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Parks and Trails Improvement Grant awards issued

By Press Staff Writer

The Park District of Ottawa County Board of Park Commissioners recently announced the awards for the 2023 Parks and Trails Improvement Grants.

This grant opportunity was open to all political subdivisions, public libraries and public schools in Ottawa County. It was the Park District's second year offering the grant program.

In total, the Park District awarded \$315,000 to eight public entities in Ottawa County. The selected projects will address community need and connectivity, and will enhance outdoor recreational experiences for residents and visitors of Ottawa County.

Among the 2023 awarded projects:

- Oak Harbor Library – Book Trail at Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge Fox Unit. The Book Trail, "Wild Pages," will involve the permanent installation of sign frames along a fully accessible and maintained trail. Pages from children's books are placed within these frames so they can be read by families while enjoying a casual hike along the trail. Activities and programming will also be incorporated into "Wild Pages."

- Village of Clay Center – Park play area improvements. The Village Park will be enhanced with swinging benches and a swing set. The improvements will greatly benefit the singular recreational area within the village of Clay Center.

- Village of Genoa – Veterans Park and North Coast Inland Trail Restroom, Phase 2. The restroom project will provide a needed amenity for residents and visitors who frequently utilize the park for youth sporting events and other community activities. The restroom is also along the route of the 75-mile North Coast Inland Trail, also known as US Bike Route 30, and will provide a much-needed restroom location for the trail. Additionally, the building will serve as a concession stand.

- Village of Oak Harbor: Oak Harbor Riverfront Trail. The Riverfront Trail is a long-standing community vi-

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An early birder

While "The Biggest Week in American Birding" doesn't start until May 5, Donn Young, of Columbus, gets an early start bird watching at Howard Marsh. He and his friends spotted Shovelers, Pintails, Mergansers and Yellow Legs. (Press photo by Ken Grosjean)

Oregon

Rezoning on Corduroy and N. Wynn approved

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Oregon City Council on Monday approved zoning changes on parcels at Corduroy Road and N. Wynn Road for future development.

The zoning changes were rejected by council at a meeting in January and it was sent back to the Oregon Planning Commission because council wanted all of the parcels to be zoned as Advanced Manufacturing.

The original zoning change requests were from A-1 Agricultural District to C-1 Commercial Industrial District at 4315 Corduroy Road, consisting of approximately nine acres, and 4701 Corduroy Road, consisting of approximately 23 acres; a zoning change from A-1 Agricultural District to Advanced Manufacturing District at 4713 Corduroy Road, consisting of approximately 29 acres; and a zoning change from Mixed use A-1 Agricultural District and C-1 Commercial Industrial District to Advanced Manufacturing District on a portion of property at 700 N. Wynn Road, consisting of approximately 23 acres.

The Planning Commission on Feb. 21 voted in support of the change making all of the parcels Advanced Manufacturing,

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and sent it to city council for a vote. Council on March 27 voted to pass the zoning change to Advanced Manufacturing on the 4315 Corduroy Road parcel and on the 4701 Corduroy Road parcel.

The city believes an Advanced Manufacturing District has a softer look and feel - with some design standards that are incorporated into it.

Curb appeal
Christina Collins, of Grand Bay Drive,

expressed concerns about curb appeal after future development.

“I'm not necessarily here to be against it, but maybe get some consideration about curb appeal of what rezoning might look like. We invest a lot in our properties and while the financial benefit is there, curb appeal is definitely a critical factor for me to remain a resident of Oregon. So when I drive down Wynn to go home, I want to know what I'll see. I want to know if I'm going to see natural materials and a welcoming entrance to an industrial corridor with some greenery, flowers and plants, or am I going to see a chain link fence with steel and silos and things like that,” said Collins.

“When we came up with the Advanced Manufacturing District,” said Council President Tim Zale, “curb appeal was a large part of it - to make sure there was greenery and buffering. The whole idea was that this would be a cleaner looking thing than looking at something with a chain link fence and smoke stacks. That isn't what this is about. That's why council sent this back to the planning commission to have it redone. We didn't want zoning to be piece meal. We wanted the whole thing to be an Advanced Manufacturing District.”

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Quote of The Week

A young lawyer eventually discovers that the company's policy is to simply reject claims...

Thomas L. Knapp
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Photo shows the site of the future Meadowbrook Marsh trail improvement in Danbury Township. The Ottawa County Park District awarded \$315,000 to eight entities as part of the district's 2023 Parks and Trails Improvement Grant program. (Submitted photo)

Improvement grants

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sion to create a public trail along the Portage River in downtown Oak Harbor. Over the past four years, the project has gained substantial traction and funding through sever-

al grants and Ohio Capital Budget funding. It is projected for completion in 2024.

The 2024 grant program will open for applications this fall. Contact Executive Director Jannah Wilson at 419- 707-4051 or jwilson@ottawacountyparksoh.org with any questions related to the grant program.

Rezoning approved

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We thought that is what Oregon deserves." The actual development of an Advanced Manufacturing District, which the city created last year, "is all about curb appeal," said Mayor Mike Seferian.

"That's the difference between M2 and Advanced Manufacturing - curb appeal. That was our intent," said Seferian.

Traffic flow

Another concern of Collins was traffic flow and "whether there is an opportunity for us to manage that through Cedar Point and Corduroy versus all the way through Wynn Road and the neighborhoods of Oregon."

"We see a lot of that today," she said. "Unfortunately," said Seferian, "Wynn Road is a truck route. But we do take into consideration diverting truck traffic to Millard Avenue, and that's how we filter all the traffic. Our Public Service Director Paul Roman, who is also our traffic engineer, does his best to try to divert the traffic."

Roman said the city does make an effort to divert truck traffic to Millard Avenue, Front Street and I-280.

"There are loads that go east to Route 2, and they will use the road, and that's kind of hard to take away," he said. "But one thing about this area is we just built a new road that connects Wynn to Lallendorf. That is a Michigan loaded road. It is for any new development to use that road out to Lallendorf or to Cedar Point, Otter Creek, and Millard to Front," said Roman.

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Beth Ackerman, who has been outspoken in the last few years about future commercial and industrial development encroaching in environmentally sensitive areas, expressed concerns a wetland is on one of the parcels.

"I do appreciate you want to create jobs. It is unfortunate there is a wetland right in the middle of that area," she said. "I know the federal government calls it a wetland, but whoever develops it will have to handle that. I know for a fact that there are a lot of areas that can be revitalized in the Toledo area that will create more jobs and that the federal money is there. I would encourage you to do that. We are in a very unique position on Lake Erie, with water quality a growing issue, I am grateful for that. I do hope you find a way to preserve living along that wetland. I do appreciate you do want to create jobs. I just wish it was not on green field spaces, but more into brownfield areas."

Trooper promoted

Trooper Nicholas L. Palmer has been promoted to the rank of sergeant by Colonel Charles A. Jones, Patrol superintendent. Sergeant Palmer recently transferred from his previous assignment at the Bowling Green Post to serve as an assistant post commander at the Toledo Post.

Sgt. Palmer began his Patrol career

in September 2012 as a member of the 153rd Academy Class. He earned his commission in February of the following year and was assigned to the Swanton Post. He was selected as Post Trooper of the Year twice. In 2021, he transferred to the Bowling Green Post.

In 2022, he earned the Criminal Patrol Award.



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What a view

The clubhouse/tower and trees stand in a red contrast as the sun rises over a field off Yondota Road, Curtice. (Photo by Maggi Dandar)

Gavarone to run for re-election

State Sen. Theresa Gavarone (R-Bowling Green) has announced she is running for re-election to Ohio's 2nd Senate District.

Gavarone joined the Senate in 2019 to replace Chancellor Randy Gardner after previously serving in the Ohio House of Representatives. She received 62 percent of the vote to win a four-year term in 2020.

"I am running for re-election because I know there is much more that I can do to further solidify Northern Ohio's standing as the best place to live, work and raise a family," she said. "I want to build upon our many successes that include reducing taxes, cutting burdensome rules and regulations, and defending our Constitutional rights."

After serving as Chairwoman of the Local Government and Elections Committee from 2021-2022, Gavarone was unanimously elected in January by her colleagues to serve as Majority Whip—a member of Senate Leadership.

Currently, Gavarone's district contains

all or part of Erie, Huron, Lucas, Ottawa and Wood counties. The primary election will take place March 19, 2024, with the general election set for Nov. 5, 2024.

