.com

Oct 27th: Trick or treat at 6:00pm to 7:30pm.
(In W. Liberty only)

Oct. 29th Logan Co. Trick or Treat, 3-5:00pm.

Mon. Oct. 31st The Family Haunt
at Mac-A-Cheek Castle

7:30 - 9:00 pm, \$15 (\$12 for MFH Members)
Advance Reservations Required



November 4-5, 2022, Friday-Saturday
Christmas in the Village Open House

Clerks Office:

The Clerks Office will be closed on Monday October 10th, in observance of Columbus Day.

Cindee Boyd

Clerk/Treasurer 937-465-2716

WL Fire Department:

October is **National Fire Protection Month**. This year marks the 100 anniversary of National Fire Prevention Week. As a result, the West Liberty Fire Dept. would like to take a moment to provide some tips to help you and your family be safe from fires.



Develop a home Action Plan. Make the first Saturday of each month "Smoke Alarm Saturday".

A working smoke alarm will clue you in that there is a fire, and you need to escape. Fire moves fast. You and your family could have only minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarm sounds.

- Smoke alarms should be installed in every sleeping room, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home, including the basement.
- Test all of your smoke alarms by pushing the test button. If it makes a loud beep, beep, beep sound, you know it's working. If there is no sound or the sound is low, it's time to replace the battery. If the smoke alarm is older than 10 years old, you need to replace the whole unit.
- If your smoke alarm makes a "chirp," that means it needs a new battery. Change the battery right away.
- Make sure everyone in the home knows the sound of the alarm and what to do when it sounds.

Develop a home fire escape plan and practice it at least twice a year! Having a home fire escape plan will make sure everyone knows what to do when the smoke alarm sounds so they can get out safely.

- Draw a map of your home, marking two ways out of each room, including windows and doors.
- Children, older adults, and people with disabilities may need assistance to wake up and get out. Make sure they are part of the plan.
- Make sure all escape routes are clear and that doors and windows open easily.
- Pick an outside meeting place (something permanent like a neighbor's house, a light post, mailbox, or stop sign) that is a safe distance in front of your home where everyone can meet.
- Everyone in the home should know the fire department's emergency number and how to call once they are safely outside.
- Practice! Practice! Practice! Practice day and nighttime home fire drills. Share your home escape plans with overnight guests.

WL Street Department:

Leaf season will soon be upon us. Here are a few pointers that will help us get your leaves picked up in a timely manner.

Do not put leaves on the street as this is against Village Ordinances. Leaves placed in street can be a traffic hazard, they also get run over by traffic and can be impossible to pick up and can clog storm drains when it rains which can cause flooding. Place leaves as close as possible to the street but not in the street or in the gutter. If possible make a long row instead of one large pile.

Leaf piles raked close to trees, mailboxes, sign posts, fire hydrants etc. can't be reached with the machine, so please avoid raking your piles near these items. Also do not park cars in front or close to leaf piles.

Sticks, yard waste, rocks etc. placed in the leaf pile can clog and damage the machine. When this happens we have to take time to remove the blockage which sets us behind schedule.

Please do not rake trash, paper or other waste of any kind in with leaves as this is against EPA regulations.

We pick up leaves most days of the week. If your leaves aren't out when we go by your house it may be a week before we get back as it takes time to cover the whole town when leaves are falling heavily.



By following these guidelines we can pick up your leaves faster and more efficiently.

Thank you for your cooperation
Bill Detrick
Street Superintendent

Buy your WL Apparel today, sweatshirts, t-shirts, hoodies. All colors and sizes.

**Make
great
Christmas
gifts!**



Scan the QR code or go to....
<https://villageofwl.itemorder.com/shop/home/>
or order at the Clerk's office

Jeanette Zerkle Talks about: Halloween

There's a goblin at my window, a monster by my door.
The pumpkin on my table is smiling more and more. A
Ghost who haunts my bedroom, a witch whose face is
green, they used to be my family, till they dressed for
HALLOWEEN!

So dress up your family and come on down for the
HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR in the center of town.
West Liberty Business Association is sponsoring its first
annual **HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR** event on October
27, 2022, starting at 4:30pm in the first block of East
Columbus Street. So, forget about cooking dinner and
come on down for free hotdogs. There will be food trucks,
music, costume contest and photographer at the Fire
Station, face painting, pumpkin painting and carving,
inflatable activities, a coloring contest (pick up pictures at
local businesses or in the Town Hall and turn in by
September 24) and other games.



Let's make this
**HALLOWEEN
SPOOKTACULAR
EVENT**

the talk of all
the nearby
communities.

TRICK OR TREAT begins at 6:00pm
and runs to 7:30 pm. In West Liberty Only.

Donations are appreciated and if you would like to help
make this event successful, please drop off donations to
Sweetie Pie's or make checks payable to WLBA and mail
to P.O. Box 495, West Liberty, Ohio 43357.

Gas and electric aggregation will be on the November 2022 ballot

as two separate issues per the Ohio Revised Code. If
this is passed then early next year, we will begin
working on locking in lower rates for our residents for
both gas and electricity. **If residents have a lower rate,
they may opt out.**

West Liberty Association Business of the Month: Solomon's Garage 122 S. Detroit W. Liberty

WL Business Association Annual Christmas Trees Silent Auction

If interested in decorating a 3 ft. Christmas Tree,
please contact Cindee Boyd at 937-465-2716.
Trees may be picked up at the City Bldg. starting
October 3rd. Silent Auction runs thru Nov. 1 -26,
2022 and ends at 4:00 pm on Nov. 26, 2022.
Decorated Christmas trees will be displayed at the
WL Clerk's Office.

October 2022 Business of the Month: Solomon's Garage

Solomon's Garage is owned and operated by local
natives Dave and Katie Neer. Together they have
owned and operated the garage since Jan 1, 2012
when they moved back to West Liberty, and they
have been at their current location since 2016.

The Neer's also own Neer and Farm, a home
décor and Fashion Boutique next door at 114 S
Detroit St. They have 2 beautiful children, Levi, a
7th grader and Sadie, a kindergartner and they
have a brand new baby boy on the way!

Dave & Katie both grew up here, were high school
sweethearts and graduated from WLS in 2000.
Dave went to Lincoln Tech in Indianapolis for their
automotive program and worked 10 years at
Dreyer & Reinbold BMW in Indianapolis. Dreyer
was the very first BMW dealership opened in
North America and was and continues to be a
nationally ranked facility. Katie attended Purdue
University and graduated with a degree in Civil
Engineering in 2005. She worked for 4 years as a
Civil Engineer designing highways and storm
water systems and then "retired" from that career
path in 2009 to be a stay at home mom to her
son, Levi. When presented with the opportunity
to sell their home in Indiana and move back to be
closer to the grandparents, the Neers jumped at
the chance. Dave had always wanted to open his
own shop and serve his hometown in that
capacity. In 2011, he "retired" from Dreyer &
Reinbold and started his own place in the end of
his father's machine shed. The rest is history...

Congratulations



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