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Memorial Day observance set at Clay High School

The annual Memorial Day observance hosted by Clay High School alumni and the Greater Toledo Chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America will be held May 30 at 11 a.m. at the high school's Memorial Stadium.

Sgt. First Class George Sternberg (Clay, 1965), who earned the Green Beret distinction in the Vietnam War, will deliver the keynote address.

"SFC Sternberg served on special forces teams that undertook clandestine missions in Laos, Cambodia, and North Vietnam while serving in the Army, in Vietnam during 1967-68. Sworn to maintain secrecy of their missions for up to 50 years, SFC Sternberg knows, first hand, the sacrifices made by members of the Armed Forces and the importance of never forgetting those who have given their life while serving," said Jerry Eversman (Clay, 1977), who chaired the Oregon Vietnam Memorial Committee in 2007-08.

Eversman will be master of ceremonies at the event. Captain Gene Shurtz, U.S. Army retired, will lead the Vietnam Veterans detail.

Each year the Memorial Day Observance at Clay High School involves the placement of memorial wreaths at the site's World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, and Defense of Freedom Memorials.

Eversman said he and a group of volunteers are looking for any World War II or Korean War veterans who may reside in the Oregon, Jerusalem Township or Harbor View area (or attended Clay High School) and would be willing to attend and place the wreaths at either the WWII or Korean War memorials.

"There are so few World War II and Korean War veterans who are able to present the honors due to their advanced age, so if there are any veterans of those wars in our community, and able to, even with some assistance, we'd love to include them in our ceremony," he said.

Eversman can be reached at 419-266-7776.

Volunteers to help set up and take

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Working birders

Birders gather at Magee Marsh as The Biggest Week in American Birding continues. Top right photo: Buster Banish, of Gates Mills, Ohio, is a representative with Swarovski Optik, who took a break from sales to do a little birdwatching himself. Bottom right photo: Joe Armijo, of Warren, Michigan, is a musician and visual artist who creates birding YouTube videos accompanied by his own original music. (Press photos by Ken Grosjean)

Oregon to disburse more anti-solicitor stickers

By Kelly J. Kaczala
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City council recently approved increasing the fee to peddlers applying for permits to solicit in Oregon.

"The City of Oregon has a permitting process for peddlers," said City Administrator Mike Beazley at a recent council meeting. He would like to ban them all, but the law requires they be allowed to solicit in the city. "The law requires that we can't just ban them. We have to have a reasonable framework for regulation."

The city has not issued permits to peddlers in the last two years due to COVID-19, he added.

"We can't really use that as a reason anymore. The process of doing records checks has changed. We used to do it ourselves. But now we have to do the national records checks through the FBI. If we're telling people someone has a records check, and they have a serious crime in Michigan or Pennsylvania, our checks don't do that. This would allow us to increase the fee to cover those costs and allow us to stay within a rational regulatory framework."

Despite the permitting process, the city remains opposed to peddlers, said Beazley.

"Our bias is to have no peddlers. We do emphasize to our residents, just because they have a permit, doesn't mean the city is

“ We actually believe it does work. It's just a matter for people to understand how simple it is. ”

endorsing what they are doing. They have a right to go door to door. We cannot regulate people going door to door for religious or political purposes. People always have that right. There's nothing we do in our framework that regulates that," he said.

Stickers

In 2020, the city, in an effort to reduce unwanted solicitors from going to residents' homes, came up with a way to keep them from knocking on their doors.

The city updated its municipal code regarding peddlers and solicitors going house to house. The changes would help revoke their license, as needed. It ensured a complete criminal background check. A

list of offenses found in background checks, like theft and fraud, could cause the city to refuse an application. The registration fee was also increased to \$35 from \$25.

The city also provided residents with a static cling sticker to be placed on their windows that let solicitors know not to ring their doorbells or knock on their doors.

For years, Oregon had received several complaints from residents about solicitors trying to sign them up for their services. Most complaints were about energy marketers who promise cheap rates at first.

The stickers, which warn, "No peddlers or solicitors allowed," are popular with the public. Solicitors who apply for the permits are notified to look for the stickers.

"We actually slowly dispersed most of those that we purchased," said Mayor Mike Seferian. "However, sometimes time wears those out. We thought we could distribute them through our water billing process. But the way the bills are put together and disbursed, it's not possible to add those to the water bill. We have tried other ways. But we thought we could get more stickers and have them distributed by the Metro Press. Some of you have used the Metro Press to distribute political information to people's houses. We thought it would be a cost-effective way."

Although the city can't regulate "who

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Quote of The Week

But the tragic reality is that our economic and public health systems do discriminate.

Karen Dolan
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Anti-solicitor stickers

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does and who doesn't come onto your porch, you can," added Seferian. "If every household had those stickers, we could, in essence, eliminate solicitors from the neighborhoods. They are not allowed to come onto your porch if you have the stickers in your windows. Eighty percent of the city has them. I find it hard to believe that solicitors would be sent out to the neighborhoods to find the 30 percent who are still out there without the stickers."

Distribute more

The city may make a "conscious effort" to distribute more of them and get the word out to residents that they would be available again.

"We actually believe it does work. It's just a matter for people to understand how simple it is."

The city had previously made the stickers available at the municipal complex and the senior center.

"We put them in every office that people would visit, like the water billing department - anywhere here in the building. We didn't have a real effective way. We'll certainly entertain as an option to have the Metro Press distribute them. We think we would be successful in increasing the percentage of residents who have them. People just don't know what they are or how easy it is to get those people off their porches."

It also reduces the amount of time the staff spends helping residents who



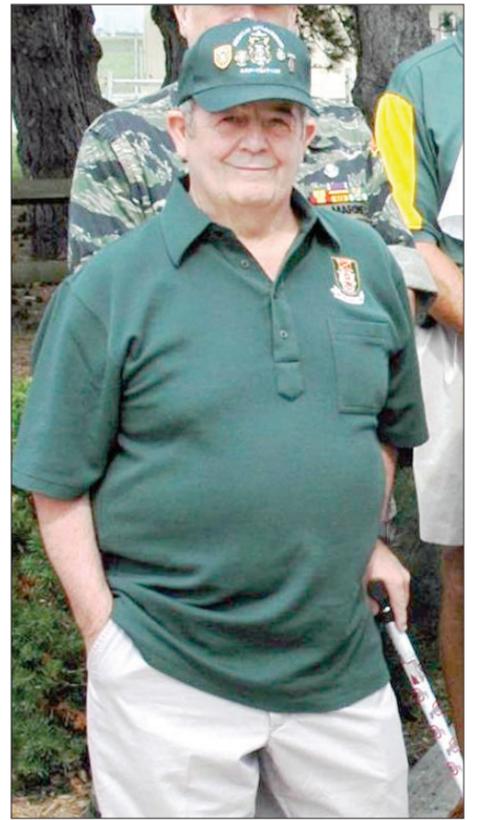
An anti-solicitor sticker.

call asking for help after they realize they made a mistake signing on with solicitors who renegotiate electric and gas rates, said Seferian.

"They want us to fix it," he said. "It really requires a lot of extra work for our staff to get people out of those contracts they sign when they find out they really don't save money. The \$50 or \$100 gift cards they get as an incentive to sign up and switch ends up costing them way more in rate hikes. Anything we can do to try and avoid problems for the residents is what we're trying to achieve with this."

Also at the meeting, city council agreed to apply for and accept a grant from the 2022 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program. The grant would provide a 50 percent match for the purpose of purchasing new armored vests for police officers in 2022 and 2023. The city applies for the grant every year, according to Finance Director Darlynn Huntermark.

"We replace the vests every five years," she said. The police department hopes to get funding for up to nine new vests, she added.



Sgt. First Class George Sternberg.

Memorial service

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down chairs for the ceremony are also needed and any veterans who would like to take part in the ceremony can also call Eversman.

The ceremony is attended by family members of the fallen service men and women.

Eversman said the ceremony has always been concluded within one hour. Veterans attending are encouraged to wear their caps showing their military service.

Rental unit bill passes out of committee

By Larry Limpf

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A bill that would give owners more autonomy over their rental units has been passed out of committee in the Ohio House of Representatives.

The House Local Government Committee held its fourth and final hearing recently before passing it by a vote of 9-4.

The bill would prohibit a township or municipality from adopting regulations that prohibit short-term rental properties or regulate the number or duration of rental periods.

The bill includes an exception to the prohibition if the regulations covering short-term rental properties are enforced in the same manner as for similar properties that aren't rented on a short-term basis.

At present, according to the Ohio Legislative Service Commission, state law doesn't provide for regulation of short-term rental properties, which the bill defines as a house, apartment, condominium, co-op unit, cabin, cottage, or bungalow or one or more rooms offered to transients and travel-

“...there are provisions in the bill to allow local governments to regulate short-term rental units for building codes, public safety, noise, drug and sex trafficking...”

ers for a fee for 30 days or less.

During a committee hearing earlier this month, Jason Warner, of the Greater Ohio Policy Center, provided testimony on the bill, saying it would preempt local control.

"Enactment of House Bill 563 makes it impossible for local officials, responding to the will of their constituents, to enact regulations for the limit, the number, duration, or frequency of rental periods. In short, the bill would overrule municipal and township zoning regulations while at the same time, undermining the home rule authority

of communities across Ohio," he said.

To better regulate "this emerging industry," he said the GOPC recommends the legislature clarify the impact of Ohio's lodging tax and ensure properties such as a beach house or cabin are treated the same as any hotel or rental property.

"If the state wanted to be helpful to communities, rather than banning short-term registries, the state should seek to set minimum standards for registries, while at the same time permitting local governments to set standards that meet or exceed these standards," Warner said.

Beth Wanless, of Ohio Realtors, provided proponent testimony to the committee.

"Short-term rentals provide a property owner the ability to generate income on the property they own while providing flexible accommodations to people who may be unable to find an adequate housing situation that fits their needs," she testified.

Wanless noted there are provisions in the bill to allow local governments to regulate short-term rental units for building codes, public safety, noise, drug and sex trafficking, and preventing a property from becoming a nuisance.

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Humane Society adoption promotion

The Toledo Humane Society (THS) has reached capacity. With it being "kitten season," THS is receiving calls daily from good Samaritans who find orphaned kittens and pregnant, and nursing cats in need of immediate help, in addition to the number of pets who come in through owner surrenders and our cruelty department each day.

This has left the shelter with little to no room to accept animals without appointments at this time. Through the immediate future, THS is running a "Doggone it...Get Meowt of Here!" promotion, where all cats 6 months and older will have \$20 adoption fees and dogs 6 months and older will have \$50 adoption fees.

While kittens are not currently part of the promotion, animal lovers can still adopt two for the adoption fee of one.

All pets adopted from the Toledo Humane Society are spayed or neutered, have received age-appropriate vaccines, are dewormed, and micro-chipped.

The shelter's foster department is in desperate need of more foster families. THS provides the supplies, while fosters supply the time, love and home for their temporary guest(s). For more information on fostering, visit toledoumane.org.

Free Legal Clinic

The Ohio Justice Bus will be at the Ottawa County Family Advocacy Center, 570 S. McKinley Dr., Port Clinton Monday, May 23 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The Justice Bus is a mobile legal aid office and technology hotspot that allows legal aid and pro bono attorneys to travel to and provide legal services to Ohioans at no cost to clients.

The Justice Bus is partnering with Ohio KAN (Kinship & Adoption Navigator) to offer free legal advice to OhioKAN clients and Ottawa County residents.

Attendees will have the opportunity to talk privately to an attorney about civil legal issues, including family law matters related to adoption and kinship care.

For more information, visit ohiojustiebus.org.

Quilters to meet

The Maumee Bay Country Quilters' Guild will meet Tuesday, June 2 at 6:45 p.m. at the Northwood Church of God, 3375 Curtice Rd., Northwood.

Doors open at 6 p.m. Visitors and new members are welcome. The visitors fee is \$10; yearly membership is \$35.

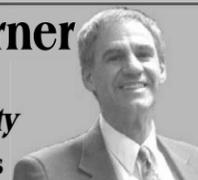
Earl's Steakhouse, Woodville Road, 1970



Earl Cousino opened his first restaurant in 1945 at the foot of the Fassett Street Bridge on the northwest corner of Miami Street. He moved to 1842 Woodville Rd. about 1963, where the popular steakhouse is still operated by the Cousino family. A steak cost \$1.95 at the time of this photo in 1970 when the cow still stood in front of the restaurant with a rather worried look on its face.

History Corner

East Toledo Historical Society
by Larry Michaels



Wreaths Across America exhibit

Nonprofit Wreaths Across America (WAA) is proud to announce its Mobile Education Exhibit's national tour will be arriving in Ohio this month, thanks to support from Meijer.

Bowsher High School, 2200 Arlington Ave., Toledo will host the exhibit Monday, May 23 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The WAA exhibit is free and open to the public.

The MEE brings the local community, veterans, active-duty military, and their families together through interactive exhibits, short films, and shared stories. The exhibit serves as a mobile museum, educating visitors about the service and sacrifice of our nation's heroes as well as serving as an official "welcome home" station for Vietnam veterans.

Visit wreathscrossamerica.org/mee for more info.

Sponsoring a wreath

Sponsor a veteran's wreath any time for \$15 at wreathscrossamerica.org. Each sponsorship goes toward a live, balsam wreath that will be placed on the headstone of an American hero in December as part of National Wreaths across America Day.

Wreaths for Veterans Car Show May 29

Wreaths Across America will present

a "Wreaths for Veterans Car Show Sunday May 29 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Friendship Park, 27975 Cummings Rd., Millbury (by the township administration building off SR 795).

