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Oak Harbor Village starts alert system

By Press Staff Writer

The Village of Oak Harbor has implemented a community notification system to alert residents to public emergencies and to disseminate community advisories.

The village has partnered with Everbridge Nixle for the real-time service, Quinton Babcock, mayor, said.

The village is using funding from the CARES Act for the service.

"Although we will only use this broadcasting system, as needed, I believe it will prove to be a valuable tool for safety and communication," said Police Chief Eric Parker, noting the system will be controlled through the police department's dispatch center. "The system gives the village the ability to message our employees separately, as well."

According to Chief Parker, community notifications and updates may include public emergencies—such as snow emergencies and road closures—as well as non-emergency events and Covid-19 updates.

Nixle materials say the community notification system creates a "communications structure that can help solve crimes, build safer communities, and promote a positive dialogue and partnership between residents and law enforcement."

More than 7,200 agencies in the United States rely on Nixle for community engagement and emergency communications.

In Oak Harbor, alerts will be geographically targeted, allowing residents to receive localized, relevant alerts from the village via SMS text message, email and the web. Messages can be transmitted anywhere in a radius from a quarter mile to 10 miles, providing neighborhood-level, time-sensitive information to affected citizens.

Any resident may register by texting his or her zip code to 888777 from a mobile phone or by signing up via the Nixle Widget at <https://local.nixle.com/signup/widget/i/52518>. Once reg-

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Winter blast

Amy Ulich, Oregon, gives her grandchildren, Elizah, Elana and Elayah a push on the sledding hill at Pearson Metropark. The first real significant snowfall of the season brought plenty of sledders and hikers to the park. (Press photos by Ken Grosjean)



Oregon, Elmore get state funds for infrastructure

By Kelly J. Kaczala
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Communities in Northwest Ohio are receiving approximately \$17.5 million in low-interest rate funding from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to improve wastewater and drinking water infrastructure and to make other water quality improvements. The loans were approved between Oct. 1 and Dec. 31, 2020. The lower interest rates and principal forgiveness will save these communities more than \$6.76 million.

Statewide, Ohio EPA awarded approximately \$303.8 million in loans during the fourth quarter of 2020, including \$19.2 million in principal forgiveness. Combined, Ohio communities will save more than \$61.2 million when compared to market-rate loans. The projects are improving Ohio's surface water quality and the reliability and quality of Ohio drinking water systems.

Ohio EPA provided approximately \$887 million for public works projects in 2020, saving communities more than \$150 million in interest when compared to market-rate loans. This includes \$10.8 million in principal forgiveness loans to 75 local health districts to help lower income homeowners repair or replace failing home sewage systems.

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Sewer rehab

Among the communities in The Press circulation area to receive funding are Oregon and Elmore.

Oregon is receiving \$1.25 million to construct the first phase of a sanitary sewer rehabilitation project. The project involves lining the mainline sanitary sewers, laterals, and manholes in the South Shore Park subdivision, which is directly adjacent to Maumee Bay and Lake Erie. It is subject to excessive inflow and infiltration from rainfall and Lake Erie wave events.

The project is located along the lake just north of Bay Shore Road and east of

Stadium Road, according to Public Service Director Paul Roman.

“We’re lining sanitary sewers. By doing so, we’re making them tighter so that drainage and other infiltration doesn’t get into the sewer system,” said Roman.

“We’ve done several sewer rehabilitation projects in the city. It’s an investment. We’re removing I & I (inflow and infiltration) from the sanitary sewer system,” he said.

“In that area, sometimes we don’t get rain. We get just a northeast wind from the lake and you get wave run-up and it floods the area,” said Roman. “Then that feeds through the ground and infiltrates those sanitary sewers. That’s why we’re lining it.”

In addition, the sewers are old.

“Just for structural integrity, we want to line them and give them a lot more life. They get 50 years more life by lining them,” he said.

Roman called the sewer rehabilitation project in the city an ongoing process.

“We’ve been doing this for almost nine years. We’ve done most of our older sewers. A lot of the original sewers were installed in the 1930s. So this is the last of that era in South Shore Park. We’ve already completed Moundview Park and Euclid Park - some of the older subdivisions. The next oldest sewers are from the 60s and 70s. Not

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Quote of The Week

I’ve even gone so far as to call farmers the “ultimate environmentalists.”

Steve Groff
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Oregon, Elmore get state funds

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much happened during World War II," he said.

"Eventually, we'll go south of Bay Shore Road. Our goal is to line the rest of South Shore Park. What we're doing this year is just one third of that area. We'll apply for grant dollars for future projects. It just depends on how much money is available," he said.

The project also is being funded by a \$450,000 grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) and a \$450,000 zero percent loan from the OPWC, he said.

Elmore

Elmore is receiving two loans. One is for \$26,858 to create an asset management plan for the village. The other is an \$8,868 loan to maintain the village's elevated water storage tank. The project includes power washing, repairing the interior ladder and pit welding, and adding supports for future cathodic protection.

The Northwestern Water and Sewer District is receiving two loans for drinking water projects. An \$881,126 loan is for replacing approximately 4,800 feet of waterline. A \$699,659 loan will fund replacing 6-inch waterlines with 10-inch waterlines in the village of McComb to provide adequate feed to a large industrial customer.

Bowling Green is receiving a \$5.4 million loan for aeration and biosolids treatment improvements at the wastewater treatment plant. The project includes constructing a new biosolids aeration building. Sandusky County is receiving \$2.33 million to build a sewage collection system and treatment facility to serve 75 homes with failing septic systems in the Wightman's Grove subdivision.

Loan fund

Created in 1989, the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) helps communities improve their wastewater treatment systems. The Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA), started in 1998, provides loans for improvements to community drinking water systems and nonprofit, non-community public water systems. Both programs offer below-market interest rate loans, which can save communities a substantial amount of money compared to market-rate loans.

Ohio EPA's state revolving fund (SRF) loans are provided to communities to build and upgrade wastewater and drinking water infrastructure, upgrade home sewage treatment systems, better manage storm water, address combined sewer overflows, and implement other water quality-related projects.

Ohio attorney general combats robocallers

Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost last week joined 33 other attorneys general in asking the U.S. Court of Appeals to reverse a decision that prevents states from combating robocallers.

The bipartisan coalition planned to file an amicus brief arguing that the Telephone Consumer Protection Act's robocall ban was enforceable from 2015 to 2020.

"My office received more than 38,500 complaints of unwanted robocalls from Ohioans last year," Yost said. "Stripping away tools to fight them now — when scammers are exploiting the pandemic every day — is putting people at risk."

In 2015, President Barack Obama signed into law a government debt exception to the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA). The exception allows for calls and texts to collect on debts owed or guaranteed to the federal government. In 2020, the U.S. Supreme Court invalidated that exception and severed it from the rest of the TCPA. Later, a district court ruled in *Lindenbaum v. Realty* that because part of the law was struck down, the TCPA is invalid and cannot be used to hold robocallers accountable for their actions between

2015 and 2020.

The brief, filed in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, asks the court to reverse the lower court's ruling. The brief argues that the Supreme Court's 2020 decision made clear that the invalid government-debt exception did not affect the TCPA's primary robocall ban. It further argues that the district court's decision was inconsistent with basic principles on severability.

State attorneys general are at the forefront of the fight against robocalls, which are immensely frustrating and can cause real financial harm to people.

In January 2020, people received more than 4.7 billion robocalls nationwide. The attorneys general have several ongoing enforcement actions under the TCPA, and invalidating the law on a technicality would let robocallers off the hook.

Last March, Yost launched an anti-robocall initiative and created a new Robocall Enforcement Unit.

Behind the slogan "Just Don't Answer!" it encourages Ohioans to not answer or reply to phone numbers they do not recognize.

The bipartisan coalition argues that aside from the government debt exception, the rest of the TCPA can and must be upheld so it can be enforced.

Yost was joined in filing this brief by the attorneys general of North Carolina, Indiana, Alaska, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nebraska, Tennessee, Virginia, and Washington.

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Singing Valentines

The "Voices of Harmony" chorus, part of the Northwest Ohio Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, is preparing to fill hearts and email in-boxes with the sound of four-part harmony, as they deliver singing Valentines on Sunday, Feb. 14.

A limited number of in-person singing Valentines, with quartets performing one song and delivering a rose and personalized card, will be available throughout Northwest Ohio and southeast Michigan. Quartet members will be wearing masks and will remain socially

distanced. The cost of in-person deliveries is \$45.

Other COVID-19-friendly options include a video Valentine, one pre-recorded song and a personalized message for you to send to loved ones for \$20, or a live song and message to be delivered over the phone for \$10.

Orders may be placed online via the Voices of Harmony website at www.thevoicesofharmony.org; by calling 888-741-SING (7464), option 3, or by emailing thevoicesofharmony@gmail.com.

For more information, visit www.thevoicesofharmony.org.

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Obituaries

Obituary

Robert G. Kapp

February 22, 1932 – January 28, 2021

Robert George Kapp, 88, of Curtice, OH passed away January 28, 2021 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio. He was born on February 22, 1932 to Erwin and Florence Kapp. As a life long farmer, Robert enjoyed spending countless hours in the fields. He served 24 years on the Lake Local School Board which enabled him to present his children with their high school diploma.

Robert is survived by his wife Carolyn of 67 years, his brother Donald, his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and three great-grandchildren yet to be born. He was preceded in death by his parents, daughter Cindi and grandson Michael.

Due to Covid, there was no visitation, a private graveside service was held January 30th at Lake Township Cemetery.

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State funds to help with rent, utilities

State Rep. Michael Sheehy (D-Oregon) recently announced the State Controlling Board approved \$100 million in federal funds for the state's Rent Assistance Program to aid Ohioans impacted by the pandemic with financial assistance to pay rent, rent arrears, utilities and home energy costs, and utility and home energy costs arrears.

"It has been nearly a year since this pandemic disrupted our lives, and our neighbors are still struggling to keep up with their utilities and rent. These funds for the Rent Assistance Program are desperately needed to assist Ohioans in keeping their lights on and their heat going," said Sheehy.

The Development Services Agency will award funds to local Community Action Agencies (CAA) according to low-to moderate-income populations and unemployment rates within each county. Ohioans at or below 80 percent of the area median income (AMI) are eligible for assistance. In Lucas County, the CAA is Pathway, Inc.

Additionally, the Controlling Board approved the transfer of \$20.9 million in CARES Act funding to the Department of Health's 2021 budget to support data analysis, public information about COVID-19 and vaccines, and related critical outreach to Ohio citizens, and other response costs paid by the department. Another \$8 million will go to purchase additional PPE equipment to aid the state's ongoing coronavirus response efforts.

