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4/15 - Quilter's Market Day at Fredericktown Schools  
4/22 - Spring Fling - hosted by the Brickhouse Grind

## May

5/6 - Mother's Day First Saturday Vendors Market

## June

6/1 - Fredericktown Farmer's Market Begins  
6/2 & 3 - Community Garage Sale  
6/3 - Summer Fun First Saturday Vendors Market

## July

7/1 - Independence Day First Saturday Vendors Market  
7/4 - Fredericktown 4th of July Celebration  
7/22 - Christmas in July

## August

8/5 - Fair on the Square First Saturday Vendors Market

## September

9/2 - Tailgate Party First Saturday Vendors Market  
9/6 - 9 - Fredericktown Tomato Show

## October

10/7 - Community Garage Sale  
10/7 - Fall Harvest Festival/Chili Cookoff/Vendor's Market  
10/31 - Trick or Treat

## November

11/7 - Election Day  
11/7 - Fredericktown Presbyterian Church Turkey Supper  
11/23 - Thanksgiving

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## THE GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY FIGHTS BACK AND ENDS THE POLIO EPIDEMIC OF THE 1950'S

By: Michael Bongiorno, Caroline Brady, Henry Buchan, Amelia Donhauser, Michael Van Keuren, Colson Wenzel, Yunhan Zhao, Sam Hatfield, Mayo Amorello, Bart Gardella, and William Wilson

On September 7th, 1952 the Cleveland Plain Dealer newspaper published one of the earliest accounts of the possibility of vaccine rollout in the United States in an article entitled "Polio Vaccine May Be Ready For Human Tests This Winter." By 1953, Jonas Salk, a medical researcher from the University of Pittsburgh, announced the first successful trial of the vaccine. Newspaper articles described the rollout process as "distinctly American," highlighting the speedy distribution and government's commitment to allocate the necessary resources. In the coming years, human trials began to test its efficiency. The public showed immediate hesitation, doubting the validity of the science behind the vaccine given the speed at which the government invented, tested, and distributed it. Skeptics voiced their unfounded concerns, yet the eradication of the disease required a vaccinated public. That goal demanded a widespread embrace of reliable scientific evidence. Dr. Salk went on the CBS news program "See It Now" to promote his vaccine and distribution. Salk and his team reserved the vaccine for children under eighteen, as reported by the New York Times.

The polio vaccine first became available in the United States in 1955. Ohio received its supply of the vaccine from the Wyeth Corporation of Philadelphia and the Eli Lilly Company of Indianapolis. Companies received shipments in Cleveland, Cincinnati, Athens, Bowling Green, Columbus, Cuyahoga Falls, and Dayton. The facility in Dayton, Ohio jump-started a widespread vaccination program. More than 150 elementary school parents vaccinated their children. One of these students, Mike DeWine, would become governor of Ohio. You can find a picture of him wincing as he receives his injection on the cover of the Yellow Spring News.

The government and public fought the polio epidemic through a nationwide campaign in K-12 schools, which began with a vaccine trial with over 1.8 million children involved. This eventually led to a full scale nationwide vaccination program due to the success in this trial. Polio affected people the most in the stages of their youth, which helped persuade both educators and parents around the nation to comply with local officials when a vaccine rollout began in schools. This distribution needed to happen in schools because they became a "focal point in generating the knowledge that the vaccine worked" and with this, people needed to understand that this vaccine benefitted the infrastructure of society.

As a result of some initial issues with the

vaccine, the government implemented many federal regulations. These regulations altered the standard for vaccine distribution and the safety of vaccines today. In a New York Times article from 1956, they published the steps of developing and checking the vaccine to ease the public's concerns about vaccine manufacturing. After manufacturing, the article shows and describes the process of government checks by drawing a sample of each vaccine from the lab to do a safety test. After the government did a safety check, the National Institute of Health did the same process to make sure that the government check did not miss anything. Checking each batch of the polio vaccine multiple times through many agencies ensured the safety and effectiveness of the vaccine. By publishing this process in the New York Times, the government wanted the people to know the new regulations it took in order to show the safety of the vaccine and convince people to get it. In general, this process made people more comfortable receiving vaccines and these safety standards are still used today.

In early May of 1955, Columbus rolled out vaccines in schools, and hosted make-up clinics for hesitant parents about their children getting vaccinated. Dr. Richard L. Wenzel, the communicable diseases chief for the city, admitted that as a result, parents withdrew permission for their children to get the shot. He claimed, however, the vaccine effectiveness surpassed expectations. On May 8th, the FDA announced the suspension of the polio vaccine program in order to investigate the safety of the manufacturers' vaccine. The next rollout of the vaccine, with more stringent government regulations, proved far more effective than previous distributions.

Despite the plentiful status of the vaccine, there remained almost 91 million unvaccinated Americans. By 1959, polio remained rampant in a large group of unvaccinated children and adults. Complications created such fear of the potential side effects of the vaccine in the initial rollout. Yet, in 1956, for the most part people lined up to get the vaccine because they knew the effects of polio far outweighed their hesitancy with it. Government funded campaigns encouraged people to get the vaccine. Newspapers began to include small advertisements that included statements such as, Knock Out Polio in Three Rounds and Polio isn't Licked Yet the intention for these advertisements focused on encouraging people to get each round of the vaccine. The government recruited a number of celebrities to promote vaccination to Americans. Elvis Presley, at the height of his career, received his shot after rehearsals

on the Ed Sullivan Show. By watching one's favorite celebrity get vaccinated, in theory Elvis persuaded the average American by knowing that there is something in common between them and Elvis.

