



**Town of Ceredo Town Council Regular Session December 3rd, 2018**

The Town of Ceredo Town Council met in regular session on Monday, December 3rd, 2018 at the Ceredo City Hall. The Mayor, Paul A. Billups, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Those present included the Mayor, Paul A. Billups; the Recorder, Stanley E. Fink; and Councilmen Dennis Adkins, Oscar Adkins, Steve Diamond, Robert Leslie and Joe Ratcliff.

**Reading and Approval of Minutes**

The Mayor asked if Council had any corrections or additions to the minutes of the November 5th, 2018 Regular Session or the November 26th, 2018 Special Session. None being heard, on a motion by Dennis Adkins and a second by Steve Diamond, Council voted to wave the reading of the November 5th, 2018 Regular Session and November 26th, 2018 Special Session and accept them as presented. All were in favor, motion carried.

**Treasurers' Report**

Treasurer, Robert Leslie, presented Council with the existing balances in each Town account as of November 30th, 2018. The Mayor asked for questions on the report. None being heard, the Mayor requested the report be made part of the minutes.

The Mayor reported on the balances for the Crescent Hill Cemetery:

General Fund Balance: \$2,000

CD Balance approximately \$761,000.

The Mayor asked for any questions or discussions. None being heard, on a motion by Robert Leslie and a second by Oscar Adkins, Council voted to approve the Treasurers' report as presented. All were in favor, motion carried.

**New Police Officer Matthew Chapman**

The Mayor introduced the new police officer, Matthew Chapman, and asked Mr. Chapman to come forward to take his Oath of Office. The Mayor administered Officer Chapman the Oath of Office and presented him with his badge.

The Mayor also advised that Officer Chapman would begin work as a probationary police officer on the 17th day of December 2018 and would be attending the State Police Academy as soon as an opening is available.

**Ceredo Fifth Infantry Commission**

The Mayor gave an overview of the history of the Fifth Volunteer Infantry once located in Ceredo during the Civil War. He advised the Fifth Infantry had been reactivated as a way of recognizing citizens in the Town for their military service and dedication to the Town.

The Mayor asked Mr. Gary Runyon, Mr. Don Bailey and Mr. Jack Riggs to come forward, at which time he presented each gentleman with a certificate bestowing the rank of Captain in the Fifth Volunteer Infantry of Ceredo in recognition for their service to their Country and to the community.

**Town Audit**

The Mayor addressed the awarding of the audit to Mr. Michael Ballestra and advised he expects the audit to be completed by January 31st, 2019.

Old Ceredo Elementary School Property

The Mayor reported he had been advised the Wayne County Board of Education had given the superintendent the authority to move forward with the transfer of the Ceredo Elementary School property to the Town of Ceredo. He stated, as this was not official yet, he expected the Board's attorney would be contacting him in the next few days to begin the document process.

The Mayor also discussed forming a committee to generate possible uses for the school and stated the Town would not let the property lie dormant.

**Police Vehicle Delivery Date**

The Mayor gave an update on the new police vehicles that had been ordered in May and a possible date of delivery.

The Mayor stated that, because of the inability to receive vehicles in a timely manner, he was looking at a unit to serve as the Chief's vehicle and was working with Mr. Mark Beford to locate a unit for that purpose and expected a call at any time.

**Order and Notice of Special Levy Election**

The Mayor read, on Second Reading, an Order and Notice of a Special Election to be held March 16th, 2019 for an additional levy to the voters of Ceredo West Virginia.

On a motion by Oscar Adkins and a second by Dennis Adkins, Council voted to approve, as read on Second Reading, the Order and Notice of a Special Levy Election to be held March 16th, 2019. All were in favor, motion carried.

**Employee Appreciation Luncheon**

The Mayor advised the Employee Appreciation Luncheon would be held on December 12th, 2018 at the City Hall.

**Employee Vision and Dental Coverage**

The Mayor advised that he had spoken with Bryan Byard, the insurance agent that handles the Town's health and accident insurance about vision and dental coverage for the Town employees. The Mayor suggested polling the employees to see how many would be interested in the coverage with the Town paying 50% of the premium.

**Paving of Cemetery Hill Road**

The Mayor advised that paving on Cemetery Hill had been completed, but that further paving would be done next summer.

**Maintenance Superintendent Report**

Maintenance Superintendent, Ronnie Jarrell, reported on the status of the leaf collections. He also reported on the salt purchases that had been made, in an effort to prepare for winter.

Mr. Jarrell addressed the replacement of the trash containers and the need to exercise the Route 60 floodwall gate.

**Stormwater Manager/Administrative Assistant Report**

Mr. Dustin Long, Stormwater Manager/Administrative Assistant reported on the recent floodwall inspections and the needed repairs to the expansion joints between the concrete sections of the wall and the joints of the discharge piping from the pump houses. He also discussed needed inspections of the culvert areas and reported on a problem with the sewer from Route 60 flowing behind Rocco's being clogged with grease.

A discussion was held on other areas of the sewer line that needed attention and the assistance Mr. Bob McGlone had given with the mapping project and current problems. Mr. Long also advised he had attended a FEMA Floodplain Management Class required by the State to be in compliance.