Health Dept. clinics

The Ottawa County Health Department has released the clinic schedule for Feb. 8-12. Unless otherwise stated, all clinics are held at the health department, 1856 E. Perry St., Port Clinton.

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

Feb. 9: Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Clinic, 8 a.m.-noon.

Feb. 10: Family Planning Clinic, 8-9 a.m.; Immunization Clinic, 12:45-4:30 p.m.; Tuberculosis Clinic (no appointment necessary), 3-4 p.m.

Feb. 11: Family Planning, Well Child and Sexually-Transmitted Disease (STD) Clinic, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Feb. 12: Tuberculosis Clinic (no appointment necessary), 3-4 p.m. Call 419-734-6800 for details.



All-time winners from the Rossford Walleye Roundup. (Submitted photo)

Rossford's walleye roundup entering fourth year

Entering its fourth year, the Bass Pro Shops 2021 Rossford Walleye Roundup is scheduled for April 2-3, 2021.

The event is open to all 2-person teams. Payouts are based on the number of entries and anticipated to return an estimated \$20,000 back to the winning teams. Twenty-five teams have registered as of January 29, 2021 with anglers coming from Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania, New York, and Wisconsin.

"Hey fellow fishermen/people if you ever consider doing a tournament check out the Rossford Roundup. Man do they know how to put on a great event," said Matthew Leben of Chardon, Ohio. "This is the best 2-day event in Ohio, Bass Pro gave us the best swag, food each night, and the staff was quick to help those who need help with their boats."

Tournament hours will be 7:30 am-4 pm each day. Michigan and Ohio waters of Lake Erie are open for tournament fishing.

Corps removing Brush site buildings

The Army Corps of Engineers is starting the removal of the former production building and two smaller buildings from the former Brush Beryllium site near Luckey.

The buildings are being removed to provide safe access to sample and remediate soil underneath, which is contaminated with beryllium, radium-226, thorium-230, uranium-234, uranium-238, and lead.

The production building, which cov-

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No Canadian Waters are permitted. The two-day event will launch from Cullen Park with activities, final weigh-in, and awards at Bass Pro Shops in Rossford. Entry fee is \$500 per team consisting of 2 anglers.

Gary "Bo" Bowman, tournament director, calls the event, "The best walleye tournament for the anglers in the Midwest"! The payout is 100% of all registration fees plus additional cash prizes for the Largest 1-Day Bag Weight and Big Fish Purse. In

addition, fishermen are treated to wonderful meals and special perks from Bass Pro Shops for those who stay in the hotels on Clark Drive in Rossford.

Rossford hotels including the Courtyard Marriott, Hampton Inn and Country Inn & Suites have planned special room rates for fisherman from March 30-April 3, 2021, available on the website. Boat parking and charging will be available nearby for hotel guests.

The Rossford CVB will distribute the walleye catches to area nonprofits from teams that choose to donate their catch. Sponsorships for the tournament are available and can be found on the website.

For more details and online registration: www.RossfordWalleyeRoundup.com. For questions, contact Beth Genson, Executive Director, Rossford Convention and Visitors Bureau at 855-765-5451 or bethgenson@visitrossfordohio.com.

ers 1.5 acres of the site, was used to produce beryllium from 1949 to 1958 under a contract with the Atomic Energy Commission. Since the Luckey site is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, the district has coordinated with the Ohio State Historic Preservation Office regarding the historic record, and will be recording the deconstruction of the building through time-lapse photography.

Unlike building demolition, building deconstruction involves disassembling a building in smaller pieces. Building deconstruction reduces the amount of dust

generated and prevents the spread of airborne contamination. Deconstruction of the former production building and disposal of the debris is anticipated to take approximately seven months.

Soil remediation will resume upon completion of the building removal operation. The entire site remediation is approximately half complete. The Phase 1 excavation area was completed in July 2020 and excavation in the Phase 2 area was completed during December 2020. Backfill and restoration of the Phase 1 and 2 areas are being conducted as weather permits.

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Alert system

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The Village of Oak Harbor will have the capability to immediately reach residents that have signed up for Nixle.
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istered, residents will receive a confirmation text. The service is free to Oak Harbor residents who access the notifications by email and online. Text-messaging rates may apply, depending on the resident's phone plan.

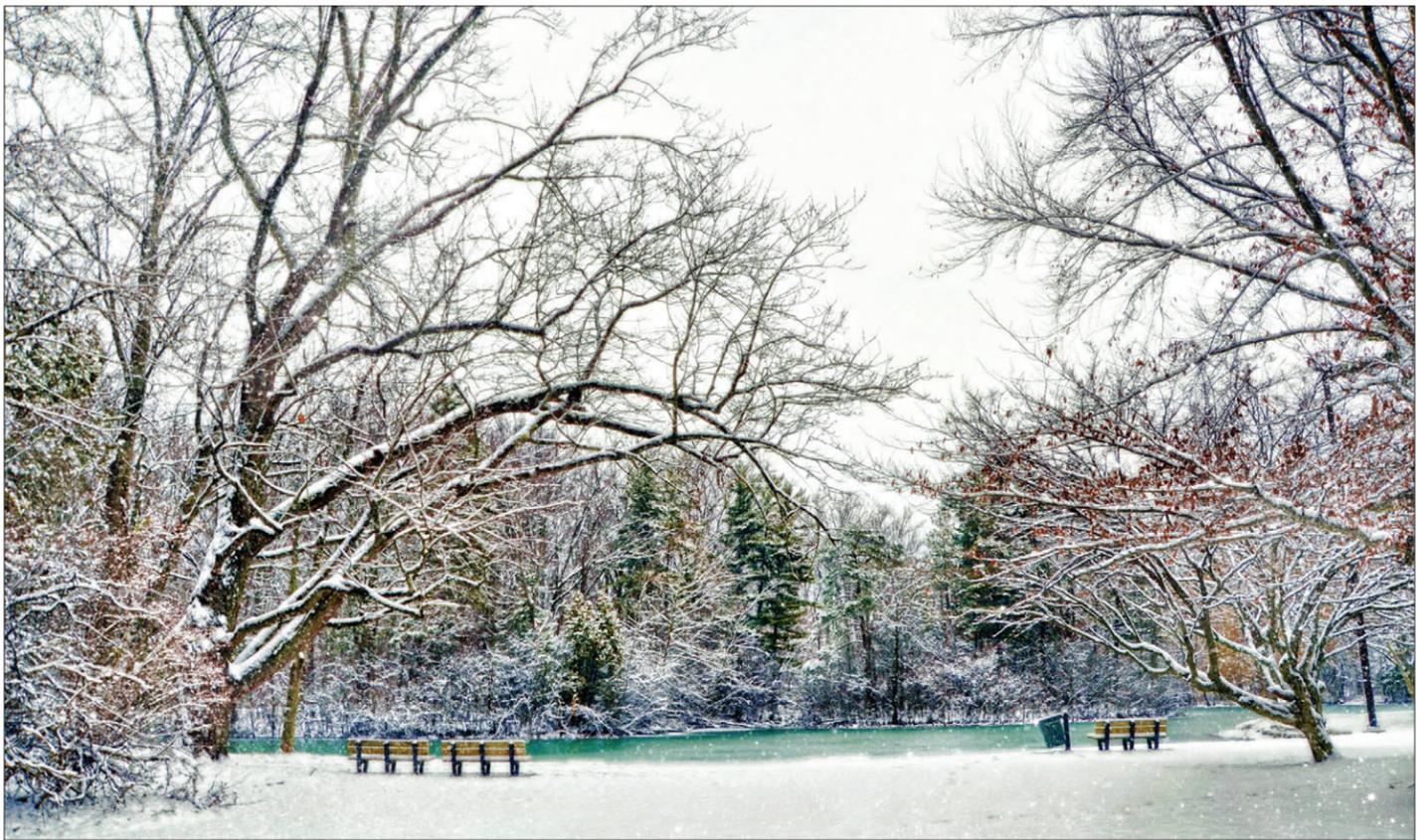
This system will be used for both emergency and non-emergency notifications that benefit the public welfare. Residents who have messages they would like to broadcast may forward them to Chief Parker or the chief dispatcher. The department will be creating templates for ease of broadcasting reoccurring events.

“The Village of Oak Harbor will have the capability to immediately reach residents that have signed up for Nixle,” Chief Parker said. “This efficient form of mass communication will save valuable time. Having a public broadcasting system is a great way of staying in touch with our residents.”

The Oak Harbor Police Department worked with Everbridge Nixle trainers to understand the tools of the public broadcasting system before going live with the community notification system.

Questions may be directed to Chief Parker, eparker@oakharbor.oh.us. Residents may also call the non-emergency line, 419-898-2055.

As a Covid-19 precaution, the police department, 146 N. Church Street, is currently closed to the public. Staff will come outside and address anyone in need.



Winter beauty

The recent snowfall creates a picturesque scene at Pearson Metrpark. More snow and colder temperatures are expected. (Photo by Maggi Dandar)

Contract awarded

The Northwestern Water and Sewer District Board of Trustees has awarded a construction contract for an elevated water tank project in Lake Township.

The project has been awarded to Landmark Structures for \$3.97 million and will include the construction of a 1.5-million gallon storage tank and a 16-inch water main to provide for better flow distribution.

The additional storage will improve water quality and flow during normal operations and provide increased capacity during a water emergency.

The tank will distribute water from the City of Toledo and serve approximately 8,000 homes and businesses in Rossford, Northwood, Troy and Perrysburg townships. The new tower will be built on Lemoyne Road between Latcha Road and the Ohio Turnpike in Lake Township.

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FirstEnergy agrees to drop rate rider

By Larry Limpf
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The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio last week authorized revised decoupling rates for FirstEnergy's Ohio distribution utilities, setting them to zero.

The utilities will stop including the decoupling charges on customer bills effective Feb. 9, the PUCO said.

FirstEnergy's three Ohio utilities, Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, Ohio Edison, and Toledo Edison, are affected by the change.

Dropping of the rates comes from an out-of-court settlement between FirstEnergy and Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost.

One purpose for decoupling is to compensate utilities for lost revenue stemming from customers participating in utility-run programs to increase energy efficiency. The programs help customers use less energy and lower their bills but potentially lower profits for utilities.

Days prior to the PUCO decision, State Senator Mark Romanchuk provided sponsor testimony on Senate Bill 10 before the Senate Energy & Public Utilities Committee. He said the decoupling provision was designed to "financially benefit a single company at the expense of Ohioans."

