



# Mogadore School Bell

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## *From Your Superintendent, Terry Byers*

### **School Finance Changes All the Time**

I have said many times school finances in Ohio are like the weather in Northeast Ohio, wait around and it will change without warning! Last week school districts across the State were notified of the potential loss in revenue due to the Ohio Supreme Court decision concerning video lottery terminals.

Approximately 851 million dollars of projected revenue generated from the video lottery terminals will not be in operation this coming fiscal year, 2010, and will affect education funding. Our district will stand to lose a total of \$627,560 over a 2-year span for the 2010 and 2011 fiscal years.

Governor Ted Strickland has proposed to delay the state income tax reductions scheduled to occur in accordance with the tax reform package in House Bill 66, originally passed in 2005. By taking this measure it could avoid the projected reductions in school funding.

Time will tell how this will be finalized, but I am pretty sure school finances in Ohio will continue to change.

### **Mogadore School District Loses a Good Friend**

On September 26, 2009, Wayne Meadows passed away. Wayne was a custodian for Mogadore Local for 26 years. He was a kind man who enjoyed life and his family. He will be sadly missed by the students and staff of Somers Elementary. He was only 49 years old.



## **ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS AND PROPERTY OWNERS**

There are reimbursements of your local property taxes by the State of Ohio. Here are five ways your property taxes could be reduced:

1. 10% rollback on Real Estate taxes of Class I Residential Real Estate
2. 2.5% Home Site Exemption on owner occupied homes. (Application may be necessary).
3. Homestead Exemption – 65 years of age or handicapped and earn \$26,200 or less in 2006 tax year (now indexed for inflation). Average tax reduction amounted to \$288.
4. Additional Homestead Exemption – First \$25,000 market value of your home is exempt from all taxes, for 65 years of age or older or permanently disabled. This \$25,000 exemption is not indexed for any increase in property values. (Application may be necessary).

If any or all of these reductions affect you, please apply today for these savings in your taxes. Items 2,4 and 5 may need an application process. Call your County Treasurer today.

### ***School Bell Deadlines***

<b>Issue</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
December 2009	12-07-09
January 2010	01-04-10
February 2010	02-01-10
March 2010	03-01-10
April 2010	04-05-10
May 2010	05-03-10
June 2010	06-07-10

Please make a note of these dates and have your information in accordingly.

All articles must be emailed to [mo\\_schoolbell@mogadore.net](mailto:mo_schoolbell@mogadore.net)

There is no School Bell in the months of November and July

Thank you for your cooperation.

# Mogadore Junior/Senior High School News

## Russ Swartz, Principal



### UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 5-9** State of Ohio official count week. If your son/daughter is tardy or absent from school we **must** have a note from a parent, doctor, dentist, etc. to verify the absence.

**October 16** NEOEA Day – no school

**October 17** Homecoming Dance 7:00 – 10:00 pm

**October 19** Teacher In-service day – no school

**October 30** End of 1<sup>st</sup> 9-week grading period

**November 2** Begin collecting school fees – make checks payable to Mogadore Local School District

**November 12** Grades 7-12 parent/teacher conferences from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

**November 24** Grades 7-12 parent/teacher conferences from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

**November 25-29** Thanksgiving Break – no school

Important dates in December:

- 12/3 8<sup>th</sup> grade Washington DC meeting – 6:00 p.m.
- 12/4 2<sup>nd</sup> 9 weeks interims
- 12/19 Holiday Break begins

### Information and Events

The following is information for students currently in 7<sup>th</sup> grade who are interested in taking Algebra I in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade:

- Sign ups will take place in Mr. Berndt’s room from November 2 – 24
- The test will take place in December at 7:30 a.m.
- The test will take approximately a 2-day period.

The interested 7<sup>th</sup> grade students **must** meet the following requirements to be considered as an 8<sup>th</sup> grader to take Algebra I:

- Students must achieve a 90% or greater on the Algebra I readiness test
- Students must have received advanced on the math portion of the OAT
- Students must have an “A” average in math during their 7<sup>th</sup> grade year
- Students must display good work ethic (homework always done on time, takes math home to work on and study, use class time effectively and efficiently, not a discipline problem, must have initiative, a positive attitude, and perform high quality work.
- Students must have teacher recommendation.

**Jr./Sr. High School 24-hour attendance hotline is 330-628-7252.**

### Weight Room and Walking Track

Starting October 1, 2009 the indoor walking track and weight room will be open. The days and times are posted on the weight room door, and are also available in the High School office.

Note: This facility will not be open during school athletic events and other school activities throughout the school year. A monthly schedule will be available at the High School office and in the weight room.

## Counselor's Corner - Chris Papadeonise



### Junior High School News

**P.A.N.D.A. Club** is meeting again once a month. The club will meet for an hour at lunch time. To find out more see the website [www.projectpanda.com](http://www.projectpanda.com). The program facilitator is Lauren Munk. PANDA's goal is to begin to educate young people, not only about the dangers of drug/alcohol abuse and use, but also peer pressure, decision-making and self-esteem. All Jr. High School students are invited to join. They can tell Mrs. Papadeonise, Mrs. Warren, Mr. McKeon, Mrs. Hume or any Jr. High School teacher if they are interested.

### High School News

#### **Student Involvement and Recognition:**

11 students from Mogadore High School are participating in the Post-Secondary Options Program and attending classes at The University of Akron and Kent State University. Four High School students attended an all-day training for the **Teen Dating Violence Prevention Program**. Two more training sessions are planned for this year. Thank you to all the new and returning **Ambassadors**. They are here to listen to their peers.

#### **Maplewood Updates:**

11 seniors and 8 juniors are attending Maplewood this year. Maplewood students will be meeting with me once a month. In addition to the posted announcements this will be an opportunity to share information and find out what is going on in both schools. Parents are encouraged to read the **School Bell** each month as well, to keep up with information pertinent to Maplewood/Mogadore students. All current sophomores will be invited to tour the facilities at Maplewood in February 2010. Parents will be invited out the same evening for an Open House. Applications to attend the following year will be available at that time and will be accepted the next day. The criteria for acceptance include: grades, attendance, teacher recommendation and date/time applications are turned in.

#### **Pre-Professional Academy:**

Information on the Pre-Professional Academy, a program sponsored by Maplewood for sophomores has been presented to the students. This is an opportunity for 16 students to attend 3-4 workshops and site visits in the **medical** profession, the **legal** profession, the area of **visual and performing arts** and **broadcasting** and **journalism**. The program has a two to three year time-line. Please encourage your son or daughter to consider this program. Call Mrs. Papadeonise at 330-628-7259 for more information.

**College Visits and Presentations** at MHS are being scheduled. Visit dates will be mentioned during morning announcements and posted outside the guidance office. All visits will be scheduled during 8<sup>th</sup> period Study Hall or during the lunch hour. Information about many colleges and universities can be found in the guidance office, in our new career center. Information about many scholarships has been provided to the seniors. Any other interested students may stop in the guidance office to get a copy of this information.

**Scholarship** applications have been arriving. Many are stored in the scholarship tub, which can be found in the guidance office. Interested students may stop in the guidance office and pick up applications for the ones they are interested in pursuing. Please check with the financial aid office of the college you will be attending. They have their own opportunities as well and usually request that you take an on-campus test to qualify for their scholarships. These tests are usually scheduled in the Fall. **Mogadore local scholarships** will be available online on the portal page in the Spring. **Some college applications** can now be obtained from the guidance office. Many universities now have online applications. Just look for their websites.