Registration is \$10. All money raised will go toward Wreaths for Veterans.

The event will feature music by Cruisin' Zeake, who will offer a Memorial Day tribute to all veterans. In addition, there will be raffles, door prizes and food available for purchase.

Wreaths Across America welcomes donations from businesses, individuals and families who want to sponsor wreaths for veterans. Mail donations to Wreaths Across America, 5802 Taylor Ave., Walbridge, OH 43465.

For more information about the show, call Jeff Pettit at 419-838-6855 or visit cruisinzeake.com.

Program offers tour of Walbridge Watershed

Where does the water we use every day come from? Families can learn about the importance of the Walbridge Watershed and tour the Watershed distribution site with the Wood County District Public Library and the Northwestern Water & Sewer District on Wednesday, June 8 at 1 p.m. at the library, 108 N. Main St.

Registration is required. To register, call 419-352-8253, email woodkids@wcdpl.org, or register online at wcdpl.org.

Memorial Day Ceremony set

A Memorial Day Observance Ceremony will be held Monday, May 30 at 9 a.m. at the Clay Township Cemetery, 439 S. Opfer-Lentz Rd.

Guest speaker will be Robert E. Stewart, president of Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter #35.

The event is sponsored by the Genoa American Legion and Auxiliary with Genoa American Legion and the Genoa High School bands. The observance will also include a cannon salute by Taylor's Battery and a dove release.

Those attending may bring a lawn chair, as seating is limited.

The Legion also reminds area residents that Poppy Day will be held in Genoa Friday, May 27.

Stewart served in the U.S. Army from 1969-72, serving with the 25 Infantry Division, 1/27th Wolfhounds, in Vietnam/Cambodia from 1970-71. He sustained serious wounds in Cambodia in June 1970.

His medals include the Bronze Star with "V" device and oak leaf cluster, the Army Commendation with "V" device and oak leaf cluster, Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, Presidential Unit Citation for Valor and Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry. He is a 100% Disabled Combat Wounded Veteran.

Stewart has served as the president the Lucas County Veterans Service Commission and president of the Ohio State Association of Veterans Service Commission. He was an inductee to the Ohio Military Hall of Fame for Valor, class of 2009.

In addition, he is the author of the poem, "The Silver Rose," which is to be displayed by the Vietnam Wall in Washington, D.C. Stewart wrote the poem to honor his brothers who were exposed to Agent Orange in "The Nam."

Stewart, who is retired after working 44 years as an engineer on N&S Railroad, and his wife of 44 years, Rose, have three sons.

Flag retirement

VFW Post 4906 Greater Birmingham Auxiliary, along with The Exchange Club, Boy Scout Troop 57 and the Toledo Fire Department will hold a U.S. Flag Retirement Ceremony Saturday, June 18 from 9-11 a.m. at Veterans' Memorial Corner, 2161 Consaul St., Toledo.

Community members are invited to bring or drop off old, torn, faded and no longer usable American flags to be properly retired.

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• Reminder to bring a lawn chair as seating is limited •

Please Support Poppy Day, which will be held in Genoa. Friday, May 27



Cultural visit

Nora Kiss, of Budapest, Hungary, paid a visit to the Toledo Birmingham neighborhood. Kiss, who is originally from Szeged, Hungary, visited Calvin United Church's Embroidery Class to meet with fellow embroiderers and see how they are preserving the Hungarian culture in Toledo. Kiss lived in Toledo as an exchange student and is now returning as a Professional Fellow on a US Department of State sponsored 4 week internship for young professionals interested in learning community organizing, citizen engagement and governance. The pillow was designed by Szoka Neni of Szeged, Hungary and embroidered by Hilde Daugherty. Left to right: Hilde Daugherty, Phyllis Coats, Nora Kiss, Nancy Bilek, Peggy Dearsman, Charlotte Filka and Elizabeth Renz. (Submitted photo)

Corps awards dredging contract for Toledo Harbor

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has awarded a \$4.5 million contract to Michigan-based Ryba Marine Construction Company to dredge the federal navigation channel in Toledo Harbor and the Maumee River.

Dredging will be focused in the bay channel and is scheduled to take place from early-July through mid-December.

A total of approximately 800,000 cubic yards of material is contracted to be mechanically dredged from the bed of the harbor and placed in the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority confined disposal facility.

Toledo Harbor is a deep draft commercial harbor which handled an average 8.8 million tons of cargo annually from 2015-2019. Waterborne transportation facilitated by the harbor supports \$494 million in business revenue, 2,157 direct and indirect and \$163.3 million in labor income to the transportation sector.

Dredging of Toledo Harbor and the Maumee River is normally conducted by

USACE every year, based on availability of funding.

"The heavy manufacturing and maritime transportation sectors are at the heart of Northwest Ohio's economy. As chair of the Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee, I am committed to securing every federal dollar our region deserves to support these crucial industries. By maintaining and dredging the harbors that facilitate commerce, we strengthen our supply chains and support the hardworking men and women who make, build, and grow America," said Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur.

P.E.R.I. meeting

P.E.R.I. Chapter #93, Lucas County District 1 Meeting, May 26, 1-2:15 p.m. at the Hungarian Club of Toledo, 224 Paine Ave., Toledo. Additional parking is available at the farthest parking area at the Birmingham Library, 203 Paine Ave.

The guest speaker will be from Palmer Energy, who will discuss gas and electric utilities with Northwest Ohio Aggregate Coalition. Attendees are invited to bring their gas and electric bills. In addition, there will be information and answers to questions about pensions, HRAs, medical and pharmacy insurance, medical denials and the latest state legislative information.

All chapter and P.E.R.I. members, guests and any new O.P.E.R.S., P.E.R.I. retirees are welcome.

Masks are required. Bring COVID vaccine registration cards. Refreshments will be available during the break.

Barber school bill passes

House Bill 542, introduced by State Rep. Lisa Sobecki, D-Toledo, passed the Ohio House during session this week by a vote of 82-0.

The bill contains revisions to Ohio's barbering and cosmetology laws, including reducing the minimum age to start barbering school to 16.

"Currently, young Ohioans can begin cosmetology school at age 16, but have to wait to age 17 to begin barbering school. HB 542 lowers the age for barbering school to 16 to be consistent," said Rep. Sobecki.

HB 542 was introduced to harmonize Ohio's barbering and cosmetology laws; in 2013 the two professions were put under the jurisdiction of the newly merged State Cosmetology and Barber Board.

Road project

Ottawa County has contracted with Kokosing for pavement improvements to Nissen Road between State Rt. 579 and the Lucas County corporation limit.

Work is scheduled to start May 23 and continue through June 3. Crews will be on site from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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B-C-S schools

Building addition groundbreaking to be held June 2

By Press Staff Writer

A groundbreaking ceremony for a new building addition in the Benton-Carroll-Salem district is scheduled for June 2 at 2 p.m.

The ceremony will be held on the campus of the R.C. Waters Elementary School, E. Water St., Oak Harbor, where an addition of about 45,000 square feet is planned for an intermediate school.

Guy Parmigian, district superintendent, said 16 new classrooms are planned as well as a music/band room, gymnasium, special education facilities, and a Science, Technology, Engineering and Math room.

The cost is approximately \$14 million, Parmigian said, adding the cost isn't requiring any additional property tax millage or a bond issue.

Construction is expected to be com-

pleted by November, 2023.

Starting with the next school year, seventh grade students will attend class at Oak Harbor High School. Currently, Oak Harbor Middle School houses grades four through seven.

Parmigian said after the addition is completed, grades four, five, and six will comprise an Oak Harbor Intermediate school.

A smaller student population made the move possible.

With the addition of grade seven students, the administration is projecting the high school will have a population of approximately 686 students starting with the 2022-2023 school year.

In the 2021-2022 school year, there are 546 students in grades 8-12.

In the 1992-1993 school year when

Oak Harbor High School housed only grades 9-12, there was a head count of 624 students. During the 1978-1979 school year, just a few years after Oak Harbor High School was constructed, the building housed 753 students in grades 9-12

Renovations are also planned for the R.C. Waters building - which houses grades K-3 - including a new heating/cooling system that is set to be completed by August 1.

Bid deadline

The district will receive contract bids for the addition to the R.C. Waters building until June 21 at 1 p.m.

A pre-bid meeting is set for June 2 at 3 p.m.

Garman/Miller & Associates is the architect for the project.



- Mindy Marie Hammonds, 1844 Gennesse, Toledo, 180 days Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio (CCNO), 180 days suspended, \$387 court costs and fines, theft.
- Martinez J. Stevens, 137 Fairchild, Oregon, 180 days CCNO, 165 days suspended, \$397 court costs and fines, assault.
- James McNutt, 1414 Lebanon, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 175 days suspended, \$397 court costs and fines, theft.
- Luis Ray Rodriguez, 419 Shadowbrook, Oregon, 180 days CCNO, 160 days suspended, license suspended three years, \$706 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.
- Kimberly Sue Crispin, 1920 Collingwood, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 150 days suspended, \$397 court costs and fines, assault.
- Angela Brooke Lampros, 1112 Nevada, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 170 days suspended, \$397 court costs and fines, theft.
- Meganne L McGill, 2844 Pickle, Oregon, \$197 court costs and fines, disorderly conduct.
- Mikayla Ann Lintner, 659 Whitlock, Toledo, 30 days CCNO, 30 days suspended, unauthorized use of property.
- Tevin Treavon Johns, 655 Seger, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 163 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, falsification.
- Gary Paris, 29 Birmingham Terrace, Toledo, 30 days CCNO, 30 days suspended, \$297 court costs and fines, unauthorized use of property.
- Carleigh Amber Page, 397 Kingston, Oregon, 180 days CCNO, 165 days suspended, \$307 court costs and fines, aggravated trespass.
- Jenny Marie Fowler, 855 Deerborn Ave., Toledo, 90 days CCNO, 90 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, attempt to commit an offense.
- Adam L. Fonseca, 820 Southbriar, Toledo, \$181 court costs and fines, open container.
- Rita Garcia, 3037 Navarre, Oregon, 30 days CCNO, 30 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, unauthorized use of property.
- Audra M. Harris, 713 Walnut, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 180 days suspended, \$397 court costs and fines, possession of a controlled substance.
- Thomas J. Fuller, 2018 Woodcrest, Oregon, 180 days CCNO, 177 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$556 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.

Week ending May 13

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05/13/2022 David Golis to Lawrence S Fairall and Ashley B Fairall, 0 Trowbridge Road, \$135,000.

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05/12/2022 Arlyn J Bensch (Successor Trustee) to Gerald L Whipple and Cheryl L Whipple, 0 Licker-Harder Road, \$9,869.

Bay Township

05/10/2022 Linda M Kobak to Barbara E Oyer and Danny D Oyer (Trustees), 3130 West Canal Road, \$150,000.

Carroll Township

05/09/2022 Keith Keivens Sr. to Jason and Kasandra Boney, 10164 West Locust Point, \$20,000.

Genoa Corp

05/13/2022 Michael L Schuster to New Residential Mortgage Loan Trust 2016-1, 812 Main Street, \$41,200.

Harris Township

05/11/2022 Jonathan T Keller and Jody L Keller to William L Keller and Lindsey M Keller, 20150 West Portage River South Road, \$30,000.

Catawba Township

05/09/2022 Ray C Thomas and Jill M Thomas to Jay M Myers and Kathy Myers, 1623 Catawba Road Unit# 107, \$33,000.

05/12/22 Maureen M Saponari to Robert G Findish and Deborah L Findish, 102 North Harbors End, \$238,000.

05/13/2022 James W Lippus to Roger Patrick and Julie Ann Smith, 0 East Highland Drive,



\$73,900.

Danbury Township

05/09/2022 Laurie E Blakely and James E Blakey to Eric S Richter, 129 North Woodwinds Way, \$405,000.

05/10/2022 Michelle R Clark to Kim Marshall, 2220 & 2230 South Commodore, \$350,000.

05/11/2022 Scott R Harris and Lisa M Harris to Lisa Marie Kuelling and Jeffrey Dodd Kuelling, 6391 Royce Drive, \$240,000.

05/12/2022 Ted A Patrick(Successor Trustee of Dorothy A Patrick Trust) to Thomas C Osborne and Carol A Osborne, 605 North Westwood Drive, \$500,000.

05/12/2022 Victoria A Sanner (1/2 interest) to Timothy P Cooper and Julia A Fitzpatrick-Cooper, 200 Arman Road, \$125,000.

05/13/2022 Robert D Crawford II to Steven Sova and Patricia Sova, 6970 East Long Point Circle, \$732,000.

05/13/2022 Scott R Harris and Lisa M Harris to Carolyn Foster and Mitchell Foster, 6331 & 6361 Royce, \$130,000.

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Obituaries

Obituary

Alvin "Al" Adams III

April 8, 1948 - May 7, 2022



Alvin "Al" Adams III, age (74) of Walbridge, passed away on Saturday May 7, 2022 at Hospice of Perrysburg with his family by his side. He was born in Toledo, OH on April 8, 1948 to Lawrence and Mary (Bashaw) Adams. He is a 1966 graduate of DeVilbiss High School and attended University of Toledo for two years. On May 30, 1969, he married Pauline M Henninger. Al and Pauline raised two boys and celebrated 52 years of marriage.

Al worked as a printer at Libby Owens Ford, Teledyne and St Vincent's before starting Adams Screen Printing and Embroidery in his basement along with his wife, in 1990. He was a devoted member of St. Jerome Church in Walbridge, OH and a member of the Lake Township Auxiliary.

