

"It was the policy of the good old gentleman to make his children feel that home was the happiest place in the world, and I value this home feeling as one of the choicest gifts a parent can bestow."

Washington Irving

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WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR — 2022!!

The Town of Amo is starting off the new year acknowledging some of our "unseen" Partners.



KIESER CONSULTING GROUP, LLC

Planning · Environmental Studies · Grants · Water Quality

6801 Lake Plaza Dr., Suite D401 · Indianapolis, IN 46220 · Office: 317.863.8030 · Fax: 317.863.8032

Kieser Consulting Group, LLC has a working partnership with the Town of Amo on planning, historic preservation, engineering, and road projects. All of these projects have been possible through various grant programs that have been researched and applied for by Kieser Consulting Group. Kieser Consulting Group was formed for the purpose of developing innovative solutions to various problems common to public and private sector clients. Working with Towns to plan for future projects and fund them with the help of grants is a major part of what we do and what we have done for the Town of Amo. While working alongside the Town of Amo we have been able to complete many grant-related projects to improve road conditions and make the Town more accessible to everyone through the addition of sidewalks and ADA curb ramps. We have also been working on preservation projects related to the Amo Interurban Building through grants for the windows.

Kieser Consulting Group has also been involved in the development and upkeep of the Town's website <https://amoin.net/> updating it often with the special events happening in the Town of Amo along with information on local businesses, churches, and schools. Kieser Consulting Group, LLC is excited to continue to work on future projects to help the Town of Amo grow and improve the daily life of its residents. The web address for Kieser Consulting Group, LLC is www.kieserconsult.com.

The Town of Amo has received half of its American Rescue Plan money—\$48,653.98. This money has certain criteria we must meet to spend it. We would be interested in any ideas that citizens might have for future projects of the town. We will be replacing the heat/air system at the Interurban (also adding a COVID filter on the system). The money is associated with COVID. We would enjoy any ideas for projects.

Please send your ideas to: Town of Amo, P.O. Box 15, Amo, IN 46103



**The Town of Amo Extends Its Sympathy & Prayers
To The Family Of: Avery Wampler**

Avery Wampler, age 91, Amo, passed away October 27, 2021. Born November 28, 1929 in Greencastle, she was the daughter of Jacob Hirt and Thelma (Koessler) Hirt. She married John Philip Wampler and he preceded her in 2013. Avery was a Registered Nurse. Her survivors includes 4 children, Julia Matlock and husband Bill, Stilesville, Jennifer Greeson and husband Kelly, Amo, Laura Ward and husband Bill, Plainfield, and Jim Wampler and wife Cindy, Zionsville; grandchildren, Joshua Glaze and wife Monica, Waveland, Sarah Glaze, Danville, Cassie Broyles and husband Cody, Plainfield, Nicholas Greeson, Crawfordsville, Jason Wampler and wife Tess, West Virginia, Hillary Heimansohn and husband Henry, Plainfield, Mary Johnson and husband Brandon, Amo, Trent Tomblin, Plainfield, Zachary Wampler and wife Hannah, Zionsville, and Bennett Wampler, Zionsville; 11 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild; several nieces and nephews. Her parents, husband, son John Wesley Wampler, brothers Jacob and Louie Hirt, and sister Martha Newkirk preceded her. A gathering will be Wednesday, November 3rd from 12 to 2 pm in the Bousley Funeral Home and memorial services at 2 PM with Pastor Shelly Zook officiating. Internment will follow in the Amo Cemetery.

(Copied from Bousley Funeral Home Obituaries)

Avery was an asset to the community of Amo. She is dearly missed by family and friends!

CONGRATULATIONS TO....

Rosie Burch Bell!