**Job Shadowing** Forms are available in the main office. Two such days are permitted during the school year as well as two **College Visit Days**.

**Financial Aid** information and applications will be available in the guidance office later in the Fall. You can log onto [www.fafsa.org](http://www.fafsa.org) to obtain a PIN number now and have your own online account. Parents and students each have their own PIN number. Here are some websites that provide information on financial aid and college planning:

<http://www.finaid.org> (will provide comprehensive information on grants, scholarships, and other funding sources.)  
<http://www.sfa.kent.edu> (Kent State scholarships)  
<http://www.fastweb.com> (over 270,000 possible scholarships)  
<http://www.collegeboard.org/fundfinder/bin/fund/find01.pl> (scholarships, loans, fellowships, and internships)  
<http://www.collegenet.com/mach25> (500,000 private awards)  
<http://www.rams.com/srn/search.htm> (7,000 awards)  
<http://www.finaid.org/finaid/focus/sports.html> (athletic scholarships)  
<http://www.ncaa.org/about/programs.html> (athletic scholarships)  
<http://www.collegeboard.org/finaid/calculators/estimate/html> (scholarship services)  
<http://www.finaid.org/finaid/calculator.estimate.html> (outline to estimate expected family contribution)  
<http://www.sallimae.com> (financial aid information)  
<http://scholarships.salliemae.com> (an automated national database with information on scholarships, loans, and grants)  
<http://www.petersons.com> (Peterson's college recommendations)  
<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/prepare> (Preparing your child for college)  
<http://www.finaid.org/finaid/scams.html> (scholarship scams)  
<http://www.finaid.org/finaid/focus.disabled.html> (financial aid for disabled students)  
<http://www.finaid.org/finaid/focus.women.html> (financial aid for female students)  
<http://www.scholaraid.com> (free scholarship indexing service)

### Testing Information

- The **Ohio Graduation Test (OGT)** will be administered to juniors and sophomores who had two years as freshmen and still need their requirements during the week of October 26 – 30, 2009. Sophomores will be administered the practice test the following week.
- The **PSAT** test will be administered to all interested sophomores and juniors on Wednesday October 14, 2009. The cost of the test is \$13.00. The test is recommended to students planning to attend college and is required for juniors seeking scholarship recognition through the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Results will be in by December. Call Mrs. Papadeonise in the Guidance office by Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2009 if you would like to sign your child up. There is room for 30 in the testing group.

### 2009–2010 ACT TEST DATES

<b>Test Date</b>	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	<b>(Late Fee Required)</b>
December 12, 2009	November 6, 2009	November 7 – 20, 2009
February 6, 2010**	January 5, 2010	January 6 – 15, 2010
April 10, 2010	March 5, 2010	March 6 – 19, 2010
June 12, 2010	May 7, 2010	May 8 0 21, 2010

### 2009–2010 SAT TEST DATES

<b>Test Date</b>	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	<b>Test</b>
December 5, 2009	October 30, 2009	SAT & Subject Tests
January 23, 2010	December 15, 2009	SAT & Subject Tests
March 13, 2010**	February 4, 2010	SAT only
May 1, 2010	March 25, 2010	SAT & Subject Tests
June 5, 2010	April 29, 2010	SAT & Subject Tests

Students need to call 1-609-771-7600 if they don't receive an admission ticket to the **SAT** test 1 week before test date. Call 1-319-337-1270 if you don't receive an **ACT** admission ticket.

\*Note...you can take either the ACT or the SAT on a **stand-by** basis if you forgot to register on time. There is an additional fee but it may be worth the investment to take the test early. Our high school code for the ACT and SAT tests (also known as the CEEB) is **363490**. Students without proper identification will not be permitted to test. Proper identification can be an identification card with the person's name and photo.

### **Night School and Correspondence School**

Information is available in the guidance office for interested students. Akron Public Schools and Canton City Schools, as well as Maplewood offer Evening School. Several offer Physical Education in the evenings in the Spring. Sophomores who are considering going to Maplewood next year need to have ½ P.E. credit (two P.E. classes) and ½ Health credit (one semester) completed before the end of their sophomore year. They must also have fulfilled the requirement to have 1 credit in fine arts, technology or foreign language.

### **Post- Secondary Option Enrollment**

Information will be available in February to attend for the 2010-11 school year. Enrollment in the program for this year is closed.

### **Attention All Prospective NHS Members and Parents**

All students who apply for membership in the National Honor Society must obtain 10 service hours during the year before February 2010 prior to application. Students must be in their 10th grade year or above to apply. Those who apply must also have a cumulative un-weighted GPA of at least a 3.5.

### **From the Wildcat Football Team, Cheerleaders, and Coaches-**

We would like to give a **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone in the village who came out during the Thursday night game vs. Northwestern. The turn out from the fans was very much appreciated. The stands looked amazing with all the green. We really showed Ohio why Mogadore football is so special. It was an incredible night for the players and cheerleaders as well as the whole community. Thank you again and **GO WILDCATS!!!**



### **Golf Team News, Coach Chris Mossa**

The Mogadore golf team concluded another solid season. The team finished 8-8 overall and took 5th place at sectionals out of 15. Congratulations go out to Ryan Tarter who earned 1st Team All League honors and qualified for the District tournament. Nick Massoli earned 2nd Team All League and Ryan Milush Honorable Mention.

### **Yearbook News and Information**

Class of 2010: The yearbook staff needs two wallet size (2 ½" x 3 1/8") color pictures by Friday Dec. 18, 2009. These senior pictures should be a traditional head and shoulder pose. They should follow the dress code for Mogadore High School and be either formal attire or dress casual attire. No t-shirts. Please turn the pictures into Mr. Bracken.

The 2009 Yearbook arrived in mid-September. Please pick up your copy today. There are a limited number of 2009 yearbooks available for sale. The cost is \$55 per book. They may be purchased in Room 180 before or after school.

The student body filled out order forms for the 2010 yearbooks soon. You will receive a bill in the mail for your yearbook. Please send in your payment into Jostens and not to the school.

## Image Share



# Yearbook It!



# Get your pictures in the yearbook!

The Yearbook Staff invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them.

Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have.

## Here is how you can submit photos online –

Log on to: [images.jostens.com](http://images.jostens.com)

Enter Login ID: 400003411

Password: wildcats

- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload, click on "Image Share".
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today!

The last day to submit photos is 6/7/2010

*The Yearbook Staff will review all photos and determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submissions can be used in the book.*



# Mogadore Local Schools



Dave Pettigrew, Transportation/Maintenance Supervisor  
Krysten Crew, Transportation/ Maintenance Assistant



The week of September 14-18 was Mogadore Local Schools annual School Bus Safety Week. On September 16<sup>th</sup>, all the bus-riding children took part in a bus evacuation drill at O.H. Somers elementary. All the children on the bus had to leave their bags and lunches on the bus and quickly exit out the rear door. This practice went extremely well this year. Also, on the 16<sup>th</sup>, students in grades K-3 gathered for an assembly and were taught loading and unloading hand signals, railroad crossing procedures, and the Danger Zone. Buster the Bus stopped by to help the students learn about bus safety.

