

Wagoner County
COUNTY CLERK



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FROM THE CLERK

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Special points of Interest:

- Wellness
- Comm. Mtg.
- Oct 11, 2012
- *****
- Safety Award
- Information

Faith is different from theology because theology is reasoned, systematic, orderly, whereas faith is disorderly, intermittent, and full of surprises.



Wagoner County—Growing from Good" to Great"!

REMEMBER THAT MONDAY OCTOBER 8TH IS A HOLIDAY—COLUMBUS DAY

County Clerk Lori Hendricks would like to announce that her office has upgraded and added more information to the website, and in doing so, Sunshinereview.org has given our County a current rating of “A-”, up from an “F”, which we had prior to the County having a website!!!!

**REMINDER — EACH DEPARTMENT/OFFICE MUST PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION OF ATTENDED SAFETY TRAINING COMPLETED BY OCTOBER 14TH FOR EACH EMPLOYEE TO EMERGENCY MANAGER HEATH UNDERWOOD FOR VERIFICATION AND PROCESSING.
(Safety Training must have been held at least quarterly with a total of eight (8) hours of training to qualify)**

HEALTH

FAIR

Safety
Training

A MESSAGE FROM DYAN & KRISTI(HR).....

Please join us for the annual
WAGONER COUNTY HEALTH FAIR
OCTOBER 4TH, 2012 (8:30A.M.—12:00P.M.)

P.S.HUMAN RESOURCES REQUESTS THAT EACH EMPLOYEE FILL OUT A NEW W-4 FROM ANNUALLY SO THAT ALL INFORMATION IS CURRENT.



COUNTY CLERK SAFETY TRAINING

Just a reminder—The County Clerk Adm.offices and Land Records will be closed one day of every month from 8:00am—9:00am for safety classes beginning 02/06/13

**Next—02/06/13
Sexual
Harassment**

OCTOBER TRIVIA



- Daylight Savings Time ends every year at 2:00 A.M. local time on the last Sunday of October.
- The German Oktoberfest celebration (now held around the world) originally began on October 17, 1810, the wedding day of King Ludwig I.
- The Franciscan Order of the Catholic Church celebrates St. Francis Feast Day on Oct 4th.
- On October 18th, 1867, Alaska became an American territory.
- **October is:** Class Reunion Month, Frugal Fun Month, National Crime Prevention Month, Family Health Month, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, National Positive Attitude Month, National Cookie Month, National Seafood Month – National Dessert & Cookie Month – National Popcorn & Popcorn Poppin’ Month – National Pretzel Month – National Pork Month – National Stamp Collecting Month and National Chili Month.
- In October **1903**, the first game of the first baseball World Series was played between the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Boston Pilgrims. Cy Young was the first losing pitcher, in a world Series Baseball Game, but Boston did win the series.
- **In October 1962:** Johnny Carson became host of “The Tonight Show”.
- The Moon in the month of October is called “A Hunter’s Moon”.
- October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- The first Model T Ford was introduced by Henry Ford, on October 1, 1908.

TOO MANY RULES NOWDAYS!!!

There are just so many more rules nowadays. As I handed my 11-year-old a medicine bottle to open for me, I explained that when I was growing up we didn't have child-proof lids or warning labels. Both my parents smoked, including my mother while pregnant with me. I survived, I assured my kid -- who handed back the medicine bottle -- lid off. "All in the wrist, Mom," he said, "it's all in the wrist." But I clearly had his attention. Tell me more about what it was like back then, he urged, fascinated with what life was like growing up in Ancient Ann's World. Well, I never rode in a car seat as a baby, I told him. In fact, my mom held me on her lap, juggling me and a cigarette at the same time. She smoked filtered ones because they were more elegant, she once told me. Unfortunately, she later learned that lung cancer could be most inelegant. When I was a baby, my non-driving mother and I would ride the public bus to the store. The driver would get off and help her lift my stroller up and down the bus steps. You didn't need exact change or tokens because the bus driver, who smiled and tipped his hat at you, actually knew how to make change. "What?," said my son, pondering the concept of both riding public transportation and having a public servant who, well, actually served the public. I continued, knowing I would shock the child with this zinger: When I was learning to ride a bike, no one made me wear a helmet. Also, I was fed baby food with sugar in it so that when Mom licked the spoon, it would taste good; and when I was school-age, I ate

