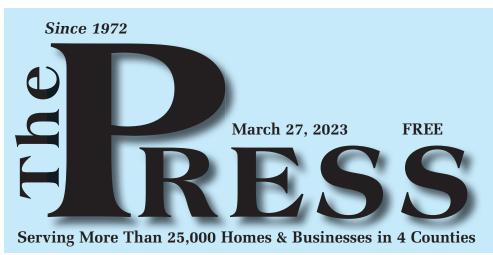


**Rutherford remembers** See Sports





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### **Ottawa County** Response lackluster to health assessment survey

By Press Staff Writer

The Ottawa County Health Department has identified a few demographical groups that are not well represented in the responses to the department's Community Health Assessment.

Joshua Niese, director of health education and accreditation for the health department, said responses have been lower in the western edge of the county and the Lake Erie islands.

"We have a lot of responses from the Port Clinton, Oak Harbor and Lakeside/Marblehead zip codes, but when it comes to responses from the Genoa, Elmore, and Curtice/Williston and Put-in-Bay Islands we are really lacking," he said.

He reached out to the Genoa Area Chamber of Commerce for assistance in getting a higher response from those communities.

Males are also under represented in the responses, he said, with female responses outpacing those of males by 2 to 1 and residents between the ages of 18 and 24 haven't been responding to the assessment survey.

'This age group is severely under represented within our community data. We understand this is an age where a Community Health Assessment Survey may not even be on their radar,' Niese said.

He said the survey takes about 10 minutes to complete.

The survey asks respondents to state by zip code where they live and work as well as what their level of education is and their employment status.

Respondents are also asked to identify their top five concerns from a list that includes access to child care, air and water quality, crime/violence, disease, mental health and others.

The survey also asks for respondents to describe what health insurance coverage they have and when was the last time they went to a doctor for a checkup when they weren't ill.

'If you do want to get healthier and in better shape; what, if anything, is holding you back?" is another question on the survey.

The survey can be accessed at the health department website or at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ S3XKY8Y9.



See, I told you I couldn't do it.

Bryan Golden See page 8



Paddling along

An early, sunny evening makes for some nice kayaking at Howard Marsh. (Press photo by Ken Grosjean)

## Oregon transfers 20-acres to Foundation

By Kelly J. Kaczala News Editor

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Oregon City Council recently approved an agreement with the Oregon Economic Development Foundation (OEDF) to allow the city to transfer land to the Foundation to market for future development.

The 20-acre parcel is at the northeast corner of Wynn and Cedar Point roads.

The property was donated to the city in 2004, according to City Administrator Joel Mazur.

"It was donated by the prior owner to the city in good faith that the city would use the land for further development, whatever that may be," said Mazur.
"The city actually invested in planting

trees around the perimeter of the parcel as screening. In my opinion, this land should have been transferred to the OEDF some time ago. The city's owned it for years for whatever reason. The city pays \$600 in taxes per year. It is farmed right now. This is just a formality to get the property to the JEDF for some ty oe of aevelopment Mazur. "This will relieve the city of the tax burden.'

Also at the meeting, council:

 Approved a three-year agreement with FireCatt Precision Service Testing, Troy, Michigan, for annual testing of equipment in the Fire Department at an annual cost of \$8,360. The fire and rescue department undergoes annual testing of all fire hoses, nozzle pressures, and ground ladders to ensure that the equipment is up to standard, according to assistant fire chief

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Mark Mullins. "It gives us the opportunity to do all of our testing for all of our ground ladders, all hoses, and nozzles within the

fire department," said Mullins.

• Approved the purchase of 16
Lifepak CR2 Defibrillators and accessories Stryker Sales Corp, Portage, MI, for \$30,411.28 for the Oregon Fire Division. The city is in need of upgrading existing Phillips defibrillators in order to adapt to changing technology. The purchase stream-lines all of the cardiac equipment, including police vehicle defibrillators, eliminating the need to purchase supplies from multiple manufacturers. Training for all city personnel would be simplified by not having to learn multiple pieces of equipment;

 Approved the OneOhio Opioid settlement and entered into the participation

agreement with Opioid distributors Teva, Allergan, CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart. The opioid distributors proposed a joint settlement to the State of Ohio and its political subdivisions pertaining to the distribution of opioids that was a significant cause of the national opioid crisis that led to mass addiction and overdose deaths. Under the national settlement, the distributors will pay billions within six years. Ohio will receive a portion from the settled amounts and make distributions to the political subdivisions. Most of the money received will be earmarked for abatement of the opioid epidemic. The actual amount that will be sent to the State of Ohio and the political subdivisions are unknown at this time, said City Solicitor Melissa Purpura.

•Approved the \$91,638 bid of Core & Main LP, Perrysburg, to provide water distribution equipment, including water service lines, ball valves, corporation stop valves, couplings, curb boxes and stiffeners in order to complete the replacement of lead service lines within the city's distribution system. Core & Main LP provided the lowest and best bid out of four bids submitted to the city. "We want to replace all of our lead service lines that remain in the city," said Public Service Director Paul Roman. "We have about 350 remaining."

Roman said deliveries have been delayed due to continued supply chain problems. "Deliveries take a long time. Just this ordinance alone, it will take six months to deliver. The biggest delay right now in construction is electric items, such as trans-

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formers. All the electrical boxes for the Coy-Navarre project could be delayed until the summer. So there are major delays in electrical equipment.'

Mazur said fire equipment is another item that is in short supply. "There are specialty vehicles that need to be made," he said.

Mayor Mike Seferian said the city is still waiting on a medic unit ordered last year, "We won't even receive that until possibly February or March of 2024. And if you order a fire truck, there is the condition that you could see an increase of 50 percent and not see it until 2024-25," he said.

•Approved an agreement with Ace Diversified Services, LLC, Holland, for portable toilet services for the 2023 season in exchange for waste tickets to be used at the city's wastewater treatment plant. The contract consists of supplying and servicing portable toilets at various locations in accordance with the city's specifications in exchange for disposal tickets at the Oregon Wastewater Treatment plant. Each disposal ticket is valued at \$75 and allows the holder to dump up to 1,000 gallons of waste at the wastewater treatment plant.

### Body found

The Ottawa County Sheriff's Office is investigating the death of a female whose body was found March 20 along N. Route 590 in Benton Township.

Deputies received a call about 7:10 a.m. of a disabled vehicle in the area of 3000 N. State Rt. 590. The vehicle was partially in the roadway and the body was nearby.

There were no indications of foul

The identity will be released once all of the family have been notified.

### Controlled burns planned at refuge

Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge will be conducting prescribed burns on approximately 100 of its 10,500 acres, beginning as early as March 20 and no later than June Prescribed burns improve grassland habitat by discouraging the growth of shrubs and trees and rejuvenating native grasses and wildflowers. Burning marsh habitat helps restore a balance between open water and wetland plants, creating food and cover for migratory birds and other wildlife. Prescribed burning also lowers the risk of wildfires

The refuge is located in Ottawa and Lucas counties in Northwest Ohio. The refuge entrance is located on State Route 2.

Hunting opportunities are available, along with fishing, wildlife observation, photography, and environmental education. For information, call 419-898-0014 or visit the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge website, http://www.fws.gov/midwest/otta-

### African Safari to open March 25

African Safari Wildlife Park will open for its 55th season on Saturday, March 25.

"Early spring is a great time to visit the park because most of our animals are totally unbothered by the chilly-to-mild weather,' said park director Kelsey Keller. "You may even be lucky enough to witness the birth of a deer or alpaca!"

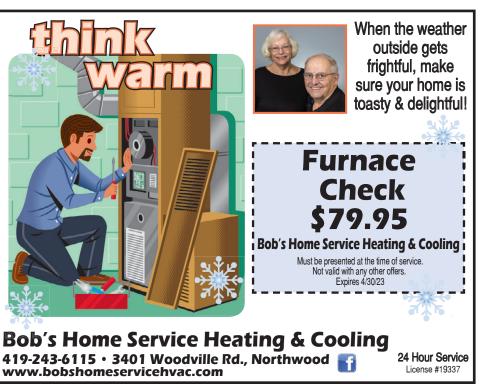
The park's popular Drive-Thru Safari, which features zebras, bison, llamas, alpacas, elk, exotic cattle, emus and more, will be open daily from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. with the last car admitted at 4 p.m.

To celebrate opening day, the park is offering general admission tickets for \$16.95 a savings of up to \$13 per person – which can be used anytime during the 2023 season. This promotional price, available through March 28, can only be purchased online at africansafariwildlifepark.com and is not available at the gate.

### Peek a boo

A Great Horned owl is seen peeking out of its habitat; a dead tree at the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge. (Photo by Tony Everhardt)







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### Bowling alley gets new lease on life

A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held recently to observe new management at the 20th Century Lanes in Oak Harbor. The six-lane bowling alley features leagues and open bowling, a full kitchen and bar with daily food specials. L-r are Jessica Grzechowiak, of the Ottawa County Community Improvement Corp., Valerie Winterfield, of the Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, Quinton Babcock, mayor of Oak Harbor, Camille and Steven Pocock, who are leasing the bowling alley, Debi Heiks, of the Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, and Chuck Benes, of the Oak Harbor Golf Club. (Submitted photo)

### Fisk Jubilee Singers to perform April 2

The world-renowned singing group that gave Nashville its moniker of "The Music City" will perform Sunday, April 2, in Fremont as part of President Rutherford B. Hayes' 200th Birthday Celebration.

The Fisk Jubilee Singers, from Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee, will give a public concert at Grace Lutheran Church, 705 W. State St., Fremont. The Hayes Presidential Library & Museums is bringing the group to Fremont as one of the major events in the ongoing commemoration of President Hayes' 200th birthday, which was Oct. 4, 2022.

The concert will begin at 3 p.m. Light refreshments will be served after the performance

Tickets are \$10 for ages 18 and older, \$5 for ages 13-17 and free for kids 12 and younger. Tickets are available online at rbhayes.org/fisk.

The Fisk Jubilee Singers, students at Fisk University, have sung for audiences worldwide since the original group was formed in 1871 to help raise money for the university. At that time, Fisk was the only university that offered a liberal arts education to young men and women irrespective of their race, and it was struggling to stay open.

The original Fisk Jubilee Singers introduced "slave songs" to the world and were instrumental in preserving this unique American musical tradition, known today as spirituals.

They broke racial barriers in the United States and abroad in the late 19th century. They sang for U.S. presidents and, in Europe, entertained kings and queens. During their first tour of Europe in 1873, they raised more than \$150,000 for Fisk University. This money was used to build Jubilee Hall, the first permanent building in the South used for educating African Americans.

One of the presidents for whom they sang was President Hayes. They came to Spiegel Grove for two days in May 1882.

Hayes noted their visit in his diary. Although he did not specify what they sang or where they performed at the Grove, he noted that they made an excellent impression on him.

"We are thrilled to have the Fisk Jubilee Singers return to Fremont," said Christie Weininger, Hayes Presidential executive director. "Not only are they an outstanding musical ensemble, but their institutional history and connection to Spiegel Grove makes their performance very meaningful."

The Fisk Jubilee Singers received the National Medal of the Arts in 2008, have been inducted into the Gospel Music Hall of Fame, Music City Walk of Fame and have received the Tennessee governor's Folklife Heritage Award.

President Hayes' 200th Birthday Celebration is sponsored by Croghan Colonial Bank. For a schedule of birthday celebration events, visit rbhayes.org/rbh200.

### Job & Career Expo

The Maumee Chamber of Commerce, along with Maumee High School, will host a

Job Fair & Career Expo Wednesday, March 29 from 3-6 p.m. in the gym at Maumee High School, 1147 Saco Dr. Job seekers should enter the school through doors 27 and 28.

The event is free for jobs seekers and open to the public. Registration is not required. Job seekers will have the opportunity to network with as many as 40 Toledo-area employers who are seeking individuals to fill open positions.

Employers include the 180th Fighter AllianceOne, Athena Career Academy, Beach House Leading Families Home, Bella's Lawn & Landscape, Browning Masonic Community, Chickfil-A Perrysburg Plaza, Directions Credit Union, Divine Healthcare, Double A Solutions, Farmasi, Glovation Circus, HealthMarkets, Insulators Local 45, Kingston Healthcare, Lucas County 911 Regional Council of Governments, Maumee Assembly & Stamping, Maumee City Schools, Meredith Party Rentals, Piping Industry Training Center/UA Local 50, Pro Edge Lawn Care, ProMedica, Raising Cane's, Sunshine Communities, The Andersons Inc., The Toledo Clinic, Woodforest National Bank and YMCA of

Employers will be recruiting for positions in the areas of healthcare, sales, food service/restaurant, education, insurance, retail, customer service and more.

Job seekers are encouraged to dress professionally and bring resumes. For more information, visit maumeechamber. com/job-expo/.

## Jazz ensemble to play in Pemberville April 1

T-Bone Paxton & The Old Town Stompers will bring the spontaneous spirit of traditional jazz to the Pemberville Opera House Saturday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m., as part of the ongoing Live! In the House Concert Series.

Tickets are \$12 and are available in advance at Beeker's General Store, 226 E. Front St., Pemberville, or by calling Carol at 419-287-4848, or at the door on performance night.

T-Bone & the Old Town Stompers began when, roughly a century after the repeal of prohibition, a troupe of musicians gathered in a dimly-lit nightclub in Lansing, Michigan's Old Town neighborhood to partake in a soirée celebrating the history and aesthetics of the 1920s. The ensemble, curated by bandleader John "T-Bone" Paxton, gave their inaugural performance with such immediate joy, ease, excitement and chemistry, that it seemed as though they had been working together for decades. The event was such a success that they began getting called on for more performances.