Al also enjoyed hunting at WR Hunt Club along with Fishing, Photography, and lunch with his buddies.

In addition to his wife, Pauline, Al is survived by his sons: Al (Kelly) Adams IV of Luckey, Joshua (Lori) Adams of Northwood; Grandchildren: Quin, Jason, Bridgette (Logan), Julia, Molly, Ayala and Roelino; Great Grandchild: Kash; Brother: Marty (Kim) Adams, Sisters: Mary Ann Brimmer, Margret (John) Kirschman, and Ruth (Ray) Mulford; Not to be forgotten his faithful companion, Pebbles. Al was preceded in death by his Parents and Siblings: Eileen, Steve and David.

A celebration of Al's life will be held on May 24th at St Jerome Church 300 Warner Street Walbridge, OH with a church service at 5:00 pm.

Thank you to all the Family and Friends that have been keeping Al and the family in their thoughts and prayers through this difficult time.

Obituary

Jennie Pope Ridenour

July 10, 1958 ~ May 14, 2022



Jennie Ridenour was a caring wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She passed away in her home on May 14, 2022. She was born on July 10th, 1958 in Toledo, Ohio to James and Nellie (Barsamian) Pope. Jennie graduated from Penta Vocational School in 1976. She later graduated from Terra Tech where she earned her real estate license in 2002. Jennie married the love of her life, William P. "Pat" Ridenour, on August 5th, 2000, in Helena.

For many years Jennie worked as a Para Professional at Lakota Local Schools, where she loved working with the children very much and treated every child as they were one of her own, retiring in February of 2020.

One of her favorite vacation spots was out west. She and her loving husband had many good memories of casino trips to Las Vegas; Laughlin, Nevada; and Cherokee, North Carolina. Jennie always had a cup of red rose tea in her hand. She was an avid reader and would always tell the kids she worked with, "Readers are Leaders". She was an animal lover and would of taken in all of them if she could.

Jennie was a wonderful cook. She was the queen of her kitchen. She loved cooking grape leaves and baklava for family during the holidays and homemade beef jerky for her son and bonus son. There wasn't a recipe she couldn't duplicate or make.

She was blessed with two grandchildren, Enzo and Mila that were her world. Jennie would light up during their visits and when she would speak of them. She was a proud Mee Mee Maw as they would call her, and she referred to them as her "Moon and Stars" and her "Ray of Sunshine".

Left to cherish her memory is her husband and best friend, Pat, with whom she shared 22 wonderful years of marriage; Son, Andrew Elias (Diana Cunningham) of Columbus; Bonus Son, Austin Ridenour (Courtney Smith) of Tiffin; Grandchildren, Enzo Elias and Mila Elias; Step-Mother, Linda Pope of Genoa; Brother, Scott (Terrie) Pope; Sister, Peggy (Kevin) Partin; Nieces and Nephews: Brady Pope and Shelby Pope and Samantha Partin and Nathan Partin.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

In honoring of her memory there will be a Celebration of Life at a later date.

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This week in Toledo's past:

Events in the Toledo area over the past 150 years

May 22

1838 - First "mixed marriage" reported in Toledo between a white woman and "Mulatto man."

1852 - First steam powered train ran from Toledo to Chicago.

1893 - Fire Engine House 1 at 614 Lagrange Street abandoned by fire department, later used as a police substation and for mounted patrol.

1925 - Hundreds come to the newly built Madison Gardens Ballroom for its grand opening at Madison and 15th streets, later to be renamed the Tri-anon Ballroom. It would become one of Toledo top dance and music clubs during the 1940's and 50's

1947 - A truck carrying 10,000 fully dressed chickens is hit by a train at Reynolds Corners, scattering thousands of chickens across the roadway. The sheriff reports that few of those who were drawn to the crash site left empty handed.

1959 - I-280 highway dedicated as the Detroit-Toledo Expressway. First so-called "expressway" in the area. It was dubbed the "Seaway Freeway" and hailed as a key for future growth of the area.

1979 - Owens-Illinois headquarters ground breaking is held along the downtown Toledo riverfront. It sets a new world record for the number of people taking part as over 5,000 Toledoans grabbed a shovel to help out.

1984 - Violence erupts on picket lines of AP Parts on Matzinger Rd. as union members protest the company's use of non-union labor. 120 people are arrested and jailed.

May 23

1898 - Toledo mourns loss of Toledo fireman Oscar Willis, killed while battling blaze at a grocery warehouse at Jefferson and Summit. Several other firemen were seriously injured.

1908 - An air ship, piloted by Toledo's Roy Knabenshue, crashes into centerfield fence during ball game at Armory Park. Everyone escapes without serious injury.

1930 - Toledo car maker, John North Willys, founder of Willys Overland, arrives in Warsaw to begin duties as the new U.S. Ambassador to Poland.



Toledo Historical Museum
by Lou Hebert

1944 - Toledo Mud Hens suffer worst defeat in franchise history, losing to Milwaukee Brewers, who score 28 runs.

1975 - National Guard F-100 crashes at Toledo Express Airport, killing pilot and seriously injuring co-pilot.

1983 - Major multi-alarm blaze at Willis Day Warehouse in Toledo forces evacuations of hundreds of people.

1988 - Legendary UT football quarterback, Chuck Ealey, who led the Rockets to three undefeated seasons from 1969-71, is inducted into the freshman class of the Mid-American Conference Hall of Fame.

May 24

1854 - Toledo council votes to hire "night watchmen" at \$1.25 a night.

1894 - Perrysburg school on Louisiana Avenue burns to the ground.

1919 - Last weekend in Toledo for legal alcohol sales before local prohibition goes into effect. Saloons and bars are jammed with customers eager to get last drink.

1930 - Men wearing shorts in the summer heat is becoming a fad among male college students and many say they are shocked to see men baring their legs in public.

1934 - The Auto-Lite factory strike in North Toledo turns deadly. Thousands of strikers and their supporters gather in front of the besieged plant on Champlain Street and face off against Ohio National Guard troops. Violence erupts in front of factory and the troops open fire on crowd, killing two people.

1934 - Brand Whitlock, four-time mayor of Toledo and ambassador to Belgium, dies in Paris at age 65.

May 25

1903 - Great excitement noted as New York Central's highly vaunted Twentieth Century

flyer reaches an average of 70 MPH between Toledo and Elkhart, Indiana, at times hitting speeds near 90 MPH.

1928 - Emma Hatfield is found beaten and near death in a yard on Norwood. She is believed to be the first victim of the so called "Toledo Slugger". She died later in September.

1930 - Ground is broken for DeVilbiss High School in West Toledo.

1936 - Ten-thousand Toledo Catholics hold outdoor mass at Swayne Field to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Toledo Diocese. 1956 - At Hertzfeld Oldsmobile at 17th and Madison, a special event is held featuring the concept car, the "Golden Rocket". Advertised as an ultra streamlined experimental coupe with a plastic body.

May 26

1823 - Perrysburg begins sale of city housing lots for \$20 minimum bid.

1887 - Statue of Toledo Civil War hero General James Steedman unveiled in downtown Toledo on Summit St.

1901 - Much excitement generated by news that oil is discovered on Middle Bass Island.

1906 - Toledo police report that two men are stabbed to death and another is near death after an all-day drinking orgy of men, women and boys at 215 Sycamore Street.

1919 - Toledo patrolman William Bather shot and mortally wounded on Emerald Avenue after he attempts to question three stolen car suspects. He dies the next day. The 29-year-old patrolman leaves behind a wife and two children.

1931 - At Culver's used car lot at 301 Main Street, you could buy a 28 Ford roadster for \$210 or a 1930 Whippet Coupe for just \$325.

1935 - Fourteen-thousand people turn out at Scott High School Field to hear the eighth annual citywide music festival put on by high school music bands and singers.

1942 - It's reported in Toledo Blade that more "Air Raid Wardens" are needed to be trained for help with planning and coordinating air raid siren tests in the city.

May 27

1862 - Toledo Street Railway begins opera-

tion with horse-drawn streetcars.

1908 - A downtown Toledo beer garden is closed after violating a police order that women not be allowed in beer gardens in the city.

1919 - Sad day for Toledo drinkers and elsewhere in America. The city's many breweries and saloons are forced to close up under the newly enacted federal prohibition laws.

1921 - In a Fremont courtroom, during a civil trial, two opposing attorneys get into fistfight before the court of Judge Scott Stahl and others join in the melee before order is restored.

1928 - Race car driver Roy Goodwin of Ann Arbor is killed in crash at Fort Miami Race Track in Maumee. His car is said to have collided with other cars as it was making a turn.

1941 - Oak Harbor farmer, 80-year old William Raunch carves another chain made of wood. He has been perfecting this art for many years and one of his unique wooden chains was recently given to President Roosevelt.

1976 - The new Lagrange School opens.

May 28

1911 - Lion Store in Toledo selling new screen doors starting at 69 cents each, and ladies silk hosiery for 35 cents a pair.

1921 - It's reported that seven children in Toledo have died from diphtheria during the month of May. Three of them were children at Stickney School in North Toledo.

1936 - An investigation into the "Black Legion" in Toledo reveals there are more than 700 members divided into seven "companies" around the city. Police say they don't appear responsible for any acts of violence in Toledo.

1941 - Libbey High School Yearbook, the "Edelian," sets all-time sales record.

1961 - Divine Word Seminary on River Road opens.

1970 - After reports of armed gangs roaming the streets, Toledo enacts tough new gun laws that would ban anyone from carrying firearms on public streets or in cars. All handgun owners need to register.

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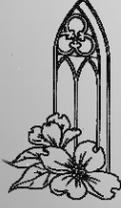
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Looking for answers to the pandemic of the poor

By Karen Dolan

As our country passes the once unthinkable toll of 1 million deaths from COVID-19, it can feel impossible to wrap our heads around such a devastating figure. But it's essential if we want to treat the pre-existing conditions that made it so deadly.

In the beginning, many thought the pandemic would be "a great equalizer," since the virus doesn't distinguish between rich and poor. But the tragic reality is that our economic and public health systems do discriminate.

A coalition of researchers convened by the Poor People's Campaign recently published a report making this reality plain.

The researchers define poverty to include all those living up to 200 percent of the official poverty measure, which has long been considered too low to capture those who struggle the hardest to make ends meet.

Using this measure, they found that COVID-19 death rates in poorer U.S. counties were nearly double those wealthier counties.

The gap was even bigger during the worst phases of the pandemic. During the dark winter of 2020-2021, four and a half times as many people in poorer counties died. During the Delta phase, that number shot up to five times.

Vaccination rates tend to be somewhat greater in wealthier counties, but this study looked at counties where vaccination rates topped more than 85 percent. So vaccination can't account for the disparity.

What can account for it is poverty. The over 300 counties with the highest death rates had average poverty rates of 45 percent.

These counties include 30 million Americans of every color. Latinx Americans make up about a quarter of their population, while their Black population is about double the national average. What's more, these counties are home to nearly 30 per-



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cent of all Indigenous people in the United States.

They're also home to many poor whites. Although COVID-related deaths fell disproportionately on people of color, these poorer white people suffered the most deaths.

Experts and impacted people testified recently about these findings in Washington, D.C.

"At times, our county's rate of COVID hospitalizations and deaths led the nation," said Bruce Grau of Wausau, Wisconsin. "In the first six months of the pandemic, nearly all of the residents in just one nursing home died penniless and alone."

"Because I don't have money, it was 17 days before they told me I had COVID," tes-

tified Tyrone Gardner of Goldsboro, North Carolina. "We were slaughtered for the almighty dollar, and we won't be sacrificed anymore," declared Pamela Garrison of West Virginia.

"It was hard for us to get the vaccine," recalled Vanessa Nosie, a member of the Apache Stronghold in New Mexico. "Our lives aren't valued. They look at us like it doesn't hurt that we don't survive."

"The findings of this report reveal intentional decisions to not focus on the poor," summed up Reverend William Barber, co-chair of the Poor People's Campaign. "We cannot say that this is because of individual choices or behaviors."

Instead, he declared, "something deeper is at work: systems that prey on the poor — poor white people and poor people of color."

The lessons of this pandemic are brutal and myriad. One of its most important is that when a public health crisis runs headlong into systemic inequities in wages, wealth, and health care, the result is mass death among those the system is rigged against.

The Poor People's Campaign has been mobilizing Americans across the country to un-rig this system. "This data is a wake-up call for this nation to heed the calls of the Poor People's Campaign," said John Cavanagh of the Institute for Policy Studies.

This summer, the campaign is organizing a mass mobilization of poor and low-income people in Washington, D.C. to fight back. On June 18, thousands of poor people and their allies will arrive in the capital, calling on lawmakers to treat the pre-existing conditions of a pandemic that's killed 1 million Americans.

They welcome all to join them.

Karen Dolan directs the Criminalization of Race and Poverty Project at the Institute for Policy Studies. This op-ed was distributed by OtherWords.org.

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Croghan a Freddie Mac award winner

Freddie Mac has announced the winners of its Home Possible RISE Awards. The annual program, RISE (Recognizing Individuals for Sustained Excellence), recognizes Freddie Mac's top clients across multiple categories for excellence with the Home Possible mortgage — Freddie Mac's lending program for low-income homebuyers.

Croghan Colonial Bank earned the Home Possible RISE Award within the "Greatest Volume" category for making an impact on affordable lending. Lenders within this category represent the top originators from national to local organizations that are producing and/or aggregating the greatest volume of Home Possible mortgages.

