

It's an Icon Weekend!

June
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2016

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

Amish mysteries writer at Ada Public Library



Amanda Flower

USA Today bestselling author and Agatha Award Winning mystery writer, Amanda Flower, will speak about her writing, and sign books available for sale at the Ada Public Library, 320 N. Main St., Ada, at 11 a.m., Saturday, June 18.

Flower, best known for her Amish mysteries, also writes the popular Andi series for kids, as well as the Amish Quilt Shop Mystery books under the name Isabella Alan. Aside from being a popular author, Flower is also a librarian in northeast Ohio.

Top stories of the week - according to Google Analytics

Bluffton Icon

- 1 - Denny Edinger sells his final postage stamp
- 2 - A chat with Tim Closson, elementary principal
- 3 - Future plans of the BHS class of 2016

Ada Icon

- 1 - Call to Beauty Hair Saloon opens
- 2 - Libbie Milks in Rose Bowl parade
- 3 - Final Ada honor roll

Combined Icon scoreboard for week of June 10 to 16

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Jason Bracy gets a trim from Morgan Mills

Saturday cut-a-thon benefits Bluffton Good Samaritans

Spectrum Salon, 442 N. Main St., Bluffton, holds its first-ever cut-a-thon, and you are invited to participate, according to Mandy Kinn, owner.

From 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday, June 18, Spectrum Salon stylists donate their time to cut hair with proceeds going to the Bluffton Good Samaritan Women’s Group.

There are no appointments connected to the cut-a-thon. It’s a first-time, first-served event. In addition to the fund-raiser aspect of Saturday, patrons will get a chance to win some door prizes.

Bluffton Good Samaritan Women’s Group leader is Andrea Dailey. The organization serves those in need in Bluffton and the greater community, according to Dailey.

Some of the focus of the Group includes:

- Needs due to illness
(temporary cleaning, errands, getting out)
- Rake leaves, shovel snow
- Move furniture
- Paint
- Miscellaneous jobs
- Emergency pet care during hospitalizations
- Organizing

“If you know someone in need call us and we can take care of the rest,” said Dailey. Her contact information is:

e-mail: goodsamgroup@gmail.com

Cell: 419-296-7310

Facebook: Good Samaritan Women’s Group

Kinn said that she and her associates are happy to hold this cut-a-thon as they appreciate the work of the Good Samaritan group.

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Drummers in The Cadets during rehears-



University Singers

Monday evening concerts at ONU

- **The Cadets**
- **University Singers**

By Monty Siekerman

Two major musical events of the summer in Ada take place Monday, June 20, and both are free and open to the public.

- **The Cadets perform at 7:30 p.m. at the ONU football stadium.**

- **The ONU University Singers conclude their national tour with a home concert at 8 p.m. in the Freed Center.**

For those who may wish to see both programs, one could view The Cadets during dress rehearsal at 8 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday in the stadium, then have Monday free to attend the University Singers at the Freed Center.

Neither group could change the dates of their shows on Monday. The Cadets need to leave Ada the next day to begin their national tour. The ONU choir will be concluding its extensive tour the same evening.

The ONU group has given 36 performances in 16 states.

The University Singers is a 48-voice concert choir directed by Dr. Ben Ayling, director of choral activities.

The choir performs a variety of music literature.

On Monday, the Cadets will perform their entire 2016 show, titled "Awakening," with band members, flag corps, and dance moves.

The corps will also perform a few classics from "yesterday" as well as a patriotic selection or two to complete the evening.



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This week in Bluffton

Saturday - June 18

- Farmers' market - CNB parking lot, 8:30 a.m.-noon
- Spectrum Salon, cut-a-thon, 9 a.m. to noon
- Jeff Gundy book signing, Book ReViews, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Sunday - June 19

- Fathers' Day barbecue, Bluffton Hospital, tickets required in advance, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Monday - June 20

- Swim lessons begin

Tuesday - June 21

- Car wash, Bluffton Child Development Center, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Thursday - June 23

- School board, elementary media center, 7:30 p.m.

Friday - June 24

- Bluffton Area Relay for Life, BFR

Car wash on Tuesday

Bluffton Child Development Center's

school-age classroom will hold a car wash to raise money for summer activities. The car wash is from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesday, June 21, at the Center located at 325 County

Line Road, Bluffton.



This week in Ada

Sunday, June 19

Fathers' Day brunch at The Inn at ONU, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Reservations suggested

Monday, June 20

The Cadets, ONU football stadium, 7 p.m.
ONU Singers, home concert, Freed Center, 8 p.m.
First Baptist Church VBS begins, 6 p.m.
Ada swim team at Kenton

Tuesday, June 21

Ada council, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 23

Ada swim team hosts Sherwood
Coffee with a Cop, McDonald's, 8-10 a.m.

Friday, June 24

Prince and Prince tea, The Inn at ONU, 2-4 p.m.