In Fredericktown, Mickey Cochran became one of the first children in town to get the vaccine, because the doctors diagnosed his sister with polio in 1955. It was three shots. Similarly, Lois Pryor contracted polio at a young age and got vaccinated against the disease as soon as it became available. Despite their young age, Cochran and Pryor expressed similar attitudes towards getting the vaccine. David Randall, a Fredericktown local, remembers standing in line at the Fredericktown Elementary School waiting to receive his vaccine. He received his vaccine with a long line out the building, around the driveway to the road, and to the street. Even though skepticisms of the science behind the vaccine existed, everyone got it because they knew the deadly polio effects of polio on the body. Once vaccinated, they all shared a sense of freedom from the disease that halted their childhood. Randall and Pryor compared the feeling of getting the COVID vaccine to their experience of first receiving the polio vaccine.

Many religious believers viewed vaccinations as a gift from God. John Fea, a historian at Messiah University, recently marveled over how newspapers from the 1950s and 1960s chronicled religious leaders of all faiths and denominations, "including evangelical Christians," talking about the polio vaccine "as a special gift" from God to fight disease. In 1979, fourteen Amish people suffered paralysis from polio, leading to suspicion from the Amish population of the government-sponsored vaccination initiatives. Objections to vaccinations didn't disappear from either group, but opposition did soften. As early as July 1979 the CDC estimated that the majority of America's Amish took at least one dose of Sabin's live-virus vaccine. By the start of the 1980s, the United States declared itself polio-free.

The development of effective vaccines against polio in the 1950s and 1960s led to its widespread use in many industrialized countries, including the United States. In addition, it resulted in the elimination of polio in several countries. These early successes suggested that global polio eradication (through mass immunization campaigns) might be achievable. Soon after that, in 1988, the World Health Assembly launched the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) – constituted as a public-private partnership led by national governments and spearheaded by the World Health Organization

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# CRAZY CARL'S CHILI WINS AGAIN!

By: Rhiannon Wilson

Fredericktown's Fall Harvest Festival proved to be a fun family event yet again this year. In case you missed it, there were adorable baby goats in tiny sweaters, pumpkin painting for the kids, great deals offered by our local merchants, and a vendors market on the square. The chili cookoff, held at the First Presbyterian Church, was also a fan favorite with 10 contestants.

Jennifer Well's fantastic pumpkin chili came in in second place, but it was last year's winner, Carl Navarro, who once again claimed the title of Chili Cooking Champion for his second year in a row!

Will anyone be brave enough to challenge Crazy Carl and take his title? I guess we will have to wait until next year's Harvest Festival to find out.



left to right: Pastor Christine Burns, Carl Navarro, Jennifer Wells

## Crazy Carl's Chili Again (2022)

The test is how short you can cook this and get good flavor. Last year's recipe with only chili powder and some heat in the tomatoes.

- 2 lbs. Hamburger (and ½ lb. sausage)
- 1 red pepper, diced
- 1 green pepper, diced
- 3 celery stalks, diced
- 2 cloves garlic (or more), chopped

- 2 cans (15oz.) light red kidney beans
  - 2 can (15oz.) pinto beans
  - 32 oz. Rotel Tomatoes (I used home canned)
  - 6 oz. tomato paste
  - 1 can diced tomatoes w/green chilies
  - 4 Tbsp. chili powder
  - 1 tsp. cumin
  - 1 Tbsp. brown sugar
  - 1 tsp. paprika
  - 1 Tbsp. dried oregano
  - 2 Tbsp. Worcestershire
  - 1 tsp. black pepper
  - 1 Tbsp. salt (or to taste)
  - ¼ tsp. cayenne pepper optional
  - ½ tsp. red pepper flakes optional (some flavor, pepperoni or bacon)
- Brown meat and add vegetables while the meat is browning.
- Put the rest of the ingredients in a large stock pot. Simmer on stove or put in Crock Pot and cook for an hour or 4-6 hours in slow cooker.

Add your favorite toppings (cheese, sour cream, onions, crackers)



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# A HISTORY OF HISTORY, ARTIFACTS RETELL THE STORY OF THE ADENA MOUNDBUILDERS

By: Celeste Cohen, Chris Johnson, Michelle Polak, and Amelia Saffold

During the nineteenth century the Adena mounds of Fredericktown and the surrounding region drew attention to incoming settlers. The mounds themselves prompted curiosity with regard to Ohio's ancient past while also creating an opportunity for treasure hunters to build wealth. Into the twentieth century settlers building on the land, hobby anthropologists, and later academic researchers thought little of satiating their wonder by digging up the mounds. There are few archaeological records of what diggers and treasure seekers removed from excavated mounds.

