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Lake Twp. Officer's help with seniors' vaccinations acknowledged

By Larry Limpf

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The efforts of the Lake Township Community Policing Officer to assist senior citizens get vaccinated for the coronavirus haven't gone unnoticed.

Following local coverage of Ron Craig and the help he's provided for area seniors, news outlets and websites in other cities and states have aired stories on his work.

And on Feb. 23, a CNN news crew was at the township police station for about 1 1/2 hours to interview him.

"The producer said they watch local news, looking for positive police stories," Craig said after the crew had left.

As of Wednesday, he's helped about 200 residents, many of them members of the township's neighborhood watch program, wade through the pre-vaccination paperwork and get the shots.

It was the frustration of those residents that led him to try to do something.

"I regularly contact my neighborhood watch members during the COVID pandemic, keep an eye on people to see if they need any groceries or supplies and then drop them off on their porches," Craig said. "For one woman I even took gas cans from my garage and filled her car up for her. She had had eye surgery in Columbus and was so afraid of contracting COVID she didn't want to stop and get gas."

"In calling around about five or six weeks ago several people told me they were having trouble getting appointments for vaccinations. When Chief (Mark) Hummer got wind of this he gave me the green light to do whatever I could. The first two weeks I was doing what the government was telling everybody to do. Check websites several times a day and call 2-1-1, the United Way. I was getting the same result as everybody else. If I did find an opening somewhere online by the time you got the person's name, address, phone number, date of birth entered, the spot was gone. When I called the 2-1-1 number I would get a message to call back later. I realized then this isn't working. I've got to switch gears."

He then contacted his pharmacist at the Walgreens store in Perrysburg and ex-

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Quote of The Week

Eventually, as George Orwell predicted, telling the truth will become a revolutionary act.

John Whitehead
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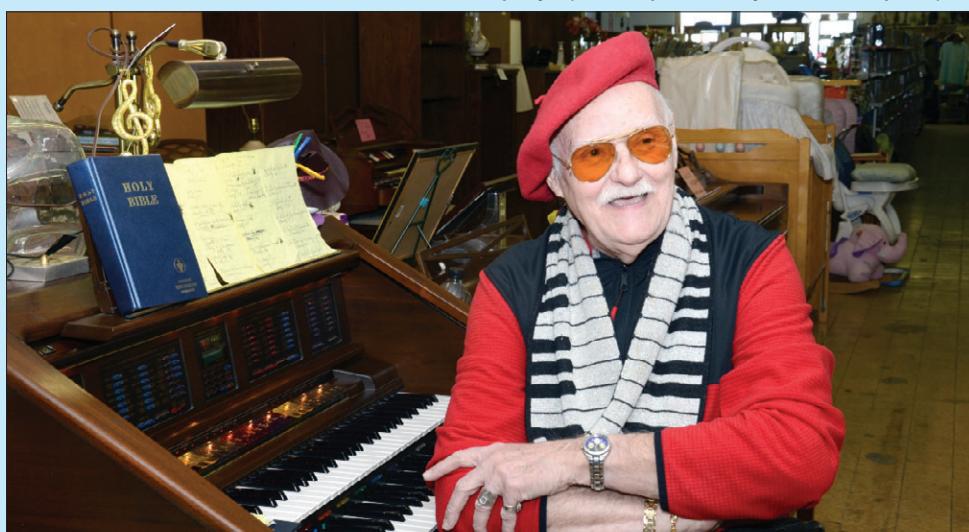
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Making people happy

From the Grand Ole Opry to Meg's Sweet Pickins at the Great Eastern Shopping Center, Arville Smith, age 82, of Oregon, continues to play music. "I just want to make people happy," said Smith who once performed at the Grand Ole Opry by filling in for Ferlin Husky's piano player who took ill. Originally from Tennessee, Smith recalls how at age 19 he was performing at WIVK when a very young Dolly Parton stopped in to do her first radio performance. Today, Smith can be found playing at Sweet Pickins weekdays and on Sundays when he performs Gospel hymns. "I just go wherever God sends me," said Smith. Top photo, Jorge McNutt, stops in daily to hear Smith play. (Press photos by Ken Grosjean)

Oregon improves internet for fire stations, recreation

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Oregon City Council approved a contract with Telesystem, of Northwood, to provide voice, long distance services, internet access services, and point-to-point lines from the municipal building to remote locations for a three year period.

The agreement will provide for the enhancement of internet and wireless services throughout city buildings as well as the recreation facilities.

"One of the things that's been an obstacle towards efficient communication for us has been our pipe to the internet has been too small for a long time," said City Administrator Mike Beazley. "This provides for a considerable expansion of that capacity so our departments and those in the building can get easier access."

City solicitor Melissa Purpura said "it looks like it's going to be a great plan for us for the next three years."

"Especially for increasing the bandwidth...to improve our efficiency," she said.

The old contract for 40 MB internet is no longer viable. The new contract will increase the bandwidth to 250 MB internet, which would allow city staff to use various

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software and internet browsers as efficiently as possible.

The new contract will also allow E-Line service to all three fire stations, the water treatment plant, the wastewater treatment plant, and cemeteries from their current bandwidth of 3-5MB internet to 25MB internet.

"Our fire stations have so little capacity," said Beazley. "They couldn't even download or share information prior to this."

Concession stands

The contract also includes the addition of internet service to the two conces-

sion stands at the recreation complex by the baseball diamonds and the soccer fields. It was requested by Parks and Recreation Commissioner Tim Borton to allow for a more reliable connection to the credit card machines. Telesystem has agreed to pay for the construction costs to run fiber connection to the concession stands.

"We'll be able to make a credit card machine work in concessions in a much more efficient way," said Beazley. "In a world where people don't use cash anymore, you have to have that capacity."

City Council President Dennis Walendzak asked Beazley what could be done to get expanded broadband width for the community.

"Our citizens have mentioned it to many council members on expanding our broadband width for our community. I know our hands are tied on that," said Walendzak. "Is there any way we can try to force somebody's hand to deliver more broadband services to the community?"

"We can encourage it," said Beazley. "We continue to have conversations with interested providers. The challenge is that Buckeye has gone out and invested in the community. They have cable and lines installed. They're the ones who have the

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Officer's help

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plained what he was trying to do. She said the store's vaccination supply was depleted and referred him to the Walgreens in Bowling Green. The pharmacist at the BG store said there were 30 slots open the following week that could be reserved if Craig could put together a spreadsheet with the names, addresses and other required data.

"I couldn't put the spreadsheet together fast enough," Craig said. "I had it done in about two hours."

A week later he contacted the Wood County Health Department and was told there were about 50 slots open at a distribution planned for the senior center in the Village of Walbridge.

"Again I got a list together and emailed it to the health department," he said.

With more than 100 residents still trying to find a slot, Craig floated a proposal to the health department to let him organize a vaccination clinic. He then secured permission from Mainstreet Church in Moline for the site.

The clinic was held Feb. 17 with 10



Officer Ron Craig

slots every 15 minutes being serviced.

"The health department allowed me to fill nine of the 10 slots with my people," Craig said. "What a tremendous response we got from the Lake Township residents there. Obviously this is not something that is a law enforcement function. But as a community policing officer I'm hearing my neighborhood watch members tell me how frustrated they are. Many don't have computers or internet access or email so they had to rely on calling 2-1-1. But they weren't getting anywhere with that. Even those with internet saw the slots were gone by the time they had filled in their data. The slots were filling that fast."

With the extensive news coverage, Craig is receiving words of appreciation from near and far. He received a thank you note from a resident of Cocoa Beach, Florida, who wrote that her son was a law enforcement officer.

A township resident also sent a thank you card with a donation of \$100 that will go to the Lake Township Police Officers Association fund that is used for charitable projects.

Craig estimates about 70 to 80 local senior residents are still trying to get appointments.

"I'll try to help out as much as I can," he said.

Editor's note: Officer Craig said he was informed by a CNN producer the interview will be shown sometime during the morning of Friday, Feb. 26.

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Pre-trial hearing set

A pre-trial hearing in the case of a Lake Township man accused of rape has been set for March 9 in Wood County Common Pleas Court.

Steven Finch, II, was indicted by a Wood County grand jury on 30 counts alleging he committed rape, assault and kidnapping against his wife going back to

August 2019.

Bond for Finch was set at \$500,000 and he was ordered to have no contact with the victim.

The charges also include specifications alleging Finch is a sexually violent predator.

Finch has been held in the Wood County Justice Center since his arrest.

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service. And they do a good job. But every year, there's more demand. We have built more cell towers, and they've done a tremendous job meeting demand. Every year, it seems, we're sucking down more data through our phones and throughout our systems. Sylvania has something on their agenda this week arguing about a location for a cell tower as well. That's going to continue to be a problem for all communities going forward. It's a moving target. We're very engaged along those lines. But we have more conversations than solutions."

Also at the meeting, council:

- Approved the purchase from Baumann Ford of a 2021 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor Utility AWD Base (K8A) vehicle to be used by the Street Division in the Department of Public Service for \$34,698.14. The utility vehicle will be used for the purpose of general support, maintenance, and inspection;
- Authorized the mayor to issue purchase orders to Crystal Flash, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and Great Lakes Petroleum Co., of Cleveland, for the 2021 purchase and delivery of petroleum products used by city divisions for vehicles and equipment.



New restaurant on Navarre Ave.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held to mark the opening of the Culver's of Oregon restaurant at 2866 Navarre Ave. Owner/operator Ronald Sesi is shown with family members and staff. (Submitted photo)

Workplace

Clinic opens

P.T. Services Rehabilitation Inc. is opening a new outpatient clinic at 1800 W. State Street in Fremont.

The new location offers physical, occupational, speech, massage therapy and

wellness programs. Specific services include pediatric, adult, neuro, and orthopedic rehabilitation therapies encompassing a wide range of diagnoses.

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Summons issued for indicted businessman

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A nationwide warrant issued for the arrest of Ralph E. Slaske, Jr., 47, who has been indicted in Wood County Common Pleas Court on several charges stemming from how he operated his construction businesses, has been withdrawn.

The court last week approved the withdrawal and then authorized the issuance of a summons for Slaske to appear in court Feb. 26.

Court records list a Charleston, South Carolina address for Slaske. The summons was issued to Slaske through a Toledo attorney.

Authorities allege Slaske defrauded customers, banks, subcontractors and others involved in the construction industry.

The indictment says he would take money from customers without providing services and defraud banks by forging affidavits stating work had been completed when it hadn't. The forged documents would allow to him draw funding being held by the bank for the projects.

The indictment contends he would also engage the services of subcontractors without paying them.

Slaske closed his business in 2018, leaving several projects incomplete and others not started.

The aggravated theft charge, a third de-

gree felony, carries a maximum penalty of eight to 12 years in prison. The forgery and money laundering charges are both third degree felonies with a maximum penalty of three years each.

If convicted on all counts, Slaske faces 14 to 18 years in prison.

Paul Dobson, Wood County prosecutor, said an investigator from his office and the Perrysburg Police Department spent months interviewing victims and collating data to prepare the case.

Arraignment for charity president

The president and chief executive officer of a global charity faces a March 5 arraignment hearing in Wood County Common Pleas Court.

Linda Greene, who heads Impact with Hope Children's Worldwide Hunger & Health Relief, formerly known as ISOH/IMPACT, has been indicted on charges of telecommunications fraud, tampering with records and aggravated theft, all third degree felonies, and two counts of engaging in prohibited acts and practices for charities, both second degree felonies.

The telecommunications fraud charge alleges Greene used a system of telecommunications to further a scheme to defraud others, resulting in an aggregate loss of at least \$7,500 to the victims. She is also alleged to have tampered with the accounting and other financial records of the organization required by law to be kept. The

resulting financial losses were anywhere from \$7,500 to \$150,000.

The theft charge alleges she deprived the organization of more than \$150,000 in "monies and services, reimbursements, and/or personal care."

Ohio law prohibits charitable organization members from soliciting donations by stating they will be used for the charitable purpose and then using them for personal purposes. The indictment alleges Greene secured more than \$37,500 in donations by such solicitations.

The organization's registration with the Ohio Attorney General's Office state's its mission is to provide food, medical supplies, disaster relief, educational development and child sponsorship around the globe.

If convicted on all counts, Greene would face a maximum penalty of 17 to 21 years in prison.

She was originally indicted in December, 2018 on a fifth degree felony theft charge. That charge was dropped when investigators determined a more extensive criminal case was possible. The Wood County prosecutor's office and the bureau of criminal investigation and charitable law unit of the Ottawa Attorney General's office then embarked on a more in-depth investigation, resulting in the current indictments.

The case has been assigned to Judge Joel Kuhlman.

Wood County

Humane Society to close for HVAC upgrades

The Wood County Humane Society (WCHS) will be closing temporarily from mid-March through early May to allow for the installation of new HVAC systems.

This project, which has been in the works for over a year, will involve the installation of three new, individual HVAC systems for the shelter, located at 801 Van Camp Rd. in Bowling Green.

One system will be for the cat rooms, another will be for the dog kennels, and a third will be for non-animal areas.

The new HVAC systems are expected to significantly reduce exposure to airborne pathogens and to reduce annual utility expenditures by roughly 20 percent.

The existing HVAC system at the shelter is original to the building, dating to the mid-1980s. According to Building & Grounds Chair John Aleksander, the current system no longer meets the building code and is extremely inefficient. Aleksander also noted that, due to the age of the system, replacement parts are very difficult to locate.

The current renovation project also involves the installation of new ductwork throughout the building, new LED lighting fixtures and dimming light switches, new ceiling grid and tile, a new electrical pan-

el in garage, emergency lighting, motion sensors, a sound reduction wall above the ceiling in specific areas, and a secure roof access ladder on the outside of the building.

During the period of temporary closure, WCHS will be operating from a satellite location and will provide limited services to the community. Animal intake will be limited during this time, given that the organization will be relying on fosters and adoptions to house animals needing a home.

Other services that will continue to be available during the temporary closure include: responding to calls of animal cruelty, neglect and abandonment; requests for pet food/community cat food assistance.

To stay up-to-date with what's happening at WCHS, follow the organization on Facebook ([wchsohio](https://www.facebook.com/wchsohio)) or visit its website (wchumane.org).

WCHS is a private, non-profit, managed admission shelter providing care for homeless and abused or neglected pets. The organization receives no funding from national humane organizations for daily operations, instead relying on earned revenue and the generosity of individual donors and businesses to fund programs

such as Humane Investigations, Safe Pets, food assistance programs, low-cost spay/neuter opportunities, and educational presentations.

The WCHS provides care for over a thousand animals each year – from dogs and cats, to the occasional pocket pet or farm animal. All animals admitted into the adoption program are housed and cared for as long as it takes to find their adoptive home.

Terra State offering COVID antibody tests

Terra State Community College began offering COVID-19 antibody testing to students and employees as of Feb. 25.

Testing will be offered every Tuesday and Thursday from 9-11 a.m. and from 3-5 p.m. Tests are open to any student or employee and are free of charge. Antibodies are tested by a finger prick and results are returned within 15 minutes.