Included in School Bus Safety Week activities this year was our annual poster contest. The students worked really hard on their posters and they turned out great. This year the theme was "Cross in view. It's the right thing to do". There were 3 winners from each grade (1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>) and several winners will go on to be in the State of Ohio poster contest in Columbus. The winners were:

## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

1. Carlito Barreto- Russo
2. Anthony Pittinger- Hall
3. Brooke Brodie- Dockus **(STATE)**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

1. Chad Bloniarz- Chenevey
2. Alissa Cain- Jones **(STATE)**
3. Quintin Hiney- Morkel

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

1. Tori Fullerton- Edgerly **(STATE)**
2. Kortlin Jaber- L. Smith
3. Paige Ballew- Wilson

## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

1. Chloé Carder- Brinkley
2. Miranda Rosato- Brinkley **(STATE)**
3. Shelby Lamar- Donovan **(STATE)**

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

1. Abby Rick- Kelly **(STATE)**
2. Katie Oliver- M. Smith
3. Jessica Thomas- Hurayt

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

1. Amanda Roberts- Lasure **(STATE)**
2. Courtney Abbott- Lasure **(STATE)**
3. Rebekah Mayle- Gearhart

I'd personally like to thank all the children for their hard work on their posters. I'd also like to remind everyone of a few rules we operate by:

- 1.) Please be at the stop 5 minutes early.
- 2.) Children must get on and off the bus at the same location everyday. These locations can be different in the AM and PM but must be the same everyday.
- 3.) Only bring on the bus what you can carry on your lap.

Again, thank you to everyone for what was a fantastic start to the school year. The school bus garage is always open to any parents concerning bus stops or bus riders. Please feel free to call anytime

Dave Pettigrew  
Mogadore Transportation  
330-628-6656

**2009-10 Mogadore Wildcat Boys Varsity Basketball Schedule**

Thursday	Nov. 19	Rittman	Away	5:00 PM
Saturday	Nov. 21	Green	Away	9:00 AM
Friday	Nov. 27	Akron Ellet	Away	10:00 AM
Saturday	Nov. 28	Ravenna	Home	10:00 AM
Tuesday	Dec. 01	Norton (Foundation Game)	Home	6:00 PM
Friday	Dec. 11	Streetsboro	Away	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Dec. 15	Windham	Home	6:00 PM
Friday	Dec. 18	Waterloo	Away	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Dec. 22	Springfield	Away	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Dec. 29	Crestwood	Home	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Jan. 05	East Canton	Home	6:00 PM
Friday	Jan. 08	Rootstown	Away	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Jan. 12	Garrettsville Garfield	Away	6:00 PM
Friday	Jan. 15	Woodridge	Home	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Jan. 19	Southeast	Away	6:00 PM
Friday	Jan. 22	Streetsboro	Home	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Jan. 26	Windham	Away	6:00 PM
Friday	Jan. 29	Waterloo	Home	6:00 PM
Friday	Feb. 05	East Canton	Away	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Feb. 09	Coventry	Home	6:00 PM
Friday	Feb. 12	Rootstown	Home	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Feb. 16	Field	Home	6:00 PM
Friday	Feb. 19	Garrettsville Garfield	Home	6:00 PM
Saturday	Feb. 20	Dalton	Home	6:00 PM
Friday	Feb. 26	Woodridge	Away	6:00 PM

**2009-10 Mogadore Wildcat Jr. High Boys Basketball Schedule**

Monday	Dec. 07	Spring Hill Jr. High	Away	4:00 PM
Monday	Dec. 14	Windham	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	Dec. 17	Field	Home	5:00 PM
Monday	Dec. 21	Waterloo	Home	5:00 PM
Tuesday	Dec. 29	Norton	Home	2:00 PM
Monday	Jan. 04	Rootstown	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	Jan. 07	Southeast	Away	4:00 PM
Monday	Jan. 11	East Canton	Away	4:00 PM
Thursday	Jan. 14	Field	Away	4:00 PM
Monday	Jan. 18	Norton	Away	4:00 PM
Thursday	Jan. 21	Waterloo	Away	4:00 PM
Monday	Jan. 25	Rootstown	Away	4:00 PM
Thursday	Jan. 28	Southeast	Home	5:00 PM
Monday	Feb. 01	East Canton	Home	5:00 PM
Wednesday	Feb. 03	PTC Tourney	Home	TBA
Thursday	Feb. 04	PTC Tourney	Home	TBA
Saturday	Feb. 06	PTC Tourney	Home	TBA
Thursday	Feb. 11	PTC Tourney	Home	TBA
Saturday	Feb. 13	PTC Championships	Home	TBA

### 2009-10 Mogadore Wildcat Varsity Girls Basketball Schedule

Saturday	Nov. 07	Cuyahoga Falls City Schools	Away	9:00AM
Saturday	Nov. 14	McKinley High School-Canton	Away	11:00AM
Friday	Nov. 20	Kent Roosevelt (Foundation Game)	Away	6:00 PM
Saturday	Nov. 28	Akron Ellet	Home	1:00 PM
Wednesday	Dec. 02	Ravenna	Home	6:00 PM
Saturday	Dec. 05	Streetsboro	Away	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Dec. 09	Windham	Home	6:00 PM
Saturday	Dec. 12	Waterloo	Away	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Dec. 16	East Canton	Home	6:00 PM
Saturday	Dec. 19	Rootstown	Home	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Dec. 23	Lutheran East High School	Home	TBA
Wednesday	Dec. 30	Tallmadge	Away	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Jan. 06	Garrettsville Garfield	Away	6:00 PM
Saturday	Jan. 09	Woodridge	Home	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Jan. 13	Streetsboro	Home	6:00 PM
Saturday	Jan. 16	Minster	Berlin Hiland HS	10:00 AM
Wednesday	Jan. 20	Windham	Away	6:00 PM
Saturday	Jan. 23	Waterloo	Home	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Jan. 27	East Canton	Away	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Feb. 03	Rootstown	Away	6:00 PM
Saturday	Feb. 06	Field	Home	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Feb. 10	Garrettsville Garfield	Home	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Feb. 17	Woodridge	Away	6:00 PM



### 2009-10 Mogadore Wildcat Jr. High Girls Basketball Schedule

Monday	Dec. 07	Springfield	Home	5:00 PM
Monday	Dec. 14	Windham	Away	4:00 PM
Thursday	Dec. 17	Field	Away	4:00 PM
Monday	Dec. 21	Waterloo	Away	4:00 PM
Monday	Jan. 04	Rootstown	Away	4:00 PM
Thursday	Jan. 07	Southeast	Home	5:00 PM
Monday	Jan. 11	East Canton	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	Jan. 14	Field	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	Jan. 21	Waterloo	Home	5:00 PM
Monday	Jan. 25	Rootstown	Home	5:00 PM
Thursday	Jan. 28	Southeast	Away	4:00 PM
Monday	Feb. 01	East Canton	Away	4:00 PM
Saturday	Feb. 06	PTC Quarterfinals	Woodridge	TBA
Wednesday	Feb. 10	PTC Championships	Woodridge	TBA
Wednesday	Feb. 10	PTC Semifinals	Woodridge	TBA

