



“Be thankful for what you have and you’ll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don’t have, you will never, ever have enough!!”

*Oprah Winfrey*

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**HAPPY BELATED 97th BIRTHDAY To RUTH FUSON!!**

**March 26, 1925**

**COMING SOON!**

*the Cup and the Cone*

4972 Pearl Street / Amo, IN 46103

Open @ 5 a.m. to serve:

Specialty Coffee Drinks, Breakfast Sandwiches and Fresh Baked Pastries

Soft Serve Ice Cream Treats & Frozen Drinks

will be offered throughout the day and evening

Stay tuned for the Opening Day Announcement

**AMO FIRE DEPARTMENT & CASCADE YOUTH LEAGUE**

**FISH FRY**

**June 9, 10, 11, 2022**

**Amo Shelter**

**THE TOWN OF AMO IS HIRING: *HANDY MAN / MAINTENANCE***

Those interested in applying for this position should send a resume to the Town of Amo, P.O. Box 15, Amo, IN 46103 by Friday, April 22, 2022. Applicants must be a resident of the Town of Amo. Starting Pay is \$12.00/hr. based upon experience.

Basic job responsibilities include:

Following a regular MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE for Town buildings.

MOWING town property. Town mower provided.

STREETS:

- Keep patch at the town garage for potholes and keep potholes patched as needed.
- Inform Board of any road problems larger than a patch fix.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Assist Town Marshal with Annual Cleanup Day.
- Maintain lighting fixtures and structure repair for Town of Amo buildings.
- Miscellaneous duties as assigned.

Full Job Description available upon request.



### The Town of Amo Extends Its Sympathy & Prayers To The Family Of: Wes Parrish

"Wesley Parrish, a beloved resident of Amo, Indiana and member of the Amo United Methodist Church was called home the evening of February 9, 2022. He will be greeted at the pearly gates by his brother Joe, his father Wesley, and his mother Mildred. Wes was raised in Otisco, Indiana where he graduated from Charlestown High School. He fell in love with a Scottsburg, Indiana girl, Robin (Chasteen), whom he married and loved for 44 years. In their humble beginnings they often ate the game he harvested from the nearby woods. He laughed telling the story how Robin would cry while he skinned a squirrel that had been shot, which eventually led to him adapting a taste for store bought meat. Robin blessed him with two daughters he loved dearly. His first-born Melissa (Missy) and his youngest daughter Tonya. Wes moved his family north in 1986 and made their home in Amo. He was a hardworking man that in his career delivered several million gallons of propane, often in freezing conditions, to keep his neighbors' homes warm. He worked more hours in 3 days than most people today work in a week while still never missing one of his daughters' events. He volunteered his time to the youth league in Amo where he coached his girls in softball and became the President of the league. Wes loved to tinker in his garage where he spent hours making his girls furniture and other gifts from wood. Each piece carefully assembled with all the love he had and is no doubt helping Christ prepare a place for us as promised in the Bible. After moving north, Wes became a motorcycle enthusiast and bragged he could ride all 12 months in the Indiana weather....as the lakes 'up north' did not compare with skiing on the Ohio River. Wes and Robin took countless trips crisscrossing the roads from South Dakota to the Blue Ridge Mountains and back. He cherished the time they spent together on those bikes and spent hours cleaning and waxing his 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Goldwing Robin bought him. He later found a love for off roading with his son-in-law Tom Whitaker. Each time he wrecked and before he even dusted himself off he would shout, "Don't tell Robin!" Wes' faith was deep and unwavering. Even when his health faded, he still studied the Word. I was struck by his love as he sang hymns in his living room chair, too weak to make it church. Wes is survived by his deeply devoted wife Robin who never left his side and tended to every single need he had from nutrition and exercise to unending reruns of the Andy Griffith Show. His two daughters Missy and Tonya (Tom) Whitaker, his sisters Michelle (Urb) Wagner and Yolinda (Phil) Keith, and grandchildren Eli, Olivia, Jacob Whitaker whom he babysat after retiring. You won't find him on the streets of gold, that's not his style. Wes will be riding the back roads of Heaven, patiently waiting for his wife to get on the back of the bike and his family to come home. Visitation will be from 2:00 to 5:00 pm on Sunday, February 13, 2022 in the Hampton-Gentry Funeral Home, Plainfield. Funeral services will be on Monday, February 14 at 11:00 am also in the funeral home. Burial will follow in Amo Cemetery." (Copied from Bousley Funeral Home Website)

As you read above, Wes was an integral part of our community and is dearly missed!