**Police Department Report**

Police Chief, Tony Poston, reported on the activities of the police department in November 2018 and the need to upgrade the fleet of cruisers.

Chief Poston addressed the problems being experienced with the analog system due to lightning strikes and the effects on communications. He also reported on the efforts to get the new officers certified to run radar.

A discussion was held on the use of tasers by police officers.

**Main Street and Walking Track Lighting**

The Mayor discussed working with AEP on a possible upgrade to the lighting along Main Street and lighting around the walking track in the Paul T. Billups Park.

The Mayor also talked about updating the welcome sign at the floodwall and Route 60 flower garden and refurbishment or demolition of the three (3) properties on the south side of Route 60.

**Adjournment**

No further business was brought before the Council. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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**Town of Ceredo Town Council Special Session December 6th, 2018**

The Town of Ceredo Town Council met in Special Session on Thursday, December 6th, 2018 at the Ceredo City Hall. The meeting had been called for the first Public Hearing on the proposed Special Levy Ordinance.

Mayor Paul A. Billups called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those present included the Mayor, Paul A. Billups; the Recorder, Stanley E. Fink; and Councilmen Dennis Adkins, Oscar Adkins, Bob Leslie and Joe Ratcliff. Steve Diamond was absent.

Mayor Billups asked if there were any questions or input from those present on the Special Levy Ordinance. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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**Town of Ceredo Town Council Special Session December 27th, 2018**

The Town of Ceredo Town Council met in Special Session on Thursday, December 27th 2018 at the Ceredo City Hall. The meeting had been called for the second Public Hearing on the proposed Special Levy Ordinance.

Mayor Paul A. Billups called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those present included the Mayor, Paul A. Billups; the Recorder, Stanley E. Fink; and Councilmen Steve Diamond, Bob Leslie and Joe Ratcliff. Dennis Adkins and Oscar Adkins were absent.

Mayor Billups asked if there were any questions or input from those present on the Special Levy Ordinance. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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## RAMSDELL HOUSE GETTING A FACELIFT

**Debbie Wolfe, Columnist**  
Ceredo's historic Ramsdell House on B Street is getting an interior facelift. If you've noticed a little more coming and going lately, or seen lights on and heard music playing, it's not the home's reported other-worldly inhabitants partying late at night, but volunteers scrubbing and scraping. The home, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, was structurally renovated back in the 80's and beautifully decorated and maintained by members of Ceredo's Historical Society, Beautification and Ramsdell committees for many years, providing a lovely location for small gatherings. As the house continued to settle over time, the wallpaper in the downstairs rooms began to buckle and loose, and some moisture crept in, so

an update is underway. It is hoped that the home will be up and running again by summer, as both a museum and historic site, and an event venue.

Regarded as a last stop on the Underground Railroad, the home was reportedly built atop an Indian burial mound and was one of very few Ceredo buildings not damaged during the Flood of 1937. In his diary, Ramsdell referred to the first brick home in Ceredo as "the cottage on the mound." Its' close proximity to the river made it an ideal place to shelter freedom-seeking slaves until they could be smuggled across the river to the free state of Ohio.

Zophar Deane Ramsdell was recruited by Eli Thayer to move to the newly-es-



tablished anti-slavery town of Ceredo, where Ramsdell established a shoe and

boot business. Along with approximately 500 invited colonists, they set about

building an anti-slavery community in the slave state of Virginia, where they could become leaders and eventually eradicate slavery. Ramsdell was one of the first to enlist in the Union Army when the Civil War began, reaching the rank of Captain in the 5th Virginia Regiment, which was renamed the 5th West Virginia Volunteers when West Virginia became a state in 1863. He was assigned to the Quartermaster Corps at Camp Pierpont in Ceredo. Many of his handwritten documents, letters and records, along with his handmade personal saddle are housed in the Ceredo Museum. As recently as this week, volunteers were still sorting through additional books, records and relics still in the home's attic. Of particular interest was an intact Civil War saddle blanket and

two girths found in a trash bag!

Ramsdell later became Postmaster at the request of President Grant, and the home still contains the post office boxes of Ceredo's citizens at the time. Ramsdell served as a Senator and lived in the home until his death in December of 1886. He and his wife, Almeda, and daughter, Carrie are buried on the property. His son, Willie and other family members owned the home until the 1970's. The house was restored through the efforts of The Ceredo Historical Landmark Commission and was placed on The National Register of Historic Places in 1983. The Town of Ceredo acquired the home in 1985 and is appropriately proud of this historic treasure!





