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## May 2016

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### Council & Committee Meetings



Members of the public should feel welcome to attend and participate at the following meetings regarding Village business:

- ❖ Zoning Commission:  
May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 PM
- ❖ Village Council: May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM
- ❖ Financial Process Committee:  
May 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM

These are the meetings scheduled as of the time this newsletter is going to press. Should the need for other Village meetings arise, they will be publicized by legal advertisement in the Lancaster Eagle-Gazette.

Meetings are held at the municipal building, 9090 Marietta Road, SE.

### Community Connections

Here are opportunities to get out and socialize with other members of the community...

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#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Show

Bremen United Methodist Church, 205 Walnut Street, will hold its third annual car show on Sunday, May 1, from 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM.

All are welcome to join the fun including music, free food and, of course, CARS!

NOTE: Mulberry Street will be closed to through traffic in the area just south of Walnut Street, to accommodate this event.



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#### Pancakes in May

Mark your calendars and loosen your belts, because the pancakes will be stacked high each Sunday in May, 7:00-11:00 AM, at the Bremen American Legion, 201 North Broad Street.



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#### Weekly Games at Howell Park

**Cornhole Toss:** Singles and doubles every Wednesday starting at 7:00 PM, April 27 through August 31.

**Horseshoe Pitching:** Singles and doubles every Thursday starting at 7:00 PM, April 28 through August 25.



\$5.00 entry fee. Proceeds go to the Bremen Horseshoe Club and Howell Park.

Everyone should feel welcomed to watch or participate!

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#### Harley Thomas Memorial Tournament

Cornhole, Horseshoes and Chinese Auction

When: Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>

Where: Howell Park

Schedule:

Cornhole: Starts at 11:00 a.m.

Singles Horseshoes: Starts at 1:00 p.m.

Doubles Horseshoes: Starts at 3:00 p.m.

The auction is open to everyone and will go throughout the day. Donated items will be appreciated.

Proceeds go to the Bremen Horseshoe Club and Howell Park.

For more information, contact Jim Knisley at 740-297-8037 or 740-221-5254.



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## Bremen Farmers Produce Auction

Sale days are Tuesdays and Fridays starting at noon, on the following dates this month:

- May 6, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27, 31

You can also find more information at their Facebook Page "*Bremen Farmer's Auction.*"

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## One Person's Junk is Another's Treasure

The annual Bremen community-wide yard sale will be Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Rushville is planning theirs for the same date.

Please expect extra traffic and pedestrians in the Village that day.

## Pre-Season Pool Update

Preparations are in full swing for another refreshing, fun and safe summer season at the pool.



We will be hiring the lifeguards, cleaning and painting, checking the pumping and filtration system, making repairs and safety upgrades, among many other things.

Opening day will be May 28 and the last day will be August 7. The pool season is shorter again this year correlating with Fairfield Union Schools resuming classes on August 11.

The prices for season pool passes, pool parties and swim lessons will be confirmed at the next village council meeting. For updates, check our website or Facebook Page, or call the village office at 740-569-4788.

## Control Your Grass Clippings

As you mow your lawn this season, please remember to not leave your grass clippings in the street. Otherwise we can end up with clogged storm drains and time consuming and costly cleanout projects.



## Opening Day Celebration Planned for Bremen's New Disc Golf Course



Colin Tripp on the disc course he developed.

Completion of "Scout's Honor" Disc Golf Course has been accomplished due to the efforts of Bremen resident Colin Tripp.

He planned the project and marshalled the resources and people necessary to bring the project to fruition.

Beyond this being Colin's Eagle Scout project, it provides the public with a recreational asset that is expected to draw visitors to the community from the entire region. Yes, disc golf is that popular. This is a sport that can be enjoyed by people of all ages, either individually or with friends.

**All members of the community are encouraged to attend the official opening day festivities launching the course.**

**When:** Saturday, April 30, 2016  
12:00 Noon

**Where:** Howell Park (9090 Marietta Road)

There will be light refreshments and free discs to pass out while supplies last.

Please come to this opening day celebration!



A map of Scout's Honor Disc Golf Course can be found on the village website at <http://www.bremenvillage.com/discgolf.pdf>

## **Park Corner**

**By Debbie Wolfe, Parks & Facilities Committee**

On Saturday, May 28 the Horseshoe Club will be having the Harley Thomas Horseshoe Tournament. As many of you know, Harley was a life time resident, farmer, and horseshoe player who passed at the end of last year. There will be the tournament, along with food and prizes. If you have time, please stop by and enjoy the day.

As for the park, there have been early signs of spring including the emergence of flowers and lots of weeds. So if you have time, please think about adopting a flower bed. We still need lots of help. Also, if you know of a club or group to help spread mulch, please contact me at [flowergarden133@gmail.com](mailto:flowergarden133@gmail.com).

For the many people who come to the park, they have seen Dan Rutherford working on the construction of a Koi Pond. It is still a work in progress, since it has been a one man job. The rocks around the pond are dry stacked, so it is not safe to stand on the rocks at the edge of the pond. We have planted vegetation around the perimeter of the pond. But until it is established, there is no natural barrier around the pond. Eventually, we will have fencing and plantings to protect the area. So please remind your children to not stand, climb, or jump on the rocks. This bit of caution also is a reminder that children should not stand, jump, run on the picnic tables at the park. Many children even stand on the picnic tables, in order to hoist themselves up into the rafters of the shelter house. The park is a place to enjoy, and we want to keep everyone safe from preventable accidents.

With a final bit of news, I will be starting an herb garden at the east side of the oil derrick. In the meantime, there is rhubarb and a small patch of asparagus for the residents of Bremen. I thought many people don't have the time or room to put out a garden. In this way, you can have these goodies, without the effort. Enjoy!!

Until we meet again,  
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## **Village Office Hours**

The Village offices will be closed on May 30<sup>th</sup> in observance of Memorial Day.

## **Mosquito Season Forecast**

Biologists are predicting that insect populations, including mosquitoes, are likely to be more prolific this year considering the generally mild winter probably allowed for a higher survival rate.

A related concern that has been widely reported in the news is the potential spread of the Zika virus in North America. At least one of the mosquito species that is capable of carrying and spreading the virus can be found in Ohio.

That's not saying the mosquitoes in Ohio are known to be spreading the disease, but just that it could happen.

The website of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (<http://www.cdc.gov>) has a lot of information on this topic if you want to learn more.

Meanwhile, village officials are looking into community-wide mosquito control options. The traditional method of fogging along the streets with insecticides may not be as effective or desirable as one would hope for. Trying to kill off the adult flying mosquitoes that are present on any given day during the season is addressing only a fraction of the problem.

The other key strategy is to reduce the production of "baby" mosquitoes. Before they become adult mosquitoes out flying around looking for victims to bite, their larval stage of life is in stagnant water and damp environments.

This is something that every resident and property owner can and should do to help. How? By eliminating standing water that provides the habitat for mosquito larva to develop. Examples of things to watch for that can hold water are buckets, flower pots, tarps, old tires, roof gutters that aren't draining, piles of damp leaves, and so forth.

Otherwise, be sure to take standard precautions recommended on the CDC website including reducing your exposure when adult mosquitoes are present and use of repellants.