Polymerase chain reaction (PCR) and rapid COVID-19 tests will continue to be available. Any student or employee looking to receive a PCR, rapid or antibody test can email COVID19testing@terra.edu to make an appointment.

Crash under investigating

The Ohio State Highway Patrol is investigating a fatal, two-vehicle crash that occurred Feb. 19 on Toussaint Portage Road, south of Genzman Road, in Carroll Township, Ottawa County.

Antonio Guerra, Sr., age 61, Port Clinton, was operating a garbage truck and sustained minor injuries and was transported to Magruder Hospital in Port Clinton.

Robert Tarbuskovich, 71, Oak Harbor, sustained fatal injuries as a result of the crash. He was not wearing his safety belt at the time of crash.

The truck was stopped northbound on Toussaint Portage Road collecting garbage and was struck by the northbound Tarbuskovich vehicle in the rear.

Alcohol and/or drug use are not suspected to be a factor in the crash.

Toledo bar cited

Agents of the Ohio Investigative Unit on Feb. 21 and issued a citation after witnessing alleged violations at Frankie Goes to Town LLC., known as Chevy's Bar, Toledo.

The establishment was cited for improper conduct – disorderly activity. At 12:10 a.m., agents observed approximately 100 patrons standing and consuming alcohol with little to no facial coverings worn or social distancing measures in place.

Agents also observed security at the door allowing patrons to enter without controlling the capacity of the permit premises. Agents previously cited the liquor permit in October for improper conduct – disorderly activity.

The case will go before the Ohio Liquor Control Commission for potential penalties, including fines and/or the suspension or revocation of liquor permits.

Zoning matters

The Wood County Planning Commission will consider a request to amend sections of the Troy Township zoning resolution during the commission's March 2 meeting.

The township is proposing to change the requirement that all applicants for a zoning permit must file a statement of intended use with the zoning inspector prior to the inspector issuing a permit. The other proposal would clarify whether zoning permits are needed for fences, pools, ponds, outdoor furnaces and signs.

The planning commission will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the county office building in Bowling Green.

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Catch of the day

Art Tang and his fiance Marlene Balisi, of Chicago, display some of their catch after a day of ice fishing at Magee Marsh. The two said they usually make the trip in the summer, but took advantage of this year's ice adding that they prefer fishing on Lake Erie over Lake Michigan. "This is the walleye capitol of the world," exclaimed Tang. Their biggest catch was a 26", 8 lb. walleye that was full of eggs, which they released. (Press photo by Ken Grosjean)



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 • Domestic violence, 300 block of Van Buren Ave., Feb. 7.
 • Assault, 5600 block of Seaman Rd., Feb. 8.
 • Identity fraud, 4400 block of Pickle Rd., Feb. 8.
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 • Theft, criminal damage, 2800 block of Pickle Rd., Feb. 7.
 • Burglary, breaking and entering, Tesco Transportation, 5464 Navarre Ave., Feb. 10.
 • Theft, 5300 block of Bayshore Rd., Feb. 3.
 • Assault, 300 block of Crestway Dr., Feb. 3.
 • Domestic violence, 1900 block of Lagundovie Rd., Feb. 11.
 • Domestic violence, 2400 block of Pickle Rd., Feb. 7.

Kindergarten Screening set for May

Genoa Elementary will host its annual Kindergarten Screening May 12 and 13, with May 14 set as an overflow day.

Parent information and registration forms will be 100 percent virtual this year, and must be completed prior to the screening date. In order to be eligible for kindergarten screening, a child must be 5 years old by Aug. 1. All kindergarten students must be screened and registered

in order to begin the 2021-22 school year. Parents/guardians can call the elementary office to set up an appointment date and time beginning March 22. There will be five appointment slots per day – 9 a.m., 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 2 p.m., with a limit of 10 students per sessions. Appointments will be based on a first-come, first-served basis.

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This week in Toledo's past: Events in the Toledo area over the past 150 years

Feb. 28 to March 6

Feb. 28

1900 - Massive blizzard paralyzes Toledo area with 20 inches of snow. Mail and passenger trains are snowbound. Downtown Toledo hotels are jammed with stranded travelers. All able-bodied men are being called to help shovel the city out.

1903 - Albert and Ben Wade are found guilty in the brutal murder of Kate Sullivan in her farm house in the Trilby area. Both brothers had been accused of attacking and killing the woman in a robbery attempt. They're sentenced to die in the electric chair and that double execution was carried out the next year in 1904.

1983 - Thousands of Toledoans join other American fans to say farewell to the TV show M.A.S.H. The local party for the final episode viewing took place at Tony Packo's on Front Street, made famous by the show's Toledo native son, Jamie Farr, or Klinger.

March 1

1803 - Ohio is admitted to the Union. Toledo is still basically wild unsettled country and swampland in those years.

1901 - Professor Foster, principal of Bowling Green High School, is pummeled by the fists of J.W. McKnight the head of the city's Power and Light Company. The beating which occurred at Main and Wooster Streets was in retribution for a severe punishment that Foster had inflicted to McKnight's son for misbehavior.



1926 - More than a dozen people are arrested after a rum runner's war breaks out on downtown Toledo streets. Police reports say there were gun battles and beatings between rival bootleg gangs.

1947 - Tom Scholz who would later start the music group Boston, is born in Toledo.

March 2

1900 - Inmates at the Toledo Workhouse on "Duck Island" in Swan Creek say they are being held in inhumane conditions and want an investigation. They allege everything from "rotten meat" being served to them to torture in dungeons.

1904 - Major flooding strikes Grand Rapids on the Maumee River and an old wagon bridge is torn loose and sent crashing into the rushing water.

1947 - Toledo bans the baking and sale of cream filled pastries after 50 people are sickened by contaminated chocolate éclairs from a Lewis Avenue bakery.

March 3

1928 - Construction begins on the new Central Catholic High School on Cherry

Street.

1929 - Ground is broken for the construction of University Hall at the University of Toledo, the first building on the campus.

1944 - The USS Mackinaw Coast Guard cutter is launched into the Maumee River at the Toledo shipbuilding yards. The big cutter would become the most famous Coast Guard ship on the Great Lakes for the next 60 years. It is now a floating museum at Cheboygan Michigan

1981 - Ollie Czelusta, Toledo's first Polish-American mayor, dies at the age of 85.

March 4

1919 - "Babe" the large Indian elephant at the Toledo Zoo is used to push a truck out of the snow at Dartmouth and Amherst Streets, near the zoo, but the giant beast crushes the truck in the effort.

1938 - More than 100 unemployed men stage a sit-down protest at the Fulton County Courthouse at Wauseon.

1955 - The old log cabin at the BGSU campus known as the "Falcon's Nest" is towed to nearby Portage, Ohio where it becomes a Legion Hall. It is still there.

1976 - Toledo bowler, 46-year-old John Pezzin rolls 33 consecutive strikes in back-to-back 300 games and finishes with an 859 series at Miracles Lanes. It sets a new national record for consecutive strikes.

March 5

1876 - Peter Lonz and his family make a home on Middle Bass Island and start a winery. The rest is history.

1877 - Rutherford B. Hayes of Fremont begins his term as the President of the United States following a controversial Electoral College win against Democrat Sam Tilden.

1880 - Toledo Policeman John Hassett is killed by debris from a tornado while he was on duty at the Buckeye Brewery.

1938 - A bomb is thrown at the house of Toledo School Board Chairman John Taylor. He was under fire by many parents for allowing a speech at Robinson Junior High by Earl Browder, Secretary of the American Communist Party.

March 6

1837 - Toledo holds its first municipal elections. John Berdan is chosen as the city's first mayor.

1908 - The Cherry St. Bridge is knocked into the Maumee River by the steamship Yuma.

1926 - Edward Drummond Libbey leaves \$14 million dollars from his estate to endow the Toledo Museum of Art.

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Court Log

Oregon Municipal Court

- Jennifer Ann Avalos, 388 Spieker Terrace, Toledo, 180 days Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio (CCNO), 165 days suspended, \$387 court costs and fines, assault.
- Kirsten Ashley Poole, 159 Maple, Rossford, 180 days CCNO, 170 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, dangerous drugs.
- Donovan J. Estrada, 2719 Northvale, 30 days CCNO, 20 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, domestic violence.
- Kevin Mason, 6405 Glenhurst, Maumee, 60 days CCNO, 60 days suspended, \$397 court costs and fines, negligent assault.
- Paul Eric Reinhart, 2510 Consaul, Toledo, 30 days CCNO, 30 days suspended, prohibitions state ownership of wild animals,
- Juan Antonio Martinez, 1220 Yates, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 100 days suspended, \$397 court costs and fines, theft.
- Quintin William Gillard, 603 Belmont, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, \$347 court costs and fines, assault.
- Troy Anthony Stoll, 7720 Dowling, Perrysburg, 30 days CCNO, 30 days suspended, \$250 court costs and fines, attempt to commit an offense.
- Troy Anthony Stoll, 7720 Dowling, Perrysburg, 30

days CCNO, 30 days suspended, \$250 court costs and fines, menacing.

Matthew M. Glenn, 3321 Highway, Athens, Tennessee, \$197 court costs and fines, possession of a controlled substance.

Joshua B. Borowicz, 3220, Flame, Oregon, \$117 court costs and fines, vessel flotation devices.

Christina M. Sobecki, 1852 N. Stadium, Oregon, 180 days CCNO, 90 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, falsification.

Christina M. Sobecki, 1852 N. Stadium, Oregon, 180 days CCNO, 90 days suspended, \$250 court costs and fines, theft.

David L. Dippman, 7109 N. Opferlentz, Curtice, 180 days CCNO, 177 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$556 court costs and fines, operating a vehicle under the influence.

Benjamin Paul Rossler, 9855 Jerusalem, Curtice, 180 days CCNO, 177 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$556 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.

Tyler S. Teet, 1001 Grant, Martin, 180 days CCNO, 150 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$631 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.

Judicial elections

Bill to increase transparency

State Senators Theresa Gavarone (R-Bowling Green) and Jerry C. Cirino (R-Kirtland) on Feb. 23 introduced Senate Bill 80, which would require the party affiliation for certain judicial candidates to be listed on a general election ballot.

The bill applies to judicial candidates for the Ohio Supreme Court and Appellate Courts.

"The current judicial electoral system in Ohio is flawed, mainly because we are the only state in the country where judges run in a partisan primary and a non-partisan general election," Gavarone said. "Voters deserve to have the full picture about candidates on the ballot, and this is just another piece of information they will have to make an informed decision."

Under current Ohio law, judicial can-

candidates' party affiliation is not designated on the general ballot, which can lead to unnecessary confusion when voters are making their selection at the polls.

"Voters deserve maximum transparency in the election process, and this legislation will help Ohioans have a better understanding of which judicial candidates represent their core values," said Cirino. "While I encourage voters to do in-depth research into all candidates on the ballot, this bill ensures that basic party affiliation is readily available at the polls."

Companion legislation is also being introduced in the Ohio House by Representatives D.J. Swearingen (R-Huron) and Brian Stewart (R-Ashville).

For more information on SB 80, visit www.legislature.ohio.gov/

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Oregon eyes natural gas suppliers as part of NOAC

By Kelly J. Kaczala

News Editor

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Oregon City Council recently approved a customer supply agreement for the provision of natural gas to residential and small commercial customers as part of the Northwest Ohio Aggregation Coalition (NOAC).

The city has been a Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) certified governmental aggregator since 2000 and has offered various programs to residential and small commercial users over the years.

The city's membership in NOAC, along with several neighboring communities, has resulted in an estimated savings to all NOAC residential and small commercial participants of \$1.1 million on the current contract.

"For many years, Oregon has been part of an aggregation coalition for both natural gas and electricity," said Administrator Mike Beazley at a meeting on Monday. "We feel very good about how that has worked for our residents. It is one of the very few things that government can do that actually puts money in our residents' pockets. We literally save tens of millions of dollars for

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the regional population through this partnership."

NOAC's current agreement with Volunteer Energy expires in May 2021. NOAC's energy consultant, Palmer Energy, recently issued a Request For Proposals (RFP) for residential and small commercial customers to 11 suppliers. NOAC received five proposals for the provision of lower-cost natural gas to residential and small commercial customers in Oregon.

Suppliers

The NOAC member communities met and reviewed the proposals with Palmer Energy. Palmer recommended moving forward in the contract review and evaluation process with Constellation and Volunteer Energy for 12 month terms to further evaluate and determine which supplier represents the best savings for the residential and small commercial consumers in Oregon. The responses to the RFP provide for the term of the agreement to be 12 months with an increase of approximately \$60 annually per contract, but with an anticipated approximate annual program savings of \$1.06 million annually or potential customer refunds for commercial customers over the term of the agreement.

"This contract is a little bit more unusual this year because we're down to the final negotiation between two parties and we're running out of time on the contract's expiration," said Beazley. "Each of the NOAC communities will pass legislation like this. It gives us authorization to bargain and get it wrapped up. We have a conference call this week to try and wrap it up."

Temporary increase

The reason for the delay: Columbia Gas, whose job it is to deliver the gas through a pipeline, has significantly increased one component of their charges through the federal energy regulatory commission, explained Beazley.

"It is a temporary increase pending a resolution at the federal level. It might be that the consumers end up prevailing on a portion of it and there will be reduced charges. We're negotiating with the parties about whether or not they will pass those savings on to the members. So there's kind of a cumbersome bit of negotiation that is going on. There's some interesting legal questions involved in it," he said.

The ordinance gives authority to the city administration to move forward with final negotiations and enter into a final agreement with the consortium, he added.

The coalition is currently comprised of 13 member communities. Besides Oregon, they include Northwood, Lake Township, the Board of Lucas County Commissioners, Perrysburg, Rossford, Sylvania, Toledo, Waterville, Holland, Perrysburg Township, Ottawa Hills and Maumee.

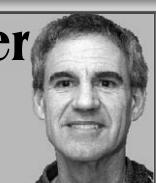
Coal yards, early 1900s



It was a hard day to be crossing the tracks when this vintage photograph was taken of the railroad coal yards about 1904. Even by 1888, Toledo was second to only Chicago in the number of railroads entering the city. Notice the early freighter docked behind the coal loaders and all the old warehouses across the river on Summit Street. The scene looks very different when visiting The Docks restaurants in International Park today.

History Corner

East Toledo Historical Society



by Larry Michaels

Real Estate Transfers

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02/19/2021 Zachary J and Stephanie S Kalinoski, 23104 West Winfield Drive, \$165,000.

Benton Township

02/19/2021 Michael Steven and Angel Fawn Bodnar to Adam C and Kimberly M Shearn, 14399 West Velliquette Road, \$31,000.

Carroll Township

02/17/2021 Jeffery W and Camberlyn A Hunter to Dana Michelle Franck, 8928 West Canada Goose Court, \$140,000.

02/19/2021 Joseph DeAngelo to Christine M McKim, 6425 Teal Bend, \$65,000.

