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# The Cridersville Courier

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*Your Community  
Newsletter*

## Cridersville Fireman's Jamboree



**Friday July 12th**  
**Saturday July 13th**  
**Fun for the Whole Family!**



It's that time of year when family and friends come together to support our volunteer fire department and all they do for our community. The CFD has been working hard all year to bring new and exciting events to their annual celebration. This year brings garden tractor pulls and a new route and day for the 5-K run/walk. Old favorites will still be happening with the car show, grand parade and Uncle Louie's chicken dinners. Don't forget about the big grand prize drawing Saturday night. There truly is something for everyone at the Cridersville Fireman's Jamboree.

### Village Officials

Rick Walls  
**Mayor**  
Eric West  
**Council President**  
Frank Oen  
Joe Bailey  
Stacey Cook  
Rick Allen  
Dorance Thompson  
**Council Members**  
Susan Bassitt  
**Clerk-Treasurer**  
Jarid Kohlrieser  
**Village Administrator**  
Paul Robbins  
**Police Chief**  
Rick Miller  
**Fire Chief**  
Angela Elliot  
**Village Solicitor**

### Friday Activities -

Car Show registration 4:00 p.m. / Judging 6:00 p.m.  
Jamboree Opening Ceremony 6:00 p.m. / Midway Opens  
5-K Run/Walk 7:00 p.m. (at school) / Registration Ends July 10  
Earth Quakers 8:00 p.m.  
Also - Family Fun Tent, Bingo, Kids Scavenger Hunt, DJ Dance Party

### Saturday Activities -

Uncle Louie's Chicken Dinners 12:00 p.m.  
Grand Parade 1:00 p.m.  
Blessing of the Badges 2:30 p.m.  
Special Prize Bingo 4:00 p.m.  
Garden Tractor Pulls 5:00 p.m.  
Brother Believe Me 8:00 p.m..  
Grand Prize Drawing 11:00 p.m.  
Also - Family Fun Tent, COSI, Corn Hole, Super Hero's, Karaoke,  
Youth Scavenger Hunt and more



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[www.villgeofcridersville.com](http://www.villgeofcridersville.com)

### Village Hall

110 W. Main Street  
Clerk 419-645-4883  
Mayor 419-645-4212  
Administrator 419-645-5001

### Hours:

Monday-Thursday  
10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.  
Friday  
10:00 a.m.—Noon

### Council Meetings

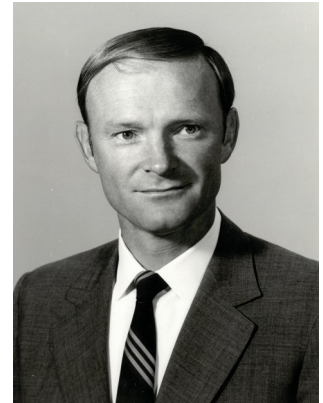
2nd Monday of each month  
7:30 p.m. at Village Hall

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# Cridersville's Connection to NASA

## Dr. Glenn Smith

### Cridersville High School – Class of 1952



Glenn Smith was born on July 15, 1934. He is the son of Warren and Marsele Smith. The Smiths moved to Cridersville when Glenn was two years old. His maternal grandparents were Frank and Lelia Phillips of Cridersville. Smith attended all twelve years at Cridersville School on East Main Street. He graduated in 1952 in a class of fifteen students. He was elected Senior Class President. After graduating from Cridersville High School in 1952, Glenn Smith attended Bowling Green State University in 1952 and 1953. He then transferred to Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio. He graduated in 1956 with "High Distinction" and first in his class in the College of Engineering. While at Ohio Northern, Smith was an outstanding athlete in both basketball and baseball. He was inducted into the ONU Athletic Hall of Fame. In 1963 he earned a Master of Science degree in mechanical engineering at the University of Pittsburgh. He completed his Ph.D. in 1965; becoming Dr. Glenn Smith. His doctoral thesis topic was the heat transfer in nuclear reactors.

From 1956 until 1967 Smith also worked at Westinghouse Electric as a design engineer designing electric power generators for aircraft and the space program. In addition, he worked part time at the Atomic Power Labs in Pittsburgh. In 1967 he joined the staff at the NASA Johnson Space Center in Houston. As a project engineer and manager at NASA in Houston, Dr. Smith worked on the Apollo, Skylab, Space Shuttle and Space Station projects. He was the project lead for the team of astronauts, scientists, and engineers designing controls for the Apollo Telescope mount in Skylab. He also led the development of the Earth Resources Instruments for the Skylab program. Smith was also manager of the NASA Applications Program for the study of practical application of satellite data and deputy manager of Systems Engineering for the Space Shuttle program. He was co-designer of the proposed NASA Flyback Booster to improve Shuttle safety and reduce cost. In addition to his work at NASA, Smith was a lecturer on systems engineering at the European Space Agency. During his twenty seven years at the NASA Johnson Space Center, Dr. Glenn Smith was the winner of 25 Outstanding or Superior Performance Awards. He also gave testimony to Congressional Committees regarding safety and cost of space launch systems. Smith retired from NASA in 1994. Glenn Smith and his wife, Sue Montgomery from Bluffton, Ohio, continue to live in Houston, Texas. They have been married for more than 50 years and have four children and eleven grandchildren. Smith is active in his church, holds a commercial pilot's license, is an avid golfer, and a member of the Mensa Society of America and the NASA Alumni Association. Dr. Smith has many fond memories of growing up in Cridersville including free Saturday night movies on Main Street, the whole town going to basketball games at the Community Hall gymnasium, the medicine shows at the Town Hall, the B&O Depot, rationing during World War II, unreliable cars, and good music, good friends and good times.