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BFR has a summer event for you

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

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.

June 16 –Space Invasion

July 14 – All About Animals

July 21 – Sports Galore

Aug. 11 – Time Capsule

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

Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday, June 6-7-8

4 to 5:15 p.m. – snacks included

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

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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.





This week from the Ada Icon cameras




- Mourning dove -Ken Collins photo
- Snake at the library
- Youth at Ada park
- Tandem bike riders
(photo by Monty Siekerman)

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- Hairy woodpecker
- Bluffton Child Development youth
- Nancy Glick, harpist
- Mowing at village park



Bluffton author signing books at Book ReViews



Jeff Gundy of Bluffton will have a book signing from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, June 18, at Book ReViews, 123 S. Main St., Bluffton, according to Dr. Christina Walton, store manager.

Gundy, professor of English at Bluffton University, has published seven books of poems and four of prose, most recently *Abandoned Homeland* (Bottom Dog, 2015), *Somewhere Near Defiance* (Anhinga, 2014), *Songs from an Empty Cage: Poetry, Mystery, Anabaptism, and Peace* (Cascadia, 2013), and *Spoken Among the Trees* (Akron, 2008).

At Bluffton Public Library

Saturday, June 18

ACT: Raising Safe Kids, 10-11:30 p.m.

Monday, June 20

Watercolor Workshop, 10 a.m.

Storytime, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 21

Storytime, 10 a.m.

Dulcimers at the library, 1:30 p.m.

A Life You Love with Beth Boehr, Love Legacy, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 22

Amazing Adaptations with Toledo Zoo, 1 p.m.

Thursday, June 23

Teens Giant Ping Pong, 2 p.m.

Intro to sprouting with Daisy Sutkay, 6 p.m.

Friday, June 24

Playgroup, 10 a.m.

Sports related movie, 1 p.m.

Saturday, June 25

Storytime at Farmers' Market



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On the Ada Public Library calendar

Saturday, June 18

- 11 a.m., Amanda Flower, author of Amish mysteries.
- 12:30 p.m., built a birdhouse with assistance of the Lima Lowe's staff.

Monday, June 20

- 11 a.m., Remy and Friends, ventriloquist and illusionist.
- 3 p.m., teen art, grades 6-12.
- 6:30 p.m., teen writing group.

Tuesday, June 21

- 11 a.m., totally science Tuesday, grades K-5.
- 1 p.m., Amish book group.
- 3 p.m., teen science, grades 6-12.
- 6 p.m., family storytime. This 30-40 minutes usually features a variety of fun: a couple of stories, rhymes, finger-play, songs and occasionally simple crafts.

Wednesday, June 22

- 10 a.m., amazing animal adaptations with Toledo Zoo experts. Event held at Community Health Professionals, 1200 S. Main.
- 3 p.m., movie, "Cool Runnings," (PG).
- 6 p.m., The Secret Life of the Millionaire Next Door. ONU business professor Jill Christopher will discuss ways to lead healthier lives.

Thursday, June 23

- 10 a.m., baby storytime, 0-14 months. Children will experience simple stories, rhymes, movement and music.
- 11 a.m., board games, grades K-5.
- 3 p.m., teen board games/booktalks, grades 6-12.
- 6 p.m., Beer College. Ever wonder what goes into making beer. ONU chemistry professor Ronald Peterson will break down the science of what goes into brewing beer.

Friday, June 24

- 1 p.m., sidewalk chalk.
- 3 p.m., teen yoga, grades 6-12.



This Relay for Life is for everyone

Purple shoes on Bluffton's Main Street?

The purple shoes hang on Main Street to remind people that cancer hits all walks of life and all kinds of people, according to Lynda Best of the Bluffton Relay for Life.



Purple shoes hanging on Main Street

This year's Relay is at Bluffton Family Recreation, 215 Snider Road, Bluffton, Friday evening, June 24, and continuing into Saturday morning.

"We are having a survivor meal at 5 p.m., Friday, June 24, and ask if there are any survivors who would like to attend the meal - it's free to survivors," she said.

Contact Best 419-296-2790 or stop by Village Cut & Curl for a survivor form.

"We are also selling tickets instead of a chicken barbecue this year. Henry's will be catering a Lasagna meal from 4:30-6:30 p.m. on June 24. Tickets are \$8 each and available at Village Cut & Curl or Polish, 417 N. Main St.," she added.

"We also are having a 5K night glow run with registration at 10 p.m. and the race at 10:30 p.m. Contact Best for sign up form or sign up on www.active.com.

She also said that this year's Relay has lots of entertainment all evening and food and pie and chair auctions, kids games fun for the whole community.

Events at the Ada VFW this weekend

Saturday, June 18, Kwik as a Wink karaoke, 8 p.m.

Sunday, June 19, 8:30-12:30, breakfast open to members and the public.

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