

The Canaan Collector

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Cemetery News

By Billie Pangborn

Some tombstones at South Canaan Cemetery were repaired by Jahn Monuments this summer.

Upcoming plans for the North Canaan Cemetery include stone for the driveways, cleaning of fencerows, installation of fences on the south and east boundaries, and new lot markers. The current markers were upgraded in the mid 1970's and are now very hard to find. The project is planned for completion next year. Trees on the driveway of Worden will also be trimmed.

Lost records of burials and lot ownership of what might be considered the "Pioneer" section of Worden Cemetery on CR 130 are currently being reconstructed using 1983 inscription records, health department records, and funeral home records. Over the years some of the old records and maps of burials have disappeared.

Road Report

By John Bayles

Road work for the 2008 season is now complete. Approximately 1.9 miles of various township roads have a new overlay of asphalt. Major areas of repair include TR74 between CR131 and CR69, TR62 from CR61 to CR59, TR 60 north of Rice Cemetery to CR59, and the northern section of TR73. Other minor areas were paved to prevent further crumbling of the surface.

This was only a moderate amount of work done compared to previous years. Two years ago, we could lay a load of asphalt for \$700. Today that same truck load is costing \$1130. We've made huge gains in the past years leveling and patching some of our poorer road beds. Let's hope that these escalating prices do not force us back to minimal road repair.

We are still in the process of mowing township right-of-ways. This should be finished by the end of October. Sometime between now and the end of the

year, the east ditch of TR64 will be deepened to allow the water to flow away from the road bed.

Canaan Township Website

Check out all the information on our *NEW* website: <http://www.cpmra.muohio.edu/townships/canaan/canaantwp.htm> . We also have an email address: canaantwp@redbird.net .

If you would like your copy of the newsletters emailed to you, please send an email to us, and we will gladly send it by email!

New Township Address

Please notice the new township address in the banner above. We now have a new secure and locked mailbox for the township office, and all official township correspondence should now be mailed to the new address.

The office also has a telephone and answering machine: 419-946-1408. Messages are checked daily.

FEMA Funds Received for March Snowstorm

When the snowstorm of March 7-9 hit this area, there were extra expenditures for snow removal for many government entities. When this area was declared a disaster area for that event, Canaan Township immediately filed for reimbursement for the snow removal costs incurred from the storm.

The federal government paid over \$1000 to Canaan Township to reimburse our funds for 75% of the costs incurred.

With the winter season just around the corner, let's hope we don't have any more surprises like the March blizzard.

PLEASE VOTE!!!!
ELECTION DAY IS NOV 4th!

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Election Day Etiquette?

Jennifer Brunner, Ohio Secretary of State, has sent the 2008 Ohio Issues Report, which includes information regarding the statewide issues for voters to determine on November 4th. This information can also be accessed on the web at www.sos.state.oh.us.

The county Board of Elections has sample ballots available at www.morrowcounty.info/boe/index.

Please inform yourselves of the candidates and issues before going to the polls to vote. It will speed up the voting process and may help make the wait to vote a shorter one for everyone.



New Fire Hydrants Installed

By Ed Sayers

To improve fire safety for township residents three new fire hydrants were purchased and have been installed by DelCo Water Company since last spring. The one pictured above is located on SR95 at the township office. The other two are located at the corners of TR135 & CR28 and TR66 & CR27. Cardington Township Trustees paid half of the cost

of the CR27 hydrant.

Building & Driveway Culvert Permits

Canaan Township does not issue zoning permits for building projects. Those can be obtained from the county zoning office in Mt. Gilead. Up to the end of July there had been 11 zoning office permits issued to Canaan Township residents for construction of homes, barns, and accessory buildings.

Canaan Township does, however, require a driveway/culvert permit for new driveways *on township roads only*. Before installation of your driveway on a township road contact the township office or one of the trustees to schedule an inspection of the site and completion of the free permit process.

Code Red Approved by Canaan Trustees

The Morrow County Firefighters and Squadsmen's Association recently presented a proposal for a new program for emergency notification of severe and incimate weather and various other events (emergency road closures, HazMat situations, boil alerts). The cost for the township would be approximately \$1000 per year, provided the other government entities of the county also sign up for the program.

The system uses your voluntarily registered telephone numbers to notify residents of severe weather and other emergencies in the area. With weather sirens costing over \$20,000 and able to reach a limited area, Code Red provides a much cheaper alternative to emergency and severe weather notifications. More information will be forthcoming after the first of the year.