The band takes inspiration from historic recordings by the likes of Louis Armstrong, Fats Waller, Sidney Bechet, Jimmie Noone, Bix Beiderbecke, Frank Trumbauer and so many more. Learn more at pembervilleoperahouse.org. In addition to Paxton (vocals/trombone/bandleader), the band includes Scott Gwinnell (piano), Chris Tabaczynski (clarinet/saxophones), Alex Belhaj (guitar) and Erik McIntyre guitar/banio).

## Town hall to address rail safety legislation

A town hall event to discuss rail safety legislation will be held Saturday, April 1 from 1-3 p.m. at the Oregon Branch Library, 3340 Dustin Rd.

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Panelists will include State Rep.
Michele Grim (D-Toledo), State Sen.
Paula Hicks-Hudson (D-Toledo), John
Esterly, State Legislative Chairman,
Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers
and Trainmen; State Rep. Josh Williams
(R-Oregon) and Rep. Marcy Kaptur
(D-Ohio).

Area residents are invited to the forum to hear the panelists and ask questions regarding rail safety and related legislation.

### Meeting change

The Northwestern Water and Sewer District has rescheduled the board meeting set for March 23 to March 30 at 7:30 a.m. The meetings are held at 12560 Middleton Pike, Bowling Green.







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### Activist targets climate, corporate personhood

By Larry Limpf News Editor

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Issues ranging from the climate and corporate malfeasance, to health care and the health of Lake Erie, were front and center at One Government Center in Toledo Thursday for the observance of Democracy Day 2023.

The day was established by voter initiative in 2016 and requires the mayor and city council hold a public hearing and let the citizenry voice its concerns on the impact of political contributions from corporations, unions, and PACs on the city and the U.S. Supreme Court landmark decision in Citizens United v. FEC. That decision held that corporations and other associations are protected by the First Amendment and election spending is the equivalent of speech.

Within two weeks after the Toledo hearing, the mayor is directed to send a letter to the Toledo members and leaders of the state legislature and Toledo's congressional delegation, calling for a constitutional amendment to eliminate what some activists call "corporate personhood" resulting from the Citizens United decision.

'We now have a situation where corporations now have the ability to, in effect, write the laws and then pay the legislators to pass them. That's where our concerns are," said Dennis Slotnick, a Genoa resident and the treasurer/secretary of Toledo Move To Amend, the organization that started the initiative petition locally. "We now have a

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country of oligarchs where a few people are deciding the fate of nearly everyone. From health care to drugs, now it's working its way into education.

Democracy Day is also an opportunity for addressing other concerns, Slotnick said. At the top of his list right now is what he calls "climate disruption."

"The United Nations has finally declared what scientists have been saying all along. We are at a critical point on the planet for putting more carbon into the atmosphere. We must take action. That goes to the top in my opinion because, if we don't reduce our carbon output, we will increase the temperature and Lake Erie will not tolerate higher temperatures," he said.

A group called the Climate Reality Project provided an informational booth for the event.

This past January, members of the Northwest Ohio Climate Reality Project submitted a letter to city council applauding the council for allocating a percent of the city's budget for energy sustainability goals, including carbon reduction.

The letter calls for council to hire a director of sustainability and to develop a job description for the position.

While the city has taken some steps to promote sustainability, "there is much more to do to lay the foundation for a sus-

tainable city," the letter says.

"None of the money set aside has been spent. No director has been determined. There isn't even a job description for a director. Our letter to city council was to point out that they've not come through with their promise of 1 percent or taken action on climate much at all. It's going to be brought to council they've been given this letter and we've not had any response about what is happening with the 1 percent. (Slotnick estimates the percent equals about \$340,000.) It's been sitting there for a year," he said. "We at Climate Reality need an answer from council about what they are doing with \$340,000 of public money toward reducing the carbon load in Toledo."

Editor's note: Slotnick said after the interview with The Press he has learned some members of council are meeting about a request for proposal on a carbon plan for

### Finding against former fiscal officer issued

A finding for recovery of \$43,011 was issued last week against the former fiscal officer of the Village of Risingsun, who was convicted in 2022 of stealing from the Wood County community, Auditor of State Keith Faber said.

The finding is included in a special audit that outlines the investigation into Robin L. Hindall, who pleaded guilty in July 2022 in Wood County Common Pleas Court to a felony count of theft in office. She was sentenced August 2022 to five years of community control and ordered to make restitution totaling \$39,272.50, which included \$18,306.50 in audit costs.

The auditor's Special Investigations Unit received a complaint in September 2019 after the new Risingsun fiscal officer found discrepancies in the village's financial records, including cash withdrawals made by Hindall from two accounts.
SIU identified four schemes Hindall

perpetuated for her own benefit from Nov. 1, 2017, through June 30, 2019, including improper cash withdrawals totaling \$21,087; donations totaling \$2,500 that were not deposited into the village's bank account; \$718 in improper gross wages, vacation, and compensatory time payments to herself, and \$400 in stolen park rental receipts.

Risingsun Mayor Rick Whetsel and his bonding company are jointly and severally liable for the \$718 in improper payroll, as Whetsel was responsible for oversight of Hindall's timesheets.







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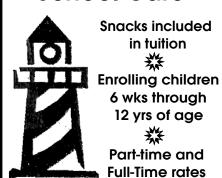
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### Alzheimer's program

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter is partnering with Brookdale Senior Living to present a virtual program to help caregivers better understand their personal caregiving style to improve outcomes for their loved ones and

Amanda N. Leggett, Ph.D., FGSA, assistant professor, Institute of Gerontology and Department of Psychology at Wayne State University, will be the featured presenter for the virtual event scheduled for Wednesday, March 29 from 5-6:15 p.m. Interested individuals should register through Zoom at brookdale.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0kfuiqqj0pG935h2Ui3OhE6M9FmvbOH7Gc.

When it comes to dementia care, there is no one-size-fits-all approach," said Pam Myers, program director of the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio and Central Ohio Chapters. "It's important to be wellversed in various caregiving styles and to know which approach will yield the best results for loved ones being cared for and the entire family.

During this virtual program, Dr. Leggett will help caregivers understand their own particular style of caregiving. Once the style of caregiving is identified, the caregiver will be better equipped to deliver interventions that can improve caregiving outcomes. She will provide actionable tips on caregiving for each caregiving style defined.

For more information about the program or other programs and resources available through the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter, call 419-537-

### Winter heating help deadline March 30

Residents in need of winter heating assistance have until Thursday, March 30 to apply for help through the Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP) Winter Crisis Program.

The program is available for eligible Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca, and Wood County households that have disconnected utilities or are at risk of a utility disconnect. Residents who need to replenish propane, wood pellet or other fuel supplies may also seek help through the program if their fuel supplies are 25% supply or less.

To qualify, residents must be at or below 175 percent of federal poverty guidelines (e.g. \$23,783 annual income/household of one; \$48,563 annual income/family of four). Applicants must also provide a list of all household members, including Social Security numbers and birthdates; proof of citizenship for all household members; proof of income for all household members for the previous 30 days or 12 months and copies of recent utility bills.

For more information on the Winter Crisis Program, visit glcap.org/winterheating or call the scheduling hotline at 567-

### **Jurassic Quest** tickets on sale

Jurassic Quest dinosaur experience will return to Toledo's Glass City Center with photorealistic herd and prehistoric activities March 31-April 2. Hours are noon-8 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Sunday. Glass City Center is located at 401 Jefferson Ave.

Since 2013, Jurassic Quest has been touring epic dinosaur experiences, treating visitors to an as-close-as-you-can-get look at the giants that ruled the Earth and sea millions of years ago. Developed with leading paleontologists, each dinosaur has been painstakingly replicated in every detail, including the most realistic likenesses, movement and sound.

Advance online ticket purchase is recommended at jurassicquest.com to ensure desired date and availability. Tickets will also be available on-site.

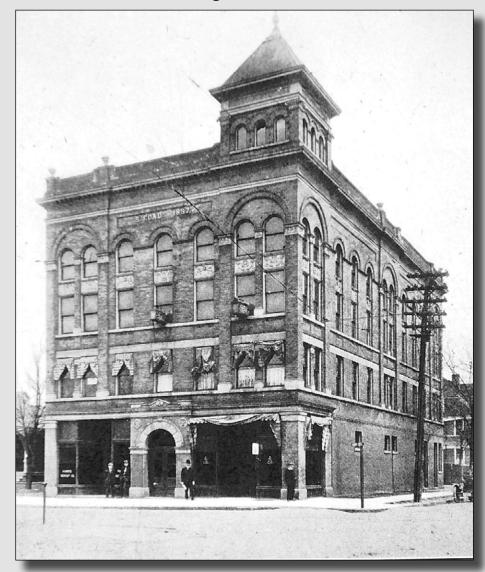
General admission tickets include access to the dinosaur and marine exhibits, arts and crafts activities, and dinosaur shows. There are rides and activities that require activity tickets available on site, or guests can upgrade to the Kids Unlimited Ticket. Admission is free for children under

### Road closure

The Ottawa County Engineer's Office has closed Plasterbed Road, from Lockwood Road north to the railroad tracks through

No vehicles are permitted through the

### Coad Building, Main Street, 1911



A longtime Main Street landmark, the Coad Building is pictured here on the northwest corner of Sixth and Main in 1911. It was built by Septimus Coad in 1897, and over the years, was home to many businesses, as well as apartment dwellers in the upper floors. The decorative rooftop cupola is similar to

**History Corner** East Toledo Historical Society by Larry Michaels

the one on the old J.C Penney building at First and Main. Now fallen into disrepair, the 125-year-old building still stands as a reminder of Main Street's long history.

# Obituaries

### **Obituary**

### Nicholas E. Obee

November 13, 1980 - March 16, 2023



Nicholas E. Obee, age 42, left us too early while surrounded by his family on March 16, 2023. Though he will be greatly missed here, we know he's laughing with his dad, Matthew and grandfathers, Duane Hanely and Eugene Obee.

He leaves behind his mother, Lynda (Troy Bowman) Obee; brother, Benjamin (Caroline) Obee; grandmothers, Carol Hanely and Sharlene Buchanan, and a host of aunts, uncles and cousins that were extra special in his life.

There will be no services and any memorial contributions can be made to Hospice of Northwest Ohio.

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### **Obituary**

### Gerald "Gary" Baird

June 7, 1947 - March 17, 2023

Gerald Baird, age 75, passed away Friday, March 17, 2023, at Blanchard Valley Hospital. He was born in Genoa, Ohio June 7, 1947, to William Ward Baird and Beatrice Plantz Baird.

Gary was a graduate of Genoa High School in the Class of 1965 and went into the Army to serve during the Vietnam war. He followed his love of cars, working in the car sales industry for 44 years, holding many job titles in Toledo, Maumee, and

Gary is survived by his wife, Sheryl; two sons, Matthew (Kristy) Baird, and Timothy Baird, his step-son, Jason (Kim) Jennings, and his step-daughter, Mindee (Alex) Egoavil, along

with his two brothers, Bill Baird, and Bob (Janeen) Baird. He also is survived by his 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Gerald is preceded in death by his mother and father; his daughter, Gail Wilkins, and the mother of his children, Margie Baird.

Hufford Family Funeral Home, 1500 Manor Hill Rd., Findlay (419-422-1500), is honored to serve the family of Gary. There will be no services at this time. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.huffordfh.com



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March 31, 2023



Lyle and Janet were married March 31, 1973 at St. Peters UCCC in Millbury. Together they have raised 3 daughters; Nichole, Elizabeth (Matthew) and Pamela. They have 4 grandchildren; Alexandra, Isaac, Jordyn and Kallie. A celebration was hosted by their children at Trinity UCC in Elliston.

Congratulations! Love, all of your family

### Terra State launches **Business Resource** Center

Small businesses owners and entrepreneurs in Sandusky, Seneca, Ottawa, Erie and Huron counties have a new local resource for discovering training, mentoring, and business and workforce development resources that will help them gain knowledge and skills essential to starting or expanding a business.

The Business Resource Center (BRC), located in the Kern Center at Terra State Community College in Fremont, will serve as a one-stop resource and call center to connect new and existing small businesses within the community with assets, training and mentors.

The BRC works in collaboration with area chambers of commerce, economic and workforce development agencies.

Throughout the year, BRC program instructors and business mentors will connect individuals and provide training on a range of programs focused on topics of interest to small business owners and their team members. Topics include, but are not limited to, starting and growing a business, accounting and finance, computer/business technology, insurance, taxes, human resources, business development, workforce talent, certifications and Ohio Business Gateway navigation.

Additionally, BRC instructors may be available for direct training and mentoring opportunities. The free trainings will be offered on a continual basis.

"Local businesses seeking are high-quality training but aren't always able to find the specific type of programs or topics they need," said Carolyn Rodenhauser, business resource manager for the BRC program. "Our mission is to develop the call center as well as the educational programs that will be led by area business leaders and instructors." The BRC will be working with the five partnering counties to inform their local business communities about the BRC call center and its schedule of programs. The BRC's goal is to make area businesses more aware of the training and mentoring resources available to them.

For more information about the BRC or

to learn about upcoming learning opportunities, visit terra.edu/brc or contact the call center directly at 419-559-BIZ1 (2491).

### **Industrial policy** bill introduced

Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur, ranking member of the House Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee, and representatives Brian Fitzpatrick (PA), Haley Stevens (MI), Jenniffer González-Colón (PR), Elissa Slotkin (MI), Mikie Sherrill (NJ), Grace Napolitano (CA), André Carson (IN), and Mary Sattler Peltola (AK) introduced the bipartisan Office of Manufacturing and Industrial Innovation Policy Act to create a new Office of Manufacturing and Industrial Innovation Policy overseen by a Chief Manufacturing Officer in the Executive Office of the President.