# O. H. Somers Elementary News



## Mrs. Sheryl Langell, Principal

The 2008-09 State Report Cards have been released by the Ohio Department of Education. Somers Elementary once again was rated **“Excellent”**. This rating is due to hard work on the part of both the staff and students of Somers Elementary School.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 14	Grades 4, 5, 6 field trip to Civic Theater	Oct. 20	Board Meeting
Oct. 15	Conferences 5-8:00 p.m.	Oct. 21	Art Club
Oct. 16	NEOEA day – no school	Oct. 22	1 <sup>st</sup> grade field trip to Sunny Slope Orchard
Oct. 19	Teacher in-service – no school	Oct. 22	Coffee, Cookies, Conversation with Principal
Oct. 19	Market Day pick-up	Oct. 30	First grading period ends
Oct. 24	End of Grading Period	Oct. 30	Halloween Parties
Oct. 27-31	Red Ribbon Week		

### Attendance Information

Please make sure your child is at school and seated in his/her classroom by 8:45 a.m. each day. When students are **tardy**, they miss important messages about events or activities in the classroom/school. Tardiness also causes your student to be excluded from the daily attendance and lunch counts. Students who are repeatedly tardy are required to serve a morning detention. Most importantly, numerous tardies can make it difficult for your child to maintain a proper education. We encourage parents to make sure their children are at school unless they are running a fever, have a contagious disease or are vomiting. Students with high **absence** rates are referred to the Summit Count Attendance Officer. The 24-hour attendance line number **for the elementary school** is **330-628-7272**. Please use this number if your student is absent from school or will be tardy to school.

**October 5<sup>th</sup> through October 9<sup>th</sup> is the State Attendance Audit week.** If it is necessary for your student to miss school, you must present a note to the office from the doctor, dentist, etc. If it is a home illness, a signed note from a parent or guardian must be sent in for each day missed. Unexcused absences will result in loss of state funding.

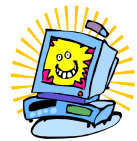
### Bus Safety



Mr. Pettigrew, our transportation supervisor, visited the K-3 students on September 16<sup>th</sup>. The assembly covered very important points on bus safety. Prior to the assembly that morning the students practiced a bus evacuation in the school parking lot. Everything went very smoothly. The students were very excited to see the automated mini school bus named “Bus”ter, which was borrowed from the State of Ohio. The bus is used to point out many safety issues faced by the students everyday in their travels to and from school.

### Study Island

Please don't forget that students are able to access Study Island from home. This website is a great practice tool for home, the classroom and achievement tests. Encourage your children to take advantage of this technology experience. Study Island is available to students in grades 2 – 6.



### New Art Club

This year at O.H. Somers we are starting an art club for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. We hope that you will allow your child to participate in this creative opportunity.

have the opportunity to participate in various activities with guest presenters, exploring different art media and artworks, and also researching artists and artworks from meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month after school. Our first meeting was held on Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Children will need to return permission slips to Mrs. Lee in addition to paying a \$10.00 fee for supplies. Due to limited space we will only be able to accept the first 25 students who return their forms and fees.



As a member of art club, your child will such as learning from and interacting creating beautiful and interesting the past to present. The club will be school from 3:15 – 4:30 p.m. in the art

### Ohio Scare Crow Spectacular



This year the art room is sponsoring our first school-wide scarecrow-decorating contest! Students will be supplied with the wooden skeleton for the scarecrow but the rest is up to each individual class. This is a way for classrooms to participate in a creative and imaginative project. One winning class will receive a special treat. There will also be a grand prize winner! All scarecrows will be displayed in front of the school during the month of October and part of November.

### Emergency Contact Information

Please make sure you have turned in your yellow contact card and your yellow emergency medical form. Also, remember throughout the year if you have changes in home, work, emergency, health, or custody information you need to contact the office with the updated information.

### Bus Safety Poster Contest

Each year Somers Elementary students participate in a poster contest in conjunction with the State of Ohio and bus safety. The following students were declared winners: Carlito Barreto, Brooke Brodie, Anthony Pittinger, Chad Bloniarz, Alissa Cain, Quintin Hiney, Paige Ballew, Tori Fullerton, Kortlin Jaber, Chloe Carder, Miranda Rosato, Shelby Lamar, Katie Olliver, Abby Rick, Jessie Thomas, Courtney Abbott, Rebekah Mayle and Amanda Roberts. Of the above winners, Brooke Brodie, Alissa Cain, Tori Fullerton, Miranda Rosato, Shelby Lamar, Abby Rick, Amanda Roberts and Courtney Abbott's posters qualified for the competition that is held in Columbus along with other Ohio schools. Their posters will be forwarded to the State for further competition. Congratulations to all of the participants.



### Sign Language Club

Beginning Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> Ms. Jess Bernzweig and Mr. Jamison Wiff will begin their first meeting. The Sign Language Club will meet from 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. in room 21. The club is open to 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. This chance to learn "Sign" is very exciting for the students. It is amazing to see the students signing in the hallways and also communicating with our hearing impaired students. Please encourage your child to join.

### Apples for Students

Please consider applying for the Giant Eagle Apples for Students Program. Register at [www.gianteagle.com](http://www.gianteagle.com) or by calling 1-800-474-4777. Enter our school ID #4058 and shop with your Giant Eagle Advantage Card. O.H. Somers receives funds to purchase playground equipment or classroom supplies. Thank you!



### Project More



This special project has been very exciting for the students here at Somers Elementary. Literacy aides and teachers have been working one on one with the students to increase reading skills. Since the students have returned to the University of Akron for the fall semester we have also been able to recruit them to assist in the program. Our students love working with these wonderful role models. The students are future teachers and have been spending many hours working with our kids. It has been very rewarding for all that are involved.

### PTSO

You are invited to attend the second PTSO meeting held this school year. We encourage all parents to join at a minimal cost of \$3.00 per person. Even if you can't attend the meetings please contact the school and we will put you in touch with a PTSO board member. PTSO always does great things for the students and staff at Somers. They are always looking for volunteers so feel free to contact any member that you may know or just attend a meeting.

### Halloween Parties

Information will be coming home with students very soon in regards to the annual Halloween Party. The parties will be held on Friday, October 30, 2009. Better start working on your costumes now!



**FYI**

As a cost saving measure, we will not distribute paper copies of the district "School Bell", the O. H. Somers newsletter, and the lunch menu. These publications can be found on our web page at [www.mogadore.net](http://www.mogadore.net). Paper copies will be available upon request if needed. We hope to save a substantial amount of money by cutting the cost of paper used for these informational pieces. This new procedure has begun this month. Thank you for your understanding.

**Safety Patrol**

Mrs. Nancy Bennett, Talented and Gifted teacher, is in charge of the Safety Patrol students each year. This year the following students will be participating:

Andrew Barker, Josh Tompkins, Cameron McMullen, Sean McNamee, Courtney Abbott, Kyle Callihan, Hannah Peeper, Luke Cramer, Tyler Smith, Olivia Bogle, Kirsten Rollyson, Jesse Thomas, Norman Copley, Reilly Schrock, Andrew Popa, Jamie Hugg, Michael Klimak, Tyler Jarvis, Sammie Resch, Nick Gooden, Lexie Handley, Alexa Kerr, Logan Hunt, Natalie Gray, Caitlin Coughlin, Maddy Schaffer, Kate D'Antonio, Raque Jones, Gabby Heminger, Katie Oliver, Amanda Toth, Kimmie Kelly, Alli Rosato, Mariah Huff, Bekka Mayle, Sarah Pierce, Lexie Pierce, Michael Sansom, Hannah McCune, Danny Adams.