County malware data release being reviewed

Ottawa County is completing a review of the data released during a malware infection of the county's computer network and has found no personally identifiable information, the county said last week in an update of its response to the infection.

Rhonda Slauterbeck, county administrator/clerk, said the investigation to determine the scope of the incident is on-going but "we believe a small subset of county records were impacted."

On March 2, the county announced it had recently detected malware activity on the computer system.

Cyber-security consultants were retained to assist with restoring operations and gauge the effects of the infection.

"We will review the data in order to de-

termine what information was involved, who may have been affected and where those people reside so that we can provide any necessary notices consistent with our obligations and responsibilities," Slauterbeck said in a prepared statement.

Emergency communications, including 9-1-1 operations, continued to operate during the incident, and the county is also cooperating with law enforcement in the investigation.

Diabetes Get-Together

The next Magruder Hospital Diabetes Get-Together will be held Thursday, April 6 at 11 a.m. in the Magruder conference center. The free get-together is for anyone dealing with diabetes or pre-diabetes, including family and friends.

The topic for April will be "Diabetes & Dental Health." Certified diabetes care and education specialists lead discussions.

No RSVP is necessary. Call 419-732-4047 or email tstadler@magruderhospital.com.

Fire departments receive grants

Several local fire departments have been awarded grants for equipment.

In all, 154 departments throughout 70 counties in Ohio shared in the total of \$1.3 million of the 2023 Fire Department Equipment Grants, the Division of State Fire Marshal announced.

The Jerusalem Township Fire Department was awarded a grant of \$10,000 for Self Contained Breathing Apparatus equipment.

The Harris-Elmore Fire Department received \$5,000 for personal protective equipment.

Middle Bass Island Volunteer Fire Department also received \$5,000 for personal protective equipment.

Four other departments in Wood County received grants. Hoytville Fire Department and North Baltimore Fire Department each received \$10,000 for communications equipment and personal protective equipment.

Washington Township Volunteer Fire Department received \$5,000 personal protective equipment and Weston Township Fire Department received \$10,000 for personal protective equipment.

Eligible fire departments must serve a population of less than 25,000 residents and have submitted incident fire reports for the designated year.

Matter of Balance

The Wood County Committee on Aging, Inc. (WCCOA) will offer a "Matter of Balance" course at the Wood County Senior Center, 140 S. Grove St., Bowling Green, Tuesdays April 11 to May 16 from 1-3 p.m.

The eight-week, evidence-based course costs \$20 and includes a manual for training purposes and a certificate upon completion of the course.

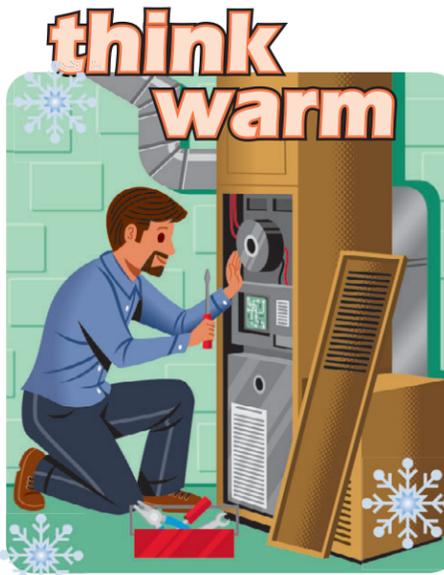
During this class, participants will learn to view falls as controllable, set goals for increasing activity, make changes to reduce fall risk at home, and exercise to increase strength and balance.

Contact the WCCOA Programs Department at 419-353-5661 or 1-800-367-4935, or email programs@wcco.com.

Stations of the Cross

The ecumenical coalition of local peace and justice advocates will continue the annual praying of the Stations of the Cross around the Lucas County Courthouse on Good Friday, April 7, from noon-12:45 p.m.

As in previous years, the prayer will focus on current social justice issues linked to each station.



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Oregon OK's contract for Navarre safety improvements

By Kelly J. Kaczala
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Oregon City Council approved an agreement with DGL Consulting Engineers, LLC, Maumee, to provide professional engineering services for the design of the Navarre Avenue Safety Improvement Project for \$523,251.

The city has been awarded \$5 million in grant funding (\$300,000 for design, and \$4.7 million for construction) through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Highway Safety Program from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for implementing various safety measures as part of the Navarre Avenue Safety Improvement Project on Navarre Avenue between Isaac Streets Drive and Coy Road.

Public Service Director Paul Roman advertised and requested qualification statements from engineers to provide services for the detailed design of the safety improvements.

DGL Consulting Engineers, LLC has successfully conducted traffic engineering studies and designs for Navarre Avenue, as well as several other traffic engineering designs and services for the city. The proposal by DGL Consulting Engineers, LLC was determined to be the best proposal to meet the needs of the city.

This is the third segment of Navarre Avenue to receive safety improvements.

"This project is very similar to the other two projects we have already constructed. We definitely improved our safety," said Roman.

The project will go from Isaac Streets Drive to just west of Coy Road.

It consists of a median, two new traffic signals, one at Harbor Drive, one at Kroger,

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one signal relocation to Kingston Court, and U-turns, said Roman.

"The idea of starting the engineering now is to try to apply for other grant funding. There's still a large local match. It is close to \$10 million to do this project," said Roman. "That is a conservative figure. There is right-of-way acquisition involved here, but the idea is to get other grants for this project.

The design of the project will take up to a year, added Roman.

"That's what 2023 is designated for. Right-of-way would be in 2024. The hope would be to start construction in the summer of 2025. It would be completed before the summer of 2026," he said.

Also at the meeting, council:
•Entered into an agreement with ODOT for the installation and maintenance of bikeway signs for U.S. Route 30 through Oregon to be provided by ODOT.

In order to assist municipalities across the state to furnish and install U.S. bicycle route signage, ODOT is providing signage installation and maintenance at no cost to municipalities.

"There's about 10 signs involved. There is no cost to the city," Roman said

•Approved a grant application for a Summer Holiday Enforcement Grant from the Ohio Traffic Safety Office submitted by the Oregon Police Division to be used for traffic control. The enforcement would begin in April, said Police Chief Brandon Begin. "We just got verbal confirmation that we would be approved for this grant, which would pay our officers to go out and do high visibility traffic enforcement. We'd be looking for speed violators, safety violations and OVIs - things of that nature, to keep the roads safe," said Begin.

•Authorized the transfer of a TREX (Economic Development Transfer) Liquor License into the city for JBA Merchandising, LLC. The city requires approval of city council to allow an application of transfer to be submitted to the Ohio Department of Commerce-Division of Liquor Control when a liquor license is being transferred from outside the city by the TREX process, for use at 3150 Navarre Avenue, Suite A.

"My understanding is this will be a Mexican restaurant," said City Law Director Melissa Purpura.

JBS Merchandising LLC, 1012 E. Second Street, Franklin, Ohio has submitted an Economic Development Transfer (TREX) application to the city.

JBS Merchandising, LLC, has indicated on its application that it will sell liquor for on-premises consumption only of beer, wine and mixed beverages until 2:30 a.m. (Class D-5 license) as well as other non-alcoholic beverages.

If approved by the Division of Liquor Control, JBA Merchandising, LLC estimates that \$60,000 will be invested into this project and that 10 jobs will be created.



GenoaBank hires mortgage originator

GenoaBank, a locally owned, independent, community bank, today announced Megan Dunne's appointment as new Mortgage Loan Originator for the Genoa Branch.



Dunne

Dunne is a relationship-focused and passionate banker. She is sure to continue the high-quality levels of professionalism and customer service GenoaBank customers have received for years. We welcome Megan to the GenoaBank Mortgage Lending team to assist in our continued efforts to inspire our community to pursue homeownership.

Dunne will be based in the bank's Genoa Branch but will be available to provide mortgage lending at any of the bank's other branches. She will be serving the communities in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan.

Dunne is a graduate from Rossford High School. She graduated with her Associates Degree from Owens Community College, while playing volleyball and winning the National Championship in 2019. She furthered her education at Bowling Green State University earning her bachelor's in business in December of 2022.

Fremont-Sandusky County recognized for business development

The Sandusky County Economic Development Corporation (SCEDC) has announced that Fremont - Sandusky County was ranked among the best nationally, based on the number of business development projects in 2022. The SCEDC is a non-profit organization that focuses on business retention and expansion, business recruitment and workforce development for Sandusky County.

Site Selection Magazine, a national economic development publication, announced their annual Governor's Cup Rankings and top 100 Micropolitans in the nation, in which Fremont-Sandusky County ranked seventh on the list based on business investments and expansions throughout the 2022 calendar year.