canned tuna more than once a week for lunch without a mention of mercury poisoning. Kool-Aid was the summer drink of choice in my youth and we always added red or green food coloring to our onion-soup-and-sour-cream dip. We made it blue once, but for some reason, we liked it red or green better. Mac-and-cheese was a meal that came in a box and you didn't microwave it because we didn't have microwaves. On nights that Dad worked late, we were allowed to eat our Swanson TV dinners on little TV trays in front of the TV. Speaking of which, I can recall only three stations that came in clearly on the TV -- assuming you taped the rabbit ears to stay at a precise angle. When someone wanted the TV volume turned up higher, they got up and moved the dial. "No remotes?" the little one was on the verge of disbelief now. "No remotes," I confirmed. "Also, our phones had dials not buttons and the receivers were attached to them so you couldn't walk and talk. You were chained by the phone and there was only one phone in the house. It was in the kitchen and hung on the wall." I ate a lot of peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for lunch, always served on Wonder Bread -- the white bread with a balloon in the package and so many preservatives that it never grew moldy. I suspect there is an intact loaf of Wonder Bread on a shelf in the Smithsonian. Salad didn't come pre-washed in a bag and now that I think of it, the only salad I recall involved a head of iceberg lettuce and tomatoes from my grandma's garden.

Too Many Rules.....continued.....

No dear son, we didn't have sushi. I read books checked out from the public library. My friends and I played tag in the street on summer nights. We caught fireflies in jars, careful to punch air holes in the tin lids using the same opener we used for our soda cans. No pop-up ring tops. As a teenager, I drank diet Tab. Whatever happen to Tab anyway? I climbed trees, played in corner lots that weren't littered with discarded beer bottles or dirty hypodermic needles and on more than one occasion, beat the summer heat when someone opened a fire hydrant. The fire department's response time was slow; we figured they were hot too and understood that only rich people had air conditioners and nobody in Newark N.J. had a private swimming pool -- the turf of Hollywood stars alone, surely. "Your mom let you do that?" the boy asked incredulously. It was probably my mom who opened the fire hydrant, I told him. He begged for more. When I tried

out for the twirling squad, nobody worried about my self-esteem. "You weren't good enough," the coach said, "practice more and come back next year." My son cast an eye in the direction of his trophy cabinet, one for every soccer, baseball, basketball, flag football and lacrosse team that he and his sister ever signed up for. I just kept talking. Mom was the only dishwasher we had in the house. For her birthday, my Dad got her a new vacuum cleaner and she was pleased. We drove an hour down the shore on family vacations and brought most of our groceries with us. As a teenager, I poured baby oil all over my body when we went to the beach because we believed that once you fried your skin crisp and it all peeled off, what would be left was a deep dark tan. "Why did you do so many dumb things?" the boy asked. "Because we didn't know any better," I answered, taking away the iPod in his hand and replacing it with a book!.....(article by "Ancient Ann")



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CALENDAR



- Oct 01 Comm Mtg
- Oct 09 Comm Mtg
- Oct 15 Comm Mtg
- Oct 22 Comm Mtg
- Oct 29 Comm Mtg
- Oct 10 Excise Board Mtg
- Oct 30 Excise Board Mtg

OCT 11TH WELLNESS COMMITTEE MEETING

(At 9:00a.m. in Courtroom #3)



*A MESSAGE FROM CHAR.....
PLEASE ENJOY THIS OCT ISSUE!
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO
CONTRIBUTE TO THE
NOVEMBER ISSUE,
PLEASE LET ME
KNOW.....CHAR*

MISSION A MATTER OF RIGHT

"A popular Government, without popular information, or the means of acquiring it, is but a Prologue to a Farce or a Tragedy; or perhaps both. Knowledge will forever govern ignorance: And a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives."

- James Madison