He explained the revenue decoupling mechanism was included in House Bill 6 passed in July 2019 and it has only benefited the three operating companies of one Ohio utility. He didn't name the companies but analysis by the Legislative Service Commission says SB 10 would repeal the decoupling mechanisms for Toledo Edison,

Ohio Edison, and Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co.

"The purpose of the mechanism was to allow the utility to recover lost distribution revenue due to the implementation of energy efficiency programs, and to create an incentive for the utility to pursue such programs. Since mandatory energy efficiency requirements were eliminated by HB 6, the need for decoupling mechanisms no longer exists," Romanchuk told the committee.

Prior to the passage of HB 6, decoupling mechanisms were set by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio rather than the legislature.

When creating the mechanisms, the PUCO would consider factors such as economic and weather conditions so the utility would not 'over recover' revenue lost as a result of factors other than energy efficiency programs.

Sen. Romanchuk said neither weather nor economic conditions were included in HB 6 language for calculating the decoupling mechanism rider.

"Also, 2018 was chosen as the base year to calculate the HB 6 decoupling rider. Coincidentally or not, 2018 represented the highest distribution sales in the last 10 years for said utility, Sen. Romanchuk told the committee. "In 2018, the utility received \$978 million in distribution revenue. Since 2018 was chosen as the base year to calculate the HB 6 decoupling rider, the utility will receive \$978 million annually in distribution revenue regardless of consumer usage (demand) for the foreseeable future. This transfers the risk of weather and economic conditions to the ratepayers."

Robert Kelter, of the Environmental

Law and Policy Center, told the committee that HB 6 still bails out nuclear plants and pays for the bailout with revenue from the elimination of energy efficiency programs that helped consumers lower their bills.

Aspire Program orientations set

Vanguard Sentinel Career & Technology Center's Aspire Program is enrolling new students for in-person and online virtual classes.

The program provides free adult education classes focused on helping students improve reading, math, writing and basic skills. Aspire classes are available for adults interested in obtaining a GED or preparing for college, an apprenticeship, a certificate training program or additional workforce training.

Virtual ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) classes are also available for English language learners. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, several classes in Ottawa, Sandusky, and Seneca counties have temporarily moved to virtual platforms. In-person services are available at select locations.

Orientation is required before enrollment in Aspire classes. Orientation allows participants to set goals; complete placement testing and develop an individualized learning plan.

Upcoming orientation dates at the Vanguard Adult Workforce Development Center in Fremont include Feb. 9 and 11, 9 a.m. or 5 p.m.

For more details, call the Vanguard Sentinel CTC Adult Workforce Development Center at 419-334-6901, ext. 2700.

'Second Saturdays'

Kids can learn about Chinese New Year traditions and make a paper dragon chain during Second Saturdays R 4 Kids on Saturday, Feb. 13, at the Hayes Presidential Library & Museums in Fremont.

The paper dragon chain is inspired by the paper dragons used during Chinese New Year celebrations. Participants can stop in between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. The program is open-house style, and admission is free. The program is focused for kids in kindergarten through third grade, however, kids of any age are welcome to participate.

Second Saturdays activities focus on Col. Webb Hayes' travels around the world. Webb Hayes was the son of President Rutherford and First Lady Lucy Hayes, and he founded Hayes Presidential, which is America's first presidential library. Activities and crafts are inspired by Webb Hayes' adventures and locations he visited.

For information, email Hayes Education Coordinator Joan Eardly at jeardly@rbhayes.org.

Kindergarten registration

Benton-Carroll-Salem School District will hold kindergarten registration for incoming students for the 2021-2022 school year on Feb. 11 and 12 and kindergarten screening on June 3 and 4.

The screening dates are a change from the current B-C-S calendar, which had the screening dates scheduled for March 25 and 26. Because of the change, current kindergarten students will have school on March 26.

The R.C. Waters Elementary office will be open for walk-in registration for parents/guardians of kindergarten students on Feb. 11 from 3:15 p.m.-6:45 p.m. and Feb. 12 from 8-11:30 a.m.

Parents/guardians who cannot make it during these times may call the school office at 419-898-6219.

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

Week of Feb. 7-13

Feb. 7

1933 Tiedtke's Department store is selling fresh "bullhead" fish for 18 cents a pound and sirloin steak for 12 cents a pound.

1941 The War Department orders 1,500 "Jeeps" to be built at the Willys-Overland plant in Toledo. This marks the start of Toledo's long legacy as the "home of Jeep".

Feb. 8

1919 Thousands of returning "doughboys" from World War I arrive back in Toledo from the battlefields of France. The soldiers of 329th regiment file off the trains at Cherry Street and are greeted by thousands of cheering Toledo citizens. They are treated later to a chicken dinner and showers of hugs and kisses.

1922 The KKK reorganizes in Toledo and the group announces it will call itself the Krusaders. Three hundred people attend the first meeting.

1949 Final plans are being made to greet the "Ohio boxcar" of the French "Merci" or Gratitude train in Toledo. It is the special train that has been shipped from France to say thank you to the United States for helping the French people recover after the war. The boxcar currently is on display at Camp Perry at Port Clinton.

Feb. 9

1903 Ontario school in North Toledo is fumigated after the father of one student there is diagnosed with small pox.

1962 Robert Stranahan, founder of Toledo's Champion Sparkplug Company dies at his West Central home at the age of 75. Stranahan started the company in Boston and moved it to Toledo in 1910 after securing a large contract with Willys Overland.

1963 The Toledo Sports Center on Starr Avenue is destroyed by flames.

Feb. 10

1931 Classes open for the first time at the



newly completed University Hall at the University of Toledo.

1932 A major raid on bootleg operation nets a large illegal distillery in the city, this one in East Toledo in the 1400 block of Holmes Street. It was operated by members of the Licavoli gang and capable of producing several thousand gallons of liquor a day.

1933 A massive blaze destroys the popular Vita Temple Theater on St. Clair Street in downtown Toledo. Built in 1862, it had first been a church then converted to a dance hall and then became a theater in 1914.

Feb. 11

1881 Ice jams and flood waters cause major damage to buildings and boats in downtown Toledo.

1909 Toledo Police Court Judge James Austin rules that sometimes a "wife beater" should receive a severe whipping as punishment. Even if the motive is revenge. Austin says "give a man who abuses his family a severe trouncing and the ends of justice will be met".

1921 The Toledo News Bee exclaims that it has "airmailed" a reporter, John Goldstrom" on a flight from New York to San Francisco as the very "first human mail package" delivered coast-to-coast. Goldstrom reports it took 14 days, and he was among the 16,000 pieces of mail carried by the plane on the bumpy and perilous journey.

1936 Three icebound freighters in the Maumee River are declared a hazard to the Cherry Street Bridge and are ordered to leave the city. Workers have to dynamite ice

from the river to allow the ships to move.

Feb. 12

1893 A major oil strike is reported in Wood County in Middleton Twp. It is said to be producing of about 1000 barrels a day.

1932 Toledo Police and dry agents find their second major bootleggers distillery in a week. This is the largest in the city's history and located in the 3000 block of Summit Street in a vacant lumber company warehouse. Agents estimate it was worth about \$200,000 dollars and could turn out 10,000 gallons of high grade alcohol a day. This one was also believed operated by members of the Licavoli gang.

1938 Joseph Wenner, 66, of Temperance says his 16 day hiccup spell is finally over. He remains at the Women and Childrens Hospital (Riverside) where he has been since the hiccups began.

1999 Life Flight helicopter crashes into a home in Central Toledo during a snow squall, injuring the pilot, nurse and doctors on board.

Feb.13

1943 Convicted postal robber and escape artist from Toledo, Joe Urbaytys is released from Alcatraz Federal Prison and returns home to Toledo where he soon opens an illegal bar and gambling spot on Woodville Road.

1956 Downtown gas explosion at the Beagle Meat Packing on Superior Street kills three people and injures others. Authorities believe the cause is a corroded gas line.

1965 Grim tragedy in Monclova Township where six children (3 months to 14 years) left alone in a house are killed in a fire when a young girl tries lighting an oil stove. One boy in the family manages to survive the blaze on Maumee-Western Road.

ToledoHistoryMuseum.org, 425 North St. Clair St., Toledo, OH 43604/419-215-2437



Croghan Colonial Bank promotion announced

Kendall Rieman, President/CEO of Croghan Colonial Bank, has announced the promotion of Steve "Chip" VanDette as the bank's new SVP/Chief Lending Officer.



Steve VanDette

VanDette has more 20 years of banking experience in North Central Ohio, most of which has been working with business clients in commercial banking.

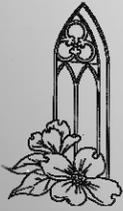
He is a graduate of Norwalk St. Paul High School and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Bowling Green State University and an MBA from the University of Phoenix. He and his family currently reside in Tiffin.

Specialist designation

Chuck Bell, of RE/MAX Preferred Associates of Oregon, has earned the Seniors Real Estate Specialist designation from the SRES Council of the National Association of Realtors.

Bell joins more than 15,000 real estate professionals in North America who have earned the designation. All were required to successfully complete a comprehensive course in understanding the needs, considerations, and goals of real estate buyers and sellers ages 55 and older.

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Robinhood: Stealing from the poor to give to the rich

By Thomas L. Knapp

In late January, a band of merry men (and women) organized via Reddit and other Internet forums to stick it to The Man. They began buying shares of failing retail chain GameStop to drive its stock price up.

Their target: Wall Street hedge funds engaged in the tactic of “shorting” GameStop’s stock.

Their main weapon: Robinhood, an app which allows pretty much anyone to buy stock in small amounts. Its stated mission is to “democratize finance for all.”

You’ve probably read 20 explanations of “shorting” by now, so I’ll keep it simple: To “short” a stock is to bet that its price will go down.

Hedge funds bet heavily against



-- “shorted” -- GameStop. Robinhood’s band of merry men and women bet for GameStop by buying its shares, bringing the price up. The hedge funds lost billions.

Naturally, those hedge funds howled. And Robinhood, instead of siding with its users, sided with the funds. It shut down its users’ ability to buy Gamestop stock, pushing the price back down.

Robinhood’s terms of service specify

that it “may, in its discretion, prohibit or restrict the trading of securities.” That clause may or may not sufficiently cover the company’s posterior in a legal sense. But in this application, it gives lie to the company’s name and supposed mission.

With its attack on its own users, Robinhood is stealing from the poor (or at least the poorER) to give to the rich.

In theory, the stock market is about capitalizing companies that offer goods or services, turn profits, and pay dividends to their shareholders. In reality, many traders (including large institutional traders) treat the stock market like a casino, placing short-term bets, collecting their winnings or losses, and moving on to the next spin of the roulette wheel.