VISITING ANGELS / WEST CENTRAL INDIANA

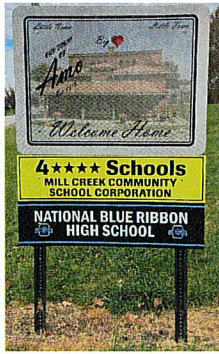
CAREGIVER OF THE YEAR 2021

Rosie Bell has been chosen as our Caregiver of the year! Rosie started as a caregiver in 2011. She has also worked as a CSM. She then went back to being a caregiver. She has taken care of several of our clients. Her last client she provided care for 5 years. We have nominated her as our Caregiver Of The Year for 2022 Annual Corporate Conference. Please join us in honoring Rosie in this honorable achievement for her outstanding hard work and dedication to Visiting Angels.

(Copied from Rosie's Facebook page)

THANK YOU TO....

The Lifestyle Group/Owner Geoff Horen, Becky Rhea's employer, for continuing to allow us to print our newsletter in the office! If you noticed on the front page, this is the 17th year for the Town of Amo newsletter, and it has been printed at Lifestyle since inception. The Town does, of course, reimburse The Lifestyle Group for the paper and printing, which is much more cost effective than outsourcing.



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



Friday, January 14, 2022: **NO STUDENTS**
Monday, January 17, 2022:
NO SCHOOL, Martin Luther King Day
Monday, February 21, 2022:
NO School, Presidents' Day
Monday, March 21, 2022—Friday, April 1, 2022:
SPRING BREAK
Saturday, April 9, 2022:
COLOR Run / Bradford Woods Baskets
Thursday, May 9, 2022: **BEAUTIFY AMO**

We will NOT have our Bradford Woods Bingo this year. In place of this event, we are asking for donations and participation in the Color Run and Bradford Wood Baskets on April 9, 2022. Donations can be made to Mill Creek West Elementary. No Donation is too small!

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

Recycle your Pop tabs!
Take them to the school.

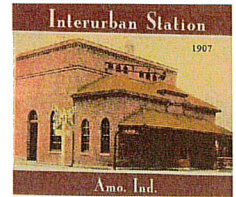


The School Collects:
These labels are found on many products.
Save Yours!
Save time and go to boxtopsforeducation.com to find out how you can sign up for the mobile app!



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.

MASK REQUIREMENT

Ages 12 AND OVER that have been Vaccinated need NOT wear a mask. Those who have NOT BEEN VACCINATED MUST wear a mask. THANK YOU!

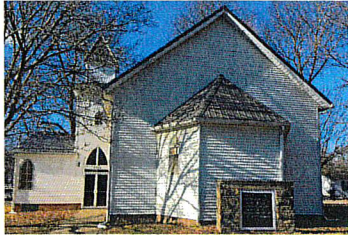
Did you know that the Reading Room has books for sale? Check out the selections starting at 25 cents and up!



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

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES

First Wednesday **APRIL—SEPTEMBER**

4:00 — 6:00 p.m.

2022

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|---------|-------------|
| April 6 | July 6 |
| May 4 | August 3 |
| June 1 | September 7 |

NO ID Required / Bring Your Own Bags/Box

THE TRINITY CENTER — NEW RAMP

The folks in the community of Amo and 1st Baptist Church of Amo worked in partnership with the Cascade school system to build a handicapped accessible ramp at the local Community Service Center, the Trinity Center.

The ramp will allow folks with physical disabilities access to the local food pantry and the beautiful wedding chapel that is available to couples wishing to be married on a donation basis. Donations for the use of the chapel are used to keep the Trinity Center operational and also to buy food for the local food pantry, the Storehouse.

The facility was donated to the Baptist folks by the Amo Quaker Friends Meeting several years ago upon their decision to close their fellowship. The community is blessed to continue to utilize the facility to the glory of God through serving the community. Funds were generously provided by the Mill Creek Fellowship (formerly the Amo United Methodist Church).

Young adults from the Thrive program at Cascade High school, alongside adult mentors and project manager-Larry Bryant, built the ramp in about 4 days.



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!

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.

TOWN OF AMO COMMUNICATION RESOURCES

Town of Amo Newsletter is a quarterly publication.

Newsletter Deadlines for 2022:

APR / MAY / JUN: March 28, 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!

