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Celebrate the Holiday Season in Maumee!

Lighted Floats and Lighted Runners Kick Off the Holidays in the 20th Annual Holiday Light Parade

Thousands celebrated the Holiday Season during the 20th annual Holiday Light Parade and Holiday Hustle 5K on December 1st.

The Holiday Hustle 5K, Elf Run and Fun Walk drew 300 participants. The race was sponsored by the Maumee Senior Center in conjunction with Second Sole.

Nearly 40 entries took part in this year's Holiday Light Parade, which is presented by the Maumee Uptown Business Association.

Mayor Jim MacDonald joined with Kid Mayors Sadie Mallin of St. Joseph Catholic School, Natalie Lewis of Fairfield Elementary, and Calihan Byers of Fort Miami Elementary to serve as Grand Marshalls of this year's event.



Celebrate the Holiday Season in Maumee!

Maumee Indoor Theater presents A Musical Merry Christmas

The magic of the holidays is coming to the Maumee Indoor on December 13 & 14th featuring Libby Servais (from Broadway's "Wicked") and Stephan Stubbins (from Broadway's "Mary Poppins").

After their sold-out performance of "Broadway in Love" at the Maumee Indoor Theater earlier this year, Libby and Stephan are back with an unforgettable yuletide spectacular. This festive concert celebration features beloved Christmas classics, pop favorites, and holiday hits guaranteed to fill your season with cheer. Tickets range from approximately \$12 to \$50.

For additional information and to purchase tickets and to see the holiday films featured at the theater visit: <https://www.maumeeindoor.com/>



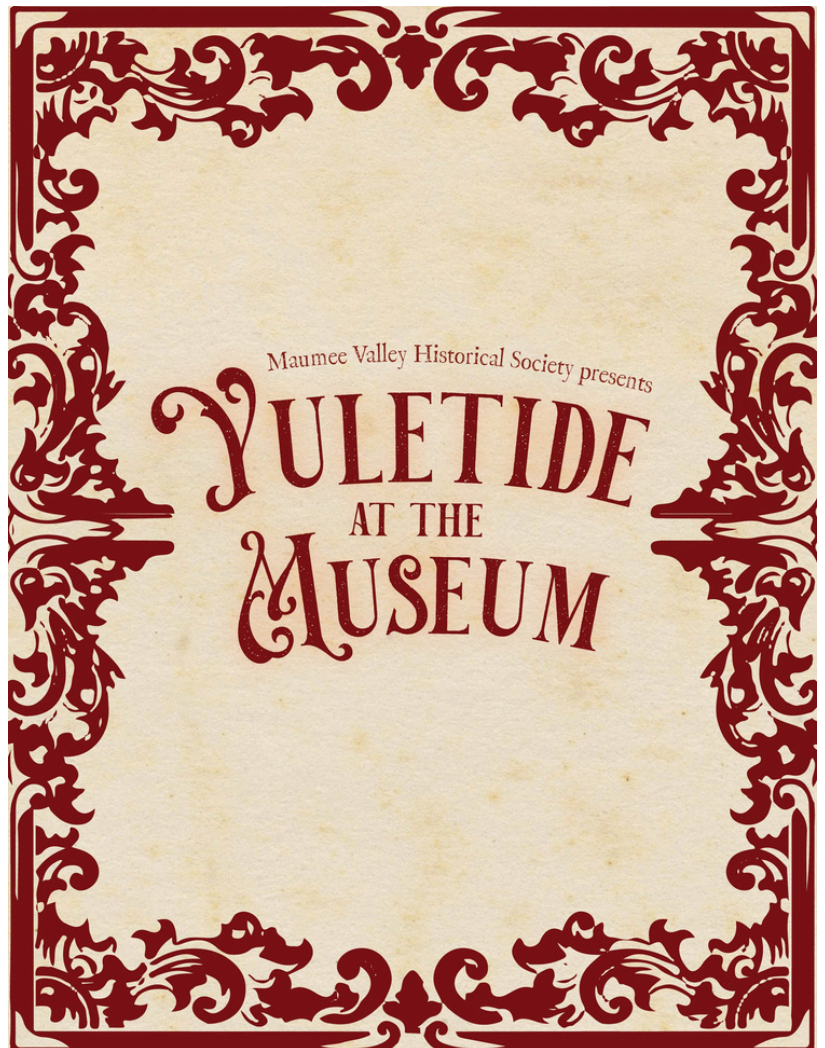
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Celebrate Yuletide at the Historic Wolcott Heritage Center!