# Ceredo Police Blotter



NAME	ARRESTED ON	CHARGE(S)
James Dennis	09/21/2018	Driving Revoked for D.U.I.
Jason Andrew Langham	09/23/2018	(1)D.U.I. 1 <sup>st</sup> (2) Obstruction
Janet Perry	10/03/2018	Summons to Appear
Billy Wiley Jr.	10/10/2018	Summons to Appear X2
Donald Casto	10/11/2018	Full Extradition Warrant – State of Ohio
Rachael Carder	10/16/2018	Reckless Driving
Amanda Morris	10/19/2018	(1)Driving Revoked 4 D.U.I. 2 <sup>nd</sup> (2) Possession of Cont Sub X2 (3) No Insurance
James Mitchell	10/25/2018	Summons to Appear
Jonathon Taylor Shuff	11/04/2018	D.U.I. 1 <sup>st</sup>
Christopher Lemaster	11/05/2018	(1)Disorderly Conduct (2) Public Intox
Ruth Ann Robinette	11/05/2018	FTA: Driving Suspended & Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
Michael Jo Salyers	11/07/2018	State Warrant: Wayne County
Christopher Lemaster	11/07/2018	(1)Disorderly Conduct (2) Making a False Police Report
Kelly Jackson	11/07/2018	State Warrant: Cabell County
Shiela Marie Heath	11/10/2018	Summons to Appear
Marquis Martin	11/19/2018	Possession of Cont. Substance
Dustin Jarrett Williams	12/01/2018	Possession of Cont. Substance
Carter, Jesse Dean	12/05/2018	Arrested State Warrant 2 Citations 4 Charges Vehicle Impounded
Scott Allen Laber	12/08/2018	Summons to Appear
Johnson, Wayne Jonathon	12/15/2018	Warrant for Obstruction
Roy Bill Ward	12/16/2018	Possession of Controlled Substance
Ted A Mills	12/20/2018	Arrested (1) Domestic Battery (2) Obstruction (3) Felon
Nathan Williams	12/21/2018	Arrested Domestic Assault
Kristopher Benton	12/22/2018	Arrested Capias - FTA
Tyler Michael Norkett	12/27/2018	Arrested Capias-FTA, Speeding, Possession of Controlled Substance
Thong Huy Ninh	12/30/2018	Arrested Domestic Battery

## Police Officer Hired

The Ceredo Police Department is back to full strength with the recent hiring of Matthew Chapman. Chapman, a graduate of Cabell Midland High School and Liberty University, is an Army veteran, having served a total of twelve years including sixteen months on deployment in Middle East war zones. Chapman currently resides in Barboursville with his wife and four children. "I have always admired the beauty of Ceredo, especially as a place to raise children," said Chapman. "Having an opportunity

to serve the people of Ceredo will be a wonderful thing for me and my family. I look forward to getting to know Ceredo residents and becoming part of this great community." Since beginning work in mid-December, Chapman has completed the intra-department training program and is now assigned regular patrol duties. Depending on space availability, Chapman will attend the West Virginia State Police Basic School as early as April, 2019.



Matthew Chapman being sworn-in as a new member of the Ceredo Police Department.

## NOTICE:

**EFFECTIVE MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, ALL HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE WILL BE COLLECTED ON MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS. TWICE-WEEKLY COLLECTION WILL REMAIN FOR ALL RESIDENTS.**

## NEW GARBAGE SCHEDULE

Effective Monday, February 4, 2019, the Ceredo residential garbage pickup schedule will change. The Town will continue to provide twice-weekly pickup to all residents, but will eliminate Tuesday and Friday pickups. All customers currently on the Tuesday and Friday pickup routes will switch to a Monday and Thursday schedule.

"We will continue to provide twice-weekly service, but due to improved equipment and manpower efficiencies we will be able to combine the routes and eliminate two days of garbage duty," said Supervisor Ron Jarrell. "By combining the routes our pickup detail will devote more hours on Mondays and Thursdays, but we will save on turn-around time when switching from garbage detail to other projects and have two additional days to devote to other projects."

Jarrell presented the proposal to Council during the January meeting and received approval to implement the plan, so long as every resident still receives garbage pickup twice a week. Councilman Steve Diamond expressed the opinion of the elected officials, commending our maintenance employees for designing a schedule that will increase productive hours while maintaining the service that our residents expect. "We won't deviate from providing the best trash collection service in the state," said Diamond, "but if our men can cut collection days from four to two, it is a win for the residents."

There will be no change for residents currently on the Monday-Thursday schedule. Residents currently on the Tuesday-Friday schedule should prepare their household garbage for pickup on Mondays and Thursdays starting February 04, 2019

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# AROUND TOWN

Ozzie Hawes, Columnist

The New Crescent's Food Editor, Natalie Hemann, proved her ability by being awarded a blue ribbon during the C-K Autumnfest baking contest. Natalie is a superb columnist and an even better cook! Congratulations from the New Crescent staff.

The 2018 Autumnfest was bigger and better than ever. Perfect weather and a record-setting turnout of spectators made the annual parade was one of the best such events in the history of Ceredo and Kenova. After a rainy day that caused cancellation of the ever-popular Tractor Show, the weather again turned favorable and all other events, including the world-famous Pumpkin House, with an appearance by President Grover Cleveland's grandson, drew record crowds. The Autumnfest Committee deserves a standing ovation!

Former Ceredo residents Sam and Steve Woolwine visited Our Town recently to see their old haunts and visit with friends. Steve, a retired insurance executive, resides in Fairborn, Ohio, and Sam, retired Sports Editor of the Chattanooga Times Free Press, resides in that Tennessee city. The boys were surprised that Leonard Hensley's cab stand, Ray's Pool Hall, and the Parkette are history, but were pleased that Mitch Stadium still proudly stands. Steve was a Little League coach and Sam was the original voice of Mitch Stadium.

