

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE ENGINEER

Weather is still the big news item, but I suspect everybody is sick and tired of hearing about that! Just remember, the harder the winter, the sweeter the spring.

Meanwhile, other work is progressing in the office. We are reviewing the plans for the final three Turnpike overpasses. We are also in the process for applying for Turnpike Mitigation funds for replacing the bridge on TR 278 located in the overpass embankment. The application is due at the end of the month.

Reportedly, Terra has now secured funding for their roundabout. That means the Sandusky County Transportation Improvement District (TID) will be re-activated. A meeting is scheduled for February 18th.

The installation of a waterline along the north side of Hayes Avenue, west of Brush Street, is scheduled to begin February 3rd. We'll see if Mother Nature is in agreement with that. The backfill is 304's and will most likely need water for compaction.

Our annual Township Trustee Luncheon is scheduled for February 19th, so we are busy putting together the program.

Next Thursday and Friday, I'll be attending the annual county engineer's conference in Columbus. I suspect one of the topics will be International trucks. Another one might be salt. We are fortunate to have a good supply right now, but our most recent orders are not being filled. Reportedly, other agencies are running low.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Eric Wheatley January 30th
Jenna Sommers February 4th

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY (Years of County Employment)

Chad Bender February 2nd 5 years
Andy Brough February 2nd 5 years

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

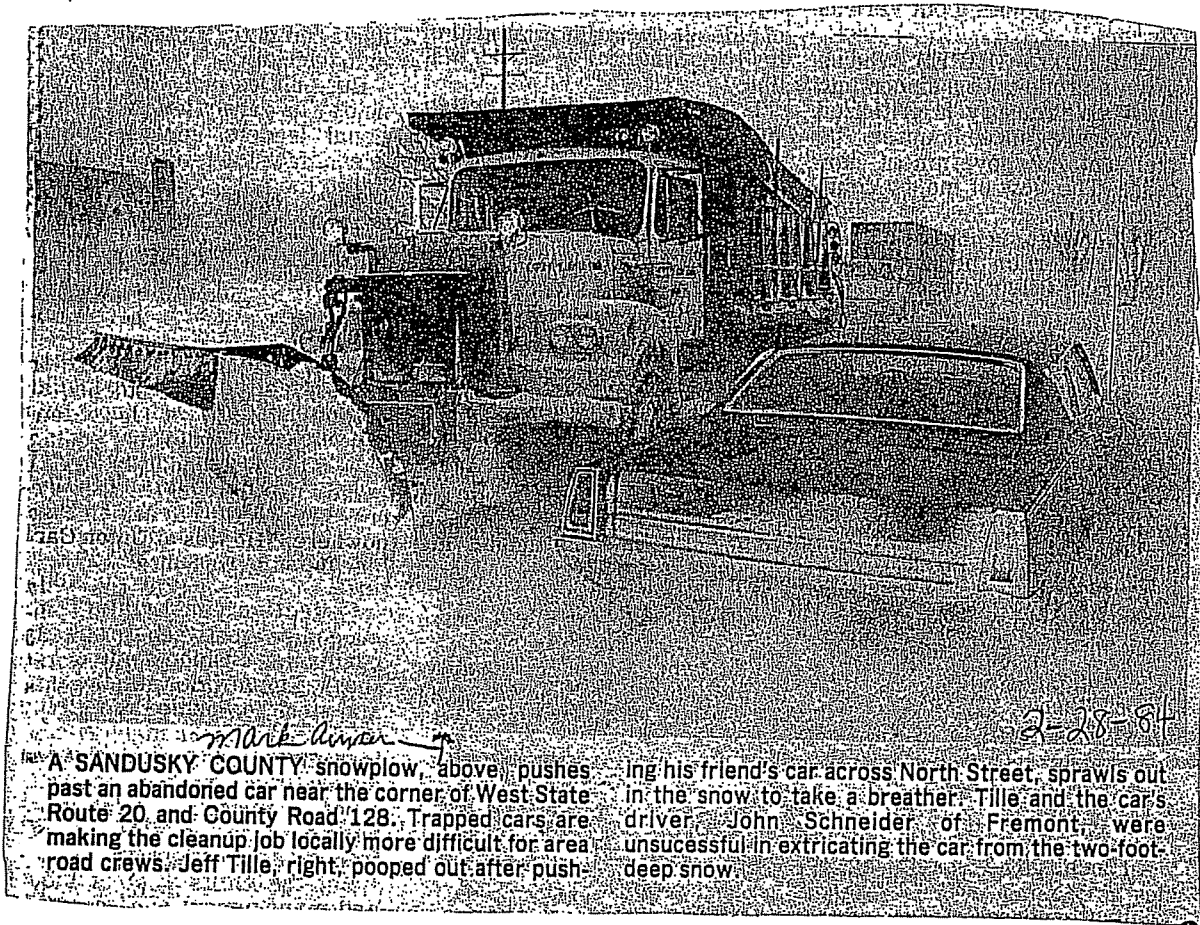
Well, Old Man Winter is at full force the last couple weeks! In the last 14 days, we have been out 9 times for snow removal, and it looks like it might be another long weekend according to the weather man. We appreciate all the hard work that everyone has been doing! Only 55 more days till spring!!!! February 2nd is ground hog day, and everyone cross your fingers that he DOES NOT SEE HIS SHADOW!

ROAD MAINTENANCE

Other than snow removal.....

- Perry has been working on replacing any broken mailboxes.
- The Mechanics have been working hard on keeping up with any breakdowns.
- Midnights are keeping the trucks fueled and ready to go.
- Buildings have been cleaned during this cold weather.
- Some welding repairs were done on Tindall Bridge.
- There was some berming done around the county.
- Brush crew went out a few days.
- Pot holes were filled around the county.

FROM WINTER'S PAST



Mark Liner 2-28-84
A SANDUSKY COUNTY snowplow, above, pushes past an abandoned car near the corner of West State Route 20 and County Road 128. Trapped cars are making the cleanup job locally more difficult for area road crews. Jeff Tille, right, pooped out after pushing his friend's car across North Street, spraws out in the snow to take a breather. Tille and the car's driver, John Schneider of Fremont, were unsuccessful in extricating the car from the two-foot-deep snow.