The Town of Amo also extends its Sympathy & Prayers to Lori Estes and family upon the passing of Lori's mother, *Linda Sue Clearwaters McIntire*. Linda went to Heaven on February 9, 2022. As evidenced by her picture, Linda always had the best smile and glistening eyes!

"Linda loved her family. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren were her pride and joy. Her beloved dogs will greatly miss her. Every year she planted in her garden and enjoyed watching things grow." (Copied from Bousley Funeral Home Website)



**CONTACT INFORMATION**  
 4704 Pearl Street, Amo, IN 46103  
 317.539.9255

**SCHOOL HOURS**

8:40 a.m. — Doors Open  
 8:50 a.m. — 1st Bell /Report to Class  
 9:00 a.m. — Tardy Bell  
 3:35 p.m. — Car Riders Dismissed  
 3:55 p.m. — Buses Dismissed

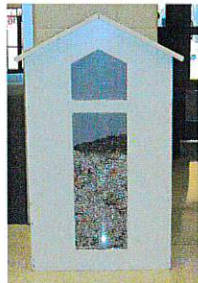


Thursday, May 9, 2022: *BEAUTIFY AMO*

Wednesday, May 25, 2022: *Last Student Day*

Recycle your Pop tabs!  
 Take them to the school.

**PLEASE NOTE:** *There are no longer paper recycle bins at the Mill Creek School Corporation buildings.*



The School Collects:  
 These labels are found on many products.  
 Save Yours!  
 Save time and go to [boxtopsforeducation.com](http://boxtopsforeducation.com) to find out how you can sign up for the mobile app!



**RAILS**

**RESTORE AMO INTERURBAN to LIBRARY SOCIETY**



**MISS LISA BROWN —**  
 Reading Room Attendant

**Reading Room Open Hours:**

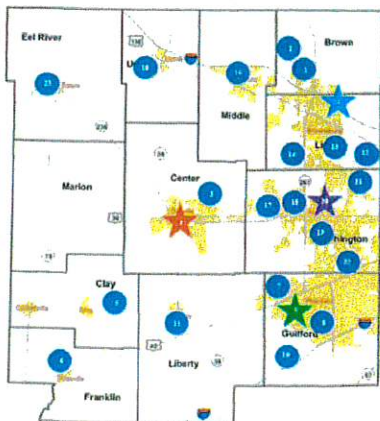
*Tuesdays & Thursdays: 6 — 8 p.m.*  
*Wednesdays: 10 a.m. — Noon*  
*First Saturday of Each Month: 10 a.m. — Noon*  
*Story Hour: Thursdays at 7:15 p.m.*

Check out our town's terrific reading room! All ages welcome! Reading Room Attendant, Miss Lisa Brown, has made the room quite comfortable and compatible for all ages! Great selection of books to choose from! These books are all bought and paid for or donated and belong to all the residents of Amo. Be proud as this is the only town library that we know of in the state.

Have a book you no longer want? Donate it to the Reading Room. Donate a book In Memory Of or In Honor Of someone.

Did you know that the Reading Room has books for sale? Check out the selections starting at 25 cents and up!

**2022 Election Day Vote Centers**



**★ EARLY & ELECTION DAY VOTING LOCATIONS**

1. Connection Pointe Christian Church
2. Parkside Bible Church
3. Hendricks County 4-H Fairgrounds
- ★ 4. Hendricks County Government Center
5. Amo Community Building
6. Stilesville Town Hall
7. Fraternal Order of Eagles Lodge 3207
8. Plainfield Guilford Twp Public Library
- ★ 9. Guilford Twp Community Center
10. Souls Harbor Assembly of God
11. Clayton Christian Church
12. Lucas Oil Raceway (Top Eliminator Club)
13. F.L. O'Neal Administration Center (Brownsburg Comm School Corp)
14. Hope Community Church
15. Pittsboro Christian Church
16. Lizton Lions Club
17. Avon American Legion (Post 145)
18. Avon United Methodist Church
19. Crossroads Church Avon
- ★ 20. Radiant Bible Church (Previously Harvest Bible Chapel)
21. Our Shepherd Lutheran Church & School
22. Plainfield Christian Church
- ★ 23. North Salem Christian Church
- ★ 24. The Well Community Church Community Center

**THE TRINITY CENTER**

*Storehouse Food Pantry,  
Community Chapel, Youth Center*

4794 Vine Street  
P.O. Box 75  
Amo, IN 46103



**Storehouse Food Pantry DONATION DAY:**  
Second Saturday of Every Month 10 a.m. to Noon.  
**CLIENTS SERVED:**  
Third Saturday Monthly 10 a.m. to Noon.

