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# New Bremen NOW!



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## Welcome to New Bremen NOW!

A merger brings a new name to New Bremen and an attempt to break a world's record. Turn the pages to learn what has been happening in **New Bremen NOW!**

### Special points of interest:

- Merger creates Trupointe
- Local businesses in the news
- Secretary of State website
- German Family Christmas
- One Stop Services

## Featured Business: **trupointe**

There is a new name in agriculture in town. Trupointe Cooperative, Inc. is officially in operation today in 26 Ohio and 3 Indiana counties after the successful consolidation of two long-time area agriculture and energy cooperatives. Forty-five **Advanced Agri-Solutions and Southwest Landmark** branch locations throughout western and central Ohio and eastern Indiana make up the company.

- **crop protection and seed treatments.**
- **Energy - propane and fuel**
- **Farm and Home - gardening and pet supply**
- **Feed - commercial, club livestock and pets**
- **Grain - marketing**
- **Turf - landscape and nursery**

employees all have a close association with the business, sharing strengths and weaknesses to a create growth and ensure success.

Trupointe has a feed manufacturing location in New Bremen.

"It has been a smooth transition," said Chief Executive Officer of Trupointe, Larry Hammond. "While the signs will change, our local values remain the same, and we will continue to do what we have always done— serving our customers' agricultural and energy needs."

Trupointe, headquartered in Piqua, Ohio, is a farmer owned cooperative of more than 4,300 members which serves 26 Ohio and 3 Indiana counties from 45 facilities.

In a cooperative, members, producers, consumers and

To learn more about Trupointe visit :

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



Above: The New Bremen location of Trupointe, Inc., 435 South Herman Street.

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"With the combined employee base, we are able to provide more resources and expertise for our more than 4,300 members," said farmer and Chairman of Trupointe's Board of Directors John Waymire. "It is not only a win for each of our companies, but for the customer as well."

The cooperative will offer a full line of products, services and expertise in the areas of:

- **Agronomy - fertilizer,**

## New Offerings at Topsy Turvy Toys

Topsy Turvy Toys now proudly carries LEGO® and DUPLO®. LEGO® products are developed in such a way that there is something for all ages and stages of development - from toddlers,

schoolchildren and teenagers to young-at-heart adults. LEGO® has something for everyone - whether you prefer making things up as you go or building pre-designed models.

Topsy Turvy Toys is located in the Amsterdam Center. Contact [Topsy Turvy Toys](#) to learn more about the LEGO® and DUPLO® products, as well as the other fine specialty toys they carry.



## Local Business in National Publication

New Bremen residents, and owners of Western Ohio True Value Hardware, Scott and Linda Kuenning, were featured in the August issue of Hardware Retailing, the

national trade publication of the North America hardware Retailing Association. The Kuennings are featured on the cover of the publication as well as in a 6 page article.

To read the story, [click here](#) to follow a link to the magazine, and **click on the Previous Issues** tab. You will find Scott and Linda on the cover of the August issue.

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



## New Bremen Coffee Co. & Books, Inc. Expands

New Bremen Coffee Co. & Books, Inc. held a ribbon cutting to celebrate their recent expansion. The coffee shop expanded into the space that was previously occupied by

the Southwestern Auglaize County Chamber of Commerce.

Walking through the new French doors that lead into the space, customers will find larger tables that

will accommodate 6-8 people and a cozy seating area.

Congratulations to Lisa Thobe and Shelly Finke on your expansion!.



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## Grand Opening

New Bremen's newest business, **Platinum Auto Group**, held its Grand Opening on Friday, October 9th at its Route 66 location. The celebration began with a ribbon cutting at 9:00 in the morning and lasted until 3:00 in the af-

ternoon. Free food, drinks and giveaways were part of the day long festivities. Visitors could tour the Mechanics Shop, Showroom Floor, and Offices.

Platinum Auto Group sells quality pre-owned vehicles at wholesale prices to the

public. Welcome to owners Dave and Steve Heckman! Thank you for choosing New Bremen!

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



Owners Dave and Steve Heckman (center) and other staff celebrate the grand opening of Platinum Auto Group.

## Give the Gift of Shopping Locally...

### GERMAN FAMILY CHRISTMAS

Local merchants will be participating in the annual German Family Christmas Friday, November 12th and Saturday, November 13th. Sponsored by the Southwest Auglaize County Chamber of Commerce,

German Family Christmas marks the beginning of the holiday shopping season for merchants in New Bremen and throughout the Golden Triangle. Contests, refreshments and special pricing in items will highlight the weekend.

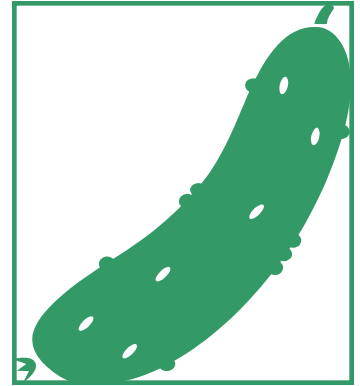
Did you know that every dollar spent locally, turns

around 8 times in our local economy?

