

Monroe Central Football Moms Tour of Homes



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The Monroe Central Football Moms will be hosting their Tour of Homes from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 7. There are five homes and one business on this year's tour. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the Monroe Central Fieldhouse, the Messengers' house and the Caldwell home on the day of the tour. Refreshments will be served at the fieldhouse during tour hours.

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The home of Michael & Tish Messenger, 48102 S.R. 78, Cameron



Michael and Letisha Messenger's home located in Cameron adds a stop to the tour. It was originally featured on the 2015 tour. Tour goers will be transported back to 1883 when they enter this elegant two-story home. The cement walkway leading up to the home was created by Jason Stalder of Stalder Masonry. The home's exterior features period brick and double porches on its front side. White rocking chairs adorn the top porch inviting visitors to rest for a spell. The interior of the home, including the staircases and fireplaces, was carefully restored to reflect the time period's significance. It took five years to restore the home, but the Messengers have no regrets. Michael chose the color scheme of the home's rooms,

including a turquoise blue formal living room. This quaint room has an inviting feel and is already decked out for fall, with turquoise pumpkins on the end table. The second of the home's living rooms is painted forest green and features built-in cabinets to accompany its dark wood fireplace. The dining room, painted a warm, buttery yellow, features an elegant dining table and dark stained hutch filled with china. Upon entering the farmhouse themed kitchen, visitors will notice its centerpiece, a granite topped island. The Messenger children, Leanna and Lane, also have their own color themed rooms. Leanna's room is painted lavender and is filled with her 4-H memorabilia. Lane's room is a rustic orange color and has an outdoorsy feel to it.

Above: A turquoise sitting room featuring a fire place is one of the many elegantly designed areas of the home of Michael and Tish Messenger on State Route 78 in Cameron.

Above left: Fall themes greet you to the two-story brick resident.

Above Center: A long dining table leads the way into the kitchen at the Messenger residence in Cameron.

Right: A second sitting room located on the first floor of the Messenger home has a hunting theme with a light-green paint scheme.



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The home of Kelly & Duane Rush, 48988 Keylor Hill Rd., Woodsfield



Left: A couple of friendly boxers play in the front yard of the residence of Duane and Kelly Rush on Keylor Hill Road in Woodsfield.

Above: A boxer pup welcomes visitors to the Rush residence.

Duane and Kelly Rush’s home on Keylor Ridge Road is on this year’s tour. The Rush’s two-story home has a warm atmosphere right from the start. Cute wicker pumpkins sit on the front porch greeting all who enter their home. Kelly, a former Monroe Central Football Mom and manager of Pier One in Saint Clairsville, carefully selects her home decor with Pier One in mind. Also, handmade furniture is on display throughout this open concept home. The downstairs features their living room, kitchen and master bedroom. In

the kitchen, visitors will notice light grey wood cabinets that Duane hand selected. An antique sewing machine sits in Kelly and Duane’s bedroom adding a domestic flair. Visitors should feel free to peek in Kelly’s bedroom closet – it is meticulously organized and color-coded. No worries about dust bunnies here. The Rushes’ sons, Cooper and Landon, have their bedrooms upstairs. Cooper, a former Monroe Central Football wide receiver, has a Monroe Central themed room. His No. 80 jersey is proudly on display in a shadow box.

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The home of Erica & Chris Caldwell, 47569 S.R. 145, Lewisville



Left: An open living room features high ceilings and a fire place in the home of Erica and Chris Caldwell on State Route 145 in Lewisville.

Above: A children's study and play room has a small desk and a chalkboard wall in the Caldwell residence.

Chris and Erica Caldwell's home, located on State Route 145, is an inviting two-story must see. Despite Erica's protests that the house is nothing special, it certainly is. The exterior features beautifully landscaped flower beds and a wraparound porch with a hand-stamped cement design. The home has a comforting atmosphere and reflects Erica's love of decorating. The Caldwells' is a home within a home and blends their current home with a retirement home once owned by her grandparents. They are real do-it-yourselfers and did all of their work to the house themselves, except the drywall. Visitors to their home will be treated to a lot of antique pieces, from Chris's collection of Caldwell Maid milk bottles to Erica's

furniture bought at auction. Erica's father, Greg Christy, is an auctioneer for WBC Auction and she says she can't resist antique finds. Some unique finds are a hutch from the Old Beallsville High School and a stand up bureau from the former Skyvue Elementary. Once she's found a piece, Erica painstakingly refurbishes it. The Caldwell children, Mya and Rolland, have a school-themed playroom with a real chalkboard wall. Its decorative touches come from Ikea. Mya's room is decorated in a soft purple paint that glitters when the light strikes it and purple and white bedding. Rolland's room is decorated with a sports theme complete with a closet door that looks like a sports locker.