The new office will help strengthen America's manufacturing industry and workforce and improve global competitiveness following the coronavirus pandemic, Kaptur said.

The bipartisan legislation will also develop a long-term plan to ensure the growth and national security of the U.S. manufacturing industry and workforce and coordinate efforts to support manufacturing across the federal government, improve workforce development and job creation, and enhance research and development, she said.

### Health dept. clinics

The Ottawa County Health Department, 1856 E. Perry St., Port Clinton, has issued a schedule of clinics for the week of March 27-31. Appointments may be made by calling 419-734-6800.

March 27: Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Clinic, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

March 28: WIC Clinic, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.; 60+ Clinic - Danbury, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.; Tuberculosis Clinic, 3-4 p.m.

March 29: Family Planning Clinic, 8-9 a.m.; Immunization Člinic (COVID-19 and flu vaccines available), 12-4:30 p.m.

March 30: Reproductive Health/Health Chek, 8-10 a.m.; Tuberculosis Clinic, 3-4

March 31: Immunization Clinic, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.

### **Real Estate Transfers**



Week ending march 17

Allen Township

03/14/2023 Ronald A Witt (Trustee) to BRB 77 Properties LLC, 7180 North Lake Street, \$137,500. **Benton Township** 

03/15/2023 Bradley A Schuchert and Amy L Schuchert to Michael R Riojas, 5691 North Lemon

**Bay Township** 

03/17/2023 Robin S Biggert and Charles L Biggert Jr. to Amy D Below and David A Below, 0 Streeter (6.681acres), \$190,000.

Carroll Township

03/16/2023 Cory M Barnett to Miranda Herevia, 6390 Teal Bend, \$105,000.

03/17/2023 Jack A Glass aka Jack Arnold Glass and Terri Glass aka Terri Lyn Glass to Paradise Acres Campground Ltd, 4305 and 0 North Rider Road, \$3,700,000.

Genoa Corp

03/15/2023 William P Wagoner to Christina Beth Wagoner, 1314 Wets Street, \$79,030.

**Elmore Corporation** 

03/17/2023 Ronald K Giesler and Kathleen L Giesler to Jacqueline A Schroeder, 357 Lincoln Street, \$134,000.

Catawba Township

03/14/2023 Veronda K Renz HTTA Veronda K

Meikle to Eileen K Boldebuck, 4753 Eats Woodland Drive, \$405,000.

03/15/2023 Jeanette C Beamer to Kristine K Pauley, 2739 Canterbury Circle Unit D, \$377,500. 03/17/2023 Carol M Stradtman to Fiscen LLC. 0 E Pine Drive, \$345,000.

Marblehead

03/17/2023 Michael T Fite (Trustee) to Deniell D Schaffer, 36438 Wendell Street, \$425,000. **Port Clinton Corp** 

03/15/202 Kimberly J Webb and Charles R Webb Jr. to Albert Velasquez and Renee Velasquez, 610 East Perry Street, \$499,900.
03/15/2023 Amber J Clute to Michael A

Robinette, 518 Short Street, \$170,000.

03/16/2023 James G Fernandez to Hartlage Enterprises LLC, 230 West Fifth Street, \$85,000. 03/16/2023 Albert Hayes and Jenna Hayes to William Haidle, 172 Clinton Reef, \$215,900.

03/17/2023 Ronald Neki (25% interest) to

Weekend Anchor LLC, 238 West Lakeshore Drive Apt. 8, \$60,000.

03/17/2023 Benjamin M Andryc and Courtney A Andryc to Patricia U Pernicano and Kevin M Pernicano, 618 East Third Street, \$180,000. Portage Township

03/16/2023 United States Gypsum Company to Columbia Gas Of Ohio Inc., 1.2052acres on Gypsum Road, \$30,000.



**Oregon Municipal Court** 

•Damion Lamont Pallitta, 3244 Millstead, Toledo, 180 days Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio (CCNO), 170 days suspended, \$337 court costs and fines, aggravated menacing.

•Brandi A. Morris, 3833 Burton, Toledo, 90 days CCNO, 90 days suspended, \$287 court costs and fines, attempt to commit an offense.

•Danny Kendzierski, 528 Glenwood, Rossford, 90 days CCNO, 90 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, attempt to commit an offense.

•Josh Michael Wallace, 736 Plymouth, Toledo, 30 days CCNO, 30 days suspended, \$247 court costs and fines, unauthorized use of property.

•Zackery Craig Maville, 312 Roberta, Curtice, \$256 court costs and fines, reckless operation. •Zackery Craig Maville, 312 Roberta, Curtice, \$50

court costs and fines, failure to control,

•Dalysa Payne, 3 Hidden Valley, Toledo, 30 days CCNO, 30 days suspended, \$247 court costs and fines, unauthorized use of property.

•Aaron M. Wysong, 23642 Pemberville, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 180 days suspended, \$297 court costs and fines, attempt to commit an offense. Christina L. Miller, 1232 Sierra, Oregon, \$172

court costs and fines, animals run at large.

•Aaron Wysong, 23642 Pemberville, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 170 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$656 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.

William R. Smith, 946 Curtice, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 157 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$656 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence,

•Kaidyn Jacob Krueger, 1920 Drouillard, Northwood, 180 days CCNO, 177 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$556 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.





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## Events in the Toledo area over the past 150 years

March 26

1905 - News Bee reports that more than 300 immigrants from Hungary have arrived in Toledo in the past week and most are settling in Birmingham neighborhood of East Toledo

1912 -Toledo Zoo officials announce they have collected enough money from area residents to buy "Babe," a giant male Indian elephant from a zoo in Missouri. Babe would later become one of the zoo's most popular animal attractions.

1913 - Flooding continues to spread throughout much of Ohio. People throughout the area scramble to roofs of houses and treetops. Food supplies running short. Northwest Ohio looks like inland sea. Over 400 people have died across the state.

1960 - Genoa Mayor Oliver Tester publicly scolds a policeman who he said was arresting too many Mexican migrants for traffic violations. Tester said the police officers should stop and issue tickets to all traffic offenders, regardless of whom they are or where they come from.

#### March 27

1924 - Shocking news from little town of Harborview in Lucas County, when the Mayor L.H. Shovar and four deputies are arrested by federal agents and charged with selling beer from the courtroom that had been confiscated from area bootleggers.

1925 - Toledo's annual marbles (or "mibs") tournament for boys is underway and covered extensively by press.

1930 - Two U.S. Coast Guardsmen from Port Clinton and Marblehead seize three rum boats in Lake Erie. The bootleggers manage to escape through a marshy area on foot, but the boats and 20 cases of liquor were confiscated.

1957 - A state investigation reveals that four notorious gambling parlors in Lucas County are being run by the Detroit crime syndicate. Those clubs, including the Old Dix Inn and the New Benore Club are raided and padlocked. Investigators said they were among eight clubs near the state line that were being watched by agents. The

Toledo Historical Museum by Lou Hebert



clubs featured dice and blackjack tables and were run "professionally".

1995 - Owens Corning Corp and civic leaders break ground for new World Headquarters building on the old Middle Grounds area along downtown Toledo riverfront.

#### March 28

1901 - Toledo School Board President John Dowd says he is in favor of the "expression" of the child and not the "repression" of the child. "

1915 - Selma Newman is born in Toledo. She would later graduate from Scott High and UT. She became Selma Rubin through marriage and moved to Santa Barbara, California where she was an influential and energetic environmental activist. The Toledo native is considered the co-founder of Earth Day in 1970.

1920 - Deadly Palm Sunday tornadoes move across Northwest Ohio. A twister hits the Genoa area, heavily damaging homes and destroying one building. Two Genoa women were killed. As many as 19 people are reported to have died in Northwest Oh io.

#### March 29

1902 - Tontogany farmer W.T. Van Valenburg sends townspeople on a treasure hunt as he enlists scores of people to search the fields for his missing wallet containing \$300 in cash.

1933 - Murder at the Park Lane Hotel in Toledo when the night manager is gunned down by two men. One of whom he had kicked out the hotel two days before. Two local gangsters are later caught, convicted and executed for the murder.

Take some time

1956 - Middleweight boxer Wilbert "Skeeter" McClure of Toledo is named to a spot in the Pan American Games in September. He would go on to win a gold medal in the 1960 Olympics.

1973 - With grocery prices starting to rise sharply, housewives in Toledo rally to urge that consumers begin a boycott of high meat prices.

#### March 30

1900 -Toledo city officials report that 96-year-old Stephen Wood has taken out a marriage license to wed 50-year-old Martha Lindsay in Toledo. He outlived three other wives. His fourth wedding to take place without delay.

1919 -Riots in downtown Toledo are reported as thousands of supporters of Eugene V. Debs storm Memorial Hall where the socialist leader was not allowed to give a speech.

1921 - At a shop on Ontario Street, a live concert is heard from Pittsburgh on a "wireless telephone" (radio). The News Bee opines that these new instruments may become popular in the future.

1966 - Northwest Ohio economy is booming. They state the area opened 79 new plants in the past year.

#### March 31

1892 - Lynch mob of 1000 "respectable citizens" in Hancock County breaks into county jail in Findlay and abducts Joseph Lytle who was being held on charges of killing his wife and daughter with an ax. The mob drags Lytle outside and hangs him from a bridge, riddled with bullets.

1909 - Toledo labor official expresses concern that young boys aren't entering the harness-making trade. He fears that there will soon be no harness-makers left in the city.

1949 - Pinball machine cash payouts outlawed in the City of Toledo.

1973 - Singer Patrice Munsel, performing at the Masonic Auditorium in Toledo, is reunited with her pet boa constrictor

"George" after leaving it in a Lansing, Michigan hotel.

#### April 1

1918 - Toledo police officer Louis Jazwiecki dies after being shot the previous night during an arrest attempt of two men at Erie and Walnut.

1941 - WPA announces opening of second "toy lending library" in Toledo to help poor children.

1943 - It is reported that Nelson and Bernard Moss – a father and son from Toledo – have enlisted in the Navy and are now at Great Lakes Training Center near Chicago.

1969 - City bulldozers destroy the 50-yearold "Garden of Eden" created by minister Cassius Hettinger at his home on Upton Avenue in 1919. The controversial edifice of sea shells and concrete hosted many weddings and busloads of weekend tourists.

#### Amendment introduced

State Senators Theresa Gavarone (R-Bowling Green) and Rob McColley (R-Napoleon) have introduced Senate Joint Resolution 2, to protect the Ohio Constitution from what they claim have been constant attacks by well-funded special interest groups.

The resolution requires a 60 percent vote of the people for constitutional amendments to pass on election day.

"The current process to amend Ohio's Constitution has been exploited time and time again by well-funded, out-of-state special interests who pay millions to get their preferred policies into our founding document," Gavarone said. "SJR 2 will put Ohioans back in charge of the Constitution and preserve the integrity of our founding documents to ensure that our state remains the best place to live, work and raise a family."

Once approved, the resolution will go before the voters during a special August election, the date for which will be determined by Senate Bill 92, which was introduced alongside SJR 2.







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**The Press** Opinion



### Don't excuse yourself

It's easy to locate people who can enumerate many reasons why failure is certain. Consult them about any ambitious goal you may have, and you will face a barrage of negative opinions and perhaps even ridicule. These predictors of doom and gloom are failure experts. Here are some more excuses that don't have to apply to you. You can be a success expert.

#### Things never work for me

Have you ever observed a child trying to prove they can't do something? The child will make a halfhearted attempt that invariably fails. Their reaction will then be, "See, I told you I couldn't do it." Since they tried and failed, the results proved the child's premise.

Adults behave in the same way. Perhaps a person has had a bad experience. They will then purport to predict their destiny: since a failure occurred in the past, nothing will work in the future.

When something doesn't work as planned, it provides lots of knowledge on what to adjust before moving forward. Anyone who is successful has persisted despite numerous experiences with undesirable results.

### My timing is never right

Failure experts are big believers in chance. They feel providence provides successful people with an edge. These experts are convinced they are not destined to succeed. Therefore, there is no point for them to even try. They resign themselves to accepting their lot in life. Their energy is devoted to complaining rather than changing what they don't like.

Although it's always nice to be fortunate, luck occurs when preparation meets opportunity. Lucky people don't wait for opportunity, they create it. Don't wait for your ship to come in, swim out to find it.

#### I'm not success oriented

There are those who avoid success under the guise that it is evil as well as a bad influence. They will point to so called successful people who are ruthless, underhanded, or take advantage of others. They claim avoiding success allows them to avoid the cause of so much misery.

Success doesn't change people; it simply allows them to advertise who they really are. Truly successful people are kind and considerate and derive their success from being of service to others. A successful person can do more to help others than one who lives far below their potential.

#### Other people will laugh at me

Fear of ridicule stops failure experts from achieving their goals. They avoid criticism by never sharing their dreams with friends or family. Instead, they suppress any aspirations. They would rather conform to what others consider the norm than risk condemnation. Acceptance is far more important to them than success.