Which is fine, I guess, except that the high rollers, in addition to acting as play-

ers, consider themselves “the house.” The house always wins in the long term, but instead of swallowing even this single loss and betting smarter in the future, they leaned on the cashier cage (Robinhood) to stop selling chips to smaller players who were on a winning streak, so as to force those players away from the table.

To its everlasting shame, Robinhood assisted “the house” in its cheat. Above and beyond any legal or regulatory price it pays for its perfidy, it’s also outed its own claims of financial “democratization” as deceptive hype.

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What does a Biden Administration mean for agriculture?

By Steve Groff

In his campaign to become our nation’s 46th president, Joe Biden argued that President Donald Trump had “pursued a damaging and erratic trade war,” and that farmers were among those who paid the price.

Those same farmers will be looking – perhaps with a mixture of hope and skepticism – to see whether they are going to be better off under a Biden presidency.

Anytime a new administration takes over in Washington, there’s plenty of uncertainty. Questions abound about what promises the new president might actually keep and whether Congress will go along with those plans.

But, with that said, let’s look at what we do know about some of the things that could happen with agriculture over the next four years (based on Biden’s stated policy proposals) and extrapolate from there:

While America tries to make it easy to start a business, it’s much more difficult to start a farm. So, what can be done about that? Biden has said he will expand the Obama administration’s microloan program for new and beginning farmers, doubling the maximum loan amount to \$100,000. He also has said he will increase funding for the USDA’s farm ownership and operating loans, which can be used for such things as purchasing livestock, seed and equipment, or covering farm operating costs and family living expenses while a farm gets up and running.

Certainly, over the last several decades, we have seen the number of



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American farms shrink for numerous reasons. Today, about 1 percent of Americans live on farms (down from 40 percent at the beginning of the 20th century). Until about 1940, the nation had 6 million to 7 million farms. Then began a steep drop of about a million farms each decade until the decline leveled off to about 2 million farms from 1980 through today.

Much of current production, however, comes from mega-farms with sales of a

million dollars or more annually. So, the question that will need to be answered is this: Can the Biden administration and its good intentions actually give a lift to help those who want to start farms in today’s atmosphere and with today’s economic realities?

Farmer as environmentalist

Biden hails farmers as “some of the best stewards of our land, air, and water.” I would agree. I’ve even gone so far as to call farmers the “ultimate environmentalists.” How could they be otherwise? The environment is their workplace, after all. But that doesn’t mean you – or Biden – should expect to hear farmers define themselves as environmentalists.

Unfortunately, the word has become associated with bureaucrats who would limit their freedom – and farmers very much value freedom. That’s something Biden should be aware of and keep in mind if he’s tempted to toss too many rules their way. Farmers are wary of regulations and limitations, not because they don’t want to do their part for the environment and not because they don’t care. They care deeply. But they also care about preserving their spirit of independence. They are pretty good at detecting anything that threatens their liberty to think for themselves. They don’t want orders. They want explanations.

Once they understand why something is needed or important, they can be trusted to do what’s right. So, the Biden administration must find a way to explain its plans well if it wants to work successfully with the agriculture community.

Cover crops, carbon-friendly approaches

Biden has vowed to pursue policies that would expand and fortify the federal Conservation Stewardship Program. One desired result of this effort would be to make more money available for payments to farmers who reduce their carbon footprint through a variety of methods, including cover crops. I’m a big proponent of cover crops, which are plants grown not to eat, but to improve the soil. Cover crops can suppress weeds, manage soil erosion, control pests and promote biodiversity. In short, they help keep the land in good condition so it can continue to produce cash crops.

If Biden is truly able to make good on his promises to agriculture, he could win many friends in America’s heartland who otherwise might be reluctant to support him.

Still, farmers should always be wary of too much government assistance. Some government programs that seem to do farmers a favor could end up turning them into wards of the state.

Though subsidies definitely have played an essential role in hard times, farmers have demonstrated over the years that they have the ingenuity and resources to do quite well without a handout.

Steve Groff (www.stevegroff.com), a lifelong farmer, is the founder of Cover Crop Coaching, which educates farmers and farm advisors about effective cover crop use. He also does international regenerative agriculture consulting and is the author of *The Future-Proof Farm*.

Do you see your life through a positive or negative lens?

The way you see your life influences your decisions and direction. Some people are happy with their lives. They see opportunities. They welcome each new day as another opportunity to pursue their dreams. Others look at their lives as filled with problems. They slog through the drudgery of each day.

You want to be aware of how you are feeling and why. Going through life without a grasp of your emotional state is frustrating. You want to do more of what makes you happy and less of whatever frustrates you. Making positive changes requires recognizing what needs to be adjusted and how.

Viewing your life positively makes each day more enjoyable. You are happy with your life when following your desired path. Pursuing your interests is rewarding. If you are not happy with your direction, you can change it. There’s no need to suffer. Your path can be changed at any time.

You have created a narrative which defines your life. This narrative contains reasons for your success, or excuses for failure. The direction of your life follows your narrative. In order to change your life, your first have to change the story you tell yourself.

You are not defined by your circumstances, nor are you a victim. Instead, you are free to take action to influence, or change your circumstances. If you are unhappy about any aspect of your life, determine what needs to change, and then take positive action.

Capitalize on your strengths, aptitudes, and desires. Concentrate on what you are capable of doing. People who consider their lives rewarding are usually doing things they are good at and enjoy. It’s easy to view your life in a positive light when you are



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having fun.

Don’t obsess over your weaknesses. Everyone has their own aptitudes. Stressing over what you can’t do leads to frustration. Never use a weakness as an excuse for not pursuing positive changes. You do what you can.

Look at your life based on your goals. Don’t compare your life to others. What someone else has, or doesn’t have, has no impact on you. Evaluate your situation based on where you want to be. Happiness is built upon achieving your objectives.

If you feel as if you are stuck in a rut, push to leave your comfort zone. Reaching out for something new and different leads to

rewarding experiences. It’s an effective way to add spark to your life.

New knowledge adds energy to your life as well as opening new potential paths. Education is a lifetime pursuit, so keep learning. The more you know, the more you can accomplish. Endeavor to devote at least 20 minutes each week learning something new.

If you feel you are not making enough progress, question and challenge your limiting beliefs. These are any beliefs which constrain your accomplishments by providing any excuses for procrastination or failure. Some examples are, “I’m not ready,” “It’s too soon,” “I know it won’t work,” “I don’t know how,” and “People will laugh at me.”

Disconnect from negative people who discourage you from making desired changes. Find positive people who are where you want to be and can provide positive, constructive guidance. There are many people who have successfully improved the way they see their lives.

Pay attention to what’s happening with you. How you see your life matters. Assess where you are right now. Any aspect of

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Mercy launches region's first Mobile Mammography Van

One in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer in her lifetime. Fortunately, early detection saves lives.

But what about women who can't afford or don't have access to screenings?

In an effort to better meet the needs of patients and the community, Mercy Health on Feb. 1 introduced the region's first mobile mammography unit. The Mercy Health - Toledo Mobile Mammography Van will begin seeing patients this month.

The Mercy Health-branded mobile mammography unit is customized for patient convenience and will deliver mammograms to women age 40 and older. In addition to being equipped with 3D technology, mammograms performed in the mobile unit will offer the option of self-compression, meaning patients will have the ability to control the compression once they are in position.

The unit will offer service at locations throughout the 21 counties in Northwest Ohio.

"Research shows that early detection of breast cancer saves lives and yet, less than 75 percent of eligible women nationwide have received a mammogram within the last two years," said Dr. Constance Cashen, general surgeon and medical director of the Mercy Health breast program. "Our goal is to make it easy for all eligible women, and men, to access this potentially life-saving technology."

As a mobile unit, the Mercy Health - Toledo Mobile Mammography Van has the power to break down the barriers of time, access and location, meeting women where they are throughout Mercy Health's service areas of Toledo, Defiance, Willard, Tiffin and Lima, Cashen said. Mercy Health plans to align with partners such as local churches, employers and communities to provide convenient access.

In particular, the mobile mammography van was launched to help support the Mercy Health mission of caring for the poor and underserved, as it will help eliminate barriers in accessing mammography services and offer support to those who are underinsured, homeless or have high-



On Feb. 1, Mercy Health introduced its Mobile Mammography Van, which is hitting the road this month to bring 3-D mammography services to locations throughout the 21 counties in Northwest Ohio. (Photo courtesy of Mercy Health)

The Mercy Health - Toledo Mobile Mammography Van offers COVID-safe mammography services, as masked technicians observe CDC guidelines while performing screenings. (Photo courtesy of Mercy Health)

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deductible plans. Plans call for the van to bring mammography services to nearly 1,500 women who otherwise may not have had this potentially life-saving test.

"At Mercy Health, our focus remains on enhanced access to care, care that happens outside of the traditional hospital setting," said Bob Baxter, president of all Mercy Health. "Today, we are excited to bring life-saving and changing mammograms directly to those who seek care, delivering on our promise of bringing health care to our patients when and where it's

needed most."

The mobile mammography unit can offer an added level of peace of mind and convenience during the COVID-19 pandemic, especially to those who have put off getting their mammograms for safety reasons. There will be no need to sit in a waiting room when visiting the mobile unit, and skilled, masked technicians following CDC guidelines will complete the screening in about 15 minutes.

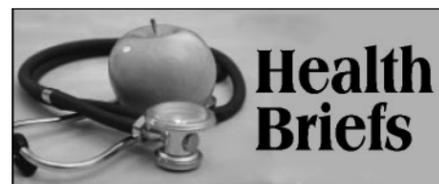
For more information or a schedule of locations, call 833-MAMM-VAN.

United Way assisting health depts. with vaccine signups

United Way 2-1-1, serving Lucas, Ottawa and Wood counties, is currently assisting community members who have limited English proficiency, have a disability, have no access to technology, are having trouble locating health resources, or are experiencing technical issues completing their COVID-19 vaccine pre-registrations or vaccine appointments on their respective county health department's webpage.

Those who are able are encouraged to check their county's health department webpage for up-to-date COVID-19 vaccine and general COVID-19 information.

United Way 2-1-1 assistance for vaccines is available as follows:



• Lucas County - 2-1-1 is currently assisting residents with pre-registering for COVID-19 vaccines, as well as registering eligible individuals for vaccine appointments. Visit www.LucasCountyHealth.com for current vaccine information and online vaccine scheduling.

• Ottawa County - 2-1-1 is assisting Ottawa County residents with pre-registering for COVID-19 vaccines. Individuals must pre-register beforehand to receive an appointment callback. Visit www.OttawaHealth.org for current vaccine information and to pre-register.

