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**County Recorder Goes Online**

Columbiana County recorder Craig Brown has announced that the county recorder's office now has an official website.

Although Brown said he was pleased the site was online he emphasized, "This site is an early form of what will become a functional tool for researchers and property industry professionals."

Currently the recorder's site continues an informational format resembling those used by other county offices. The site consists of sections including a "homepage" greeting, an outline of the county recorder's biography, speaker request information, a "recorder in the news" section, a press release archive, information about services for veterans, and office contact information.

By the beginning of the year Brown said the site would feature a searchable index. He added that the index would be identical to the one that is currently only available by visiting the county courthouse.

He said the online index would save county residents both time and money because people can search the database from home or office and know whether a trip to the courthouse is necessary.

Brown emphasized that the index would be the earliest development available to Internet users. He also added that there is a very real possibility that in the future many recorded documents may be available for viewing online and that the site may one day be used to help facilitate the recording of documents online.

Brown added, "I look at the recorder's online home as an evolving organism that will not only be helpful to customers but will also make the recorder's office run even smoother."

He also said that he would like to know the public's opinions regarding the site and would appreciate suggestions for additional improvements or services the public would like to have available via the web.

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The county recorder's website was produced in-house and no additional money was paid to a vendor for production or online posting.