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# CAC NEWSLETTER

COMMUNITY ACTION OF PIKE COUNTY, INC.



## CAC News

### Community Action Committee of Pike County, Inc.

This newsletter is published once per month. If you have any items you would like included in the next newsletter, please submit them in writing by August 27th by 4:00 pm to Pam Lawhorn or Lori Watson. If you have any questions, please call the front office at 289-2371.



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# CRAYOLA CRAYONS FACTS AND TRIVIA

\*The first box of crayons were produced in 1903 sold for \$.05 and contained 8 colors: Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Violet, Brown, and Black.

\*For 45 years the color mix and the color names remained unchanged. In 1949 the choices increased to 48 colors.

\*1958 the 1st name change came with Prussia Blue changed to Midnight Blue and they added 16 more colors.

\*For the first time 8 colors were retired in 1990.

\*Each year, Binney & Smith produces 3 billion crayons.

\*The average child in the USA will wear down 730 crayons by his/her 10th Birthday.

\*Kids, ages 2-8, spend an average of 28 minutes each day coloring. Combined, children in the US spend 6.3 billion hours coloring annually, almost 10,000 human lifetimes!

# August Events

## July 29-August 4

Pike County Fair

## August 6-11

Scioto County Fair

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Ross County Fair

## August 27

1st Day of school for Piketon and Waverly

## August 28

1st Day of School for Eastern and Western

# August Birthdays

Michelle Mustard August 2nd  
 Allen Jones August 3rd  
 Kathy Way August 3rd  
 Chris McKinley August 6th  
 Katherine Reed August 6th  
 Carrie Pitts August 7th  
 Rebecca Bolt August 9th  
 Rebecca Adkins August 11th  
 Lisa Pfeifer August 11th  
 Richard Brushart August 12th



Tracy Acord August 17th  
 Susan Jenkins August 19th  
 Jewell Rivers August 20th  
 Richard Smith August 20th  
 Angela Donahue August 21st  
 Sherri Throckmorton August 21st  
 Lisa Montgomery August 23rd  
 Vela Hannah August 24th  
 Shelly Lansing August 25th  
 Sandra Osborne August 25th  
 Gail Stevens August 27th

## New Employees

RICHARD BRUSHART  
 GUARDIAN

RICHARD A. SMITH  
 TRANSPORTATION

JESSICA BROUGHTON  
 FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS

## August CAC Events

August 14th Senior Staff Meeting

August 23rd Governing Board

August Management Meetings will be determined at a later date

# Summer Cooling Program Ending Soon



The 2007 Summer Cooling Program will be ending on Friday, August 31st. If any employee is interested in applying for the Cooling Program make sure you get a copy of the required information from the Front Desk or Social Services. You can also call the Front Desk and they can connect you to the HEAP information line for those who cannot make it to the agency. Appointments should be made because there is a limited amount of walk-in slots on the schedule.

# OACAA Recognizes Three from CAC of Pike County



The Ohio Association of Community Action Agencies recently held their annual summer conference in Dayton this past June and they recognized three of our own during the conference. Receiving awards were Barb Tackett, for 20 years of service, Toni Graves, for 30 years of service, and Pam Mustard, for her work as an Internal Consultant for OCATO. Congratulations to all three ladies on their hard work and dedication to the organization.



# Saving Tips for Parents For Back-To-School Shopping

- Take inventory of what you need and what you already have. Most schools provide supply lists in June. Call your school to request one.
- Stores begin advertising school supply sales in late July. Ask your child to collect the ads and circle the items needed. Remember to stress what they need, not what they want.
- Help your child compare prices among the different stores and decide which provide the best deals.
- Then check for the same supplies online ([staples.com](http://staples.com), [officemax.com](http://officemax.com)). If you plan ahead and leave time for shipping, you might save even more money.
- Begin keeping a checklist of each item and the expected cost. Have your children brush up on their math skills by totaling all prices. Then ask them to check their accuracy with a calculator.
- If your children insist on buying more expensive items, suggest they save their allowance to make the purchase on their own. Help them figure out how many weeks it will take to save the amount needed.
- Sometimes children only need to begin school with a few supplies because the rest won't be necessary until later. If so, wait to buy some of the supplies until mid-September when many stores put them on clearance.
- On the day you purchase school supplies, give each child the cash amount you both agreed upon and have them add up the cost each time they put an item in their shopping cart. If they are older and have a part-time job, or receive an allowance, you might ask them to for all or some of the supplies. This is especially helpful when they want something not on the list. This will help them to learn that their money should be spent on what they need, not what they want.
- To save on the costs of items such as instrument rental and athletic equipment, ask friends, neighbors, and parents of your children's friends if they have any instruments or equipment their older children no longer use. Also, when renting an instrument, don't forget to check with the mom-and-pop music stores in your area.
- The most important tip for back-to-school shopping is to stick to the budget. Bring only as much cash as you need. Shopping with a budget is a challenge, but with careful planning, parents can teach their children several money management strategies and have fun working together toward a common goal.