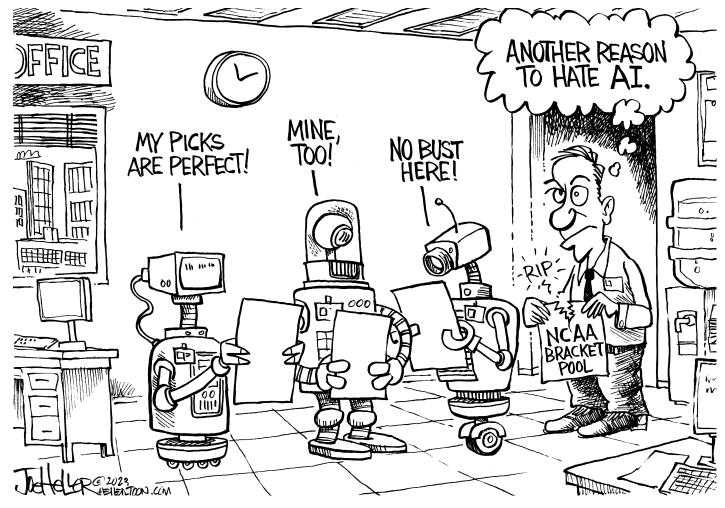
All successful people have been crit cized along their journey. Discouragement from those who are closest to you is common. People are jealous if you succeed while they don't. You should share your goals only with people who offer encouragement. Ignore any negative sentiments. Although there is always an abundance of opinions, your life is your responsibility. Don't be deterred by others.

### Other people have failed

You want to follow the path of people who succeed. Those who fail demonstrate what mistakes to avoid but are not a deterrent to success. Seek examples that encourage you, not dissuade you.

If you follow the guidance of failure experts, you will experience the same negative results they achieve. There are always reasons why you can succeed. Find them and concentrate on them.

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### Ohio must prioritize affordable, accessible housing

**By Steve Stivers** President & CEO of the Ohio Chamber of

Safe, affordable housing is a necessity that all Ohioans should have the opportunity to enjoy. The Ohio Legislature, statewide leaders and organizations like the Ohio Chamber are all working to make Ohio the best place to live, and to achieve this goal, we must come together to ensure that people are actually able to do just that—live.

The Ohio Chamber recently released our Blueprint for Ohio's Economic Future, a report that analyzes Ohio's economic outlook and compares it to other states'. In creating this report, we identified six key areas for improvement.

One of these six levers is "Sense of Place." Sense of Place reflects the characteristics and resources that make a community a desirable place to live, work and visit. As a result, housing access and affordability are a significant part of this con-

The situation may not look so dire from the outside—according to US News, Ohio ranks as a top state for affordability in food, energy and housing, in relation to U.S. median family incomes. However, secondary research indicates limited available housing units due to a 10-year low in new builds following the 2008 housing crash.

Additionally, Ohio has a shortage in starter home builds and rental units that are affordable and available to low-income households. In 2020, only 3 out of the 10 most common jobs in Ohio paid an hourly rate necessary for a worker to afford a modest two-bedroom apartment. As a result, nearly 400,000 Ohio households are "rent burdened," meaning they spend over half of their income on rent.

With developments announced in the last year such as Intel's \$20 billion semiconductor project in Licking County, Honda and LG Energy Solution's \$4.4 billion battery plant in Fayette County, and Ford's \$1.5 billion investment into its Avon Lake assembly plant, the need for reform will only grow greater. Each of these projects promises to attract a fleet of new workers, all of whom will require safe, afford-

The Blueprint's recommendation for Ohio involves improving affordability that

allows for generational wealth building, which will help this problem lessen down the road. To do this, we must make dedicated efforts to both increase home ownership and provide affordable rent.

State leaders are actively working to address these issues. In his proposed new state budget, Gov. DeWine introduced a proposal that would allocate \$400 million over four years to tax credits for affordable multifamily housing, and \$200 million to building affordable single-family homes.

Franklin County voters also approved a \$200 million bond package for affordable housing in Columbus last November. This package will build affordable rental units, grow the Central Ohio Community Land Trust, preserve housing affordability in targeted neighborhoods that have seen recent price increases, and provide programs and housing for people dealing with homeless-

We must continue these conversations and continue to prioritize housing security in order to build the state that we all desire and fulfill the Sense of Place priorities in the Ohio Chamber's Blueprint.

### Remembering the cost of Iraq War and its aftermath

**By Peter Certo** 

Most of us who were alive then remember where we were on the morning of the 9/11 attacks. As we mark the 20th anniversary of the Iraq War this March, I wonder how many also remember where we were that day.

On 9/11, I was a Catholic school eighth grader. I'll never forget my teacher, Mrs. Anderson, wheeling the TV into the room and saying simply, "I have something to tell you." That afternoon, the school held a prayer service and sent us home early.

On March 19, 2003, when I was a freshman in Catholic high school, the TVs came out again. In stark, night-vision footage, bombs exploded over Baghdad. We were barely teenagers yet here we were again, watching explosions vaporize human beings on TV.

But this time, the bell rang, classes changed, and folks just carried on. I trudged to my next class, heartsick and bewildered.

Looking back, it's easier to understand those reactions as a result of the trauma we all suffered after 9/11. People felt wounded, insecure — a feeling the Bush administration exploited with its baldfaced lies that Iraq was linked to the attacks and armed with weapons of mass destruction.

Neither the war nor those lies have aged well in history, which plenty of smart people warned about in real time. Nearly 4,500 U.S. soldiers died in the war, along with upwards of a million Iraqis, and the violence unleashed a shock wave of instability across the Middle East.

But when I think about the cost of the war now, I also think about the other futures that were lost as that numb pall fell over my classroom.

The Iraq War super-charged the militarized spending that was already surging after 9/11, which totaled over \$21 trillion as of 2021. The National Priorities Project calculates that just a fraction of that sum could have totally decarbonized the U.S. power grid, created millions of good jobs, wiped out all student debt, and all but ended child poverty in this country. Imagine what our world would look like today if we'd made those choices.

Instead it was war, torture, mass surveillance, and other scandals that filled the space in our imagination where those dreams might have gone. Our gloomy present era of polarization and alternative facts feels like a direct result of this malaise.

But that's not the end of the story.

It may have taken the climate crisis and another traumatizing, mass casualty event — the COVID-19 pandemic — but younger generations have burst open the numb, negligent politics of the Iraq War era with demands for all that was due plus

Why can't everyone have affordable health care, a livable planet, and paths to pursue a better life? The movements for Medicare for All, a Green New Deal, and student debt cancellation are posing these questions in a new, serious way that politicians actually have to answer.

Granted, their answers haven't been very good yet. Military spending is still climbing, the planet is still warming, and our democracy, civil rights, and human rights feel shakier than ever. Still, there are signs of progress.

Pandemic supports, however temporary, managed to bring down poverty

during an unprecedented public health and economic crisis. Last year the U.S. launched its biggest-ever investment in green jobs. And even Joe Biden, who once represented creditors from Delaware, has embraced the

cause of reducing student debt. Of course, this is the floor of what we need, not the ceiling. And there are wounds from the last 20 years, especially in the greater Middle East, that won't heal anytime soon.

Peter Certo is the communications director of the Institute for Policy Studies and editor of OtherWords.org.



### STEM Job Fair set for April 6 at Owens Community College

A STEM Job Fair will be held Thursday, April 6 from 4-6:30 p.m. in Owens Community College Heritage Hall Room 123, 310 2nd St., Perrysburg.

Attendees can talk with employers in the following fields about their available job opportunities:

- Applied engineering
- Automotive
- CAD
- Computer programming technology
- Environmental science
- Information systems technology
- Welding

For more information, email peter\_kowal@owens.edu or visit owens.edu/STEM

The event, which is open to Owens students, alumni and the community, is hosted by Owens Career & Transfer Services and the School of STEM.

### Oregon Democratic Club announces scholarship

The Oregon Democratic Club announced the creation of a \$500 scholarship to be awarded to a graduating senior from the Oregon School District.

"As proud members of the community, we strongly believe in investing in and supporting the next generation of leaders in the community, businesses, and citizens of our region," said Bob Lynn Jr., club president.

Scholarship committee members, led by chairman Schuyler Beckwith, developed the criteria for awarding of the scholarship.

Those wishing to apply will be required to answer:

- As a new voter, what are some issues you feel are important to you and your peers?
- What do you see is the importance of your vote at the federal, state, and local levels?
- How would you use your voice to encourage your peers' participation in the voting and democratic process?

Other criteria for consideration include demonstrated character and personal involvement in school/community as well as classwork and achievement.

Application packets and information will be available at Clay and Cardinal Stritch Catholic high schools and online at oregondemocraticclub.org or on Facebook @OregonDemocraticClub.

The award will be determined and announced on or about the time of high school graduation, with the winner and his/her family invited to the June club meeting.

#### Heidelberg summer camp

The Heidelberg University School of Music & Theatre is again offering a summer camp for students in grades eight-12.

Campers will get to experience singing in a choir, playing in a band and acting on stage during the weeklong camp, which



will be held June 11-17.

"Students who attend the camp really can have it all," said Dr. Elizabeth Tracy, director of Heidelberg's Community Music School and the camp organizer. "They can perform, create, design and lead on and off the stage as they learn how to prepare for a career in the arts."

The camp format is similar to an honor music festival, Tracy said. Participants will have the opportunity to customize their schedules by choosing up to two tracks among choir, band and theatre, and a number of elective seminars in areas such as brass, woodwinds, percussion, voice, piano conducting, songwriting and composition, marching band techniques, music theory, dance, lighting, sound design, stagecraft, acting and makeup.

For those who choose music ensembles, the camp experience will culminate with a concert on Friday night, June 16. On Saturday, June 17, the camp finale will be a performance of the musical, "Disney's Descendants," at 2 p.m.

Heidelberg music and theatre faculty members will be the instructors for all of the courses and tracks. Undergraduate music and theatre majors will serve as camp counselors throughout the week.

Commuter tuition is \$425 and includes lunch and dinner. Resident double occupancy is \$550 and includes all meals and housing in a double room. Resident single occupancy is \$600 and includes all meals and housing in a single room.

All campers receive admission for two to the concert on Friday or the theatre performance on Saturday, one camp T-shirt, and all supplies required for sessions as part of the tuition. A \$50 deposit is due by the registration deadline of May 15 with the balance due June 1.

Registration and additional information are available at heidelberg.edu/SMTCamp2023 or by emailing at etracy@heidelberg.edu.

#### Cardinal Coffee Hour

Cardinal Stritch Catholic High School & Academy invites the community to its first Cardinal Coffee Hour Tuesday, March 28 at 8:15 a.m. on the school campus, 3225 Pickle Rd, Oregon.

Attendees can enjoy coffee and donuts with the administration and admissions team to learn more about school academics, athletics, financial aid and more.

Register by Monday, March 27 for the 30–45-minute casual, but informational, discussion. Visit bit.ly/CardinalCOFFEE to

register and for more information.

#### Coffee with the President

Community members are also invited to a "Coffee with the President/Head of School" morning at Cardinal Stritch Tuesday, April 18 beginning at 9 a.m.

President/Head of School Bill Berry will share Cardinal Stritch's achievements, improvements, and vision for the future. RSVP at http://cardinalstritch.org/presidentcoffee/ or contact Janet Navarre Hohenberger, director of advancement, at jhohenberger@cardinalstritch.org.

#### Museum offering spring break discount

The National Museum of the Great Lakes is encouraging individuals and families to find opportunities to fill their spring break week(s) with activities close to home.

With that in mind, NMGL is offering an admission ticket discount. Through April 16, individuals can buy one adult ticket and get one youth ticket free for all online ticket purchases.

"În addition, visitors will be able to see our new micro exhibit, 'Waving through Time: Flags of the Sweetwater Seas,' which will be open through May 15," said Ellen Kennedy, the museum's Visitor Experience and Education Director.

"There is so much to do and see in the Toledo area—and no better place to start than our museum," said Kate Fineske, Senior Director of Institutional Advancement at NMGL. "With this new micro-exhibit we are able to give our members and returning visitors a new museum experience, as well as offer an incentive for families to spend their spring break time exploring Great Lakes history."

Discounted spring break museum admission tickets can only be pre-purchased online at nmglstore.org. To take advantage of the BOGO offer, select any admission ticket date through April 16 and add an adult and youth admission ticket to your cart. The discount will be automatically applied at checkout.

The "Waving through Time: Flags of the Sweetwater Seas" micro exhibit is included with museum admission. To access part one of the online exhibit, visit nmgl. org/wavingthroughtime.

#### Cedar Fair announces BGSU scholarship

Bowling Green State University students who are enrolled in the university's Cedar Fair Resort and Attraction Management (RAAM) program now have new scholarship opportunities from Cedar Fair, a world leader in operating regional amusement and water parks.

BGSU and Cedar Fair entered into a partnership in 2019 to offer the first and only Bachelor of Science in Resort and Attraction Management degree of its kind in North America. As part of this degree-completion program, students complete two guaranteed co-ops at one of Cedar Fair's North American amusement parks or a similar destination. Both co-ops are paid and provide students with valuable experience to launch their careers even before graduation.

As a part of Cedar Fair's commitment to its partnership with BGSU, it has introduced a new scholarship program with \$45,000 to be distributed this academic year. Scholarships are being administered by the Erie County Community Foundation (ECCF).

To be eligible, students must be enrolled in the RAAM program and have worked at a Cedar Fair park during the past 12 months. Thirty scholarships – each worth \$1,500 – are available and are expected to be announced in May. Winners will be chosen by a six-person selection committee composed primarily of ECCF representatives.

Cedar Fair and BGSU co-developed the unique RAAM program. The university facilitates the curriculum and Cedar Fair provides hands-on co-op experiences, training and opportunities to gain industry experience and full-time employment.

Approximately 120 students are currently enrolled in the RAAM program. The inaugural class of 30 students graduated last spring, with 16 joining Cedar Fair in full-time, year-round, part-time or seasonal roles.

Cedar Fair owns and operates 13 properties, consisting of 11 amusement parks, four separately gated outdoor water parks, and resort accommodations totaling more than 2,300 rooms and more than 600 luxury RV sites.

