



Thursday, November 7, 2024 ~ Morning Mingle Agenda
Teresa Gilles, Denise McCarty, David Janik, Cindy Manning, Joni Poli, John Dunn,

President ~ Denise

- Call meeting to order and welcome to the Morning Mingle @ 9:02am
- Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance
- Prayer by Josh Smith (if in attendance)
- Go around the room and introduce
- Approve the minutes from October Morning Mingle; Teresa 1st, Dave Janik 2nd, approved.
- Thank you to Terri from Kiedrowski's Bakery for providing the goodies this month. She was unable to attend today as they are celebrating their 40th year of being in business. Stop by and congratulate them!

Promotional Chairs ~ Joni & Cindi

Miracle on Main Street, Fri., Dec 6 – The next committee meeting is Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at 5pm here at MSA. Come and help us plan this family friendly event. Explain the raffle and try to sell some today. Parade begins at 6pm. 40 participants so far. Grow Point Church will have games for children. 50/50 raffle will be announced after the parade! Money raised will be used for scholarships given by MSA.

Jingle Bell Bus, Wednesday, Dec. 11 – Tickets will go on sale on Thursday, November 14 at 11am on our website or in person. Tickets are \$5 per person.

Executive Director's Report ~ Teresa

- Window Contest for businesses in the downtown area, still accepting applications.
- Veteran's Day is Monday, November 11 at 11am in parking lot across from MSA building.
- Sign up for donations to The Blessing House, passed forms for donation signups.
- Sign up for the backpack program, signup sheet passed around room. Monetary donations welcome!
- Lorain County Chamber Expo is today from 3:30pm to 6:30pm – free admission at Tom's Country Place
- Salvation Army ~ Olivia Sliman chairing "Angel Tree". Choose a child/tag. Olivia will contact you with age and items requested.



Open the Floor

Please only take 2 to 3 minutes and only one person per organization speak in order to give everyone a chance to talk - Police, Fire Dept., City Council, School District, Rotary, Lorain County Auditor, AHS, Mural Association:

- Amherst Police ~ please LOCK YOUR VEHICLES. Don't leave valuables in plain sight. Trunk or Treat was a success. It is a great "community" event!
- Fire Department ~ getting a cosmetic update on the front of the station. Social media was abuzz because of training with a helicopter last week. Fatal house fire in Rock Creek Run.
- Rotary thanked Veterans for donating a mural and speaking at their meeting. Last meeting of year, 12p at Grange Hall, December 9th. Three school choirs will participate. In 2025, meetings will remain at 12 noon. Also, need volunteers for "bell ringers" at Amherst Giant Eagle, Saturday, December 7th.
- LC Auditor ~ gave the value for the building being auctioned on Cleveland Ave.
- Historical Society ~ Bringing in 80 reenactors for Nov. 8-19 to present WWII, Embrace History, free for all. A German Christmas will be in the Village Dec. 7th, 4-8pm. Always looking for volunteers.
- Community Congregational Church ~ 5th year hosting "Jingle All the Way" 5k run/walk. December 24th, 9am. Money raised goes to Blessing House!
- Lorain Estates will honor Veterans with a pinning ceremony on Nov. 11th. Veterans will also receive a move-in discount! They will hold a Thanksgiving Day Feast for residents.
- Josh Smith & his church sent a team of 10 people to NC with donations from the Amherst Community, totaling over \$20,000! That's amazing and thank you to all that donated!
- Jeri Leigh Siss ~ Financial Planner, will help you bring a workshop to your employees to help them figure out their financial goals!
- City Council ~ The Office on Aging building on Cleveland Ave will be auctioned Tuesday. LCCC will host an open house Nov. 14 at 2pm. City bridges will be worked on in 2025, info to follow as council receives.
- Veteran's Mural ~ Event Nov. 11th at 11am, across from MSA building. A jumbotron will be there, and Lou Maglio will attend. 11 new paintings will be unveiled to honor Veterans on this day. Donations are being accepted. Thank you to LC Auditor for their donation! They are book for painting in 2025, Congratulations!
- Amherst Schools ~ Wed., Nov. 12 is Family First Night! Shop, eat and play downtown. Girls soccer team are District Champs, Congrats! Boys Golf are Conference



Champs! Cheerleaders are Conference Champs and qualified to go to Florida! Boys & Girls Cross Country qualified for Districts, as well as football! Band also qualified. Wow! Five students in the schools set records this year! 71 students were inducted into the National Honor Society! Bids are being taken for the bus structure & athletics in December.

- Business card drawing winner ~ Michelle from ESP Brewing! Congratulations!

Next Morning Mingle will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2024.

Adjournment ~ Teresa 1st, Joni 2nd. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10am.