Hendricks County Parks & Recreation reports that their contracted professional tree care service has almost completed the mass removal of dead and potentially hazardous trees along the trail between Coatesville and Amo. The last of this tree work near and in Amo should be completed by mid to late January. Please use caution and expect temporary delays due to this work in the Amo area while enjoying the Vandalia Trail.

Also, though both seasonal trailhead restrooms (Amo & Coatesville) are closed through the winter, note that other nearby public restrooms open all year are at the Amo Interurban Depot (see RAILS article for hours) and at the Coatesville Public Library (Mon-Tue 10 AM – 7 PM, Wed-Fri 1-7 PM, Sat 10 AM - 5 PM).

For more details and for activities planned on other parts of the trail, please visit www.nrht.org/vandalia and hendrickscountyparks.org.

Please enjoy the trails!

Greg Midgley, National Road Heritage Trail, Inc.
www.nrht.org; www.facebook.com/NRHTInc
greg@nrht.org / cell: 317-503-1101

To reserve the Shelter located on the school grounds, please call Fire Chief Dustin Strahl @ 317.442.5357

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.

AMO JAM

CURRENTLY SUSPENDED
Will Probably Resume In March
Please Watch For Details —
Facebook/Community Building/THE REPUBLICAN

KEEPING YOU IN THE

(Continued)

DOG COURTESY

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

SOUTH SIDE DRAINAGE PROJECT

This project is finished. New drainage, streets and sidewalks are great improvements!

HALLOWEEN

Halloween was well attended with the Community Building receiving almost 400 little goblins—not bad for a little town with just a little over that in population. THANKS to all the residents who make the public feel Amo is safe and welcoming!

MILL CREEK SCHOOL CORPORATION

We do not have room to list all of the Cascade High School Athletics accomplishments so be sure to check out their Facebook page: Cascade High School Athletics!! All of their sports have had really great seasons! Congratulations to all of the athletes and coaches for your perseverance, tenacity, enthusiasm, hard work, and especially your sportsmanship!

**CASCADE
YOUTH
LEAGUE****2022 Spring Baseball and Softball****Registration is Now Open!****Online registration only at****www.cascadeyouthleague.com****Important Dates and Information**

- Registration cut off: February 15th
- Mandatory evaluations: February 19th (no evaluations for t-ball)
- Field Clean Up Day: March 12th (coaches will communicate times)
- North Salem State Bank Opening Day Ceremonies: April 16th

For questions contact:

Baseball Director: Ryan Myers @ 463-207-0692
or baseball@cascadeyouthleague.com

Softball Director: Paul Smith @ 317-946-4022
or softball@cascadeyouthleague.com

President: Brian Kern @ 317-698-2298
or president@cascadeyouthleague.com

AMO POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Amo Police Department received a 2010 Dodge Charger for the department from the Pittsboro Police Department. Thanks to Marshal Chris Nelson for liquidating some of our old equipment for cash for the Department. Good work!

“A big thank you to Amo Police Department for donating to our Kindergarten classrooms. The kids will love the Christmas necklaces!”



Verbiage and Picture copied from Mill Creek West Elementary School Facebook page.

Pictured are Celina Clements, Mill Creek West Principal and Town of Amo Marshal Chris Nelson.

Marshal Nelson shared that “...we received a donation from Walmart which was a large amount of holiday necklaces that flash and light up. In turn, I gifted the necklaces to the Kindergarten classes at West as a gesture from the Amo Police Department.”

Great gesture by our Police Department!

TOWN COUNCIL

2022 Town Council Meetings

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|-------------------|---------------------|
| 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

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:

James "Ronnie" Travelsted
Rene Gay
Donna Watson
 Clerk-Treasurer — *Barb Strahl*

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



TOWN PHONE NUMBER: 539.6030

POST OFFICE

PMR (Postmaster Relief)
Angel Chattin



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:

Martin Luther King Day — Monday, January 17, 2022
Presidents Day — Monday, February 21, 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



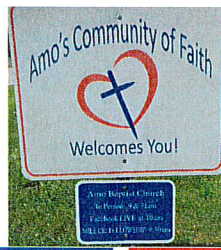
CHIEF OF POLICE: Chris Nelson
ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE: John Vehling
PATROL OFFICER: David Gunn
PATROL OFFICER: Ben Oliphant
DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN: Rev. Shelly Zook

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
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

As we celebrate and contemplate what 2022 has in store for us each one, the fellowship at Amo Baptist invites you to begin the new year with a fresh perspective on life with Jesus!