### B-C-S Kindergarten Registration/Parent Night

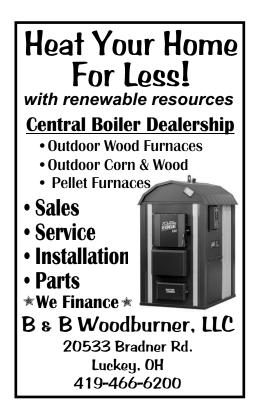
Benton-Carroll-Salem School District will host a Kindergarten Registration Parent Night Thursday, April 20 at 6 p.m. at R.C. Waters Elementary School, 220 E. Ottawa St., Oak Harbor.

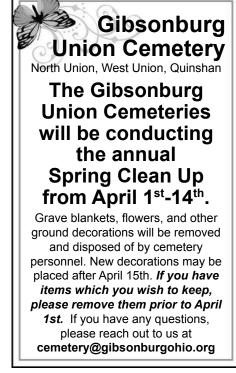
At this meeting, parents/guardians will get information about kindergarten, receive a kindergarten enrollment packet, and schedule a screening appointment. Those who cannot make it to this meeting, may call the school office at 419-898-6219. (Children do not need to attend the Parent Night)

Kindergarten screening appointments will be scheduled for June 1 and 2 at R.C. Waters.

Students entering kindergarten will be screened in the areas of vision/hearing, motor skills, concepts, and language.

To be eligible for kindergarten, a child must be 5 years old by Aug. 1. All kindergarten students need to be screened and registered to begin the school year.







### Penta students earn top honors at BPA Leadership Conference

Two local Penta Career Center students were among top award winners at the Business Professionals of America (BPA) Ohio State Leadership Conference held March 8-10 in Columbus.

Tryeton Smith (Northwood), a student in Penta's Information Technologies Academy, earned second-place honors in the Device Configuration & Troubleshooting Contest.

William Lynch (Lake), a Digital Arts & Design student, earned fifth place in the Advanced Desktop Publishing

Both students qualified for the BPA National Leadership Conference to be held April 26-30 in Anaheim,

BPA is a career-technical student organization for students pursuing careers in business management, information technology, finance, office administration, health administration, and other related career fields.

#### Academic honors

Bluffton University: Jacob Boelkens, of Millbury; Michael Lindhorst, of Lind-

Coastal Carolina University: Melissa Lincoln, of Northwood; Megan Graham, of Luckey.

#### R.C. Waters highlights Top-Class Dojo Winners

R.C. Waters Elementary, in Oak Harbor, participates in a school-wide initiative called Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS).

PBIS is a process for creating safer and more effective schools by allowing a safe and productive learning environ-

The school has adopted a unified set of expectations for behavior, in



place in classroom and non-classroom settings in the school. They include -Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be

Student behavior is documented using a tool called ClassDojo, a tracking system that reinforces positive behaviors and quickly engages students in becoming accountable for their own choices. On a scheduled rotation, students are able to "shop" from the Dojo reward cart using the points they have earned for meeting the behavior expec-

Students recognized as R.C. Waters' top Class Dojo winners for the month of February include:

**Kindergarten:** Elaina Bodi, Braxton Stacy, Grant Knauss, Josie Romstadt, Aubrey Vicroy, Carter Wiechman, Canan Cummings and Xander Newton.

First grade: Andrew Magoto, Adaline Toris, Jayden Romo, Jaden Carpenter, Marleigh Gardner, Owen Emahiser, and Peyton Damron.

Second grade: Shaylynn Hill, Madelyn Zak, BrantLee Myerholtz, Ty Bloomer, Adysan Heminger, Will Denslow, Elsie Perkins, Janie Lattimore, Mason Fritch and RJ Gottschalk.

Third grade: Evelyn Miller, Malachai Monhollen, Zach Sin-deldecker, Zy'aire Gill, Ava Porath, Quinn Guerin, Braxton Bauer, Weston DeLeon, Mason Amborski and Haygen

### Genoa Middle School student wins online art competition

Genoa Middle School student Noah Fennewald was recently named the winner of Artsonia's Artist of the Week contest, a voting competition held on Artsonia.com, an online collection of student art portfolios, exhibiting over 100 million pieces of

Fennewald received more than 300 online votes for his winning art titled, "Sugar

"My favorite part of this artwork is the eyes because it shades into the color. My inspiration is my imagination," Fennewald said in his artist statement on the website.

When asked how he felt when he found out he won Artist of the Week, Fennewald said, "I was very surprised and excited."

Fennewald's teacher, Jessica Cable has been teaching art for more than 27 years.

"I am passionate about teaching kids to be creative and how they can use that creativity in other parts of their lives," Cable said, adding that she is happy to have a student honored for his artistic achievement with the Artist of the Week competition, because it is a motivator for her students.

"It is a wonderful way to emphasize the importance of the arts by recognizing students in this way," Cable said. "It gets the community and family involved. My students are so excited to be nominated, and I think that keeps them enthusiastic for each upcoming project."

Cable is among thousands of art teachers who use Artsonia to showcase their student art, manage the art room, crowdsource lesson plans, and fundraise for their classrooms. Artsonia lets family and friends of student artists create and purchase custom keepsakes from the student art and then gives back 20 percent of all revenue to the local art classroom.

Artsonia developed Artist of the Week 15 years ago as a way to encourage teachers to submit student artwork and engage the school and community to vote on and recognize students for their creative achievements. Every week, Artsonia selects 12 random submissions in each of four dif-



ferent age groups (PreK-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12) from artwork submitted the previous week. Voting is open to the public for several days before the winner is announced.

Blick Art Materials donates a \$100 gift certificate to the winning school and an individual \$50 gift certificate to the student

"Our mission at Artsonia is to bring communities together to celebrate children's artistic expressions," said Jim Meyers, CEO and co-founder of the company. "Artist of the week is a perfect way to get local schools, families, and friends involved in the process of creating, recognizing, and cherishing student art.

For more information, visit the artsonia.com.

# SENCA BANK

Salutes Woodmore High School's March Student of the Month



### **Emma** Kayser

Emma has a GPA of 3.96. She is president of the National Honor Society, layout editor for the Yearbook, class Treasurer and is on the Student Council. Emma is a member of the Future Teachers of America.



Emma, the daughter of Paul and Kelly Kayser, plans on attending Bowling Green State University to major in Nursing.

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### Emma Hand



Emma has a GPA of 3.83 and is ranked 13th in her class. She is involved in Tennis, Basketball and Softball. Emma is also a member of the Band and the National Honor Society.

The daughter of Tony and Shannon Hand, Emma plans to become a Pediatric Dentist. She is considering attending Bowling Green State University, but is currently undecided.

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### **Emelia Simmons**

Emelia has a GPA of 3.74 and is ranked 37th in her class. She is a member of the Spanish Club and the Yearbook staff. Emelia participates in Cross Country, Track and Field and is a Cheerleader for basketball and football.

Emelia, the daughter of Michael Simmons and Ashley Simmons, plans to attend the University of Toledo to become a Neonatal Nurse Practioner.



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### Hailey Hodulik





Hailey has a GPA of 4.3 and is ranked 12th in her class. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club, Senior Exec. and Student Council. Hailey is a member of St. John Lutheran Church and volunteers for different organizations in the Eastwood community.

Hailey, the daughter of Troy and Jennifer Hodulik, will be attending Miami University to major in Microbiology.



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Salutes Cardinal Stritch's March Student of the Month



# Lily Smith

Lily has a GPA of 4.06 and is ranked 7th in her class. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, Spirit Club and is a KAIROS Leader. Lily participates in Varsity Cheerleading and Varsity Softball.



Lily, the daughter of Todd and Clare Smith, will be attending **Bowling Green State University** to major in Sports Management and minor in Marketing.

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Salutes Northwood High School's March Student of the Month!



### Quentin Long



Quentin has a GPA of 4.463 and is ranked 7th in his class. He is a member of the Northwood High School Band, National Honor Society and the Key Club. He also played soccer for 2 years.

The son of Chuck and Emily Long, Quentin plans on attending Bowling Green State University but is currently undecided on a major.



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### Mental health needs noted in report on Lake schools

By Kelly J. Kaczala News Editor

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A new elementary school and the increase in mental health counseling, were recently noted in a report on the Lake Local Schools District.

Jim Witt, superintendent, gave a report on the status of the district at a recent "State of the Communities" meeting, an annual event sponsored by the Eastern Maumee Bay Chamber of Commerce.

"A year-and-a-half ago, citizens of Lake Township passed a bond issue to allow us to start construction on a new elementary school," said Witt. "We will be breaking ground on that this spring. It will be open for business in the fall of 2024. It will house our pre-k through sixth grade. Right now, our high school has grades 8 through 12. Our middle school building has grades five

through seven. So it's going to free up some space that is much needed."  $\,$ 

Schools today offer much more than an education, he noted.

"If you haven't been in a school in years, school buildings have changed. The mental health aspect is very, very real. The need for social workers, counselors - that type of thing - is almost overwhelming at times. We have four guidance counselors and four or five other people who would qualify as a counselor service. I am telling you, they are overworked every day. I know that we're normal. But it's a real concern.

A new phenomenon since the pandemic has been anger outbursts by some younger students, he said.

"It's a struggle for the teachers and a struggle for other kids in the class. There are no facilities out there for kids who are having these difficulties. The ones that are available are just overcrowded. That's a real concern. What we're finding out, in talking with other schools working through these issues, is the main population of kids who are struggling with these type of behaviors are second graders. They were kindergarten kids during the pandemic. I don't know what the correlation is, there have not been any studies done. I find that really, really interesting. It's almost uniform around the area," he said.

The district, he said, has been "very, very lucky" with financial stability over the last several years.

That wasn't the case 20 years ago, he added.

'The district was broke."

"We hadn't passed an operating levy in many, many years. But in the last 16 years, of the 10 issues we put in front of our community, eight passed. We're very, very fortunate. We're in a stable financial situation," he said.

First Solar, which invested \$68 million in a new manufacturing facility in the township, "helped our schools immensely," he said.

"Our financial staff and our teachers and school board have done a terrific job of managing our money and are still doing what's right for our kids. When we were having our most difficult financial struggles, I was the athletic director of Sylvania Northview High School. I took this job at Lake in the summer of 2006. People asked me why I left a great job and district at Sylvania Northview. and went to Lake. My comment was, `Have you ever met our kids? We have super kids.'"

He called it "a joy" to see the students in the district every day.

'We have 1,500 of them. If you're ever having a bad day in education, go sit in a kindergarten classroom for about 20 minutes and you'll be all better."

### Cardinal Stritch **Academy welcomes Nature's Nursery**

On March 9, Cardinal Stritch Catholic High School & Academy welcomed Nature's Nursery Center for Wildlife Rehabilitation and Conservation Education outreach staff, who presented the program, "Fur, Feathers, and Scales: What makes a Bird, Herptile or Mammal?'

First-grade Cardinals met an albino Cardinal who wasn't truly white, a turtle friend named Lefty, and Greta, an opossum who had to be woken up from her nap.

Nature's Nursery reaches more than 15,000 children and adults through wildlife education programs with their non-releasable education animal ambassadors. The education ambassadors help them to teach the importance of local wildlife populations, how to protect their habitats and how to best live in harmony with the wildlife in their own backyards.

According to Karen Kimerer, a first-

### Wish List

grade teacher at Cardinal Stritch, "For the past month, first-graders have discussed and studied different habitats and living/ nonliving things. We've talked about ways we can help animals and ways animals are helpers to us as humans. Students will make habitat dioramas and write a research report about the animals they will be making for their diorama.'

Both first grade classrooms also collected "Wish List" items for Nature's Nursery in support of their mission.



Cardinal Stritch Academy first-graders learned about what makes a bird, herptile or mammal in a program presented March 9 by Nature's Nursery outreach staff, assisted by Greta, the opossum. (Submitted photo)



### **Welcome to Oregon Branch Library!**

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Maybe You Should Talk to Someone, by Lori Gottlieb Thurs., April 6 | 6 - 7 p.m.

Unleash Your Creativity (for kids with their grownup) Mon., April 10 | 6 - 6:45 p.m.

**Humane Society Pet Crafts (for teens)** Thurs., April 13 | 4 - 5 p.m.

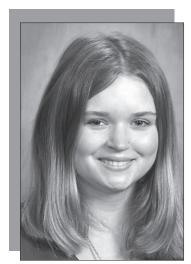
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**Bay Area Credit Union** salutes Penta Career Center's March Student of the Month.



**Alexis** Hayward



Alexis, a senior from Genoa High School, is enrolled in the Medical Technologies Academy at Penta Career Center where she holds a GPA of 4.210. At Genoa she has been involved with the stage crew and is a member of the National Honor Society. At Penta she is a member of HOSA, SkillsUSA, the National Technical Honor Society, and the Drug Free Club. Through HOSA, she has earned first place exam and the Nursing Assisting contest. By the end of this school year, Alexis will have earned two, 12 point industry credentials and will have obtained 30 college credits through Owens Community College and The University of Toledo.

Alexis has already earned her STNA certification through Penta. She is currently working on her certification in Phlebotomy through Penta's Adult Post-Secondary division. After completing the Medical Technologies Academy at Penta and graduating from Genoa High School, Alexis plans to take pre-nursing courses for a year at Owens Community College. She will transfer to The University of Toledo to finish the final two years of nursing school to obtain her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree. Alexis plans to soon begin working as an STNA at Hospice of Northwest Ohio. She is the daughter of Diane and James Hayward.



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Salutes Clay High School's March Student of the Month



### Gabriella Orr

Gabriella has a GPA of 4.28 and is ranked 7th in her class. She is a member of the National Honor Society and Tri-M Music Honor Society. Gabriella participates in Varsity Tennis (First Singles/Team Captain). She is part of the Clay Limelighters, Varsity Voices, Musical Theatre and is a Vocal Coach/Music Director.