For some, like the Rowley Mound located just south of Mound Street West, intentional demolition contributed to this lack of information. The owners of the Rowley Mound partially excavated the substantial mound in 1892 for fill dirt. In the process Mr. Rowley unearthed two skulls whose whereabouts are now unknown. Rowley also found a stone gorget (an elongated ovular, rectangular, or circular polished decorative stone piece worn around the neck or chest) at the mound. Rowley left little other details of his findings. Fifty years later, when a Columbus college surveyed the mound they found a variety of artifacts that again went unspecified. Although they

similarly left little information in support of their findings, this group concluded the mound was a ceremonial mound, as opposed to a burial mound. We do not know when the skulls or the stone gorget or the unspecified artifacts are from, therefore we cannot conclude that the Adena put them inside the mound. However, the skulls do suggest that some people at some point in time used the mound for burial. The stone gorget could have been a part of the burial, a beloved possession buried with its owner, but the Adena or another group could also have dropped or buried it during some sort of ceremony, having nothing to do with burial.

In the 1800s, some unknown people excavated the Hopewell Eagle Mound at the Newark Earthworks and found burned bones with a stone altar, suggesting that it perhaps could have been a crematory basin, but we do not know if the bones are animal or human. We do have the ability to know, however, if someone simply were to test them. In 1928, researchers determined that the Hopewell built the mound over some sort of structure. Some believe that the Hopewell did this to commemorate a specific site or event. However, structures have been found in other mounds along with full skeletons and other burial materials, albeit

rather far from the Newark Earthworks. In a newspaper clipping from the late 1800s in the scrapbook of an Ely Samuel Parker, a farmer attempted to mow down a mound in Nacoochee Valley, Georgia and accidentally found a walled burial site with a skeleton, conch shells, pipes, and copper arrowheads. Unfortunately, carbon dating had not yet been invented, so we don't know when this person was buried; however, it is similar to the Eagle Mound in that it had a structure inside of it along with potential burial materials. In any case, these artifacts suggest some sort of ceremonial purpose. Since there are so many mounds across the eastern U.S. that have evidence of burials, it is not unreasonable to theorize that the Adena built at least some of the Fredericktown mounds for burial purposes.

Applied Archaeological Services (AAS) workers rediscovered another mound on the eastern side of Pinkley Road in Fredericktown during a field investigation for a construction project and think it to be one of the mounds mapped in the 1914 Archaeological Atlas of Ohio by William C. Mills. The fieldwork report states that the owners of the property once found "evidence of a burial" along with artifacts from the Early Woodland period but again Mills included little

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That's hard to do amid the misinformation and disinformation we're bombarded with.

And that's a big problem for us citizens of a democracy of which we exercise our ownership with our votes — which are only as valid as the quality of the information we base them on. If we are misinformed (which can be unintentional) or disinformed (which is on purpose), we have been disenfranchised. We have lost our vote; we didn't vote for what we thought we did.

We may disagree on what or whom we vote for, and we may even disagree on what we think is true. But surely we can all agree that the truth is important and that it's important for us to seek it — especially as citizens of a free society. That's what journalists do, and that's what the Main Street Free Press Museum stands for. The revered journalist Carl Bernstein says our job as journalists is to seek “the best obtainable version of the truth.”

Fredericktown's own revered journalist was Rarick W. Long, who published the village's weekly newspaper for 35 years and co-founded the Museum in the building in which he did so, along with his daughter, Rebecca, and his sons, Harlan and me. Dad asked that this be carved on his tombstone, which it is: “He told it like it was.” My sister and brother and I pray that we may all do just that.

The mission of the Museum in the coming year will be to explore ways that we citizens can find ways to help the truth shine through the clouds of misinformation and disinformation.

John C. Long, Director, Main Street Free Press Museum

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## Our Schedule for 2023

January, February & March – Museum hibernating for winter	<b>Tomato Show — September 6-9</b>
Sunday, April 16, Open 2-4 p.m.	Wednesday, Open 6-9 p.m.
Sunday, May 21, Open 2-4 p.m.	Thursday, Open 6-7 & 8:30-10 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday, June 24 & 25, Open 2-4 p.m. (Fredericktown High School Alumni weekend)	Thursday, 7:15-8:15 — Program: “What to Do About Disinformation”
July — Open during Christmas in July Walk	Friday, Open 6-9 p.m.
August — Museum on vacation	Saturday, Open 2-9 p.m.
	Sunday, October 8, Open 2-4 p.m.
	Sunday, November 12, Open 2-4 p.m.
	December — Open during Christmas Walk

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The Museum welcomes visits by school classes K through college and other groups. To schedule or for any other information about the Museum, call, text or email John Long, Museum director, at 917-693-7664 or John.Long.FHS@gmail.com.

# FREDERICKTOWN EMS EARNS STAR OF LIFE AWARD

By: Rick Lanuzza - EMS Chief

On June 08, 2021, at approximately 16:17 hours, during a sudden lightning & heavy rainstorm, members of Fredericktown EMS heard a frantic cry for help over radio channel 42EMS, the Knox County EMS operational channel, stating someone had been struck by lightning. Paramedics Michael Holley & Bernie Douglas recognized the run was close to our jurisdiction. Michael and Bernie self-dispatched to the call. Once enroute, Knox County 911 confirmed the call was within our jurisdiction. Once the EMS crew verified the location on the map, they realized the frantic voice was a member of the Fredericktown Community Fire District. Additional members of Fredericktown EMS self-dispatched, as well as some members of the Fire District.