Health dept. clinics

A listing of upcoming clinics for the week of May 23-28 has been issued by the Ottawa County Health Department, 1856 E. Perry St., Port Clinton. Appointments may be made by calling 419-734-6800.

May 23: Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Clinic, 8 a.m.-noon.

May 24: 60+ Clinic (Genoa), 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; WIC Clinic, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Tuberculosis Clinic (no appointment necessary), 3-4 p.m.

May 25: Family Planning Clinic, 8-9 a.m.; Immunization Clinic, 12-4:30 p.m.

May 26: HealthChek, Reproductive Health and Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Clinic, 8-10 a.m.; 60+ Clinic (Put-in-Bay), 8 a.m.-2 p.m.; Tuberculosis Clinic (no appointment necessary), 3-4 p.m.

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Enthusiasm you inject is more of a cause than a result

Among the many choices you have is the degree of enthusiasm you inject into your life. At one end of the spectrum are those who drag themselves through each day as if it were a prison sentence. When you greet this type of person and ask how they are doing, a likely response is, "I'm alive." At the other end of the scale are those who reply, "Great."

Your level of enthusiasm is much more important than you might realize. Is enthusiasm a cause or a result? Is a person enthusiastic when and because circumstances are good or do circumstances become good as a result of one's enthusiasm? Too often, people believe enthusiasm is a result. Actually, enthusiasm is much more often a cause.

Good things can and do happen without your influence. But if you are only enthusiastic in response to these chance occurrences, then you are cheating yourself by not harnessing the power of enthusiasm to improve life. Enthusiasm will never do any harm but it will do a lot of good. Enthusiasm generates a force that will impact everything you do.

One of the hardest things to do is be



Dare to Live

by Bryan Golden

enthusiastic when a situation is not ideal. When you are disappointed by life's twists, turns, and surprises it's easy to feel dejected. How can you summon up enthusiasm when there is seemingly no reason to feel enthusiastic?

How we feel has much more of an impact on what happens to us than we realize. The key to changing any habit is consistent practice and repetition. Enthusiasm isn't guaranteed to improve every situation so you can't just try it once and then dismiss its effect if you don't get instant results.

In your interpersonal communications, enthusiasm influences your perceived credibility. If you attempt to convey thoughts and ideas with a lackluster delivery, few people will be moved. But someone whose enthusiasm is bubbling over has an extraordinary impact on others. If you have any

doubts, think about the type of people who make the biggest impression on you.

Suppose you are looking for a new job. You have had several interviews with no job offers. Now you're on your way to yet another interview. As much as you would like to secure this job, your hopes are not high. With a low level of enthusiasm, you sit down for the interview. There's no smile on your face and you have a troubled expression on your face.

What kind of impression will you make on the interviewer? Granted, your past interview results weren't that exciting, but what are your chances for this job if you are devoid of enthusiasm?

Put yourself in the shoes of the interviewer. Your company wants to hire the best possible person for the position. You have to make a decision between two candidates. The one who is a little more qualified, showed no spark, enthusiasm, or drive. The other applicant could barely sit still. His desire for the job and intent to excel was unmistakable. Who would you hire?

The interviewer doesn't care why one person was enthusiastic and the other

wasn't. The significant factor is that an enthusiastic worker typically is more reliable, is more conscientious, and interacts better with coworkers. This is a perfect example of enthusiasm being a cause rather than a result.

To summon enthusiasm, visualize how you would feel if your life were perfect. Before you walk in for a job interview, imagine how you would feel if you were offered the job. Then maintain that same feeling and excitement during the interview.

Act enthusiastic to feel enthusiastic. Think about how you come across to others. Is there a sparkle in your eye, excitement in your voice, and a nice smile and pleasant look on your face? The more enthusiastic you are, the more life will go in your favor.

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President Biden should not cancel student loan debt

By Jack McPherrin | The Heartland Institute

On May 10, President Biden said that fighting ever-worsening inflation – sitting at 8.3 percent as of the just-released April Consumer Price Index (CPI) report – is his "top domestic priority." He promised, "All of my plan is focused on lowering costs for the average family in America..."

If that were true, he would table all discussion of student loan forgiveness.

As of now, Biden is considering several options, and political pressure continues to mount from Democrats for more extreme measures. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-NY, recently called upon Biden to cancel \$50,000 in student debt for each borrower, exhorting: "Borrowers don't just need their debts paused, they need them erased."

What the average American needs is to be able to pay for food and gas again without taking a massive hit to their wallet. Over the past month, food prices climbed an entire percentage point. Gas prices have hit yet another record high of \$4.41 per gallon, having been less than \$3 a year ago.

So, what would Schumer's plan to cancel \$50,000 per borrower do? Let's examine data from the Department of Education's "Direct Loan Portfolio by Borrower Debt Size."

Cumulatively, the 39.3 million individuals included in the report hold \$1.37 trillion in student loan debt as of the first quarter of 2022. If the Biden administration were to reduce the debt by \$50k per individual, taking simple averages for the ranges higher than \$50,000, it would total a \$915 billion overall reduction. Parallel analyses have come to very similar conclusions.

A recent publication from the Brookings Institution concludes this would be "among the largest transfer programs in American history." Comparing this one-time expenditure to the cumulative expenditures of transfer programs over the



Guest Editorial

past 20 years, only three – unemployment insurance, earned income tax credits, and food stamps – have larger totals. And, the difference is fairly negligible.

If there is one thing we know about government transfer programs, it is that they act as massive stimuli for personal consumption expenditures (PCE). Each of the two periods since 1945 in which the U.S. has experienced substantial destabilizing inflation is marked by a precursor of heavy fiscal spending through welfare initiatives.

In 1946-1947, inflation hit nearly 20 percent, largely as a result of FDR's New Deal and massive government spending on World War II.

Spiking inflation throughout the late 1960s and 1970s – though later exacerbated by downward oil supply shocks and transforming into "stagflation" due to bad monetary policy – was chiefly caused by President Lyndon Johnson's unprecedented "Great Society" welfare policies.

For our current episode, we only have to look at the fiscal packages enacted during COVID-19.

As The New York Times recently illustrated, about \$1.8 trillion in pandemic stimulus money went directly to individuals and families. When that money reached individual bank accounts in the latter half of 2020 and early 2021, much of it was immediately inserted into the economy. A recent study from the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) found 42 percent of stimulus benefits went towards consumer spending. Forty-two percent of \$1.8 trillion is approximately \$750 billion.

PCE and the overall inflation rate sub-

sequently skyrocketed, side-by-side. As measured by the Federal Reserve, PCE rose 9 percent from \$15.46 trillion in March of 2021 to \$16.8 trillion in March of 2022. It is not a coincidence that inflation rose a nearly identical 8.5 percent – for the highest annual jump since 1981 – over the same period.

There is little doubt that a causal link exists between Biden's profligate spending and the rapid inflationary onset. Despite Biden's claims to the contrary, even Treasury Secretary Yellen recently admitted that fiscal and monetary stimuli have substantially contributed to inflationary pressure.

Now, Biden wants to double-down by giving nearly 40 million Americans more "free" money.

The difference between COVID-19 payments and debt cancellation, however, is the heterogeneity of the recipients. The aforementioned NBER study found that 31 percent of transfer payments went towards debt payments, because many liquidity-strained households were underwater with bills.

One of the striking aspects about student loan forgiveness is that it benefits those in high- and middle-income brackets. College-educated individuals are significantly more likely to have higher incomes, and are able to pay their bills without needing to be subsidized.

The Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget (CRFB) estimate 30 percent of a widespread debt cancellation would go toward the highest income quintile, with only 5 percent going to those at the bottom. Similarly, well-off individuals have gained the most from the ongoing payment pause during the pandemic. Due to the pause alone, a typical new doctor will have averaged \$60,000 in debt forgiveness by Aug. 31 – the current end of the moratorium – while a new lawyer will have received \$37,000.

So, when households have their student debt slates wiped clean, and don't

have other debts to pay, where will that money go? Some will be saved, yes. But, just as much if not more will flood into the economy, further devaluing the dollar. A spending shock of hundreds of billions of dollars is not what the economy needs. Moreover, such a move would permanently adjust household spending habits, sustaining their spending over a longer period and potentially exacerbating the elapsed inflationary period.

Frankly, Biden should move in the opposite direction and rescind the moratorium on payments. If all 40 million borrowers had to pay their average of \$300 per month once again, it would reduce economic activity by \$12 billion a month, limit spending habits, and perhaps even cause a small decrease in inflation over time. Moreover, it would prevent further disincentivizing of labor. It would also uphold the sanctity of contracts, which is fundamental to maintaining social and economic trust.

Yet, Biden will not do this, because he is desperate for political support. Biden has paused payments until just before the midterm elections by design, at the urging of many Democrat incumbents whose seats are vulnerable.

Biden is worried about his own popularity, too; with an approval rating at record lows. He is especially unpopular with young and college-educated voters: the very individuals who would stand to benefit most from his student loan cancellation scheme.

Inflation affects every American citizen. Only 13 percent of the population holds student loans.

By committing to any debt cancellation, Biden will be subordinating the needs of every American citizen – not to mention the entire macroeconomy – to cater to a small subsection of the American public whose vote he is courting.

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Student loan forgiveness would be game changer

By Sa'iyda Shabazz

President Biden campaigned on a promise to help relieve student debt. Now, after over a year of punting on the issue, he says he's finally thinking about doing it.

Student loan forgiveness would be a game changer for so many people, myself included.

My student debt is a dark cloud that hangs over my head. It's not that I don't want to repay my student loans, it's that I simply don't know how to do that and survive. It feels impossible to do both.

There are millions of Americans who feel the same. All together, 45 million borrowers in this country owe a total of \$1.7 trillion, a crisis that's accelerated as wages have failed to keep up with the skyrocketing costs of college, housing, and health care.

Based on current statistics, 11 million student loan borrowers are in default, delinquency, or forbearance. Many of these will simply never be able to repay their debt.

For the first time in my adult life, I have a stable income coming in, which has helped my family feel a little more secure. But even now, more than half my salary goes to rent, and we still need money for food, bills, and other expenses.

My partner is a freelancer, so I'm the breadwinner in our family. But as a writer and editor, I'm always worried my salary could disappear in a second. As it is, there's a lot of month left at the end of my money. I don't see how full repayment is possible.

For me, the only hope of getting the monkey off my back is student loan forgiveness. So many politicians have put it on their docket so many times since I graduated that it feels like a myth. You know, mermaids, unicorns, student loan debt forgiveness, and universal healthcare.

Millennials have the most student loan debt (23 percent of us), while 27 percent of women between the ages of 18 and 44 have student loan debt. As a Black millennial woman, I check all those boxes.

For people like me and many, many others, debt relief would offer a new lease on life, or at least make it more manageable.

"Canceling \$50,000 of student loan debt would give 36 million Americans permanent, total relief," according to Senator Elizabeth Warren, D-MA. "That would be the end of their debt burden. And it would aid millions more by significantly reducing the principal on their debt."

Unfortunately, President Biden appears to have ruled out even considering that much. But he could still forgive an amount that would make a dent in my partner's debt, which would alleviate stress for us both.

Student debt relief may feel like a unicorn. But for my family and tens of millions more, it's one we desperately need to be real.

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Study:

COVID-19 worsened burnout for parents

A new report released by The Ohio State University Office of the Chief Wellness Officer and College of Nursing reveals the level of burnout among working parents during the COVID-19 pandemic and the adverse consequences of that burnout for both themselves and their children.

The report is based on a survey to measure not only the impact of burnout on working parents, but also on their children. The survey was conducted between January and April 2021 – in the thick of the pandemic when vaccines were still not available for children – and discovered insights on how much COVID-19 exacerbated working parental burnout.

"'Parental burnout.' When I heard that, I thought, 'That's it. That's what I'm feeling,'" said Kate Gawlik, DNP, APRN-CNP, FAANP, FNAP, associate professor of clinical nursing at The Ohio State University College of Nursing, co-author of the report and mother of four children ages 10 and under. "It's just this overwhelming sense of having to be on 24/7 in so many different roles and just having to be invested in those roles so intensely.

"You want to try to be such a great parent; you want to do well at your job; you want to be a good partner; you want to have a clean house," Gawlik continued. "There's just so much being thrown at you with having to do all of that in a pandemic, it's almost like burnout, to some degree, is inevitable."

Working parents with children under the age of 18 living with them self-selected to participate in the survey. Among the key findings:

- Sixty-six percent (66%) of working parents responding met the criteria for burnout. Being female, the number of children living in the home, anxiety in the parent, having children with either diagnosed anxiety or ADHD and parental concern that their children may have an undiagnosed mental health disorder show the strongest associations with working parental burnout.

- Burnout is associated with depression, anxiety and increased alcohol consumption in working parents, as well as the likelihood for parents to be irritable, get easily angered with their children and engage in punitive parenting practices (i.e., yelling, insulting/criticizing, cursing, spanking).

- According to parents' self-reporting, the presence of working parent burnout has a strong association with attention, internalizing and externalizing behaviors in their children. Examples of these kinds of behaviors include:

- Attention behaviors: inability to sit still, trouble concentrating, easily distracted.

- Internalizing: feels sad or unhappy,



A new report by The Ohio State University Office of the Chief Wellness Officer and College of Nursing reveals the importance of preventing working parental burnout. Two-thirds of working parents reported burnout during the pandemic, which correlates with depression, anxiety and increased alcohol use. (Photo courtesy of The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center)

down on themselves, worries a lot.

