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A Letter to the Community
from Jack Kessler

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Dear Neighbors and Friends:

Fall is upon us in New Albany and there's a lot to celebrate as we head into the holiday season.

I want to start by congratulating our school district on its recently released State of Ohio 2022-2023 School Report Card results. New Albany-Plain Local Schools was one of only eight school districts out of 607 public school districts in the entire state to receive an overall rating of “5 stars” and “5-star ratings” on all aspects measured by the Ohio Department of Education. These are exceptional results and we applaud our students, families, staff and school leadership, including Superintendent Michael Sawyers and the Board of Education, for this notable achievement. Strong schools are the heart of strong communities.

There also are many student achievements worth highlighting. One that captured the community's attention this summer was the New Albany Little League 12U All-Stars Baseball Team. The team won the Great Lakes Regional Competition in Indianapolis to advance to the Little League World Series for the first time. It was great fun to cheer on this team during their exciting run, and we congratulate these young athletes and their families on a terrific season.



*Great Lakes Regional Champions,
New Albany Little League 12U All-Stars Baseball Team*



Market Square

Market Square is an area we all have a great sense of pride in for its thoughtful development. With the New Albany Branch Library, The Heit Center and Rose Run Park as anchors, the Village Center is a destination for all ages, not only to visit the shops and service providers but also for community activities such as Healthy New Albany's Farmers Markets, the New Albany Walking Classic, Rose Run Fest, Thanks for Giving 4 Miler and so much more. Under the City's direction and leadership, we are embarking on the next phase of our Village Center.

The City announced that it will extend Market Street northeast of the Village Center to connect with Dublin Granville Road and US 62. Site preparation work is expected to begin this fall. The extension will help avoid congestion in the center of town while also allowing for future mixed-use growth.

The New Albany International Business Park Celebrates 25 Years

The New Albany Chamber of Commerce recently hosted its annual Community Update Luncheon (which was sold out!) with a focus on the 25 years of growth of The New Albany International Business Park. The New Albany Company President and CEO Bill Ebbing participated in the program with Mayor Sloan Spalding, Director of Community Development Jennifer Chrysler and Intel Public Affairs Director Emily Smith. Bill reflected on the expansion of the Business Park over the years to nearly 10,000 acres and 24,000 jobs. Bill attributed the Business Park's success to strategic planning, investment in infrastructure in advance of development, the establishment of the Community Authority and ongoing collaboration with City leadership that believes in the potential of the business park to attract investment for the betterment of the schools and community.



From the City of New Albany: Tax revenue from the New Albany International Business Park generates more than 82 percent of New Albany's general fund to support city services, including police protection, infrastructure, road maintenance, leisure trails and other public amenities. Total development in the business park has generated more than \$70 million in revenue for the New Albany-Plain Local Schools, approximately \$17 million for Licking Heights Local Schools and approximately \$12.2 million for Johnstown-Monroe Local Schools.



Bill Ebbing



Liz Morrison and Mayor Sloan Spalding



The City of New Albany has a video that highlights 25 years of Business Park growth that you can view at New Albany Ohio – YouTube. Scan the QR code to view.



Jennifer Chrysler

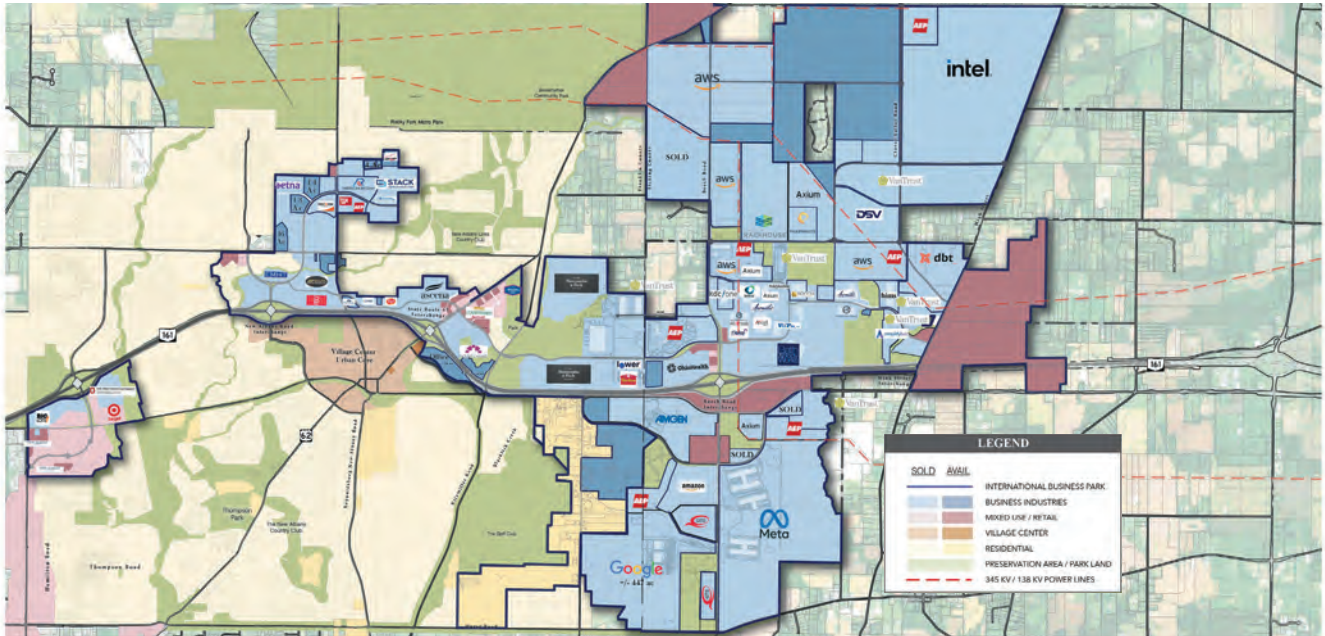
The New Albany International Business Park has diversified and now consists of:

- Corporate Office and R&D
- Healthcare and Life Sciences
- Personal Care and Beauty
- High-Tech Manufacturing and Logistics
- Information Technology/Mission Critical
- Semiconductor and Other Electronic Component Manufacturing



Emily Smith

The New Albany International Business Park



Current businesses in or under construction in The New Albany International Business Park

Land donations by The New Albany Company exceed 600 acres

The New Albany Company has been committed to the community from the beginning. Significant land donations over the years have helped create a balanced community and paved the way for a number of civic amenities, starting with 210 acres donated for the school campus. In addition to school facilities, the donated acreage is now the location of the Jeanne B. McCoy Community Center for the Arts, the Charleen and Charles Hinson Amphitheater, Safety Town, Plain Township Aquatic Center, the New Albany High School baseball and softball fields, Miracle Field and Wexner Community Park.

The Philip Heit Center for Healthy New Albany, Rocky Fork Metro Park, Rose Run Park and the Bill Resch Community Park also received land donations from The New Albany Company that were pivotal in moving these projects forward.

All told, The New Albany Company has donated more than 600 acres of land for community uses in New Albany.

“Our ongoing collaborative partnership with The New Albany Company began with the donation of land that houses our entire learning campus. Through purposeful and planful action of The New Albany Company’s development, our school campus has grown to proudly serve nearly 5,100 students daily, while honoring our commitment to achieving the best academic and developmental outcomes expected.”

– Superintendent Michael Sawyers



2023-2024 New Albany Lecture Series

Award-winning actress of the stage, film and television, Laura Linney, was the featured speaker at the debut of The New Albany Lecture Series on October 3rd. Linney was interviewed by NPR Arts and Entertainment reporter Neda Ulaby for the evening lecture and also shared insight with students from throughout central Ohio during the student lecture earlier that day. The 11th season offers some extraordinary speakers, and tickets are available at newalbanyfoundation.org. New Albany is fortunate to have one of the premier lecture series in the country.

THE NEW ALBANY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
is pleased to present the 2023-2024 season of

THE NEW ALBANY LECTURE SERIES

 Jonah Goldberg Syndicated Political Columnist; Co-founder and Editor-in-Chief of <i>The Dispatch</i> ; Former National Review Senior Editor; Author	 Ezra Klein <i>New York Times</i> Columnist; "Ezra Klein Show" Podcast Host; Bestselling Author	 Moderated by Leila Fadel Host, NPR's <i>Morning Edition</i>	 Misty Copeland Principal Dancer with American Ballet Theatre; <i>New York Times</i> Bestselling Author	 Interviewed by Edward Liang Artistic Director, BalletMet	 General Wesley Clark Retired Four-Star Army General and Former NATO Supreme Allied Commander	 Malcolm Nance Former MSNBC Terrorism Analyst and <i>New York Times</i> Bestselling Author	 Laura Linney Award-Winning Theatre, Film and Television Actress; Cancer Advocate	 Interviewed by Neda Ulaby Reporter, NPR's Arts Desk
Civil Discourse and Debate			Mental Health and Social Justice		National Security		Arts and Health	
JANUARY 23			FEBRUARY 6		MARCH 12		Thank you to all who participated in the October 3rd program.	

Tickets on sale. Visit newalbanyfoundation.org

REMARKABLE EVENING

Scheduled to occur later this Fall, the Foundation's annual benefit, Remarkable Evening, will feature the 43rd President of the United States, George W. Bush, in a fireside chat with Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Jon Meacham. Remarkable Evening funds are used to support community grants and Foundation programming in the community.