• Wood County - 2-1-1 is currently assisting residents with scheduling their COVID-19 vaccine appointments and will continue to do so exclusively phase by phase. Visit www.WoodCountyHealth.org for current vaccine information and online vaccine scheduling.

2-1-1 assistance for vaccine pre-registrations and appointment registrations is

available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

For all other health and human service needs, United Way 2-1-1 is available 24/7 by calling two, one, one or texting your ZIP code to 898-211. Those who have trouble connecting to 2-1-1 may also call 1-800-650-HELP.

Walgreens offering COVID-19 vaccines

Following Ohio guidance regarding

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Stay tuned for more information as details are finalized!

Email: baseball@ci.northwood.oh.us



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the availability of additional vaccine supply, select Walgreens pharmacies in the state are offering Covid-19 vaccines to patients who are eligible as part of Phase 1B of the national vaccine rollout plan.

While COVID-19 vaccines are not yet available to everyone, eligible Ohio residents will be able to schedule their appointments online at the COVID-19 vaccine appointment scheduler or by calling their local Walgreens. Appointments will be required in order to receive a vaccine, and walk-ins are not accepted.

In accordance with Ohio guidance, those eligible must live in the state.

To make an appointment, visit www.walgreens.com/findcare/vaccination/covid-19.

Be wary of COVID-19 scams

Public health workers and law enforcement in Wood County are cautioning area residents to avoid potential fraud related to COVID-19.

"During these times when we have a lot of outreach and information regarding COVID-19 vaccines, contact tracing, etc., there are some basic rules we want you to be aware of," said Wood County Sheriff Mark Wasylshyn. Wood County Health Department representatives may reach out via phone as part of COVID-19 response activities such as vaccine distribution and scheduling, testing and contact tracing. They will leave a message if they're unable to reach someone.

Health department representatives may call and request some personal information as part of its response activities, including a person's birthdate, address, and contacts with other people, if they have COVID-19 or may have been in contact with someone who is positive.

Health department representatives will not ask for any sort of payment in order to register for a COVID-19 vaccine or to be placed on a list to receive a vaccine. Some vaccine providers may request health insurance information.

Health department representatives will not ask for bank account info, credit card numbers or Social Security numbers. If you have concerns that a call you receive is not legitimate, ask for the caller's name and phone number, hang up, and call Wood County Health Department at 419-352-8402 to verify their identity.

Ensure that you are accessing legitimate information online by directly visiting the websites for trusted sources, such as Wood County Health Department (www.WoodCountyHealth.org), the Ohio Department of Health (www.odh.ohio.gov) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (www.cdc.gov).

Don't ignore dental health

COVID-19 has disrupted multiple aspects of life, including how people access dental care. Dental care spending in the United States declined by an estimat-

ed 38% in 2020, with an additional 20% slump expected this year, according to the American Dental Association (ADA).

February is National Children's Dental Health Month, a reminder that good oral health is important to good overall health. Dr. Richard Gesker, Chief Dental Officer, UnitedHealthcare offers these tips:

- Start early: While tooth decay is largely preventable, it ranks as the most common chronic disease among children.

- Up your home hygiene. Maintaining oral health at home is important if COVID-19 requires delaying a trip to the dentist. People should brush their teeth (and tongue) for up to two minutes, after meals and before bedtime, rinse with mouthwash and floss daily.

- Keep up on cleanings: The ADA recommends that during COVID-19, people continue routine oral health care, including checkups and cleanings.

- Consider alternative treatments: To help with cavity prevention for kids, parents should consider fluoride supplements and sealants – coatings placed on back teeth to help protect them from decay.

Virtual Alzheimer's programs

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter is continuing to offer a variety of virtual educational programs to help the community and families impacted by the disease.

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration is required. To register for the program, call 800-272-3900.

The February schedule includes:

Feb. 8 – Dementia Conversations, 11 a.m.

Feb 8 – Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia, 3 p.m.

Feb 9 – Understanding & Responding to Dementia-Related Behavior, 10 a.m.

Feb 9 – 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's, 2:30 p.m.

Feb 10 – Effective Communication Strategies, 11:30 a.m.

Feb 10 – 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's, 4 p.m.

Feb 11 – Healthy Living for Brain & Body, 1 p.m.

Feb 11 – Living with Alzheimer's for Caregivers, Late Stage - Part 2, 6:30 p.m.

Feb 16 – Dementia Conversations, 2:30 p.m.

Feb 16 – Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia, 4 p.m.

Feb 17 – Effective Communication Strategies, 3 p.m.

Feb 18 – 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's, 3 p.m.

Feb 18 – Legal and Financial, 6 p.m.

Feb 19 – Understanding & Responding to Dementia-Related Behavior, 1 p.m.

Feb 22 – Healthy Living for Brain & Body, 10 a.m.

Feb 22 – Understanding & Responding to Dementia-Related Behavior, 4 p.m.

Feb 23 – Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia, 5 p.m.

Feb 24 – 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's, 11 a.m.

Feb 24 – Effective Communication Strategies, 6:30 p.m.

Feb 25 – Living with Alzheimer's - Younger Onset, 3 p.m.

In Ohio, more than 600,000 Alzheimer's caregivers provide care for more than 220,000 loved ones impacted by Alzheimer's disease. Visit alz.org or call 800-272-3900 for more information.

Addressing COVID-19 for Alzheimer's caregivers

By Pamela J. Myers
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The Alzheimer's Association offers this guidance about what you can expect once a COVID-19 vaccine becomes available to you:

- Should people living with Alzheimer's and other dementias get the COVID-19 vaccine?

Vaccines are an important step in protecting the health and safety of long-term care residents and staff, and the Alzheimer's Association strongly encourages their use. However, it is important that individuals and families consult with health care providers about any questions related to an individual and the vaccine.

- Are the vaccines safe for people living with Alzheimer's and other dementias?

Based on information from the FDA, the COVID-19 vaccines were tested in large clinical trials to make sure they meet safety standards. Many people were recruited to participate in these trials to see how the vaccines offer protection to people of different ages, races and ethnicities, as well as those with different medical conditions. If you are concerned about the safety of these vaccines, it is important to talk to your health care provider.

- My family member or friend has dementia but doesn't live in a long-term care setting. When will they have access to the vaccine and how will they get it?

At this time, the CDC recommends that front-line health workers and residents and staff in long-term care settings be the first groups to receive the vaccine. High-risk populations and individuals living with multiple diseases or medical conditions (including Alzheimer's and other dementias) are expected to be in the second group of distribution.

- What if the person living with dementia is unable to provide consent for vaccination?

Consent for the coronavirus vaccine should be considered in the same manner as other vaccines and health care decisions. If a resident cannot consent, health care providers will talk to the individual's dedicated power of attorney or other determined family member.

COVID-19 vaccine information for dementia caregivers

- As a caregiver in close contact with the person living with dementia, should I get vaccinated even though I am not in the priority group?

Currently, the vaccine is only being given to high-risk groups, so you may not have the option to be vaccinated. However, we would encourage caregivers to get vaccinated as soon as they are able to do so.

- My loved one in long-term care has been vaccinated. Is it safe for me to visit?

Visitation is appropriate when it is safe, and that determination of safety must ultimately be made by public health infectious disease experts. The Association recognizes that ending social isolation and reuniting families is of the utmost importance and we now have the tools and resources to make this possible.

We believe vaccinations are a very important step in protecting the health and safe-

ty of long-term care residents and staff. Even as vaccines are used, other protocols including PPE, rapid point of care testing and other safety measures must continue to be implemented to ensure a secure and safe environment for visitation.

- What if someone elects not to take the vaccine?

We believe vaccines are an important step in protecting the health and safety of long-term care residents and staff, and we strongly encourage their use. Forced vaccinations are extremely rare in any situation for any disease. If vaccines are not used, other protocols including PPE, rapid point of care testing and other safety measures must be implemented to ensure a secure and safe environment for visitation.

Keeping loved ones safe

Even with widespread vaccination on the horizon, it is important to consider the risks and take additional safety precautions for people living with dementia. Here are some additional tips for promoting your loved one's safety during the COVID-19 pandemic:

Tips for dementia caregivers at home

Caregivers of individuals living with Alzheimer's and all other dementia should follow guidelines from the CDC, and consider the following tips:

For people living with dementia, increased confusion is often the first symptom of any illness. If a person living with dementia shows rapidly increased confusion, contact your health care provider for advice. Unless the person is having difficulty breathing or a very high fever, it is recommended that you call your health care provider instead of going directly to an emergency room. Your doctor may be able to treat the person without a visit to the hospital.

People living with dementia may need extra and/or written reminders and support to remember important hygienic practices from one day to the next.

- Consider placing signs in the bathroom and elsewhere to remind people with dementia to wash their hands with soap for 20 seconds.

- Demonstrate thorough hand-washing.
- Alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol can be a quick alternative to handwashing if the person with dementia cannot get to a sink or wash his/her hands easily.

- Ask your pharmacist or doctor about filling prescriptions for a greater number of days to reduce trips to the pharmacy.

- Think ahead and make alternative plans for the person with dementia should adult day care, respite, etc. be modified or canceled in response to COVID-19.

- Plan ahead and make alternative plans for care management if the primary caregiver should become sick.

Supporting dementia patients in care settings:

- Check with the facility regarding their procedures for managing COVID-19 risk. Ensure they have your emergency contact information and the information of another family member or friend as a backup.

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Researchers:

Animal surveillance is key to preventing another pandemic

While much effort is currently invested in understanding SARS-CoV-2 transmission and infection dynamics in humans, the potential role of viral persistence and spread in non-human sources and environmental reservoirs remains largely unknown. (In people, the disease caused by the virus is called Coronavirus Disease 2019, or COVID-19.)

Dr. Vanessa L. Hale, assistant professor of veterinary preventive medicine at The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine, alongside peers from the Infectious Disease Institute and Center of Microbiome Science, is coordinating the efforts of investigators across various departments and colleges at Ohio State to characterize the SARS-CoV-2 virus in environments outside of humans.

"We're seeing that it's not good enough

to just respond to a pandemic. We need to be prepared for it in terms of strategies and logistics and understand the science behind animal-to-human and human-to-animal disease transmission," Hale said. "We spend a lot of time understanding how the disease transmits within humans, and now we are taking a step back to examine if animals can carry the virus, if they get sick and whether they can re-infect humans. Finding the answers to these questions will help predict and prevent future infections."

The university-wide program, including veterinarians, microbiologists and epidemiologists, is known as eSCOUT: Environmental Surveillance for COVID-19 in Ohio: Understanding Transmission.

Together, the experts are testing pets, farm animals and wildlife and examining samples in the lab. The goal is to identify

whether the virus exists in different animal populations and the likelihood that those animals could harbor mutations and potentially pass COVID-19 back to humans in a new form.