In 2022, Sandusky County had 67 projects totaling \$84.3 million in capital investments, resulting in 309 new jobs, and 1,726

retained jobs. Fremont-Sandusky County rose three spots in the rankings from last year, when Site Selection ranked it 10th in the nation.

"The SCEDC continues to focus heavily on our business retention and expansion visits with our current industry. Our qualifying projects typically come from companies that continue to expand their facilities, invest in new machinery and equipment, and hire additional employees," said Beth Hannam, SCEDC executive director. "Some of the qualifying projects included Autokinton's investment of \$15 million and creation of 150 new jobs, and Motion Controls Robotics' investment of over \$2 million and 18 new jobs."

The U.S. Census Bureau defines a micropolitan community as a "rural county whose largest city does not exceed a population of 50,000." Site Selection magazine's

standard for a qualified project is a project with a dollar investment greater than \$1 million for building and equipment, square footage of at least 20,000 in new/expanding construction or the addition of 50 new jobs. To be eligible, the project must be in one of the following sectors: manufacturing, distribution, data center or a research and development facility.

"The Governor's Cup awards are one of the most prestigious awards to receive in economic development and Site Selection is read by all of the top-tier national consultants. This puts Fremont-Sandusky County at the top of the list for those working on business attraction," Hannam said. "Sandusky County should be honored to be ranked so highly again, and the SCEDC will continue to drive that momentum throughout 2023 so we can once again be ranked in the Top 10."

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Turnpike commissions plans projects for 2023

By Press Staff Writer

This year, the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission has a budget of about \$226 million for capital improvement projects across the 241-mile toll road that traverses through 13 counties in northern Ohio.

The major construction projects on the Ohio Turnpike in 2023 include pavement replacement and resurfacing, bridge renovations, and modernizing the toll collection system.

"The start of the construction season is an opportunity to remind motorists that everyone plays a role in work zone safety," said Chris Matta, the commission's chief engineer. "With reduced lane widths and shifts, and narrow or no shoulders, we are urging motorists to drive safely in-and-around work zones by maintaining the posted speed limit, establishing a safe following distance, paying attention to the signs, avoiding distractions, and being prepared to slow down or stop."

Speeding is a primary cause of crashes in work zones, according to the Ohio State Highway Patrol. The OSHP will be conducting speed enforcement, including aerial enforcement by plane, in work zones across the Ohio Turnpike during the construction season, which typically runs from April to December 2023.

Projects scheduled for local counties include:

Ottawa County

Repairs are necessary to repair a portion of the slope located near milepost 63 on the eastbound side of the turnpike in Ottawa County.

B-C-S

Trades group questions AC project

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The Affiliated Construction Trades Ohio Foundation has asked the U.S. Department of Labor to open an investigation into an upgrade project of the heating and air condition system at an elementary school in the Benton-Carroll-Salem district.

In a Dec. 21, 2022 letter to Heather Dewitz, then president of the B-C-S school board, the ACTOhio legal counsel said the Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division has been contacted to ensure that workers on the project have not been "defrauded by their employers."

In the letter, Rob Dorans, ACTOhio attorney, questions if the upgrade project at R.C. Walters Elementary School has complied with federal law.

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Traffic will be reduced by one lane to facilitate the work, which will leave two lanes of travel open for eastbound travelers. The work will be performed between June and November 2023.

Sandusky County

Kokosing is also continuing work on two bridges in Sandusky County that began in 2022. The work includes the removal of the mainline bridge at milepost 98.9 and the deck replacement of the bridge over State Rt. 510.

Two lanes of traffic will be maintained during most of the construction on the mainline. A temporary traffic signal on State Rt. 510 will maintain both northbound and southbound traffic. The work is expected to be completed in November 2023.

A project that will remove the wastewater treatment plant that serves Erie

"The project was funded by the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund, which requires the district and its contractors to comply with the Davis-Bacon Act," Dorans wrote.

Certified payroll reports of Climate Tech, Inc., a contractor, "clearly document Davis-Bacon violations," the letter says because the contractor failed to identify the classification of a "significant portion of its workforces."

"The Davis-Bacon Act requires that contractors classify workers by a specific trade for their scope of work to ensure they are paid the correct prevailing wage and benefit package. The lack of classification itself is a violation of federal law and likely resulted in workers being defrauded of their rightful wage and benefits package by these contractors," Dorans wrote.

He also alleges Climate Tech, Inc. failed to comply with the correct journey-person/apprentice ratio requirements under federal and state law.

"Based on these certified payroll reports, Climate Tech, Inc. did not have the required number of journeypersons on site to supervise the work of the lower skilled apprentices. In fact, these CPRs document two dates (7/29/22 and 8/12/22) in which apprentices performed work on the project, but no journey-person was present," the letter says.

Island and Commodore Perry service plazas is expected to begin in May 2023. The treatment plant will be replaced by a pump station and sanitary line, and the wastewater treatment plant will be demolished during the project term from May 2023 to April 2024.

Erie County

Gerken Paving (Napoleon, Ohio) will begin work in April 2023 to resurface the ramps at Toll Plaza 118 in Erie County.

All ramps will remain open during the project and temporary traffic signals will be used to control traffic. The work is expected to be completed by the end of July 2023.

Other counties

Various projects to modernize the toll collection system at toll plaza interchanges in numerous counties will continue in 2023.

Regent Electric (Toledo, Ohio) is performing modifications to the existing toll plaza infrastructure by installing new tolling hardware equipment at toll plaza interchanges 52 and 59 (Lucas County), 64 and 71 (Wood County), 81 (Ottawa County), 91 (Sandusky County), 110 and 118 (Erie County), 135, 140 and 142 (Lorain County).

Conduent (New York) is performing the new hardware and software installations at the toll plazas required to collect vehicle information for tolling.

Impact on traffic is expected to be minimal as the work continues.

To limit delays for travelers on the Ohio Turnpike, the commission tries to maintain two lanes of traffic in all three lane sections of the turnpike during peak travel times. Some single lane zones will be necessary but will occur mostly during off-peak travel times or at night.

In addition, the CPRs don't appear to include any workers classified as pipefitter/HVAC worker.

"The scope of work involved on the project would have required significant work hours from workers classified as pipefitter/HVAC," Dorans wrote.

He also questions the district's decision to proceed with the project without going through competitive contract bidding and notes another contractor, Plug Smart, submitted a change order for \$159,927, resulting in an increase of nearly 14 percent in the project cost.

Last week, Dorans told The Press his review of records provided by the school district to his office indicates Plug Smart was hired by the district and Climate Tech was hired as a subcontractor.

"B-C-S by passed the legally required competitive bidding requirements by declaring an 'urgent necessity.' BCS claimed that supply chain issues necessitated the declaration of urgent necessity, but no public documents document these purported supply chain issues," he said, adding his office has been informed an investigator from the Department of Labor has been assigned to the project.

Email messages left for comment with the school administration and board were not returned.



- April A. Sneed, 4141 Kingsbury, Toledo, 180 days Corrections Center of Northwest Ohio (CCNO), 180 days suspended, \$337 court costs and fines, passing bad checks.
- John W. Zimmerman, 7 Van Buren, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 170 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$706 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.
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- Jasmine Kay Dewaard, 338 Ember, Oregon, 30 days CCNO, 24 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, disorderly conduct.
- Linda A. Campbell, 1334 E. Manhattan, Toledo, 30 days CCNO, 30 days suspended, \$247 court costs and fines, unauthorized use of property.
- Darrah Hopkins, 750 Valleywood, Toledo, 30 days CCNO, 30 days suspended, \$297 court costs and fines, unauthorized use of property.
- Dylan Hendrico Hemsath, 5016 Bay State, Palmetto, FL, 90 days CCNO, 90 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, obstructing official business.
- Dylan Hendrico Hemsath, 5016 Bay State, Palmetto, FL, \$197 court costs and fines, disorderly conduct.
- William Raymond Shabenas, 2041 Momany, Oregon, 180 days CCNO, 177 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$556 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.
- Neal Kumar Lakhani, 5061 Giverny, Oregon, 180 days CCNO, 157 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$706, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.
- Wyatt Lucas Russell, 12008 Corduroy Road, Curtice, 30 days CCNO, 27 days suspended, \$297 court cost and fines, unauthorized use of property.
- William Shabenas Jr., 835 Brighton, Toledo, 180 days CCNO, 180 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, drug abuse.
- Tamara Renee Williams, 2210 Stirrup, Toledo, 90 days CCNO, 83 days suspended, \$347 court costs and fines, attempt to commit an offense.
- Camarena Yanile Martinez, 2556 Brown, Oregon, 180 days CCNO, 177 days suspended, license suspended one year, \$556 court costs and fines, operating a motor vehicle under the influence.