Dr. Glenn Smith will be making a visit to Cridersville as part of the 50th Celebration of the Apollo 11 Mission and Neil Armstrong's "First Steps on the Moon". Smith will be in the Cridersville Firemen's Jamboree Grand Parade Saturday July 13th and at the Historical Museum following the parade. Smith will also participate in the 50th Anniversary parade in Wapakoneta on Sunday July 14th. And be sure to join the Cridersville Historical Society and Dr. Smith Monday July 15th to hear about his part in Apollo, Skylab, Space Shuttle and Space Station projects. His talk will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room at Otterbein Cridersville. Admission is free and refreshments will be provided.

## Cridersville Fire Department

### In Need of Dessert Donations

Each year desserts are needed for their "Uncle Louies" Chicken Bar-B-Que dinners. Donations of homemade or store bought goodies would be appreciated. You can drop off your baked goods at the fire station on Saturday July 13th anytime after 10 am. Dinners will be served from 12:00 pm until they are gone, so be sure and get your meals early!



## Quilt Show

Friday July 12th / 10 am - 6 pm  
Saturday July 13th / 9 am - 2 pm  
Cridersville United Methodist Church  
105 Shawnee Road  
The West Central Ohio Quilt Guild

## Jamboree Ride Special

Hit the Midway

After the Parade for the

**"ALL YOU CAN RIDE"**

Special for only \$15 until 5 p.m.

## Youth Block Party

Grades 5 - 12

Saturday September 15th / 5pm to 7pm

Cridersville UMC Youth Center

East Sugar Street behind Car Wash

Sponsored by Cridersville Youth Ministry



## Summer Time Reminders

Now that Summer has officially arrived there are some items village officials want you to be aware of :

- Do not mow grass into the street
- Permits are needed for temporary pools
- Check before you start projects to see if permits may be required
- Be kind and keep noise levels down
- Keep an eye out for children playing

## Have a Safe and Happy Summer

Cridersville Historical Society's

## Ham & Bean Supper

Thursday

September 26th

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Bowsher Log Home



Cridersville Health Care Center is hosting a Classic Car Show in conjunction with the dinner

## Could First Responders Find Your Home in Case of an Emergency?

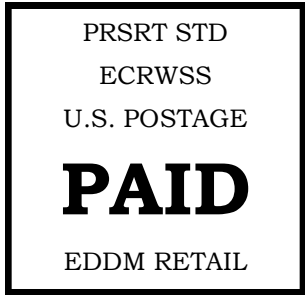
Village officials are asking residents to make sure that their home's address is clearly marked. This is essential if safety services



are dispatched to your house. Time is critical in an emergency and shouldn't be wasted looking for your home because it doesn't have a street address in plain view.

**THE CRIDERSVILLE COURIER**

Village of Cridersville  
110 W. Main Street  
Cridersville, Ohio 45806



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**Community Events - Clip & Save the Date**



- July 12th & 13th** - 55th Annual Fireman’s Jamboree
- July 15th** - Historical Society Presentation - Cridersville’s Connection to NASA : Dr. Glenn Smith  
7:00 pm Otterbein Community Room
- September 7th** - Lions Club - Community Blood Screening - 6:30 am - 9:30 am - Cridersville Elementary School
- September 7th** - Garden Club Scarecrow & Mum Sale - 9:00 am—1:00 pm - Village Hall Lawn
- September 9th** - Historical Society Presentation - An Evening of Wildlife Discovery : Mark Schemmel  
7:00 pm Otterbein Community Room
- September 26th** - Historical Society Ham & Bean Supper - 4:00 pm—7:00 pm - Bowsher Log Home
- October 28th** - Fall Festival & Halloween Parade - 5:30 pm - Fire Station
- October 31st** - Trick – or - Treat - 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
- November 2nd** - Historical Society “Quarter Palooza” Auction - Fire Station
- November 30th** - Lions Club Breakfast with Santa - 9:00 am - Cridersville United Methodist Church
- December 2nd** - Historical Society Community Christmas Tree Lighting - 6:00 pm - Bowsher Log House
- December 14th** - Christmas on Main Street - Start & End at Fire Station - 9:00 am to 1:00 pm