SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO

COMMISSIONERS CORNER

Emergency Medical Services Week

National Emergency Medical Services Week was May 19th through May 25th. Emergency medical services are a vital public service to the people and community of Sandusky County. Access to quality emergency care significantly improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or serious injury. Sandusky County EMS strives to continually improve their emergency medical system to ensure that all citizens receive the highest standards of emergency medical care. Emergency care personnel, including skilled dispatchers, first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics and emergency medical physicians, whether volunteers or paid personnel, complete thousands of hours of specialized training and education to enhance their lifesaving skills. Members of the emergency medical services are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24-hours-a-day, seven-days-a-week. Sandusky County residents and visitors benefit daily from the selfless dedication, knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals. During EMS week, Chief Jackson presented awards to employees: Amanda McGinnis, Officer of the Year and Kelly Stoudinger, Employee of the Year. Commissioner Miller also presented the group with a proclamation highlighting their importance.

Did you Know?

According the Geographic Names Information System, the Sandusky River has also been known as:

- Potake Sepe
- Riviere Blanc
- Riviere Sanduski
- San-doo-stee River
Meet Your New Colleagues

We are pleased to announce that Tami Ward has accepted the Children Services Administrator position at Sandusky County Department of Job and Family Services. Ms. Ward began with the agency in 1994 and has held several positions, her most recent being a Social Service Worker 1 Supervisor. Ms. Ward is a graduate of Western Reserve High School and she continued her education at Tiffin University. Tami will begin transitioning over the next several months into this position, with full-time responsibilities expected in the fall.

Courthouse ADA Ramp Project

Construction of the courthouse ADA ramp has begun. During this time:

- Portions of the parking lot and/or the sidewalk on the South side (Croghan Street) may be limited or inaccessible at times.
- The MAIN entrance of the courthouse (North Park) will remain accessible.
- The exterior ADA elevator will NOT be accessible. Those requiring admittance to the courthouse should follow signage directions and posted instructions.
- Direct any questions to Security-419-334-6400.

Lakota Middle School Dare Graduation

Commissioners Miller, Reiter and Zimmerman attended the Lakota Middle School's Dare graduation in early May. Many were in attendance, including Sheriff Hilton, Deputy Stotz, Deputy G. Dorsey, Deputy Pollock, K-9 Hayes and K-9 Kimber.
Ethics of Public Employment Policy Refresher

The proper operation of government requires that actions of public officials and employees be impartial; that government decisions and policies be made in the proper channels of governmental structure; that public office not be used for personnel gain; and that the public have confidence in the integrity of its government. Recognition of these goals establishes a Code of Ethics. It is unethical and illegal for any employee, manager, or staff member to: 1. Use their official position for personal gain, or to participate directly or indirectly in any activity which is in conflict with the proper discharge of their official duties; 2. Accept any gift, whether in the form of service, loan, item, or promise from any person, firm, or corporation which is interested directly or indirectly in any manner whatsoever in business dealings with the County; 3. Accept from any contractor or supplier doing business with the county any material or service for the private use of the employee; and 4. Engage in or accept private employment or render services for private interests when such employment or service is incompatible with the proper performance of the employee’s official duties or would tend to impair independent judgment or action in the performance of official duties.

OSU North Central Agricultural Research Station

On June 7th Commissioners visited the OSU North Central Agricultural Research Station. The North Central Agricultural Research Station was established in 1978. Their focus maintains an intensive research program of the profitability and sustainability of northern Ohio’s specialty crop industry. The Station serves as a key regional location for breeding research.

ODNR Boat Ramp Ribbon Cutting

Commissioners Miller, Reiter and Zimmerman attended the ribbon cutting ceremony at the new Darr-Root boat ramp. Thank you to the Darr family and the Ohio Division of Natural Resources. The Sandusky River is such an asset to our community. It is great to have more ways to utilize and enjoy the river.
The Sandusky County Commissioners serve as administrators for Sandusky County by:

- Formulating a Multi-million Dollar Budget;
- Approving Purchase Vouchers;
- Negotiating and Approving Union Contracts;
- Pro-active long term planning;
- Handling day-to-day county issues;
- Approving the county road program for the County Engineer;
- Advertising and taking bids on all road, bridge, ditch and sewer projects;
- Implement maintenance on the inside and outside of county buildings; and
- Holding hearings to discuss drainage ditch projects, establishing and vacating roads, personnel and equipment needs for county departments, budget and expenses for upcoming county projects.

The Commissioners board meetings are held weekly, on Tuesday and Thursday, commencing at 8:00 a.m. Public forum sessions begin at 10:00 a.m. Evening sessions are held quarterly at 6:00 PM. Generally, all sessions are open to the public and anyone interested in attending the meetings are welcome to do so!

Did you know?

June in Other Languages:
- Chinese (Mandarin) – liuyue
- Danish – juni
- French - juin
- Italian - giugno
- Latin - lunius
- Spanish – junio

June is the first month of the summer season.

The longest day of the year occurs on June 22nd this year.

June is known as a great month to get married.

The birthstone of June, pearl, symbolizes purity and is known as the “stone of sincerity”.

The famous English tennis tournament Wimbledon is played during the month of June.

Looking Forward

June 25th & 26th County Vehicle Inspections.

June 27th, 1:00 PM-Sandusky County’s 3rd Annual Beat the Heat at the Sandusky County Fairgrounds Parking Lot.