Source: Huntington National Bank

## August Festivals in Ohio

Carey Fest

Carey, Ohio August 3-4

The Baltimore Festival Canal Lock Day

Baltimore, Ohio August 8-11

Ohio Valley Antique Machinery Show

Georgetown, Ohio August 9-12

North Ridgeville Corn Festival

North Ridgeville, Ohio August 10-12

Tuscarawas County Italian-American Festival

Dover, Ohio August 10-12

The Parade of the Hills

Nelsonville, Ohio August 15-18

Pemberville Free Fair

Pemberville, Ohio August 15-18

Bucyrus Bratwurst Festival

Bucyrus, Ohio August 16-18

Ohio Tobacco Festival

Ripley, Ohio August 23-26

Sweet Corn Festival

Millersport, Ohio August 29-September 1

Portsmouth River Days

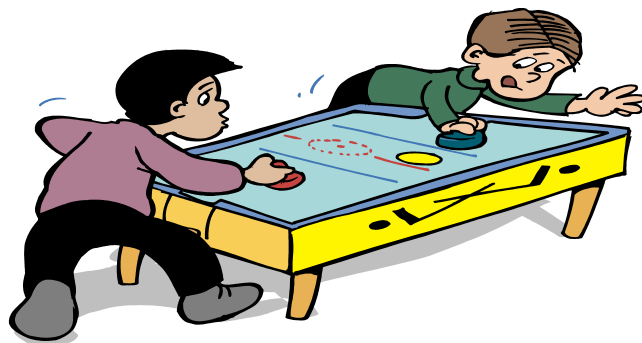
Portsmouth, Ohio August 30-September 2

West Jefferson Annual Ox Roast

West Jefferson, Ohio August 31-September 3

# FOR SALE

Fairly new Air-Hockey table only 2 years old and barely used asking \$200.00. Call Pam Mustard at (740)947-8937 for more information.



# FOR SALE

1999 4x4 Chevy Tahoe, 350 engine, loaded, new tires, brakes, rotors, belts, starter alternator, starter, battery, and water pump. It is in excellent condition with only 102,000 and asking \$6,000. For more information contact Tracy at 740-634-2159.

## The 3-1-1 For Carry-Ons

With guidelines changing what seems like every week with what you can and cannot bring on the airplane here is something to help you out for your next flight.

3 ounces or smaller containers of liquid or gel. More than 3 ounces permitted in checked package

1 quart size clear plastic, zip top bag holding 3 ounces or smaller containers

1 bag per traveler placed in the security bin

- Be prepared-each time TSA searches a carry-on it slows down the line; Practicing 3-1-1 will ensure a faster and easier checkpoint experience.
  - 3-1-1 is short trips. If in doubt, put your liquids in checked luggage.
- Declare larger liquids-Prescription medications, baby formula, juice and milk (when traveling with an infant or toddler) are allowed in reasonable quantities exceeding three ounces and are not required to be in the zip-top bag. Declare these items for inspection at the checkpoint.
  - Come early and be patient.

For information about TSA, or about prohibited items and wait times log on to their website at [www.tsa.gov](http://www.tsa.gov). This website will give you a lot of information for any kind a travel from highways, cruises, trains, and planes.



**Here is a “Thank You” letter The Guardian Company received from a grandmother of one of our clients from the Emergency Home/Heating Unit Repair Program.**

May 29, 2007

To Whom it may concern:

Recently the Community Action Committee approved my grandson’s application for some home improvement projects on his mobile home. The work was actually done under the Emergency Home/Heating Unit Repair Program.

I would like to take this time to say thank you from the bottom of my heart for the time and money spent on my grandson’s and his family’s behalf.

The gentleman that arrived at their home to actually do the work were two of the most industrious, polite, and professional people I have seen in a long time. They worked through the heat of the days and under some of the dirtiest circumstances possible. They never uttered a complaint nor said an unkind word of any kind.

Again, I want to thank any and all who had anything to do with this project. It is so good to find at least a little bit of help “out there” for the families that are trying to help themselves. Jonathan works very hard at his employment but there are just never seems to be much money left over for any extras. Your help not only bettered their living conditions but gave their faith in mankind a shot in the arm too.

THANK YOU!

Respectfully,

Mrs. C. Paulette McDowell

Grandmother

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