**School Menu**

The school menu can now be found on our district website, [www.mogadore.net](http://www.mogadore.net). Click "cafeteria menus" then "O.H. Somers Elementary".

**Upcoming Events**

- ❖ Mr. Jason Dannemiller will be hosting Family Physical Education Night in the month of December.
- ❖ Mrs. Cassie Lee will be working with students and parents at Family Art Night for 4<sup>th</sup> graders on Nov. 19.
- ❖ Kindergarten students will be invited to a popcorn and movie party along with their parents during the month of January.
- ❖ Fourth grade students will present a music program on December 9.
- ❖ Fifth grade students will participate in the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in December.
- ❖ Third grade students will celebrate Valentine's Day with a program on February 11<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ The fifth and sixth grade band will perform on April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ First grade students will also be involved in a program yet to be determined.

**News on Gifted Identification**

Referring a student for possible gifted identification is open to teachers, parents and students. Referral forms for possible gifted identification are now available at [www.mogadore.net/gifted](http://www.mogadore.net/gifted). The forms and brochures found on the site include the following:

- Referral form
- Parent questionnaire
- Parent permission form
- Teacher questionnaire
- Summary form (filled out by the Gifted Coordinator)
- Brochure of a list of Mogadore Local Schools' Testing Instruments
- Brochure on gifted identification and services

As well as having the forms needed for this gifted assessment process there are also directions that explain who needs to fill out the forms and where to send the completed forms. Only when all completed forms are returned to the Gifted/Testing Coordinator, Mary Ann Joperi at 1 S. Cleveland Ave., Mogadore, OH 44260, will assessment be scheduled for a referral student.

If you have any questions about Mogadore Local Schools gifted identification process, contact Mary Ann Joperi at 330-628-9946.

## Other News & Information

### Mogadore Schools Alumni Foundation

The Alumni Foundation's Annual Dinner Meeting/Distinguished Alumni Awards Ceremony will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2009, 6:00 P.M., at the University of Akron's Gallucci Hall. This year Michael Johnson and David Adolph will be the recipient of our Distinguished Alumni Award. For tickets, please see Kathy Miller at the school administration building, or call 330-628-9946. Ticket price is \$20.00 per person. We hope many of you will attend this dinner and help us in honoring Michael and David. Due to the fact that we will be holding our dinner meeting on November 12th, we will not hold our regular monthly meeting on November 4th.

Have you ordered your brick yet? This is an ongoing project, so you can still place an order. The bricks you purchase can be inscribed with your family members' names, in memory of deceased family members, from a specific class, from a group or organization, it also makes a great gift. You can also have a logo placed on the brick if you so desire. The cost of a 4"x 8" brick is \$50. 8"x 8" bricks are \$100, and the cost continues to rise depending on the size of the brick. The price of a logo will add to the cost of any brick and goes up with the size of the brick. A logo can be a club emblem, sports emblem, company emblem, etc. An order form can be found toward the back of this School Bell. Order yours today!

Remember, the Alumni Foundation's email address is mo\_alumni@mogadore.net. We meet on the first Wednesday of the month in the Community Room of the high school. You are welcome to attend.

### *News From the Mayor's Office:*



### TRICK - OR - TREAT NIGHT

Trick – or – Treat for the Village of Mogadore will be held on Saturday, October 31 from 6 – 8 p.m. Residents that wish to participate should display their porch light so the children will know where the treats are.

### From the Police Department.....Trick-or-Treat Safety

Safety is our number 1 priority for the children and parents who may be out for trick-or-treat this year. As you know trick-or-treat will be held on Saturday, October 31 from 6-8 p.m. Due to the evening hours, here are a few suggestions to think about:

- 1) Try face paint instead of a full mask that may interfere with a child's vision.
- 2) Purchase glo-sticks/light sticks for the children to carry or wear (green seems to be the most visible). Glo-sticks can be purchased at any Walmart and most discount stores.
- 3) Children get very excited and they tend to forget safety rules, especially when it comes to crossing the street. If you can, please walk with your children. If you are driving please be very cautious for children in the streets.

### **Mogadore Senior Roundtable**

The Mogadore Senior Roundtable monthly meeting for October will be held on Thursday, October 22, 2009 @1:00 p.m. Due to construction the October meeting will be at the Mogadore Municipal Building, 135 S. Cleveland Ave. This meeting is open to all senior citizens. We discuss many different topics such as health/medical issues, scams, safety precautions for yourselves, your family and your homes and many other different topics. Each month we have a guest speaker that specializes in the topic of discussion for that month. There is a monthly letter that is mailed out to everyone that is on our mailing list with the information on the upcoming meeting. If you are not already on our mailing list and you would like to join your neighbors and friends for a very informative meeting or, if you would just like to receive the monthly mailing, please contact Lisa Grenus at the Mogadore Municipal Building @ 330-628-4896.



## ***Christmas in the Village Celebration 2009***

***Join your neighbors and friends to kick off the Holiday Season  
at the MOGADORE COMMUNITY CENTER***

***3857 MOGADORE ROAD***

***SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2009***

***4:00p.m. to 6:00 p.m.***

***Pictures with Santa, Refreshments, Crafts & Balloon Characters  
Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive by fire truck at 4:00 p.m.***

**Sponsored by the Mogadore Summer Festival Committee**

### **From the Mayor's Desk**

Please visit our website for informational updates concerning village news & events.

[www.mogadorevillage.org](http://www.mogadorevillage.org)

Any local business or organization that would like to be linked from the village website, please contact Lisa Grenus at the Municipal Building 330-628-4896

### **Lions Club News**

Mogadore Lions will be selling Christmas trees again this year starting Nov. 28th through Dec. till all trees are sold.

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Mogadore Boy Scout Troop 342  
invites you to feast at our

**Second Annual  
PANCAKE BREAKFAST**



Saturday, October 10  
8:00 am – 11:00 am

**Mogadore United Methodist Church**  
3828 Mogadore Rd. Mogadore, OH 44260

\$6.00/ Adult      \$4.00/Child 12 & under  
Pancakes, Sausage, Coffee, Orange Juice, Milk

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**Girl Scout Troup 1094**

October 25 - Forever Harmony is having a "sing out" to benefit P.O.G.S (parents of girl scouts) of Troop 1094. Forever Harmony is a local barbershop woman's chorale group. Admission is by donation. The time is at 3pm at Community at New Direction Church 226 Southeast Avenue, Tallmadge Ohio. Proceeds will help with traveling expenses to Savannah in June of 2010. Any questions or more info, email [pogsoftroop1094@ymail.com](mailto:pogsoftroop1094@ymail.com) or call Michele Stahl at 330-608-5074.

P.O.G.S. of Troop 1094 is hosting a craft show on Nov. 21. We are looking for crafters and home based party sales. Rental space is \$25.00. If you would like further information, please contact Michele Stahl at 330-608-5074 or email at [pogsoftroop1094@ymail.com](mailto:pogsoftroop1094@ymail.com).

**Fitness Classes**

During the school year, fitness classes will be held as follows:



Monday & Thursday evenings – 7:00 P.M. at **Somers Elementary**  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday mornings – 9:30 A.M. at - **Mogadore United Methodist Church**  
Any questions, please call 628-3173. Cost is \$1.00 per class.

