

## Public Transportation Services to Continue in Noble County



South East Area Transit (SEAT) Driver Ron Hupp shows OSU staff Carla Wickham and Nancy Snook and Zachary Ferguson, staff at the County multi-agency office the transportation option available in Noble County.

In late 2018, seeing only the limited access to transportation in Noble County through eligibility-specific programs such as Veterans Services, Senior Services or the Medicaid program, but no general public transportation available, The Ohio State University Extension-Noble County Community Development program researched and shared the need for more structured access to public transportation to the Noble County Board of Commissioners.

Identified by The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) as one of only 27 counties in the state without public transportation services, and also identified by the ODOT Regional Transportation Planning Organization's (RTPO) needs analysis and transportation opinion survey reports as lacking a coordinated transit plan or services, Noble County offered great opportunity for partnership. One partner, Southeast Area

Transit Authority (SEAT), who operates public transportation services in Muskingum and Guernsey counties, offered to conduct a six-month Pilot Program in Noble County from January – June 2019, at no cost to the County.

The pilot program ended June 30 with 905 year-to-date individual on-demand trips and another 149 non-emergency Medicaid trips through its contract with Noble County Job and Family Services. However, SEAT leadership is still committed to providing services in Noble Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Service within the Caldwell City limits is \$4. Outside the city limits but within Noble County limits will cost \$8. Service outside of the county is available; call for pricing.

It is easy to schedule a ride. Contact SEAT at 740-454-8573. Go online to [seatbus.org](http://seatbus.org) for more details or like SEAT on Facebook.

## Reunions

### Caldwell Class of '64

Time to celebrate our 55th year following graduation. Class members are invited to a gathering Friday, July 26, 2019. Call 305-570-8047 or email [cnorris57@aol.com](mailto:cnorris57@aol.com) for details.

### Caldwell H.S. 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion July 27

The 40th Caldwell High School Class Reunion will take place following the Firemen's Festival Parade on Saturday, July 27 at the former Patten's Appliance Store, 309 Bridge St. in Caldwell. Pizza will be provided. BYOB. Any classmate wishing to ride in the float in the parade should meet at the fairgrounds, time to be determined. To learn more, text Tresa at 740-581-2345 or Madeline at 740-581-1412.

### Caldwell High School 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion July 27

The Caldwell High class of 1959 will meet at 2 p.m. at the Ball Caldwell House on East Street on July 27. For information, call or text Delores at 740-581-3009 or Jacque at 740-509-3382.

### Davison Reunion 2019

The descendants and friends of James Robert and Alwilda Davison are invited to attend the annual reunion on Sunday, July 28 at the Noble County Fairgrounds in the Floral Hall in Caldwell. A covered dish dinner will be held at 12:30 p.m. Ham and chicken will be provided. Hope to see you there.

### Morris Reunion July 20

The descendants of Jerome and Mable Morris will be holding their annual family reunion on Saturday, July 20 at Farley Park in Summerfield. Lunch will be at noon. Bring a covered dish, lawn chairs and table service.

### Buffalo Reunion

Reservations for the Buffalo Reunion will be accepted through July 25. Reunion to be held Saturday, August 3 at the OSU Extension Building near Belle Valley. Social hour begins at 4:30 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. Send Reservation and check for \$16 per plate to Gene Davis, 53246 Davis Rd., Pleasant City, OH, 43772. Questions directed to Mr. Davis, 740-685-3806.

### Silvus Family Reunion

The 64th Annual Silvus Reunion will be held on Sunday, August 4, 2019, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church basement, 309 Seventh St., Beverly, Ohio. A potluck dinner will be held at 12:30 p.m. Bring your favorite covered dish, dessert, drink and tableware.

## FREE Community Party at Pine Lake Camp!

Pelican Ministries and the First Baptist Church are hosting a free community party this Wednesday night, July 17, at Pine Lake Camp on Hunkadora Road in Caldwell. There will be food, big inflatables and swimming. Come on out from 5-8 p.m.

## AG LINE

By Christine Gelley  
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## Cutting it Close

All of us have a bad habit here or there that we have developed over time. Bad habits are often questionable actions that can cause some stress, but rarely have direct negative consequences immediately after. Usually the negative consequences are compounded over time into large problems and that is when realize we have gone wrong.

