

THE ST. PARIS QUARTERLY

SEPTEMBER 2023 - FALL ISSUE

FALL CLEAN-UP 2023

Yard Debris and Leaves

The Village of St. Paris Street Department will have fall clean-up October 16 - 20. Please have your yard debris to your curb by Sunday night, October 15, 2023. The Village will begin picking up fall leaves during the month of November. Please rake your leaves to the curb, not in the street, and please keep all storm drains clear. Remove all sticks and debris to prevent the leaf vacuum from breaking down and possibly ending leaf pick up. If you would like to bag your leaves or yard debris for pick up, the Village has large leaf bags for free at the Municipal Building. These bags are orange and easy to see by our street department and easily not confused as garbage. The village will continue to offer free yard debris pick up on the first and third Monday of each month.

SUMMER METER PROGRAM

All Summer Meters Are Due Back by November 1, 2023

If you have checked out a summer water meter from the St. Paris Municipal Building, your meter is due back by November 1, 2023. Your sewer account will be credited for the gallons of water you used that did not go through the St. Paris sewer system. The time to check them back out again will start in March 2024.

OUR TOWN, ST. PARIS

Home of the Month

Each month during the summer Our Town, St. Paris Committee recognizes residents who show pride in their property by carefully maintaining their home and landscape to create an overall positive appearance. A sign is place in the yard for one month and \$25 in St. Paris Bucks is awarded. The winners for 2023 are as follows: (June) Kyla Marshall and Logan White at 113 W. Lynn St, (July) The Wright's at 122 W. Elm, (August) Aaron and Paul Edgington at 128 Dugan St (September) Rhonda and Clarence Gillum 262 W. Walnut St.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Sunday, November 5, 2023

On November 5, 2023, Daylight Saving Time ends. Is this the last time we fall back? The Sunshine Protection Act would permanently extend daylight saving time from eight months of the year to the full 12 months. The bill was first introduced in January 2021 by Buchanan and reintroduced by Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Florida and seven other bipartisan members of Congress in March 2022. The bill would make daylight saving time permanent across the U.S. The measure has not yet been passed by the U.S. House of Representatives, nor has it been signed into law by President Biden.

VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED FOR UP COMING HOLIDAYS

Village Office Schedule

St. Paris village offices will be closed on October 9, 2023, for Columbus Day, November 23 & 24 for Thanksgiving, December 22 & 25 for Christmas and December 29 and January 1, 2024, for New Years.

GRAHAM HOMECOMING PARADE

Thursday, October 5, 2023

Graham Local Schools will be having a Homecoming Parade on Thursday, October 5, 2023. This parade will feature students from various organizations and clubs along with the Graham Homecoming Court. The parade will start at 6:00 PM down Main Street heading east to the Graham Middle School Campus for a bonfire.

CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE

December 2, 2023

Christmas in the Village will again be held in downtown St. Paris on Springfield Street. This event is put together by the organization "Our Town, St. Paris". There will be food, choirs, a tree lighting, hot chocolate, crafts, a Christmas Bazaar and more. This is also a chance for your children to see **Santa Claus**, as in previous years, you can have a photo taken with him. Come join your family, friends, and fellow villagers for a Christmas celebration. If you would like to help make this event more successful, please volunteer your time. Volunteers are needed to put out the luminaries on December 2 and December 24. This takes about 90 minutes of your time on one or both of those days and another hour on the following day when picking them up. If you'd like to volunteer your time or your high schooler's time (this is good for community service hours) please call/text Gina Verlaney at 602-300-0216.

ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 7, 2023

Are you registered to vote?

To vote on November 7, 2023, you must be registered by October 10, 2023. You can register to vote online at <u>https://olvr.ohiosos.gov/</u>. You can register to vote in person at the Champaign County Board of Elections located at 1512 S. U.S. Highway 68, Suite L-100 Urbana, Ohio 43078. You can register to vote by mailing in this registration form <u>https://www.boe.ohio.gov/comoh/VoterRegistrationForm.pdf</u>. Village resident vote at the St. Paris Public Library.

PAUL AND MARY WHEELAND DAY

Pony Wagon Days Parade Grand Marshals

September 7, 2023, was announced as Paul and Mary Wheeland Day at the August 21 Council meeting. Paul and Mary were the Grand Marshals in the 2023 Pony Wagon Days Parade. They met in St. Paris as teenagers living with their parents on Dugan Street. They married a couple of years later. Together they raised 3 children in St. Paris who gave them 8 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. Paul and Mary recently celebrated 73 years of marriage together.