**Alumni News**

On Sunday, November 1, 2009, Edinboro University will celebrate Coach Doug Watts' 40 years of Cross Country and Track and Field coaching at Edinboro University. On that special day, Edinboro University will name the cross-country course the Doug Watts Cross Country Course. Doug is a 1960 graduate of Mogadore High School and is in the Mogadore Athletic Hall of Fame.

**MOGADORE BAND BOOSTERS GRAPEFRUIT AND ORANGE SALE**

The Mogadore Band Boosters are sponsoring the annual fruit sale. Please fill out the form and mail it to our address with payment to: Mogadore Band Boosters, P. O. Box 194, Mogadore, OH 44260. You may also phone Mrs. Talbott at 330-628-7258 to place an order. We must receive your order by November 21, 2009.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

	<u>COST</u>	<b>NO. OF BOXES ORDERED</b>	<b>TOTAL SALE</b>	
<b>GRAPEFRUIT LG. BOX 40 LB</b>	\$22.00			
<b>GRAPEFRUIT MED. BOX 20 LB</b>	\$15.00			
<b>GRAPFRUIT SM. BOX 10 LB</b>	\$12.00			
<b>ORANGES LG. BOX 40 LB</b>	\$23.00			
<b>ORANGES MED. BOX 20 LB.</b>	\$16.00			
<b>ORANGES SM. BOX 10 LB.</b>	\$13.00			
<b>MIXED BOX ORANGES &amp; GF</b>	\$19.00			
<b>TRIO PAC APPLES ORANGES &amp; GF</b>	\$21.00			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>PAID</b>	<b>\$</b>

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**ANNUAL PUMPKIN CARVING  
EVENT AT  
MOGADORE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Learn to professionally carve pumpkins like you've never seen before with the talented & award winning pumpkin artist, Melanie Haskins. She is coming all the way from New York State to teach us this beautiful art form of pumpkin carving.

We'll meet in Fellowship Hall on Friday, Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30-7:30 p.m. to choose and clean out your pumpkin. Then on Saturday, Oct 24<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-noon we will be carving and showing off our pumpkins. Bring your camera! If you can't make both times don't worry. If you need to, you can do it all in one session.

You will use the skills you learned from Melanie for Halloweens to come. Amaze your neighbors when you light your pumpkins. There are hundreds of unique patterns at varied skill levels so that the young and more seasoned can all be successful carvers. Children **must** be accompanied by an adult or group leader.

Melanie will provide us with special pumpkins and carving kits (if you need one) that are yours to take home. The cost is \$7:00 for each pumpkin and \$5.00 for each carving kit. Fill out the form below and turn it in with your payment to the church or Kelly Rick by Oct 18<sup>th</sup>. **You must have reservations** so mark your calendars and fill out your form so you don't miss out on the fun and fellowship of this popular event! Any questions, call Kelly @ 330-628-5518.

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Family name \_\_\_\_\_ # attending \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

# of pumpkins @ 7.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_ # of carving kits @ \$5.00 ea \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$\$'s included \_\_\_\_\_ cash or check (circle one)

**Deadline is Oct 18<sup>th</sup>**

Make all checks payable to MUMC please






**AKRON  
ART  
MUSEUM**

# FALL 2009 FAMILY DROP-IN DAYS

No Registration Required. Gallery admission for children 12 and under is always FREE.

For more info visit [www.AkronArtMuseum.org](http://www.AkronArtMuseum.org) or call 330.376.9186 x229 or x230.

Parking in downtown Akron is FREE on weekends and after 6 PM on weeknights.



## **Thursday, October 29: Trick-or-Treat on South High Street, 6:30 – 8:30 pm**

Thursday, October 29th *Trick-or-Treat on South High Street* returns to thrill your brood of costumed treat-seekers! If your little monsters need inspiration for this year's costumes, look no further than the museum's collection galleries! Prizes and ghoulish trophies will be awarded in three categories for this year's costume contest: **Do the Robot** inspired by Nam June Paik's *High Tech Child*; **Space Travelers** inspired by Peter Dean's *Black Astronaut* and **Down on the Farm** inspired by William Sommer's *Bordner Mural*. All costumed kids can enter a drawing to win a family membership. Gather in the lobby at 8:30 to participate in a costume parade and award presentations.

6:30-8:30pm, make creepy crafts, pick up a list of scavenger hunt clues and collect goodies as you search the galleries and solve artistic enigmas. Older children and teens will be spellbound by the 70 minute *Revenge of the Freakishly Short Animation Festival* presented by the Akron Film Festival at 7:00pm in the auditorium. Make sure they get a seat early. Last year's screening was a sell-out!

## **Saturday, December 12: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Island of Misfit Toys Workshop, 12 – 4 pm**

Round up all of your curious, creative and inventor-type kids for an afternoon of mess-making, toy-breaking and art-creating during the wildly popular *Annual Island of Misfit Toys Workshop*. Between 12:00 and 4:00 pm have a blast deconstructing everything from remote control cars, plush toys and Barbie dolls (it's totally fine to cut her hair) and reassembling the parts into strange and humorous sculptural artworks.

All tools and materials will be supplied by the museum, but families are encouraged to bring cast-offs toys and items from home. Donations of clean but unwanted, broken or outgrown toys can be dropped off in the museum's lobby from October 1<sup>st</sup> through the day of the event.

Family Drop-Ins are made possible by a gift from Dominion Foundation and the Glenn R. and Alice V. Boggess Memorial Foundation.



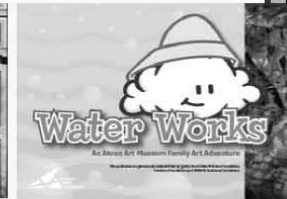
Check out more Family Friendly events and activities...

## Introducing the Akron Art Museum's Family Art Adventure guides!



The museum is excited to announce the arrival of a series of five FREE family gallery guides. Each guide features Nimby the Cloud, the museum's mascot for children and families programs. In four of the guides, Nimby will lead you through the galleries on an entertaining quest to find his cloud friends who have been hiding out in one of the museum's artworks. In the remaining guide Nimby shares cool, kid-friendly information and activities about the new building and the world of architecture.

The museum's Family Art Adventure Guides were generously underwritten by grants from Sisler McFawn Foundation, Dominion Foundation and OMNOVA Solutions Foundation.



Gallery Admission is always FREE for children 12 and under.

## On the first Sunday of each month, enjoy a taste of Northeast Ohio's cultural treats during downtown Akron's *Sunday Sampler* events

The museum has teamed up with Main Library and Summit ArtSpace to present a full schedule of free programs and activities that add up to *Sunday Sampler*. On the first Sunday of each month make downtown Akron your destination and sample a variety of the area's cultural treats.

### Sunday Sampler

SEE • MAKE • LISTEN • LEARN

AKRON ART MUSEUM | AKRON-SUMMIT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY | SUMMIT ART SPACE

At Summit ArtSpace, two blocks east of the museum at the corner of Market and Broadway, Akron Society of Artists members will welcome visitors from 11am-5pm through the month of December. Stop in for artist demonstrations, tours of fresh local artwork and the ASA studio and then chat with the artists about their work over light refreshments.