A bad habit that many grass managers have in lawn and hay systems is cutting it too close. By "it," I mean the grass. There are some misconceptions about what the best height is to cut grass. It can also be confusing, because ideal cutting height varies with type of grass. The common denominator is that many homeowners and hay-makers are cutting the grass too low and inducing stress responses on the plants that cause us issues down the road.

Depending on grass species, variety, and environmental conditions mowing height and frequency can vary greatly. The turf grasses

that grow on a professional golf course are drastically different than the turf on a children's soccer field. The most common plants in tall grass warm-season pastures or short grass cool-season pastures are drastically different. In all cases, we want to be aware of where new growth occurs on the grass stem and how deep the root system goes.

The region on the stem where new growth emerges is called the apical meristem. Grasses will grow back best after a cutting if the apical meristem is not damaged. If the apical meristem is mowed off, the plant must produce a new shoot, called a tiller, in order to regrow. This draws additional nutrients from the root system.

If grasses are regularly mowed too short it can easily deplete root energy reserves, causing nutrient deficiencies and low stand persistence. Low persistence makes your lawn or hayfield look patchy. Weeds soon fill in those patches. Often people get into a cycle of mowing too

short and then fertilizing, irrigating, and or applying herbicides to try to remedy the damage. It may not be soil fertility, it could be the ability of the plant to draw the nutrients and water from the soil. Regular soil tests and stand evaluations can help you troubleshoot problems that arise.

A general rule for lawns is that when you mow, you should only be removing one third of the total leaf area. That means if the grass is six inches tall, mowing it to four inches, or from three inches to two inches, depending on your grass. In hay production in a cool-season pasture (ex: orchard grass) mow before seed heads develop, down to three to four inches.

The idea that the lower you mow the more grass you get, or the less often you have to mow, is misguided. Over time, mowing at a higher height in the canopy will improve the health of your grass stand, reduce the presence of weeds, and improve the quality of your soil. Giving you thicker stands of desirable grasses.

To learn more about mowing heights for your lawn or hay, feel free to contact the Noble County Extension Office at 740-732-5681 or through email at [gelly.2@osu.edu](mailto:gelly.2@osu.edu).

### Upcoming Events

Friday, July 19: Join local farmers and extension edu-

cators this Friday for a program about coping with farm stress. The program will be from 8:30- 10:00 a.m. at the Extension Operations Building (16714 Wolf Run Rd. Caldwell) on July 19. Come learn about common sources of farm stress and how to cope with stress in trying times. If a farmer in your life could benefit from developing more healthy stress coping mechanisms, please encourage them to attend. RSVPS are appreciated for this free breakfast program. Contact OSU Extension with questions or comments at 740-732-5681 or email [gelly.2@osu.edu](mailto:gelly.2@osu.edu).

Tuesday, July 23: Join the East Central Grazing Alliance for a pasture walk in Noble County focused on extending the grazing season. This event will take place on AEP grounds at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23. The site is located at 12087 Co Rd 20, Cumberland, OH 43732. Topics covered will be: Strategies for Combatting Summer Slump by Jay McElroy, NRCS-District Conservationist; Management of Warm-Season Perennial Grasses by Christine Gelley, OSU Extension-Noble County; and Stockpiling Fescue for Late Season Grazing by Cliff Little, OSU Extension-Guernsey County. This event is free and included dinner. Please bring a chair, wear long pants, and bring bug spray. RSVP to Noble SWCD at 740-732-4318.

## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Car Show July 27 at the Firemen's Festival

The 10th Annual Car Show, hosted by Allbritain's Alignment and Repair, will take place on July 27 during the annual Firemen's Festival. Registration is from noon to 2 p.m. with awards at 4

p.m. Entry fee is \$10. Proceeds benefit the Caldwell Fire Department. Trophies in 14 categories. Sponsored by Dunning Motors. For more information call 740-732-CARS.

## Area 15 Workforce Development Board Meeting August 5

Area 15 Workforce Development Board Members from Monroe, Morgan, Noble and Washington Counties have scheduled a meeting to be held from 9 – 11 a.m. on MONDAY, August 5 at Lori's Restaurant located at 17020 Mc-

Connelsville Road, Caldwell. In addition, the Boards of County Commissioners from Monroe, Morgan, Noble, and Washington Counties have scheduled an Area 15 Council of Governments Meeting following at noon.