After nearly a year of begging and pleading, the Department of Highways recently patched Crescent Drive from Main Street to the cemetery. The road had become nearly impassable and, even though it is owned by the county, the town was ready to take action when the DOH agreed to address the problem. The state has promised to pave the entire road early this summer. We shall hope for the best.

The "Battle For The Bleachers" is now over and the Board of Education did a good job with the new stadium stands. While a part of our history is gone, at least the new seating is quite attractive and adds to the beauty of the new school.



Persons interested in serving on the Beautification Committee should contact the Town Clerk.

A bounty was recently discovered in the attic of the Ramsdell House. Thanks to former resident Mark Jordan, the Town was made aware of items stored in the Ramsdell attic following the restoration of our oldest house in 1983. Mark realized the historical value of the items and secured them in the attic in '83.

Among the items retrieved from the attic are several Civil War ammunition boxes, a gum-rubber blanket box, a gum-rubber blanket (poncho) such as was issued to every Union soldier, a leather bayonet scabbard, and numerous books, leather goods, and paper items. The items are currently being catalogued and will eventually be placed on display in the Ceredo Museum.

Thanks to Mark Jordan for his foresight in placing these items where they would remain safe.

Kudos to Doug Damron for his work on the playing field and bleacher foundation. Work will soon begin on reconstruction of the baseball field which will be the new home of C-K Middle School Baseball.

Town of Ceredo note cards, hand drawn by Ceredo's Artist-in-Residence, Leigh Ann Blevins, are on sale at Town Hall and the Ceredo Museum while supplies last. Post Cards depicting Ceredo scenes will be available early this summer, with all proceeds going to the Beautification Committee. These are sure to be collector's items.

The Maintenance Department once again did a great job with our Christmas decorations. Superintendent Jarrell is already planning for next Christmas, promising more lights than ever and new background for the Town Tree.

AEP recently completed trimming trees along the power line rights-of-way. While Ceredo is a city of trees, we also like electricity and don't want tree limbs falling on our power lines. It appears that AEP did a respectable job and when leaves return the town will have lost none of the beauty our trees bring. The

town removal and replacement project for dead or overgrown trees went well this year, with a total of nine trees removed and twenty-four young trees planted.

Special thanks to our residents that have joined the fight against litter in Ceredo. The town has never been cleaner, with volunteers walking nearly every street on a daily basis looking for discarded Styrofoam cups, fast-food wrappers, and cigarette butts. Please join this project by grabbing any loose litter in your neighborhood. "Litter-Gitter" sticks are available at Town Hall for willing volunteers.

The Ceredo Unsafe Housing Committee recently oversaw the demolition of one house, with two more houses scheduled for demolition this winter. Unsafe, abandoned, and dilapidated houses are becoming a plague in middle-America. While we are fortunate in Ceredo to have home-owners that still take pride in their property, we must stay on top of this problem to avoid declining property values and ruined neighborhoods such as exist in cities just east of us.

In light of our recent sewer

utility audit it appears that the Town may need to increase sewage rates. Ceredo is forced by the PSC to have our sanitary sewage processed by the Huntington Sanitary Board, and while we have absorbed rate increases by Huntington since 2016, it will no longer be possible. Additionally, the state legislature has mandated that all municipal utility companies, such as the Ceredo Sewer Utility, maintain an "Operating Fund" that equals twelve and one-half percent of the utility's total expenses. This places a certain hardship on small towns and without a rate increase Ceredo simply cannot comply with the state law. An accountant has been retained to examine our current rates and expenses to determine the amount of increase may be required to keep our sewer utility in the black.

The terms of Ceredo Beautification members Robin Dunkle and Terry Brumfield will expire in April, 2019. By Ordinance, the town must name two new members to serve one-year terms on the committee. The New Crescent and the town thank Robin and Terry for their work on the oldest such committee in West Virginia.

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Mike Watts	09/19
Leigh Ann Johnson	04/22
Jennifer Ferguson	10/19
Connie & Mark Beford	10/19
Dinah and Dale Ledbetter	10/19
In Memory of Herb & Helen Stephens	08/20
In Memory of Coach Dale Craycraft	08/20
In Memory of J. J. & Roma Gail Billups	08/19
In Memory of Janice Justice	12/19