At Main Library, across from the museum on High Street, visit the Special Collections Department between 1-5pm through December to view artifacts connected to abolitionist John Brown and his place in Akron's history. Stop by the children's library for *Sunday Story Time Sampler*. In October, head to the library auditorium to check out the Manchester Dance Ensemble and in December, Pointe West Dance's Holiday Program.

The museum will screen the film *Chuck Close* and offer tours of the collection galleries and the *Helen Levitt* and *Re-thinking Art* closing exhibitions in October. In November broaden your musical horizons and experience the Akros Percussion Collective as they present a selection inspired by the surrealistic work of *Nuclear Enchantment: Photographs by Patrick Nagatani*. See the exhibition yourself during a special gallery talk with Head of Curatorial Affairs, Barbara Tannenbaum. Finally, in December, get a jump on the holidays and warm up your creativity with family-friendly, hands-on, drop-in workshops. Learn how to make your holiday packages beautiful and eco-friendly at the Recycled Materials Gift Wrapping station and make fabulous mini gingerbread houses at the Edible Architecture station.

Details, updates and schedules for *Sunday Sampler* events are posted on the museum's website ([www.AkronArtMuseum.org](http://www.AkronArtMuseum.org)) and will be available at all *Sunday Sampler* locations during the events.

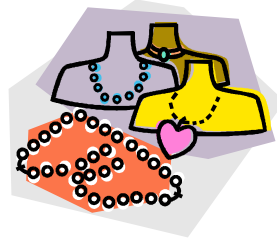
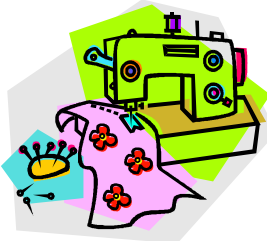
*Sunday Sampler is made possible by generous support from The J.M. Smucker Company.*



ANNOUNCING:  
Mogadore Senior High School  
CRAFT GALLERY  
Saturday, October 24, 2009  
9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.  
\$30.00 per space

▶▶▶▶ CRAFTERS NEEDED ▶▶▶▶

Whatever your craft or specialty, we would love to have you!



Sponsored by the MHS Drama Club



All proceeds go to support our Drama Club.  
Thank you for your interest in our show and we hope to see you on October 24<sup>th</sup>!  
For further information or questions, contact Dawn Lipscomb at  
(330)620-7965 or [dlipscom@kent.edu](mailto:dlipscom@kent.edu)

(PLEASE do not call the high school – they are unable to deal with these calls – please contact the above-mentioned person.)

Thank you for your consideration ▼





**Mogadore Branch Library - Karen Steiner**

**BABY AND TODDLER TIME** - Tuesdays at 11 OR 1 - Ages birth & up - September 15 through November 24 (no 1:00 program on October 20)

Program resumes January 2010

**STORY TIME** - Wednesdays at 10:30 - Ages 3 & up - September 16 through November 4

Program resumes Jan. 2010

**FAMILY PROGRAMS:**

**FUN AND SPOOKY HALLOWEEN SHOW** - Monday, October 26 at 6:30 - ALL ages welcome

Enjoy a program by Katie Bee and Roger Dodger!

Sponsored by the Friends of the Mogadore Branch Library

**HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE** - Saturday, December 5, 1- 4 pm

Families are welcome! Check at the library for more details... 330-628-9228

**WACKY WEDNESDAYS** - 6:30 pm - Family evening of fun! - Games, stories, music, movies and more.

October 21- Celebrate National Apple Month! Celebrate by making a craft and learn some interesting apple facts.

November 18 - Gaming Day with Xbox 360: Lego Star Wars the Complete Saga and Guitar Hero World Tour

**TEEN TUESDAYS** A hodgepodge of fun! - 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month at 4 pm - Grades 6 on up

**October 6** - Homecoming Happenings: be in the know about fashion, football, and facials.

**October 20** - Wii - Lympics 2009 Tournament. A National Gaming Day Event!

Compete against other Wii Sports players system-wide in this triathlon of events, including, Bowling, Golf, and Home Run Derby! Gold medalists at each location will play at the Finals on Saturday, November 14 at Main Library, for the chance to win a deluxe prize basket and bragging rights! Please register for this event.

**November 3** - In honor of Election Day vote for your favorite movies, books, and snack foods while watching SWING VOTE - PG

**November 17** - Gaming Day: Xbox 360 Guitar Hero World Tour

**Teen Read Week - Oct. 18-24, 2009** - Read Beyond Reality @ Your Library

Read something out of this world, just for the fun of it.

Pick up your Teen Read Week Bookmark in the Teen Area for your chance to vote for your top Teen books!

**BOOK BLAB AND BLOGGING** - Last Tuesday of the month at 4 pm

Discuss your favorite books, magazines and authors. Virtually visit authors' web sites.

**October 27** - Zombie Plague Party: Dress up as your favorite zombie, chat about your favorite zombie books, watch zombie movies and test your zombie knowledge. Leave your brains at home.

**November 24** - Discuss WHATCHA MEAN WHAT'S A ZINE? THE ART OF MAKING ZINES AND MINI COMICS by Mark Todd and Ester Pearl Watson; with contributions by more than 20 creators of Indie-comics and magazines while exploring Teen Zines.

**HAUNTED AKRON AND NORTHEAST OHIO** - Thursday, October 22, 6:30 pm - For ages 6th grade and up.

Who (or what?) haunts Hower House, the Civic Theater, and Stan Hywet? Hear more about Akron area ghosts and creatures. Do you know your urban legends? Hear some fun tales and take *The Urban Legend Quiz!* Play *Stump the Ghostologist* and bring in your own ghost story or urban legend! Local Ghostologist, Debby Catrone, takes us on a Halloween journey in our own backyard. Please sign up for this program.

**MOZZARELLA CHEESE MAKING** - Thursday, October 15, 6:30 pm

Witness the magic of cheese making as Jim Leverentz and Crystal Wisniewski of Leeners transform one gallon of store-bought milk into a pound of homemade mozzarella cheese in just one hour. Please sign up for this program.

**PIECING THE TRAIL TO KANSAS - A QUILTER'S JOURNAL** - Thursday, October 29, 6:30 pm

Discover the story behind a quilt made by award-winning local quilter, Emma Cruise, and narrated by Esther Lucas. The quilt patterned after the original titled, Kansas Troubles #1, commemorates the story of a young couple, Lily and her husband T.M. In 1858 the couple, along with several other family members, left behind their Kentucky homes for the opportunity of homesteading in Kansas. During this journey, Lily keeps a journal of daily happenings and stitches quilt blocks to record events such as births, deaths, and things they see and encounter along the way. The blocks when sewn together record the story of their remarkable venture into a new land.

**ITALIAN RENAISSANCE ART HISTORY** - Thursday, November 5, 6:30 pm

What was going on in society that caused this type of art to be created? Who were the patrons? What sort of artwork did they commission and why? Who were the major painters and sculptors? How and why did the Italian Renaissance period begin and end? Travel back in time with retired educator and art historian, Kristine Mogen, as she brings history to life through art in a way that is engaging and easy to understand. Additionally, discover recommended works of interesting historical fiction from this period to add to your reading lists.

**MORE ARMCHAIR TRAVELS** - Thursdays at 6:30 pm

Travel is a great way to expand horizons and stimulate curious minds. Whether being transported vicariously to new worlds by authors or the travels of others, learning is a lifelong pleasure. Join us for these Armchair Adventures. They won't break the bank!