Lake Twp.— Tools and two laptop computers were reported stolen March 23 from a truck parked at a residence in the 6000 block of Hanley Road.

Police chief appointed

Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz has appointed Michael C. Troendle as the new Chief of the Toledo Police Department.

Troendle has been serving as the Interim Police Chief since the retirement of Chief George Kral on Jan. 9.

Chief Troendle's experience in the Toledo Police Department dates back to 1993. He has served in various positions, including Assistant Chief of the Operations/Support & Administrative Division, Deputy Chief of the Operations Division, and Captain of the Special Operations Bureau.

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This week in Toledo's past:

Events in the Toledo area over the past 150 years

April 2
 1908 - The new stone interurban bridge at Waterville is nearing completion after lengthy controversy about its placement near a rock outcropping known as Roche De Boeuf.
 1920 - Tiedtke's Department Store says it expects to sell more than 1,000 bunny rabbits during Easter this year.
 1933- Man described as "drug crazed maniac" wanted for stabbing several people in wanton attacks in Toledo.
 1943 - Toledo Rockets basketball team loses NIT championship game to St. Johns 47-27 at Madison Square Garden in New York.
 1977 - Kenny Rogers' hit song Lucille, which takes place in a "bar room in Toledo" reaches number one on the record charts. The song was a collaboration between Kenny Rogers and song writer Hal Bynum and was not written originally in Toledo, as one urban legend explains it. Bynum says he first wrote the lyrics in Norfolk, Virginia.

April 3
 1910 - Toledo police plan to begin a "clean up" of the area of the city known as "the Bronx". This is Canton Avenue near downtown where a disturbance and fight ended with the beating of policeman and the shooting of a gang member.
 1921 - At E.J. Smith's Grocery on Starr Avenue, a tumbler of apple butter is now just 10 cents, hamburger steak was just 22 cents a pound and 2 pounds of fresh roasted coffee is 45 cents.
 1924 - Canton Avenue druggist Meyer Selzman and three clerks arrested for manslaughter in the deaths of 18 men, who died in one week from poisoned alcohol they consumed from Selzman's drugstore. Selzman is later convicted and sentenced to four years in prison.
 1957 - Flame and smoke snuffs out lives of 27 race horses in a barn at the Fort Miami Racetrack at Maumee. Sixty other frightened horses had to be let out allowed to



Toledo Historical Museum
 by Lou Hebert

run free, only to be rounded up later. The early morning fire was discovered by a passing motorist.
 1984 - Last edition of the popular East Toledo Sun is published.

April 4
 1831 First election day is held in Weston Township, Wood County.
 1908 The 524-foot lake freighter "Fred Hartwell" is launched at Toledo Shipbuilding Company.
 1915 -The Niagara Hotel in 300 block of Summit Street destroyed by fire. A newlywed couple from Adrian, Michigan is killed in the blaze. It was later rebuilt and renamed as "The Waldorf".
 1920 - Safecrackers break into safe at Grace Smith's cafeteria in downtown Toledo, getting away with at least \$1,000 in cash.
 1955 - Future film and TV actor Casey Biggs born in Toledo. The Central Catholic graduate attends Julliard School in New York and goes on to stars in a variety of TV shows and movies, including as Damar in Star Trek: Deep Space Nine.

April 5
 1867 - Ohio legislature creates a full time police force in Toledo and released city marshals from their duties.
 1897 - Samuel "Golden Rule" Jones, one of Toledo's most colorful and controversial mayors, is elected to office. The Welsh born self-made millionaire was an ardent social reformer and is considered one of the most influential mayors in U.S. History.
 1918 - Grace Doyle, 20, school teacher near Perrysburg hailed as a hero for flagging down a troop train at Roachton Road that

was about to hit a saboteur's barricade of a spiked plank across the tracks.
 1957 - Lake Freighter Champlain ripped loose from its moorings on Maumee River by 90 mph winds and crashes into Fassett Street Bridge in South Toledo. The bridge is never rebuilt.
 1945 - A Toledo couple is indicted for running an unlicensed boarding house for children. Charges included abuse of those children.
 1968 - "Topping out" ceremonies are held for the new Fiberglas Tower under construction in Toledo at St. Clair and Jefferson Streets. It would be Toledo's tallest building when complete at 30 stories high, and will be the home of Owens Corning Fiberglas World Headquarters. The top floor featured a popular restaurant called "The Top of the Tower".
 1980 - Sister Margaret Ann Pahl murdered in Mercy Hospital chapel. The case is not brought to trial until 2006 when Catholic priest, Father Gerald Robinson was tried and convicted of the killing. Robinson always maintained his innocence and several years later, died in prison.

April 6
 1906 - Construction begins at Camp Perry near Port Clinton in Ottawa County. The Army had it built to serve as a primary training center for marxmanship.
 1917 - U.S. declares war on Germany and enters World War I.
 1941 - Lake Erie commercial fishermen complain that raw sewage pollution being pumped into the lake is killing too many fish.
 1964 - The Princess Theater is featuring Elizabeth Taylor in "Cleopatra."
 1990 - Champion Spark Plug of Toledo announces the closing of its Toledo plant after 80 years of operation.

April 7
 1905 - Toledo Fire Department accepts only nine men out of 82 applicants for jobs as

firemen. Most rejected for problems including varicose veins, bad noses, bad teeth, bow legs, flat feet and a husky voice.
 1956 - Lucas County Sheriff forms area's first underwater dive team.
 1963 - State Historical Society is getting complaints over plans to prohibit picnics at Fort Meigs Park at Perrysburg.
 1983 - Babcock Dairy of Toledo announces it is closing. Founded by Roy Babcock in 1919, it was once the largest independent dairy in the nation.

April 8
 1835 - Michigan militia members storm home of Toledoan Benjamin Stickney, and arrest two visitors. The attack signals the start of the Toledo War in which both states claim a narrow strip of land which includes city of Toledo.
 1911 - Fiery evangelist Billy Sunday conducts revival meeting in Toledo.
 1919 - Plans are announced to widen and lengthen Welland Canal in Canada so that Toledo could someday become an ocean port. It did finally become a reality - 40 years later.
 1957 - Surprise snowstorm hits Toledo, dumping nearly 10 inches. Biggest April snowfall in city's history to that point.

Road paving to start April 10
 Ottawa County has contracted with M & B Asphalt Co., Inc. to pave Oak Harbor Southeast Road, between State Rt. 19 and State Rt. 53. Traffic will be restricted to one lane during construction, which is scheduled to begin April 10 and continue through June 23. Crews will be working Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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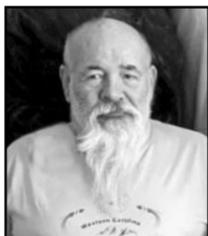
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Obituary

Michael E. Komives

September 21, 1953 - March 26, 2023



Mike Komives, age 69, passed away Sunday, March 26, 2023 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio with his brother and sisters by his side.

He is survived by his daughters, Jennifer and Nina; grandchildren, Carissa, Shay, and Gavin; and brothers and sisters, Richard, Pat, Alice, Joann, Frank, and Angie.

Per Mike's request, no funeral services will be held.