Catawba Island Township

02/17/2021 Gordon P Bak to Timothy S and Celeste Mueller, 5505 Mabel Drive, \$265,000.

02/17/2021 David C and Sandra K Pienta to Douglas R and Karen L Riggenbach, 2170 North Wedgewood, \$300,000.

02/18/2021 David F and Marsha A Polus to Michael E and Debra Weigel, 7770 Ingams Ridge Drive, \$1,230,000.

Elmore Corp

02/18/2021 Eugene O and Linda S Zunk to Bethany L and Derek Eugene Snider, 1288 West State Route 105, \$144,900.

02/19/2021 Jason R and Ashley R Kaylor to Michael J and Alanea C Davis, 208 Fremont Street, \$160,000.

Danbury Township

02/17/2021 Marsha L Bird to CBMart LLC, 6005 East Harbor Road, \$315,000.

02/19/2021 Mike Zinicola to Tina L Home and Justin S Esber, 725 Laurel Ave, \$250,800.

02/19/2021 Louisville Title Agency to Brian K and Stacey C Hrabak 2356 Harbor Bay, \$99,900.

Obituaries

Obituary

Fern S. Rolfs

May 23, 1920 - February 23, 2021



Fern S. Rolfs, age 100, of Northwood, Ohio passed away on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at the Parkcliffe Community at Northwood. She was born on May 23, 1920 in Bowling Green, Ohio. Fern will be dearly missed by her family.

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The family of Betty Marlow Miller Dibert of Pembererville is requesting a card shower in honor of her 90th birthday on Thursday, April 8, 2021. She was born in Union Grove, Wisconsin. She has lived in Weston, Grand Rapids, Elmore, and Pembererville, Ohio. Her family includes Charles Dibert, Marsha & Ed Heber, Robin & Stephanie Marlow, Vickie & Antonio Martinez, Daughter-in-law: Mary Jo Marlow, Diana & Kevin Clark, Barry & Liat Marlow, Special family Jane & Ralph Myers, many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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Are we entering the age of technofascism?

By John Whitehead

"If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear." — George Orwell

In a world increasingly automated and filtered through the lens of artificial intelligence, we are finding ourselves at the mercy of inflexible algorithms that dictate the boundaries of our liberties.

Once artificial intelligence becomes a fully integrated part of the government bureaucracy, there will be little recourse: we will be subject to the intransigent judgments of techno-rulers.

Martin Niemöller's warning about the widening net that ensnares us all still applies.

In our case, however, it started with the censors who went after extremists spouting so-called "hate speech," and few spoke out—because they were not extremists and didn't want to be shamed for being perceived as politically incorrect.

Then the Internet censors got involved and went after extremists spouting "disinformation" about stolen elections, the Holocaust, and Hunter Biden, and few spoke out—because they were not extremists and didn't want to be shunned for appearing to disagree with the majority.

By the time the techno-censors went after extremists spouting "misinformation" about the pandemic and vaccines, the censors had developed a strategy for silencing the nonconformists. Still, few spoke out.

Eventually, "we the people" will be the ones in the crosshairs.

At some point or another, depending on how the government and its corporate allies define what constitutes "extremism," "we the people" might all be considered guilty of some thought crime or other.

When that time comes, there may be no one left to speak out or speak up in our defense.

Whatever we tolerate now—whatever we turn a blind eye to—whatever we rationalize when it is inflicted on others, whether in the name of securing racial justice or defending democracy or combating fascism, will eventually come back to imprison us, one and all.

Watch and learn.

We should all be alarmed when prominent social media voices such as Donald Trump, Alex Jones, David Icke and Robert F. Kennedy Jr. are censored, silenced and made to disappear from Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Instagram for voicing ideas



that are deemed politically incorrect, hateful, dangerous or conspiratorial.

The question is not whether the content of their speech was legitimate.

The concern is what happens after such prominent targets are muzzled. What happens once the corporate techno-censors turn their sights on the rest of us?

It's a slippery slope from censoring so-called illegitimate ideas to silencing truth. Eventually, as George Orwell predicted, telling the truth will become a revolutionary act.

We are on a fast-moving trajectory.

Already, there are calls for the Biden administration to appoint a "reality czar" in order to tackle disinformation, domestic extremism and the nation's so-called "reality crisis."

Knowing what we know about the government's tendency to define its own reality and attach its own labels to behavior and speech that challenges its authority, this should be cause for alarm across the entire political spectrum.

Here's the point: you don't have to like Trump or any of the others who are being muzzled, nor do you have to agree or even sympathize with their views, but to ignore the long-term ramifications of such censorship would be dangerously naïve.

As Matt Welch, writing for Reason, rightly points out, "Proposed changes to government policy should always be visualized with the opposing team in charge of implementation."

In other words, whatever powers you allow the government and its corporate operatives to claim now, for the sake of the greater good or because you like or trust those in charge, will eventually be abused and used against you by tyrants of your own making.

Welcome to the age of technofascism.

Clothed in tyrannical self-righteousness, technofascism is powered by technological behemoths (both corporate and governmental) working in tandem to achieve a common goal.

Thus far, the tech giants have been able to sidestep the First Amendment by virtue of their non-governmental status, but it's a dubious distinction at best. Certainly, Facebook

and Twitter have become the modern-day equivalents of public squares, traditional free speech forums, with the Internet itself serving as a public utility.

But what does that mean for free speech online: should it be protected or regulated? When given a choice, the government always goes for the option that expands its powers at the expense of the citizenry's. Moreover, when it comes to free speech activities, regulation is just another word for censorship.

The steady, pervasive censorship creep that is being inflicted on us by corporate tech giants with the blessing of the powers-that-be threatens to bring about a restructuring of reality straight out of Orwell's 1984, where the Ministry of Truth polices speech and ensures that facts conform to whatever version of reality the government propagandists embrace.

Orwell intended 1984 as a warning. Instead, it is being used as a dystopian instruction manual for socially engineering a populace that is compliant, conformist and obedient to Big Brother.

As Glenn Greenwald writes for The Intercept:

"Censorship power, like the tech giants who now wield it, is an instrument of status quo preservation. The promise of the internet from the start was that it would be a tool of liberation, of egalitarianism, by permitting those without money and power to compete on fair terms in the information war with the most powerful governments and corporations. But just as is true of allowing the internet to be converted into a tool of coercion and mass surveillance, nothing guts that promise, that potential, like empowering corporate overlords and unaccountable monopolists to regulate and suppress what can be heard."

Internet censors are not acting in our best interests to protect us from dangerous, disinformation campaigns. They're laying the groundwork to preempt any "dangerous" ideas that might challenge the power elite's stranglehold over our lives.

Therefore, it is important to recognize the thought prison that is being built around us for what it is: a prison with only one route of escape—free thinking and free speaking in the face of tyranny.

*Constitutional attorney and author John W. Whitehead is founder and president of The Rutherford Institute. His new book *Battlefield America: The War on the American People* is available at www.amazon.com. Whitehead can be contacted at johnw@rutherford.org.*

Opinion

It's time to overhaul the ag department



By Jim Hightower

We can't just settle for disinfecting the White House after four-years of Trump. A fundamental, structural rebuild is necessary, including on health care, immigration, the environment, civil rights, labor law, and infrastructure.

But here's another huge area that must become a priority for a major policy overhaul: The U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Quick, name the agriculture secretaries under Carter, Clinton, and Obama, representing 20 years that Democratic presidents had control of ag and rural policies. Can you name even one? Few Americans could. Because... well, what did they do, even as crisis after crisis ripped through the farmlands and communities they were supposed to serve?

Consider Tom Vilsack, who served for eight years under Obama and whom Biden has chosen to serve again. It was a bizarre choice, since Vilsack actually tried to resign as Obama's secretary. "There are days when I have literally nothing to do," he complained.

Seriously? At that time whole towns were boarding up, massive hog factories were exploiting farmers and local residents, climate change was advancing relentlessly, and... well, get to work! Vilsack did eventually find something to do. After the Obama administration, he became the chief Washington lobbyist for dairy exporting corporations, drawing a million-dollar annual paycheck.

Meanwhile, hundreds of U.S. dairy farms are going bankrupt today under low milk-price policies he sanctioned.

The USDA, created in 1862 by Abe Lincoln to be what he called the "people's department," could again become a transformative force for the common good.

But our recent presidents have used the position to keep the corporate giants of agribusiness content and in charge. USDA's top leadership has been indifferent and hostile to the majority of working rural people who need an ally.

So, let's become that ally. Now's our chance to rally and refocus the work of this huge public resource to make it The People's Department again. To push for real change, go to RootsAction.org.

OtherWords columnist Jim Hightower is a radio commentator, writer, and public speaker. Distributed by OtherWords.org.

Adapting to change is your best path for success



Dare to Live

by Bryan Golden

Businesses, and individuals who enjoy the benefits of an economic upturn, without preparing for a downturn, can be wiped out financially.

Creating a cash reserve is great preparation for the future. This is essential for personal finances as well as for a business. These reserves provide options during an economic downturn. On the personal side, you may need the savings to cover living expenses in the event of a layoff, or to handle unexpected emergency expenditures. For a business owner, the cash reserve provides the ability to stay in business by covering payroll and expenses during an economic slump.

Now is the time to start funding your cash reserves. Contribute to your savings before spending on discretionary purchases. The greater the amount you save, the more options you have during a weak economy.

In addition to cash reserves, you want to continually expand your knowledge, skills, and abilities. The best time to do this is before encountering a crisis. Education is a lifetime pursuit. The more you learn, the more options you have.

Actively maintaining your health through exercise and diet, reduces the number of ailments affecting you as you age. You are never

too young, or too old to begin a health maintenance plan. Taking care of your body every day provides a lifetime of benefits. Even people who don't start until well into their senior years, experience an improved quality of life.

Making a healthy lifestyle part of your daily routine ensures consistency. So many infirmities needlessly impact those who have not prepared their body for tomorrow. Avoid needless suffering by regularly taking care of yourself physically.

Your emotional wellbeing is just as important. Your mental state is the foundation for effectively dealing with challenges. A negative, can't do it, attitude precludes finding workable solutions. Furthermore, a negative mindset diminishes the quality of your decisions.

A positive attitude is one of the best preparations for the future. It is cultivated through constant practice. Condition yourself to deal with the unexpected by telling yourself that you will do whatever it takes to overcome any obstacles you encounter.

Enjoy and appreciate today while also actively preparing for tomorrow. There's no reason to get caught ill-equipped. You can't control what happens in the future, but you can be ready for a variety of scenarios.

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keep people from standing next to each other when they are around the putting greens and the teeing areas.

The PGA and the LPGA should wait until later in the season when more people are vaccinated. I do sign up every year to volunteer

at the Marathon Classic, and I bought a ticket for the Solheim Cup. Hopefully by summer, the virus situation will be under control, and will be able to have fans back again.

Tom Siglar

Genoa

Correction

Due to an incorrect figure from the Ottawa

County auditor's office, a real estate

transfer in Clay Center for the estate of

Helen Rollins in the Feb. 22 edition

of The Press had an incorrect price of

\$400,000. The correct figure is \$400.

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Imagination Station to host free Virtual Girl Power!

What can a girl do with STEM? (You know, science, technology, engineering and math.)

She could build a website, discover a new planet or design a video game. She could build a better airplane or create a new nail polish color. A girl can do anything with STEM.

Join Imagination Station for Girl Power! – presented by Toledo Edison and the FirstEnergy Foundation – an event that will inspire girls to follow their dreams and consider becoming the next generation of engineers, inventors and pioneers.

This year, the annual event will look a little different. Instead of one day, the science center has expanded it to a week-long, virtual event, March 14-20. Girls in grades 3-8 will get access to interviews with local female STEM professionals who will share their journeys as shining examples that anything is possible with hard work and dedication. Attendees also have the opportunity to purchase kits that come with supplies for several hands-on activities that reinforce the science principles behind each highlighted career.

Girl Power! will culminate on Saturday, March 20 with a live conversation with the second woman to ever coach in the NFL and the first openly gay coach in the league, Katie Sowers.

With a master's in kinesiology, Sowers just completed her fourth season in the NFL and her second as an offensive assistant with the San Francisco 49ers. While her NFL career began with the Atlanta Falcons, football is in her blood. She has competed at the highest level of women's tackle football, playing in the WFA (Women's Football Alliance) for eight years and being selected as a member of the United States Women's National Football Team in 2013. Her journey has not gone unnoticed. She is listed as one of the 100 Most Influential Women in Sport by Sport360 and won the 2019 Rising Star Award from The Sports Power Brunch: Celebrating the Most Powerful Women in Sports. She was also Outsports' 2017 Female Hero of the Year and named to the Bleacher Report Power 50. In addition, she has been featured in several publications and magazines, such as ESPN, USA Today, NFL.com, Forbes and Outsports.

Girl Power! is free with registration and activity kits are available to purchase for \$20. Participants can register for the full



Imagination Station's Girl Power! celebration, set for March 14-20, will culminate with a live conversation with Katie Sowers, the second woman to ever coach in the NFL and the first openly gay coach in the league. (Submitted photo)

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week or just the keynote speech. Links to all of the digital content, including March 20th's keynote address, will be sent to the email provided at registration.

Visit imaginationstationtoledo.org/girl-power to secure a spot.

“Dynamic Balance Through Dance”

The Wood County Committee on

Aging, Inc. (WCCOA) will hold a Dynamic Balance Through Dance movement class virtually via Zoom on Wednesdays, March 3 to April 7 at 6:30 p.m.

The cost of the six-week class, taught by Certified Instructor Tammy Starr, is \$15.

Participants will work on range of motion, strength, balance and functional movement – and have fun. Participants may sit or stand during the class. Proper shoes are recommended for safety. No equipment or prior experience is needed for participation in this class.

Register by calling the WCCOA Programs Department at 419-353-5661 or 1-800-367-493 or email programs@wccoa.net. Payment and waiver may be mailed or dropped off to the Wood County Senior Center, 305 North Main St., Bowling Green,

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For information on WCCOA programs and services visit www.wccoa.net.

Dinner to benefit Humane Society

The Que Barbeque & Brew, 3975 East Harbor Rd., Port Clinton is hosting a drive-thru chicken dinner to benefit the Humane Society of Ottawa County on Tuesday, March 9 from 4-7 pm.

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Monday, March 15 Chicken & Dumplings	Tuesday, March 16 Lasagna Tossed Salad	Wednesday, March 17 Jiggs Dinner	Thursday, March 18 Chicken Parmesan Rotini
Monday, March 22 Swedish Meatballs Egg Noodles	Tuesday, March 23 Polish Wedding Dinner	Wednesday, March 24 Stuffed Cabbage Rolls Mashed Potatoes	Thursday, March 25 Liver & Onions Fried Potatoes
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Meet mystery author**Hannah Dennison**

The Wood County District Public Library's Live Online! Meet the Author series will present Hannah Dennison, author of mystery novels such as the Honeychurch Hall Mysteries, the Vicky Hill Mysteries, and her newest novel, "Death at High Tide," the first book in the new Island Sisters Mysteries series.