Enjoy Yuletide at the Museum on December 7th at the Wolcott Heritage Center from 3 to 7 pm.

Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus, enjoy light refreshments and get into the festive spirit throughout our historical site. Kids will love our craft station, where they can create their own holiday treasures. Sip on delicious mead tastings from Four Fires Meadery in a charming Victorian-style tavern in the basement. Relax to the beautiful sounds of Christmas carols in the serene setting of the Country Chapel. Plus, enjoy festive storytelling and more as we come together to celebrate the magic of Christmas. Bring the whole family for an unforgettable evening of holiday cheer!

The Wolcott House is located at 1035 River Road. Admission is free.



Coming in January

A free screening of the film *Intelligent Trees*. Learn how Trees talk, know family ties, and care for their young based on decades of scientific research.

LOCATION:
**MAUMEE INDOOR
THEATER**

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6:30PM doors open at 6PM



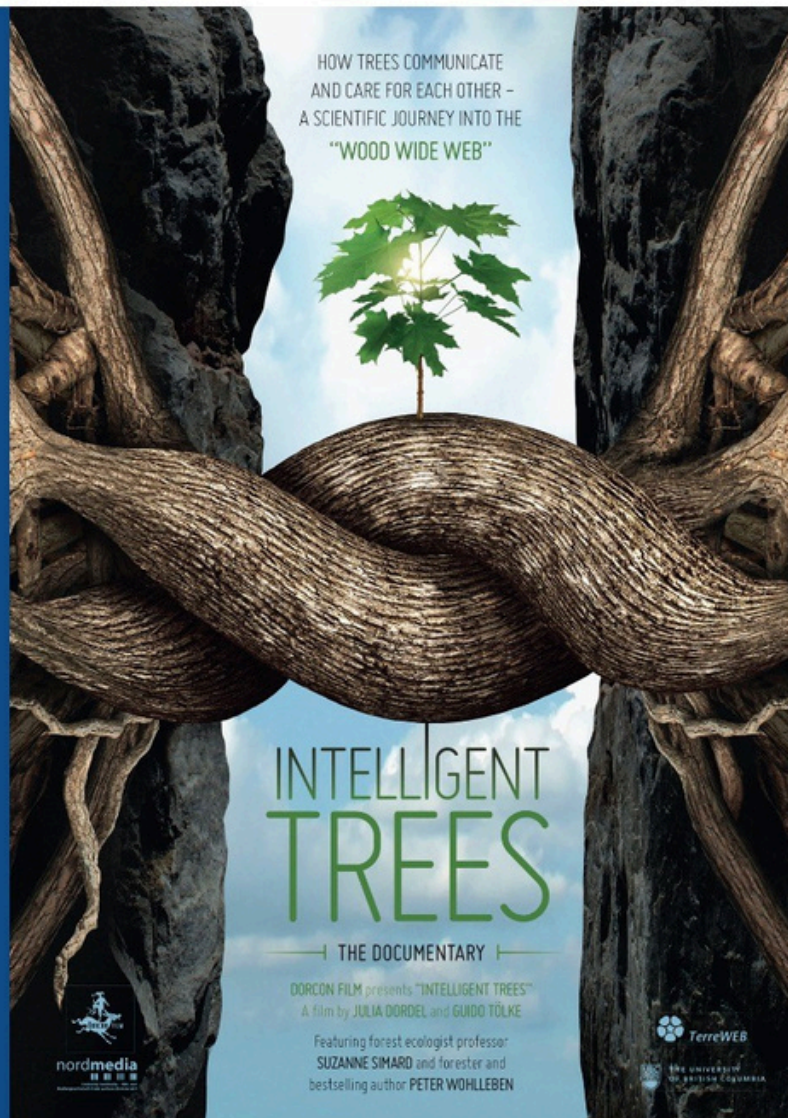
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Trees talk, know family ties
and care for their young? Is
this too fantastic to be true?
Scientist Suzanne Simard
(The University of British
Columbia, Canada) and
German forester and author
Peter Wohlleben have been
investigating and observing
the communication between
trees over decades.
And their findings are
most astounding.



