

■ WHEELING

Main Street Announces Q2 Dividend

From STAFF REPORTS

Main Street Financial Services Corp., the holding company parent of Main Street Bank Corp., has declared a cash dividend of \$0.14 per share of the company's common stock for the quarter ending June 30. That's an increase of 40% compared to the \$0.10 per share in the sec-

ond quarter of 2024. The quarterly cash dividend will be paid on Aug. 16 to stockholders of record as of Aug. 2.

"Main Street Financial Services Corp. is dedicated to maximizing shareholder value," MSWV President & CEO, James VanSickle stated. "The increase in our cash dividend is proof of

our commitment to shareholders. Also, we have recently graduated to the OTCQX Market, which will improve the exposure of MSWV common stock."

Main Street Financial Services Corp. is a \$1.4 billion holding company headquartered in Wooster, Ohio. Its primary subsidiary, Main Street Bank

Corp. was founded in 1899 and provides full-service banking, commercial lending, and mortgage services across its branch infrastructure. Today, Main Street Bank Corp operates 19 branch locations in Wooster, Ohio, Wheeling and other surrounding communities in Ohio and West Virginia.

QUEEN OF QUEENS CROWNED AT ALL-STAR GAME



Photo by Nick Henthorn

Cambridge High School's Maddie Enright, center, was named the OVAC's Queen of Queens on Saturday evening at halftime of the Rudy Mumley OVAC All-Star Football Game held at Wheeling Island Stadium. Enright was one of 23 contestants in this year's competition. With her are, from left, Wheeling Central's Jayden Burge (fourth runner-up), Wheeling Park's Savannah Burkhart (second runner-up), Bellaire's Abigail LaRoche (first runner-up and Miss Congeniality) and Linsly's Avery Sadlowski (third runner-up). For full coverage of Saturday's game, see Page 9.

■ BETHESDA

Goshen Township Celebrates New Facility

By GAGE VOTA
 For The Intelligencer

The Goshen Township Board of Trustees hosted an open house at its new Maintenance and Meeting Hall on Saturday morning.

The Goshen Township trustees have been working on securing a new building for the past eight years.

"It's taken a long time, but we finally found a way to put a levy in place that would generate the funds to enable us to make this happen," Trustee J.R. Whitley said.

The building's meeting hall is dedicated to former longtime Goshen Township fiscal officer Teresa Schaffer. According to the trustees, Schaffer was the one who was able to get the ball rolling on the levy process.

"It means a lot," Schaffer said. "I was the Goshen Township fiscal officer for 36 years, and the first year I was in we barely made it through. For them to be able to build a facility 36 years later like this is just unbelievable to me. Back when I was starting out if somebody would have told me that something like this would happen, I wouldn't have believed it."

Whitley said he believes it will be a great addition to the township.



Photo by Gage Vota

The new Theresa Schaffer Conference Hall in Bethesda will serve as a storage facility as well as a meeting hall for the Goshen Township Board of Trustees.

said. "Before, we had equipment sitting outside, but now all of our equipment will be held under a roof."

The new facility allows the trustees to consolidate everything into

addition to the new facility, Goshen Township has been steadily upgrading its equipment to better service its community. Schaffer believes that having all of the equipment and staff

The View From 42

Today's column is going to be a hodgepodge of things, because I turned 42 on Thursday and my mind has been in reminiscing mode.

I was 22 in the summer of 2004. I was a college dropout from Ohio Valley University for more than a year at that point. I was living on the campus of Parkersburg Bible College with my friend (and now Rev. Stephen Kuntzman, who officiated my wedding in 2016). I attended church at Spreading Truth Ministries and played bass guitar and sang in the worship band.



FROM THE STATEHOUSE
 Steven Allen Adams

At that point, I assumed the likelihood of a journalism career was quite remote. I was donating plasma for cash before being hired at the new Shoe Carnival. I didn't drive, so I would walk to catch the bus to the Grand Central Mall in Vienna.

But I had never stopped writing. My high school classmate Molly Radcliff gave me an invite to LiveJournal at some point in 2003. In July 2004 I was a few weeks away from launching a blog through the Blogger platform under the name "Holywriter," a play on the phrase "holy roller" often used as a derogatory term from oneness Pentecostals.

It makes me cringe to go back and read my old blogs, see all the typos and grammatical mistakes, look at my takes on politics as I was still discovering what I believed (I was somewhere between neocon and libertarian, and perhaps still am), and the way-too-blunt descriptions of my young love life. I was very emo.

Yet, blogging led me to so many things and connected me to writers and people here in West Virginia and across the nation that I'm still connected to today. I had a meeting in Huntington Thursday with one of those bloggers: Bill Gardner, who now is a professor at Marshall University and working to create their new Cybersecurity Center.

Blogging was the foot in the door that led me back to news reporting in 2006 for local print and radio in the Mid-Ohio Valley: Results Radio and the now-defunct Marietta Register. My freelance writing led me to the career I now enjoy.

In July 2004 I was a few months away from moving in with a friend from OVU. And a few months after that I moved into the Williams Street apartment with new roommates; the place where I met the friends who helped me get through my mid-20s.

Turning 42 isn't a milestone in and of itself. But I do wonder if I built a time machine and told my 22-year-old self what his life would be like 20 years later if it would blow his mind. It certainly blows my mind now.