The event, which is free to the public, will be held Wednesday, March 10 at 11 a.m. Email woodref@wcdpl.org or call 419-352-5050 to reserve a spot and for information on how to join the call.

Library patrons can check out Dennison's books at the library or using the WCDPL Overdrive Collection and Hoopla app.

Dennison has been an obituary reporter, antiques dealer, private jet flight attendant, and Hollywood story analyst. As an avid mystery fan, she taught a mystery writing workshop at the UCLA Extension Writers' Program in Los Angeles.

Indoor Garage Sales

Indoor Garage Sales are set for March 18-20 in downtown Pemberville.

Hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. all three days in Riverbank Antique Market and The Gathering Place, located next to Beeker's General Store. Beeker's will also host a spring pop-up craft market at The Gathering Place. Masks and social distancing will be observed at all venues.

Booth spaces are available for rent. For more info, call Beeker's at 419-287-3274.

Food will be available from 11 a.m.-

2 p.m. Proceeds from food sales benefit the Pemberville-Freedom Area Historical Society.

Congressional Art Competition

Ohio Rep. Bob Latta (R-OH-05) announced a call for entries for The Congressional Art Competition. Guidelines for the 2021 competition include:

Each student is allowed one entry.

Eligible artwork includes the following:

- Paintings – oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.;
- Drawings – pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers;
- Collages – must be two-dimensional;
- Prints – lithographs, silkscreen, block prints;
- Mixed Media – use of more than two mediums such as pencil, ink, etc.;
- Computer-Generated Art;
- Photography.

All entries must meet the following criteria:

- Submissions must be two dimensional.
- If selected as the winning piece, submission must arrive in Washington, D.C., framed.
- The submission must be no larger than 26 inches high, 26 inches wide, and 4 inches deep, including the frame. It also must have a wire attached to the back suitable for hanging on a wall.
- The submission must not weigh more than 15 pounds.
- The submission must be original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws.

Entries must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, March 31 and will be received by digital submission only. Students may email their submissions to OH05.Art@mail.house.gov. Artwork should be submitted as a high-resolution JPEG or PDF.

It is recommended that charcoal and pastel drawings be fixed. Work entered must be in the original medium; that is, not a scanned reproduction of a painting or drawing. Framing rules apply only to the winning artwork.

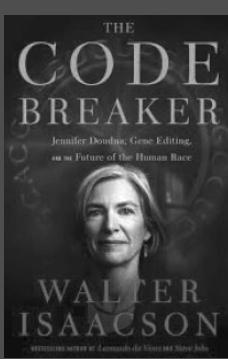
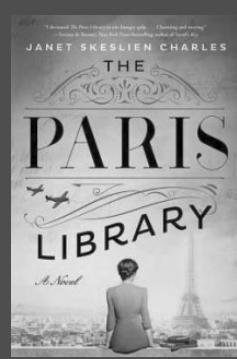
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Discover NW Ohio history

What was the life of a soldier like during the War of 1812?

Join the Wood County District Public Library and Fort Meigs Historical Site for "A Soldier's Life: An Online Presentation" on Wednesday, March 24 at 11 a.m. to experience the life of an 1800s soldier.

John Thompson, Manager of Historic Programming at Fort Meigs, will be dressed in historical uniform, and will share artifacts, maps, and prints of a day in the life of a soldier in the War of 1812.

The presentation, presented via Zoom, will include timelines and maps detailing the origin and outcome of the war and how it affected the development of Ohio and the United States.

"In this program, we'll discuss everything from the uniform and equipment to the general background of the soldiers serving at Fort Meigs and the area's crucial role in the War of 1812," Thompson said. "We'll also pay special attention to Col. E.D. Wood, engineer of Fort Meigs and namesake of Wood County."

"This program will be a great way to learn more about the war's aftermath and subsequent effect on Northwest Ohio," he said.

Registration is required. To register, email woodref@wcdpl.org or call 419-352-5050.

For more info, visit wcdpl.org.

Washington, D.C. trip

The East Toledo Senior Center, with the help of Diamond Tours, will host a trip to Washington, D.C. Sept. 10-14.

The cost will be \$605 per person, based on double occupancy. The price includes transportation via luxury motorcoach, four nights lodging, four breakfasts and dinners, tours of the WWII Memorial, Capitol Hill, Embassy Row, the Korean War Veterans Memorial, the Smithsonian, the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial, the Lincoln Memorial and more. Admission to George Washington's Mount Vernon estate and garden, admission to the Museum of the Bible and a tram ride through Arlington National Cemetery are also included.

A \$75 per person deposit is required by Monday, May 3 to reserve a spot. Checks

may be mailed to the ETSC, 1001 White St., Toledo OH 43605 or call 419-691-2254 to pay with a credit card by phone.

Art experience for youth

The Toledo Museum of Art (TMA) was recently awarded \$126,000 from ProMedica through the Greater Toledo Community Foundation in support of its Art Out of School program.

Over a period of two years, TMA will partner with key organizations located in the Junction neighborhood to serve youth that live and learn in that community. The ProMedica Junction Neighborhood Fund was announced in January to support critical reinvestment in central Toledo's Junction neighborhood.

"Through this grant, the Toledo Museum of Art is able to expand vital access to arts programming for youth in our community," said Adam Levine, the Museum's Edward Drummond and Florence Scott Libbey director and CEO. "TMA is committed to activating our outreach efforts beyond the Museum campus, and this partnership exemplifies what we are able to do together for our neighborhoods."

Confirmed site partners for the Art Out of School program include the Frederick Douglass Community Association, Toledo Lucas County Public Library's Mott Branch and the Tabernacle Church/Art Tatum Zone.

Research shows a positive relationship between participation in after-school arts programs and outcomes such as participants' test scores, school attendance and graduation rates.

Every week, youth from kindergarten to high school in the Junction neighborhood will be invited to participate in art-making, art appreciation and art mentorship at three Junction sites, as well as visits to the museum. These art experiences are hallmarks of Ohio's New Learning Standards in the Visual Arts.

The Junction neighborhood Art Out of School initiative is a direct expansion of TMA's longstanding Art After School offerings, which currently welcome nearly 1,000 youth to the museum annually for after-school art experiences.

Talking to your child gets them ready to read!

Getting your child ready to read is as easy as talking, singing, reading, writing, and playing. The Library is here to help you incorporate these five early literacy practices into your daily routine with your birth-preschool age child.

This month we will focus on the early literacy practice of talking. Did you know that talking is one of the very best things parents and caregivers can do to help children prepare for future reading success? Technology is rapidly changing the way we interact with one another. While there are many positive ways technology can enhance early literacy at home (more on this in a later article!), studies have shown that the lack of human conversation with our babies, toddlers, and preschoolers hinders language development in these early years. The more words children hear before they enter kindergarten, the better readers they will become!

Look for chances to chat each day during morning and evening routines, mealtimes, while in the car, and while taking a walk. Help your child learn new words by repeating back some of what they say and adding new vocabulary.

Child: I see a bird!

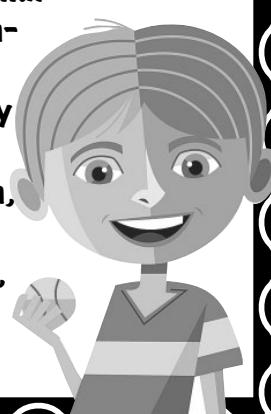
Adult: You do see a bird! That red bird is a cardinal. What do you think the cardinal is doing?

Child: Eating?

Adult: That's right. The cardinal is eating seeds.

Here's something to talk about! Watch a virtual storytime from the Library with our children's librarians at toledolibrary.org/virtualstorytime. Books are also wonderful conversation starters. Visit or call any Library location for help selecting books that encourage talking.

To learn more about all the ways that talking can benefit children birth-preschool, as well as more information about early literacy tips, tools, and tricks, please contact the Ready to Read team, at 419.259.5253 or readytoread@toledolibrary.org, for a 30-minute early literacy training.



Cedar Point unveils plans for season, kicks off May 14

With the health and safety of guests and associates at its forefront, Cedar Point announced plans to offer a full season of entertainment in 2021, including the celebration of its postponed 150th anniversary during the heart of the summer.

Also returning are signature special events, a spectacular nighttime parade and party, a new family river adventure ride and chances to win the unprecedented Ticket of a Lifetime.

Frontier Festival – Frontier Festival, celebrating hope, health and harvest, kicks off the season on opening day, Friday, May 14. Frontier Town will transform into a Wild West hootenanny, with live music, interactive games for adults and kids, festive décor, street entertainers and a tasty food and drink menu.

Frontier Festival will continue its partnership with Prayers From Maria, a local organization whose mission is to celebrate hope and raise awareness and money to fund research to end childhood cancer. Its symbol of hope, the sunflower, blooming annually at Maria's Field of Hope in Avon, Ohio, and more recently at a second location, Maria's Field of Hope at Cedar Point.

A wide selection of unique items from local artisans and crafters will be available, as well as themed photo spots to capture family moments. Prayers From Maria merchandise and custom sunflower merchandise featuring the PEANUTS characters will be available for purchase throughout the event with proceeds benefiting the organization.

This year, Frontier Festival's menu centers around a stockpile of cherries amassed during the harvest, and the town folk have made it their mission to use this bounty to create sweet and savory dishes and drinks for this year's celebration. More than 20 cherry-inspired food tastings will be available, and adults can quench their thirst by sampling from more than 100 craft brews, seltzers, ciders and custom cocktails.

Frontier Festival runs weekends May 14-16 and 21-23, then daily May 28 through June 13.

Snake River Expedition – Parents, kids, grandparents and thrill-seekers alike can join the mission to smuggle valuable goods around Adventure Island on the new Snake River Expedition river boat ride. Riders will be immersed in a journey that will have them performing secret tasks, encountering surprises along the way and avoiding "danger" around every bend. Tours on Snake River Expedition are led by a cast of live characters with animated scenes and special effects to enhance the experience. Guests will also see nods to Cedar Point's past attractions like the Western Cruise and Paddlewheel Excursions boat rides.

Snake River Expedition is scheduled to open May 29 and will be in operation through Labor Day, Sept. 6.

150th Anniversary Celebration – The heart of the summer will heat up with the continuation of Cedar Point's 150th anniversary celebration. The centerpiece will be the Celebrate 150 Spectacular parade and nighttime party, with larger-than-life floats (some more than two stories tall) that depict moments in the park's rich history, talented dancers, acrobats and performers, a high-energy soundtrack and a grand finale like no other.

Special commemorative merchandise will also be available during the celebration,

including limited-edition buttons, collectable pins, 150th anniversary logo items, books and more.

New food options are set to debut, including C.P. Juice Co., featuring unique fruit-shaped drink cups that are a nod to the same products served in the park years ago. The Taste of the Point food tour will also be offered, allowing guests to sample some of the park's most famous fare, including new Cedar Point favorites.

The 150th Anniversary celebration will take place daily June 26 through Aug. 15.

Ticket of a Lifetime – This summer, guests will have their final chances to win a Cedar Point Ticket of a Lifetime, an exclusive ticket that affords each winner (along with three guests) free admission to Cedar Point and Cedar Point Shores Waterpark for the rest of their lives.

Guests will have a chance to win one each day by scanning their mobile device at the throwback Courtesy Corps guest information kiosks throughout the park. Each day, guests who register will have five chances to win the Ticket of a Lifetime. They'll also have the chance to be one of 150 winners per day to receive an upgrade to the CP 150 VIP Club, giving them access to two exclusive VIP areas, several one-time Fast Lane passes, VIP viewing of the parade and nighttime party and more. The opportunity for a chance to win a Ticket of a Lifetime each day will be available in the park during the 150th anniversary celebration, June 26 through Aug. 15.

Cedar Point Nights – The summer season culminates with Cedar Point Nights, the park's nighttime celebration at the place where it all started – the Cedar Point Beach. The annual festival will feature a new "dining in the dark" experience, interactive beach games, fire pits, glow games and decor, live entertainment and the electric nighttime atmosphere of the best rides and roller coasters on the planet.

Cedar Point Nights takes place while the park is in operation Aug. 6 through Labor Day, Sept. 6.

Additional Park Information

The 2021 Cedar Point operating calendar is now live at cedarpoint.com with scheduled dates through Labor Day. Information on the park's fall season will be announced later.

Cedar Point Shores Waterpark is scheduled to open on Saturday, May 29. Its full operating calendar, along with additional COVID-19 safety information, will be released in the coming months.

"Cedar Point will continue to provide safe family fun in 2021, just as it has since its beginning. The entire team is eager to celebrate the park's postponed 150th anniversary with new entertainment, new dining options, commemorative merchandise, a great new family ride and more," said Jason McClure, vice president and general manager of Cedar Point. "Safety is always our top priority. In the current environment, our team will continue to carry out our mission of not only safety, but the very reason we've been here for more than 150 years – to make people happy."

Cedar Point continues to monitor the ever-changing conditions surrounding the pandemic and is actively working with health experts and government officials to maintain the highest safety standards for guests and associates. Guests are encouraged to visit cedarpoint.com for the latest updates on requirements, policies and safety protocols for the 2021 season.



Cedar Point plans to offer a full season of entertainment in 2021, including the celebration of its postponed 150th anniversary, signature events, a new family river adventure ride and more. Opening Day is set for Friday, May 14. (Cedar Point photo)

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Clay Township Cemetery Spring 2021 Clean-Up



The Clay Twp Cemetery, Genoa, Ohio will conduct its annual Spring Clean Up March 15-25.

All grave decorations will be removed & disposed of by cemetery personnel with the exception of those attached to monuments, monument vases or a shepherd's hook.

If you have items which you wish to keep please remove them prior to March 15.

Decorations may be returned on or after March 26.

If you have any questions please call the Clay Township Trustees Office at 419-855-7878, 21774 W. Holts-East Road, Genoa, Ohio 43430



"Gateway of Hope," taken by Hari Gopalakrishnan, of Arlington, Texas, was among the photos chosen as "Judges' Favorites" in the Ohio Lake Erie Commission's 2020 Life On Lake Erie photo contest.

Entries sought for photo contest

The Ohio Lake Erie Commission (OLEC) is seeking submissions for the 29th Annual Life on Lake Erie photo contest.

The contest is an opportunity for amateur photographers to showcase their talents for photographing one of Ohio's most valuable natural resources – Lake Erie.

"No matter the season, the lake always is a wonderful place to enjoy the outdoors, providing a perfect backdrop to capture breathtaking moments through the lens of a camera," said OLEC Executive Director Joy Mulinex.

The contest is open to amateur photographers who are at least 18 years of age. Submissions may include original photos of Lake Erie and the surrounding landscapes, as well as boating, swimming, ice fishing, people, wildlife and events that take place on and around the lake.

Photos taken between Aug. 1, 2020 and July 31, 2021 are eligible for entry. Entry forms and

official contest rules can be found at the OLEC website, lakeerie.ohio.gov. All entries must be received by July 31.