When members arrived on the scene, they found Fredericktown Firefighter Dalton Canter performing CPR on his father, Lew Canter. Lew is a heavy diesel truck mechanic by trade. Lew was beginning work on a truck when he was struck by lightning, causing cardiac arrest. Dalton was performing CPR on his father, in pouring rain, during a lightning storm, adjacent to a large metal structure.



Left to right: Dalton Cantor, Lew Cantor

Members worked to move Lew to a somewhat safer location inside the structure, still having to perform BLS procedures on a wet person, on wet concrete, in the opening of the metal structure. A mechanical CPR device (LUCAS II) was placed on Lew while he was secured to the cot, defibrillated (shocked with heart monitor), and placed into the medic.

While en-route to Knox Community Hospital, with more defibrillations and administration of ACLS medications/procedures, Lew regained a pulse!

At the hospital, Lew was met by ER staff, and was stabilized and transferred to a Columbus hospital by Med Flight ground

unit. Once transferred to Columbus, Lew remained in critical condition. Once stabilized, Lew began the process of healing.

While in Columbus, physicians wanted to place a defibrillator due to an unexplained cardiac event, Lew declined, and he proceeded to tell the doctor why he had a cardiac event, and that reason was due to being struck by lightning. Lew has a strong memory of the powerful electric current going through his body and he said it felt like his body wanted to explode.

Lew had zero signs of physical trauma on his body that anyone could find initially. After being home, Lew began to lose some hair on his head, after some doctor appointments, it was concluded that he most likely was struck by lightning on his head, thus killing hair follicles and leaving a bald spot, a permanent reminder of that life changing day.

Many EMS providers work an entire career without a "meaningful save", while EMS would like to take the credit for Lew still being here, credit must, first and foremost



Front, left to right: Michael Holley, Lew Canter, Heather Canter, Bernie Douglas.

Back, left to right: Jason Whaley, Rick Lanuzza, Ronny Flynn pose with The EMS Star of Life Award

go to his son Dalton, who performed CPR on his father, who laid there lifeless and dead, and then to the hard-working men and women, from EMS to hospital staff who spent so much time caring for Lew on that day and subsequent days.

Most people go their whole lives wondering why God put them on this earth.... 8 June 2021, Dalton Canter got his answer!

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# FREDERICKTOWN VILLAGE REPORT

By: Bruce Snell - Village Administrator

“Most local residents have noticed by now that the High Street Water Tower recently took on a new and improved look. The Knox County Commissioners partnered with Village Council, using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding, to give the 97,000-gallon structure a much-needed facelift. This local 189’ tall landmark is said to have been constructed around 1915 and it has been several colors over the past century. The tower was last painted in the 1990s and the tower was beginning to rust at a progressively faster rate.

Over the past decade, Village Council had been facing a difficult decision as to whether the century-old structure should undergo a full rehab, or whether the structure should just be demolished. Neither option would be inexpensive by any means, but one could make a valid argument for either option. However, spending monies from the Village’s Water Fund would have almost certainly forced another water rate increase, which is the last thing Council

would want to impose on the community. Thus, when the opportunity presented itself to perform this crucial rehab work on this aging structure without tapping into the Water Fund or any other local funds, Council immediately moved forward on this endeavor.

The rehab work included safety modifications throughout the tower and tank, making it safer to maintain the structure in the future. Secondly, the tower was sandblasted from top to bottom, removing several coats of paint, primer, and some rust. Finally, the tower was coated entirely with a new coat of primer and three coats of paint. In keeping with the local Fredericktown Freddie Spirit, the structure is now gray with a scarlet block-letter “F” on the west side of the tank, facing the State Route 13 bypass. The High Street Water Tower will not likely need any additional rehab work for several decades.

In addition to the Water Tower Rehab, the Knox County Commissioners also partnered



with Village Council earlier this year in completing the Ohio EPA mandated Sewer Separation Project, using additional ARPA funding. This was roughly a \$645,000 project focused on capturing storm-water before it gets into the Village’s sanitary sewer system and ultimately delivering that storm-water to the Kokosing River, as opposed to the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Completing these two projects this year was only made possible through the generosity of the Knox County Commissioners.

Village Council also partnered with the Public Library of Mount Vernon and Knox County Board of Directors in providing the Fredericktown Community Library with a facelift of its own. The library, located on Burgett Drive in Fredericktown, was built in 1994, using primarily volunteer labor and donated materials. This was a community-wide project, spear-headed by Bill and Shirley Burgett. The Village owns and maintains the facility itself and the Library Board of Directors is fully responsible for all operations (including staffing, programs and contents) of the library.

In 2019, the Library Board partnered with Village Council in replacing the twenty-five-year-old heating and cooling system in the Fredericktown Community Library. But the work did not stop there. This past summer, the Library Board and Village Council once again partnered in repaving the original parking lot at the library. Most recently, the Library Board and Village Council partnered on replacing the twenty-eight-year-old shingle roof on the library. Completing these three substantial improvements in four years would not have been possible without this intergovernmental partnership.

Ultimately, the community is the biggest beneficiary when local governing agencies can pool their resources and partner on such public improvements as we have done on the High Street Water Tower, the Sewer Separation Project, and on the Fredericktown Community Library.