*God saw you getting tired, when a cure was not to be.
So He wrapped his arms around you, and whispered, "Come to me".
You didn't deserve what you went through, so He gave you rest.
God's garden must be beautiful, He only takes the best.
And when I saw you sleeping, so peaceful and free from pain,
I could not wish you back, to suffer that again.*

Obituary

Rosemary Kathryn "Kathy" Meagher

September 11, 1950 - March 24, 2023



Rosemary Kathryn "Kathy" Meagher 72, of Toledo, Ohio passed away surrounded by her loving family on March 24, 2023 after a courageous battle with cancer. After her diagnosis she made the most of the time she had. Spending time visiting with family and fulfilling bucket list items such as a dream trip to Alaska. Kathy was born in Toledo, Ohio on September 11, 1950 to Russell and Shirley (Hamilton) Varwig. She graduated from Waite High School Class of 69' and then went on to obtain her associates degree in Early Childhood Education from the University of Toledo. Mrs. Meagher worked as a Paraprofessional for 34 years in the Toledo Public Schools System retiring on June 1, 2020. She also worked for the Metro Press for many years. Kathy had a passion for teaching, mentoring and being the Berry Street mother, and grandmother to so many kids over the years. She taught generations of families that still to this day remember her and enjoy sharing stories of her. Kathy enjoyed spending time at the Rossford Senior Center, going to craft shows, garage sales, and traveling. She was actively involved with the support group, Mom's S.O.U.L. Kathy was dedicated to her family, making sure to take them on amazing adventures, camping in various locations, but most notably Harrison Lake, Hocking Hills, and Maumee Bay. She was a selfless woman who always made sure everyone else was taken care of. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Rosemary is survived by her daughters, Christine Meagher, Frances (T.J.) O'Connor; grandchildren, Craig (Sarah) Meagher, Alexis (Mark) Smith, Andrew "Drew" (Vicky) Meagher Jr., Nickalos Meagher, Lacey Burlew, Douglas Burlew III, Mercer Meagher; great-grandchildren, Rain and Willow Meagher and one on the way; sisters, Shirley "Jean" (Bob) Clark, Virginia (Lorrie) Varwig; sister-in-law, Tina Varwig; many nieces, nephews and loving extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; sons, James Meagher Jr., Andrew Meagher Sr., and brother, Russell Varwig Jr.

Eggleston Meinert & Pavley Funeral Home, Oregon Chapel, 440 S. Coy Road assisted the family with the arrangements. Memorial contributions in Kathy's name may be directed to Mom's S.O.U.L., 1870 South Freedom Drive, Northwood, Ohio 43619. The family would like to give a heartfelt thank you to Jenny Abner for the compassionate care that she provided. Inurnment will be private at Toledo Memorial Park.

Obituary

Mr. Louis "Red" Irving

June 27, 1939 - March 28, 2023

Louis "Red" Irving of Northwood, Ohio, born June 27th, 1939, peacefully left this earth to begin his heavenly journey with God on March 28, 2023.

Raised doing farming with parents Edward and Nomedra Irving in Oregon, Red also learned the greenhouse business while working at the former Mel's Greenhouse. During his teenage years he embarked on an incredible masonry journey that spanned over 66 years beginning with his Uncle Lawrence Fleitz as a laborer. In 1957, he graduated from Clay High School and joined the Local 500 Laborer's Union. Later, he entered and completed the apprenticeship program for bricklayers and became a member of the Local 3 Bricklayers Union in January, 1963 thus following in a long family line of brick masons.

In the late 1960's Red and brother Dick began their own company known as Irving Bros Masonry. Their specialty was commercial buildings but by the late 70's, each had honed in on their very own and unique masonry talents. Red's Masonry Company began and continued to thrive in the commercial sector which has allowed his beautiful craftsmanship to still be seen today on such buildings including all of the Piccadilly apartments, the former Richard's Chevrolet in Michigan, the former Western & Southern building in Northwood, Rowe Chiropractic in Oregon, Hirzel's Canning Company in Northwood and numerous others. He was always quick to share his skills or lend his hand to numerous local churches. He loved helping with small town projects like the water fountain in Genoa or repairs for the Northwood Municipal Complex. He especially loved working at the former Lakewood Greenhouse doing their masonry repairs. Warehouses, factories, schools, restaurants are other areas where he has left his mark. His proudest accomplishment was as a sub-contractor building the columns surrounding the current downtown Toledo Mud Hens Stadium. Residentially though, he has done 100's of new home foundations, crawl spaces, fireplaces, porches and chimney's throughout Northwest Ohio and southern Michigan not to mention all of the masonry repair work he has completed over the years. Brick, block, stone or concrete work, he has done it all. His vast knowledge and talent is astounding. Just a young boy with a dream turned into an amazing masonry journey. His retirement came in 2018 and he deeply missed going to work. He never gave up sharing his knowledge and would always say; "there was never a job too big or small, never too easy or hard, just put in a good days work because that is what life is about." Remember, it only takes 2 brick to start and finish a brick wall, the rest are just fill-ins. Who hasn't heard this over the years!

Red married the love of his life, Rita Gladioux on May 6th, 1961 after dating for 5 years. Together for 60 years, they traveled around the USA and into Canada. They had fun square dancing, playing cards and bowling. They supported each other in their political endeavors. In sickness and in health, they were always together. They shared their love with daughters Lisa and Stephanie. They were graced with grandchildren and blessed with a great grandson. Their bond was unbreakable. Their love was true.

For many years, Red donated his time to the City of Northwood serving as secretary/treasurer of the Parks and Recreation Committee. He served on the Winter/Summer Recreation programs. He helped with the planning and implementation of Northwood's Central Park.

Once retired, Red continued with his "business meetings" with forever friends Mike Diekman and Mike and John George. While frequenting many restaurants they shared numerous stories, jokes and laughter while making new friends along the way. He would walk to Don's Donuts to visit his friends and get a ride with his buddy Al Williams.

He walked to Speedway for another coffee and friendship time with Cindy. He loved his get-together's with childhood friends Ron Bosch, LeRoy Hartsing, Cleo Mominee and Leo Brenot. He loved going to the Skillet Restaurant seeing Mike & Heather and visiting his other Skillet friends. He especially loved his time spent with Julie and David Dean going to the park or Applebee's. His other retirement hobbies included the ice cream trips with Lisa, going to church, walking and talking along the way making another new friend and of course feeding his geese, squirrels and cats. Talking with his special neighbors Kim Chernota, Amy Bryant and Linda Adkins was a highlight and he truly loved each of them. His jokes, sharing of stories or purposely walking into a wall will forever be missed but never forgotten.

Red was a true Notre Dame Irish football fan thanks in part to his in-laws Art & Alice Gladioux, having attended countless games that spanned the course of 50+ years and by some he became affectionately called the Little Leprechaun. Being of Irish heritage was a bonus.

Along his incredible life journey, Red developed a special bond and cherished the closeness he had with his "sis" Jackie and the ultimate rekindling of his family ties. During the past few years, Red mourned the loss of many dear friends and family and would always tell a story to "keep their memory alive." Now that he has left this world, the task of sharing his memories falls on us all to keep his memories and stories alive.

His cherished memories to share are left with daughters Lisa (Steven) Thomas, Stephanie Danyi, Grandson Jonathan Olinger, Granddaughters Ariel, Alyssa and Anya Danyi, Shelby Thomas and Great Grandson Jaxon Olinger.

Stories to share are left with sister; MaryAnn (Herm) Baerkircher, sister-in-laws; Jackie (Cal) Lentz, Shirley Irving and Marge Prater, nieces; Lyn Krasula, Diane (Tim) Cordell, Barb (Gary) Lovell, nephews; Calvin (Michelle) and Stephen (Donna) Lentz, Rick (Melinda), Mike (Wanda) and David Irving along with a host of great nieces, nephews and many cousins. Additionally, fond memories are left with special friends Marie Kirkendall, Pam, Angie, Joe, Alexa, Liz, Tori, Tammy and Wendi.

Red was preceded in death by his parents, wife Rita, brothers Dick and Tom, niece Patty Irving and brother in-law Ron Hillabrand.

Visitation will be held on Friday, March 31, 2023, from 2:00 pm until 8:00 p.m at GracePointe Church, 4035 Williston Road, Northwood, Ohio, where Red was a member. Pastor Harald Bjerga will officiate Red's Celebration of Life at 6pm on Friday. Please come casual and ready to share stories, laugh and recount the memories you have. Funeral services will be held in the church on Saturday, April 1, 2023 at 11:00 am where the family will gather beginning at 10:00 am. Interment will follow in Lake Township Cemetery, with lunch to follow afterwards at the church.

Arrangements by Eggleston Meinert & Pavley Funeral Homes.



Fraud is baked into healthcare cake

By Thomas L. Knapp

"Internal documents and former company executives reveal how Cigna doctors reject patients' claims without opening their files," investigative journalists Patrick Rucker, Maya Miller, and David Armstrong reported at ProPublica on March 25. "A Cigna algorithm flags mismatches between diagnoses and what the company considers acceptable tests and procedures for those ailments. Company doctors then sign off on the denials in batches ..."

There are many structural defects in an American HMO/PPO/prepaid care system that masquerades as "insurance." One of them is a tendency to mask outright fraud. If ProPublica's reporting is accurate, Cigna's practices are an example of that defect.