Identifying SARS-CoV-2 in animals can help to start answering questions about what kinds of animals can be infected, symptomatically or asymptotically, and if these animals can then transmit the virus to other animals or people. Environmental and animal surveillance will provide critical insights on current circulating SARS-CoV-2 strains as well as emerging mutations and spread. This monitoring is vital to help predict and prevent future outbreaks and spillover events.

eSCOUT is also involved in testing wastewater and storm water (urban

runoff) around Ohio for SARS-CoV-2. Identifying the virus in wastewater can help determine how much and what strain of virus is circulating within a population. Viral spikes in wastewater also allow early detection of outbreaks.

"Pandemics really highlight one health, which is human health, animal health and environmental health. Veterinarians, as well as environmental microbiologists, wildlife biologists and epidemiologists are really essential to understanding the whole dynamic of a pandemic," Hale said.

Environmental surveillance has been used in the past to identify new strains of the flu that could potentially spillover from animals to humans. It's likely that this same kind of surveillance will play a critical role in mitigating the COVID-19 pandemic as well as long-term preventive efforts.



Court Appointed Special Advocates (front row, left to right) Maureen Schroeder, Deborah Schocket, Summer McVicker and Ron Campbell were sworn in at the Wood County Juvenile Court Feb. 3 by Judge David Woessner (back). (Submitted photo)

CASA volunteers sworn in

Four new Court Appointed Special Advocates were recently sworn in at the Wood County Juvenile Court.

Summer McVicker, Maureen Schroeder, Deborah Schrocket and Ron Campbell were sworn in by Judge David Woessner at a ceremony held Feb. 3.

The Wood County Juvenile Court CASA program provides advocates for children who are or who are alleged to be abused or neglected, as well as dependent children. The program currently has 27 volunteers who are assisting 50 children throughout Wood County.

Acknowledging the new class of volunteers, Judge Woessner said, "I am extremely happy to administer the oath to our new CASAs. The Assistance our volunteers provide for abused, neglected and dependent children is invaluable. Wood County is fortunate to have individuals willing to step up and make a difference in the lives of so many children."

The Wood County CASA program provides training and ongoing support for its volunteers. Anyone interested in becoming a CASA volunteer may call 419-352-3554. Additional information is also available at www.woodcountycasa.org.



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Multi-year strategy New partnership aims to make TMA disability-friendly

The Toledo Museum of Art (TMA) and The Ability Center of Greater Toledo (ACT) signed a memorandum of understanding on Feb. 2 establishing a new, multi-year strategic partnership with co-investment by both organizations. The collaboration will support ACT and TMA in their efforts to create a community and a museum that aspire to be the most disability-friendly in the country.

The establishment of the Manager of Access Initiatives position – a new role and the first of its kind at a major art museum – demonstrates the potential of this partnership.

The shared role will bring ACT's knowledge and resources to the museum for a period of several years, equipping TMA with the expertise to identify and systematically eliminate barriers to encounters with art, improving the museum experience for people with disabilities at any stage of life.

"Seeking the expertise of The Ability Center as a guide, the Toledo Museum of Art is prioritizing its vision to become the model among art museums for its culture of belonging," said Adam Levine, Toledo Museum of Art Edward Drummond and Florence Scott Libbey director. "The museum is holding itself accountable to a formal Diversity, Equity, Accessibility and Inclusion (DEAI) plan, which is being developed with input from staff, volunteers, board and the community. The strategic partnership with The Ability Center, unique in our field, strengthens TMA's efforts to become a more inclusive museum and community partner. We aim to become the most disability-friendly art museum in the United States."

"One in four people in the U.S. has a disability that impacts the way they connect with the world around them, including their experience of fine art and museums," said Tim Harrington, The Ability

Center executive director. "Everyone has a role in creating a community that is disability friendly; at The Ability Center, we work to challenge both attitudes and real-world conditions for people with disabilities. The Ability Center, through its supporting organization, is investing in this project as part of its strategic initiatives. We look forward to working with the Toledo Museum of Art to ensure the museum fully welcomes the potential and participation of each of its visitors, including those who live differently."

Serving at the core of the partnership, the Manager of Access Initiatives will audit museum policies, procedures, practices and physical plant, making recommendations to incorporate aspects of inclusive design and enhance accessibility. Following rigorous measurement, assessment and evaluation – and a determination of demonstrated progress in making TMA more accessible to people with disabilities – the Manager of Access Initiatives will eventually transition to begin work with another local organization in a similar strategic partnership.

The job description for the new position is posted at toledomuseum.org/jobs, and applications are being accepted immediately.

Dedicated funding has been identified to implement the recommendations made through the audit process. "The museum, with generous support from Judith, Joseph and Susan Conda, has funded both the position's competitive salary and the costs associated with implementing the Manager of Access Initiatives' recommendations," Levine said.

The partnership will simultaneously serve as an ongoing proving ground for The Ability Center's initiatives while fueling regional conversations about accessible spaces, inclusive programs and employment opportunities.



Landings of Oregon introduced its new short-term Recovery Suites at a virtual open house held Jan 28. (Submitted photo)

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Brooke Allen. (Photo by Julie Beam)

Wildcats' Allen all-time career scorer, rebounder

In a 45-22 Northern Buckeye Conference win over Genoa, Woodmore 6-foot-1 senior Brooke Allen needed just one point to tie the career school scoring record, two to break the record.

Allen was fouled on a rebound put back early in the first quarter, went to the line and made the first and then missed the second. Not long after, she hit a 10-foot jumper from the baseline off an assist from fellow senior Ava Beam to give her the record. She scored 22 points.

After the Genoa game, Allen was also 13 rebounds from the all-time career record, which she got in one swoop during a 58-38 non-league victory over Liberty Center on Tuesday.

Previously, 1986 graduate Lori Kuhlman owned the scoring mark of 1,210 points and rebound record holder at 771.

Brooke and her twin brother Hunter Allen scored 107 points between the two of them in five games total (17, 22, 34 for Brooke, 7, 27 for Hunter). The girls team is 15-2 overall and 10-2 in the NBC and the boys team is 9-6 and 5-3.

The Woodmore girls were to play at Elmwood (15-2, 11-1) on Thursday for what will essentially amount to the NBC title game. They round out their season the following week at Oak Harbor and home to Rossford. The boys have six games left, two with Eastwood and Fostoria, one with Genoa, and one with Rossford. Hunter is averaging 15.8 points. Brooke is clicking along at 21.2 points and 12 rebounds.

The Woodmore girls are the No. 2 seed in their district tournament and play Emmanuel Christian in the first round. Toledo Christian is the No. 1 seed and took a bye. Arcadia (No. 4 seed) awaits the winner of the game with Emmanuel Christian.

St. John, Robinson rewrite record book

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The Lake girls basketball team's chances of winning a Northern Buckeye Conference championship are slim to none, but the Flyers have made their presence known.

The Flyers are the only NBC team to defeat league leader Elmwood, holding the Royals to 18 points after three quarters and then holding on to win, 43-39. Woodmore had a chance to become the second league team to defeat Elmwood on Thursday, which would have resulted in a first place tie between the Wildcats and Royals heading down the stretch.

Lake, 11-6 overall and 9-3 in the NBC, is being led by 5-foot-11 senior Hayley St. John, who was only 14 points away from 1,000 career points after a 67-44 non-league loss to Sylvania Northview, ranked eighth in the Associated Press Division I state poll.

St. John scored 15 and 5-10 junior guard Ava Ayers scored nine, but the Flyers could not stop Northview's all-time leading career scorer, 5-9 senior guard Kacee Baumhower, who had 25 points.

The Lourdes University-bound St. John is averaging 11.6 points, 7.5 rebounds and over two assists, two steals and two deflections per game. However, St. John does not have to do all the scoring this year.

There is plenty of scoring talent to go around, led by 5-10 junior Delani Robinson, who is averaging a team-leading 15.4 points by shooting 50.7 percent from the field, including 32.4 percent from behind the arc. Robinson is also grabbing 4.3 rebounds and has over two deflections, one assist and one steal per game.

It is Robinson who is stepping up big again at the end of the season. Last year Robinson was the sparkplug in the Flyers' first two Division III tournament wins, leading the team by scoring 20-plus points — well above her 12 points per game average. Lake went 4-0 against four teams it went 0-8 against during the regular season, and that propelled them into the regional tournament, losing to eventual state tournament qualifier Ottawa-Glandorf.

This year, during a 72-33 NBC win over Otsego, Robinson set two school records — she scored 41 points and had nine three-point goals.

"It was a big night for Delani Robinson. Things just clicked," Lake coach Joe Nowak said. "She was just on another level in the first quarter. She was in the zone. It seemed like she could have thrown it up backwards with her eyes closed with her left hand, and it would have gone in.

"It was that she was the benefactor of really good team play. They moved the ball. They got after it defensively and were able to attack right away. Delani just happened to be on the hot hand and was the receiving end of a lot of really good ball movement. It is right place at the right time. Hopefully she can keep it rolling."

Also coming up big down the stretch this season are Ayers, 5-11 junior Brigid Enright and 5-5 junior Kelsey Gladieux. A multi-sport athlete, Ayers' athleticism is crucial on defense and in transition — anything where speed and agility are involved. She does not always have to be the one scoring to contribute. Ayers averages 7.8 points, five rebounds and leads the team with nearly six assists per game. She also leads the team with 3.3 deflections and



Lake 5-foot-10 junior guard Delani Robinson drives in the Flyers' 62-51 conference loss to visiting Woodmore. (Press photo by Lee Welch/FamilyPhotoGroup.com)

dishes out over one assist per game.

"Ava Ayers has had some great games. She is long and she is fast where she is able to get out in transition and the open court," Nowak said. "She is a tough one to stop. She had maybe two points (against Otsego), but there is not a whole lot of scoring going around when one player is scoring all the points."

Gladieux is averaging 4.1 points, but will step up scoring when needed to.

"Kelsey Gladieux is a player who does not necessarily get the recognition that a lot of players get, even though she works her tail off day-in and day-out. Her scoring was up (against Eastwood, Elmwood, Woodmore) a little bit, and I think that was partially impacted in that the other players' scoring was down. The other players may be the focal point of defenses and she stepped up and hit some shots," Nowak said.

"She hit a couple big shots down the stretch against Eastwood to cut into a lead, but she's capable of doing that and making plays at the offensive end. But what I'm really happy with her is the defense, the grit, and the toughness that she has got. I think it really brings an edge to our defensive presence."