- Externalizing: fights with other children, does not listen to rules, teases others.

"We're not going to just magically come out of the COVID-19 pandemic," said Bernadette Melnyk, PhD, APRN-CNP, FAANP, FNAP, FAAN, Ohio State's vice president for health promotion, university chief wellness officer, College of Nursing dean and co-author of the report. "We have to do so much more on the prevention side of things and not wait until parents and/or their children are in crisis."

Within the report, Gawlik and Melnyk created a 10-item Working Parent Burnout Scale to provide a "self-check" for parents to score themselves and determine their level of burnout. The report also provides parents with key strategies and resources that both parents and their children can use to understand the steps they can take to prevent or improve the burnout symptoms that are adversely affecting themselves and their families. Among the strategies:

- Committing a few minutes every day to stress relief techniques: "Learn mindfulness, cognitive-behavioral skills, imagery, meditation and put them into practice on a daily basis," said Melnyk. "Even taking a couple of five-to 10-minute breaks out of the day for self-care to do something to relieve stress or that brings you joy is really critical. Self-care is not selfish; it is critical to take great care of others."

- Being self-compassionate: "That means don't overcommit," said Melnyk. "It's really important to learn to say 'no' and don't feel guilty about it."

- Find balance to reduce stress: "If you're feeling really burned out, there are two key places you can look," said Gawlik. "One is to look at your stressors, and two is to look at your resources and to really evaluate, 'How can I decrease my stressors and how can I increase my resources?'"

- Have a go-to friend to vent to: "You are not alone; so many other parents feel the same way," said Melnyk. "The important thing is to stay connected. Let somebody else know how you are feeling."

- Get help if burnout, depression or anxiety are interfering with concentration, judgment or functioning: "It is a strength to recognize when help is needed, not a weakness," Melnyk said.

Gawlik reflected on the height of the pandemic and gave voice to what so many working parents felt in real time. "I was with my husband one day in the kitchen, and I remember it was the end of the day," Gawlik said, "and he just looked at me and said, 'Can you believe that we do this every day?' And I was like, 'No, I can't.'"

The full report containing findings, the Working Parent Burnout Scale and strategies and resources to help can be found online at <https://go.osu.edu/workingparent-burnout>.

Self-tests increase chance of catching skin cancer

Skin cancer is a global threat. According to the World Health Organization, incidences of non-melanoma and melanoma skin cancers have been increasing for decades. Near the end of the second decade of the 21st century, there were between two and three million new cases of non-melanoma and more than 130,000 new cases of melanoma skin cancers each year.

The Prevent Cancer Foundation reports that individuals who protect their skin during the first 18 years of their lives can reduce their risk for some types of skin cancer by as much as 78 percent.

Self-care is essential in cancer prevention. When it comes to protecting yourself against skin cancer, self-care includes self-testing skin. The American Academy of Dermatology Association offers this guide on how to perform a skin self-exam.

- Know what to look for. The AAD's body mole map (available at aad.org) provides useful information on what to look for when conducting a skin cancer self-test. Look for spots that are different from others or any spot that changes, itches or bleeds.

- Examine your body in a full-length mirror. Look at your entire body, including areas that are not necessarily exposed to the sun. Examine your body front and back. Raise your arms when examining the right and left sides of your body.

- Examine the underarms, forearms and palms. When conducting a skin self-test, bend your elbows and examine forearms, underarms and palms carefully.

- Be just as meticulous with your lower body. It's not just your upper body that requires examination. Also examine your legs, the area between your toes and the soles of your feet. Don't forget to check the back of your legs in the mirror as well.

- Examine your neck and scalp. The neck and even the scalp is vulnerable to exposure to the sun and potentially harmful ultraviolet rays. Use a hand mirror to examine the back of your neck and your scalp. When inspecting the scalp, part your hair so you can get a closer look.

- Check your back and buttocks with a hand mirror. Keep the hand mirror out after examining your neck and scalp and use it to check your back and buttocks for warning signs.

The Skin Cancer Foundation recommends that individuals conduct self-exams once per month.

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Take steps to stay mentally sharp after retirement

Researchers have long since recognized that certain cognitive abilities begin to decline with advanced age, even among elderly individuals who are healthy. However, despite that decline, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention notes that dementias like Alzheimer's disease are not an inevitable part of aging. In fact, the CDC estimates that as many as 40 percent of dementia cases may be prevented or delayed. In addition, the CDC reports that it's not uncommon for routine memory, skills and knowledge to stabilize or even improve as the brain ages.

That's good news for retirees who want to spend their post-work life pursuing their passions and hobbies. Individuals also can embrace some strategies to stay mentally sharp in retirement.

- Consider delaying retirement. Even if early retirement is a dream, it might be better to work a little longer than you had planned. A 2021 study published in the journal *SSM - Population Health* found that postponed retirement is beneficial to cognitive function for all genders, races/ethnicities, educational levels, and professional status. The study reported that individuals who waited until age 67 to retire experienced less cognitive decline than those who retired prior to turning 67.

- Make exercise part of your retirement routine. A lack of structure may seem enticing to individuals who have spent decades working. However, many retirees find that little structure loses its appeal quickly after calling it quits. When creating a new routine in retirement, include regular exercise. According to the Mayo Clinic, studies indicate that people who are physically active are less likely to experience a decline in their mental function.

- Enroll in an adult education course. A 2014 study published in the journal *JAMA Neurology* examined the association between lifetime intellectual enrichment and cognitive decline in the older population. The study's authors found that higher levels of late-life cognitive activity were associated with higher levels of cognition. The study's authors concluded that lifetime intellectual enrichment might delay the onset of cognitive impairment.

Foods to support your mental health

By Jennifer Gilliland, RD, LD, CDE, PCC

Can food affect our mental health? Absolutely!

Have you ever felt fatigued after eating? Ever felt jittery or anxious if you eat certain foods or wait a little too long to eat? Ever felt angry or irritable after eating a lot of processed foods? Food is fuel for our bodies as well as our brains so if we aren't "feeding our minds" with healthier choices we may see that reflected in our moods.

Here are some foods that may have an impact on how you are feeling without you even knowing it.

Sugar: Sugar tends to be a significant part of the American meal plan. Certainly, it can affect your blood sugars if you have diabetes, but even if you don't, there are still dips and spikes in blood sugars that may contribute to mood changes. Your blood sugars can spike to the "high end of normal" and then drop to the "lower end" and that can trigger feelings of depression, anxiety or irritability.

Sugar is considered a root cause of chronic inflammation as well. This will impact the immune system, brain and many body systems. Decreasing sugar consumption has been shown to positively influence pain management, arthritis and heart disease.

Fatty fish: Fatty fish like salmon, herring, cod and albacore tuna are rich in Omega-3 fatty acids. These fatty acids are essential fats that you must obtain through your diet because your body can't produce them on its own. The two types of omega-3s, DHA and EPA, are linked to lower levels of depression.

Fermented foods: Fermented foods include kimchi, yogurt, kefir and kombucha and may improve gut health and mood. Our "gut" is the "brains of our digestion" so again when we feed the "brain" well it responds in kind with improving our health.

The fermentation process encourages live bacteria to thrive in foods and during this process, probiotics are created. Probiotics are "healthy bacteria" for our gut, so digestion is improved, and "regularity" is often restored. There is some research that states that improving "gut bacteria" increases serotonin levels, which is a neurotransmitter that affects our mood, stress response, appetite and sexual drive. Upwards of 90% of your body's serotonin is produced by the collection of healthy bacteria in your gut.

Oats: Oats are an excellent source of fiber. Fiber helps slow your digestion of carbohydrates, allowing for a gradual release of sugar into the bloodstream to keep your energy levels stable. Oats are also a significant source of iron, which helps to prevent iron deficiency anemia, one of the most common nutrient deficiencies. Iron deficiency



A diet that includes a variety of foods rich in antioxidants, such as fruits and vegetables, may help to manage inflammation which, can be associated with higher rates of mood disorders.

anemia's symptoms include fatigue, sluggishness and mood disorders.

Berries: Consuming "balanced meals" that include more fruits and vegetables have been linked to lower rates of depression. A meal plan that includes a variety of foods rich in antioxidants (as fruits and vegetables are) may help to manage inflammation which, as we discussed above, can be associated with higher rates of mood disorders.

Beans and lentils: In addition to being high in fiber and plant-based protein, they are an excellent source of B vitamins, which help to improve mood by increasing levels of neurotransmitters like serotonin, dopamine, norepinephrine and gamma aminobutyric acid (GABA), all of which are important for regulating mood.

B vitamins play a key role in nerve signaling, which allows proper communi-

cation between nerve cells. Low levels of B12 and folate have been shown to increase mood disorders, such as depression. Beans and lentils are also a good source of zinc, magnesium, selenium, and non-heme iron, which may also improve your spirits.

As you can see, there are several foods that may assist with improving your mood. With a little practice and some "increased awareness" of how foods make you feel, I'm sure there are many more that you will find helpful to leading you along a path of more mental clarity and increased joy!

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What to know about prostate cancer

Prostate cancer is an illness that develops in the prostate gland, which is found only in males. Other than skin cancer, prostate cancer is the second most common type of cancer among American men. It also is the second-leading cause of cancer death among men after lung cancer in the United States.

Men of any age are susceptible to prostate cancer, but it tends to be more prevalent in men age 50 and older and those who have had a brother or another close relative with the disease. As with most types of cancer, early diagnosis can mean getting on the road to treatment faster, potentially improving the outcome of recovery.

One of the ways to catch cancer early is through screening. The U.S. Preventative Services Task Force, which is an organization made up of disease experts and doctors who study research and make recommendations on the best ways to prevent diseases or find them early, offer their guidelines regarding prostate cancer screening. USPSTF says the following:

- Men who are aged 55 to 69 should make individual decisions about being screened for prostate cancer with a prostate specific antigen (PSA) test.
- Before making a decision, individuals should consult with doctors about the pros and cons of prostate cancer screening.
- Men who are 70 years old and older should not be screened for prostate cancer routinely. Most prostate cancers grow slowly or not at all, and the USPSTF says the goal of prostate cancer screening is to find cancers that may be at high risk for spreading if untreated, and to find them early before they spread.

What is a PSA test?

A PSA test measures the amount of prostate-specific antigen in a man's blood. PSA is a protein produced by both noncancerous and cancerous tissue in the prostate gland, states the Mayo Clinic. While small amounts of PSA are normally found in the blood, higher levels of PSA may indicate the presence of prostate cancer.

It's important to note that a high PSA



A discussion of the risks and benefits with a doctor can help men make informed decisions about prostate cancer screening.

score is not indicative of cancer. It is only one factor to consider regarding prostate cancer risk. The presence of an enlarged prostate or the presence of lumps or hard areas in conjunction with a PSA may lead to further testing. However, digital prostate exams, wherein a doctor inserts a lubricated, gloved finger into the rectum to feel the prostate, are not always preferred by patients, who may only opt for PSA testing for screening.

Benefits and detriments to screening

The key benefit of undergoing prostate cancer screening is to find prostate cancers that may be at high risk of spreading so they can be treated and contained, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

One possible consequence of prostate

cancer screening is the risk of false positive test results. False positive results may lead to further testing, including a biopsy of the prostate. Older men are more likely to have false positive results, according to the CDC.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health also says prostate cancer screening can lead to stress and overtreatment – with some men getting operations or radiation with side effects that might not have been necessary since prostate cancer is often very slow-growing and doesn't warrant treatment. The MDPH also says complications from prostate cancer treatments can include blood clots during surgery, impotence, urinary incontinence, and fecal incontinence.

Tone muscles to look leaner, improve balance

Adding a bit more defined muscle to the body helps people look leaner. Toned muscles also help with balance, proper posture and flexibility. Achieving better muscle tone comes down to embracing a few tips.

- Embrace resistance training. Resistance training refers to exercises that rely on resistance to contract muscles. This also may be called strength training. Lifting weights or doing body weight exercises, such as pushups and pullups are some ways to strengthen and develop muscles.

- Get in the pool. Swimming is a great way to improve muscle tone. Water provides resistance and can make the body work harder through simple movements, all the while protecting against strain on joints.

- Increase sets. Each strength training exercise should consist of around 10 to 12 repetitions of two or more sets. Increase sets once a strength base is established. Select a weight that makes it difficult to complete the final three repetitions in each set.

- Lower body fat with cardio. Cardiovascular exercises help maintain good health by strengthening the body's most important muscle: the heart. The Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans recommends 150 to 300 minutes a week of cardio activity. Cardio can help burn body fat, which will help reveal the muscles underneath, producing a leaner look.

- Increase protein intake. The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics recommends that protein make up 10 to 35 percent of calorie intake if a person is working to gain muscle. Select lean protein sources like chicken, fish and low-fat dairy.

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Seasonal allergies

How to corral allergies with the coming of spring

Spring is synonymous with rebirth. Each spring, flowers begin to bloom again, grass starts to grow and people from all walks of life rekindle their love affair with the great outdoors. Spring also marks the return of a familiar foe: allergies.

Seasonal allergies can put a damper on even the most welcoming spring day. After all, a day soaking up the sun isn't so relaxing when it's also spent sneezing and confronting allergy symptoms like congestion, runny nose and watery eyes. Thankfully, it's possible for seasonal allergy sufferers to have their spring and enjoy it, too.

- Pay attention to seasonal allergy trackers. Seasonal allergies are now easier to track than ever. For example, Pollen.com is an easily accessible and free site that allows visitors to type in their ZIP codes and access daily allergy reports for their towns and cities. Visitors also can see five-day forecasts that can help them plan trips and other outdoor excursions. Weather.com also offers free allergy reports and forecasts. Individuals with seasonal allergies can make use of these sites and plan their activities based on the information they provide.