Winning photographs may be displayed on the OLEC website and social media platforms, may be used in Commission publications to promote Lake Erie, and for photography-viewing tours throughout Ohio with Lake Erie partner organizations. Winning photographs and photographers will be featured at the fall meeting of the Commission.

OLEC was established to preserve Lake Erie's natural resources, to protect the quality of its waters and ecosystem, and to promote economic development of the region. OLEC members include the directors of the state departments of Transportation, Health, Development Services, Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Protection. There also are five public members appointed by the governor.

Spend a day at the shelter fundraiser in Wood County

The Wood County Humane Society invites the community to get a glimpse of a day in the life of a shelter animal with its upcoming fundraiser on Saturday, Feb. 27.

The fundraiser will take place virtually on Facebook Live and will be co-hosted by Fundraising Chair Melissa Rahal-Hall and Board President Heath A. Diehl. Hall will spend the day hanging out in the kennels with dogs that are available for adoption; Diehl will be located in the cat rooms with adoptable felines.

The event will run from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. The organization hopes to raise \$3,000 from the one-day event.

Shelter staff will go live every hour on

the hour. The broadcasts will provide viewers information about shelter operations, as well as upcoming events like the Annual Garage Sale and Reverse Raffle. Shelter staff also will provide additional information about the impending temporary closure of the shelter for the installation of new HVAC systems, happening from mid-March to early May.

Live broadcasts with the co-hosts will happen on the half-hour. During these broadcasts, the co-hosts will be subjected to a variety of fun challenges that have been suggested by shelter staff and by viewers who tune in for the event. Challenges may include eating cat/dog food, rolling around in catnip, being walked on a leash, and other activities in

which shelter dogs and cats regularly engage. Challenges will be selected randomly by the spin of a virtual enrichment wheel and are dependent upon donations.

Prizes will also be given to select viewers throughout the day. For every \$5 donated, individuals will be entered once into a drawing for gift cards to local retailers in Wood County, as well as cat- and dog-themed items like coloring books, mugs, puzzles, and more.

To stay up-to-date with what's happening at WCHS, follow the organization on Facebook (wchshio) or visit its website (wchshuman.org).

Located in Bowling Green, Wood County Humane Society is a private, non-profit,

managed admission shelter providing care for homeless and abused or neglected pets. The organization receives no funding from national humane organizations for daily operations, instead relying on earned revenue and the generosity of individual donors and businesses to fund programs such as Humane Investigations, Safe Pets, food assistance programs, low-cost spay/neuter opportunities, and educational presentations.

The WCHS provides care for over a thousand animals each year—from dogs and cats, to the occasional pocket pet or farm animal. All animals admitted into the adoption program are housed and cared for as long as it takes to find their adoptive home.

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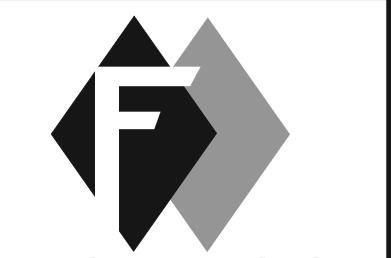
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National Museum of the Great Lakes**Series continues with “Historic Age of Diving”**

The National Museum of the Great Lake's Spring Lecture Series continues Wednesday, March 17 with a discussion of "The Heroic Age of Diving."

The lecture, which will be presented virtually from 7-8:30 p.m., will feature researcher and writer Jerry Kuntz, author of "The Historic Age of Diving – America's Underwater Pioneers and The Great Wrecks of Lake Erie." During the 1840s and 1850s, during the infancy of the development of underwater breathing apparatus, Lake Erie became the proving ground for this new technology. The salvage of three infamous passenger steamer wrecks – the Erie, the G. P. Griffith, and the Atlantic – became the incentive for divers and engineers to test the limits of their new devices. Foremost among them was John Green, a man who kept secret the story of his own tragic shipwreck.

Kuntz, who resides in New York's Hudson River Valley, has written biographies of exceptional, but little-known 19th Century Americans, including Wild West Show sharpshooters, pioneer aviators, baseball league promoters, dance hall denizens, a teenage Amazon plant hunter, and early apparatus divers. He is currently researching the balloon-parachuting craze of the 1890s.

The lecture is free; donations are welcome. When you register with Eventbrite, there is an option to purchase Kuntz's book, "The Heroic Age of Diving," which will be shipped after the lecture is over.

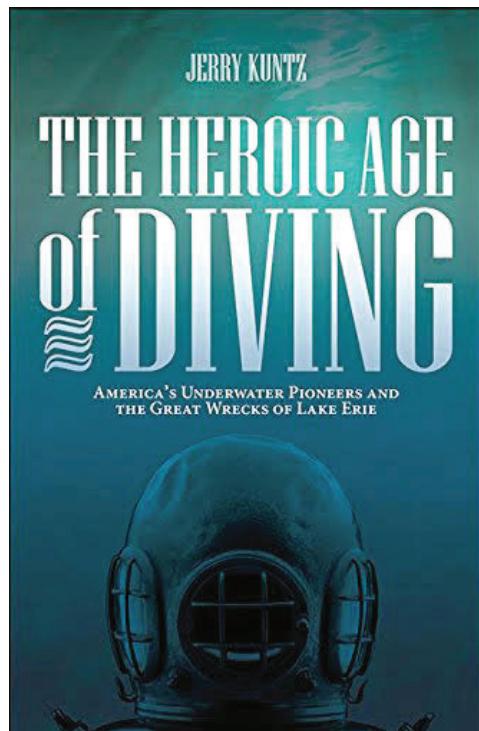
Sign up online by visiting nmgl.org/ or call 419-214-5000, ext. 200.

Ongoing

Tuesdays and Wednesdays through March 10: Metroparks After Dark: Hiking Trails, various locations. Every Tuesday and Wednesday through March 10, sunset-8 p.m. (different park each night). Enjoy an invigorating evening hike through your parks at a time when the parks are usually closed. No registration required; just show up. For a complete schedule, visit www.visittoledo.org/events/metroparks-after-dark/.

Saturdays through March: Travel Circle (Online): Maumee Valley Adventurers and Metroparks Toledo presenting the annual Travel Circle series online via Zoom this year. Local residents share their world travel experiences each week. Tune in at 2 p.m. to watch the live webinar, or watch videos from previous weeks. In lieu of the usual weekly hikes, Metroparks is suggesting trails you can hike on your own. metroparkstoledo.com/discover/blog/posts/travel-circle-online-series-brings-the-world-to-you/.

Through April 4: Luminous Visions:



"The Heroic Age of Diving." is the next discussion in the Spring Lecture Series at The National Museum of the great Lakes. (Submitted photo)



Phillip K. Smith III and Light Across the Collection, Gallery 18, Toledo Museum of Art. California-based artist Phillip K. Smith III creates light-based installations that explore the relationships between light, color, space, and form. toledomuseum.org.

Through May 2: Wayne Thiebaud 100: Paintings, Prints and Drawings, Levis Gallery and Gallery 29A, Toledo Museum of Art. Long affiliated with Pop art, the exhibition shows the expansive depth of Thiebaud's full body of work. toledomuseum.org.

Through Oct. 31: Special exhibit, "Ohio: An Unnatural History," Hayes Presidential Library & Museums, Fremont. Myths and legends are how people have tried to understand the unknown. This exhibit profiles legendary creatures and spooky tales from across Ohio and looks at the role of folklore in our culture. Included with regular admission. Members are admitted free. 419-332-

2081, www.rbhayes.org.

Friday and Saturdays: Virtual Public Glassblowing Demonstrations presented virtually by Toledo Museum of Art, 2-3 p.m. Streamed live on the TMA YouTube Channel from the Glass Pavilion Hot Shop. youtube.com/ToledoMuseum.

March events

March 6: All Wheels Swap (formerly Fremont Racers' Swap), Sandusky County Fairgrounds, Fremont, 7 a.m.-3 p.m. \$5 admission. Swap/trade anything with wheels, including new and used racing parts and equipment, snowmobiles, boats, trailers and more. 419-332-5604, www.sanduskycountyfair.com.

March 8: International Women's Day Virtual Forum, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Women of Toledo (WOT) and Welcome TLC present a virtual Women Economic Empowerment (WEE) Power Hour to help improve participants' capacity to bring about economic change for themselves and others by overcoming poverty, discrimination or exploitation. womentoledo.org.

March 12: Wine Tasting at Malawi Event Center, Toledo Zoo, 7-9 p.m. Delight in a delectable mix of wines from around the world, hors d'oeuvres, live music and more. All participants must be 21 or older. 419-385-5721, toledozoo.org/wine.

March 13: Second Saturdays R 4 Kids: Around the World with Col. Webb Hayes, Hayes Presidential Library & Museums, Fremont, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Kids can participate in a craft or activity inspired by Col. Webb Hayes' adventure (Webb Hayes was the son of President Rutherford and First Lady Lucy Hayes). The event is open house-style, so drop in any time between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Focused on kids in K-3, but kids of any age are welcome. Free. rbhayes.org.

March 13-14: Fremont Flea Market, Sandusky County Fairgrounds, Fremont, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday. Free admission. 419-332-5604, www.sanduskycountyfair.com.

March 14-21: "Girl Power," presented virtually by Imagination Station to inspire girls to become the next generation of engineers, doctors and researchers. Co-sponsored by Toledo Edison and FirstEnergy Foundation. Free. Visit www.imaginationstationtoledo.org/girl-power/ for details.

March 17: Virtual Spring Lecture Series, presented by National Museum of the Great Lakes, 7 p.m. "Heroic Age of Diving" presented by Jerry Kuntz, a researcher and writer living in New York's Hudson Valley, who will discuss how, during the 1840s and 1850s, during the infancy of the development of underwater breathing apparatus.

tus, Lake Erie became the proving ground for this new technology. Free; donations welcome. nmgl.org/event/spring-lecture-series-2021-3/

March 20: Teddy Bear Care Fair, Toledo Zoo, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Bring your favorite stuffed pal and Zoo volunteers will make sure it's fixed up and ready for many more snuggles. Visitors and their stuffies can also enjoy keeper talks, animal feeding demonstrations and more fun activities. This bear-y fun event is included with Zoo admission. www.toledozoo.org/teddybear.

March 20: March Monthly Match - Air Rifle & Air Pistol, Camp Perry Training Site, Port Clinton. The Civilian Marksmanship Program presents monthly competitions featuring a Junior Air Rifle 3x20 and 3x10, a 60 Shots Air Rifle and Air Pistol match. Rental equipment is available for the monthly matches for a small fee. 419-635-2141, ext. 707.

March 21: Presidential History Book Club presented by Hayes Presidential Library & Museums, Fremont, noon. Free. A discussion of the book, "One Man Against the World," by Tim Weiner. 419-332-2081, www.rbhayes.org.

March 27: Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Adolphus Kraemer Park and Downtown Oak Harbor, Church Street. An Easter egg hunt at the Log Cabin at the park, followed by a candy hunt through downtown and an opportunity to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bunny. 419-898-0479, oakharborohio.net.

March 27: Annual Golden Bear 10K Run, Gibsonburg High School, 9 a.m. start time. Runners start and finish at Gibsonburg High School. Fast, flat and accurate 10K road race. Awards to the overall male and female finishers and top three in various age groups. gibsonburgohio.org.

March 28: BRM Exotics EXPO Events, Terra State Community College, Fremont, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monthly reptile and exotics event. \$5 admission; 12 and under get in free. Large venue space permits social distancing. Masks must be worn. BRMEXPO.com, 419-619-3598.

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"If you're uncertain about your destination, do some research," she says. "Every business will tell you what their COVID protocols are. All Ohio businesses have standards to meet, most of them exceed those standards and are actually operating under wider safety protocols."

"Most Ohio destinations go above and beyond because it's good business to protect customers," she said.

The reality is that many people haven't stopped traveling but it's more focused.

"Demand for outdoor recreation is through the roof," says Huntley.

Among the reasons it's so big is that social distancing is easier outdoors – on trails, walking a beach, fishing a stream, photographing wildlife. That's why places like Hocking Hills haven't been hit as hard as others by the COVID quarantines and guidelines.

"We've been busy virtually the entire time," says Zac Loomis who, with his wife Lauren, owns the Inn at Cedar Falls. The Inn, with its cabins, cottages, and gourmet dining, sets the standard for quality in the Hills. His comment came last August, and they had already responded to COVID guidelines by implementing a comprehensive program to keep their overnight accommodations and restaurant safe.

While nothing is a guarantee, with due diligence, it is possible to enjoy a vacation with a high degree of certainty that you'll remain COVID free.

A lot of it is common sense, even with



Most destinations are going above and beyond to safely accommodate visitors including Hocking Hills State Park where two-way trails, like this one at Ash Cave, has had a return loop added to minimize contact with other walkers. (Photo by Art Weber)



Natural Wanders

by Art Weber

outdoor recreation. Social distancing is more difficult in some situations than others. The Magee Marsh Bird Trail, for example, features a wonderful boardwalk that is a challenge to social distancing. Check to be sure it's open before visiting.

At Hocking Hills, for example, in-and-out trails like the gorge trail at Conkles Hollow SNP and Ash Cave in the state park have been modified by park crews. They've added return trails so walkers can complete the trail in a loop, reducing contact with other walkers.

You may want to start your travel outreach slowly. Start with day trips; there are so many great places to visit within a few hours' drive. If you're reluctant to enter restaurants, arrange for carryout along the way. Call ahead and make sure you understand how your destinations are assuring

visitor safety. If you do enter a restaurant that is spacing tables and masking employees, make sure that you don't have to wait in a crowded area for tables and that condiments and menus are sanitized between diners.

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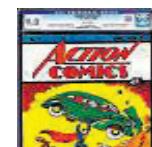
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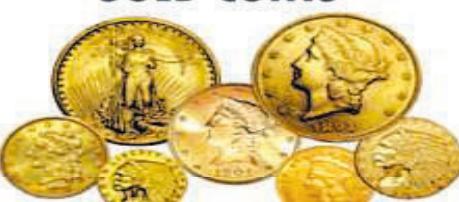
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After securing title, Stritch looks to the tournament

By J. Patrick Eaken
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In Cardinal Stritch's final regular season game, the Cardinals traveled across town to defeat Maumee Valley, 69-60.

That secured the Cardinals' third Toledo Area Athletic Conference championship in four years, but even more importantly, was their 11th straight win heading into the Division III tournament.

Stritch finished the regular season 12-4 overall and a perfect 5-0 in a TAAC season that was reduced to single round robin because of the coronavirus pandemic affecting teams that had to quarantine for sometimes weeks at a time.

"It has been a great accomplishment by this team with us starting out 1-4, and during the whole shutdown in Lucas County and practicing at St. Jerome for these guys to be able to run off 11 in a row and win a league title is something special, especially for these guys and the seniors," said Stritch coach Jamie Kachmarik.