Gabriella, the daughter of Michelle and Gary Orr, plans to attend college and dual major in Musical Theatre and Business.

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### Hailey Zervas

Hailey has a GPA of 3.34 and is ranked 24th in her class. She is a member of the National Honor Society and Young Women of Excellence. Hailey participates in Volleyball and Softball.

Hailey, the daughter of Heather Aldrich-Zervas and Mike Zervas, plans on attending the University of Toledo and major in Nursing.



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Salutes Lake High School's March Student of the Month



### Zachary Buschmann

Zachary has a GPA of 4.59 and is ranked 1st in his class. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Tri-M, Quiz Bowl, Student Council and French Club. Zachary participates in Soccer, Cross Country and Track. He also is a member of the Musical Pit Orchestra and Solo and Ensemble.



Zachary, the son of Chrissy and Jason Buschmann, plans to obtain a Computer Science degree from Bowling Green State University or the University of Toledo.

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Salutes Genoa High School's March Student of the Month



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### Hailey Deverna

Hailey has a GPA of 4.139 and is ranked 7th in her class. She participates in Sideline and Competition Cheerleading.

Hailey, the daughter of Toni St. John and Brian Deverna, plans to attend an undecided college and major in Accounting.

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Education The Press

## Lake Schools honor two new Distinguished Alumni

Each year, Lake Schools honors past graduates who have made a significant impact – both at Lake during their school years, and in the community and places they have lived.

Two new Distinguished Alumni have been recognized this year. They include Ronald G. Huff, a graduate of Lake High School Class of 1949 and James E. Bunke a 1967 Lake graduate.

Huff grew up in Lake Township during the Great Depression and attended Lake Schools from 1936-1949.

He was not an inspired student, and for reasons mostly beyond his control, he was required to repeat the second grade. In the sixth grade, the Loudenslager family moved into a house near Huff, and they ended up having a major impact on his life.

John Loudenslager was the superintendent at Olney Schools and his wife, Bertha, was a teacher there, however, their children attended Lake Schools. Their son, John, became Huff's best friend. Mr. and Mrs. Loudenslager became Huff's mentors.

One day while at Lake School, a WWII bomber flew into Metcalf field, flying so close that Huff could see the pilots inside. He recalls becoming enamored with airplanes and flying. As he entered his junior year at Lake, Huff decided that he wanted to be an aeronautical engineer, so he buckled down and became serious about his education. He still remembers the look on his teacher's face when she handed back a history test and told the entire class that "Ronald has a B." It was his first good grade in high school.

With the help and encouragement of his best friend, John Loudenslager, who later became a doctor, Huff graduated from Lake High School in 1949 and was accepted into Toledo University's College of Engineering. He graduated from TU (now the University of Toledo) in 1953 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in mechanical engineering, with a minor in aeronautical engineering.

At TU, he was also a member of the ROTC program, the Reserve Officer's Training Corps, and received the commission of second lieutenant in the U.S. Army. He then served as an Army engineer from 1953-1955 during the Korean War, with seven months in the Korean War Theater.

After the Korean war, Huff was hired as a research engineer for NACA, the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, near Cleveland. In 1958, NACA became NASA, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. He worked at NASA from 1955-1987 as a research engineer and technologist.

One of the many projects Huff was responsible for at NASA was called "Boundary Layer Inlets," which was used to calculate the lifting force of the shingles on John Glenn's space capsule, Friendship 7. He also secured three patents while at NASA – two for an apparatus used for sens-



Ronald G. Huff, Class of 1949

ing the temperature inside rocket engines, and a third for a supersonic jet exhaust noise suppressor.

In 1987, Huff started his own consulting business, Huff and Associates, where he focused on noise control issues for manufacturers around the globe. Here he secured his fourth patent on a multi-folded side-branch muffler that was used in C-5 Corvettes. He continued with the business until 2022 when it was dissolved at his age of 21

In 1983, Huff finally got his pilot's license and has enjoyed flying ever since.

In 1957, Huff married Nancy Carroll Warnes, also a Lake High School graduate, class of 1952. A registered nurse, she provided nursing care and instruction for many years. She passed away in May 2017. The couple had two children and four grand-children, with a great-grandchild expected in June.

In March 2022, Huff established a college scholarship fund for Lake High School named "The Ronald and Nancy Huff Scholarship." This scholarship will be paid using the interest generated from a \$100,000 endowment and will be awarded to Lake students pursuing a college degree in engineering, nursing or education, especially to those students who have shown the greatest academic improvement since entering Lake High School.

At Lake, James E. Bunke, was a topnotch athlete, earning two varsity letters each in basketball, football and baseball. He earned all-league honors in basketball – his favorite sport – and his basketball skills later played a major role in his life.

Bunke attributed his life successes to three of his Lake High School coaches – Bob Slykhuis, Gene Hodulik and Bob Filiere, with whom he has maintained a close relationship.

After Lake, Jim attended Bowling Green State University, however, college did not



James E. Burke – Class of 1967

go so well for him, and he dropped out in 1969. His college roommate was Jim Penix, the legendary Rossford and BGSU basketball star and hall-of-famer and the men remain friends to this day.

After BGSU, Bunke was drafted into the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He was stationed at Fort Dix, New Jersey, and in New ULM, Germany during his service from 1969-1971. He was a member of the 81st Artillery Regiment (equipped with eight Pershing Missiles) in Germany.

He was spared the battlefield in Vietnam because he was "drafted" by the Army brass to play on the Fort Dix Brigade travel basketball team. One of his teammates was former University of Toledo and NBA star Steve Mix. Not surprisingly that Fort Dix team won the Army Eastern Seaboard Championship.

After his service in the Army, Bunke began a long and prosperous career in insurance, wealth management and retirement planning. From 1971 to the present, he has assisted hundreds of clients with their wealth management and retirement planning. Currently, he is carrying out his own retirement and transition plan by working with S & D Capital Financial Advisors in Oregon.

Bunke and his wife, Deborah, have three children and five grandchildren. Tragically the couple had to endure the death of two of their adult children.

Although he resides in Springfield Township, Bunke has always been there to assist Lake during its times of greatest need.

During Lake's severe financial crisis in 2006 and 2007, he stepped up and led an alumni group effort to help pass a desperately needed operating levy. In 2010, after the tornado devastated the Lake campus, Bunke was one of the first on the spot to assist with the clean-up, fundraising efforts and rebuilding process.

Also, throughout the years, he has at his own expense sponsored 10-20 Lake High School athletes and coaches to attend the annual Fellowship of Christian Athlete Banquet.













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Mercy Health offers residency programs in Cardiovascular Disease; Hospice and Palliative Care; Family Medicine; Emergency Medicine; Pediatrics; Ob-Gyn; Neurology; Transitional Year; Orthopedics; General Surgery; Endovascular neurology; Internal Medicine and Podiatry.

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"The results of the recent match attest

"The results of the recent match attest to the quality and depth of Mercy Health's GME programs," said Dr. James Tita, chief clinical officer, Mercy Health - Toledo. "We look forward to having such a talented and accomplished group of young physicians join our training programs. We remain strongly committed to training and developing the healthcare workforce of tomorrow."

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Leonhardt won her first two matches in convincing fashion – the first by pin in 1:24 over Alliance's Avery Horning, and the second by major decision, 9-0, over the No. 1 seed, Oak Hills' Lexi Grant. (Press photos by Richard Wagner)

# Lady Bears wrestlers have good showing in Columbus

By Yaneek Smith Press Sports Editor sports@presspublications.com

As a team, the Gibsonburg Lady Bears wrestlers had a great showing, finishing 24th in the inaugural OHSAA girls state tournament as they accumulated 25 points to tie with Avon Lake. Harrison won the state title with 97 points.

Sophomore Morgan Leonhardt led the way with a fourth-place finish at 115 pounds; freshman Lilly Zwiefel (100) was eighth; senior Brianna Montgomery (105) finished one win short of placing and Josey Mendoza (145) competed in two matches before bowing out.

Gibsonburg coach Greg Spoores talked about his team's performance.

"I was super impressed with the way they performed," he said. "Not everything went the way we hoped, but we got four (wrestlers) down there. Having them perform the way they did was exciting and electric. I'm very proud of them."

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Despite leading 5-0 in the semifinals, Leonhardt was pinned in 4:58 by Delaware Hayes' Molly Wells and lost by two points, 6-4, to Addison Rudolph in the third-place match.

"She's such a good athlete; she had an outstanding season. She had five losses, four to the same girl, the girl she lost to in the regional finals in Miami East," said Spoores. "She wrecks her way to semifinals and was ahead 5-0, and she made a mistake, and that cost her the match; she regrouped and finished fourth. She's already looking forward to next season."

Zwiefel won her first match, defeating Harvey's Melany Herrara by fall in 2:23. She was pinned by Oak Hills' Bri Graves in 41 seconds but recovered to beat Findlay's Rylee Touhalisky, 7-5. Zwiefel was pinned in 1:23 by Dublin Scioto's Justine Perez and lost by fall to Reynoldsburg's Summer Batts in 2:12 in the seventh-place match.

"I told Lilly that she should try wrestling, and she came out this year and wrestled outstandingly," said Spoores. "She beat the girl that was runner-up at state."

Montgomery lost her first match to Minerva's Bridget Hillary by fall in 44 seconds, pinned Watkins Memorial's Meagan Justice in 2:56 and lost by fall in 2:36 to Tinora's Ava Steffel, the top seed.

There is an interesting story behind Montgomery's road to Columbus.

"She came out late for the team. It's a great little story – she just wanted to come out and work out with us in the mornings, and then she wanted to do some of the conditioning in practice and then went to practicing and growing to love it," Spoores said. "Her growth during the year was so impressive. She had that switch that you can't teach. She worked just as hard as anyone

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else, if not harder. She went in as an 8-seed and upset the 3-seed and 2-seed at regionals. With inexperience comes mistakes, and mistakes come losses. She's an outstanding young lady, and I can't say enough good things about her."

Mendoza lost in her first match to Lebanon's Lexi Fornshell, 7-2, and then lost by fall in 30 seconds to Logan's Alleana Brown in the consolation bracket.

"She's the sister of Brad Mendoza, who wrestled for me. The writing was on the wall for one of the Mendoza girls to wrestle," said Spoores. "She was another one that grew throughout the season, and although she didn't win a match at state, she wrestled really tough."

Spoores said the girls had quite an experience competing in Columbus.

"It was very different, in a good way. This was new and exciting," he said. "When the girls came out for the first time, the decibel level rose, and the fans embraced it. It's great to experience something like you never have before. The girls never had that opportunity. They took that first walk down on the floor before the events started, so they could see it for the first time, and they were wide-eyed and now they understand why we work so hard. This is why we work so hard in the season, and this is where the exciting part of the season happens. These girls bonded better than any way I could've imagined.

"I think it's just one of those things where the girls are looking for something different. I had two daughters of my own; had they had the option to not wrestle on the boys team, they would've taken it. Wrestling is hard enough — it's a grueling sport. Now that they can compete against other girls, and it's new and exciting and it's a way they can prove themselves individually. Those are life skills, and we want them to grow into better individuals."

The team would practice three days per week in the morning before school. There will also be mat time in the evenings so the wrestlers can compete in spring sports.

"(It's about) keeping them on the mat and in the weight room," Spoores said. "We've had several new girls express interest. With eight of the nine wrestlers returning next year, we're going to build onto the

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### Rutherford reflects on memories coaching Eastwood

By Yaneek Smith **Press Sports Editor** sports@presspublications.com

In all, Craig Rutherford has been involved with football at Eastwood High School – either playing or coaching – for 17

Probably the only man more synonymous with the program is his father, Jerry, who was the head coach for 35 years.

Craig Rutherford graduated from high school in 2006 after his playing days, and, following his graduation from Bowling Green State University, came back to Pemberville to work as an assistant coach for seven years before being named the head coach in 2017.

A few weeks ago, Rutherford stepped away after six seasons as the head coach of the Eagles, taking on a new challenge that has him joining Andy Brungard's staff at Anthony Wayne.

Rutherford, 36, leaves with plenty of memories and friendships cultivated on the football field, some of the most poignant coming when he was a kid growing up.

"Playing for my father, growing up and living for Friday nights when I was a kid, that was the highlight of the week. I got to play with my brother, Eric – and not many people get to catch touchdown passes from their brother. I got to coach with my youngest brother, Jeff, for my first year as an assistant. There were so many guys I got to be with as a kid," Rutherford said. "The quarterback is always going to be the guy the little kid wants to be like. Gary Haas was the quarterback, and he was the guy I wanted to be, and he was an assistant while I was playing.

"I remember when I was in first grade, my dad let me go out for practice for two-adays all suited up, and Eric Coger, who was the quarterback, had to help me try and get my helmet on. I used to love building forts out of the practice dummies and leftover pads. It was as good as it could be growing up around Eastwood football," he said.

Rutherford's best season came in his first year as the head coach when the Eagles went 14-1 and lost in overtime, 21-14, to Mechanicsburg in the Division V state championship game. Eastwood made the playoffs in four of the next five seasons and won three league titles in his tenure, which was 58-12 and 34-6 in the Northern Buckeye Conference.

He said he has many special memories, including the season finale against Genoa in 2011 – an Eastwood victory that ended the Comets' 48-game, regular-season winning streak. Three years later, the Eagles defeated Genoa again to win the NBC.

Every season is special for different reasons. In the 2011 game against Genoa, they had won so many games over the last few years, and we broke the winning streak; both teams were undefeated going into week 10 and it was the first year of the NBC. It was definitely not because of my coaching (that we won)," said Rutherford. "When you're a young coach, you don't know everything, and I still had a lot to learn. To get to be a part of a game was special. That was a special group of seniors and the under-

'The 2014 team was another special group. We were able to come together and win a league championship after another game with Genoa," he said.