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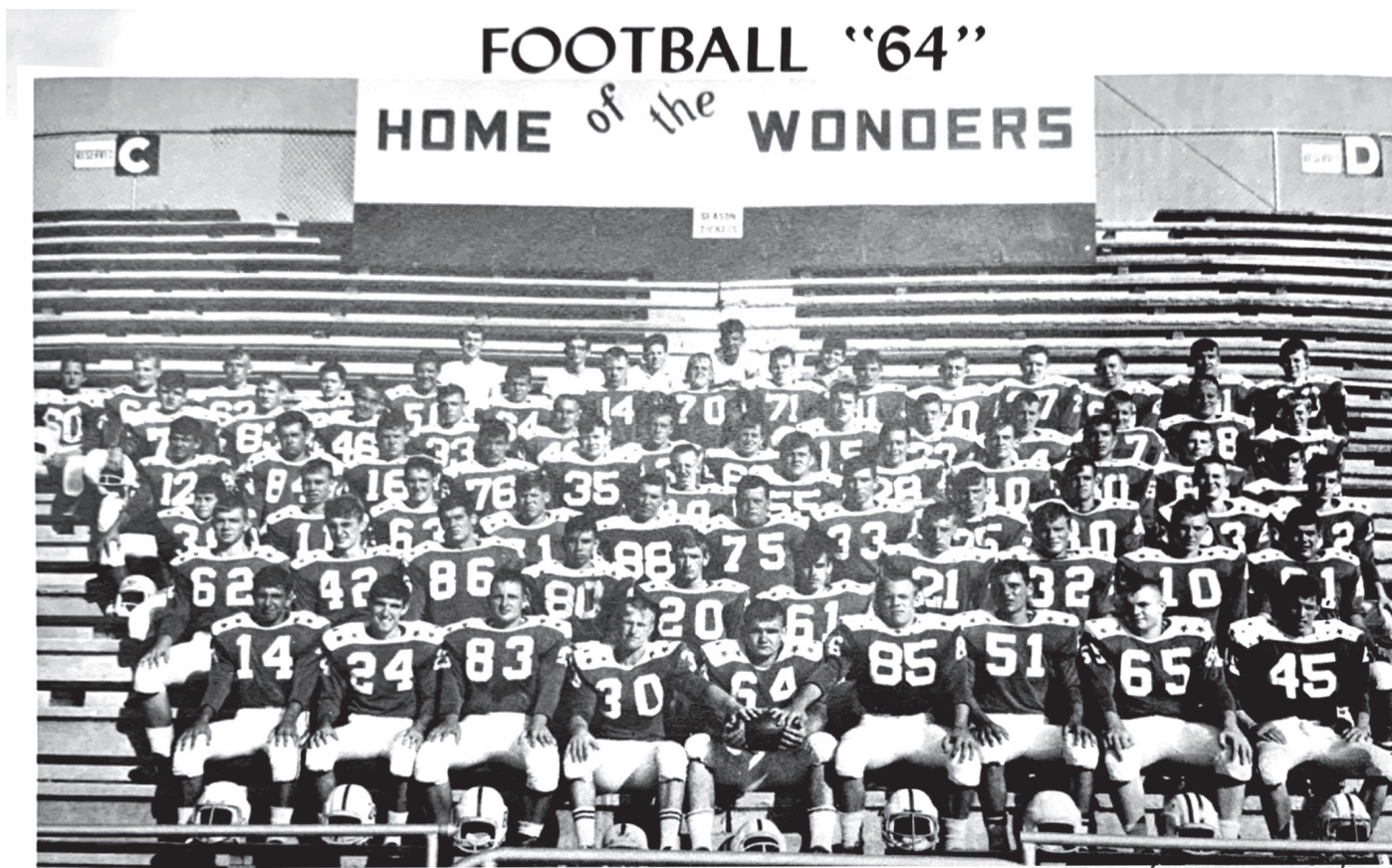


# THE BEST THAT NEVER WAS

*Bruno Cole, Sportswriter*

Talk at the hardware store took a strange turn recently when an old-timer posed the question of what was the best Ceredo-Kenova football team that didn't win a state championship. The debate was short-lived, thanks to a quote attributed to Coach Carl Ward in the Herald-Dispatch shortly after the end of the 1964 football season. Ward, never one to brag on his teams or players, told the Herald-Dispatch that the 1964 team was "probably better than the 1963 team that defeated Hinton for the state championship."

How good was the 1964 team, a group that has heretofore been largely forgotten in C-K lore? Perhaps the most telling statement is that the '64 squad included running backs Whitey Null, Bob Rutherford, Barry Scragg, Tommy Dale, Eugene May, and Mike Smith – a veritable "who's who" of great C-K running backs. That group would have been good running behind a B-team line, but they had a better fortune. Null, Rutherford, and Scragg, all speedsters, combined to score 245 points during the 1964



Mickey Bishop, Gene May, David Jordan. SECOND ROW: David Ferguson, Danny Shannon, David Lucas, Wayne Hoschar, Barry Scragg, Rex Nixon, Steve Jordan, Hank Stark, Mike Watts, Tom Dale. THIRD ROW: Sam Hughes, Gene Noble, Sam DeBoard, Gordon Graves, Bob Crabtree, Sylvester Nunley, Jim Fedczak, Greg Diamond, David Milum, Jimmy McCoy, FOURTH ROW: John Stevens, Joe Jordan, Gary Perdue, Mike Smith, Bill Caudill, Sam Lowe, Joe Tucker, Allen Ferguson, Buster Taylor, Glen Cremeans, Gary Belcher, Raymond Ferguson. FIFTH ROW: Mike Gray, Ronnie Ferguson, Allen Adkins, Herman DeBoard, Bud Frisby, Bill Perdue, Eddie Jordan, David Straley, Tom Thompson, Don West, Walt Chappelle. SIXTH ROW: Warren Thompson, Jolly Walter, Scott Smith, David Porter, Steve Gulum, Kemp Phillips, Mike Murphy, Jody Burgess, Dan Pel-frey, Bill Evans, Davis Hite, Mike Gibson, Gilbert Chaffins, LAST ROW: Managers--Don Vargo, James Shan-non, Terry Cole (head manager), Harold Perdue, Dana York.

season. Dale was the Tri-State scoring leader in 1965, and Smith held that title in 1966.