Sustainable Solutions: The Proposal to Eliminate Sanitary Sewer Overflows

The newest plan to resolve Maumee's sanitary sewer issues will cover essential public and private repairs, with funding provided from the existing rate structure.

The proposal was developed by the Sanitary Sewer Overflow Group, which consists of city staff, council members, and the Citizens of Maumee Action Committee (CMAC) leadership team.

The updated plan does not include additional fees to cover the cost of the work. A previous proposal called for a \$12 monthly fee to pay for the needed repairs on private property, but a drop in interest rates from 2.86 percent to 2.43 saved the city approximately \$6 to \$8 million over the 30-year loan, allowing the city to eliminate the need for a fee.

With the new proposal, the city will spend approximately \$81.2 million to line the sewer main lines and laterals on private property and \$20 million will be offered through grants and loans to residents to repair footer tiles, downspouts, and sump pumps. Work on those projects will begin in February 2025.

An additional \$20 million will be allocated to lining projects in 2030 in the areas west of Key Street and north of the former St. Luke's Hospital. That work would include lining the sewer main and laterals on private properties.

Data indicates that a substantial amount of inflow and infiltration in the city's sanitary system is coming from private laterals, footer drains, downspouts, and sump pumps on residential properties. The work will also target commercial structures in the historic district, under 15,000 square feet, which have also been identified as having improper connections or consisting of damaged or deteriorating materials.

To assist property owners and investors with residential properties or commercial buildings in greatest need, the city is offering to fund private sewer repairs. Property owners with combined household incomes ranging from \$79,217 or less to \$198,042 will be eligible for a 100 percent grant in the program's first year (2025). Higher income earners, or those making more than \$198,042, will receive a grant of up to 80 percent in the first year. In subsequent years, the grant money will shift to a sliding scale, with homeowners contributing a greater portion of the cost each year. A low-interest loan will also be available, however, to cover those costs.

The city nominated our community for \$81.2 million in funds from the Ohio EPA for a water pollution control revolving low-interest loan to cover the sanitary sewer lining work. The portion of the plan that calls for using public funds for work on private property is contingent on court approval. Maumee Finance and Economic Development Committee endorsed the plan, which council approved at the November 18 meeting. In addition, council approved legislation declaring damaged laterals a nuisance, which the committee also endorsed. The action is necessary to support using public funds for that work.

Download full presentation here:

[**Download Here**](#)

A Closer Look at the Street Tree Design Plan: Mapping Our City's Potential

Work is underway to create a Street Tree Design Plan, which supports efforts to develop a more sustainable, resilient, and healthy urban forest.

The plan guides the planting and management of our urban forest. It will allow our city to be more effective in tree planting and tree management, which supports a healthier, more diverse, and sustainable tree canopy that provides long-term environmental, social, and economic benefits.

Members of the Environmental and Tree Advisory Committee have spent the past several months working with Steph Miller, the Ohio Regional Urban Forester with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry. Through her guidance, the committee has created a site index, which will guide Maumee's tree-planting program for decades to come.

Design Factors: When planting trees in the city right of way a variety of factors such as street speed, the presence of overhead utility wires, soil makeup, and size of the area designated for planting are considered. A wide variety of species and genotypes, which are also being planted, help to ensure that if there is a pest or fungus that knocks out a type of tree, the entire neighborhood tree canopy isn't wiped out.