Rutherford credited his assistant



coaches.

"The cool thing is, you spend so much time around (your assistants), you either get close with everybody or you're miserable. I had the most fun with people who have been connected to Eastwood football, whether it was the older players and me looking up to them; the guys I've coached with, and the players I've been able to coach with for the last 13 years. Those are some pretty special relationships and a lot of people I respect," he said. "I'd have to go on for an hour to name every single one of them - coaches like Joe Wyant and Glenn Owens - guys that have been around and coached at other places. I played for Coach Wyant; he was an assistant my senior year. And Andy Friess and Rick Keyes, that was fun playing for them.

'Steve Aungst is who I did my student teaching with, he was the head coach at Bowling Green High School. He came over and was an assistant for us. I would go to him for advice — but not just for football. He had been really influential as a teacher and just taught me about treating people the right way and having some fun," he said. "The other thing, some of the guys that I coached I eventually brought back as assistant coaches, and that's been nice because they know what Eastwood football means, whether it was just for a year (or

"Some of the coaches were with us for some time," he said. "Lucas Friess, Andy's son, Cade Boos, Addison Clark and Blake Kohring – those were great players that I enjoyed coaching and they came back and

"Denton Saunders has helped me out on defense the last couple of years. Matt Caris has helped coached with me for a while; he's been up in the press box for the last five years. He's been instrumental in the game plan. I can get a little excited, and he was kind of the calming influence behind the scenes," Rutherford said.

Wyant is now the head coach at Gibsonburg while Evan Karchner, another former assistant, just took over at Maumee, which is joining the NBC next season.

'It's nice to see guys move on, but you wish you could keep everyone together forever," he said.

Coaching in the NBC made for some great rivalries.

The other coaches in the league were so respectful, not just to me, but it seemed to everyone else, too. I learned a lot from them, having to coach against them," said Rutherford. "Mike Vicars and Tim Spiess at Genoa, they were really good at what they did, and they were difficult to stop. Paul Patterson at Genoa, Coach (Todd) Drusback at Rossford, he took over just before I got into coaching, and their offense is so difficult to stop. Coach (Mark) Emans at Lake, Coach (Greg) Bishop at Elmwood, Coach (Matt) Dzierwa at Otsego — we had some battles with the Knights. They beat us four times in a row, that will sting for a while. We finally beat them in week 10 this year."

Rutherford talked about why he decided to take a job with Anthony Wayne, where he previously taught.

There are a lot of reasons. I think that it will be a good challenge; it's just been a little while since I've been an assistant. Coaching for a few years now, there are things to learn and ways I can become a better coach. Number one, I really enjoyed teaching at AW, and I still enjoyed teaching at Eastwood. Even though I had been at the junior high in the past,  $\bar{\text{I}}$  enjoyed teaching there, and when that opportunity came up to interview for that job, I had a potential opportunity to go back there and teach again," he said.

"On the football side, I think they do it the right way — they practice and prepare as well as anyone. There are other programs that do it well, like Perrysburg, Findlay and

Craig Rutherford graduated from high school in 2006 after his playing days, and, following his graduation from **Bowling Green State** University, came back to Pemberville to work as an assistant coach for seven years before being named the head coach in 2017. (Photo by Danielle DeFalco)

Whitmer, their rivals. That will be exciting to be a part of. I just saw it as a challenge and also a place where I could continue to grow as a teacher and as a coach. That was a place where I had the opportunity to go to. We'll see what we can accomplish," he

Pemberville and Luckey will always be near and dear to Rutherford's heart, he

"Anybody who spends a little bit of time in the community, you just get surrounded by so many great people and people who really care. I don't think that it's one or two or even 10 people. It goes back decades," he said. "There have been so many people invested in seeing Eastwood be great, too many people to name. If you spend any time in the community, there are a lot of great people who care and will make sure it continues to be special," he

In addition to his father and two brothers working in the coaching ranks, Rutherford's wife, Megan, is the head girls soccer coach at Lake. She was previously the coach at Eastwood for 11 years, going 152-45-16, including 77-7 in the last four seasons while winning four league titles and four consecutive district championships to finish out her career.

Rutherford says he knows the program will be in good hands because of the com-

"Ĕastwood didn't win football games because of me. I'm grateful to have worked with some great people – people who coached and played long before me that had such an impact on the program and me," he said. "I wish I could name everybody that has impacted me and made the program what it is. I'll always be thankful; it was a fun program to grow up in. Friday nights were always special as a little kid, a player and as a coach."



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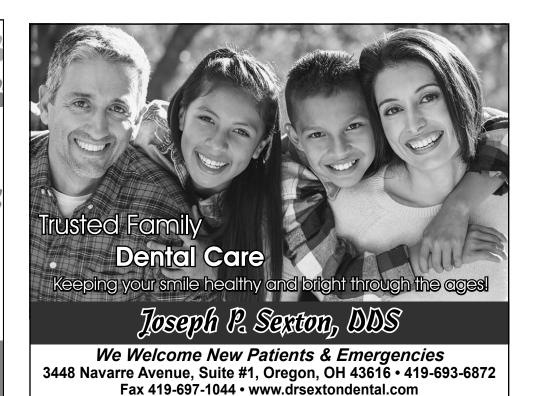
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## Bobak finishes successful freshman college season

By Yaneek Smith **Press Sports Editor** sports@presspublications.com

After just one season playing college hockey, Devon Bobak has fared quite well.

The Lake alum recently completed his freshman year as a goalie for Trinity College, a private liberal arts college located in Hartford, Connecticut.

In 14 games, Bobak went 11-2-1 and allowed 15 goals, good for 1.07 GAA (goals against average), and had a save percentage of .946 to go with 265 saves. The Bantams, who compete in Division III, finished tied for first with Wesleyan in the New England Small College Athletic Conference. Trinity was seeded second in the conference tournament because it lost the tiebreaker with the Cardinals. The Bantams had an overall record of 16-8-1 and 13-4-1 in the league. Both teams finished with 39.5 points.

Unfortunately for the Bantams, they lost, 2-1, in overtime to Bowdoin in the first round of the NESCAC Tournament, ending their season. Bobak set the GAA record for a single season at Trinity and was one shutout short of the single-season record of shutouts, finishing with five.

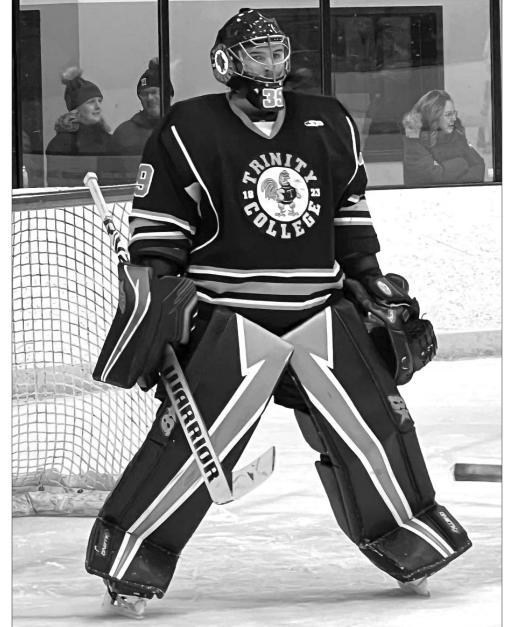
"I had a good regular season and would like to carry it to the end and make it to the NCAA Tournament (someday)," Bobak said.

Three goalies vied for playing time on the team this season.

'There are two juniors, and I was the freshman; one of the juniors is labeled as the third goalie," Bobak said. "The other guy, J.P. Mella, took them all the way to the league championship last year. He's pretty good. He'd win one, lose one game tight, I won two out of three, and then I won again and again and took the net. I split time for three games, and then I played 16 in a row."

Regarding the competitiveness of the NESCAC, Bobak said, "We probably have the most parity of any Division III league in the country. There are good teams throughout the conference.'

Bobak was rewarded for his efforts by earning second-team honors in the conference, one of just two freshmen to do so, and was nominated for the Joe Concannon Award, which is presented annually to the best American-born NCAA Division II/III



Lake alum, Devon Bobak now plays for Trinity College in Connecticut. In 14 games, Bobak went 11-2-1 and allowed 15 goals, good for 1.07 GAA (goals against average), and had a save percentage of .946 to go with 265 saves. (Photo courtesy of Trinity College)

hockey player in New England. Bobak talked about his performance

"I thought I played pretty well. I had a very good team in front of me," he said. "It was a lot of fun. I had a pretty good year, I felt pretty confident about where I am."

He added that he's happy to be part of such a tight-night group.

"It's great. I've played on a lot of hockey teams, and I've never been around a group of 30 guys that have been such genuine human beings. My coach, he recruits the best players, good hockey players, good students," Bobak said. "Our team, we started off slow, but we instantly clicked after two games and I got into the mix. We are so close, and all 30 guys bought in. We work out four days a week and practice five days a week.

As for academics, things are going well, he said. "I finished last semester with a 3.3 GPA. Computer science is my major. I took a class and really enjoyed it. I'd like to build computers or software. We don't have to decide until the spring of our sophomore year (on a major)."

Bobak graduated from Lake in 2020 and didn't attend school from the spring of 2020 until September of 2022 because of the coronavirus pandemic.

"I took a two-year break and played junior hockey in Maine and Louisiana," he said. "Then I came to school here in Hartford." Hartford, which is located in cen-

tral Connecticut, is located 27 miles from the Atlantic Ocean and is home to about 120,600 people.

"I love the campus, it's a beautiful campus. Once the flowers are blooming, it's beautiful," Bobak said. "Hartford is an interesting city, it's very urban. I love the location, I can take a 1 hour, 50 minute bus ride to New York, Providence or Boston. It's great."

Currently, Bobak is focusing on working out at Pillar Fitness in Perrysburg. There's a synthetic rink that allows him to train and a VR trainer that helps simulate shots.

He ran track and played baseball and golf for the Flyers, but there was no hockey team. Bobak played in Toledo at the Ice House and in Detroit and Cleveland.

"I think I was the only kid at Lake that played hockey," he said.









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Four members of the Oak Harbor Track and Field team participated in the OATCCC Indoor State Meet. Will Rahm, Rylee McKitrick, Wyatt Augsburger, Evan Hall (Photo courtesy of Benton-Carroll -Salem School District)

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#### **Toledo**

Lake Erie Perch Fish Fry, April 7 from 5-7 p.m. or until sold out, VFW Post 4906, 2161 Consaul St. Shrimp, frog legs and combo dinners also available. Dinners include fries, cole slaw, bread and dessert. Dinners \$15, sandwiches \$8. Dine in or carry out.

Most Blessed Sacrament Parish Lenten Fish Fry Dinner, March 31, 4-7 p.m. or until sold out in the Donnelly Neighborhood Center, 4255 Bellevue Rd. All-you-can-eat dinners include baked and fried Alaskan pollock, fries, macaroni and cheese, baked potato, homemade cole slaw, rolls, drink and dessert. Dine in or carry out. \$15 for adults, \$13 for seniors, \$10 for ages 6-12 and free for kids 5 and younger. No fish fry on Good Friday.

Crafters Wanted for Spring Craft Show, May 13 at Majestic Care Toledo, 131 N. Wheeling St. Call 419-724-1414 or email Diane at actdir.toledo@maiesticcare.com for more information.

419 Cares, a ministry of Christ United Methodist Church, serves food and beverages and provides toiletries to the less fortunate every Sunday from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Uptown Green Park on Madison Avenue in Toledo. A monthly giveaway of clothes, blankets and shoes is also offered. Donations of toiletries and clothing items, particularly bigger men's sizes, are welcome. Contact Christ UMC or visit 419 Cares on Facebook for info.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) welcomes new members who want to lose weight. The group meets Mondays at the East Toledo Senior Center, 1001 White St. Weigh-ins from 5:45-6:15 p.m. Meetings start at 6:30 p.m. Yearly membership is \$49. Weekly dues 50 cents. Call Judy 419-691-8033 or just come to a free meeting. Everyone welcome.

East Toledo/Oregon Kiwanis Club meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month at noon at Oregon Senior Center, 4350 Navarre Ave. Everyone welcome.

God's Instruments Food Pantry is open the first and third Saturdays of the month from 10 a.m.-noon at 1705 Tracy St., between Oakdale Street and Andrus Road. Open to residents of Toledo, Northwood and Rossford. ID and proof of residence required. Masks required.

Waite High School Class of 1951 meets the second Monday of every month. For info, call Betty at 419-691-7944 or Fran at 419-693-6060.

Prostate Cancer Support Group meets the fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the third floor Cancer Center Library at Mercy Health – St. Anne Hospital. For info, call Roger at 419-346-2753 or Ernie at 419-344-9830.

### Oregon

Genealogy Classes continue March 29, April 5 and 19 and May 10, and 24 at Oregon-Jerusalem Historical Society. Classes begin at 7 p.m. at Brandville School Museum. Reserve a seat by calling or texting Kitty at 419-376-9491. \$20 per person. Come for one or all remaining classes. Brandville School Museum Complex, 1133

Grasser St., will be open to the public for the spring and summer seasons Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. beginning April 5. OJHS will be accepting donations for the May Rummage Sale Wednesdays, April 5-26. Call Kitty at 419-376-9491 for info.

Food for Thought Food Pantry, open the 2nd Tuesday of every month at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 798 S. Coy Rd., corner of Coy and Navarre. The pantry has moved inside. Due to parking space and the need to limit the number of families inside at a time, attendees are asked to stagger arrival times.