Hope you all enjoy the Tour of Homes

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The home of Megan & Jason Stalder, 44423 Bondi Ridge Rd., Woodsfield



Left: A winding walkway leads to the front door of the home of Megan and Jason Stalder on Bondi Ridge Road in Woodsfield.

The stone work was done by Jason, owner of Stalder Masonry. Jason’s work can be seen throughout the residence.

Above: The amazing stonework and landscaping continues as you walk around to the rear of the Stalder residence. Behind the home is a small back porch and a stone patio that is right off the house.

Jason and Megan Stalder’s home, located on Bondi Ridge Road, is well worth the drive out this winding country road. Upon driving up to the beautiful one-story home, visitors will immediately notice all of the fine masonry work on the property. Jason, owner of Stalder Masonry, is a meticulous man who prides himself on his work and it shows throughout his fine home. On the colorful fall-themed back porch, Jason hand-stamped the cement in a herringbone pattern. The home’s interior has an open concept and features decor much like the Caldwells’. That’s because Megan is Erica’s sister. Antiques, like her grandmother’s mirrored vanity and rocking chair, are on display throughout the home and are regularly and lovingly used. The master suite is quite large and features a Jacuzzi tub for relaxing baths. The kitchen cabinets have been hand-made with cherry wood from the family farm, which is a source of pride for the family. Shiplap is found throughout the home. The focal point of the family room is the grand stone fireplace that features built in cabinets. Jason did the stonework himself but received help from the smallest Stalders, their children, Zola and Ezra.

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The home of Adam & Krista Jones, 42286 S.R. 78, Woodsfield



Left: A short, winding drive off State Route 78 leads you to the beautiful home of Adam and Krista Jones. The home is on land owned by Adam's family that was pasture land at one time.

Above: Nestled behind the residence, a patio is tucked into the rear of the home. The stone sitting area overlooks a scenic hill just outside of Woodsfield.

Adam and Krista Jones' home located on State Route 78 is a must-see on this year's tour. Perched on a hill overlooking Ault's Lake, this beautiful home is very family friendly. This ranch style home, built in 2008, is on Jones' family land that was once a pasture. When building the house, Adam decided to take the corner fence post from the pasture and incorporate it into their back deck to preserve its history. Several pieces of landscaping decor have been lovingly created by Krista's father, Greg Jorris. The home's interior is modern farmhouse. Visitors are sure to love all of the unique and sentimental

furnishings made by family members, including a corner kitchen shelf made out of an old door and a child's table. Sons Walker and Hudson have themed bedrooms. Walker's is a sports theme, while Hudson's theme is airplanes. It also features two more bedrooms, three full baths, a living room, open kitchen, dining room and a full basement. Krista's mom, Kim, will be set up in the garage selling Crossroads Candles, home decor, handmade items and trendy seasonal graphic tees. She will also be raffling off a large Crossroads Candle with all proceeds going to the Monroe Central Football Moms.



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Malaga Garden Center, Josh & Larissa Jones, 51441 S.R. 800, Jerusalem



There is always plenty to see at Malaga Garden Center. The Garden Center, formerly Malaga Greenhouse, is operated by Josh and Larissa Jones and located on State Route 800 just south of Malaga.

Tour of Homes participants will also be able to see the Malaga Garden Center. This business is much more than a greenhouse. It now features classes, essential oils and home decor. Classes range from make your own diffuser bracelets and wreaths to a spa night. Classes are held from 5 to 7 p.m. every Thursday with some off location sites. The Garden Center also has reasonably priced home decor that won't break your wallet. The owners, Larissa and Josh Jones partner with local craftsmen and artisans to get these unique items. New items, including primitive decor, are arriving almost daily. In September and October, the Garden Center will be hosting a free pumpkin painting every Saturday with an onsite purchase of a pumpkin. A pumpkin painting and

pumpkin carving contest will also be held in October as well. On the Garden Center's lawns, visitors will see multi-colored mums, clematis, black-eyed Susans and hydrangeas all for sale. In addition to the plants out front, the owners will create and design potted plants for customers. Business hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Wednesday Friday; from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursdays; and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. Every visitor who stops by on the Tour of Homes will get a freebie from the grab bag. Visitors won't want to miss this stop! Put this year's tour on your to do list and mark your calendar for Oct. 7. Purchase your ticket and enjoy some beautiful roads, beautiful scenery and some of the finest homes in our area.

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