

*County Update*

The Monthly Newsletter For The Belmont County Engineer's Department

The Belmont County  
Engineer's Offices  
and  
Garages Will Be  
**Closed**  
Thursday November  
22nd and Friday  
November 23rd  
for  
Thanksgiving

*Fred's Desk*



**AS WE ENJOY** Indian Summer this week, it's time to start thinking about the upcoming winter. Last week we held our annual equipment inspection making sure we will be ready when the snow starts to fly. As we make our plans for winter, we will again have an afternoon shift starting Dec. 3rd and will probably end in late February.

While the weather is still good, the road crews have been patching, ditching and grading, along with mowing and all the other maintenance needed to keep our roads as safe as possible. They have also installed some snow fence to help prevent drifting of snow when it arrives.

Since last month, the bridge crew has completed a new bridge on Wayne Twp. Road 87 (Mayhew Road), installed a temporary

bridge on County Highway 5 (Clover Ridge Road), and added beams to a Bridge on Pultney 325 (Indian Run Road). This was necessary to keep the bridge opened until we can replace it next year. They are now working on a new bridge on CH 56 (Morgan Hill Road), where new concrete box beams were set this week. When this bridge is opened, this will be the ninth one completed this year by the bridge crew.

As part of a mine reclamation project, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources had built for us a new bridge on Pease Township 1452 (Slaughterhouse Run Road) just outside of Brookside. They had installed a 15.5' span by 7.25' rise three sided aluminum box culvert which replaced an old girder bridge which was in very bad shape.

Ohio-West Virginia Excavating Co. was the only bidder on a project for removal and construction of a new bridge on York Township 810 (Town Hill Road). Their bid was in the amount of \$719,333, and will be funded by the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) in the amount of \$399,600, North American Coal Company in the amount of \$160,000, and local funds (MVGT) of \$159,733. Work began this week and is scheduled to be completed by December 15th.

This week, Ohio/West Virginia Excavating Co. completed the \$75,145 piling project on CH 2 (Deep Run Road). This is the last FEMA project for Disaster 4002.

With all the work that needs accomplished yet this year, let's just hope and pray for a dry, mild fall.

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## ***Bridge Work***

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County Road 56, Morgan Hill Road, bridge replacement project at log point 34.13.



County Road 5, Clover Ridge, temporary bridge in place.



Wayne Township T-87, Mayhugh Road, bridge replacement.

## ***County Road 56, Maynard Road***

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Recently completed slip repair project on County Road 56.



## ***Ohio Highway Patrol Stats***

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The Ohio Highway Patrol recently release the figures below as well as fatality statistics. For the past 12 months, fatalities (868) were up from the same period a year ago (785).

The information below is the type and number of OHP activities for 2012 compared to 2011.

<b>TYPE</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
Enforcement Stops	474,304	423,517
Non-Enforcement Activity	748,144	716,226
Warnings	336,989	297,112
Motorist Assists	247,947	253,483
Crashes Investigated	47,935	50,387
OVI Enforcement	19,707	19,013
Driving Under Suspension Enforcement	23,344	20,964
Seat Belt Enforcement	80,321	72,147
Commercial Vehicle Enforcement	34,260	29,654
Case Investigations Initiated	7,540	7,416
Felony Arrests	2,424	2,173
Felony Warrants Served	817	762
Misdemeanor Summons Issued	6,678	5,190
Misdemeanor Warrants Served	3,619	3,185
Drug Violations	6,172	4,974
Identity Theft Enforcements	168	211
Resisting Arrest Violations	591	600
Weapons Violations	292	271

A map of 2012 fatal traffic crashes, year to date, can be seen at:

[http://www.statepatrol.ohio.gov/statistics/statdocs/Fatals\\_12/Statewide\\_Fatals\\_12.pdf](http://www.statepatrol.ohio.gov/statistics/statdocs/Fatals_12/Statewide_Fatals_12.pdf)

A fatal comparison map can be seen at:

[http://statepatrol.ohio.gov/doc/fatal\\_comp.pdf](http://statepatrol.ohio.gov/doc/fatal_comp.pdf)

## *Pease Township T-1452*

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The steel girder bridge pictured below was replaced with a 3 sided aluminum box culvert by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.



## *County Road 2 Deep Run*

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This project on County Road 2 is the last repair project from the June 12, 2010 FEMA Disaster 4002



## *Deed Transfer Stats 5 Years*

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<b>Belmont County Engineer's Department Deed Transfer Stats</b>					
DEEDS	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
TRACTS					
JAN	198	172	131	152	197
	390	293	247	271	330
FEB	188	180	172	157	155
	309	265	317	250	268
MAR	238	238	168	200	226
	465	373	290	339	414
APR	261	207	212	209	205
	429	407	409	368	330
MAY	277	230	201	240	199
	536	387	344	412	322
JUN	247	241	216	243	244
	417	445	381	474	402
JUL	273	219	225	221	207
	522	394	421	391	344
AUG	310	223	204	177	230
	522	482	388	302	407
SEP	251	195	220	206	223
	403	312	354	372	423
OCT	201	242	185	218	187
	370	438	438	378	307
NOV	218	199	179	274	236
	379	312	311	473	511
DEC	185	163	130	203	243
	396	307	268	361	454
DEED TOTAL YR	2847	2509	2243	2500	2552
TRACTS TOTAL YEAR	5138	4415	4168	4391	4512
DEED MONTH AVE	237.3	209.1	186.9	208.3	212.7
TRACT MONTH AVE	428.2	367.9	347.3	365.9	376.0

## *Winter Vehicle Inspection*

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During the week of October 15th, all snow removal equipment was inspected for the upcoming winter. A committee comprised of Dayle Conaway, Bob Detling, Frank Mayo, Scotty Britton, Wesley Wells, Chuck Earliwine, Steve Clark and Scott Sall. Scotty Britton is shown at the right inspecting one of the International dump trucks.