- Stay indoors when allergen levels are especially high. The Mayo Clinic notes that there are several things individuals can do to reduce their exposure to seasonal allergy triggers. That includes staying indoors on

dry, windy days. This doesn't mean individuals need to lock themselves indoors all spring. But it's important that seasonal allergy sufferers recognize that some days might be too much to manage. Rain helps clear pollen from the air, so individuals who are avoiding the outdoors on days when pollen counts are high should be able to get outside after a good rain without triggering an attack.

- Maintain clean air indoors. The great outdoors is not the only place where allergens percolate. The Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America notes that improving air quality in a home can reduce allergy triggers. Air conditioners can prevent outdoor allergens from entering a home, so utilize units on warm spring days when you might otherwise open the windows. Open windows and screen doors provide easy entry points for allergens like pollen, so turning on the AC when outdoor allergen counts are high can make seasonal allergies more manageable.

- Consider treatments. Over-the-counter treatments like antihistamines, nasal sprays and decongestants provide most individuals with sufficient relief from their seasonal allergies. If OTC remedies are ineffective, treatments such as allergen immunotherapy and a consultation with an allergen may be necessary.



Seasonal allergies can spoil an otherwise welcoming spring day but there are many ways for individuals to corral their seasonal allergies and still enjoy spring sunshine.

Fitness tips for new parents

Being a parent requires an ability to adapt to change. Newborns require around-the-clock care that often translates into little free time for their parents. When parents get opportunities to step away, exercise may be the furthest thing from their minds. But it could be in new mothers' and fathers' best interests to consider exercise even when their schedules are hectic.

Health experts at the Mayo Clinic advise exercise helps to tame stress, keep the mind sharp and boost the immune system. Staying fit and healthy with a new baby in the house may be easier when parents embrace certain strategies.

- Flexibility is key. New parents strive to maintain schedules, but newborns and infants don't always comply. Therefore, committing to a workout at a specific time each day or even a specific duration can be foolish. It's better to take what you can get when you can get it. Don't get hung up on following a specific regimen right now.

- Exercise in bursts. Rather than devoting a set amount of time to a workout, fit in exercise when you have a minute. Run up and down the stairs while the baby is napping. Or do some bicep curls while preparing a bottle.

- Take a "baby-and-me" class. Gyms and fitness organizations often offer classes for new parents that build workouts around

movements that can be done with baby in hand or in tow.

- Ask for time off. Spouses can divide baby duties so that each gets equal time away to devote to personal needs. Factor exercise into some of the plan, even if you can carve out only a few minutes. Another tip is to multitask. Consider buying a stationary bicycle to use while watching a favorite television show.

- Go swimming. Swimming works many muscles of the body, and the buoyancy of the water relieves pressure on joints and other areas of the body. When baby is old enough, you can even enjoy time in the pool together.

- Prioritize sleep. Do not compromise sleep for exercise, which can adversely affect your overall health. Sleep is essential for human development, says The Sleep Foundation. During sleep, the brain experiences intense activity, building the foundations for how people learn and grow, including the development of our behavior, emotions and immune systems. Adequate sleep is vital for new parents to maintain their health and the health of their babies.

As infants grow, parents will find they have more time to devote to exercise. Until then, new parents can be flexible and make time for exercise when their schedule allows.

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Remedies for common types of skin conditions

Skin is the body's largest organ and helps to retain water and protect internal organs. The average adult has about 22 square feet of skin, which weighs around 8 pounds, according to National Geographic.

The skin can be affected by any number of conditions. While many are not overly harmful, certain conditions can affect appearance. This, in turn, may impact a person's self-confidence. Therefore, many people prefer to address skin issues promptly and effectively. Here are some common conditions and how to address them.

• **Acne.** Acne can occur on the shoulders, face, neck, and upper back. Breakouts may include whiteheads, red pimples, blackheads, and deep cysts. If left untreated, acne can cause scarring.

Clogged pores cause acne, according to Healthline. This may occur from bacteria,

hormones, dead skin cells and excessive oil production. Non-inflammatory acne can be addressed by using salicylic acid, which naturally exfoliates the skin. It is found in cleansers and toners. Inflammatory acne can cause infection deep beneath the skin's surface. Products containing benzoyl-peroxide may help reduce bacteria and swelling.

• **Large pores.** Large pores tend to go hand-in-hand with oily skin. They are extremely common. The American Academy of Dermatology recommends being gentle with the skin to help minimize the appearance of pores. In addition, cleansing and exfoliating the skin can help. The AAD says retinol, which is a derivative of vitamin A, can unclog pores and restore the skin's natural appearance.

• **Redness.** Skin redness may occur for a variety of reasons. These include sunburns, allergic reactions, dry skin, acne and

irritations. Identifying the root of redness can help individuals make a plan for avoiding it going forward. Long-term redness often is linked to seborrheic dermatitis or rosacea. Certain medications and skincare products may be recommended by a dermatologist to address these issues. In addition, color-correcting makeup can help camouflage redness, according to L'Oréal.

• **Eczema.** Eczema, also known as atopic dermatitis, is a common skin condition that produces red, itchy, dry and irritated skin. It tends to start in early childhood, and doctors believe an overactive immune system may trigger symptoms. A dermatologist usually treats eczema with over-the-counter antihistamines and OTC or prescription steroid creams.

• **Psoriasis.** Psoriasis is an autoimmune condition that results in the excessive shedding of skin cells. Psoriasis causes

scaly, silvery defined patches on the skin and usually occurs on the scalp, elbows, knees, and lower back. Healthline says plaque psoriasis is the most common form of the condition. Light therapy, moisturizers, topical retinoids, and biologics may be prescribed to manage psoriasis.

• **Scars.** Scars are a natural result of the healing process from an injury to the skin. Many scars fade over time, but deep scars may be permanent and visible. Dermatologists may recommend application of vitamin E, silicone gel or other creams or oils to help minimize scarring after a surgery or injury. A prescription retinoid can be helpful when it comes to acne scarring. Steroid injections and laser treatments also can be used to reduce the appearance of scars, according to the experts at Medical Dermatology and Cosmetic Surgery.

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Eastwood high jumper Jacob Meyer. (Photo by Danielle DeFalco)



Eastwood hurdler Noah Smith. (Photo by Danielle DeFalco)

After a year at Genoa, trophy returns to Eastwood

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Eastwood brought back the Northern Buckeye Conference boys track championship trophy after a one-year hiatus.

Eastwood had won 19 straight league track titles and 22 of 23 heading into last year when Genoa upset the apple cart, scoring 139 points to defeat runner-up Eastwood (132), even though Eastwood has never lost a dual meet under 10th-year coach Brian Sabo's tenure against NBC or non-league opponents.

Now, the Eagles are back on top, scoring 166 points to defeat second place Genoa (137) at Fostoria Memorial Stadium. Eastwood had the depth to do it, returning 27 lettermen this year and when it comes to the strength of his team, Sabo can list about any grouping of athletes.

"The sprinters returning are already much improved. We are also deeper," Sabo said. "Our distance runners are also one of the strengths of our team. Our distance runners are starting where they ended last season.

"We have some top individuals and young or new people that are filling in. Field events are probably the strength of our team. Our throwers, Nate Heskett and

Cole Kiefer, had PRs this indoor (season) already. We have many returners from last year's team and some new athletes to help. We have several people who can compete to be on (relay) teams. We feel we have the ability to spread them out as well.

"We feel we are solid in every event. We had many returning athletes who have improved already from last season, including over 13 returners from last year's conference meet.

"We just have to make sure we have athletes in the best event to help them and the team. We have several people that can do several events so trying to find what works best for them and ultimately the team is something they focus on."

However, Sabo admits that the rest of the NBC seems to be getting better, and deeper, as the years go by.

"Our goal every year to win the conference and get as many members to regionals and state as possible," Sabo said. "(The NBC) has improved over the years due to so many coaches that care about our sport. There were four teams last year with 100 points and we finished second. Genoa and Otsego had quite a bit returning this season."

Smith a four-time winner
Last year the Eagles did not have a mo-

nopoly on depth. Eastwood had just one NBC champion — then-sophomore Bryce Koprowski-Kistner won the long jump with a leap of 21 feet, one-half inch.

This year, they can thank, in part, junior Noah Smith, who was voted Athlete of the Meet and Co-Athlete of the Year after winning four events, including two individual events and as part of two relay teams. The Eagles swept all but one relay event.

"Noah has developed an intense passion to compete and excel," Sabo said. "He wants to be great at track and field and wants to take his teammates with him. He has worked hard in the weight room which has helped develop more power and speed."

Smith shared the NBC Athlete of the Year award with Genoa seniors Ethan Wilson and Aiden Hemmert, who also won multiple events.

Smith won the 110 hurdles in 15.79, defeating second place Otsego senior Donovan Ellis (16.54). In addition, Smith won the 200, finishing in 22.79 to beat second place Wilson (23.14).

Smith was joined by the now-junior Koprowski-Kistner, senior Jacob Limes and sophomore Kaiden Sanchez to win the 4x100 in 43.68, defeating second place Otsego (44.44). Sabo says Sanchez is one of his most improved sprinters, and the

Eagles even won with one rough handoff, or they may have shaved off time.

Smith was joined by Limes, senior Devin Good, and sophomore Noah Haar on the championship 4x400 relay team by, winning in 3:32.98, nearly six seconds ahead of second place Lake (3:38.77).

The Eastwood 4x800 relay team, Good, senior Xander Ramsey, senior Cory Jay and freshman Hayden Hoelter finished in 8:28.11 to defeat second place Otsego (8:34.94).

Jay won the 1600, finishing in 4:49.11 to beat second place Elmwood sophomore Jakob Zibbel (4:53.45) to the finish line by just over four seconds.

Eastwood senior Jacob Meyer was the Eagles' only field event champion, clearing six feet, three inches in the high jump. Elmwood sophomore Micah Oliver, at 6-2, was second.

Elmwood junior Jackson Childress won the shot put, throwing 47 feet, 6½ inches to defeat second place Eastwood senior Nate Heskett, who will throw at Ohio Northern University (43-5¾). Childress also won the discus, reaching 150-4 to out throw Eastwood senior Emmet Getz (142-8).

Otsego sophomore Dakota Keiffer won the pole vault, clearing 14 feet, but Eastwood junior and returning state qualifier Dalton Hesselbart (13-6) was second.



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Eastwood girls track wins 21st straight league title

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Eastwood girls track won their 21st straight league title, scoring 167 points to defeat second place Woodmore (145) in the Northern Buckeye Conference meet.

The Eagles have been building momentum as the season progressed, finding underclassmen to take over key roles in some events.

“Our mid-distance, distance, hurdles, and our field events are our team’s strength,” Eastwood coach Nicole Sabo said. “We have depth and experience in these areas. Many of these athletes were on the state qualifying cross-country and elite eight soccer teams and they understand and have experienced that type of competition.”

“Our numbers are a little thin in the sprints this year. However, the athletes in these events are working very hard and improving each meet.”

Sophomore Amelia Ward was joined on the 4x800 relay team by senior Addie Young, junior Talia Baum and freshman Leah Emch, winning in 10:33.78 to defeat second place Otsego (10:59.57).

As a freshman, Ward was on last year’s 4x800 team that won an NBC title, and she was joined by returnees Maisy Stevenson and Talia Baum to win a 4x800 district title last year.

However, at this year’s NBC meet, the Eagles were fortunate because Woodmore had crossed the finish line first but was disqualified because of a lane discrepancy.

Woodmore was Eastwood’s biggest threat to a team championship and that was a major blow to the Wildcats’ chances of upsetting the Eagles.

“The competition in the NBC is getting better each year as each team is getting more numbers out for their teams,” Eastwood coach Nicole Sabo said. “There are many competitive and athletic athletes on all the teams and this gives better competition in the dual meets and definitely in the conference meet. In 2021 many NBC athletes qualified and competed well in the regionals.”



Eastwood thrower Ava Kiefer. (Photo by Danielle DeFalco)

Eastwood’s 4x100 relay team, senior Aubrey Haas, juniors Julia Sabo and Emma Downs, and sophomore Saylor King won in 51.58, beating Rossford (52.65). Haas, who placed sixth in the 300 hurdles at last year’s regional meet, will run next year at Purdue University Fort Wayne.

Emch won the 3200, finishing in 12:07.75 to defeat second place Woodmore sophomore Caydie Buchanan (12:40.95).

“Our entire distance team has taken it

to the next level – tons of winter training and confidence coming off a state qualifying cross country season,” Sabo said.

Lake sophomore Brianna Braatz won the 100 in 12.95, defeating second place Eastwood junior Emma Downs (13.1) by less than one-fifth of a second.

“Emma Downs’ speed is much improved from a year ago due to hard work in the weight room,” Sabo said.

Eastwood senior Ava Kiefer won the

shot put, throwing 37-11½ to defeat second place Elmwood junior Anna Barber (36-4¼). Kiefer, who owns school throwing records at Eastwood and is a returning regional qualifier in the shot, has signed to throw at NCAA Division II University of Findlay.

Eastwood junior Julia Sabo won the pole vault, clearing 10 feet to best freshman teammate Kylie Henline, who was runner-up, clearing nine feet. Sabo, the school record holder, placed fourth at last year’s state meet.