Monetary donations may be made by mailing your check to "The Storehouse Food Pantry" at PO Box 75, Amo, IN 46103. To support the TRINITY CENTER; Storehouse Food Pantry, Youth Center or Community Chapel, please contact Jeanne Bryant at 317.966.3812 or Pastor Shelly at 317.489.2988.

TRINITY CENTER BOARD: Jeanne Bryant — Director;  
Larry Bryant — Project Manager; Jean Ellen Travelsted — Treasurer; Dena Travelsted — Clerk; Dave Dumser — Board Member; Lynn Smedley — Board Member; Reverend Shelly Zook — Board Member

**GLEANERS FOOD BANK  
OF INDIANA'S MOBILE PANTRY**

Stilesville Christian Church  
8425 Morgan Street, Stilesville

First Wednesday **APRIL—SEPTEMBER**

4:00 — 6:00 p.m.

**2022**

April 6 / May 4 / June 1 / July 6 / August 3 / Sep 7

NO ID Required / Bring Your Own Bags/Box

**THANK YOU NOTE:**

"Thanks so much for the newsletter. You do a marvelous job, and I enjoy it. I have no idea who helps fund it—paper, postage, long distance calls, etc. The least I can do is furnish a few stamps. Keep up the good work." A book of stamps was included with this note. We are not including the name of the person who sent us this because we know they would want to remain anonymous. THANK YOU for the stamps and your positive feedback!

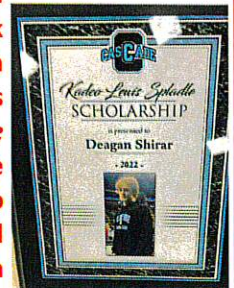
**THANK YOU TO:**

The Amo Fire Department for returning the beautiful light pole Christmas angels to their summer home! The angels add so much beauty to our town during the Christmas season, and the Fire Department is great about getting them hung and then taken down.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

*Gage Alexander*, grandson of Kevin & Rene Gay of Amo. Gage is a senior at Cascade High School and has played basketball for Mill Creek School Corporation since he was 11 years old. At the school's Awards Night, *Gage* received the following awards: All Conference, MVP, Academic All State Honorable Mention as well as making it in the 500 Point Club. In the fall of this year *Gage* will be attending IU and will study medicine. Well done, *Gage*!

*Deagan Shirar*, son of Lindsay Belford and Ben Shirar, and grandson of Mark & Susan Belford of Amo. Deagan is a senior at Cascade High School and was awarded the *Kadeo Lewis Spladle Scholarship* (the Spladle wrestling move at which Kadeo excelled). Kadeo, who was a wrestler at Cascade High School and Deagan's best friend, passed in April of 2021 of HLH, a rare form of leukemia. Kudos, *Deagan*!

**AMO-STILESVILLE REUNION DINNER!**

Mill Creek West Elementary, Amo / Saturday, June 4, 2022  
Registration: 4:30 - 5:30 pm / Dinner & Meeting: 5:30 - 8:00 pm  
Entertainment by Ginny Pugh Spillman

Amo is opening up the reunion this year to the Cascade Classes of 1965-1970. If you were in one of these classes, please send your mailing address/e-mail address/phone number/year attended Cascade to: David Whicker / dawhicker@gmail.com. Invitations will be sent out.

## KEEPING YOU IN THE LOOP

### TOWN OF AMO COMMUNITY BUILDING



5046 Sycamore  
Street Amo, IN  
46103

#### COMMUNITY BUILDING RESERVATIONS CONTACT

For scheduling the Community Building,  
please call Kelsey Freeman @ 317.734.6471.