The '64 line featured Danny Shannon at center, backed-up by Rex Nixon, guards David Lucas and David Ferguson, tackles Mike VanHoose, James Thompson, and David

Jordan, with Stephen Stark and Bob Crabtree at end. With the exception of Van-Hoose and Thompson each of those players were juniors and anchored the 1965 team that is generally regarded as the best Wonder team ever.

In a real oddity for a Ward-

coached team, a junior started at quarterback. Mike Watts called the signals and, on those rare occasions when a pass play was called, loosed his cannon arm in a preview of what would come in the 1965 season.

The 1964 season started as

did the 1963 season, with a loss to Class AAA Huntington East, with the Highlanders scoring 13 points in the fourth quarter to edge the Wonders 19-13. Following that loss, the Wonders ran the table with victories over Wayne, Boyd County, Vinson,

Seth, Milton, Catlettsburg, Russell, Buffalo, and Chapmanville, with only Russell mounting a formidable challenge. Still, the nine wins were not enough – nor would it have been if the Wonders had beaten Huntington East.

Under the playoff system of the day, only the top two ranked teams in each class earned the right to play for the state championship. Unfortunately, the Wonders schedule simply didn't yield enough "system points" to crack the top two, finishing third (as did the 1968 and 1969 teams, also one-loss years to a Class AAA school). The system was later changed to include eight, and now sixteen teams in each class in a playoff format.

If, as Coach Ward speculated, the 1964 team was better than the 1963 state champions, there is little doubt that the '64 team should hold the title of "The Best C-K Team That Didn't Win A Championship." Fortunately, most of the members of that team were integral parts of state championship teams in 1963 and 1965.

## CONSTRUCTION SITE MANAGEMENT

The Town of Ceredo is regulated as a Phase II Small MS4 Program. MS4 stands for storm water discharge from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems. The storm water sewer in Ceredo is separate from our sanitary sewer. Sinks, toilets, and interior floor drains must be connected to the sanitary sewer system. The wastewater discharged to the sanitary sewer receives treatment to remove pollutants prior to release to creeks and rivers. Pollutants contained in storm water runoff flow directly into local waterways, without treatment where they can be harmful to humans and the environment. Oil and grease, food waste, paint, concrete-related wastewater, chemicals and even dirt must be prevented from entering the storm drain system in order to preserve our local waterways. Storm water runoff is a fact of life. How we deal with storm water runoff requires everyone's involvement.

Erosion and subsequent sedimentation from unstable construction sites remains one of the most prevalent forms of non-point source pollution to our streams,

lakes and wetlands. Sediment enters our waterways from construction sites in a variety of ways: mud from construction vehicles can be tracked onto roads, bare ground can easily wash into ditches or streams during a storm, and steep bare slopes are very susceptible to failure. You may be asking, "So What?" Well, soils in Ceredo contain iron and Twelvepole Creek has reached an iron impairment level high enough to be listed in the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection's (WVDEP) impaired streams list. Increased sediment deposited into Twelvepole Creek means increased levels of iron in the water. On the flipside, reduction of soil sediment deposits into Ceredo's waterways will help to reduce the impairment of iron.

In addition to the water quality problems brought on by excessive sediment, uncontrolled erosion from construction sites reduces the capacity of ditches and stormwater systems. The result is flooding. If you are building a new house this summer, please keep in mind that if you will be disturbing one acre of ground

(43,560 square feet) or more you will need to obtain authorization to discharge storm water under an NPDES Construction Storm Water General Permit from the WVDEP and have an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan and a permit from the Town of Ceredo. If you are developing, here are some things to think about for your plan:

- Plan ahead and ask yourself if you really need to remove all of the vegetation from your site at the same time? Can you phase the project to reduce the amount of soil exposed to storm water? How quickly can you re-establish vegetation once final grade is established?
- Look for opportunities to reduce the impervious areas on your new project. Can you get by with a smaller driveway? Or, can you use materials that are more likely to encourage infiltration rather than runoff?
- Have a stabilized construction entrance that tears the mud off of the construction vehicle tires.

- Protect streams, wetlands, ditches and storm drains from eroding soil.
- How will you address dust if dry conditions occur?

If you are not sure how to do one or more of these items, please contact the WVDEP at (304) 9260499 and/or the Town of Ceredo's Building Inspection Division at (304) 453-1041.

To learn more, please follow our periodic articles in this newspaper on storm water and Ceredo's MS4 program regarding water quality, storm water management. As you read these articles, you will see that we all have the ability to have an impact on our most precious natural resource by promoting responsible methods or making small changes in our everyday lives. In addition, the Town of Ceredo's MS4 program is routinely discussed at town council meetings, and the public's involvement is encouraged.

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# The Crescent Kitchen

by Natalie Riggs Hemann

The older I get, the more I like cabbage so I wanted to find a dinner dish where cabbage was one of the main ingredients. I love ham and noodles so this is the perfect recipe for me. You can use leftover ham if you have any, or now you can buy packaged chopped ham at the grocery store. I think it's the best invention since packaged shredded cheese! Serve this with your favorite bread and you have an easy meal.