I'm happily married to the woman I've called friend and partner for 13 years. I own a home and a relatively newer used car. And I'm an award-winning reporter and columnist. I'm a frequent guest on statewide radio and TV. I've been butt-dialed by Gov. Jim Justice before. And I'm just a poor boy from Tin Can Holler in St. Marys.

I'm not trying to brag; I'm trying to express gratitude. I'm thankful for the experiences I've had over the last 20 years that have led me to this point in my life.

Thinking about my life has also made me think a little bit about U.S. Senator/GOP vice presidential candidate JD Vance and his book "Hillbilly Elegy."

"Hillbilly Elegy" is a complicated book in our region. Some people really relate to it, while others hate it, saying it unfairly stereotypes our region (I'm trying hard not to say Appalachia, because as I've written about before, I hate the over-use of that term).

I'm someone who relates to the book as far as Vance's memoir goes. Luckily, I had both parents in the picture, but following my parents' divorce combined with my dad's shift work, I too was cared for by my grandma at least through my middle school years.

I too had a complicated relationship with my mother whom I loved, but her intellectual disability and addictions made it hard

Heather Ziegler



Riding Out The Summer

Summertime is noted for many much-awaited events. They include picnics, a dip in a cooling outdoor pool, a variety of festivals, yard sales and car shows. Yes, car shows are high on the list of many Ohio Valley residents.

Whether you are the proud owner of a 1960-something Corvette, a custom-painted Harley or a brand new four-wheeler, car shows are most likely on your summer bucket list. During the warm weather months and into early fall, vehicle enthusiasts bring out their prized vehicles to show off to the rest of us.

Some of the shows are simple gatherings — such as those that were held at the former Hardee's parking lot in Woodsdale. While some shows have gone by the wayside for one reason or another, there is always another one somewhere within the tri-state area to serve the purpose.

Others are huge events such as the Ohio Valley Street Survivors car, truck and motorcycle show held at Oglebay Park. This year's event will be held Aug. 24 at Levenson Shelter at Oglebay. This is the one not to miss.

Most car (and truck and motorcycle) shows serve as fundraisers for various do-good organizations and charities. Because the vehicle entries pay fees, the public can usually enjoy the events without cost. However, most events include 50-50 raffles and vehicle-related items for sale.

Personally I enjoy seeing the vehicles of my youth on display at these events. These very stylized vehicles are remnants of the past that evoke wonderful memories. No offense to today's vehicles, but cars and trucks from the 1950s-1980s were so distinctly designed that you could tell a Chevy from a Pontiac or Ford from a Mercury at a glance.

Vehicles with bench seats made much more sense to me than today's bucket seats. There was no losing items between the seats and you could safely hold on to and transport a box of DiCarlo's pizza on a bench seat without fear of it sliding onto the floor. It may not have been as safe, but three people could fit in the front seat on a bench seat.

There are other features of the vehicles of yesteryear that I really miss. I wish cars still had side vent windows and floor vents. There are times I just want some fresh

Queen of Queens Lineup Set



ARABELLA BLOOMER
Steub. Central



EMMY BUCK
Martins Ferry



JAYDEN BURGE
Wheeling Central Catholic



SAVANNAH BURKHART
Wheeling Park



LILLIE CARANDA
Weir



AVA CARSON
Harrison Central



BELLE CORDER
Barnesville



KENDRA COTTRELL
Cameron



MADDIE ENRIGHT
Cambridge



EMMA HENRY
St. Clairsville



CAMPBELL KROPKA
Bridgeport



ABIGAIL LaROCHE
Bellaire



KIERSTEN MILLER
Magnolia



MIA PIETRANTON
Madonna



LEXI PROCTOR
Morgantown



LAUREN RICE
John Marshall



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REESE SCOTT
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St. John Central

Candidates To Compete Thursday At Wheeling Park High School

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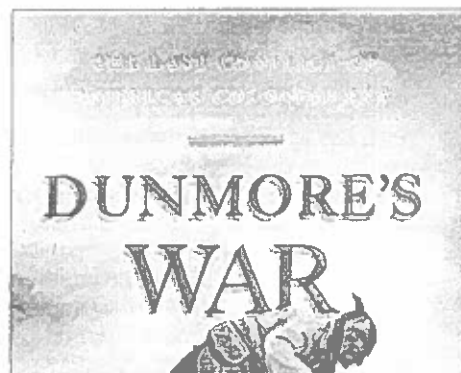
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People's University To Explore Dunmore's War At 250 Years

Classes Focus On Oft-Forgotten Aspect Of Colonial History

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Farm bureau sets annual meeting

ST. CLAIRSVILLE — Belmont County Farm Bureau's annual meeting of members will be held Aug. 13 at The Market at Ebbert Farms, 68101 Ebbert North Road, St. Clairsville.

Doors open at 5 p.m. with time to visit sponsor displays.

The dinner and meeting will start at 6 p.m., and the meal will be ca-



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People's University Program Kicks Off

WHEELING — This year marks the 250th anniversary of Dunmore's War, seen by many historians as the last conflict of America's colonial period.

But some pay it little attention or misinterpret its historical significance. Set against the backdrop of the deepening constitutional crisis that soon spun out of control, the campaign's decisive bat-



explore Dunmore's War. July 18 at 7 p.m., Class 1 — Who Was Lord Dunmore?