#### BUILDING RENTAL RATES

Residents — \$25.00

Non-Resident — \$100.00

**PAYMENT:** Check payable to Town of Amo or Cash

*Rental Agreements must be signed and a 50% Deposit or full payment made prior to the rental date.*

**SCHOOL GROUNDS SHELTER:** To reserve the Shelter located on the school grounds, please call Fire Chief Dustin Strahl @ 317.442.5357

### TOWN OF AMO COMMUNICATION RESOURCES

*Town of Amo Newsletter is a quarterly publication.*

*Newsletter Deadlines for 2022:*

**JUL / AUG / SEP:** June 30, 2022

**OCT / NOV / DEC:** September 28, 2022

*If you have submissions for the Newsletter, please e-mail to Becky Rhea @ rarhea23@gmail.com or call her @ 317.281.8996. All submissions are at the discretion of the Amo Town Council and Communication Director.*



Keep up to date on Amo events by checking out our Facebook page.

Town of Amo, Indiana

<http://www.amoin.net>



### VANDALIA TRAIL — Please use the Trail!

We're looking forward to Spring on the Vandalia Trail, starting with Hendricks County Parks & Recreation re-opening the Amo and Coatesville trailhead restrooms and drinking fountains on April 1. In addition, the following activities are planned by Hendricks County Parks & Recreation, the Parks Foundation of Hendricks County, or Friends of the Vandalia Trail, all starting at the Amo trailhead.

#### Group Bike Rides:

1st, 3rd, 5th Tuesday each month, 6:30 PM,  
May-Sep, [www.nrht.org/vandalia](http://www.nrht.org/vandalia)

#### Decorated Bike Parade:

June 9, Thursday, 4:00 PM, see SUMMER 2022 EXPLORER, Page 6, at [hendrickscountyparks.org](http://hendrickscountyparks.org) for info.

#### Summer Fun Run/Walk:

July 6-12, visit [www.pfohc.org](http://www.pfohc.org) for info on the weekly summer series and to register.

For more details and for activities planned on other parts of the trail, please visit [www.nrht.org/vandalia](http://www.nrht.org/vandalia) and [hendrickscountyparks.org](http://hendrickscountyparks.org).

*Please enjoy the trails!*

Greg Midgley, National Road Heritage Trail, Inc.  
[www.nrht.org](http://www.nrht.org); [www.facebook.com/NRHTInc](https://www.facebook.com/NRHTInc)  
[greg@nrht.org](mailto:greg@nrht.org) / cell: 317-503-1101

### AMO JAM

#### HAS RESUMED

EVERY TUESDAY EVENING / 6:00—8:30 p.m.

Open Mic / Impromptu

Bring your own musical instrument or voice.

Can't play an instrument or sing?

Just come, sit back and listen!

Donations accepted, but not required,  
to help offset cost of building rental.

**NO food.**

For additional information,

Call Bob Rissot @ 317.742.7116

# KEEPING YOU IN THE LOOP

(Continued)

## TOWN CLEAN-UP DAY

*Saturday, May 14, 2022 / 9 AM — 4 PM*

We have an excellent opportunity to clean up our yards and the excess garage and house items we have been meaning to dispose of. A dumpster will be located near the Stop signs in Amo. **NOTE TO SENIORS:** If you need something transported to the dumpsters, please go to the dumpsters and ask for assistance. Let's work hard to keep our little town clean. The Town of Amo pays for the dumpsters so please remember this is for Amo residents only.

*The following are **NOT PERMITTED** in the dumpster:*

Hazardous waste, dirt, industrial waste, chemical products, oil filters, herbicides & pesticides, radioactive material, solvents, paint (except completely dried latex paint cans, no liquids), other flammable liquids, aerosol cans, propane tanks, motor oil, transmission oil/lubricating/hydraulic oil/oil filters, contaminated oils, (mixed with solvents, gasoline, etc.), antifreeze, appliances, petroleum-contaminated soil/lead paint chips, tires, batteries, computers, monitors, televisions, microwaves, fluorescent tubes, railroad ties, medical waste, asbestos, animals, barrels, all liquids.

**THANKS TO ALL WHO ASSIST WITH THIS DAY!!**



Picture is from  
May 2018

## DOG COURTESY

When walking our dogs, we should use Doggy DoDo Bags; our dogs should be kept under control at all times.

## TOWN STREET LIGHTS

If you notice one of the Town street lights out, please contact Donna Watson @ 317.525.3759 so that she can report for replacement.

## PLEASE NOTE:

It is **ILLEGAL** to dump in our town storm drains! These drains conduct storm water to the creek. The Town will not tolerate illegal dumping into these drains and will seek legal damages for violators of this law.