**Ingredients:**

- 2 ½ cups fully cooked ham, cubed
- 1 ½ cups white onion, chopped
- 2 tsp. minced garlic (more or less to taste)
- 1 medium size cabbage, chopped
- 1 ½ teaspoons salt
- 3 teaspoons olive oil
- 4 tablespoons butter, divided
- 1 tablespoon black pepper
- 8 ounces of your favorite noodles (I used whole grain



elbow)

**Instructions:**

1. In a large skillet, over medium high-heat, cook the ham cubes in 3 tablespoons of the butter until they start to slightly brown.
2. Add 1 tablespoon butter more to the pan, then add the minced garlic, onions and sauté for roughly 2 minutes.
3. Add the cabbage, oil, salt and pepper, mix then cover, reduce to medium heat and cook for 8-10 minutes.
4. Meanwhile, cook the noodles according to package, then drain.
5. Once cabbage mixture is tender, add the drained noodles.

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<b>POPULATION</b> .....	<b>1,412</b>
<b>MALE</b> .....	<b>42.6%</b>
<b>FEMALE</b> .....	<b>57.4%</b>
<b>ELEVATION</b> .....	<b>552</b>
<b>AREA</b> .....	<b>2.26 SQ. MI.</b>
<b>LAND</b> .....	<b>1.53 SQ. MI.</b>
<b>WATER</b> .....	<b>73 SQ. MI.</b>
<b>MEDIAN AGE</b> .....	<b>48.9</b>
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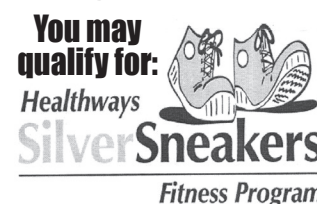
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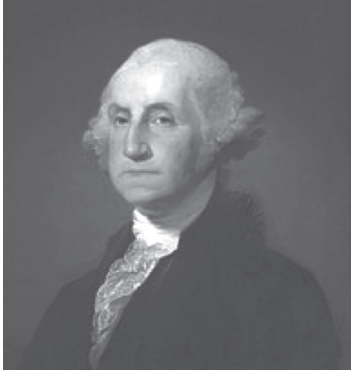
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# CELEBRATE HISTORY!

**Debbie Wolfe, Columnist**  
Ceredo is a great place for history buffs and February provides a good opportunity for us to remember some important dates and reflect on our town's significant contributions to our nation's history and development. February 22nd is observed

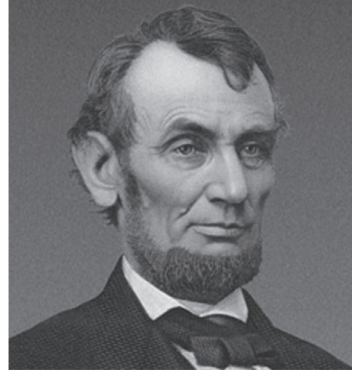


*George Washington*

as the birthday of George Washington. One of the great celebratory traditions followed for decades in the Senate has been the reading of George Washington's Farewell Address. Instead of delivering the message to Congress, Washington delivered it directly to the American people in the pages of a Philadelphia newspaper on September 19, 1796. It quickly became the most famous address in the nation, more widely reprinted than the Declaration of Independence for the first 100 years of our republic.

Instead of using it to tout his accomplishments, Washington used the opportunity to issue farewell warnings and it is full of durable wisdom that has informed and inspired presidents from Lincoln to Eisenhower, Reagan and Obama, to name just a few who have quoted this address. In it he warned of a civil war, and as that became a reality, with the war raging, to commemorate Washington's first birthday celebration since the rebellion's outbreak, citizens of Philadelphia petitioned Congress to read "that immortal Farewell Address... unequaled by any composition." Abraham Lincoln issued a presidential directive that Washington's birthday be commemorated with readings of the Farewell Address nationwide and this remains an annual event to this day. Some of Washington's other warnings are prophetic and relevant to us today, including avoiding excessive partisanship, foreign influence in our elections and excessive debt. He stressed the need for unity. If you haven't read this with your family, consider adopting this tradition! Abraham Lincoln was born on February 12th, 1809, in Hardin

County, Kentucky. Our 16th president made another of our nation's most memorable addresses at Gettysburg and wrote the Emancipation Proclamation that ended slavery in the United States on January 1, 1863, freeing more than 3.5 million enslaved African Ameri-



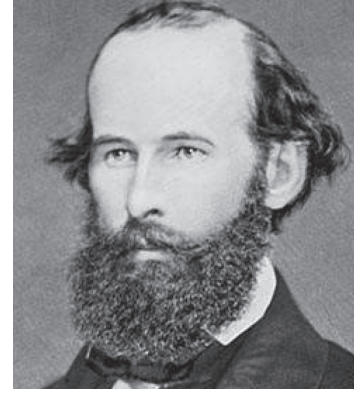
*Abraham Lincoln*

cans in the South. Ceredo's founder, Eli Thayer and the abolitionist colonists who settled here, were instrumental in the fight to end slavery. Most of us memorized part of the Gettysburg Address in grade school, and while focusing considerably on never forgetting those who fought in the Civil War and avoiding such disunity in the future, it simply states two other main ideas: that, "all men are created equal and are endowed by their Creator with inalienable rights, among them, life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness;"

and that, "the government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth." More than a century and a half later, Lincoln's admonitions still ring true for us today. The Public Broadcast System asked documentarian Ken Burns to film public figures reading The Gettysburg Address. The list includes every living president, as well as congressmen and women, mayors, historians, journalists and Whoopi Goldberg. This is another address that might be worth reading this month!