While Cigna implemented its "review system" -- which sounds more like an "automatic denial of purchased benefits" system -- more than a decade ago, legal thriller writer John Grisham described it in his 1995 novel *The Rainmaker*.

In the novel an "insurance" company refuses to pay for a leukemia patient's bone marrow transplant on the pretense that such transplants are "experimental."

A young lawyer eventually discovers that the company's policy is to simply reject claims, knowing most patients won't fight for the benefits they're entitled to. High legal drama ensues.

If you purchased an item from me, and I failed to hand over the item after receiving payment, you'd know darn well I'd defrauded you. You wouldn't do business with me again, and might even sue me.

But suppose I'm a \$150 billion company with 18 million "customers," most of whom receive my services in the form of employment benefits with limited (if any) ability to withdraw their patronage from, or stop payment to, me.

That kind of arrangement makes it a lot easier for a business to get up to shenanigans.

While I'm on record as thinking that "single payer healthcare," for all its problems, might work better than the current Rube Goldberg healthcare apparatus, "single payer" wouldn't solve this particular structural problem: A captive "customer" base at the mercy of a large, opaque bureaucratic apparatus.

The solution to this problem is finding a way to sever the linkage between employment and health coverage, which originated as a way of getting around World War 2 salary caps with "fringe benefits."

Direct -- and stoppable -- payment from actual consumers would force Cigna and other "insurance" companies to cater to those consumers, or lose business to companies that don't treat defrauding the customer as a viable element of a legitimate business plan.

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Some thoughts on the difference between power, force

Power: ability to do or act; capability of doing or accomplishing something.

Force: strength or effort exerted upon an object; physical coercion.

Power emanates from within. It enables one to accomplish tasks through the positive exercise of the law of attraction. According to the law of attraction, you attract people and circumstances of the same nature as your actions and attitude.

The source of power is a deep-seated belief in your goals combined with a genuine desire to help others. Authentic power arises effortlessly from who you are; it is not contrived. Power doesn't have to be advertised or shown off.

People with power do not have a need to prove anything to anyone. Power is a by-product of developing self-confidence. Self-confidence grows in response to your belief in yourself. Power grows from a respect for others.

Power is not used for control or domination. It's not used to belittle others. Power is a benevolent energy that makes you and those you come into contact with feel positive. It is a comfortable feeling to be with someone with internal power.

Force is the external application of energy in an attempt to control people and events. People apply force to compensate for a poor self-image. Force is used for intimidation. The employment of force creates a feeling of resentment from those



Golden Advice by Bryan Golden

upon whom it is applied.

Ego is linked to force, not power. People with power treat everyone with kindness and respect. They don't act in a condescending manner toward anyone. People with power aren't threatened by the success of others nor are they in competition with anyone.

Examples of power vs. force

Ellen has developed her inner power. At the accounting firm where she works, Ellen supervises 20 people. Although she has the authority to hire and fire, Ellen's management style doesn't incorporate threats or intimidation. Everyone in her department knows what's expected of them. They feel Ellen treats them fairly and with respect.

Ellen doesn't order people around. She asks her staff for what she needs. Because people enjoy working with Ellen, her department has very little employee turnover. Over the years, Ellen has had to let a few people go due to poor performance. In

each instance, the other employees' moral did not decline. They appreciated that Ellen was fair and expected everyone to abide by the same standards.

Mike regularly applies force in his interpersonal interaction. He has just been promoted to store manager. Mike erroneously believes people are impressed with his authority. He frequently orders his employees to jump from one task to another. Mike is quick to reprimand employees in front of coworkers and customers. Praise from Mike is rare at best.

Mike uses force with customers as well. He is clearly annoyed when a patron is sent to him with a problem. Mike's attitude is perceived as rude.

There is a high level of employee turnover in Mike's store. He constantly has to find and train new workers. As a result, his store is disorganized and messy. Sales are down since he has taken over as manager. Mike blames the economy and a poor work force.

The above examples illustrate the radically different results from power and force. The application of force creates problems. Then when more force is used in an attempt to solve a problem, the problem often worsens. Subsequent application of even greater force then produces a downward spiral.

Problems are solved, or avoided, with the utilization of power, not force. Power attracts solutions.

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Caution urged in petition issue

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The Bible says God knew you at conception; thus you are someone.

To have an abortion is to kill someone. So I ask you to think and pray deeply before you sign a petition.

Rufus Wallace
Millbury

A hat tip to sanitary workers

To the editor: As former honorary mayor and enduring ambassador for the great little town of Curtice Ohio, I unapologetically take the liberty of bestowing unprecedented acknowledgement and honor upon a mostly disregarded, though highly essential segment of our labor workforce.

With utmost sincerity I do hereby proclaim the summer of 2023 as Portable Public Sanitary Facility Technician (PPSFT) Awareness Season. I endeavor to cast recognition upon the hardworking professionals who efficiently, tirelessly, and thanklessly fulfill their duties, so that we may perform ours. These assiduous individuals confront their challenges in relative obscurity, receiving recognition only when excessive public usage has exceeded the capacity of the facilities which they are tasked to maintain.

The dedicated PPSFTs who diligently service these facilities strive to provide a clean and sanitary environment for the public's convenience and constitutional relief. Without them we are all figuratively up a creek without a paddle, when nature calls, while pursuing outdoor recreational activities.

PPSFTs faithfully perform their tasks regardless of acknowledgement, while often enduring perilous hindrances and pitfalls deposited by iniquitous individuals with a propensity for malicious intent. This disrupts the normal flow of business, leaving the facilities soiled and defaced, becoming unfit for public usage. These blatant, malevolent actions interfere with the

indomitable efforts of PPSFTs to provide sufficient facilities in sanitary and healthful conditions for the public's convenience. Consequently, this casts an unmerited shadow upon the heroic efforts of these PPSFTs.

So, on behalf of all PPSFTs and ultimately toward the promotion of public health and safety, I do fervently encourage our legislature to consider the establishment of regulations regarding this crucial aspect of public health and safety. I would further advocate for the organization and representation of all PPSF professionals to help ensure worker safety and proper training, to provide adequate compensation toward the retention of skilled qualified technicians, and also to attract future employees.

I am confident that the implementation of these warranted recommendations would protect the health, safety, and well-being of the public. The end results I believe would ensure a significant outcome while granting the public a much safer and more secure experience while utilizing any PPSF.

Randolph J. Kania
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Schedel Gardens to host annual Easter Egg Hunt April 8

Schedel Arboretum & Gardens, 19255 W. Portage River South Rd., Elmore, will host an Easter Egg Hunt for kids ages 1-12 Saturday, April 8, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., rain or shine.

Admission free and open to the public, with canned goods donations accepted for the Elmore Food Bank.

Egg hunts will be held at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Three separate egg-hunting areas will be designated for kids in various age groups. There will be special golden egg opportunities for both sessions. Children should bring their own baskets to collect eggs.

The Easter Bunny will be on hand during the event hours to greet children and pose for photographs. Other activities scheduled include face painting; an Easter Egg cookie decorating station; a game station with the Harris-Elmore Library; a petting station with chicks, bunnies, ducks and goats (11 a.m.-1 p.m.); a kids' painting workshop (fees apply) plus kettle corn, baked goods, a food truck and more.

Event sponsors include GenoaBank, North Branch Nursery, Taylor Automotive Family and Materion Corp.

For more information, visit schedel-gardens.org or call 419-862-3182.

Plant & Garden Swap

Join the Genoa Branch Library for a Plant & Garden Swap on Saturday, April 8 from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Participants will drop off plants and other garden materials such as planters and gently used tools to exchange with others. One plant earns a one green ticket, and one piece of garden material earns a yellow ticket. Tickets can only be redeemed for an item in the same category.

Labeled plants and garden extras may be dropped off at the library, located at 602 West St., from 9:30 a.m. Monday, April through Friday, April 7 at 3 p.m. Tickets will be handed out at drop off. No additional materials will be accepted on Saturday.

Plant/tool distribution begins at: 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 8.

Each month, the Harris-Elmore and Genoa Branch libraries offer fun, free crafts and programs that allow community members to get involved. A full list of programs is available online at harriselmorelibrary.org.

For more information, call the Harris-Elmore Library at 419-862-2482 or the Genoa Branch Library 419-855-3380.

Glass City Dance Party

Glass City Singles will present a Sock Hop Dance Party Saturday, April 15 at the Ballroom Company, located at 2558 Parkway Plaza, Maumee.

Free dance lesson will begin at 6 p.m., followed by open dancing from 6:30-10 p.m. Dress up for a chance to win the best outfit contest.

