

October is another busy month with community entities holding events. Last weekend VFW Post 9678 held their annual steak fry. Commander Gardner has done a tremendous job of integrating and supporting our community. I thank, first of all, the Vets for their service and the local post for being so community focused. The Middlefield Historical Society is holding their 36th annual banquet this Saturday at the under loft. I've attended the last few years and can personally verify the programs are extremely educational and make history live. I am afraid we are losing the importance of history and encourage each of you ensure your children learn this value to carry on important traditions and learn to value the effort provided to make our lives what they are today.

My tag line at the end of every article urges us to be informed and be involved. As with these groups, and many other groups, membership and support is waning. I specifically encourage each of to find some time in your busy lives to support others and give back. We have a great country, county and village. Please do your part to make sure these qualities remain for our children and their children. Involvement makes the difference.

We finally have North and South State as well as the intersection at East and West High in condition to "not destroy" your vehicle when traveling on them. We are documenting and working with the State to try and accelerate the maintenance schedule for these roads. We have an unusual situation for a small village with the amount of car and buggy traffic. It is a good problem to have but we need to ensure the ingress and egress routes remain maintained.

On Nov. 5, we will have the opportunity and privilege to vote. There are many important issues on the ballot even though it is not a presidential election year. I encourage you to vote and be part of the decision-making process both locally and regionally. Your voice does matter. I saw a knick knack sign the other day that said if you are not willing to work for it don't complain that you don't have it. The same principal applies to voting.

Be informed, be involved, exercise your right to vote, shop Middlefield and visit www.middlefieldohio.com.