Other key players who can score include 5-4 sophomore Elise Staczek, 5-8 junior Abbie Rymers, 5-5 freshman Vayda Delvanthal, 6-0 freshman Taryn Dewese, 5-6 junior Jade Rose, 5-5 freshman Sydney Stanley and 5-7 junior Evie Sigler. Four of them are contributing over two points per game and Dewese is grabbing close to four rebounds each contest.



BOYS BASKETBALL

Team (League)	Overall
Cardinal Stritch (4-0, TAAC)	10 4
Eastwood (6-1, NBC)	8 5
Oak Harbor (6-1, SBC Bay)	8 6
Woodmore (5-4, NBC)	9 7
Gibsonburg (6-5, SBC River)	7 6
Genoa (5-4, NBC)	5 10
Lake (0-8, NBC)	3 12
Waite (3-5, NBC)	3 6
Clay (0-3, TRAC)	2 8
Northwood (0-1, TAAC)	0 6

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Woodmore (10-2, NBC)	16 2
Eastwood (7-4, NBC)	12 5
Lake (9-3, NBC)	11 6
Genoa (5-7, NBC)	8 9
Oak Harbor (2-6, SBC Bay)	6 12
Northwood (0-0, TAAC)	2 6
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Hard week results in a big league win

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It was as if Lake girls basketball team was being initiated the hard way into the Northern Buckeye Conference, but Lake is a charter member of the league.

In one week (Jan. 12-16), Lake had to face off with three of the best teams the NBC had to offer, and the Flyers came out smiling once, but it was a big "once." Lake remains the only league team to defeat Elmwood, unless Woodmore was able to do it in their big match-up on Thursday.

On Tuesday Lake lost to Woodmore, 62-51, defeated Elmwood 43-39 on Thursday, and lost to Eastwood 60-45 on Saturday.

"That week was a tough week for us, playing Woodmore, Elmwood and then Eastwood in a three-game five-day stretch," Lake coach Joe Nowak said. "Overall, in the week I was happy with the way we did things the way we were supposed to do, we just lost on Tuesday and Saturday, but Thursday against Elmwood we did alright."

"The first time we played Elmwood (62-48 Royals victory) we didn't necessarily play our best, and honestly, I think you have to credit Elmwood for knocking us off our game the first time, which I think we knew we could flip the script on them a little bit the second time around. I think the girls wanted to play them, they were excited to play them, and I credit the girls — they executed the game plan."

Behind the play of 6-0 senior playmaker Brooklyn Thrash, the Royals scored 21 fourth quarter points and nearly took the lead back.

"It helped that Thrash struggled for the first three quarters. But I like to think just that they knocked us out of our game the first time we played them, and that our defense and our game plan had something to do with that (the second game). You know, she (Thrash) was going to wake up eventually and things were going to hit, and they eventually did. She is certainly a capable player of doing stuff like that, but we were fortunate enough that we had built a big enough lead through three quarters that she ran out of time, I guess," Nowak said.



Lake 5-foot-10 junior guard Ava Ayers tries to find her way through the Woodmore defense. (Photo by Heather Rettig)

Nowak said the secret was not just focusing on Thrash, but on the rest of the Royals, which includes two other players six feet or taller who can dominate inside and a couple sharp-shooting guards who can handle the ball.

"Brooklyn Thrash demands so much attention from defenses, and they have so much size inside that when their role players are hitting shots when they are open, they are hard to beat," Nowak said. "That is what happened the first time around, but the second time that was one of our focal points to try to frustrate their role players."

When the Royals made their push in the final stanza, credit Lake 5-foot-11 junior Brigid Enright, who is averaging 6.4 points, 6.5 rebounds, and has over three deflec-

tions, blocks two shots and over one assist per game, to make the plays on defense that sealed the victory.

"Brigid Enright had a couple nice plays down the stretch against Elmwood when they were making a push. It was a two-point game, off a missed free throw, she stole the ball and flipped it right to (5-11) Hayley (St. John) to push it to four, and then she had another steal the very next play down the floor. So she's been coming up strong for us and she's put in a ton of work from just the last year, let alone the three years she has been a player for us," Nowak said.

Lake closes its regular season at North Baltimore next Tuesday, travels to Genoa on Thursday and then hosts Eastwood in a rematch on Saturday.



Eastwood holding flag fundraiser for weight room

As a fundraiser for the Eastwood weight room update and purchase of new equipment, Eastwood logo flags are being sold that can be displayed outside, in the office, basement or garage.

"If you know anything about the Eastwood weight room you know it's a family atmosphere where so many of our students and athletes enjoy the benefits of both physical and mental health," Eastwood Superintendent Brent Walker stated in his community email.

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Cardinals, Wilson finding their 'mojo' at right time

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Before Cardinal Stritch boys basketball had to shut down a week for COVID-19 protocols, postponing or canceling four games from Feb. 2-9, they were on a nine-game winning streak.

The biggest wins during that stretch came over Lima Central Catholic (9-7), 62-57, and Toledo Christian (13-3), 75-61.

LCC (9-7) had already defeated the state's ninth-ranked Division III team, Ottawa-Glandorf (11-3), 69-65, and Toledo Christian had a big 60-52 win over Convoy Crestview (13-4).

To put that in perspective, O-G has seven state final four appearances with three titles and one runner-up finish, LCC has nine state final four finishes, three championships and two runner-up finishes, and Crestview has five final four appearances with two state titles, including winning the last Division IV state championship game actually played in 2019 before a global pandemic hit.

That same year, Stritch made their only state final four appearance ever in school history, losing to Cleveland Heights Lutheran East, 58-53, in a D-III semifinal to finish the season 24-4. In that game at Ohio State's Schottenstein Center, then-sophomore guard Jhaiden Wilson had six points, four rebounds and blocked a shot for the Cardinals.

Wilson was playing behind stand-outs Jordan Burton, Little Anderson and Joey Holifield. Two years later as a senior, Wilson scored his 1,000th career point during a 66-43 win over Toledo Area Athletic Conference opponent Emmanuel Christian in Stritch's 10th game this season. He is just the fifth player in school history to reach that mark. Wilson currently stands at 1,131 career points.

Wilson says he would not be the player he is today without Burton, Anderson and Holifield, who are all playing collegiately.

"Joey, Little and Jordan just pushed me every day and that helped me a lot," Wilson said. "They are like my brothers, so we still joke and play the game for hours when they are away from college."

Wilson was 18 points away from 1,000 heading into the Emmanuel game. He hit the mark in what coach Jamie Kachmarik calls "in true fashion" — on a three-point shot 30 seconds before halftime. Wilson had 19 points by intermission and finished with 23. Once he hit his trey, Kachmarik called timeout, Emmanuel allowed a quick celebration where Wilson went over and hugged his mother and the game continued.

Wilson said he knew beforehand the mark was within reach, which in a way did not help. Once he relaxed, he was fine.

"When I first stepped up, I was itching to get it, but then Coach K called a timeout and said to let just it come, so I let it come after that," Wilson said.

'Scorer's mentality'

Wilson, who has committed to playing collegiately at Wayne State University, is averaging 25 points per game, is shooting 37.1 percent from behind the arc, 58.2 percent from inside the arc, 43 percent overall from the field, and 87.2 percent from the free throw line.

He is 5-foot-9 but can score from anywhere on the floor and leads the team in



Cardinal Stritch senior guard Jhaiden Wilson scores in the Cardinals' 62-57 win at Lima Central Catholic. (Press photo by Doug Karns/www.DougKarns.smugmug.com)

steals and assists at over three per game. In one four game stretch with wins over Bowling Green (49-33), Ottawa Hills (74-45), LCC and Northwood (93-39), he scored 100 points, meeting his mark.

"He has really got that scorer's mentality and he's worked on the game to try and have a quick release from the outside, but he always works on different finishes, so when he does get inside over guys, he knows how to finish over them," Kachmarik said.

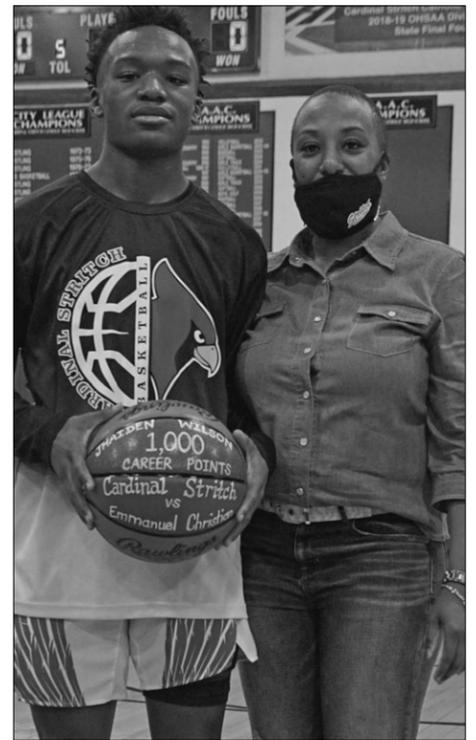
"He knows how to use the glass, he has a lot of different spins on the ball, and it's just from putting in a lot of hours and being one the smallest guys on the floor and being

told that he couldn't do it because he is too small. He is stubborn and out to prove that he can.

“He knows how to use the glass, he has a lot of different spins on the ball, and it's just from putting in a lot of hours...”

"The thing about it is he's scored 1,000 points and he didn't play one minute of a varsity game as a freshman. He has really done this in two-and-a-half seasons. He can do it from the inside, he can do it from the drive in, or can he shoot it from the outside, and he has a real good mid-range game, so his game is really diversified."

Wilson says he is still learning, and he had to do some early season learning when the Cardinals took on larger schools because other TAAC schools were unavailable to play because of



Jhaiden Wilson with his mother Rebekah Davis. (Press photo courtesy Doug Karns/www.DougKarns.smugmug.com)

the Lucas County Health Department shutdown.

"I'm always trying to get my team a lot more involved and show them that they can play as well and help me out a little bit more on the court," Wilson said. "At the beginning of the season, my shooting percentages were not that high, and I was shooting a lot more than passing, but now I'm doing a little bit of both, getting them the ball and letting them be able to score. It makes it a lot easier for me to score because they are not just focusing on me."

Wilson says his skills developed by practicing every day and "working on the little things." In the summers, he works out with Kachmarik and plays park ball. Most importantly, he wants to get Stritch back to Columbus.

"This team means a lot. I'm just trying to finish out strong my senior year and get a lot of wins and make it to state," Wilson said.

It is wins over LCC and playing against larger programs like BG, Johnstown-Monroe (80-53 season opening loss) Lexington (63-50 win), Clyde (52-51 buzzer-beater loss), Perrysburg (50-42), Willard (66-59 overtime loss) and Kenton (77-56 win) that will help his team get ready for tournament time.