Admission is \$10, which includes

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dance lesson and snacks. Attendees may bring their own beverages and dishes to pass, if desired.

For more information, visit GlassCityDanceParty.com, follow ToledoDJ Tom on Facebook or email ToledoDJTom@gmail.com.

"Who Dunit?"

The Toledo Swiss Singers, one of the area's oldest singing groups, will be asking the question, "Who Dunit?" at their eighth annual dinner-theatre mystery event, which will be staged Saturday, May 6 and Sunday, May 7.

The performances, titled "Who Kicked the Bucket?" will center around a murder at the home of Monica and Marvin Moneybags — will take place at The Chalet at Oak Shade Grove, 3624 Seaman Rd., in Oregon.

Attendees will need to be on the lookout for a mysterious cold-blooded killer on the loose. Who is the victim? When does it happen? Which character is responsible?

"Who Kicked the Bucket?" will challenge audience members to use evidence provided and make keen observations to carefully conduct their own investigations.

Dinner will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 6 with the theatre presentation following, and the presentation will begin 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 7, with dinner served after the first act. The menu will include Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, glazed baby carrots, salad, dessert and roll with butter. A cash bar will also be available.

Tickets are \$35 for adults and \$20 for children 13 and under. All sales are final. No refunds.

Limited tickets are available. No tickets will be sold at the door. Reserve seats by calling or texting Elaine at 419-206-0975.

Fireworks Fund Reverse Raffle

The Oak Harbor Area Chamber of Commerce has a history of providing quality family friendly events to the community, including the annual Oak Harbor Independence Day Celebration.

To help offset the rising costs of this event, the Oak Harbor Chamber Foundation will hold a Reverse Raffle Saturday, May 13 at the Ottawa County Fairgrounds, 7870 W. SR 163, Oak Harbor.

Doors will open at 5 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m., with drawings to be held at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$50 and include admission, a dinner, and a chance to win cash and



Schedel Arboretum & Gardens, 19255 W. Portage River South Rd., Elmore, invites kids through age 12 to enjoy an Egg Hunt and other Easter activities Saturday, April 8 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The celebration will be held rain or shine. (Submitted photo)

prizes, including a top prize of \$2,500 cash. Only 250 tickets will be sold. Additional meal tickets are available for \$20.

In addition to the raffle, the evening will include games, sideboards and a Chinese auction. All proceeds raised will benefit the Oak Harbor fireworks show, which will be held July 3.

Tickets are available at the Oak Harbor Chamber Office, 161 W Water St., or from any board member. Admission is open to ages 21 and older.

The chamber welcomes raffle items and donations for the event. Call 419-898-0479 or email chamber@oakharborohio.net to purchase a ticket or donate to the event.

Brandville School Complex opens

Beginning April 5, Brandville School Museum Complex, located at 1133 Grasser St., Oregon, will open to the public for the spring and summer seasons Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

OJHS will be accepting donations for the May Rummage Sale Wednesdays, April 5-April 26. Call Kitty at 419-376-9491 for more information.

African Safari open for season

African Safari Wildlife Park welcoming visitors for its 55th season.

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

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

mitted at 4 p.m. The park's warm-weather animals, such as giraffe and antelope, will generally not be visible unless the air temperature is above 60 degrees.

The Walk-Thru Safari, which features gibbons, lemurs, kangaroos, warthogs, parrots, camel rides, educational animal shows and animal-feeding experiences, will open in mid-May.

Learn more at africansafariwildlife.com or the park's social media platforms.

Ladies Night Out

The East Toledo Senior Center, 1001 White St., will hold a Ladies Night Out Friday, May 12 from 6-10 p.m.

The cost is \$20, which includes food, four drink tickets, a photo booth, vendors, raffles, a live auction and more. The event is open to ages 21 and older.

Direct sale vendors are still being accepted for the event. There is no cost to participate, however, a \$25 auction item is required. Contact Brenda Holdren at 419-691-2254 for more information.

All proceeds raised will benefit programs and services for senior citizens.

Toledo Fringe Fest

The Collingwood Arts Center's annual "Fringe Fest" will be held Saturday, April 22 from 6-10:30 p.m.

The mission of Toledo Fringe Fest is to be a collaborative catalyst for cultural development, filled with original artists connecting with diverse audiences.

"We are excited to bring a wicked lineup of funky artists and installations set through the halls and creative spaces housed inside of our sprawling histor-

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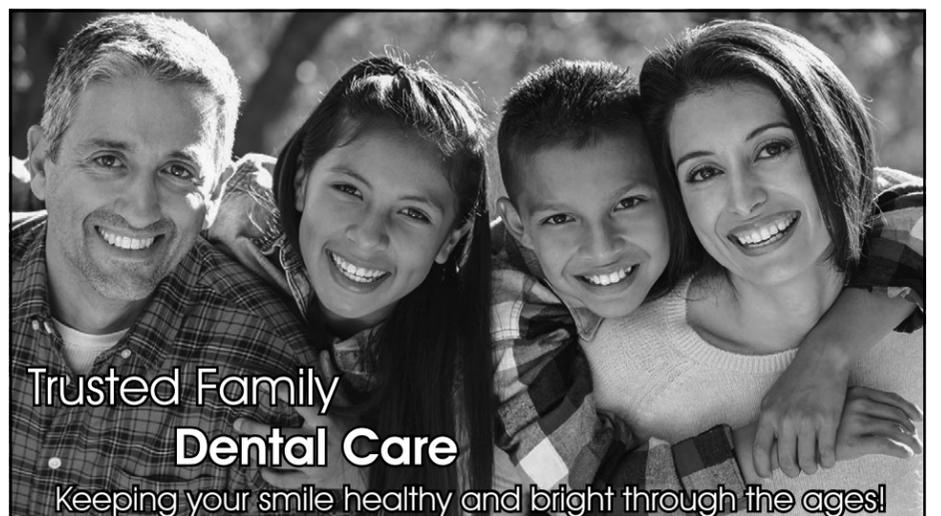
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ic building,” said Artistic Director, Lexi Hayman-Staples.

The event will feature cocktails, mocktails, burlesque, comedy, drag, live painting, games and more. Tickets are \$12 and are available at brownpapertickets.com. Discounts are available for groups of five or more. VIP Golden Tickets, priced at \$25, buy Green Room access and a mystery bonus room. Attendees must be 18 and older.

The Collingwood Arts Center is located at 2413 Collingwood Boulevard, Toledo.

Food Truck Fridays

Burkett Restaurant Equipment & Supplies is hosting “Food Truck Fridays” at their 28740 Glenwood Rd., Perrysburg, location on Fridays through July from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Regional Account Representative Michelle Greer, who organized the events, said, “We supply many of the area food trucks and commercial kitchens with equipment and smallwares and wanted to give our customers the chance to provide another lunch option for the community and businesses in the area.”

Burkett will also be offering a \$10 off promotion on anything in the store’s showroom for customers who spend at least \$10 with the food truck on site.

“While we do sell to commercial businesses, we also have a large variety of smallwares and other items people can use in their home kitchens every day, like cheese shredders, pizza pans, ladles, measuring cups, and cutlery,” she said.

One truck will be on site to serve the community every week. The upcoming schedule includes:

Apr. 7 - Street Tacos, Mexico Lindo y Querido

Apr. 14 - Toledo Chuck Wagon

Apr. 21 - Baba’s Eats

Apr. 28 - Loaded Gastro & Co

May 5 - Toledo Let’s Eat

Any schedule changes will be posted on Burkett’s Facebook page. Burkett’s showroom is open to the public Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Visit burkett.com for more details.

Volunteers needed for Ohio sandhill crane survey

A volunteer-driven sandhill crane

survey to locate breeding birds in Ohio is seeking observers to help with the count on Saturday, April 15.

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources’ Division of Wildlife is coordinating the project as part of the Midwest Crane Count with the International Crane Foundation and Ohio Bird Conservation Initiative.

Ohioans interested in volunteering should contact a county coordinator by visiting obcnet.org/get-involved/ohio-crane-count. The time commitment includes the time it takes to scout an area, a virtual training, and the morning count. Birders of all abilities who can identify a sandhill crane can participate. A vehicle is also required. Participation in pairs and some experience using the eBird community science platform is preferred.

The sandhill crane is listed as threatened in Ohio, but their population has increased in recent years. Sandhills can be secretive during their nesting season, and the count is an effort to better track Ohio’s breeding crane population.