## Spaghetti Dinner Benefit for Family of Chris Knight July 20

The family of Christine Knight will hold a spaghetti dinner benefit beginning at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 20 at the Belle Valley American Legion. Dinner is served at 11 a.m. and includes spaghetti, salad, roll, dessert and drink. Cost is \$8 for adults, and \$5 for kids age five and under. There will be a country store and a

50/50 drawing. Music from 8 p.m. – 11 p.m. by Phase 2. All proceeds to benefit and assist the family with outstanding medical bills. Those who cannot attend but would like to donate may send a check care of the Christine Knight Fund to Community Savings, 425 Main St., Caldwell, Ohio 43724.

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## Community Meeting on Opioid Crisis August 1

Ohio Valley Employment Resource, the workforce development area covering Monroe, Morgan, Noble and Washington counties, in cooperation with your local OhioMeansJobs partners has received funding to assist in our battle with the opioid epidemic. This workforce funding is geared to provide employment and training to address opioid issues affecting our area.

To be successful in this effort, we are asking for a listening session to learn from community partners active in the opioid battle on what exists and what is needed for recovery. Based on your input, our workforce development

board will be subsequently looking to fund projects responsive to these needs. With limited funds and grant restrictions, we will be looking for the greatest needs, achievable goals and best practices.

The meeting will be 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Thursday, August 1 at the Noble County Department of Job & Family Services, 46049 Marietta Road, Caldwell, Ohio. (Please enter through the door to the right of the main JFS entrance marked Employees Only.)

Should you have questions or need additional information, please email Rebecca Saffko at [rebecca@omj15.com](mailto:rebecca@omj15.com).

**CALDWELL HIGH SCHOOL 21ST ANNUAL ALL ALUMNI REUNION REGISTRATION FORM**

July 27, 2019 at the Community Center, Noble County Fairgrounds Building and Sign-in opens at 10:00 AM  
Program at 11:30 • Eat around 12:30

*Honoring Classes graduating in the years ending in "4" & "9"*  
*50 year class of "1969"*

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\_\_\_\_\_ reservations @\$20/person by 7/12/18 (\$25/person after)  
(Make check payable to All Alumni Reunion)  
NO Dinner reservations taken after the 20th  
Names of CHS Alumni: (please include maiden name, if applicable)  
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Class of: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell # \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Return by July 12th for \$20/person  
(\$25/person after July 12th)  
Cut out and send with payment to:  
All Alumni Reunion c/o Sharon McConnell  
1110 North Street, Caldwell, OH 43724

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Monday, July 15</i> <i>July 22</i></p> <p><b>AA Meetings</b> Alcoholics Anonymous meets from 8 to 9 p.m. every Monday at Corpus Christi Catholic Church in Belle Valley.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tuesday, July 16</i> <i>July 23</i></p> <p><b>Al-Anon</b> Al-Anon meets every Tuesday from 7 to 8 p.m. at Corpus Christi Catholic Church in Belle Valley.</p> <p><b>Library Meeting</b> There is no public meeting for the Caldwell Public Library board of Trustees in July.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>Saturday, July 20</i></p> <p><b>Zeps 5K Run/Walk July 20</b> The Zeps 5k run/walk/mile run will be July 20. Registration starts at 8 a.m. Race starts at 9 a.m. Pre-registration is \$20. Race day registration is \$25. Contact Kim Snyder (740)732-0041 to register.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Tuesday, July 23</i></p> <p><b>Red Hatters</b> Noble County Red Hatters will meet Tuesday, July 23, at 6 p.m. at Wolf Run for the annual picnic. Please bring a covered dish and a gift for bingo.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mission Work Sought</b></p> <p>Outreach Ministries Mission, 705 Railroad Street, Caldwell, is looking for light home repairs, deck repair, painting, yard work; simple projects for our mission teams to do mid-July through mid-August. Call David Cater at 740-581-0400.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><b>Post Your Event in the Community Calendar.</b></p> <p>Email <a href="mailto:news@journal-leader.com">news@journal-leader.com</a></p> </div>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fridays During Summer</b></p> <p><b>Noble County Farmer's Market</b> Noble County Farmers Market open 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Fridays in the Family Dollar parking lot.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fridays During Summer</b></p> <p><b>Caldwell Community Farmer's Market</b> The weekly Caldwell Community Farmer's Market will be located on the square from 9 am - 1 pm. Fridays.</p>		

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Hours: Mon. - Sat., 10-9