In preparation for final meets

For coach Sabo, in her 13th year, the string of league titles adds to an already strong resume that included a 92-11 record, including 73-1 in the conference, in dual meets heading into this season. There have been two district championships, three district runner-up finishes and one regional runner-up.

The Eastwood girls track team won the Larry Kohring Eastwood Relays, outscoring second place Liberty-Benton 110-102. Eastwood and L-B scored at the top of a meet that featured some of the largest schools in Northwest Ohio.

Sylvania Northview (85½) was third, followed by Findlay (83½), Anthony Wayne (60), Bowling Green (58), Napoleon (36½), Start (29), Clay (28), Whitmer (22½), Sylvania Southview (18), Rogers (15), Columbus Grove (10) and Cardinal Stritch (2).

Eastwood’s 4x100 meter shuttle hurdles team, Haas, Reilly Might, Jordan Jenson and Mallory Sandberg, won in 1:10.51. It was only their third time running shuttle relay this year, but they did not win at Whitmer and Liberty-Benton. All four are experienced hurdlers and they said it was about avenging losses to those same teams that hosted meets earlier this season.

Eastwood’s 800 sprint medley team, King (first 100), Sabo (second 100), Mikayla Hoelter (200), and Downs (400), won in 2:01.23, defeating a second-place team from Anthony Wayne (2:01.81) by just over a half-second.

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Softball coaches Rawski, Wyant reach lofty milestones

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For two of Northwest Ohio's best softball coaches, if not two of the best in all of Ohio, eclipsing milestones is an indicator of just how much Joe Wyant and Chris Rawski have accomplished in their respective careers.

Wyant, who coaches at Eastwood, won his 400th game while Rawski, now in his 10th year coaching at Oak Harbor, won his 200th game.

Wyant, who has coached for 20 years, including 15 with the Eagles, reached the milestone when Eastwood beat Lake, 8-0, in a Division III sectional final on May 13. Rawski got to 200 victories when the Rockets beat Edison, 16-4, on May 11.

Wyant, who has had 10 of his players earn all-state status, will be the first to tell you he's had some great players and steadfast support from the administration and community, but the foundation of a program is built, first and foremost, by the head coach and his efforts.

"My goal is to always get to 18 wins per season," Wyant said. "I've been fortunate to have some great players and some good assistants and an administration that backs me."

In his 15 years coaching at Eastwood, the Eagles have won seven league titles, six district championships, and one regional title. In a career that included stops at Lakota and Oak Harbor, Wyant has won seven district titles and nine league championships. Overall, Wyant's record is 400-125 (.762), including 316-81 with Eastwood.

"Coach Wyant changed the culture of softball when he came in as head coach. He took it from a recreation-league type of mentality to a higher expectation of commitment and level of play," said Eastwood athletic director and assistant principal, Jeff Hill.

"Once the success started to happen, then the players did much more in the offseason to prepare for the season. He also became involved with the local youth leagues and then helped to start summer travel teams for Eastwood kids to increase their exposure to better competition.

"Coach Wyant has coached for many years and the only way that you can be successful in coaching that long is to constantly be a student of the game and to be able to adjust to the sport as it evolves and the kids playing it and he has been successful in doing those two things.

"He is also very passionate about whatever sport he is coaching. He still has that fire to excel and to have his kids excel every time they compete. He relates well to his players. He is direct but fair with his players and only asks them to be at their very best every day and to work hard at what they do."

The most memorable team is likely the 2013 squad, led by Whitney Foster, Cassidy Rolf and Mackenzie Albright, that won a Division III regional championship before falling to state power Carroll Bloom-Carroll in the state final four.

Perhaps the greatest run for Eastwood came from 2016-19 when the Eagles went 108-8, won three district championships, four league titles and won 63 straight games in the Northern Buckeye Conference.

Pitching ace Ashley Hitchcock, who is currently a starter at Rutgers University,



Oak Harbor coach Chris Rawski halts a base runner. (Submitted photo)



Eastwood coach Joe Wyant confers with a player. (Facebook.com/Eastwood Softball)

won 102 career games, good for fourth all-time in Ohio, and other key players included Carleigh Coffield, who had 28 career home runs, Maddie Recker, Alissa Ray and Hannah Owens.

"They all played travel ball, had good work ethics. Hitchcock pitching her freshman year, she was good but not great, but she had such a good work ethic and it spread," said Wyant. "We had Hitchcock, but we had hitters, too. They didn't take anyone for granted."

But it was Wyant's first team that got the ball rolling and helped turn the program around. The first 15 years of the pro-

gram saw the Eagles finish with just four winning seasons and a record of 140-186. After Wyant took over in '08, Eastwood won a district title by defeating perennial power Bellevue.

"I've been pretty fortunate, it fell together my first year when we went to regionals. My two freshman pitchers, Aubrey Flores and Christine Foster, went every other game," said Wyant, who is also the head wrestling coach at Eastwood and the head football coach at Gibsonburg.

"It started there, and kids started believing they could. We beat Bellevue in the district finals, and Bellevue is always

very good. From there, it just snowballed, we got some track kids to come out and we started keeping a few (of them) and did just enough to win and be competitive.

Rawski, Rockets are winners

As for Rawski, he has won two district titles, the only ones in school history, and two Sandusky Bay Conference Bay Division championships at Oak Harbor.

Five of his teams have advanced at least as far as the district finals, and his 2017 team, the best in school history, went 29-2 and came within a game of the state final four, losing to state power LaGrange Keystone, 2-0, in the regional finals. Rawski has had just one losing season with the Rockets.

"I'm just a small part of a bigger program with so many people who help us accomplish our goals. To give credit to a win or to wins for one person is a misnomer," said Rawski. "There are so many people that had to be committed to a goal each and every year. It's special to watch those things happen and come to life."

Rawski would be the first to tell you he's had talented players on his teams over the years. That includes Ashley Riley, who is tied for sixth all-time in Ohio with 29 wins in a season during the 2017 campaign. There was Maddy Rathbun, a three-time all-Ohioan, and Emma Bergman, Ellie Hanselman, Kaytlynn Sandwich and Reagan Schultz, among others. Rawski has had five players earn all-state honors.

As successful as the Rockets have been over the last decade, there have been a number of excruciatingly close losses in the tournament, but there have been marquee wins, too.

In 2018, Seree Petersen finished off a rally and drove in Riley with a base hit to win a district title over Clyde, 8-7, in eight innings. There was also the victory over Willard, 2-1, in 12 innings in the sectional finals in 2015, a game that saw Oak Harbor, down to its final out, score in the bottom of the 11th when Rathbun drove in Petersen to tie the score at 1-1, and the Rockets won in the next inning when Tessa Tyburski executed a suicide squeeze to score Riley.

Oak Harbor athletic director Dan Hoover says Rawski, a former Genoa assistant under Tom Kontak, has become a special coach.

"Chris is extremely organized, he's extremely motivated, and one of the things that kind of stands out is that he cares a lot about the kids," Hoover said. "He takes the time to get to know the kids, he really spends the time explaining things to kids and making them understand his perspective and what's expected of them. He loves Oak Harbor, and he really works hard to show Oak Harbor in the best light possible.

"Chris really works with the lower programs and gets to know the kids, spends a lot of time in the summer working with the different programs. He's at the school a lot in the summer working with the kids, and in February, they're doing open gyms and different things to try and promote the program.

"Oak Harbor is a great community in that they expect a lot out of our athletic programs, and we have a rich history. But at the same time, they have a good knowledge base in what it takes to be good, they understand the importance of kids playing sports — making friends, building relationships and staying busy."

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By request, Comets' Wilson, Hemmert honored jointly

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Genoa seniors Ethan Wilson and Aiden Hemmert shared the NBC Athlete of the Year award with Eastwood junior Noah Smith.

It makes sense that both members of Genoa's top track duo were honored.

"Ethan and Aiden are literally inseparable," Genoa coach Luke Hodulik said. "They each mean so much to my team. I had no choice but to nominate them for Co-Athletes of the Year together."

"They typically compete with each other in the same events (high jump, long jump, 200 meter dash, 4x200 relay), however toward the second half of this season, Ethan suffered a toe injury that kept him out of some meets and has prevented him from returning to high jump."

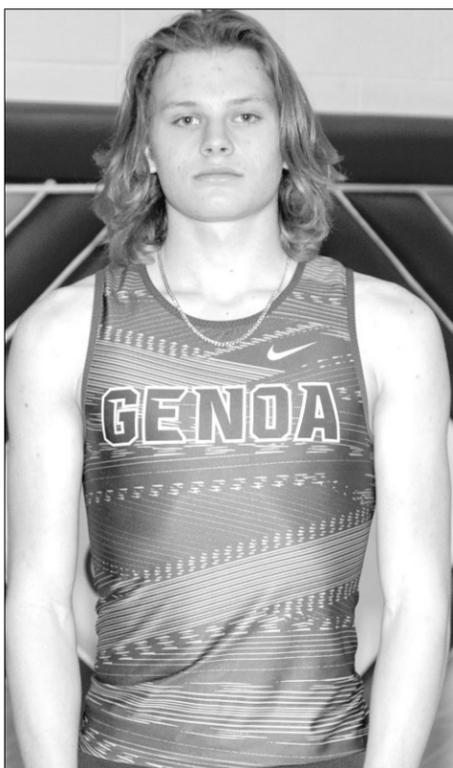
Hodulik's history with the two Genoa athletes goes back a long way.

"I have been coaching Ethan and Aiden in high jump since they were in seventh grade. They have been team leaders throughout their career, including playing a major role in our first-ever conference championship in 2021," Hodulik said.

"They give everything they have every chance they get, and lead by example and by voice. They are positive role models in sport and in life. I could not ask for two better people to lead my team."

Eastwood won the NBC championship, scoring 166 points to defeat second place Genoa (137) at Fostoria Memorial Stadium. Otsego was third with 132 points, followed by Elmwood (77), Lake (74), Rossford (40), Fostoria (17), and Woodmore (15).

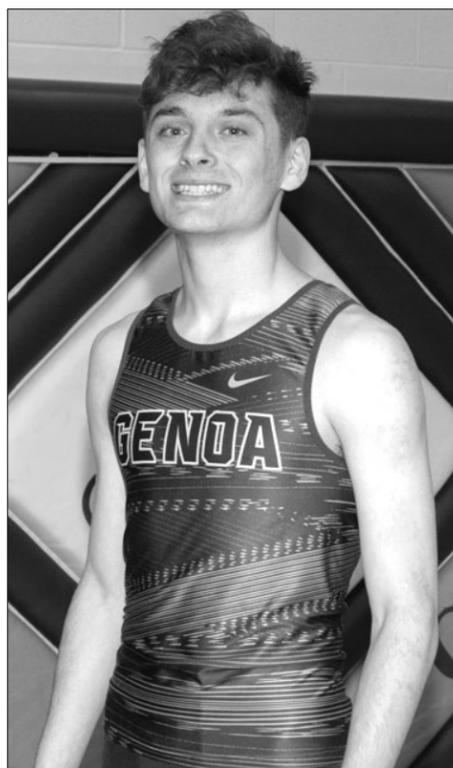
Hemmert and Wilson were one-two in



Aiden Hemmert. (Innovations Portrait Studio/InnovationsVisualImpact.com)

the long jump, reaching 20-7 and 19-10 $\frac{1}{4}$. They took second and third in the 200, Hemmert was fourth in the high jump, and Wilson was third in the 100.

Genoa sophomore Austin Teet won the 300 hurdles in 42.67, less than a second ahead of Eastwood freshman Andre Lewis (43.03).



Ethan Wilson. (Innovations Portrait Studio/InnovationsVisualImpact.com)

Genoa also had the winning 4x200 relay team as Hemmert and Wilson were joined by sophomore Aidan Antry and senior Jacob Stahl, crossing the finish line in a school record time of 1:32.47, over two seconds ahead of the second place team from Lake (senior Kaleb Rucker, junior Caleb Day, sophomore Figgy Garcia, and freshman

Jace Clark), which finished in 1:34.73.

Stahl said the team's performance was well-rehearsed, but could not have been won without Hemmert, Antry and Wilson.

"Our handoffs were real good. We worked on them all week," Stahl said. "Really, we've been working on it all month just making it perfect. Aiden ran a first great leg, it really caught me up, and then I got to Eastwood and was able to pass him and a couple other people, and handed off to Ethan Wilson, and he did the same. Aidan Antry was the closer, and he finished like usual. We knew he would. Yeah, Ethan was made for this. He is the best guy in the league right now."

Both Hemmert and Wilson are ranked in the state despite not having the best times or distances in the NBC — that is how good the league has gotten. Hemmert has personal record times of 23.14 (200), 6-0 (high jump), 20-3 $\frac{3}{4}$ (long jump), and 11.52 (100), and none are tops in the NBC, but his 39-6 in the triple jump is ranked fifth in Ohio, according to MileSplit. He won the indoor triple jump state championship at 42-2 last winter.

Hemmert's PRs are 20-11 $\frac{1}{4}$ (long jump), 5-10 (high jump), 23.48 (200), and 42-1 $\frac{1}{4}$ in the triple jump, which will not be an event at the spring outdoor state meet. His long jump is the best in the NBC, by the way, and he proved it at the league meet.

Wilson and Hemmert were also long jump relay champions and triple jump relay champions at the Perkins Relays. Wilson won the high jump and Hemmert was second at the Lakota Invitational, and Hemmert won the long jump at the Port Clinton Invitational. At the Ottawa County Championships, which has been run for over 100 years, Hemmert won the long jump and high jump.

