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Fairfield County Auditor's Office Starts Map of the Month Series

Lancaster, Ohio – The Fairfield County Auditor's Office is introducing a Map of the Month series. This initiative will serve as a method of highlighting the GIS Office mapping skills by sharing unique maps of interest in Fairfield County. A new map will be featured each month.

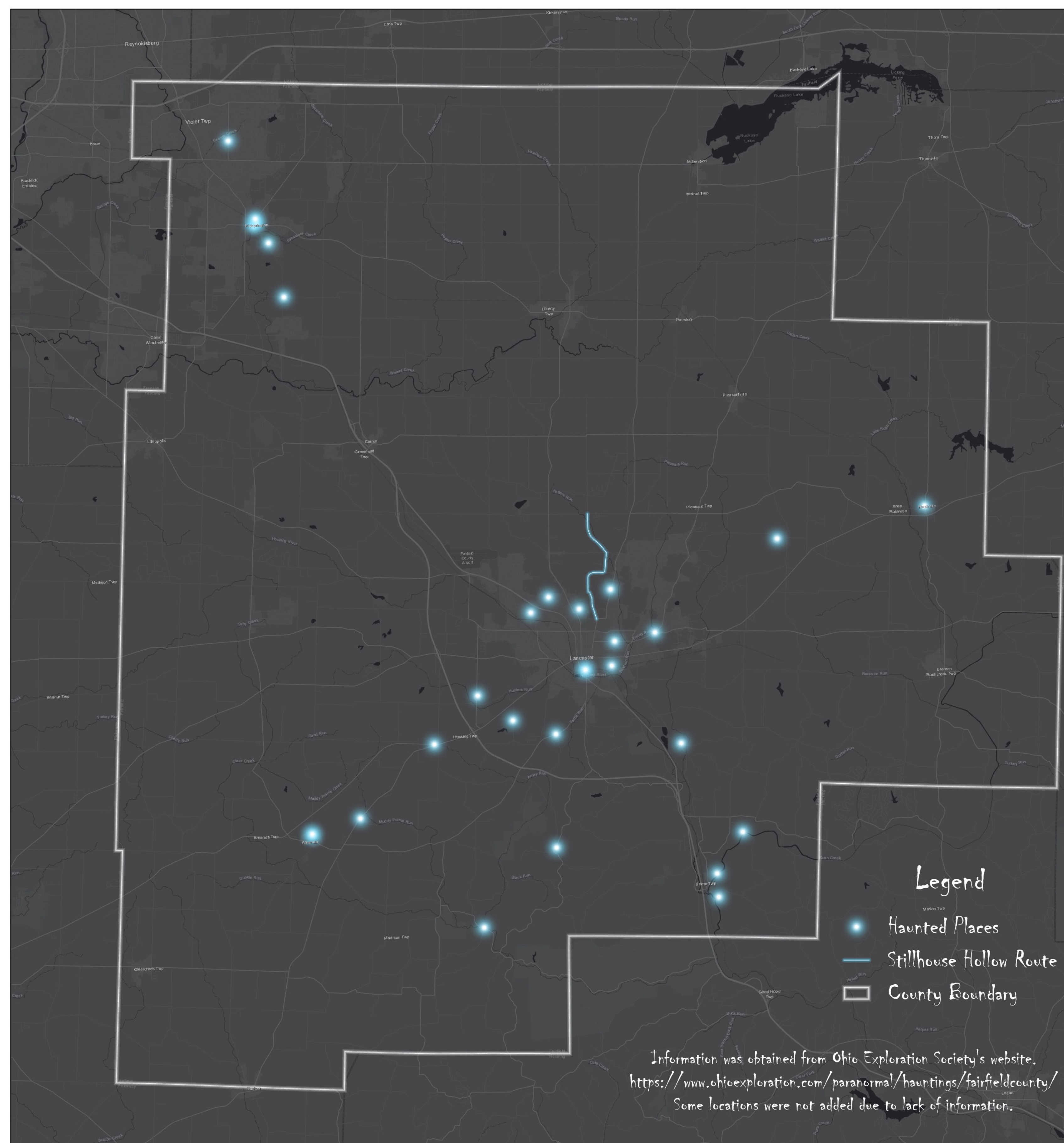
The Map of the Month for October features locations of Hauntings and Legends. This information was provided by the Ohio Exploration Society (<https://bit.ly/OhioExpoFFCo>) and mapped by the Auditor's GIS Office. A copy of the map is attached and can also be found here: <https://bit.ly/FFHauntedMap>.

Dr. Carri Brown, Fairfield County Auditor, stated, "We in the County Auditor's Office are very proud of the technology used to create maps that are supportive of analysis and decisions. The Map of the Month series will help highlight some technical aspects of Geographical Informational Systems and provide some history and interest for the community, as well."

For more information or questions regarding services offered by the GIS Office, please contact Nick Dilley, GIS and Mapping Supervisor, at (740) 652-7057.

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Fairfield County Hauntings & Legends



- Amanda . . .
- 1. Amanda Clearcreek High School
- 2. Amanda Elementary School
- Delmont . . .
- 3. Route 22
- East Rushville . . .
- 4. Bishop Hanby House
- Lancaster . . .
- 5. Baldwin Run
- 6. Becks Knob
- 7. BIS House
- 8. Clarksburg Schoolhouse
- 9. County Infirmary
- 10. Crawfis Institute
- 11. East King Street Residence
- 12. Elmwood Cemetery
- 13. Forest Rose Cemetery
- 14. Hawk's Tavern at the Mill
- 15. Madison Avenue Home
- 16. Mickey's Bar & Grill
- 17. Mudhouse Mansion
- 18. New Lexington Road
- 19. Pleasant Valley
- 20. River Valley Mall
- 21. Samuel Bush House
- 22. Stillhouse Hollow
- 23. Stonewall Cemetery
- Lithopolis . . .
- 24. Abandoned House
- Pickerington . . .
- 25. England Insurance
- 26. Harmon Road
- 27. Olde Parsonage
- 28. Pickering-Hizey-Ackers House
- 29. Ramar Acres
- 30. Ricketts Schoolhouse No. 7
- Revenge . . .
- 31. Johnson Covered Bridge
- Sugar Grove . . .
- 32. Blue Light Ghost
- 33. Rushcreek Headless Woman
- 34. Sugar Grove Cemetery

Legend

- Haunted Places
- Stillhouse Hollow Route
- County Boundary

Stillhouse Hollow – This story dates back to the 1850s when a man named John Ornsdorf disappeared. His horse arrived at his home in Lancaster with his blood and pieces of his body on it. A search party traced the blood trail to a man's house named Crowley. Upon inspecting Crowley's home, neither Crowley nor Ornsdorf were anywhere to be found. The search party did report finding a dead yearling calf in a back room and the smell of sulfur was strong. Ever since, sightings of a human-like calf have been reported. There were several reports of the creature jumping onto the back of the rider's horse and riding along. These sightings occurred primarily between the years 1850 and 1880 when Fuglesong Road closed. Since the closure, the hauntings seem to have subdued, but current day Stringtown Road from Coonpath Road south to State Route 37 roughly follows the old road.

Information was obtained from Ohio Exploration Society's website.
<https://www.ohioexploration.com/paranormal/hauntings/fairfieldcounty/>
 Some locations were not added due to lack of information.