

It's an Icon Weekend!

July 9 to
July 15,
2016

13 pages of what's happening in Bluffton and Ada this weekend and next week

Book party launch Saturday for Judy Clemens



Judy Clemens

Local author Judy Clemens launches her most recent book "Tag, You're Dead," from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, July 9, at Book ReViews, 123 S. Main St., Bluffton.

The book will be available for sale and for autograph signing at the party.

Clemens is best known for her Stella Crown series, the Grim Reaper mysteries, and the stand-alone, "Lost Sons." Her new book goes in another direction from previous books.

Clemens told the Icon, "The book is under my pen name of J.C. Lane. This is because this is a thriller instead of a straight mystery, and my publisher and agent wanted me to put a different name on the book.

"I wrote this book initially as a young adult book because it features teens, but my publisher thought adults would enjoy it, too, so published it in their mainstream line."

The book's story line involves six teenagers who play a dangerous Game of Tag in public, chasing through the crowds, streets, and buildings of Chicago. This secret, one-of-a-kind, wildly expensive Game offers a macabre twist to the childhood version...if you get Tagged, you get Dead.



Sample selection from The Cask Room

New Ada lunch and dinner options prepared by Jonah Agner

There's a new lunch and dinner option in Ada.

The Cask Room, 127 S. Main St., Ada, noted for its fine selection of wines, has introduced a vegetarian menu offered through the day.

The menu includes muhamarra, hummus, fried mushrooms, falafel sandwich, tempeh, lettuce and tomato sandwich, curried "chicken" salad sandwich, falafel, plate, cheese plate and sorbet.

Watch for a feature on the new menu coming soon on the Icon.

The Cask Room's menu is an attachment at the bottom of this story. The menu will also be listed in the Icon's restaurant menu page.



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Just the Icon facts....

Stats from Google Analytics June 7 to July 7, 2016

Combined Icon visitors

43,115 total visits
17,501 individuals visitors
101,606 page visits

Ada Icon

56 countries had visitors on the Icon
50 states had visitors on the Icon
247 Ohio cities and villages had visitors on the Icon
1,371 Facebook followers
3,240 Facebook reaches in past 7 days

Bluffton Icon

80 countries had visitors on the Icon
50 states had visitors on the Icon
349 Ohio cities and villages had visitors on the Icon
2,349 Facebook followers
6,581 Facebook reaches in past 7 days

Bluffton-Pandora YFC pool parties cool you off

Bluffton-Pandora YFC weekly pool parties are underway at the Bluffton Community Swimming Pool, according to Jeremy Basinger.

Here's the schedule for the rest of the summer:

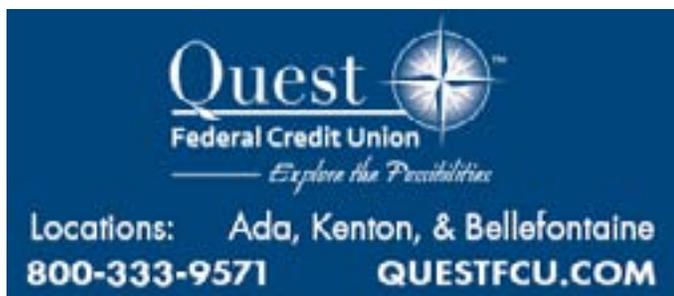
July 6
July 20
July 27
Aug. 3
Aug. 10
Aug. 17

Parties are open to next fall's sixth graders through high school seniors. Admission is \$3 each. Parties are from 8:30 to 10 p.m.

The July 6 party has the following extras: more games and prizes, ga-ga ball, corn hole and kan jam tournaments, YFC t-shirt tie-dye, outdoor movie and more.

July prince and princess tea

The Inn at ONU hosts its second prince and princess tea of the summer on Sunday, July 26. The first tea of the summer was June 24. The event includes food, tea and tunes. Reservations are required. For details, contact The Inn at 419-772-2500 or e-mail t-eichelberger@onu.edu.



Your invitation to parade at Sept. 17 Harvest and Herb Fest

Interested in being in the Saturday, Sept. 17, Ada Harvest and Herb parade?

Here's what you need to know to participate.

