

Cridersville, Ohio

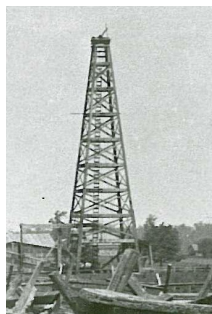
HISTORICAL BACKGROUND



Cridersville was founded in 1856 by Ephraim and Polly Crider. Their new town was assured success when the Dayton & Michigan Railroad was constructed through it in 1858.

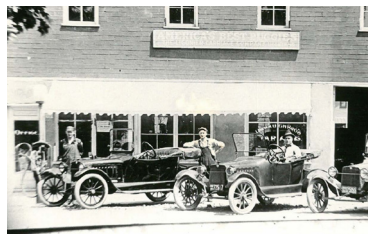
Cridersville became a boom town when oil was discovered in Lima in 1885. It soon found itself at the

center of the new Lima Oil Field. Within a few years, hundreds of wells were drilled around the village. The Lima region became the "Oil Capital of the World."



Dr. Charles Strausburg owned one of the first automobiles in Cridersville.

The Umbaugh brothers opened Cridersville's first automobile dealership at 220 W. Main St. around 1915. It was a Saxon Motor Car Company dealership.



One of the first gasoline and auto repair garages in Cridersville was the Marland Oil Company Station at the corner of Main Street and Dixie Highway. It is now the location of Dollar General.



Earl Thompson operated a Phillips

66 station during the 1960s at the corner of Main Street and Dixie Highway, the current location of Casey's General Stores.



Now, Casey's General Stores begins a new chapter in the history of Cridersville—as it opens its first location in Ohio on March 9, 2017.



Small Town America AT ITS VERY BEST

Cridersville is a prosperous and friendly community of nearly 2,000 people at an excellent location. More than 15 million people pass through the village every year on Interstate 75.

Our award-winning school provides our children with the highest quality education, thanks to the constant involvement of parents, school staff and our community. This is a village that grows great kids.

We also have access to high quality health care here in our community and at the three world-class, regional hospitals within 15 minutes of Cridersville. Our local emergency medical squad, fire department and police department provide prompt and highly professional services.

We invite you to spend time in our village. Discover the conveniences in our local stores, explore our historical museum, visit our beautiful public library, enjoy one of our local parks, attend one of our friendly churches, or participate in an exciting community event. There is always a lot to enjoy in Cridersville. It's a great place to call home.



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Preserving Cridersville's Past for future generations.



CRIDERSVILLE WELCOMES CASEY'S GENERAL STORES

We are proud to be your first
Ohio location!



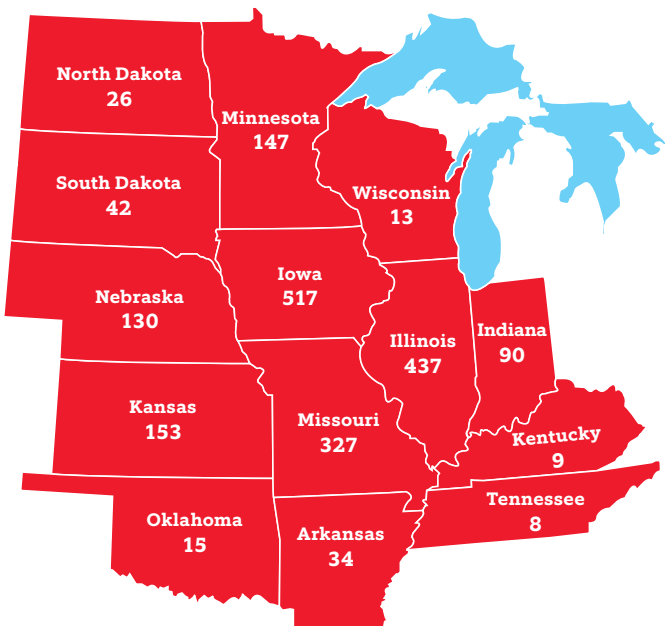


CASEY'S GENERAL STORES



Headquartered in Ankeny, Iowa — a suburb of Des Moines — Casey's General Stores now has 1940 locations in 14 states: Iowa, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Nebraska.

The new Cridersville store is their first location in Ohio.



Handmade. Home-cooked.
Happiness.



There's a Casey's waiting for you with:

A **warm smile.**

Some good **conversation.**

A hot cup of joe.

A fresh donut.

A **hot and ready** sandwich.

A cold drink.

A famous **handmade** pizza.

Or whatever you need.



Casey's successfully opened its second distribution center in Terre Haute, Indiana, in Spring 2016. The construction of the \$30 million, 250,000-square-foot facility provides Casey's a 500-mile reach. The second distribution center also allows for expansion of their geographic footprint. The company plans for growth moving east into Ohio. In addition to Cridersville, the company is hopeful to have 10 to 12 more stores operating in the state of Ohio by the end of its next fiscal year.

Casey's Believes
HOME
IS WHERE THE HEART IS.

But what is home? To us, home is more than a roof over your head. It's the community we live in. It's family and friends and a familiar face. It's the memory of simpler times. Home is where we feel most comfortable and where we always feel welcome. It's where we belong and it makes us who we are.

The people of Cridersville are proud to make Casey's General Stores part of our hometown.

In 1959, Founder Don Lamberti leased a store from his father on East 14th and Broadway in Des Moines, Iowa. After nine years of operating this old country store, which he remodeled into a convenience store, Don's gas supplier and friend Kurvin C. Fish suggested that Don buy the Square Deal Oil Company.



Don followed his advice and purchased the service station with a three-bay garage in Boone, Iowa. Using the knowledge from his store in Des Moines, Don converted the gas station into a convenience store. The Boone store was named "Casey's" by using Kurvin C. Fish's initials.

The third store was built in another small community with a population of only 1,500 – Waukee, Iowa. This was the first Casey's built totally from scratch and proved to be the best store yet. At this point, Don realized he was on to something and decided to establish the stores in communities with a population of 5,000 or less.

Through the years, Casey's success has been attributed to their clean stores, restrooms and the friendly employees who pride themselves in customer service. Casey's customers have come to know that inside each store they will find dedicated, helpful, and well-trained employees, exceptional prepared food items, and a clean environment in which to shop.