If you'd like more information, please contact craigmohre@newalbanyfoundation.org.

Scenes from the 2022-2023 New Albany Student Lecture Series season.



The Foundation has hosted students from over 50 central Ohio schools since inception.



Intel's Ohio One construction teams began the concrete pour in May of this year.

Silicon Heartland continues to grow

Dubbed *Ohio One*, it's been just over a year since Intel started construction on its fabrication site in The New Albany International Business Park. The Silicon Heartland is beginning to take shape as Intel suppliers and other tech-related businesses look to establish operations in central Ohio.

As always, if you are looking for up-to-date information on the Silicon Heartland you can refer to the City of New Albany's comprehensive website at siliconheartland.newalbanyohio.org. It provides a wealth of information on all that is occurring in and around the Business Park including construction updates, transportation improvements and more.

Columbus CEO featured New Albany in a special section this summer and you'll find it enclosed. We are particularly pleased the piece featured Amgen, a global pioneer in restoring health and providing therapies for those fighting serious illnesses. Amgen is expected to open in the Business Park before the end of the year and expects to create 400 new jobs in its first phase of operation.



Global transport and logistics firm DSV recently broke ground on a new 1.2 million sq. ft. building in the New Albany Tech Park, a section of The New Albany International Business Park under development by VanTrust Real Estate.



Amgen Vice President of Site Operations Sandra Rodriguez-Toledo hosts Mayor Sloan Spalding, Community Development Director Jennifer Chrysler and The New Albany Company's Bill Ebbing for a preview tour of Amgen's new facility in The New Albany International Business Park.



Amazon Web Services announces historic investment in the region and New Albany

At the end of September Amazon Web Services (AWS) announced that it would invest another \$3.5 billion in New Albany by 2030. New Albany is the first community confirmed as part of AWS’s planned investment of \$7.8 billion to expand data center operations in the region. The amount is the second largest private investment in Ohio following Intel’s \$20 billion New Albany investment.

The new data centers will support computer servers, networking equipment and the AWS technology that helps people connect to friends and family, work remotely, shop online, and stream movies, TV shows, music and video games. The increased tax revenue from the expansion will support schools, essential services such as first responders, and infrastructure investments such as parks and roads.

Construction on the New Albany Data Centers is expected to begin in 2025. The expansion is projected to create 105 full-time jobs with an annual payroll of

\$9 million. By 2031, the City of New Albany will receive approximately \$1.1 million in annual revenue from the project. As AWS continues to build on the 438-acre site revenue to the City will continue to increase.

In 2016, AWS launched its first data centers in Ohio and currently operates data center campuses in Franklin and Licking counties. To date, AWS’s investments and operations have generated more than \$2.2 billion in economic benefit for Ohio and supported more than 3,500 local jobs on an average annual basis. In 2022, AWS directly employed nearly 1,000 Ohioans across the state.

“AWS has been a strong corporate citizen in Central Ohio since arriving here almost a decade ago and has been a major catalyst in the growth of the Silicon Heartland. Our community stands poised to support AWS in addressing the global surge in cloud computing needs. New Albany is dedicated to fostering economic growth and creating a business-friendly environment for the benefit of our citizens and broader community.”

– Mayor Sloan Spalding

The New Albany Company is committed to New Albany

As New Albany continues to evolve, we want to reaffirm that our commitment to this community has never been stronger. We continue to critically assess all areas of The New Albany Company’s work, from projects developed in the early ‘90s to our most recent developments. We believe that the strategic planning and high standards that we established from the beginning are continuing to serve the community well and protect your investment. Adhering to these standards requires constant attention.

As all are aware, the demand for homes remains high in the Country Club communities and inventory is at an all-time low. The New Albany Company is carefully considering the addition of new residential areas within the Country Club and Village Center. As always, good planning and quality development are at the forefront of our decision making. We are taking the time to be thoughtful so that the limited amount of new residential space enhances the existing neighborhoods and the overall community.

Finally, The New Albany Company is proud of our ongoing collaboration with New Albany City leadership. We are fortunate to have leaders who keep the best interests of the residents at the forefront of their decision making. We strongly believe that the City of New Albany, New Albany-Plain Local School District and Plain Township are on the right path. We commend the strong leadership guiding our community and will continue to work collaboratively with the mayor, members of City Council, Plain Township Trustees, City staff and our Superintendent and School Board to help advance the aspirations of our community.

We hope you share the same sense of pride in New Albany. It is a unique place we’ve built together.

Best regards,



Jack Kessler, Chairman