Not only does shopping locally support the local economy, but you can save time and frustration by not travelling to and fighting the crowds at the malls or "big box" stores.

And if you have a hard to buy for person on your gift list, Chamber Bucks are a

the gift that fits everyone.



What does a pickle have to do with Christmas? Visit local merchants and learn about the tradition.

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## Program Highlights: One Stop Offers Services to Employers

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA), provides funding to which is to be used to assist employers in finding and retaining qualified workers and to assist job seekers to find employment or training opportunities that lead to self-sufficiency. These functions are carried out through each Ohio county's One Stop office.

For employers, the following services and information are available at no charge.

- Labor Market Information

- Reduce Costs of Recruitment
- Reduce Training Costs for New Hires
- Reduce Costs of Apprenticeship Training
- Applicant Screening and Referrals
- Upgrade Skills of Current Eligible Employees
- WOTC (Work Opportunity Tax Credit)
- Ticket to Work
- Space Available for Interviewing and Specialized Testing

Many of these can be customized to meet an employer's specific needs.

Additionally, job openings can be posted with the One Stop by using the [Employer Job Posting Form](#) or by contacting the Auglaize County office: 801 Middle Street, Wapakoneta, Ohio 45895, (419) 739-7225.

To learn more about these services, or to arrange an appointment with a local One Stop representative, contact Karen Mauch, New Bremen Economic Development Director, 419-629-2447 or via e-mail:



## Pumpkinfest 2010

Pumpkins of all shapes and sizes could be found during the 5th Annual Pumpkinfest.

In addition to weighing of giant pumpkins that weighed over 1000 pounds, the highlight of this year's festival was the attempt by the New Bremen Giant Pumpkin Growers to break their own world's record for baking the World's Largest Pumpkin Pie!

The finished pie, baked in a custom built pie pan and oven, was 20 feet in diameter and weighed over 3,700 pounds. It will be several months before the pumpkin growers learn if they beat their previous record.

Pumpkin People created and placed in town by local businesses added to the fall decorations put in place by the village parks department..



Left: Dr. Semore Pumpkins" (New Bremen Eye Care) winner of the Village People contest sponsored by the SW Auglaize County Chamber of Commerce. Below: South Shore Susie (Coldwell Banker South Shore. Bottom Left: Runners in the Fun Run during Pumpkinfest. (Photos by Wayne York and Greg Garman)



Left—The New Bremen Giant Pumpkin Growers stand with their 20' pie before and after it is baked in the custom designed and built oven. (Photo by Greg Garman)

## Ohio Secretary of State Website



The Secretary of State's office has developed a website that puts Ohio in the forefront of providing easily accessed quality of life information available to its citizens. **Better Lives, Bet-**

**ter Ohio** offers Ohioans easy access to information about topics such as the economy, health, family, public safety, natural resources, government and education. The information can be accessed

through a "general" or "advanced" search. Keywords and drop down menus offer can be used to fine tune your search.

Users can also create charts and tables to illustrate the data they have gathered. The website is updated regularly with new and up to date infor-

mation. With the development of **Better Lives, Better Ohio**, Ohio became the first state of offer an online web-based statistical index for its citizens.

Visit the website at:

[www.sos.state.oh.us/SOS/betterLives.aspx](http://www.sos.state.oh.us/SOS/betterLives.aspx)



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## Community Events...Save the Date...

- **October 28th: Beggars Night in New Bremen:** Trick-or-Treaters will be wandering the streets of New Bremen in search of treats. 6:-7:30 pm. Drivers are asked to be careful when traveling through the village.
- **October 31st: Cider Time :** Lining up for the Parade will begin at 1:00 pm at the Lions Park. The Parade starts at 1:30 and ends at the Crown Pavilion. Prizes awarded for best costumes.
- **November 2nd: Election Day**
- **November 12th-13th: German Family Christmas:** Start the holiday shopping season by supporting our local merchants this weekend.
- **November 26th-Thanksgiving:** Village offices closed today and Friday, November 26th.
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- **December 2nd—Village Christmas Tree Lighting: 6:30 PM At Lock one Park.** Sponsored by New Bremen-New Knoxville Rotary
- **December 23rd (pm) &24th. Village offices closed for Christmas.**
- **December 31st Village offices closed for New Year's Day Holiday.**
- **New Bremen Village Council Meetings:** 2nd and 4rd Tuesday evenings of each month at 6:30 PM at the village municipal building
- **New Bremen CIC Meetings:** Meetings are be the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 PM in the village municipal building.



A Crimson and Gold Autumn in New Bremen.

## Stocks of Local Interest...

Values at close on 10/11/2010

These values are presented for informational purposes only. Inclusion on this list is not an endorsement or recommendation by the CIC for a specific stock.

Duckwall-Alco (DUCK): 12.93  
Honda Motor Co. (HMC): 36.50  
Wendy's/Arby's (WEN): 4.53  
Sun Oil Co (SUN): 39.06  
Marathon Oil Corp (MRO): 35.76