Property lines and ownership can be viewed on:

[www.beacon.schneidercorp.com](http://www.beacon.schneidercorp.com)

## TOWN DONATIONS:

\$200 was donated to Mill Creek West Elementary's Bradford Woods fund.

\$200 was donated to Mill Creek West's Staff Appreciation Breakfast.

A new Geothermal heating unit has been installed in the Amo Reading Room. This should make the Reading Room much more comfortable!

## AMO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Please remember to **LOCK** your car doors!

There are to be absolutely **NO** dirt bikes or 4-wheelers on the roadway, Vandalia Trail, or public property! They may only be ridden on private property with the owner's consent.

If you see one of our Police Department Officers, please say **THANK YOU** for their service!

Ben Oliphant	17 years
Chris Nelson	16 years
John Vehling	11 years
Dave Gunn	10 years

The Town of Amo **THANKS** you for your service and dedication to our community!

### TOWN COUNCIL

#### 2022 Town Council Meetings

January 6, 2022	** July 14, 2022
February 3, 2022	August 4, 2022
** March 10, 2022	September 1, 2022
April 7, 2022	October 6, 2022
May 5, 2022	November 3, 2022
June 2, 2022	** December 8, 2022

\*\* 2nd Thursday

(The March meeting was actually held on March 16, 2022)

Town Council meetings are held at the Amo Community Building @ 7:00 p.m. (Unless otherwise posted)

Everyone is welcome at the Town Council meetings.

#### Town Council:

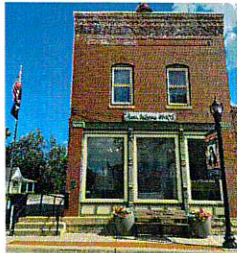
President — *James "Ronnie" Travelsted*  
 President Pro Tem — *Rene Gay*  
 Council Member — *Donna Watson*  
 Clerk-Treasurer — *Barb Strahl*



Town Council Board Term is 1-1-20—12-31-23

### POST OFFICE

PMR (Postmaster Relief)  
*Angel Chatten*



Amo Post Office Phone Number: 317.539.2168

Coatesville Phone Number: 1.765.386.7480

#### Post Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 10:00 a.m. — Noon  
 Saturday: 8:00 a.m. — 10:00 a.m.  
 Lobby is open 24 hours

#### CLOSED:

*Memorial Day — Monday, May 30, 2022*

*Each year we are told the Post Office will review our office on whether to expand hours. Please continue to patronize our post office.*

### FIRE DEPARTMENT



**CHIEF/PRESIDENT:** Dustin Strahl  
**ASSISTANT CHIEF:** Andy Gibbs  
**PIO CAPTAIN / VICE PRESIDENT:** Jerry Johnson  
**TREASURER:** Annette Reach

Be sure to go to Amo Police Department and Amo Fire Department pages on Facebook and LIKE!! These pages have lots of important information to keep us informed and safe!!



### POLICE DEPARTMENT

**CHIEF OF POLICE:** Chris Nelson  
**ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE:** John Vehling  
**PATROL OFFICER:** David Gunn  
**PATROL OFFICER:** Ben Oliphant  
**DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN:** Rev. Shelly Zook



Contact Amo Police @ 317.539.6030

When Driving Through Town Remember To:  
Dim Your Lights / Observe the Speed Zone / Watch for Kids

### BUSINESSES

**AMO PIZZA & GENERAL STORE** - Mark & Gina Wicks: 317.539.2555

**ASSURANCE MAINTENANCE** - Brian Miller: 317.650.9047

**CARTER'S GARAGE** - Chris Carter: 317.539.4368  
Or 317.750.7781

**EAGLE ENTERPRISES** - Doug Wallace: 317.223.5877

**FIVE STAR MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS** - Mark Wicks  
317.840.8200

**HARPER TRUCKING** - Joe Harper: 317.539.2119

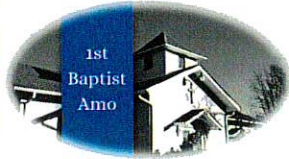
**HOME REALTY** - Melissa A. Richey: 317.258.3595

**MIKE'S GARAGE** - Mike Bruce: 317.627.9881

**MITCHELL'S MUFFLER SHOP** - Justin Mitchell: 317.539.5692

**WEST SIDE AIR-COOLED** - Gene Noel: 317.941.3293

## WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Shaping Hearts  Changing Lives

Praise the Lord! The SON has risen indeed! How wonderful to see more sunshine, Amen? Spring has certainly sprung.