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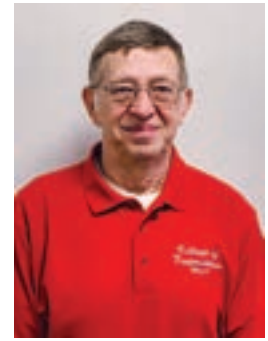
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(WHO), Rotary International, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF), and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation – to work toward this goal. GPEI partners have invested approximately eighteen billion, one hundred million dollars globally in eradicating the disease.

Julie Cochran Rogers, a Fredericktown native contracted polio at age fifteen in 1955. The disease left her with leg paralysis after spending a year in an entire “body lung.” She graduated from Fredericktown High School, earning matriculation to The Ohio State University in 1968. Despite her admission, OSU did not have the resources to accommodate her journey to study her desired major, Speech Pathology. Even eleven years after the arrival of the Salk and Sabin vaccines in 1966, OSU did not have the handicap facilities required to accommodate students like Rogers. Nevertheless, she persisted and became one of the first students to attend OSU in a wheelchair, graduating in 1974. Rogers would campaign for disabled students’ access to critical accommodations across Ohio.

Roger’s story highlights the limits of federal and state post-epidemic efforts. Many advocacy and support groups stepped up in this void, namely precursor groups that would later unite

to become the Ohio Polio Network (OPN). Most Americans saw the influence fade in 1955, when the Salk and Sabin vaccines put an end to the annual summer nightmare of polio epidemics. Through challenging and lengthy therapy many thought polio patients could achieve maximum function and maintain a level of recovery that would be permanent. However, many survivors reported their bodies changing and their quality of life is suffering as a result. The most commonly cited symptoms are increased fatigue, muscle weakness and soreness, breathing difficulties, and cold intolerance. These issues can vary from simply being annoying to downright disabling.

Several local post-polio support groups in Ohio began meeting in 1987 to share program ideas, membership procedures, and fund-raising strategies. These groups quickly discovered that together they could hold state-wide events with greater ease and efficiency. On September 1, 1993, the OPN became an independent organization. Today, the OPN’s activities include assisting local support groups, promoting research into the effects of post-polio myelitis, collecting and disseminating information, educating individuals and concerned professionals, providing a newsletter to members, organizing and supporting state conferences, assisting with referrals to

knowledgeable professionals, and soliciting funds to carry out these services.

Several strategies were essential to prevent the spread of polio and to maintain its eradication. One method ensured strong routine immunization rates, precisely above eighty percent among infants and young children. This included at least three doses of oral poliovirus vaccine (OPV), as this was vital to creating and maintaining herd immunity. Additionally, mass immunization campaigns through National Immunization Day campaigns or supplementary immunization activities (SIAs) were aimed to complement rather than replace routine immunization (Polio Global Eradication Initiative). Furthermore, higher poliovirus oversight and medical lab capacity to track new cases and virus mutations proved beneficial in limiting the spread and severity of the terminal disease. In addition, targeted campaigns (“mop-up” campaigns) were initiated to react to outbreaks in specific regions where polio had been confirmed or suspected of spreading among residents. These interventions were indispensable to combating the continuation of the polio epidemic. 🍎

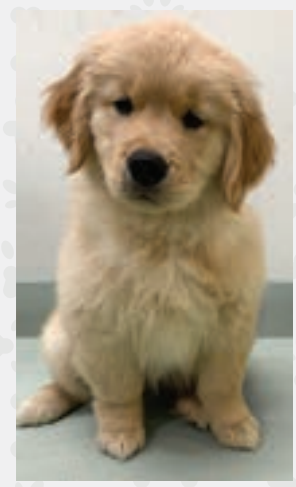


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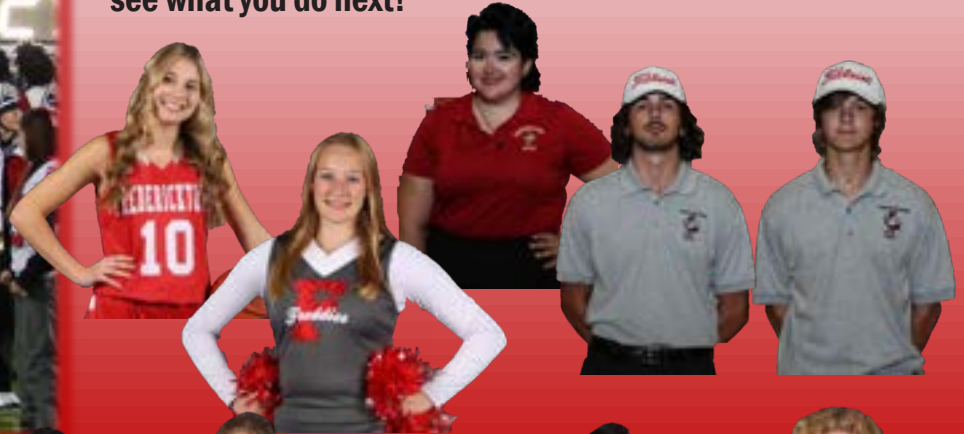
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Fredericktown 43019  
740-694-1326

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## Ruhl Cemetery

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[www.knoxheadstart.org](http://www.knoxheadstart.org)

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Fredericktown 43019  
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20601 Old Mansfield Rd  
Bellville, OH 44813  
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[www.christfellowship20601@yahoo.com](http://www.christfellowship20601@yahoo.com)

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15598 McClelland Rd  
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740-694-2329  
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20 S. Chestnut St  
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# THE NEW “FRIDAY CAFÉ” AT FREDERICKTOWN FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

By: Pastor Christine Burns

It was a dream for the congregation and leaders of Fredericktown First to be able to reach out in new ways to the community; to bring others into the inclusive fellowship of God’s ministry and to find a way to re-purpose unused space to make it available for fellowship beyond our doors and windows. On September 23, 2022, at 11:30am, the Friday Café at Fredericktown Presbyterian served its first meal, open to the community with a free meal and space for joyful gathering. It was, however, a partnership that made this vision a reality.