**November 12** - Memories of Montana by Dick and Jan Fisher

Visit Bannack ghost town, Darby and the Bitterroot Mountains, Butte, Glacier National Park and other interesting places off the beaten path of the average tourist.

**November 19**- Christmas Markets Along the Rhine by Ken Wertz

Walmart might start Christmas in July, but to many, Christmastime in the Old World conjures up traditional images and a bit of nostalgia. Join us in travel through Switzerland, France, Germany and the Netherlands on the Rhine to put you in the spirit of the holiday season.

**GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING DEMONSTRATION** - Thursday, December 3, 6:30 pm

Making a gingerbread house is a fun craft for the young and young-at-heart. Instructor Susan Stefancik is returning to demonstrate the fine art of construction in the kitchen. Sharing tips, recipes, and decorating ideas, she will inspire you to start your own holiday building project. Please note that the class will be demonstration only. Please sign up for this program.

**BOOK DISCUSSIONS** - Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

**November 4-** ALL THE WAY HOME: BUILDING A FAMILY IN A FALLING-DOWN HOUSE by David Giffels. Local author and former Beacon Journal columnist, David Giffels, details his purchase of a run-down mini-mansion and his attempt, using his own repair skills and those of his dad, to fix gaping holes in the roof, chase out long-resident squirrels, and otherwise turn a sow's ear into a lovely purse.

**November 18-** 1921: A NOVEL OF THE IRISH CENTURY by Morgan Llwyn.

Llwyn's second novel in the Irish Independence Series furthers her investigation of Irish history by focusing on Ireland's struggle for freedom from Britain. The Irish Civil War follows the division of a nation and the passion it inspired in an Irish journalist and the Englishwoman he loves.

**FREE BLOOD SUGAR AND BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS** - Second Fridays of the Month 12:30 – 2:30 pm

These mini health clinics will be provided by staff from Essex of Tallmadge.

October 9 and November 13

All programs are free and open to the public. Stop by the library or call 330-628-9228 to sign up for designated programs. Visit the Akron-Summit County Public Library home page <http://www.akronlibrary.org/>. Fall program flyer - <http://www.akronlibrary.org/f/MG-2502-e.pdf> - Check the Library's Events Calendar for more programs

# MOGADORE MERRYMAKERS OCTOBER 2009 NEWSLETTER

Oct 8th (Thu)

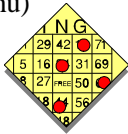
**Rivers Casino Trip Payment Due**

Oct 8th (Thu)

1:00 pm -3:00pm

**Membership Meeting**

Bingo. Bingo. Bingo. Popcorn and drinks provided.



**This meeting is CANCELLED due to construction at the Community Center**

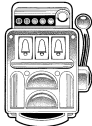
Oct 27th (Tue)

8:15 am -6:15pm

**Rivers Casino Trip \***

Cost: \$25/person.

Includes \$10 casino money.



Nov 12th (Thu)

6:00 pm -8:00pm

**Membership Meeting**

Annual Thanksgiving Covered-Dish Dinner. Turkey, potatoes, rolls and drinks will be provided. Please bring your own table service and your favorite covered-dish to share.



Dec 10th (Thu)

1:00 pm -3:00pm

**Membership Meeting**

Bring your favorite Christmas cookies, including recipe, and your special desert to share. Drinks will be provided.



Jan 14th (Thu)

6:00 pm -8:00pm

**Membership Meeting**

Chili dinner. Bring your favorite dessert to share. Also bring your own chili bowl and table service. Drinks will be provided.



\* Details about the events and trips and reservation forms are available by contacting Ellodean Hartline 330-628-4400 or Cheryl Yoho 330-628-4267

## **Support Your School District and the Environment**

Did you know that you can recycle newspaper, magazines, shopping catalogs, office & school papers and mail: 24 hours/7days a week at our O.H. Somers Elementary building? Did you also know that we earn money for paper dropped off at our green and yellow Abitibi Paper Retriever® bin?

Starting June 1, 2006, our district started a new paper-recycling program. The district will collect and recycle paper from all of our school facilities and we invite you to join us in this effort. This is an easy way for you to recycle your paper, help the environment and help us raise a little money for worthwhile district activities.

**Fact:** The average person in the United States generates four pounds of garbage each day or 1,460 pounds per year. Of that approximately 40% is recyclable paper or over 580 pounds of paper per year per person.

**Fact:** Using these statistics the Village of Mogadore would produce over 1950 tons or over 2.3 million pounds of paper each year.

**Fact:** Each year, people in the U. S. throw away enough office and writing paper to build a 12-foot high wall from New York City to Los Angeles.

**Fact:** Most of this paper ends up as landfill or is burned (both of which are very bad for our environment).

**Fact:** Recycling paper saves trees, water and energy

Located on the East side of the O. H. Somers Elementary, the Abitibi Paper Retriever® bin are easily accessible via the parking lot entrance 24 hours a day. Please make sure you use only the green and yellow Abitibi collection bin.

### **What can I recycle in the collection bin?**

<b>Acceptable Items</b> Includes all CLEAN and DRY:	<b>Not Acceptable:</b>
<b>Newspapers</b>	<b>Metal</b>
<b>Magazines</b>	<b>Glass</b>
<b>Shopping Catalogs</b>	<b>Plastic</b>
<b>Papers- Computer, Copier, Office, School, etc. (Both white or color)</b>	<b>Paper coated with plastic, wax, foil or food waste</b>
<b>Mail, Envelopes and File Folders</b>	<b>Telephone or Hard Bound Books</b>
<b>Shredded Paper of any of the above types. (Please put in sealed bags)</b>	<b>Trash</b>



For more information on paper recycling visit [www.paperretriever.com](http://www.paperretriever.com)

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The regular meetings of the Board of Education are held on the third Tuesday of each month in the high school Community Room (room 100), at 7:00 P.M. All Board Meetings are open to the public. We encourage you to attend.

**2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR**

Aug. 24 & 25 Teacher's In-service Day & Work Day  
**Aug. 26 First Day for Students**  
**Sep. 07 Labor Day—No School**  
 Oct. 15 Evening Conferences—K-6  
**Oct. 16 NEOEA Day—No School**  
**Oct. 19 Teacher In-service Day—No School**  
 Nov. 12 Evening Conferences—K-12  
 Nov. 24 Evening Conferences—K-12  
**Nov. 25-27 Thanksgiving Break—No School**  
**Dec. 21-Jan. 1 Holiday Break—No School**  
**Jan. 18 Martin Luther King Day—No School**  
 Feb. 04 Evening Conferences—K-12  
 Feb. 11 Evening Conferences—7-12  
**Feb. 12 Conference Comp Day—No School**  
**Feb. 15 President's Day—No School**  
**Mar. 29 Conference Comp Day—No School**  
**Mar. 30-Apr. 1 Spring Break—No School**  
**Apr. 02 Good Friday—No School**  
 May 30 Graduation  
**May 31 Memorial Day—No School**  
 June 04 Last Day for Students  
 June 05 or 07 Teacher Work Day

**Calamity Make-up Days, if needed:**

1st Day	June 07
2nd Day	June 08
3rd Day	June 09
4th Day	June 10
5th Day	June 11

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