"They have gotten a lot of respect for each other and have become a real close group in the locker room. That always helps and leads to success. It's been good — it's been fun."

Stritch saw five games go by the wayside over two weeks, and then the Cardinals traveled to Williams County and routed Bryan (4-16), 90-51, in their first game back.

"We really shot the ball well there," Kachmarik said. "In that game we made 14 threes — we were 14 of 20, so when you are shooting 70 percent from the three-point line that helps a little bit."

(Six-foot-2 sophomore guard) Brenden Revels was 5 for 5 from three in the first quarter and ended up putting up 15 points. He came out on fire and (senior guard) Jhaiden Wilson (Wilson) was hot. We hit a ton of threes and shot a really high percentage in that game.

Jhaiden had 35 points in that game. He has been playing really well, and it was something that we just came out on fire and kind of put it to them in the first quarter. It was good because you never know coming out of quarantine what you are going to play like."

Wilson also stepped up in the win over Maumee Valley (3-7 overall, 1-4 TAAC). The Hawks are better than what their record shows, says Kachmarik, but have not been able to get even half their games in.

"Maumee Valley was a really good game. It was a tough game but we ended up winning that, so it was a good victory," Kachmarik said. "Jhaiden Wilson had 20 points in that game, but he also had 11 assists, and sophomore Romel Hightower had 17 points and 14 rebounds, so that was a good game for him."

Brenden Revels, the other sophomore, chipped in with 11 and (6-2 senior forward) Dwayne Morehead had 10 points and seven rebounds, so it was a good solid team effort. Maumee Valley came out and played really tough — they have a really good player in (senior shooting forward) J.R. Lumsden, who got his 1,000th career point that night.

"They were basically coming out of quarantine on Wednesday of that week. They played Northwood on Wednesday (59-34 MV win) and then played us on Friday and Vanlue (74-65 MV loss) on Saturday, so after sitting for two weeks they



Cardinal Stritch senior guard Jhaiden Wilson lays in two of his 35 points in the 90-51 victory at Bryan. (Press photo by Doug Karns/www.smugmug.DougKarns.com)

decided to play games. Their kids are playing hard and playing a real good game," Kachmarik continued.

Wilson, who has committed to playing collegiately at Wayne State University, currently has 1,186 career points. Wilson set the single game scoring record at Stritch, scoring 48 points at Kenton (77-56 Stritch win) on January 30, beating Austin Adams' record of 44 points that he had against Northwood during the 2013-14 season.

Wilson is averaging 26.1 points, shooting 52.8 percent from inside the arc (75 for 142), 38 percent outside the arc (68 for 179), and has made 81.8 percent of free throws (63 for 77). He is also averaging 4.8 assists, 2.8 steals and 2.3 rebounds, despite standing 5-foot-9.

'Big' presence inside

However, the combination of 6-8, 220 pound senior forward Ross Thompson and the 6-4, 170-pound sophomore forward Hightower presents another set of problems for opponents.

"Ross is a really starting to come into his own. The biggest thing with Ross is that teams have to game plan for him," Kachmarik said. "I talked to the Toledo Christian coach (David McWhinnie) and (he said) it changes your offensive mindset because you've got a 6-8 kid inside who is athletic and can block shots, and that is the one stat that we are different than most high school teams probably."

"If you look at the stats on blocked shots, Ross has got 40 on the season in 16 games, and Romel has 35, so between the two of them they have 75 blocked shots. That's not talking about the shots that they alter, so Ross defensively for us is a big presence. He's been doing a much better job."

"We don't need him to score a ton of points, but he's in there and on any given night he can get you double figures, but he is also very consistent. He is going to get you 7-10 points a night, he is going to get you 6-10 rebounds a night, and then there is going to be that factor in blocked shots."

BOYS BASKETBALL		
Team (League)	Overall	
Rossford (13-1 NBC)	19	2
Cardinal Stritch (5-0 TAAC)	12	4
Eastwood (9-4 NBC)	14	8
Oak Harbor (7-3 SBC Bay)	12	8
Woodmore (8-6 NBC)	13	10
Gibsonburg (8-8 SBC River)	10	9
Clay (2-5 TRAC)	5	11
Genoa (6-8 NBC)	7	16
Lake (2-12 NBC)	6	17
Waite (3-7 NBC)	3	9
Northwood (0-5 TAAC)	0	12

GIRLS BASKETBALL		
Team (League)	Overall	
Woodmore (12-2 NBC)	22	2
Eastwood (10-4 NBC)	18	5
Lake (9-4 NBC)	12	9
Genoa (5-7 NBC)	9	10
Northwood (2-2 TAAC)	5	9
Oak Harbor (2-8 SBC Bay)	6	16
Cardinal Stritch (2-4 TAAC)	3	12
Clay (0-7 TRAC)	2	13
Gibsonburg (1-14 SBC River)	2	20
Waite (0-4 TCL)	0	5

(Records updated to February 25)

He's just been a good leader for us. His energy and his effort every game has been big, so he's been really starting to play well for us," Kachmarik continued.

Both Thompson and Hightower are shooting at over a 50 percent clip from the floor, and combined produce about 15 points and over 13 rebounds a game.

"Romel is starting to score a little bit more now. His rebounding is there, and he's so athletic, so he goes and gets rebounds," Kachmarik said. "He had a double-double Friday night and he's just been playing well."

"He sprained his ankle at Kenton pretty bad and probably played only two minutes in the Kenton game, and then after that game was when we went into quarantine so that might have been a good thing for him because he got a couple weeks rest to rest that ankle. He's come back and has not really missed a beat since then."

In the Division III sectional final Friday night, Stritch was to host Lake (6-17), which beat Northwood (0-12) 48-37 Wednesday. A Stritch win and they advance to a district semifinal at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Mar. 4 at Central Catholic's Sullivan Center. The district final is set for Saturday, Mar. 6 at 1 p.m. at the Sullivan Center.

"My mindset going in is that there is no tomorrow," Kachmarik said. "So we have to be prepared and on any given night any team can beat anyone, so we have to be focused in on every game. I do a thing in the locker room where I build a staircase and it is one step at a time. We'll talk about that — we'll have a team meeting before practice and talk about, 'You can't take that next step until you take care of the first one.' Hopefully, we can string together some victories."

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Clay swimmers Joslyn Jurski and Abram Hagedorn. (Press photo by Ken Grosjean)



Oak Harbor freshman swimmer Alyse Sorg. (Photo by Laura Bolander)

Clay, Eastwood, Oak Harbor swim at the state meet

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Clay swimmers Joslyn Jurski and Abram Hagedorn have been rewriting the program's record book during their prep careers, and they likely are not done.

Both were swimming to get on the Division I state meet podium at C.T. Branin Natatorium in Canton, which was held Wednesday through Saturday, Feb. 24-27.

Clay coach Rod Gyurke thinks what they have accomplished is even more impressive when you consider that the team only participated in a handful of meets this season.

"This season has been a difficult season with all of the COVID. We are thin on practices and meets," Gyurke said. "We have only planned four to five meets for the entire season, so there just wasn't the opportunity to swim fast in a race throughout the year."

Jurski, a junior, automatically qualified during the district meet in two events, the

200-yard freestyle and the 500 freestyle, by finishing as district runner-up. She used the six-week break imposed by the Lucas County Health Department to strengthen and condition.

"She was apprehensive going in, but we had her on a good training schedule that indicated that she would be successful, and she was," Gyurke said. "She got there and just had a phenomenal meet."

"The 200 time, 1:54.25, is her best time so she has improved from last year in that event. She was second in the district in that, and that kind of sets the whole meet stage. Every one of our swimmers had their best time, 100 percent across the board, so that was exciting to see. I say that, but I look back and her 500 was just less than a half of a second off from last year, and everybody else had their best time."

In the 200 freestyle, Jurski finished just under three seconds behind Notre Dame sophomore Kaylee Szymanski (1:51.96). In the 500 freestyle, Szymanski's time of 4:59.76 was over 11 seconds better than

Jurski (5:10.79), but to top dozens of other district qualifiers was an accomplishment.

"Throughout the season, she set the 100 free school record, the 200 free school record, she already had the 500 free school record, and is part of the 200 free relay, so it still a very, very good year," Gyurke said.

Hagedorn qualified for state with a 100 backstroke time of 50.5 seconds, which is in the top 10 among state qualifiers.

"Abram was fourth in the district, but ninth in the state, so it is a very fast district," Gyurke said. "Abram is a senior, so it is his last year, so with only having four or five meets, he broke five different school records, and he is in three others (relays), also, so he has a total of eight different school records right now."

"He went 52.7 in our pool at the East Y a month ago, so I knew he would have to go about a 51 to make it to the state meet, and I had no doubt he was going to do it. We were just waiting for the day because there is no doubt he was going to do it as fast as he was here in our pool. He's broken

the 500 free, the 100 free, the 100 back, the 100 fly (butterfly), the 200 IM (intermediate medley) record, and he did that in four to five meets this year."

Division II

In Division II, Eastwood junior Calvin Price qualified in two events — the 100 freestyle and 200 freestyle.

At the district meet, Price finished fifth in the 100 freestyle with a time of 47.98 and seventh in the 200, reaching the finish in 1:47.09.

Oak Harbor amassed eight girls state qualifiers, including three freshmen, three relay teams, and senior Elayna Krupp qualified in two events. Oak Harbor also had two boys relay teams qualify.

Krapp qualified in the 50 and 100 freestyle. Her time of 52.4 in the 100 freestyle is sixth best in the state going in and her time of 23.93 in the 50 freestyle was eighth best.

The three freshmen, Skyler Turner,

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Owens, Hahn begin trek back to state

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Eastwood had two more individual champions than Elmwood at the Northern Buckeye Conference meet, but the Royals won the team championship.

Elmwood, behind three champions — sophomore Cannon Endicott (22-6, 152 pounds), junior Gunner Endicott (32-4, 160) and senior Konner Logston (32-14, 195), scored 168 points to defeat Eastwood (157). Otsego (142½) was third, followed by Woodmore (109) and Lake and Rossford tied for fifth with 80 points each. Genoa was seventh with 64 points and Fostoria last at 37½.

"I think all of our kids got what they should have got," Eastwood coach Joe Wyant said. "We were just short on bodies — we only had 10 kids there. If we just had one more body or one more placer we would have won, but we were missing four weights."

However, if you look at the records of Eastwood's champions, you will see that they have at least five wrestlers who have a shot to reach the podium at state. Matter of fact, Eastwood's strength among that group is so good, that the Eagles are picked to place fifth as a team in the state Division III meet.

Wyant is confident that at least two will place at state if all goes well. Three qualified for state last year but did not get a chance to wrestle — Gavin Owens (45-7, 120), Brandon Hahn (48-2, 126) and Jimmy Recknagel (40-11, 152) — because the state meet was canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic. It hit Owens and Hahn, who had dreams of finishing on the state podium, hard.

"They obviously felt disappointed. They all looked forward to it," Wyant told The Press after the cancellation. "For guys like Owens and Hahn, their whole season is the state tournament. They're quality guys and a lot of guys are happy to make it."

Hahn won a league, sectional and district championship last year. During the state tournament two years ago as a freshman, Owens took second place at 106 pounds and Hahn, then a sophomore, placed fourth at the D-III state tournament at Ohio State University's Schottenstein Center in Columbus.

Owens faced then-Delta sophomore Zack Mattin in the 106-pound finals two years ago and lost an 8-1 decision. It was a rare loss for Owens, who finished with a 47-3 record. Mattin, who also beat Owens, 6-3, in the district finals, placed seventh at 106 at the 2018 state meet.

Last year at 120, Owens advanced to state after finishing as district runner-up, losing in the championship, 6-3, to Otsego senior Jake Manley (47-0), who was his nemesis all year. Owens was hoping to get another shot at Manley at state but that never happened.

Hahn advanced to state after winning a 126-pound district against Antwerp senior Randall Mills (36-8) by a 17-1 technical fall. Recknagel advanced after finishing fourth at last year's district, losing 10-5 to Mohawk senior Morgan Price (45-9) in the 152-pound consolation final.

Fast forward to 2021

Beginning with sectionals over the weekend, they began their tournament trek all over again. Many Eagles have already made noise at the NBC meet. At 120 pounds, Eastwood senior Bryce Maynard (40-2) pinned Woodmore junior Lukus Schaub (27-8) in 1:29. One of his losses this season Maynard has already avenged.

"He got beat the first time by a Lima Central Catholic kid and then two weeks ago he beat that Central kid, and that

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Paige Krupp and Alyse Sorg, all qualified in the 100 backstroke. Turner's time of 59.89 in the 100 backstroke is 15th best statewide, Sorg's time of 1:00.41 is 20th best, and Krupp's time of 1:00.52 is 21st best. For those who do not automatically qualify at the district meet, the top 24 times statewide advance to state.

In addition, the 200 medley relay qualified with a time of 1:49.35 at districts, which is fifth best in the state, the 200 freestyle relay team's time of 1:38.53 is third best and the 400 freestyle relay team's time of 3:40.35 is seventh best.

The Rockets' two boys relay teams qualifying are the 200 medley relay, whose time of 1:40.2 is 15th-best, and the 400 freestyle relay, whose time of 3:22.5 is 22nd best.



Eastwood senior Brandon Hahn takes down Fostoria freshman Matthew Balderama at 126 pounds. (Photo by Jeff Holcomb)

kid was ranked No. 2. So, right now he (Maynard) is ranked No. 2," Wyant said.

At 126, Hahn (44-0), now a senior, defeated Lake junior Cristian Lecki in the league championship. In a highly anticipated match, Lecki, a state qualifier last year (38-6), had to stop wrestling because of an injury with 39 seconds remaining. Lecki has only gotten four matches in this season, winning three.

However, Hahn's unbeaten record speaks for itself, winning matches because of his strength and speed. He is also predicted by state wrestling prognosticators to finish second at state, says Wyant.

"He is really good on takedowns, he is quick and strong, but the best part of his wrestling is takedowns," Wyant said. "He's not a real pinner. He's a short little guy who doesn't have the arms, the length, the leverage and that type of thing. He has quite a few pins but did not lead the team in pins."

At 138, Owens (41-3), a state runner-up two years ago and now a junior, won a 12-2 major decision against Woodmore junior Landon Emch (28-7). Owens is another one who Wyant feels confident about reaching the state podium but getting a state championship might be another issue.

"Owens got beat by the predicted state champion, (Zack) Mattin from Delta, so it is going to be hard for him to win state, but Mattin ended up getting beat the other day by another kid, so Owens is probably third or fourth," Wyant said. It might be noted that Mattin's two older brothers wrestle for the University of Michigan.

At 145, Eastwood junior Xavier Escobedo (40-2) won a 3-1 decision against Otsego sophomore Donovan Farley (15-8).

At 170, Recknagel (39-4), now a senior, defeated Rossford junior Dominic Schuler (14-9) by a 13-0 major decision.

Wyant says Eastwood, unlike other programs, has gotten all of its meets in despite the global pandemic. The Eagles were 6-1 in NBC dual meets, losing only to Elmwood.