The entire month of February is African American History Month, also observed as Black History Month in Canada, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands. While we don't enjoy a lot of diversity today in Ceredo, our town was founded to further the abolitionist movement by Eli Thayer, a new England reformer who devoted much of his life to furthering human rights by colonizing communities with industrious anti-slavery citizens who would vote and fight against slavery by creating viable economic alternatives to slave-driven

agriculture. He was also instrumental in the fight against slavery in places like Kansas and throughout the south. He also built and established a women's college in Massachusetts which offered a far more substantial curriculum than had generally been available to females.



*Eli Thayer*

In response to the ever-escalating tensions regarding the slavery issue, and prior to the Civil War, Thayer purchased the western Virginia farm of slave owner Thomas Jordan in Wayne County on the Ohio River, strategically located on the very boundary between slave territory and free. Impressed by the fertile soil and the location, he named it Ceredo after Ceres, the Roman goddess of agriculture. He then started recruiting anti-slavery colonists to establish and

grow the town and set out to prove that industry and free labor could be successful in the South. Later, the townspeople helped fugitive slaves slip across the Ohio river where they might find sanctuary at nearby Quaker Bottom, which later became known as Proctorville, and eventually find safe passage to Canada.

Zophar Deane Ramsdell and his family were among those first abolitionist leaders invited by Thayer to build Ceredo. Their home on B Street is on the National Register of Historic Places and is regarded as a last stop on the Underground Railroad. It is the oldest home standing in Ceredo and is currently undergoing some restoration.

The Civil War took an economic toll on our region and Ceredo did not show tremendous growth. The town has, however, remained a safe haven of refuge and a reminder of the impact that small communities of good, hard-working people can have on the present and the future.

## SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION

The Town of Ceredo Special Levy election will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2019. The Special Levy, a five-year program that supplements Town expenses, has been in effect for over fifty years and does not represent any new or different taxes. The Special Levy raises funds to supplement 1) street and sidewalk construction and repair, 2) maintenance and construction of town buildings, 3) beautification projects and annual plantings, 4) equipment for the police and maintenance departments, 5) maintenance of parks and recreation projects, and 6) the Volunteer Fire Department.

"Passage of the Special Levy is absolutely essential to a continuation of municipal services," said Mayor Paul Billups. "With our Business and Occupation tax base declining, it would simply be impossible to maintain current services without a continuation of this levy. Ceredo has long been recognized for our outstanding services, beautification projects, and overall cleanliness of the Town. Continuation of the levy will ensure

that current levels are maintained or improved."

Voting for both precincts 11 and 12 will take place at Town Hall. Early voting will begin at Town Hall on March 2, 2019 and continue until election day, including Saturdays.

"The Special Levy was necessary when the Ceredo tax base was at its zenith, and is even more necessary today," said Maintenance Supervisor Ron Jarrell. "We have the best municipal employees in West Virginia, but we must have funds to support their efforts such as twice-weekly garbage collection, repairing pot-holes, and rebuilding sidewalks."

Ceredo residents are urged to vote for the levy. In off-year elections the voter turnout is usually small, but a continuation of this levy is simply essential to the continued well-being of the Town. Persons with questions should contact the Town Clerk or Mayor.

### OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT

Town of Ceredo, West Virginia  
SPECIAL ELECTION  
March 16th, 2019

To authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2019; July 1, 2020; July 1, 2021; July 1, 2022; and July 1, 2023, to raise funds for the following purposes:

- a. Street, sidewalk, alley, and curb construction, repair, resurface and rehabilitation, approximately \$120,000.00;
- b. Building construction, repair, renovation and improvements for general government meeting, work, or storage space, approximately \$50,000.00;
- c. Beautification projects, signs, plantings, and to purchase material and equipment for urban renewal and beautification, approximately \$100,000.00;
- d. Equipment for police and emergency departments, street and sanitation departments, and data processing, approximately \$125,000.00;
- e. To maintain and improve parks and recreation facilities and equipment, approximately \$50,000.00;
- f. Volunteer Fire Department, upon presentation of invoice for equipment or supplies, \$25,000.00.
- g. And to expend any amount that may accrue from increased tax receipts, assessments, or increased collection of special levy taxes for any of the above-listed purposes, that is, (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), or (f), or as the Town Council may deem proper and desirable.

**FOR THE LEVIES**

**AGAINST THE LEVIES**

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Those favoring the additional levies: place (X) in the space opposite "FOR THE LEVIES"; those against such levies, place (X) in the space opposite "AGAINST THE LEVIES".