In this new season of growth and beauty, God is working a NEW thing among His people. Prophecy unfolds before our eyes at a rapid rate. We invite you to COME join us on a journey of respect, morals, ethics and values as we walk a path of faith.

April, May and June: we will CELEBRATE EASTER with rejoicing! Our spring celebration will continue by thanking God for the gift of family as we reflect on Mother's Day and Father's Day. In June, we will come together around our local Ball Association and the Amo Volunteer Fire Department in support of our Annual FISH FRY!

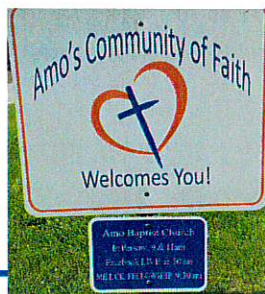
We work together with the Townspeople of Amo to stomp out hunger right here in our Hometown through the Storehouse Food Pantry and Backpacks for children in partnership with Mill Creek West.

A VIBRANT youth ministry is relaunching under the leadership of lay minister, Pastor Kelli Tipton.

We are a Church with a 21<sup>st</sup> Century approach to faith. To keep informed of FAMILY oriented community events and how to serve your neighbors right here in Amo; like our Facebook page (#1stbaptistamo) or email your mailing address to [1stbaptistamo@gmail.com](mailto:1stbaptistamo@gmail.com) to receive a monthly events calendar.

We invite people of all walks of life to come and join us to receive proven answers to life's age-old questions that have withstood the test of time and remain TRUE today!

In His service and yours,  
Rev. Shelly A. Zook



### Mill Creek Fellowship (Formerly Amo United Methodist)

P.O. Box 84  
Amo, IN 46103



Worship Service - 9:30 am

*Communion* is celebrated  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month

...“Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; He has risen, just as He said...

(From Matthew 28:5-6)

If you are looking for Jesus, let us help you find Him!

Come join us Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m., at the Amo Community Building.

#### Church contacts:

Bill Bartlett: 317.501.6676

Phil Thomas: 317.440.5946

Angel Chattin: 317.539.3357

Follow us on Facebook, or contact any of our leaders for more information.



deliver a difference

Assistance is needed  
in delivering meals  
in the Amo-Coatesville area.

If you can help, please call  
Meals On Wheels of Hendricks County office  
@ 317.745.3469. Thank you!



**AMO  
EASTER  
FEST**  
**JOIN US**

**Saturday, April 16th**

**1st Baptist Amo**

**4779 Pearl St - Amo, IN - 46103**

**Easter Egg  
Hunt  
at 1:30 pm**

**Scavenger  
Hunt  
at 2:30 pm**

**Photo Op Challenge during HOLY WEEK (April 10-16th)**  
Amo Reading Room, Amo Pizza, Trinity Center, Amo Baptist,  
Amo Police Dept, Amo Volunteer Fire Dept, & Mill Creek West  
Get you or your family's pic at each Easter location!  
Bring digital proof of your images to Easter Fest  
to enter for a GRAND Prize basket!

**#1stBaptistAmo**

**TOWN OF AMO**  
**P.O. Box 15**  
**AMO, INDIANA 46103**

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

**UPCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS:**

- Thursday, May 5, 2022 / 7:00 p.m. ) @ Amo Community
  - Thursday, June 2, 2022 / 7:00 p.m. ) Building
  - \*\* Thursday, July 14, 2022 / 7:00 p.m. )
- \*\* 2nd Thursday

- Easter:* Sunday, April 17, 2022
- Primary Election Day:* Tuesday, May 3, 2022
- Mother's Day:* Sunday, May 8, 2022
- Memorial Day:* Monday, May 30, 2022
- Fish Fry:* Thursday-Friday, June 9-11, 2022
- Flag Day:* Tuesday, June 14, 2022
- Father's Day:* Sunday, June 19, 2022
- Independence Day:* Monday, July 4, 2022

**TOWN OF AMO 2022 3rd QUARTER (July/August/September)**  
**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** June 30, 2022

**Box Holder**  
**Amo, Indiana 46103**



**WELCOME TO AMO**

<b>INDIANA</b> The Hoosier State	
<b>Hendricks County</b>	