As the first recipient of a Ministry Initiative Grant of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley, The Friday Café is now open to our community on the 2nd and 4th Fridays each month from October through May. AND the space will be available for people who wish to come, sit in front of our fireplace, read a book, or play cards. We are grateful to every member of the congregations of the presbytery for this opportunity. Please come to the Friday Café, meet us, and meet our community as we reach out in this new way.

The Friday Café at Fredericktown First is more than just a place to share a lunch meal twice a month. In search of a way to better use our space to help the community in which we work and play, a group from the congregation heard of a need for places to gather for our seniors and others. We had the space and certainly want to be a church for all people in Fredericktown. Underneath the sanctuary, in a space we used to call “The Underground”, there was a space available to be turned into a Café;

a hopeful place for those who would like to meet with friends. It is our hope for everyone to consider using the Friday Café for so much more. Do you have a card game that needs a place to be played? Perhaps you have a knitting club who needs a warm and welcoming place to busy hands and hearts. Or maybe you would like a place for a rousing game of Monopoly or Candyland, or Sorry! Is your child or grandchild in need of a place to have a small party? If it sounds like a possible venue, call 740-694-4751 for booking questions.

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Don’t be a stranger! Please join us on Sunday at 10 am for worship, or call (740)694-4751, or email [office@firstfredpres.com](mailto:office@firstfredpres.com) about other gathering times. Join us for adult Sunday school at 9:15am on Sunday. “Like” and follow us on Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/FirstFredPres430194> for special events. Visit our website at [www.firstfredpres.com/gather](http://www.firstfredpres.com/gather) to read more about our congregation, what we believe and our ministry. If you cannot attend in person, consider joining us live on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCa32P0-WS5Cghluf58yzjdQ> or go to the listen tab on our website to hear or view our sermons. And of course, don’t miss our Christmas Eve Candlelight service this year as we celebrate the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ. We gather here for God’s love. We experience it through one another. Come to worship. In communion, we invite all who seek to come to the Table. The Great Commandment is to love the Lord our God and to love one another.



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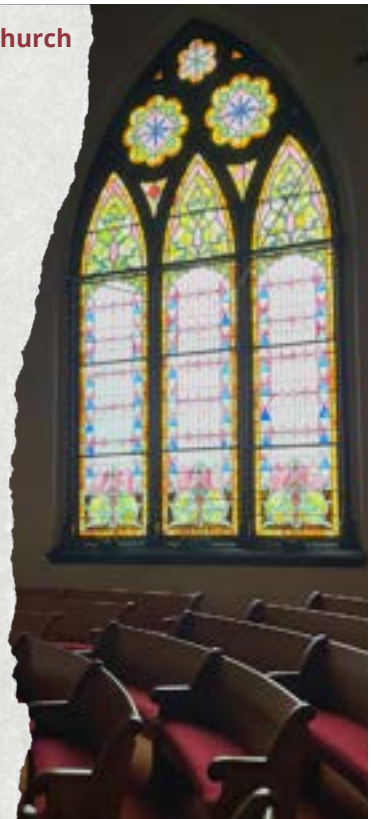
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attention to detail or critical examination. Other mounds have no recorded artifacts at all. We know that early Fredericktown townspeople removed mounds in the process of building the town, such as the mound that used to exist in what is now Fredericktown's town square.

A gravel mining company destroyed another mound catalogued as site 33-KN-327. Still others have damaged or removed mounds for agricultural purposes. Without careful removal, insights are simply unrecoverable to scholars.

It is also possible that grave robbing, or rather mound robbing, has resulted in less available artifacts. An 1897 report by Warren King Moorehead, an American archaeologist who worked for the Ohio History Connection, found a partially excavated mound in Glenford. Moorehead states that he found several knives and stone flakes scattered throughout it, but remarked that he and his team "could not learn if discoveries had been made." In other words, it was difficult to tell if the person or people who had previously dug up the mound had found anything. If they did, it certainly did not make it into the archaeological record, suggesting that these people may have robbed this mound. Without those artifacts, it is much, much harder to ascertain the purpose of the mound. Moorehead engaged in a type of robbery himself, taking Indigenous artifacts without Indigenous permission. Moorehead's writing suggests that he dug up some graves in Fredericktown before leaving with no

explanation of why or whose graves he disturbed and no mention of reburying what he dug up. Even in the pursuit of archaeological discovery, researchers like Moorehead malign Indigenous sites and cultures.