"The day we wrestled them we didn't have one of our best wrestlers (Recknagel), and we gave them six more points than usual instead of getting six in this case. They beat us by a couple points. They have good upper weights and I have good lower weights," Wyant said.

Lake junior Eli Guyton (14-2) also won a league title at 113, pinning Genoa freshman Noah Tipton (13-15) in 4:57. Guyton, Maynard, Hahn and Escobedo also won league titles last year.

Other local NBC runners-up were Lake freshman Vince Barton (17-3, 106), Eastwood freshman Caiden Maize (17-7, 132), Eastwood sophomore Bryce Hesselbart (36-9, 160) and Woodmore senior Weston Angel (20-8, 195).

Finishing third were Eastwood freshman Ian Reynolds (18-16, 106), Genoa freshman Nate Tipton (13-17, 120), Woodmore senior Cameron Overmyer (29-7, 160), Lake senior Austin Greene (9-11, 195), Woodmore sophomore Eli Wolph (24-8, 220) and Woodmore junior Drew St. John (22-9, 285).

Placing fourth were Genoa wrestler Darin Muir (18-22, 138), Genoa senior Tommy Giles (19-20, 152), Genoa junior Colin Brazelton (14-18, 170), Woodmore senior Connor Requena (17-13, 182), Eastwood sophomore Dalton Hesselbart (32-13, 195) and Genoa freshman Ethan Crawford (11-7, 220).

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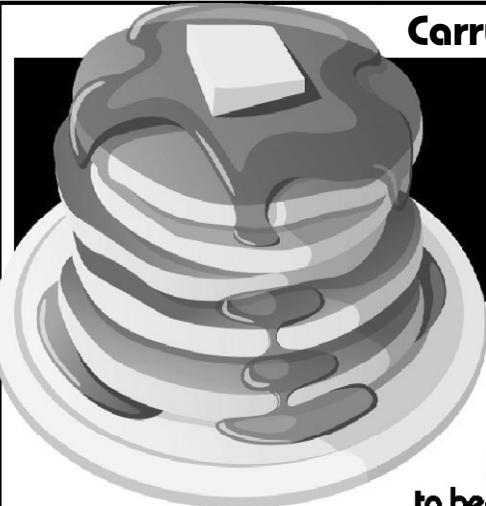
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Oak Harbor's Blake Booker named Bay's top player

Oak Harbor 5-foot-10 senior guard Blake Booker was named Sandusky Bay Conference Bay Division Most Outstanding Player after averaging 19.4 points, and is a unanimous first team selection.

"Blake is well deserving of this honor, he has put many hours into his game over the years. His skill set was on full display this season," Oak Harbor coach Eric Sweet said. "The SBC Bay Division has many great players in it and it is a great honor for Blake to receive this award. He is the best shooter I have ever coached in my career. He is an outstanding young man and one that I had the honor to coach."

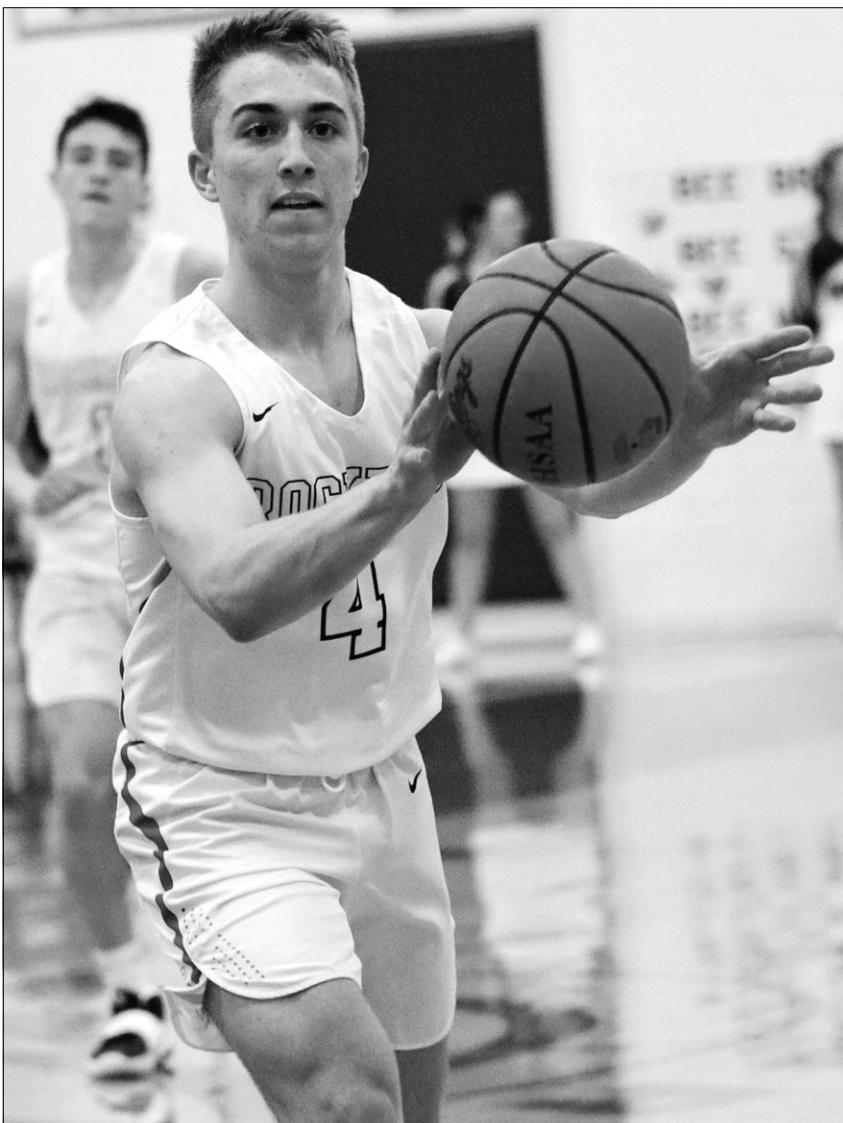
Booker grew up on South Bass Island, playing basketball for Put-In-Bay his freshman year, and then joined the Oak Harbor squad his sophomore year.

Oak Harbor finished second in the league at 12-8 overall and 7-3 in conference play, while Willard (16-5, 8-2) won the title even though both of the Flashes' league losses came to the Rockets. Oak Harbor 6-2 junior wing T.J. Hallett (11.1 pts.) is second team.

In the SBC River Division, Gibsonburg 6-6 junior post Aidan McGough is first team after averaging 13.9 points. The Golden Bears finished the regular season 10-9 overall and 8-8 in the league. Old Fort (18-3, 14-2) and Tiffin Calvert (18-4, 14-2) shared the league title, with Old Fort junior Colin Nutter (19 pts.) named the league's best player. Gibsonburg junior Tyler Henderson (8.8 pts.) is second team and senior Mitchell Tille (8.8 pts.) is honorable mention.

Oak Harbor 5-9 junior guard Ryann Steinbrick was named second team All-SBC Bay after averaging 12 points and 5-11 senior post Auna Tack was honorable mention after averaging 11.9 points. In the River Division, Gibsonburg 5-9 senior guard Kayli Schneider (7.1 points) is honorable mention.

In the Northern Buckeye Conference, Rossford 5-11 senior guard CamRon Gaston is the Player of the Year and first team and his teammate, 6-4 junior wing Ben Morrison, an Oregon resident, is also first team. They are joined on the first team by Woodmore 6-2 senior forward Hunter Allen and Eastwood 6-3 junior forward Jacob Meyer.



Oak Harbor senior guard Blake Booker, the Sandusky Bay Conference Bay Division Most Outstanding Player. (Photo by Laura Bolander)

The outright league champion Bulldogs, 19-2 overall and 13-1 in the NBC, are ranked fourth in the Associated Press Division II poll and were to play Rogers for a sectional championship Friday night.

The Bulldogs are followed in the league by Eastwood (13-8, 9-4), Woodmore (13-9, 8-6), Otsego (8-12, 6-7), Elmwood (12-10, 6-8), Genoa (7-15, 6-8), Fostoria (11-

10, 5-9) and Lake (5-17, 2-12).

Second team selections include Eastwood 6-0 senior shooting guard Isaac Badenhop, Genoa 6-1 senior forward Jacob Emerson and Woodmore senior Zach Hunt.

HM picks include Woodmore junior Aaron Miller, Woodmore 5-11 senior guard Aaron Sandrock, Lake 6-5 junior forward Cam Hoffman, Eastwood 5-9 sophomore



guard Case Boos, Rossford 6-5 junior post Gavin Dewese, Rossford sophomore 6-3 sophomore wing Jake Morrison, Lake 6-2 senior forward Jalen Smith, Eastwood 6-1 junior guard Lake Boos and Genoa 5-10 senior guard Trevor Wasserman.

Clay gymnastics

At Exceleration Gymnastics Center, the Clay gymnastics team finished fourth in the Three Rivers Athletic Conference meet, scoring 116.15 points to place behind Notre Dame (128.725), St. Ursula (125.225) and Findlay (124.125). Whitmer was fifth with 44.3 points.

"Clay did a great job at the TRAC meet on Saturday earning fourth place in the league. They did a good job on floor and beam as a team," Clay coach Faye Smith said.

Laney Newman earned second team all-league and Gracie Mabry earned honorable mention all-league. Newman placed fifth on vault (7.95), seventh on bars (7.625), seventh on floor (8.4), and eighth in the all around (31.125). Gracie Mabry also placed seventh on the vault (7.85).

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Eastwood junior guard Aubrey Haas scores on a layup that got her 1,000th career point in the Eagles' 67-51 tournament victory over Evergreen. (Press photo by Russ Lytle/ Face-book.com/ RussLytle/RHP)



Haas scores her 1,000th point

Eastwood 5-foot-8 junior guard Aubrey Haas needed eight points to reach 1,000 for her career, and she got it during the Eagles' 67-51 sectional final victory over Evergreen. Haas finished the game with 17 points, four rebounds, three assists and five steals.

"For a junior to get 1,000 points is pretty special," Eastwood coach Nick Schmeltz said. "Aubrey has started and played in every game from her freshman year to her junior year now (70 games), but you've still got to be able to score some points to do that and to do it in three years is pretty special. She is a complete player and can score in a multitude of ways. What may be most impressive though, is her ability to defend and still commit to being a defensive stopper."

"Haas will get a chance to go after the career scoring record next year (1,572 points held by 2020 graduate Jamie Schmeltz), but I know if you asked Aubrey she would say the most important thing going forward is the team winning and doing whatever it takes to make that happen."

In the win over Evergreen, Eastwood was led by 5-5 junior guard Makenna Souder, who had 19 points, five rebounds,

three assists and five steals. The Eagles (18-5) were to play in the Division III district semifinal Thursday night against Delta at Anthony Wayne. The district championship was Saturday against the Elmwood-Swanton winner.

The only other team from the Eastern Maumee Bay Community to reach the district tournament was Northern Buckeye Conference co-champion Woodmore (22-2, 12-2). The Wildcats, which shared the league title with Elmwood (19-3, 12-2), faced Old Fort in a Division IV district semifinal at Fostoria Thursday. The D-IV district championship was Saturday against the Toledo Christian-New Riegel winner. The Wildcats defeated Emmanuel Christian 73-17 and Arcadia 50-38 to reach the district tournament. (— Press Sports Editor J. Patrick Eaken)

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Henneman heads to nationals

The National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics announced that Lourdes University wrestler Nick Henneman (Clay) has earned a berth to the 2021 NAIA Wrestling National Championships.

He will be joined by Lourdes wrestlers Jimmy Balazy (Parma Padua Franciscan), Blake Montrie (Bedford, Mich.), Noah Clary (Upper Sandusky), and Alec Moore-Nash (Cincinnati Elder). The 64th annual event takes place March 5-6 at Hartman Arena in Park City, Kansas.

Henneman is 2-1 with one major decision for the Gray Wolves at 141 pounds. The redshirt-junior is a three-time NAIA national qualifier, earning All-American honors when he finished fourth in 2019.

The five wrestlers that qualified match a school record for Lourdes as the Gray Wolves also took five grapplers in 2019. Last year, the Gray Wolves took a pair of wrestlers, and finished in 34th place overall.

This year, Henneman placed second in the league and earned second team All Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference honors and Lourdes coach Dock Kelly III was named the Coach of Character. Henneman was among seven total Gray Wolves to earn league awards and he was also named to the league's Champions of Character Team.

Lourdes finished third as a team at the league's inaugural championships held inside the Russell J. Ebeid Recreation Center.

Lourdes posted 123½ points, adding three conference runners-up in addition to one league champion. Indiana Tech took home the team title with 163½ points while Marian was second with 144 points.

Rochester (Mich.) placed fourth with 70½ points.

"This was an exciting conference tournament and I'm so proud of the way that our guys competed," Kelly said. "While it was a challenge to prepare to host this tournament I must give credit to coach Louis Piszkner for having our guys ready to wrestle under these unique circumstances."

Henneman picked up a decision in the semifinals of 141 pounds before falling in a tie-breaker against Blake Mulkey of Marian 8-5 in the championship.

"We will take a few days off and then begin our preparations for the national tournament," Kelly concluded. "I am confident that our guys will be ready to meet the challenge."

Last year, Henneman qualified for nationals at 141 pounds, going 2-2, after leading the team with a 21-3 record. He was named Sooner Athletic Conference Wrestler of the Year after winning a league championship, was an All-SAC selections, and SAC Wrestler of the Week and NAIA National Wrestler of the Week in early February. He won six matches by fall, four by technical fall and five by major decision.

In 2018-19, he also qualified for All-American honors at 141 pounds after posting a 14-5 record with seven falls, two by technical fall and two by major decision. He placed fourth at the NAIA championships, was runner-up at the SAC championships and earned SAC and NAIA Wrestler of the Week almost exactly one year to the date prior to winning it last year. (— by Lourdes University SID Ryan Wronkowicz and Press Sports Editor J. Patrick Eaken)



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Toledo

VFW Post 4906, 2161 Consaul, is offering Reuben with chips for \$8 March 13 from 12-6 p.m. Sunday Supper Drive-thru dinner March 21 from 1-4 p.m. \$10 donation includes 1/4 baked chicken, cabbage and noodles, mashed potatoes, vegetable and dessert. Pre-order and prepay for dinner by calling 419-351-1665 or pay cash at the post. Call 419-698-4411 for hall rental or membership info.

God's Instruments Food Pantry is open the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month, 10 a.m.-noon, 1705 Tracy St. between Oakdale Street and Andrus Road. ID and proof of residence required. Masks required. Open to residents of Toledo, Northwood and Rossford.

Waite High School Class of 1951 meets the 2nd Mon. 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 2nd Tues. of each month. For more info, contact Ned at 419-893-4336.