The parade line-up starts at 9 a.m. at the Ada school. The parade starts at 10 a.m. Junior Weihrauch of Arlington is this year's parade director.

At the bottom of this story are parade guidelines and a parade application form. Parade entries must be submitted by Aug. 30.

Mail entry forms to:
Junior Weihrauch
Ada Harvest and Herb Parade
20791 State Route 68
Arlington, OH 45814

Or, call Weihrauch at 419-365-5304, or 419-889-4315. This year's festival is Saturday, Sept. 17.

Liberty Conservation Club fishing derby on July 9

The Liberty Conservation Club will sponsor a catfish tournament from 6 p.m. until midnight on Saturday, July 9.

The tournament is open to members and non-members. The club is located at 1552 State Route 235, north of Ada. Call 419-234-5795 for more details.



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BFR has a summer event for you

Several sports camps, team sports and individual athletic opportunities are available this summer at Bluffton Family Recreation, according to Joseph Beagle.

Adult softball league

An adult softball league is forming for summer play. Games are Mondays or Wednesdays at 6 p.m. from July 11 to Aug. 17 at the Bluffton village park. The cost per team is \$300. Teams can register online at www.bfronline.com/register.

Adventure Camp – ages 3 to 6

Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

July 14 – All About Animals

July 21 – Sports Galore

Aug. 11 – Time Capsule

Fun Fitness – for youth who completed K to 3rd grade

Parachute Fun – for youth age 3 to second grade

Friday, July 22, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Parent or grandparent accompany required

Olympic Stars

For youth who completed K to 4th grade

Dabble in many Olympic events. Each day includes two sports

Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday, Aug. 15-16-17

5 to 6:15 p.m.

Ride to Remember bike ride

The 2nd annual Ride to Remember bike ride on Saturday, July 16, offers several new features, according to the planning committee. BFR is one of the event sponsors. This year's ride begins and ends at the Bluffton Community Swimming Pool at Main and Snider Road, next to BFR. Registrations are being accepted at: www.RideToRemember.net.

For additional information on any of these programs contact Bluffton Family Recreation, 2015 Snider Road, Bluffton, or call 419-258-4150.



Car show Saturday at County Line

Church of Brethren

The 10th annual County Line Church of the Brethren car show is from noon to 3 p.m., Saturday, July 9, at the church, 4227 N. Hardin Road, Harrod.

In addition to the car show there is a chicken barbecue from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Barbecue tickets are \$8 each and must be ordered in advance by calling 419-649-5364.

Car show details:

- Registration is from 11 a.m. to noon.
- \$10 per entry
- Top 10 Awards
- Awards at 3 p.m.
- Door prizes for car owners
- Children's activities
- Chicken barbecue

Rawson town festival July 9

The Rawson town festival is Saturday, July 9. Here is the schedule of activities:

4 p.m. - Craft show and FFA hog roast

6:30 p.m. - Parade

Following parade

2nd Trix (tennis courts)

Al Basinger (depot)

Life Flight

Pony rides

Black Swamp Raptors (rehabilitation center)

Games and food

9 p.m. - Five gun raffle and 50/50 drawing



You saw these on Bluffton Icon



- Top - Full moon over Bluffton - Denny Edinger photo
- Center - Wildflowers - Monty Siekerman photo
- Center - Bluffton Farmers' Market
- Bottom - Summer strings rehearsal

Recently on Ada Icon



- Top - The Inn at ONU prince and princess tea (Monty Siekerman)
- Center left - Lima Symphony outdoor Ada concert (Monty Siekerman)
- Center right - Late-night water main break (Ken Collins)
- Bottom left - Caboose renovation (Monty Siekerman)
- Bottom right - Fourth parade (Monty Siekerman)

On Bluffton's calendar

Saturday, July 9

- WOAL swim championships -Bluffton pool
- Bluffton Farmers' Market, 8:30-noon
- Paws 2 Read, library, 10 a.m.
- Shuffleboard instruction, Buckeye park, 1 p.m.
- Rawson Summer Fest' 4-9 p.m.
- County Line Church of Brethren car show, noon-3 p.m.

Monday, July 11

- Dulcimers at library, 1:30 p.m.
- Jammin' at library, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 13

- Toledo Zoo at the library, 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, July 14

- Alter-Ego Comic pizza party, library, 6 p.m.
- Sci-Fi/Fantasy writers, library, 6 p.m.