Examining the history of cataloged artifacts is an invaluable resource. The first documented Fredericktown mound was the Kandel Workers. Though technically an enclosure (that may have had an interior mound) on the southeastern outskirts of Fredericktown, a piece of heat-treated flint was found. Vanport Flint Ridge flint. Flint Ridge flint is a huge trademark of the Ohio region. The Adena's successors, the Hopewell, particularly favored Flint Ridge flint because of how colorful it was. Since it was so unique, it is a definite trademark of the region, and is featured in the culture of the area. Naturally, being so unique, even to those within the area, it is possible that it was a material that held religious or symbolic value: Flint Ridge flint did not come easily, and the Hopewell in particular often used it to make specific kinds of tiny blades called bladelets, which seem inefficient for such a material. Lastly, the mound that is Ghost Hill. According to a local newspaper article from July 26, 1921, two skulls were uncovered when excavating along the Fredericktown-Levering pike: one particularly "abnormally large," and in good condition, and another of presumably normal size, yet poor condition. In fact, many bones and parts were found. But most were quite literally collected to be discarded into a

single heap, never seen again. The two skulls, however, were exhibited in Mount Vernon soon after for an unspecified amount of time. What happened to the skulls after this point is unknown.

While some earlier investigators preserved artifacts or insights pertaining to their findings, others simply did not. For example, the Fredericktown Works. Sat at the intersection of Sandusky and Pleasant Street, a block east of the city square, where the churches and some homes now sit. No artifacts were mentioned in the process of leveling one of the largest mounds in the region. At all. Now, is there a chance the mound was empty? Yes. But equally the possibility exists that no attempt was made to categorize the artifacts. When possible, it is essential to keep mounds intact. After it was donated by Marjorie Lucille Stackhouse Price, the Stackhouse (Braddock) Mound, for example, was preserved. It remains undisturbed. As a result we have no clue as to what's inside: which is why this section started off with a general overview of what has been found in Adena mounds. It is not guaranteed that it is a burial mound, or a mound with artifacts, or perhaps a mound with anything at all. Though we are unable to time travel to reverse the disturbance of the mounds, we can be mindful moving forward and use new ground penetrating technology as a means of advancing our understanding of the Adena Moundbuilders.

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# DON SMITH - A FREDERICKTOWN FOOTBALL GREAT

By: John Wareham

One of the most-decorated football players from Fredericktown in the last 40 years was recognized again for his athletic prowess, this time on the college level.

Don Smith, a 1982 graduate of Fredericktown, was one of five Army West Point athletes inducted into the Army Sports Hall of Fame on Sept. 16, 2022. Smith, who was an offensive lineman in both high school and college, was inducted along with coach Ron Bazil, soccer player Randy Nelson, swimmer Peter Witteried, and wrestler Maurice Worthy.

The Fredericktown native was part of the stellar 1981 high school team that went 9-1 and is considered one of the best football squads in recent memory. During his senior year, he fielded football offers from several Div. I schools but waited for - and received - an appointment to West Point. He chose to go to there instead and accepted the five-year military commitment after school.

After the Black Knight team went 2-9 and lost to Navy in Smith's sophomore year, Coach Jim Young revamped the offense, changing from passing to the wishbone - which played into Smith's strengths as an offensive guard and also turned the team around.

The Army football program made a 180-degree turnaround in 1984, going 8-3-1 and getting revenge on Navy with a 28-11 win. The Black Knights even won a bowl game that year - their first-ever post-season appearance - defeating Michigan State 10-6 in the Cherry Bowl in Pontiac, Michigan.



Smith's senior season was even better and it got him the most recognition.

In 1985, Army went 9-3 and Smith was voted an All-American and named to the First Team- the first for the program since 1968. He was voted team captain, was the Corps Third Regimental Commander, was selected to play in the 1986 Hula Bowl in Hawaii and received a prestigious postgraduate scholarship and the Army Athletic Association award all in his senior year.

Voted onto the All-American team with the likes of Bo Jackson, Vinny Testaverde, Pepper Johnson and Rod Woodson among other future pro players, Smith feels fortunate.

"You can't be an All-American on an 0-10 team," Smith said. "To get recognition, your team has to win, otherwise, you're just kind of obscure. So, I was fortunate to be singled out. There is probably a dozen of my teammates worthy of that same honor."

In his final two years, the Black Knights went 17-6-1 and won their first two bowl games in program history.

"Really, it was the team. Had the team not done as good as it did and not have won nine games that year, I would have been in obscurity for the remainder of my life. It's all about the team"

Toward the end of his college playing days, he got interest from the NFL, but he knew he had a military commitment to fulfill and he did, serving 5 1/2 years in the Army that ended after his involvement in the first Gulf War in 1991.

Smith is still servicing fellow countrymen, working as the City Administrator in Eldon, Missouri - which is eerily similar to his former Freddie teammate and classmate Bruce Snell, who is the Village Administrator of Fredericktown.

He was also inducted in the Fredericktown Athletics Hall of Fame and has a plaque in the school administration building on Columbus Road.



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# THE BEST OF THE BEST

By Spence Hoeflich



As William Shakespeare wrote so aptly and eloquently, "Be not afraid of greatness. Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and others have greatness thrust upon them." We are all great in our own way, yet some stars will all always shine brightly. A beacon. One such person is Officer Rene Joris of the Fredericktown Police Department (FPD).

Officer Joris served 14 years as a Probation Officer for the Mount Vernon Municipal Court before successfully completing the Central Ohio Technical College Peace Officer Training Course. Upon graduation, his hard work paid off and Officer Joris joined the FPD June 2015.

