



## October 16, 2023 Claridon News & Notes

Greetings neighbors,

This is a very brief Claridon News & Notes. It's really more of a memo because I wanted you all to know of the Candidates Night. So, here you go ☺

### **Berkshire School Board Candidates**

Do you know who the six (6) candidates are who are vying for three (3) seats? This Thursday, October 19 at 6:30 pm, you can find out.

Claridonites like to be informed. Let's put that fact on display by attending this event. I will be facilitating it. The public will ask questions. Each candidate will answer the same question (up to 90 seconds to answer). Candidates will also introduce themselves and share why they want to be on Berkshire's School Board.

The school board candidates are; Linda Valentino, Bryan Wadsworth, Julie Hunter, Timothy Snyder, Linda Stone and Dan Berman. All the candidates confirmed they will be there.

When: This Thursday, October 19

Time: 6:30 pm

Where: The Claridon Township Administrative Building

### **NOAH Did It Again!**

NOAH is a group of Amish volunteers. They believe in giving back to the community in which they reside. They've been a blessing to many in Geauga County and in Claridon.

On September 30, 2023, they had over 160 Amish volunteers and went to 6 different townships in eastern Geauga County to clean township roads. They were so sufficient that when they got done with township roads, they cleaned up county roads. They filled over 500 trash bags and covered over 135 miles of road! NOAH joined the Geauga County Township Association. And I'm glad they did. They have been and will continue to be a blessing to our communities.

### **History Corner**

#### **1856 - Claridonite Elected to State Senate**

Taylor Wells road was named after an area called Taylor's Wells in the county of Kent in England where Prince (just the name, not a title) Taylor Sr. immigrated from. Prince landed in Connecticut. His great grandson's, were Horace and Lester Taylor (their father fought in the Revolutionary War). The two brothers moved to Claridon. Lester cleared 105 acres of land and erected a house in 1832 having no neighbors within 3 miles of him. Lester was elected to the Ohio senate in 1856. In 1893, at the age of 94, he and was recognized as the oldest living person Geauga County. He held that recognition for the next 6 years and died in 1899 at the age of 100. He was known to be the most popular resident of Geauga County.

### **Claridon Eclipse**

Claridon is in the path of a total eclipse of the sun. This rare event will take place on April 8, 2024. Claridonites and friends are welcome to come to our Claridon Recreation Park located on 608 across from Stilwell road to casually gather from 12:00p to 4:30p. The park should be a great place to witness the eclipse. Partial eclipse begins at 2:00p (prox.). Total eclipse begins at 3:13p (prox.) and ends at 3:17p (prox.). Partial ends at 4:30p (prox.). Hopefully we have clear skies. Bring a picnic and/or burgers/dogs to grill. We will have our township Blackstone grill hot and ready. Oh, lots of out of town/state eclipse seekers are expected to submerge into the eclipse path so, shhh! This event is for Claridon and friends of Claridon 😊.

### **Mark Your Calendars - 2024 Event Dates**

April 8	12:00p - 4:30p	Claridon Eclipse
May 9	All day	Trash Pick-up Day for seniors
May 11	8:00a-11:00a	Trash Drop-off day.
May 27	9:00a	Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony

July 16	6:30p	Strawberry Festival
August 4	5:00p-7:00p	Get Down with the Town, Claridon gathering
3rd Mondays	5:00p-6:p	Community Dinners from CCH

As usual, if you ever have any questions, concerns or insights, don't hesitate to contact us!

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