At LCC, Stritch found out the hard way that the Thunderbirds do not like to lose, and when Stritch got a double-digit lead, the game got extremely physical.

"It came down to the wire. We let them come back in the game. We were up by 20, maybe 25 at one point. It was a very weird game," Wilson said. "From that game, I think we matured a lot, so I think everyone knows that now we need to keep our foot on the gas."

Kachmarik added, "That was a big one. We just played well. We are starting to play the way we can now that we are practicing in our gym. It's starting to get better."

The Cardinals, 10-4 overall and 4-0 in the TAAC, have three scheduled games remaining and three postponed games waiting to potentially be rescheduled.

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Haas Eastwood's answer for Schmeltz's graduation

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Eastwood guard Aubrey Haas, a 5-foot-8 junior, has become the Eagles' answer for the graduation of Jamie Schmeltz, now playing at Walsh University.

The 5-foot-9 Schmeltz was a second team All-Ohioan during her senior season and earned back-to-back District Player of the Year during her junior and senior seasons. She was honored with four District 7 first-team accolades and helped her team win two Northern Buckeye Conference championships. For her career, she totaled 1,572 points, 579 rebounds, 316 assists, and 131 made three-pointers, averaging 20.2 points and 7.4 rebounds.

This year Haas is coming close to Schmeltz' scoring average, putting up 20 points per game, five rebounds and 2.7 assists. It helps that Haas played and learned from Schmeltz for two years and Jamie's brother, Nick, is her coach.

"Aubrey has been a workhorse for us," Schmeltz said. "We've asked her to pick up the scoring slack from Jamie's departure. Aubrey averaged 15 points a game last year as a sophomore, but right now she's averaging 20 as a junior. Teams know that she is our leading scorer, and they are trying to take her away. She does a good job in scoring in a multitude of ways. She can get to the rim, she is a free throw shooter and she can knock down a three if we really need her to. So, she's played really well for us."

Haas' athleticism is on display when she anticipates a pass. She comes out of nowhere, intercepts, and in a second has an easy lay-up at the other end. She can also pick-pocket a dribble in an instant, which has the same results.

"She gives it all on defense. She is all over the place. She has done a really good job. For whatever reason, she is like a heat seeker to the ball. She finds that thing and she is there," coach Schmeltz said.

Haas takes pride in Eastwood's team defense, which is averaging 18.6 steals per game. She leads the way with 3.9 steals and nearly three deflections per game and 5-5 junior guard Makenna Souder is averaging 3.2 steals.

"I think we have stepped up our defense," Haas said. "We have a lot of different zone variations, a lot of different options that we can do, and I think we are pretty quick. We move around well; we can get up and down the floor and most teams can't run with us. We play a pretty fast game, so I think we really look for those transition plays."

Moenter's 'ceiling high'

Brenna Moenter, a 6-foot-3 junior, is next in scoring, averaging 9.9 points, 8.4 rebounds, 2.7 steals, 2.7 blocks, and has just over two deflections per game, but she is out for the season with a broken bone in her knee.

Moenter was also averaging 2.5 assists, and even with her height, her basketball skills are uncanny. You would think she would play only in the paint, but she can handle the ball in the backcourt or on the wing as well. But she will be hard to replace for the remainder of this season.

"She has had a really good year for us," coach Schmeltz said. "She's averaging nearly a double-double points and rebounds, but really what sets her game apart is that she can facilitate for us. She passes well, she gets steals and she gets blocks."

"If you look at her stat sheet, it is filled across the board there. She can do everything. She can step out (and shoot outside) — a 6-foot-3 junior, we are excited for her. I think her ceiling is quite high still. She has room to grow and she has done a great job for us."

Typically starting for the Eagles is Makenna Souder (3.1 pts., 3.1 reb., 3.1 asst.), 5-8 junior Kaitlyn Luidhardt (6.8 pts., 2.4 reb., 1.2 asst., and one steal per game) and 5-7 senior Jaylee Souder (2.1 pts., 2.5 reb., 1.3 steals, 1.6 asst.).

The Eagles' bench is deep, often rotating 10 or more players because of full court pressure and a fast-paced transition offense. Paige Rost, a 5-9 junior, has been their top outside shooter, hitting on 42 percent beyond the arc, and she is averaging 4.4 points, 2.7 rebounds and 1.5 steals. Kayla Buehler, a 5-7 freshman, is averaging 4.1 points, 2.3 rebounds and 1.2 steals.

Others getting significant minutes are freshmen Reilly Might, Amelia Ward and Saylor King, juniors Sydney Ameling, Audrey Sandberg and Kendall Gedert and



Eastwood 5-foot-8 junior guard Aubrey Haas scores against Lake. (Press photo by Lee Welch/FamilyPhotoGroup.com)

seniors Reegan Sheets and Hannah Friend. All 15 different players have contributed to scoring. Nine are averaging over one steal per game, six have dished out over one assist per game, and each brings a different weapon. Prepare for one, and the other will get you.

With Moenter out, Schmeltz says, "We will look for junior Kendall Gedert and freshmen Amelia Ward and Kayla Buehler to have more of a role now. Luidhardt, Rost, and Jaylee Souder will play mostly the forward position for us now."

After closing the regular season hosting Rossford on Thursday, Eastwood hosts Wapakoneta next Tuesday, travels to Otsego Thursday, Feb. 11, and then the big rematch at Lake on Thursday, Feb. 13.

In the Division III tournament, Eastwood, the No. 2 seed, will host the winner of Lake and Evergreen on Feb. 20 at 2 p.m. That winner will advance to the Anthony Wayne district tournament semifinal on Feb. 25 at 7:30 p.m. In last year's district at AW, Lake won a championship by defeating two other NBC teams that had defeated the Flyers twice during the regular season, and Schmeltz believes something like that could happen again.

"Our district is pretty crazy. It's essentially the NBC minus Woodmore, and the NWOAL minus Bryan," coach Schmeltz said. "There are some good teams in both of those conferences. I think it is truly up for grabs. If you say a couple teams, I would not be shocked if they win the districts and are on to regionals. It could be a lot like last year when Lake went on their run. That wouldn't shock me if a .500 team or so puts it together come tournament time and can win the district."

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Luckey

Luckey Food Pantry is open the last Wed. of each month from 1-3 p.m. and the last Thurs. 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. 9:30-6, Fri. 9:30-5, and Sat. 9 a.m.-noon (closed Feb. 15 for President's Day). Patrons are asked to wear a mask. Children 15 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Feb. programs include: Coffee & A Book, Feb. 10, 11 a.m. via Zoom - A discussion of "The Book of Longing," by Sue Monk Kidd; Meet the Author via Zoom, Feb. 23, 6 p.m. - A discussion on "Ordinary Grace," by William Kent Krueger, who will be available to answer questions. Register for programs by calling 419-898-7001. The Local History Museum Center is open Tues. 11-3 and Thurs. 10 a.m.-noon by appt. only. Visit the library on Facebook or YouTube for children's activities, local history, crafting projects, book news and more. Call 419-898-7001.

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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 mo. from 8-11 a.m. Eastwood School Dist. residents may visit the pantry once monthly. ID and proof of residency required. Info available at Pemberville churches

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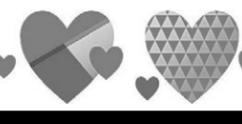
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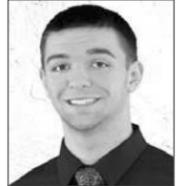


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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Northwood, Ohio is seeking bids for one marked 2021 Ford Police Interceptor Sports Utility vehicle. One 2016 Ford PI SUV will be traded in as part of this bid. It currently has 95,200 miles and will be used until the new vehicle is delivered. Sealed bids will be accepted starting February 8, 2021 and ending March 15, 2021, at 12:00pm. Sealed bids must be sent to the Office of the City Clerk located within the Northwood Municipal Building, 6000 Wales Rd., Northwood, Ohio 43619. Sealed bids will be opened thereafter in the Council Chambers. The City of Northwood reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

A copy of specifications can be obtained in person from the office of the City Clerk or by calling 419-690-1621, Monday through Friday 8:00am through 4:30pm. Returned bids **MUST** be accompanied by a specifications check-off sheet that notes which items are included with the bid price. Any questions, including those regarding the trade-in vehicle, should be directed to Captain Zahradnik at 419-690-1643.

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INVITATION TO BID

The Village of Genoa is holding a bid opening for the operation of the Village owned Dairy Queen located at 601 Washington Street, Genoa, Ohio 43430. This is for a four (4) year period beginning April 1, 2021.

The Bid musts include the following:

1. Name and address of the lessee.
2. Proof of insurance, liability naming the Village as an additional insured.
3. Yearly rent, not less than \$2,600.00 per year.
4. Lease may be extended for a 2-year period beginning April 1, 2025 at the discretion of the Village Council.

The lessee that is chosen is responsible for all utilities, repairs, waste removal and maintenance of any equipment owned by the lessee. Bidders are aware that no equipment is provided for the operation of the business, and must be supplied by lessee. A copy of the previous agreement is available for review at the Administration office, 102 E. 6th Street, Genoa, Ohio 43430.

Sealed bids will be opened February 19, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. (noon) at the Administration office at the address above.

Kevin M. Gladden
Village Administration, Village of Genoa

PUBLIC NOTICE

Carroll Township Land for Rent/Notice For Bids

The Board of Carroll Township Trustees will accept Bids for the purpose of farming only, and for no other uses whatsoever, for the 18.1 acres of tillable farm land owned by the Board of Carroll Township Trustees, and being part of a parcel of 25.474 acres in the S1/2 of the S1/2 of the NE1/4 of Section 17, T7N, R15E, in Carroll Township, Ottawa County, Ohio, purchased by the Board of Carroll Township Trustees on November 4, 2005, from the Estate of Eldon F. Dunkleman, based on an annual rental for the farming of said 18.1 tillable acres, payable each year on the 1st day of December, commencing on March 15, 2021, for a period of five (5) years, subject to termination by the Board of Carroll Township Trustees should they choose to develop said land.

Bids should be submitted in writing to Tina Biggert, Fiscal Officer, Carroll Township, 11080 West Toussaint East Road, Oak Harbor, Ohio, 43449, by 7:30p.m., on March 2, 2021. The Bids shall be opened during the regular meeting of the Board of Carroll Township Trustees on March 3, 2021, and the Board of Carroll Township Trustees reserves the right to accept, or reject, said bids, in discretion of the Board of Carroll Township Trustees based on the best interest of Carroll Township. This information can also be viewed online at <https://www.carrolltownship.net>.



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