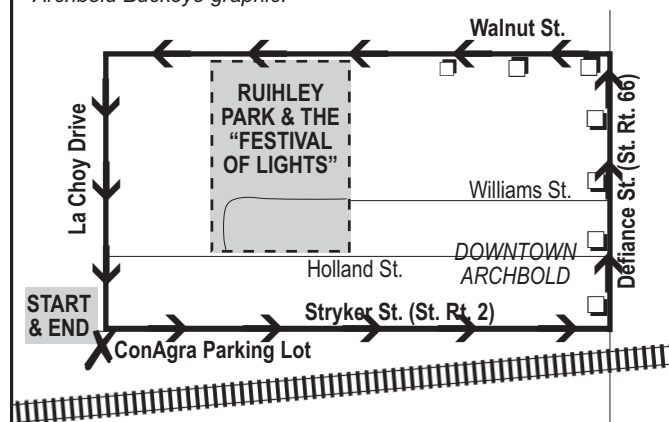


NEWS

2009 Parade Of Lights Route

Archbold Buckeye graphic.



Entries Coming In For Lights Parade

Nanette Buehrer, director of the Archbold Area Chamber of Commerce, said on Tuesday that entries for the annual Parade of Lights are coming in "a little bit ahead of last year."

She couldn't report an exact number, but said she believes the number of entries could be up from last year.

New this year is an entry that features the Stryker High School choir riding in the parade.

Also, she said The Company, Archbold High School's show choir, will be caroling, and costumed characters from Sauder Village's annual lantern tours will mingle with the crowd. Both events are prior to the start of the parade.

Date, Time

The parade starts at 6:30 pm, Friday, Nov. 27, the day after Thanksgiving, from the ConAgra parking lot.

It travels east on Stryker Street, north on North Defiance Street, west on Walnut Street, then south on La Choy Drive, returning to ConAgra. It is a new route for the parade.

Buehrer said the chamber has compiled a list of parking sites for the new route. The information is available on the chamber website.

Bleacher seating will be available at the Archbold Middle School, and the restrooms at the Archbold Community Library will be open during the parade.

Santa Claus

The parade is the traditional kickoff of the annual Festival of Lights Christmas lights display in Ruyhley Park.

Also this year, Santa Claus will be at the Ruyhley Park Pavilion from 7:30 to 9 pm to hear requests from children.



Festival Workers

Jeff Fryman, Archbold, and his son, Wyat, 5, take a break from wiring the Festival of Lights. Volunteers were busy Thursday, Nov. 13, and Saturday, Nov. 14, setting up the festival.—photo by David Pugh

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Pettisville NHS Induction

Ten students were inducted into the Pettisville chapter of the National Honor Society at a ceremony Monday night, Nov. 16, in the school commons. The students were selected for the honor based on scholarship, leadership, character, and service. Conny Leber, a Pettisville exchange student, also

was honored, although she cannot be a full member of NHS. Inductees for 2009 are, front row, from left: Heidi Waidelich, Leber, Alyssa Mann, Stephanie Yoder, Tessa Yoder, Kayla King. Back row: Marie Engle, Josh Klopfenstein, Jacob Rupp, Philip Roth, James Greek.—photo by D.J. Neuenschwander

School Board Hears About Success Day

Archbold High School seniors will play games Friday, Dec. 4, as they participate in senior success day.

All seniors, including those attending the Four County Career Center, will attend the event at Archbold Evangelical Church.

Andrea Badenhop, AHS social studies teacher, told members of the Archbold School Board during their Monday night, Nov. 16 meeting, that students will be playing "Finances 101," a game that teaches young people how to be good decision makers as financial consumers.

Students will participate in two-hour sessions, moderated by community volunteers. The session will cover topics including money matters, legal questions, and health issues.

Money Question

David Deskins, district superintendent, told board members information about House Bill 1 continues to pour out.

House Bill 1 is the education reform bill backed by Ted Strickland, Ohio governor.

However, there are still questions about the state's new "evidence-based" funding model, he said.

On another money-related issue, Deskins said the school's wind team has not received word on its state grant application. A decision was supposed to be made by the end of October, but no word has been received.

The wind team is exploring purchasing a wind turbine to generate electricity for the school and converting the district's building to lower-cost, higher voltage

primary electric service.

Deskins said after negotiations, the school district contract with Toledo Edison has been signed.

In September, the high school and elementary school buildings were changed to primary electric service. Deskins told board members the district is saving \$3,900 a month as a result of the switchover. He said the \$3,900 figure does not include what the district spends to light the football field and tennis courts.

Christine Ziegler, district treasurer, presented the board with a series of appropriation modifications.

She also said state auditors will be in the district this week to go over the school district books.

Tony Warncke, board member, questioned a number of policy revisions prepared for the board by NEO-LA, the organization that keeps school district policies up to date.

In response to Warncke's questions, Deskins said several policy changes, many dictated by the state, will have an impact on the district budget. Some will be cost savings, while others will increase expenses.

Donation

The board accepted an anonymous donation for \$6,786.51 to the athletic equipment funds.

Also approved was a \$275 donation from Pamida for the scholarship fund.

The board approved four personnel matters:

• Chad McClory received a 3/4-time track coaching supplemental contract.

• Lynn Schrickel received a half-time track coaching

supplemental contract.

• Jake Kraegal received a 1/4-time track coaching supplemental contract.

• John Downey was named a volunteer indoor track coach.

All members were present. Attending the meeting

were Jon Lugbill and Phil Nofziger, who were elected to the board in the Tuesday, Nov. 3 general election. All votes were unanimous.

The next meeting is Monday, Dec. 21, 7 pm, in the Archbold High School media center.—David Pugh



Pettisville School Construction

Big machines have been working at the new Pettisville School construction site. Workers were busy installing a new culvert under Co. Rd. D, Friday, Nov. 13.—photo by David Pugh

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