Oregon

Oregon Republican Club meets the 1st Thurs. of the month at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express, 3154 Navarre Ave. March guest speaker will be State Sen. Theresa Gavarone. Visit [www.OregonRepublicanClub.com](http://OregonRepublicanClub.com) or contact Lynn Gibbs at lynlin3215@gmail.com for info.

Oregon Democratic Club meets the first Thurs. of the month at 8 pm. The club normally meets at Firehouse #1 at the corner of Wynn and Seaman roads, however due to COVID restrictions, meetings are held via conference call/Zoom. Visit [www.oregondemocraticclub.org](http://oregondemocraticclub.org) for meeting information and details.

East Toledo/Oregon Kiwanis meet the 2nd and 4th Mon. of each month at noon at The American Family Table, 846 S Wheeling St.

Oregon Senior Center is available for transportation, grab-and-go meals and essential services. Call 419-698-7078 for more details.

Oregon-Jerusalem Historical Society will present an old book sale, including books from the Civil War to WWII, at First St. Mark's Church, 1121 Grasser St., every Saturday in March from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., or until sold out. OJHS encourages the community to visit ojhs.org, for information on upcoming, socially distanced events and for historical info on Oregon and Jerusalem Township.

Oregon Fire & Rescue Museum is located at 4350 Navarre Ave. For private tours contact Mike Snyder at 419-297-2383.

Food for Thought Food Pantry at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Coy Road and Navarre Avenue, is open the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 3-5 p.m.

Ashland Church Food Pantry, 2350 Starr Ave., 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 Wed. from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Intersection Church (formerly Heritage Christian Church), 1640 S. Coy Rd. Everyone welcome; free. Call 419-389-3299 for info.

First St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 1121 Grasser St., has rental space available for weddings, showers, meetings, family gatherings, etc. Call 419-693-7128 for more info.

Christ Dunberger American Legion Post 537 hall at 4925 Pickle Rd. is available for rentals and accommodates up to 145 people. Call 419-704-5381 for details.

Northwood

Fish Fries, Northwood VFW 2984, 102 W. Andrus Rd., every Friday beginning March 5, 5-7:30 p.m. Fish, shrimp, steak and chicken available. Dine in or carry out. Sunday breakfasts, served 8:30-11:30 a.m., will be resuming starting March 7.

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Men's Prayer Breakfast, every 3rd Sat. each month at 9 a.m. at Northwood Church of God, Coy and Curtice roads. For info, call 419-693-0260.

Jerusalem Twp.

Board of Trustees meets the 2nd and 4th Tues. of the month at 7 p.m. via Zoom. The public is welcome to join in the meeting by call-in or video conference. The meeting phone number and link are available on the Jerusalem Township website at: <https://twp.jerusalem.oh.us/trustees/>.

Jerusalem Twp. Food Pantry, open 2nd Wed. of every month, 9-11 a.m. at the township hall, 9501 Jerusalem Rd.

Elmore

Harris-Elmore Public Library is open to the public with enhanced health and safety measures in place. Hours are Mon. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tues. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Weds. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thurs. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Closed Sunday. Curbside service offered. Storytime Wednesday at 11 a.m. on the library YouTube channel. Other upcoming programs include: Call 419-855-3380 or visit www.harriselmorelibrary.org for details.

Genoa

Genoa Branch Library is open to the public with enhanced health and safety measures. Hours are Mon. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tues. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Weds. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thurs. 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Closed Sun. Curbside service available. Storytime Wednesday at 11 a.m. on the library YouTube channel. Call 419-855-3380 or visit www.harriselmorelibrary.org for details.

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 Chalfin at 419-460-3265 for more info.

Al-Anon Family Group, Genoa Giving and Getting, meets Mondays at 8 p.m. at Genoa Christian Church, 415 Main St.

Genoa Community Food Pantry is open the 3rd Sat. 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 more info, call 419-341-0913.

Gibsonburg

Gibsonburg Branch Library offers a number of virtual programs, including: Go for the Gold! March – Pick up an activity kit with a St. Patrick's Day theme geared toward preschoolers (while supplies last); Pose and Play, Thursdays in March at 11 a.m. on Facebook – Join Mrs. M. to learn a basic yoga pose and a fingerplay; Carol's Kitchen – Tea Shop Treats, March 8, 7 p.m. – Watch librarian Carol make blueberry cheesecake live on the library's Facebook page; Gibsonburg Virtual Adult Book Chat on Zoom, March 22, 7 p.m. – Join a virtual discussion of "Before We Were Yours," by Lisa Wingate (register online); Novel Explorers, March 24 and April 7 and 21, 4 p.m. – Teens are invited to a virtual discussion of "The Golden Compass," by Philip Pullman and the movie that was made from the book. All programs are free, but some require registration at www.birchard.org.

Graytown

Zion UMC, 18045 W. William St., Elliston-Trowbridge Rd. – LIGHT pantry open to residents of Ottawa County who struggle with food or financial insecurity the 2nd Wed. 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., is open Mon.-Thurs. 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Fri. 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-noon. Patrons are asked to wear a mask. Children 15 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. The Local History Museum Center is open Tues. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and Thurs. 10 a.m.-noon by appointment only. Visit the library on Facebook or YouTube for children's activities, local history, crafting projects, book news and more. Call 419-898-7001 for details.

Oak Harbor Alliance Chapel Food Pantry, 11805 SR 105, is open for appointments on Wednesdays from 2-6 p.m. Call or text 419-343-0126 to make an appointment.

Pemberville

Community Food Pantry at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 220 Cedar St., is open every Tues. from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and the 2nd and last Sat. 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

Stony Ridge Civic Association meets the 3rd Wed. of the month at 6 p.m. at the Stony Ridge Library. Visit stonyridgepark.com for more details.

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Walbridge

Walbridge Branch Library, 108 N. Main St., is open to the public for express service Monday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Curbside pickup: Monday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Woodville

Woodville Library, 101 E. Main St., programs include: Take & Make Crafts, Tuesdays, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. for grades K-6 – Pick up a craft to make at home; Crochet Basics on Facebook Live, March 4, 7 p.m.; Breakfast Club, March 6, 9 a.m. (grades 2-6) – Grab your favorite breakfast and join Miss Rene on Zoom to talk about books and hobbies (registration required); Woodville Virtual Adult

Book Club, March 10, 7 p.m. – Discuss "Beach Read," by Emily Henry (registration required); Kidz & Canvas, March 13, 9 a.m. – Kids in grades K-6 are invited to join via Facebook live and paint a picture together (Pick up supplies and register starting March 8); From My Backyard, March 20, 9 a.m. – Join librarian Rene via Facebook as she shares life on the farm; Simply Craftastic: A Facebook Live Series, March 16, 7 p.m. – Make simple crafts with items you may have at home; What's Your Hobby?, March 21, 2 p.m. – Woodville-area residents share their hobbies on Facebook Live; Adulting 101: How to Read a Recipe, March 25, 7 p.m. on Facebook Live; Denim Roads, March 27, 9 a.m. via Facebook Live – Librarian Charlene will discuss how to make roads for toy cars using old jeans. Visit www.birchard.org to register or for more info.

Great Eastern Toastmasters Club is now meeting in person on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Taylor's Tae Kwon Do Tumbling and Dance Studio, 200 S. Elm St., located one block south of Route 20. The club provides a supportive environment for those looking to enhance self-confidence by improving your speaking, listening and /or leadership skills. Guests welcome. Masks are required at this time. Contact Allan at 419-698-3733 or Julie at 419-343-5569 or visit D28toastmasters.org.

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

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Most of us chafe at criticism, especially if it is delivered bluntly and concerning matters which hit close to home. We are also prone to bristle if the person is criticizing us on moral matters and isn't him- or herself a model of rectitude. But if we really want to improve then we should strive to find the kernel of truth in every criticism. We often take instruction and criticism to be inherently negative, but if it enables us to improve in some way then there is really something valuable in it. If we can somehow receive it with an open heart and genuinely thank the person giving it to us, then they are more likely to do us the favor of correcting future errors as well. We live in an era where everyone expects to get an A in their classes and a trophy for their athletic efforts, and so honest criticism is often lacking, and the result is that a lot of mediocre performances get high marks and many have lost the ability to receive instruction and criticism graciously. There is some grain of truth in almost every criticism, so seek to learn from it. "Whoever scorns instruction will pay for it, but whoever respects a command is rewarded. The teaching of the wise is a fountain of life, turning a person from the snares of death." —Proverbs 13:13-14 NIV

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125 Notices And Announcements

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Please contact Brooke, Fur Angels Rescue Shelter, 419-250-3914.

Henry

Henry, 13, is looking for his forever home. His owner died last year. He is very laid back. He is very intelligent, has green eyes, and will jump willingly in a carrier when it's time to go to the vet. He loves attention, a nap in your lap, toys and treats. He is an indoor cat only and is declawed. His recent wellness check showed he is in excellent health. No dogs or small children. His adoption will include reimbursement for veterinary care set up by the estate.

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Tiny Girl, 13, is looking for her forever home. Her owner died last year. She is a bit timid at first, but warms up to people after she is brushed, her favorite pastime. She enjoys relaxing by a window sill watching the great outdoors. She has no teeth, but eats dry food well. She is an indoor cat only and is declawed. Her recent wellness check showed she is in excellent health. No dogs or small children. Her adoption will include reimbursement for veterinary care set up by the estate.

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NOTICE

The annual financial report of the Village of Woodville for 2020 is complete, and has been filed with the State Auditor. The report is available for inspection at the office of the Fiscal Officer, 530 Lime Street, Woodville, Ohio during normal business hours.

Barbara J. Runion, Fiscal Officer

- PUBLIC NOTICE - VILLAGE OF CLAY CENTER

Ord. 01-2021: AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF CLAY CENTER, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021

The full text may be viewed at the Village Post Office or by contacting Bill Scott, Fiscal Officer (419) 855-7444 or (419) 635-5432

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Julie A. Van Nest
Village of Genoa
Fiscal Officer

VILLAGE OF OAK HARBOR - PUBLIC NOTICE -

ORDINANCE NO. 2-2021
AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AN EASEMENT FOR WATER LINE PURPOSES FROM WATERFORD PLACE, INC. FOR THE WATERFORD PLACE SUBDIVISION

RESOLUTION NO. 4-2021
RESOLUTION SETTING THE BLANKET LIMITS FOR THE VILLAGE OF OAK HARBOR AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

To read in full please contact the Fiscal Officer

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Village of Woodville Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** on Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 6:30pm at the Village Municipal Building, 530 Lime Street, Woodville, Ohio 43469. This hearing is to receive public concerns and comments on a request for variance from Kevin and Mary Ann Mackey, 507 Lueke Ave. Woodville, OH. Mr. & Mrs. Mackey have requested a permit to add a front deck/porch to their residence in accordance with Ordinance 1117.01 Basic Yard Area, and Height Requirements it encroaches into the right-of-way set back.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, you must RSVP to Kris Gerwin at 419-849-3031 if you are planning to attend this Public Hearing.

Information regarding this variance request is on file in the Village Administrator's office during regular office hours.



Woodville Zoning Board of Appeals

HEARING NOTICE

Oregon City Council will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers on applications for placement of farmland into an Agricultural District for the following:

- 2.73 acres of land located at 3980 Brown Road and 9.37 acres of land located at 3960 Brown Road owned by Jack Carstensen.
- 9.571 acres of land located at 3960 Brown Road owned by Jack and Barbara Carstensen.
- 30.15 acres of land located at 3814 Brown Road owned by Alice Domineque.
- 56.27 acres of land located at 5518 Seaman Road owned by the City of Oregon.
- 20.0 acres of land located at 4250 Corduroy Road owned by Oregon On The Bay Regional Economic Development Foundation.
- 4.74 acres of land located at 150 N Lallendorf Rd, 24.38 acres of land located at 0 Corduroy Rd, 28.0 acres of land located at 5701 Cedar Point Rd, 40.279 acres of land located at 805 N Stadium Rd, 20.0 acres of land located at 5255 Cedar Point Rd, 19.0 acres of land located at 1340 N Wynn Rd, and 60.0 acres of land located at 5201 Corduroy Rd, owned by Kevin M. & Kathy S. Fox.

DarLynn Huntermark, Finance Director

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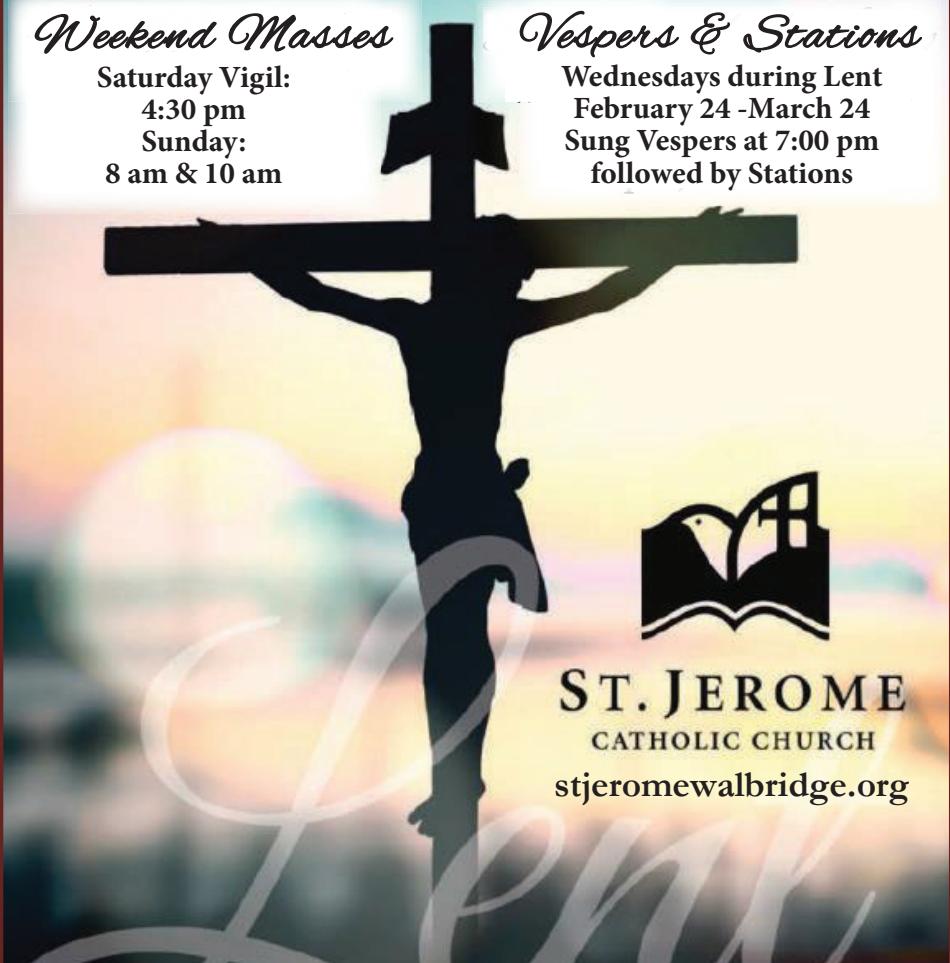


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