Eastwood girls track wins 21st straight league title

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In one of the few individual races, Haas won the 300 hurdles, finishing in 50.35 to beat second place Northview hurdler Maria Smithers (51.48).

There were challenges, however, like the girls medley relay team that finished third, which is not bad considering who the Eagles were up against.

We went into the race having to beat Liberty-Benton, so we went into that race under 14, which we accomplished," said Haley Sponaugle. "We ran 13:38, so we were very happy with that. I think almost everyone hit their goal time. It's always nice to win but we know we gave our best effort."

In the 4x100, Eastwood ran a time of 52.17, just a split second behind Start (52.13) in a photo finish.



Aubrey Haas. (By Danielle DeFalco)

"I think it's the best 4x1 we've ever run. All the handoffs felt great and we were really powerful," Downs said.

Sabo added, "It was our season best time that we ran, and there was some really good competition. I think we really pushed ourselves and we really finished strong."

In the 1600 sprint medley; Haas thought Eastwood's time of 4:20.24 was better than expected.

"I think when we started, when we ran at Genoa, I started the 4x2 and ran really well for being the first leg," Haas said. "I was pretty confident for the sprint medley, just knowing that I had to push out and go after the girls who are out in front of me. So I had a really good feeling. We had a really strong team."

Haas said Stevenson, who ran the final leg, knew how to finish.

"She has run cross country the past

two years and I think that has really helped her tremendously," Haas said. "Obviously, it has carried over and she ran indoor, too. She's running a lot more open (events) and that has shown not only in her times, but in her 800 opening on the 4x8. She's a really hard worker in that and certainly it does not go unnoticed."

In the cold and wind, Kiefer finished second in the hammer (120-6), third in the shot put (37-8 $\frac{1}{2}$). With her two teammates, Eastwood finished second in the discus and shot, but the hammer throw was run as an individual event only.

"I've been staying consistent, which makes me happy. Overall, our throwing team has been doing really well. Honestly, the wind doesn't really affect me because we're outside practicing all year," Kiefer said.

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Woodmore athletes Olivia Vogelpohl and Rahzia Rios (Photo by Julie Beam)



Woodmore hurdler and NBC Athlete of the Meet Azure Travis. (Photo by Julie Beam)

Vogelpohl, Travis honored

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Despite the Eastwood girls track championship at the Northern Buckeye Conference meet, Woodmore's Olivia Vogelpohl got Athlete of the Year and her teammate Azure Travis got Track Athlete of the Meet.

"Olivia had a great meet at the NBC championships," Woodmore coach James McMahon said. "She is our most experienced distance runner and a leader on the team. She was a state placer last year so she knows how to perform on the big stage."

"We loaded her up with four events — two individual (800 and 1600) and two relay events (4x400 and 4x800). She is a gamer and handled it well. Not only is she a great runner, she is a great person — multi-sport athlete, excellent student. It means a lot when coaches of a great conference like the NBC vote her athlete of the year," McMahon added, noting that Lacy Seamans works with Vogelpohl as Woodmore's distance coach.

Clare Logan of Rossford was Field Event Athlete of the Meet after winning the long jump (18-2½) and 200 (26.15).

Travis won both hurdle events, first taking the 100 hurdles, finishing in 15.8 seconds to beat Eastwood senior Aubrey Haas (16.72). In the 300 hurdles, Travis finished in 46.22 seconds to defeat Otsego sophomore Faith Keifer (48.58).

Travis, who won NBC hurdle championships last year, too, had to deal with 80-degree heat during the league meet, like everyone else. Plus she is trying to overcome her own adversity, yet still managed to sweep the hurdles events.

"It feels really good. It's not great, my muscles are tired, but it's better than cold. I worked really hard this season — I was also trying to recover from an injury," Travis said.

McMahon added, "Azure Travis is an incredible competitor. She is a very coachable and great student athlete. Azure worked hard in the offseason and indoor season to prepare for the season. Her times have come down a lot compared to last year's times. We are excited about the state tournament for her and hope she makes it to Columbus."

Vogelpohl and Woodmore sophomore Emma Hammer were one-two in the 1600, finishing in 5:36.84 and 5:41.42.

Woodmore junior Rahzia Rios won the 400, finishing in 1:02.1 to defeat second place Lake senior Ava Ayers (1:02.36).

Travis, Vogelpohl, Hammer and Rios won the 4x400 relay, finishing in 4:12.13 to defeat second place Eastwood (Maisy Stevenson, Amelia Ward, Mikayla Hoelter and Lilly Mullholland), which timed at 4:16.1.

Genoa sophomore Lillian Frias won the high jump, clearing 5-3 to outdistance second place Lake sophomore Kennedy Eckman, who was in a three-way with Clare and Elmwood senior Madelyn Davis at 4-10.

Breanna Braatz was joined on Lake's championship 4x200 relay team by seniors Ava Ayers and Olivia Hayward and freshman Adeana Cowell, which won 1:50.4. Rossford (1:50.74) was second. Braatz also won the 100 in 12.95.



Luke Hickey

Hickey, Butler new cage coaches

Lake Schools has hired as its head boys basketball coach, Luke Hickey. A graduate of Whitmer High School, Hickey was part of the Panthers' Division I state runner-up team in 2012.

In addition, Hickey was a four-year starter in baseball at Bluffton University earning all-conference honors each year. Hickey has been a teacher in the building at Lake High School and has also been a member of the basketball and baseball coaching staff.

Prior to coming to Lake Schools, Hickey had coached and taught at Lima Bath High School. Athletic Director Dave Shaffer says he is "excited for the future of Lake Flyers basketball with Coach Hickey."

Eastwood hired Brittany (Gross) Butler at its May 16 board meeting as head girls basketball coach. She is a 2013 Elmwood graduate and a four-year letter winner in basketball for Capital University. She coached at Dublin Schools for four years before becoming head coach at Botkins, where her team was 18-7 last year, losing in the district finals. She will also be a building substitute teacher at the high school.

"We are very excited about her becoming our new head coach and are looking forward to having her get started this summer in preparing for next season," Athletic Director Jeff Hill stated in a press release. "She will have a full summer schedule completed soon."

Eastwood will have a "Meet the Coach" Night the week of May 23 "so that all of the parents and players have the opportunity to meet her and for her to talk about her program and this summer," Hill said. "We are excited to get a new coach with the background and experience that Brittany does."

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Toledo

Waite High School Class of 1963 will meet May 26 after the Memorial Service at the high school. For info, contact Rick at 419-265-4271 or rick5385@gmail.com.

Oregon Senior Center Annual Rummage & Bake Sale, June 2-3, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and June 4, 9 a.m.-noon (same weekend as Oregon Community Garage Sales), outside at 4350 Navarre Ave. \$25 per selling area (two parking spaces). Email Amber@oscoho.org or call 419-698-7078 for more information and an application.

Birmingham Neighbors Helping Neighbors meets the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Birmingham Branch Library, 203 Paine Ave., and the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. at VFW 4906, 2161 Consaul.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) welcomes new members who want to lose weight. The group meets Mondays from 7-8 p.m. at the East Toledo Senior Center, 1001 White St. Weigh-ins from 6-6:45 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.

Waite High School Class of 1955 meets the second Tuesday of each month. For info, contact Ned at 419-893-4336.

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

Rollin' Food & Farmer's Market, first and third Wednesdays of the month May-October, 5401 Starr Ave Ext., soccer fields. Farmers market, food trucks, vendors and more. Free admission. Presented by the Eastern Maumee Bay Chamber of Commerce and the City of Oregon.

Rita's Soups, third Saturday of the month, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, corner of Coy and Navarre. Offering homemade soup to eat in or carry out. Open to the community. Freewill offerings accepted.

Great Eastern Toastmasters Club meets in person on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. at ProMedica Bay Park Hospital in the meeting room located in the basement 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 oregondemocraticclub.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.

Euchre, Sundays at 2 p.m., VFW 9816, 1802 Ashcroft.

Oregon Jerusalem Historical Society Brandville School, 1133 Grasser St., will be open for visit and museum tours Thursdays 10 a.m.-2 p.m. throughout the summer. Explore the refreshed Military Room, One-Room Schoolhouse, Dapple Horse Barn, Carriage House and the new Genealogy Office. Free parking. Hopscotch and four square are painted on the parking lot pavement for kids to enjoy old-fashioned fun.

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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, 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.

Food for Thought Food Pantry at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Coy Road and Navarre Avenue, is open the second Tuesday of the month from 3-5 p.m.

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

Celebrate Recovery, a 12-step, Christian-based recovery program to help anyone overcome addictions, anxiety, depression, grief and co-dependency, 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 Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Toledo Shrine, 655 S. Coy Rd. Call 419-697-7742 or 419-213-0214.

Northwood

Northwood VFW Post 2984, 1802 W. Andrus Rd., will present the band EZ Pickenz, May 21, 7-10 p.m.

Northwood Nights, second Friday of the month through September, 4-7 p.m., Central Park. Food trucks, vendors, crafters, handmade items, dance performances, adult beverage tent and live entertainment. ci.northwood.oh.us/residents/community_events/northwood_nights.php.

Northwood Local Schools Senior Citizens Luncheon, June 3, 11 a.m. in the K-12 school building cafeteria. All Northwood senior citizens invited. RSVP by May 27 at 419-691-3888.

Northwood High School Ranger Roundup Reunion 2023: Plans are being made for the next Ranger Roundup Reunion for years 1940-1975. A class representative is needed for 1970, 1971, 1972, 1974, and 1975. Email your name and contact info to rangersfun@yahoo.com to volunteer or to be added to the invite list.

VFW Post 2984 Fish Fries, June 3, 5-7:30 p.m., 102 W. Andrus Rd. \$12. Also featuring steak, shrimp, chicken and macaroni and cheese. Dine in or carry out.

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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.

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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. Due to concerns with COVID, meetings are accessible via Zoom. The public is welcome to 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.

Elliston

Red Cross Blood Drive, May 28, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Elliston Zion United Methodist Church-Graytown, 18045 W. William St, off Elliston Trowbridge Road. A homemade breakfast will be served to those who come to donate. No walk-ins. Make an appointment at redcrossblood.org (search ZIP code 43432 or call 1-800-733-2767).

Elmore

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.

Genoa

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. Call Tom Chaffin at 419-460-3265 for info.

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; Fresh Find Adult Book Chat, May 23, 7 p.m. - Discuss "Wish You Were Here," by Jodi Picoult; Hear and Share Book Chat for Seniors, May 27, 10:30 a.m. at the Gibsonburg Senior Center - Discussion about "The Beginnings and Tales of the Erie Islands," by Jessie Martin. The library offers lockers for after-hours pickup of materials. Register at birchard.org. Call 419-637-2173 for details.

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/Elliston

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

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.

Oak Harbor

Oak Harbor Public Library, 147 W. Main St., programs include: Preschool Storytimes, Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Fourth Tuesday Book Club, May 24, 6 p.m. - Discuss "A Thousand Splendid Suns," by Khaled Hosseini. New members welcome. 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 for info.

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.

BCS Food Pantry Inc. at St. Paul UCC, 165 Toussaint St., is open Monday and Thursday, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Open to residents of Benton, Carroll and Salem townships. Providing groceries, as well as personal hygiene and cleaning supplies, when available.

Pemberville

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.

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

Dance featuring Crimson Lights Band, Walbridge VFW Post 9963, 109 N. Main St., May 22 and June 12 and 26 from 2-5 p.m. Dates subject to change. Bar will be serving beer and wine coolers, along with soft drinks. Call Carolyn at 419-836-3308 or 419-260-0464.

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Woodville

Woodville Farmers Market, May 28 from 9 a.m.-noon, Trail Marker Park, South Cherry Street. In the event of rain, the market will move to Fellowship Hall at Woodville United Methodist Church. Future farmers market dates include June 25, July 23, Aug. 27 and Sept. 24.

Woodville All-Town Garage Sales, May 26-28. Rosters available days of sale at McDonald's, Sunoco, and Marathon.

Memorial Day Parade, May 30 at 8:30 a.m. Pancake Breakfast at Solomon School immediately following. Donations accepted.

Woodville Library, 101 E. Main St., programs include: Storytimes, Mondays at 10 a.m.; Homemade Living, May 22, 10 a.m. on Facebook - Back-to-basics skills for living a simpler life. birchard.lib.oh.us, 419-849-2744.

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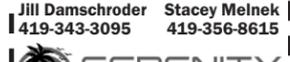
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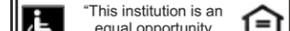
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230 Garage Sales

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250 Rummage Sales

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The purpose of this hearing is to consider an appeal of a BZA decision for a zoning variance on a fence location from Frank & Gale Despones for the property at 102 3rd Street Genoa, Ohio, 43430

Council for the Village of Genoa

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Elmore Council will hold a public hearing on June 13, 2022, at the Village of Elmore Town Hall, 344 Rice St. at 6:00 PM. Individuals who will attend this meeting will have the opportunity to speak. Those not able to attend may submit comments. Comments will need to be in writing and shall be received before 4:00 PM on the date of the above hearing. Comments can be addressed to the President of Village Council, 344 Rice St., Elmore, Ohio 43416.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider proposed changes to the Village of Elmore Zoning Map by including the recently annexed parcels of land into the Village of Elmore, which are currently zoned through the Harris Township Zoning code

At the conclusion of this hearing these matters will be discussed during an Elmore Village Council meeting for further determination.

David Hower, Village of Elmore Administrator.

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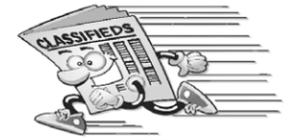
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