To learn more about the city's tree-planting program visit:

<https://maumee.org/environmental-sustainability/tree-planting-initiative/>



Members of the Environmental & Tree Advisory Commission work to develop a Tree Design Plan.



New Firefighters Join Maumee Department

The Maumee Fire Department continues to expand its staff. At the November 18th meeting, several new Maumee Firefighters were introduced to City Council. They include Allison Robinson, Tyler Orns, Nick Frena, Marc Salas, and Matt Duplaga. Not pictured are Ryan Shaffer, Matt Duplaga, Seth Longanbach, and Drew Stockwell.



The Maumee IAFF Firefighters & Paramedics will host the 12th Annual Pancake Breakfast with Santa on December 14th from 8 a.m. to noon at the Maumee fire station, 220 Illinois Ave.

New Luxury Apartment Complex Proposed at Arrowhead Park

A push is underway to breathe new life into Arrowhead Park, and with the announcement of a proposed luxury apartment complex on property near the Pinnacle, those revitalization efforts look even more promising.

Metropolitan Holdings, a Columbus-based firm, has proposed building a \$60 million luxury apartment complex. The development aims to attract new residents and businesses, transforming the park into a vibrant hub of activity. With modern amenities and green spaces, including a dog park, along with improved infrastructure, the project is expected to enhance the local economy and offer a boost to nearby retail spaces.

Slated first for construction in early 2026 is a four-story building with 264 units, followed by a three-story building with 264 units. Amenity packages include resort-style pools with cabanas, shade pergolas, and outdoor kitchens; clubhouses with a coffee bar; resident lounges and business centers; a theater with on-demand streaming services; fitness centers with yoga rooms, virtual and instructor-led classes, and saunas; and resident events such as pool parties, cooking demonstrations, and card games.

The buildings have from one to three-bedroom units and rents range from \$1,350 to \$2,800 a month.

At a special meeting on October 29, Maumee City Council approved entering into a community reinvestment area agreement for the project. The first complex will have 100 percent tax abatement for 15 years and the second complex will have 75 percent tax abatement over 15 years. The development is in the Springfield and Anthony Wayne school districts.

Metropolitan Holdings has been around for 26 years and has developed 2,000 apartment units.

Representatives with Metropolitan Holdings were on hand at the special council meeting to provide information about the project.

To listen to their presentation, or download the proposal, click here:

<https://maumee.org/metropolitan-holdings-luxury-apartment-development-proposal/>



Maumee's Anticipated Chick-fil-A Set to Open December 5th!

The new Chick-fil-A Maumee restaurant will begin serving the community on Thursday, Dec. 5.

Amanda Natter is the independent franchised local Owner-Operator of the Maumee eatery, which is located at 603 Point Blvd, next to the former Max & Erma's off of Dussel in Arrowhead Park.

Amanda grew up in South Toledo and began her journey with Chick-fil-A in 2013. She continued to build her career with the company following graduation from the University of Toledo in 2017.

The new restaurant is approximately 5,000 square feet and will offer both dine-in and carry-out services. There are 68 seats available for in-store dining and 32 seats on the patio. It is also the first location in the Toledo area to offer two drive-thru lanes around the building. The Maumee location will feature a "Mobile Thru" option, providing a dedicated drive-thru lane for customers who order and pay in advance through a Chick-fil-A mobile app, ensuring a quick and convenient pick-up experience.

Catering and delivery services will also be available from the Maumee location.

This will be the eighth Chick-fil-A location in the greater Toledo area. You can find a Chick-fil-A restaurant in every U.S. state, except Alaska and Vermont. Chick-fil-A has also expanded to Canada and Puerto Rico and plans are underway to expand into the U.K. and Asia.



Amanda Natter, pictured with her husband Patrick, is the independent franchised local Owner-Operator of Chick-fil-A Maumee. Patrick will work alongside Amanda in the business.

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