We celebrate our salvation through the most amazing Gift given to all humanity through Jesus Christ every Sunday morning at 9 and 11 am with "in person" worship services. We are social distancing, and the wearing of masks is a personal decision. We also share a Word of encouragement from the Word of God on Facebook live at 10 am. Follow us for Community service activities at #1stbaptistamo on Facebook.

As we walk through winter together, in February, come and learn what REAL Love is all about.

Hang in there! Regardless of if the groundhog sees his shadow or not, SPRING is coming!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for a very special worship experience during the season of Lent. We will share an authentic seder service on Maundy Thursday.

To keep informed of events, how to serve your neighbors in Amo and opportunities just for you and your family, like our Facebook page or email your mailing address to 1stbaptistamo@gmail.com to receive our monthly calendar.

Exciting things are happening among us! Won't you come and be a part of what God is doing among His people? We are ALL God's people.

In His service and yours,
Rev. Shelly A. Zook
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Contact us at:
317.539.6920

Email: 1stBaptistAmo@gmail.com

Follow us on Facebook for Church events, messages, and pertinent information.



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



P.O. Box 84
Amo, IN 46103

Worship Service - 9:30 am

Communion is celebrated
2nd Sunday of each month

A new Year; a new YOU!

Time to get Spiritually Fit!

Join us Sundays at 9:30 am.

- No enrollment fees
- Support system included
- Local
- Every body welcome
- No guilt or judgement

We meet Sundays at the Amo Community Building. If you're looking for a new church family, we'd love to have you join us!

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.



TIME CHANGE

Sunday, March 13, 2022
2:00 a.m.

Time to
Spring Ahead

AMO FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Amo Fire Department would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year! This past year seemed to fly by. We did our best to get back to "Normal" for us at the Fire Station. We were able to have the Fish Fry and Breakfast with Santa. Thank you to all that came out for both events. We look forward to hosting both events in 2022, Amo Fish Fry Festival will be June 9th, 10th and 11th, 2022.

We get many questions asking why we do as many fundraisers as we do at the Fire Department. Well the answer is that about 25% of our annual operation budget comes from fundraisers and donations. Now the money we raise at Breakfast with Santa, goes right back the community to help families out during the holidays. However, what we make off the Fish Fry, Boot Drive and Donations go right in our operation budget. We haven't had a boot drive for couple years but hoping to do one in 2022 to get back to more "Normal". We look forward to seeing everyone in 2022 and sharing old memories and make new memories!

If you would like to donate to the Amo Fire Department, please mail to:

Amo Fire Department, PO Box 112, Amo, IN 46103

Memo: Donations

We are extremely pleased for all the support the Community gives us on a regular base.

Thank You,

Dustin Strahl
Amo Fire Chief
dstrahl@amofire.org / 317-442-5357

THANK YOU to our Fire Department personnel for ensuring the Angels found their way back to our town light poles! They are so beautiful and add so much to our Town!

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



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

LOOKING AHEAD:

UPCOMING TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS:

- *Thursday, January 6, 2022 / 7:00 p.m.)
- Thursday, February 3, 2022 / 7:00 p.m.) @ Amo Community
- Thursday, March 10, 2022 / 7:00 p.m.) Building
- Thursday, April 7, 2022 / 7:00 p.m.)

* No January Meeting Due To Circumstances Beyond Our Control

Martin Luther King Day: Monday, January 17, 2022

Presidents' Day: Monday, February 21, 2022

Time Change: Sunday, March 13, 2022 / 2:00 a.m.

TOWN OF AMO 2022 2nd QUARTER (April/May/June)

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: March 28, 2022

Box Holder
Amo, Indiana 46103



WELCOME TO AMO