Friday, July 15

- Playgroup, library, 10 a.m.
- Sports movie, library, 1 p.m.

On Ada's calendar

Saturday, July 9

- WOAL swim championships -Bluffton pool
- County Line Church of Brethren car show, noon-3 p.m.
- Liberty Conservation Club catfish tournament, 6 p.m.-midnight

Monday, July 11

- Ada HS Varsity Singers camp begins
- Puppet show, library, 3 p.m.
- Summer Red Cross swim lessons begin

Thursday, July 14

- The Inn at ONU dinner club, 5-7 p.m.
 - Bingo, Alumni N-men's building, doors open 5:30 p.m.; Bingo begins at 6:55 p.m.
- Pricing follows: 9 Bingo cards, good for all 16 games = \$10, 18 cards = \$15, 27 cards = \$20, 54 cards, plus the use of a Bingo-mate electronic machine = \$35.



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Lap swims: M-W-F, noon to 1 p.m.

Tuesday night swims: 8 p.m. to midnight

Admission: \$3 per person

Youth 3 and under free

Bluffton Swimming Pool

Phone: 419-358-2066, ext. 6

Hours: Noon to 8 p.m., Mondays to
Fridays

1 to 7 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays

Admission: \$4

Youth 2 and under free

... to the Bluffton Farmers' Market

Every Saturday

8:30 a.m. to noon

Citizens National Bank
parking lot

...to the movies!

Ada Theatre
Enjoy a night of family fun!

FINDING DORY (PG)

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THE SECRET LIFE OF PETS (PG)

JULY 8 - 21 2D Every Evening 7 PM and Sat & Sun 1:30 & 4 PM 3D Every Evening 9:30 PM



How about shuffleboard?

You've watched the shuffleboard matches at the Buckeye Park courts. Here's your invitation to learn the game.

On Saturday, July 9, at 1 p.m. at Buckeye Park, the Bluffton Shuffleboard Club will host clinics for anyone interested in learning how to play shuffleboard.

Clinic instructors are Steve Slaughterbeck and Jim Zink. Some of the topics to be covered include basic strategy, court preparation, shooting form and game rules.

The club encourages everyone to come and join in the fun.

Regular club sessions are on Monday and Saturday at 10 a.m. and Thursday at 4 p.m.

"We also have eight annual club tournaments. The annual dues to join the shuffleboard club <http://www.adaicon.com/sites/default/files/pdfs/display/11786-body-works-display.pdf> are \$5," said Slaughterbeck.

For more information call him at 419-358-5528.



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- Pleasant View and Mt. Cory United Methodist VBS Aug. 8-12
- Lucas Harnish performs in July 16 Town Hall Concert
- Steiner and Granger: Here's the April to June quarterly market review
- Seth Combs named assistant VP at Citizens National Bank
- Two options for one-week piano camps offered by Krysti's Music Studio
- Janice Fridley was a 1953 Bluffton High School graduate
- You've always wanted to play shuffleboard - here's your chance
- Richard Ruebush was retired from Cooper Tire and Rubber
- Bob Harris was owner of Bluffton / Findlay KOA

Wednesday, July 6, 2016

- Ice cream social July 17 at Pandora UMC
- Visit the zoo and head into space - plus lots more in July at the library
- Darryl Nester named NCAA Division III Far Fellow
- Make that 4 boys, 9 girls born at Bluffton Hospital since May 19
- 1950s-era Bluffton merchant basketball squad

Tuesday, July 5, 2016

- Didn't see James Bond or Danny Ocean, but we left the casino with \$\$ in our pocket
- Kimberly Smith was a long-time employee of Mennonite Memorial Home
- 5K benefits The Quarry Farm
- Next Beaverdam Bunch meeting July 11
- It rained in June, but nothing like June 2015
- Baumgartners celebrate 65th anniversary with open house July 17
- Rachael E. Lewis winner in fiddlers' contest in Van Wert
- Costa Rican experience for six BHS students in June

Friday, July 1, 2016

- When Sardines meet the Gators - swimmers on your mark!
- Lima Symphony performs free patriotic pops concert Saturday on the ONU lawn

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