

# MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



## Newsletter

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### [What's Happening - 4/11/11](#) **Medina County Engineer**

Commissioners approved new two-year contracts between the County Engineer and the Teamsters Local 436 representing highway and maintenance workers and between Teamsters Local 436 representing highway and stormwater permit workers.

### [Upcoming Events](#)

#### **Free Food Distribution**

Food will be distributed to any household or individual under 200% of the Federal Poverty Guideline on Thursday, April 14, 8:30-11:00 AM, at the Community Center at the Medina County Fairgrounds, 735 West Lafayette Road. Please bring your own bags.

#### **Earth Day Celebration**

Saturday, April 16, 10:00 AM-4:00 PM  
Buffalo Creek Retreat, 8708 Hubbard Valley Road, Seville (just south of Hubbard Valley Park). Bring the entire family for a fun-filled day of environmental activities including demonstrations, fishing, exhibits, arts and crafts, and food.



**Commissioners Proclaimed April 16 as  
EARTH DAY**

*"Every day is Earth Day. So live it up, and recycle."*

*Anonymous*

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### **Pinwheels for Prevention Campaign**



The Board of Commissioners proclaimed April 2011 as "Child Abuse Awareness & Prevention Month" to heighten awareness and draw attention to the need for preventing child abuse in our community. The Children's Center of Medina County has displayed 475 pinwheels at their facility (200 Highland Drive in Medina) to represent one pinwheel per investigated case of child abuse in Medina County in 2010. Look for giant wooden pinwheels at the following locations throughout the county: Wadsworth City Schools, First Baptist Church of Medina, Medina Vision and Laser Center, Wadsworth City, Montville Township, Brunswick City Schools, Lodi Village, and five Cloverleaf School buildings.

### **Public Hearing for Rustic Hills Sewer Project**

There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, April 12, at 3:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room to present information, answer questions, and hear public comments on the Rustic Hills Sewer Project.

### **Another Successful Blood Drive**

The American Red Cross reported that 22 people presented to donate blood on March 30 at the Administration Building. Of those, they were able to collect 21 productive pints of blood. There are many employees who are faithful, regular donors and those brave souls making first-time donations. The remaining 2011 blood drives in the Administration Building will take place September 27 and December 16.

### **Issuance of Short-Term Debt for Capital Improvements**

The commissioners passed a resolution providing for the issuance and sale of notes (not to exceed \$1,250,000) in anticipation of the issuance of bonds to pay for improvements to renovate, furnish, and equip the Medina County Courthouse, Administration Building, and related facilities. The final principal amount for the notes issued will be determined when Maintenance Superintendent Tom Maupin provides receipts of the final cost estimates and there is further discussion. The bond issue length has yet to be determined. Mrs. Geissman commented that she is not happy they have to borrow money, especially since they don't have any; however, as commissioners, they have the responsibility to make sure their buildings are safe and maintained. Mr. Friedrick said it is like your house or your business. Even if money is tight and water is coming in, you figure out how to take care of it – that's what the commissioners will be doing. Mr. Hambley said that when they look at the entire situation, he can't think of anybody who could say that they shouldn't proceed in getting these things fixed.

### **Office for Older Adults Hero**

Joyce Giles, Office for Older Adults Director, reported that on May 1, she will attend the Heartland Hero Awards Ceremony that the American Red Cross sponsors every year. Ms. Giles had nominated Don Chaney, a home-delivered meal driver, who saved an elderly client wandering away from his home on January 21, keeping him warm until emergency crews arrived; he will receive an award for saving a life.

### **Subgrant Agreement Approved**

Mike Pataky, Child Support Enforcement Agency Director, presented a resolution for the approval of a CSEA SFY 12 and SFY 13 subgrant agreement with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. JFS is a subgrant recipient for the federal grants that the State of Ohio receives.