It wasn't long before Officer Joris proved his bravery, devotion to duty, and strength of character. Only five months after being hired, Officer Joris was on patrol when he spotted a small fire inside a Fredericktown home. Uncertain of the cause, he quickly went to investigate only to discover that the home was, indeed, on fire.

Following protocol, the officer safely and calmly evacuated the residence and contacted the Fredericktown Fire Department. He then, with the help of the homeowner, began the dangerous task of extinguishing the flames, preventing further damage and the possibility that it could spread. They managed to get the fire out even before the rapid responding fire department arrived and Officer Joris received a commendation for his alertness and his calm, selfless response to a dangerous situation which could quickly have become deadly.

They say that lightning never strikes twice in the same place, but for Officer Joris this myth has been busted. On November 15, 2022, Officer Joris was honored once again for his exemplary

service and presented with the Ohio State Grange Police Officer of the Year Award. He was nominated for this prestigious award by former Ohio State Representative Margaret Ann Ruhl. It should be noted that Ruhl is a graduate of Fredericktown High School and was also recently honored for her extensive public service, being named State Granger of the year by Granger President Sue Roy on November 23, 2022.



Photo: Margaret Ann Ruhl presents Officer Joris with the Ohio State Grange Police Officer of the Year award.

When Grangers discovered criminals attempting to defraud the organization, it was officer Joris who got the case. It was an extremely difficult and lengthy investigation with many challenges, but in the end, Officer Joris solved the crime and saw justice served. Where many others may have failed or given up, he did not. He was diligent, professional, and relentless, determined to solve this crime. And he did!

When speaking with Fredericktown Chief of Police Tracey Myers, he told me that he is, "... very proud of his accomplishments, he works extremely hard every day and is out there doing his job with great professionalism." Chief Myers described Officer Joris as a "humble man, a good man."

Originally, the Grangers had planned to present Officer Joris with his award at a large venue in Columbus evidently believing the larger the venue the larger the honor. Fortunately, logistics called for a change in plan and the presentation was made at the Fredericktown Community Watch meeting by Ruhl. This couldn't have been a happier accident since Officer Joris told me, "I heard they had originally been planning a big event somewhere to present this award, but it meant more being honored here, in Fredericktown, especially at the watch with all the people I protect and rely on every day." The award was "...very surprising, caught me off guard," he said, adding "Very nice. Very touching." And very well deserved.

Officer Joris's message to the community is that it is their support, along with the leadership and good work environment Chief Myers fosters at FPD that, "just makes you want to go to work." He is always looking for ways to increase community involvement and to expand the Community Watch.

43019 thanks and congratulates Officer Joris, as well as the other brave and capable officers who patrol our streets.

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By: Sarah Auchard

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Driving down Main Street, it is easy to see that things are happening in Fredericktown. This year, the organization worked collaboratively with others to bring the "Business Matching Grant Program" to life resulting in 8 grant approvals and nearly \$271,000 being invested into façade improvements to our downtown. This program will breathe new life into the face of our community.

Additionally, the organization has offered several community-wide events throughout the year to bring people to Fredericktown. These family-friendly events have generated awareness of our local businesses and the community as a whole. The Fredericktown Farmer's Market brings fresh, local produce to our residents every Thursday from 4 PM until 7 PM beginning in June. On the third Thursday of each month, the square was filled with live entertainment, games for the kids, food, and customer appreciation sales offered at our local merchants. "The Fair on the Square" was a huge success with it's petting farm. Cotton candy, hot dogs and popcorn brought smiles to kids of all ages. In September, we proudly showcased our very own Fredericktown High School Marching Band at our tailgate party where you could also enjoy hot dogs and hamburgers hot off the grill.

We were also excited to bring the First Saturday Vendor's Market to the square each month from May until October. Vendors from Knox and surrounding counties came together to offer a shopping experience like no other with beautiful one-of-a-kind, handmade gifts, home decor, fashions and more. If shopping wasn't on your agenda, you could also enjoy karaoke on the square, a dunk tank and other fun-filled events.

The Fall Harvest Festival was a huge success this year, with baby goats, games, pumpkin painting, crafts and the chili cook-off.

2023 is just getting started, but the Fredericktown Community Development Foundation is excited to say that we have a full calendar of events planned again for the year. We are so fortunate to have such a supportive and generous community. As a public charity, we are grateful to those who have so generously donated their time and money toward continuing our mission of growth and prosperity in Fredericktown.

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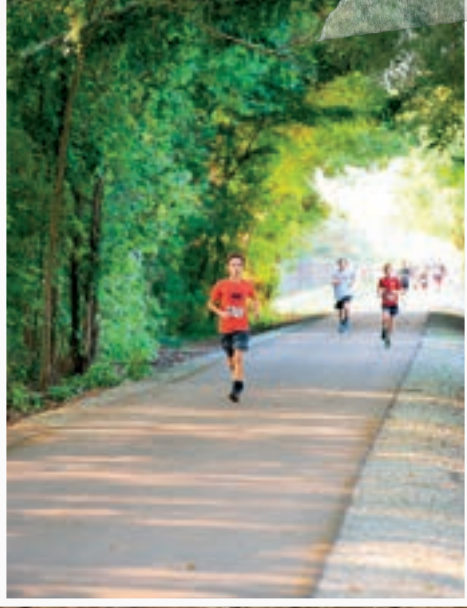
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