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Stark County Jail project kicks off two years of construction

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CANTON – On Aug. 15, 1965, the community gathered for an open house at the Stark County Jail to tour new linear cellblocks.

On Aug. 25, 2004, work started on the 2006 jail addition that cost \$17 million.

Now, on Aug. 15, 2025, construction crews have broke ground once again on a massive jail addition and renovation, the biggest public works project in county history.

Stark County Administrator Brant Luther called it a “remarkable historical coincidence.”

It’s the start of two years of work on the project, which will include the addition of a new clover-leaf shaped housing

unit. The new four-level cellblock will replace the aging linear cellblocks that opened exactly 60 years ago.

“Today is a proud day for Stark County,” County Commissioner Richard Regula said to an audience of dozens of community members. “The 1965 portion of our jail is simply past its useful life, but rather than wait for

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What’s new this year in West Branch Schools?



Turf was installed at West Branch Local School’s Clinton Heacock Stadium. The district will debut the new turf field when they take on New Philadelphia on Aug. 29. KEVIN WHITLOCK/MASSILLON INDEPENDENT

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BELOIT – Big things are on the horizon for West Branch Local School District.

The Warriors will debut their new turf football field Aug. 29 at Clinton Heacock Stadium when they take on the New Philadelphia Quakers. The turf replaces a grass field and cost \$1.1 million.

The new turf has “WB” at midfield and “West Branch” and “Warriors” in the two endzones.

Live animal barn opens

The district has opened a live animal barn, where a farm-to-table initiative

will be headed up by the vocational agriculture and food service programs.

The barn is stocked with cattle that were donated.

Students will tend to the needs of the animals, such as feeding and cleaning, Superintendent Micki Egli said. They also will monitor their feed intake, weight gain and general health. Veterinarian and West Branch alum Mike Estock will assist with the medical needs of the animals.

The district’s food service department will purchase the animals from the students at the end of the year and have the cattle processed by a local butcher. The meat will then be used in the school cafeterias in the 2026-27 school year. Feed mill owner Donovan Curfman has collected donations of

corn and oats from local farmers to assist with the cost of feed for the animals, Egli added.

Bids sought for Wellness Center addition

The district is accepting bids for an addition to the high school of a wellness and workforce development center. Bids for the project are due Aug. 22, and Caplea Studio Architects of Lake Township is the project architect.

The 5,600-square-foot addition will have space for athletic training classes for seniors, where they can earn high school credit, along with college credit and industry-recognized credentials.

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Alliance set for 30th MLK parade, celebration

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The city of Alliance will celebrate the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a parade and community party Aug. 23 at Maple Beach Park.

The Dr. Martin Luther King Steering Committee, founded in 1995 by the late Evelyn Brown, is marking the event’s 30th anniversary with this year’s events.

The parade will step off at noon on South Liberty Avenue and travel north across the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Viaduct, go east on Patterson Street, north on Oak Avenue, and east on Reed Street to Maple Beach Park.

Gary L. King Sr., a 1973 graduate of Alliance High School, will be the parade marshal.

After attending Ohio University, where he played football; Kent State and Mount Union College, King worked at American Steel before working for 42 years coaching football, basketball and track. King coached at Green High School, GlenOak High School, St. Thomas Aquinas High School and Alliance High School.

He was Canton Repository’s girls basketball Coach of the Year in 1997-98; Federal League Coach of the Year in 2003; and Eastern Buckeye Conference Coach of the Year in Track in 2024.

King has three children, Saprina, Gary Jr. and Sheila, and six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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