

# The Village Voice

Bremen Ohio's Monthly Newsletter

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# May 2017

### **Council & Committee Meetings**



Members of the public should feel welcome to attend and participate at the following meetings regarding Village business:

- Zoning Commission: May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 PM
- ❖ Village Council: May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM
- ❖ Financial Process Committee: May 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 PM
- ❖ Administrative Process Committee: June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM

If you would like to speak at the Council meeting, please contact the office ahead of time so you can be added to the agenda.

These are the meetings scheduled as of the time this newsletter is going to press. Should the need for other Village meetings arise, they will be publicized by legal advertisement in the Lancaster Eagle-Gazette.

Meetings are held at the municipal building, 9090 Marietta Road, SE.

# **Recognizing a Deserving Citizen**



The Village of Bremen will be celebrating Arbor Day on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM with a tree dedication ceremony at Howell Park, honoring long-time community volunteer Jean Doan.

The public is encouraged to attend the event.

## **Community Swimming Pool Update**

As of the date this newsletter is being printed, the Village is in the unfortunate predicament that it will not be able open the community pool for Summer 2017.

After an extended period of searching for lifeguards to staff the village's pool this summer, we have not received enough applications to fill the roster. We do not have enough certified lifeguards to legally and safely operate the pool.

It's not just the Bremen pool; Apparently other pools in the region are also experiencing this lifeguard shortage problem.

If, however, the circumstances were to change soon enough in early May, the decision about the pool season could be reconsidered.

# **Water Quality Report**

Bremen's Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report for 2016 is being distributed with this month's Village Voice newsletter. It is also available on the village's website.

Questions concerning the report may be directed to the village's water system operator Ron Stephens at 740-412-8198.

# Village Office Hours

The Village offices will be closed on Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day.



## **Sidewalk Improvement Project Update**

The "Safe Routes to School" project will provide new sidewalks and crosswalks near Bremen Elementary School, affecting sections along



Strayer Avenue, Angle Street, Ford Street and Marietta Street.

This ODOT-funded project has been in the planning stages for the past few years, but is now ready for construction.

The construction contractor – Newcomer Concrete Services, Inc. – intends to complete the project during the June-July period while Fairfield Union Schools are on summer vacation.

#### **Park Corner**

#### By Debbie Wolfe, Parks & Facilities Committee

It's spring in the park and things are beginning to emerge from dormancy. The fence is now complete, which makes it a safe place for all the little ones. If you have come down recently, you will have seen a new slate patio has been added to the south side of the koi pond enclosure. Thanks to Gary Wolfe, the patio was completed in two evenings. Also, thanks to the donation of slate by Tim Miller on Oak Street and Marilyn Hickman on Purvis Ave., the patio is now complete. If anyone has slate that is no longer in use, we would love to have your donation to enlarge the patio area.

As for flowers and mulch this summer because of the restricted budget, the park will no longer be able to afford such items. The park budget will be focused on completing the electrical needs of the park, patch and seal the basketball court, and correctly repairing the second driveway into the park. Deb Moio and I have applied for money to fill the void needed to purchase extra items. But with all grants, they are sometimes difficult to obtain. So, if anyone would like to help in obtaining flowers and mulch for the park, any help would be greatly appreciated. Come and enjoy a walk in the park, and if you're lucky, you'll hear the frogs in the koi pond.

## **Community Connections**

Here are opportunities to get out and socialize with other members of the community...

#### **Bremen Farmers Produce Auction**

Sale days are Tuesdays and Fridays starting at noon, on the following dates this month:

**A** May: 5, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30

NOTE: A Special Mother's Day Auction will be on May 12, featuring a large selection of hanging baskets and potted flowers.

You can also find more information at their Facebook Page "Bremen Farmer's Auction."

## Weekly Games at Howell Park



**Horseshoe Pitching:** Singles and doubles every Monday and Thursday starting at 7:00 PM.

**Cornhole Toss:** Singles and doubles every Monday and Thursday starting at 8:00 PM.

\$5.00 entry fee. Proceeds go to the Bremen Horseshoe Club and Howell Park.

Everyone should feel welcomed to watch or participate!

#### One Person's Trash is Another's Treasure

The annual Bremen community-wide yard sale will be Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Rushville is holding theirs on the same day.

Please expect extra traffic and pedestrians in the Village that day.