Mobile Meals of Toledo, local community nonprofit, is seeking volunteers to help deliver meals as their schedules permit. The pickup site for the meals is Mercy Health – St. Charles Hospital. For more information or to sign up, contact Rochelle Rodgers at 419-255-7806 or rrodgers@ mobilemeals.org.

Rita's Soups at St. Paul Episcopal Church, 798 S. Coy Rd., the third Saturday of each month from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Offering varieties of soup, crackers or bread, and a dessert to anyone who comes through the doors. A freewill offering will be accepted from those wishing to contribute to this program and its future success.

Great Eastern Toastmasters Club meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6 p.m. in the Lake Erie Room at ProMedica Bay Park Hospital (lower level, behind the cafeteria). The club offers a supportive environment for those looking to enhance self-confidence by improving speaking, listening and/or leadership skills. Guests welcome. Call Fred at 815-919-8280 or Julie at 419-343-5569 or visit D28toastmasters.org for info.

Oregon Democratic Club meets the first Thursday of the month from 7-9 p.m. at Oregon Senior Center, 4350 Navarre Ave. Social hour at 7 p.m. Meeting starts at 8 p.m. Visit oregondemocratically.com for meeting info and details.

Oregon Republican Club meets the first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Hampton Inn, 2931 Navarre Ave. Speakers, information and more. Email lynlin3215@gmail.com for info.

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**Oregon Senior Center** is available for transportation needs, grab-and-go meals, essential services and is open for recreational activities such as bingo, card games, acrylic classes and dance and exercise classes. Call 419-698-7078 for more details

Oregon Fire & Rescue Museum, located at 4350 Navarre Ave., is open for private tours. Call Mike Snyder at 419-297-2383 for info.

### **Bulletin Board**

Ashland Church Food Pantry, 2350 Starr Ave., is open the last Saturday of the month for drivethru from 12-1:30 p.m. ID required.

Celebrate Recovery, a 12-step, Christian-based recovery program to help anyone dealing with addictions, anxiety, depression, grief and codependency, meets Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Intersection Church (formerly Heritage Christian Church), 1640 S. Coy Rd. Free; everyone welcome. Call 419-389-3299 for info.

Christ Dunberger American Legion Post 537 hall at 4925 Pickle Rd. is available for rentals. The hall accommodates up to 145 people. Call 419-279-1387 for details.

**Hispanic Language Pro-life Prayer Group** meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Toledo Shrine, 655 S. Coy Rd. Call 419-697-7742 or 419-213-0214

### Northwood

Northwood Food Distribution, March 29, 10 a.m., Josie Reinhart Community Room, 6000 Wales Rd.. (note new time). Boxes will be distributed until supplies run out. Attendees should remain in their vehicles and a city representative will bring food boxes cut.

Vietnam Veterans Dinner, March 29, 2-7 p.m. or until food runs out, Northwood VFW Post 2984, 102 W. Andrus Rd. Free for all Vietnam veterans; \$9 for their companions. For details, call 419-666-7762

**Northwood Nights Kick-Off,** April 14, 5-8 p.m. at Central Park, 6000 Wales Rd., behind the police department, with parking off Oram Road.

Unity United Methodist Church Anything Sale, April 1, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 1910 E. Broadway St. Sell whatever you want, \$20 a table or two tables for \$30. Contact Jean Baker at 419-215-4191 for more info

Northwood Neighborhood Block Watch meets the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Tracy Road Fire Department. Find updates on the Northwood Neighborhood Block Watch Facebook page. Bring a neighbor.

Weekly Sunday Breakfasts, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Northwood VFW Post 2984, 102 W. Andrus Rd. Featuring two eggs, bacon or sausage, pancakes or French toast, potatoes, toast and jelly. \$8. Public welcome.

**Fish Fries,** Fridays, 5-7:30 p.m., Northwood VFW 2984, 102 W. Andrus Rd. Steak, shrimp, chicken, mac and cheese also available. Dine in or carry out. Public welcome.

Northwood High School Ranger Roundup Reunion 2023: Plans are being made for the next Ranger Roundup Reunion for years 1940-1980. Class representatives are needed for many years. If you or someone you know would be able to help find addresses for your year, email rangersrfun@yahoo.com or text 419-262-0693.

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Men's Prayer Breakfast, the third Saturday each month at 9 a.m. at Northwood Church of God, Coy and Curtice roads. For info, call 419-693-0260.

### Jerusalem Twp.

**Jerusalem Township Zoning Commission** meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the township hall, 9501 Jerusalem Rd.

Jerusalem Township has implemented a Wireless Emergency Network System. To sign up for civic text alerts, visit http://entry.inspironlogistics.com/jerusalem\_township\_oh/wens.cfm. The link is also available on the Jerusalem Township Government Facebook page and at twp.jerusalem.oh.us.

Jerusalem Township Board of Trustees meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m. in the township hall at 9501 Jerusalem Rd. The meetings are also accessible via Zoom. The public is welcome to attend the meeting in-person or join in the meeting by call-in or video conference. Meeting dates, phone numbers and Zoom links are available at twp.jerusalem.oh.us/trustees/.

**Jerusalem Township Food Pantry** is open the second Wednesday of every month from 9-11 a.m. at the township hall, 9501 Jerusalem Rd.

### Elmore

Elmore and Genoa Senior Centers have combined. The seniors will meet at the Ed Griswold Senior Center, 514 Main St., Genoa. The center will be open Monday-Friday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., with lunch served at 11:30 a.m. Seniors are invited to stop in to pick up a newsletter, which lists menus and activities. Call 419-855-4491 for reservations or info.

American Legion Auxiliary meets the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Elmore American Legion.

Elmore Food Pantry at Grace Lutheran Church, corner of SR 51 and Witty Road, is open the second Friday of every month from 9 a.m.-noon.



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Genoa American Legion Hall, 302 West St., is available for rental for events and parties of up to 100 people. Full kitchen and ample parking available. For hall rental inquiries, call Denise at 419-855-0014. To join the Genoa American Legion, call 419-635-5810 for info.

Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto Gift Shop open every Sunday after Mass at 11:30 a.m., 204 Main St. (behind Grotto).

Al-Anon Family Group, Genoa Giving and Getting, meets Mondays at 7 p.m. Genoa Christian Church. 415 Main St.

Genoa Community Food Pantry is open the third Saturday of each month, 10-11:30 a.m., at Christ Community Church, 303 W. 4th St. Serving Genoa School District residents. ID and billing address within the district required. For info, call 419-341-0913

Trinity Thrift Shop, 105 4th St., open Friday 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Clothes and small household items available at reasonable prices. Proceeds benefit mission projects.

### Gibsonburg

Gibsonburg Branch Library offers a number of programs, including Preschool Storytime at 11 a.m. Thursdays; Adult Book Chat, March 27, 6:30 p.m. – Discuss "Educated: A Memoir," by Tara Westover; Novel Explorers, March 29, 4 p.m. – Teens invited to read and discuss the graphic novel, "Persepolis," by Marjane Satrapi. Register for programs at birchard.lib.oh.us. Call 419-637-2173 for details. Lockers available for after-hours pickup of library materials.

Gibsonburg Area Food Pantry is open the second and fourth Monday of every month from 4-5 p.m. at 116 S. Main St. Serving Gibsonburg School District residents. ID and proof of residency is required. For information call 567-201-3962.

#### Graytown

Zion UMC, 18045 W. William St. at Elliston-Trowbridge Rd. – LIGHT pantry is open on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 5-7 p.m. to residents of Ottawa County who struggle with food or financial insecurity

#### Luckey

**Luckey Food Pantry** is open the last Wednesday of each month from 1-3 p.m. and the last Thursday each month from 6-8 p.m. at 247 Oak St. in the former Loft Youth Center (behind the post office). Open to families residing in the Eastwood School District.

### **Millbury**

St. Peter's United Church of Christ Easter Egg Hunt, April 1, 1-3 p.m., corner of Main and Cherry streets. Rain date: April. 8.

#### Oak Harbor

Oak Harbor Public Library, 147 W. Main St., programs for kids include: Preschool Storytimes, Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. For adults: 4th Tuesday Book Club, March 28, 6 p.m. – Discuss "We Are Not Like Them," by Christine Pride & Jo Piazza; Pinochle every Friday at 2 p.m.; Watercolor Group meets Wednesdays 12:30-3:30 p.m. – Bring your own supplies: Needle Craft Group meets Thursdays, 9:30-11 a.m.; – Bring your own supplies. Contactless pickup of library materials available. The Local History & Museum Center is open Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Call 419-898-7001 or visit oakharborpubliclibrary.org to register or for info.

Oak Harbor Masonic Lodge Public Open House, April 22, 9-11 a.m., 210 Jefferson St., Eagle's Nest Hall. Anyone who is curious about the lodge or Freemasonry is invited. Members and their families also invited. For more info, call Chuck Shier at 419-852-8757 or visit freemason.com.

Oak Harbor Alliance Chapel Food Pantry, 11805 SR 105, is open every Wednesday from 2-6 p.m. Offering groceries and free clothes for all ages. The Pantry serves a community meal on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 5 p.m. Call or text 419-343-0126 for more info.

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Community Food Pantry at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 220 Cedar St., is open Tuesdays from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and the second and last Saturdays of the month from 8-11 a.m. Eastwood School District residents may visit the pantry once monthly. ID and proof of residency required. Info available at Pemberville churches.

### **Port Clinton**

Ottawa County Wreath Committee Annual Chicken Dinner, April 15, 5 p.m. until sold out, Port Clinton Elks Lodge, 231 Buckeye Boulevard. \$15 includes half chicken, au gratin potatoes, green beans, roll and dessert. Silent auction, raffle, entertainment. Dine in or carryout. For resale tickets, call Shelley Schutte at 419-260-7685.

#### Rossford

Homemade Pierogi Sale, April 1, St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church Hall, 139 Walnut St. To order, call 419-475-2186. \$15/dozen. Orders may be picked up starting at 1 pm.

### **Stony Ridge**

St. John's Lutheran Church Free Thrift Shop, "Shared Bounty," is open the first Saturday of each month, 10 a.m.-noon, 5520 Fremont Pike.

Stony Ridge Civic Association meets the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the shelter house at Stony Ridge Park. Visit stonyridgepark.com for more details.

### Walbridge

**Euchre**, April 1, Walbridge VFW, 109 N. Main St. Doors open at 12:30 p.m.; play begins at 1 p.m. 100% payout. Sloppy Joe and chips during the break. \$10 entry fee. **Crimson Lights Band** will play at Walbridge VFW

Crimson Lights Band will play at Walbridge VFW Post 9963, 109 N. Main St., from 2-5 p.m. on the following dates: March 26; April 23; May 14, 28; June 11, 25; July 9, 23; Aug. 13-27; Sept. 10-24; Oct. 8-22; Nov. 12-26 and Dec. 10 and 30. The bar will be serving snacks, beer, wine coolers and soft drinks. Call Carolyn at 419-260-0464 for info.

MOPS (Mothers of Pre-schoolers) and MOMSnext (Moms with Kids of All Ages) group is being formed at Mainstreet Church, 5465 Moline-Martin Rd., Walbridge. A Wednesday group will meet from 6:15-8 p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. A Thursday morning group will meet from 9:30-11:30 a.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month. Visit mainstreetlife.org/mops for more info.

**Storytimes**, Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the meeting room at Walbridge Library, 108 N. Main St. Registration required by calling 419-666-9900 or visit wcdpl.org/events.

Walbridge Branch Library, 108 N. Main St., is open to the public Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. To register, visit wcdpl.org.

### Woodville

Woodville Library, 101 E. Main St., programs include: Storytimes for preschoolers and caregivers, Thursdays at 10 a.m.; True Crime Book Club, March 27, 7 p.m. – Discuss "Wicked Women of Ohio," by Jane Ann Turzillo; Do You DIY? March 29, 6 p.m. – Explore the "Home Improvement Reference Center" database. Register at birchard.

Woodville Food Pantry, 212 Bridge St., is open the last Thursday of the month, 6-7 p.m. and the last Friday, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Available to all Woodville village and township residents. Applications available at the pantry. Accepting help from the pantry will not affect any other benefits you may be receiving.





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**RESOLUTION NO. 1 - 2023** 

A RESOLUTION TO MAKE PERMANENT APPRO-PRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE PORTAGE FIRE DISTRICT OAK HARBOR, OHIO, FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH **DECEMBER 31, 2023.** 

To read in full please contact the Fiscal Officer

### VILLAGE OF OAK HARBOR - PUBLIC NOTICE -

**RESOLUTION NO. 08-2023** 

URGING THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS THE STATE OF OHIO TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO FURTHER PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK HARBOR, OHIO FROM THE INHERENT DANGERS OF A TRAIN DERAILMENT ON THE TRACKS LOCATED AT/NEAR OUR VILLAGE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

#### ORDINANCE NO. 01-2023

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK HARBOR, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE** CITY OF NORTHWOOD BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

The City of Northwood will be holding a Board of Zoning Appeals meeting Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM. Item to be discussed:

- Budget Dumpsters & Demolition, Inc. appeals to interpretation 1246.02; the order by the Zoning Inspector to make repairs to the buildings under the Ordinance 2022-35, an Ordinance adopting Part Fourteen Building and Housing Code, Title Two, Standards, Chapter 1428 Exterior Property Maintenance Code.
- Attorney for the Estate of William Kowalka is asking for a variance for the Lot Area requirements in the A-1 Agricultural District, 1254.04(a), as the requested lot split will create a parcel that has a depth three times its width.

#### CITY OF NORTHWOOD PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission Meeting scheduled for Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6 PM has been cancelled.

> Attest: A. Stribrny - Zoning/Code Enforcement

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