Locally, this year’s count will occur in Lucas and Ottawa counties, which have habitats where sandhill cranes typically nest, such as wet meadows, shallow marshes, bogs, and other wetlands.

Ohio’s cranes are seasonal residents that migrate south for the winter. They feed during daylight hours on grain, insects, birds, small mammals, amphibians, and reptiles. They migrate at high elevations in large flocks, often composed of hundreds of birds. The range of these native birds extends from Mexico and Florida into Alaska and Canada, depending on the season.

Anniversary parade planned for Rossford celebration

Plans are underway for a special 125th Anniversary Parade for the City of Rossford.

Residents, performers, bands and other interested groups are welcome to register to join the parade on Saturday, July 29 at 10 a.m.

The parade will begin and end at Rossford’s Veterans Memorial Park, 300 Hannum Ave. Those interested in being part of the parade can register online at <https://form.jotform.com/230735661465156>.

The parade will feature a “follow-along” format, encouraging children and adults to join the end of the parade as it returns to Veterans Park. Those who follow along are invited to decorate their bikes, scooters or golf carts and be entered into a drawing to win one of several prizes. Winners will be announced at Vets Park following the parade.

Food trucks will be parked in the park after the parade.

For a complete list of activities for Rossford’s 125th anniversary, visit rossford125.com.

Grant to help museum relocate full artifacts collection to Toledo

The National Museum of the Great Lakes is beginning will begin the process of moving their vast collection from Vermilion and other various locations to Toledo.

The effort was made possible thanks to an \$18,000 competitive grant awarded through the Ohio History Fund—The Ohio History Connection’s matching grant program for history.

“Although the Great Lakes Historical Society and its National Museum of the Great Lakes relocated from Vermilion to Toledo in 2014, it lacked the means to move its entire collection of 2,000+ artifacts and to conclusively determine the full scope of its collection,” said Chris Gillcrist, the organization’s executive director. “This grant and the resulting project will remedy this and enable us to finally establish firm ‘intellectual control’ over its holdings and be better stewards of the regional history entrusted to it.”

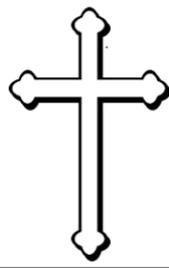
Since the opening of the National Museum of the Great Lakes, the Great Lakes Historical Society has been actively managing its collection across multiple storage sites. The grant makes it possible for the organization to take the last step of fully relocating to Toledo by bringing their collection all under one roof and within their museum’s hometown. The organization has secured a lease for local storage space and has spent a considerable amount of time and effort over the past few years preparing for this move. Both human and technological resources have enabled the continued cataloging and organizing efforts of their collection covering both the U.S. and Canadian history of all five Great Lakes.

Representatives from the museum were

informed in mid-February of the award and recently finalized their new storage space lease. The Ohio History Connection publicly announced all grant recipients at an annual Statehood Day advocacy event on March 2 at the Statehouse in Columbus.

The Ohio History Connection awarded \$185,624 in grants this year and, since the Ohio History Fund program started in 2012, has made a total of 122 grants to history and cultural organizations across the state, totaling \$1.2 million. The fund is made possible by Ohio taxpayers who select “Ohio History Fund” as a donation fund on their state tax returns.

For additional information on the Ohio History Fund Grant and other 2023 recipients visit ohiohistory.org.



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Inspirational Message of the Week:

The shining dreams and ideals of youth often become tarnished and faded in mid-life. We expected great things from life but are disappointed to see our dreams unfulfilled and time running out. Thoreau famously remarked that “Most men lead lives of quiet desperation and go to the grave with the song still in them.” Living with this desperation takes a heavy toll which few can bear. Most of us either relinquish the dreams or lower our expectations. Some of us continue to believe that the brass ring might still be grasped. But no one can live with the thought that they have somehow failed at life, or failed to live up to their own ideals. So how should we face this? How do we live in such a way that we can approach

the grave with a full-throated singing of our dreams and ideals? One way is to keep doing the best that we can, knowing we are finite creatures who often stumble. But, at least if we know that we have run the race with determination, never giving up, we will know we have done our best. We should also realize that this isn’t an individual race, but a relay race, where we have taken the baton from others and will soon pass it on. And finally, to complete the analogy, the coach of our team is God, and ultimately God’s team will win. We are all cosmic winners if we are on the side of goodness. “When my spirit grows faint within me, it is you who watch over my way.” *Psalm 142:3*

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Disney's "The Lion King" returning to the Stranahan Theater

The entire Serengeti will come to life as Disney's "The Lion King" returns to the Stranahan Theater for a limited three-week engagement, Wednesday, April 19 through Sunday, May 7.

Tickets are available at BroadwayInToledo.com and StranahanTheater.com, by calling 419-381-8851 or in person at the Stranahan Theater box office. Group ticket savings for 10+ are available by contacting Groups@ATGuild.org.

For more than 20 years, the North American touring productions of "The Lion King" have been seen by over 21 million theatergoers.

The Toledo engagement of Disney's "The Lion King" is presented by arrangement with The American Theatre Guild and is a subscription offering of the 22-23 Broadway in Toledo Series.

March 31: Opening Day, Parkside Drive-in, 4500 Navarre Ave., Oregon. Movie hotline: 419-635-7575. parksidedrive.com.

April 1: Opening Day, Schedel Arboretum & Gardens, 19255 W. Portage River S. Rd., Elmore. schedel-gardens.org.

April 1: Fort Meigs opens for the season, 29100 W. River Rd., Perrysburg. From April through October, visitors can take a guided tour of the fort and museum. fort-meigs.org/admission-hours/.

Through April 15: "Mustering Memory: 160 Years of Saluting the Civil War," Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Library & Museums, Spiegel Grove, Fremont. Special exhibit provides the often-overlooked history of how people have chosen and still choose to remember the Civil War. rbhayes.org.

Through April: "Science of Guinness World Records," Imagination Station, 1 Discovery Way, Toledo. All around the world, people are pushing themselves to achieve new and amazing things. From the world's longest moustache (14 feet) to the most drum beats in 60 seconds (2100+), to the most consecutive pinky pull-ups (36), the world is full of fascinating people achieving strange and incredible feats. imaginationstationtoledo.org.

Through March 18, 2024: "Expanding Horizons: The Character of a Nation," Toledo Museum of Art, Levis Gallery 29A, 2445 Monroe St., Toledo. This installation celebrates, complicates, and above all, aims to instill curiosity and inquiry about American art. toledomuseum.org.

Through April 16: Spring Break Animal Demonstrations, Toledo Zoo, 2 Hippo Way, Toledo. Come face-to-face with adventure with animal demonstrations, keeper talks, special animal meet and greets, games, and more. toledo.zoo.org/animal-demonstrations.



April

April 1: Annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Oak Harbor Area Chamber of Commerce, 2 p.m., Adolphus Kraemer Park Log Cabin. Followed by a candy hunt downtown and then to the Portage Fire station on Water Street where children can visit and take pictures with the Easter Bunny. Free. Open to children 12 years and under. 419-898-0479.

April 1: T-Bone Paxton & The Old Town Stompers, Pemberville Opera House, 115 Main St., 7:30 p.m. T-Bone and the Stompers relate an authentic translation of the studied, yet spontaneous spirit of 1920s traditional jazz. Presented by the Pemberville-Freedom Area Historical Society. Tickets are \$12 and are available at the door. pembervilleoperahouse.org.

April 1: Toledo Walleye vs. Indy Fuel, Huntington Center, 500 Jefferson Ave., Toledo, 7:15 p.m. toledowalleye.com.

April 1-2: Jurassic Quest, Glass City Center, 401 Jefferson Ave., Toledo, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Sunday. Interactive walking dinosaur shows, fossil digs, inflatables, "Triceratots" play area and more. jurassicquest.com.

April 1, 2 and 8: Easter Fun at Country Lane Tree Farm, 3525 N. Bolander Rd., Genoa. The Easter Bunny will take visitors on a hayride to his egg patch, where kids will collect eggs to exchange for candy prizes. Also visit baby ducks, chicks, bunnies, lambs, goats and more. A pony and barrel train ride round out the fun. countrylanetreefarm.com.

April 2: Taste of Schedel Bridal Show, Schedel Arboretum & Gardens, Elmore, 12-4 p.m. Meet photographers, planners, musicians, transportation experts and more. \$5 admission. schedel-gardens.org.

April 2: Toledo Walleye vs. South Carolina Stingrays, Huntington Center, Toledo, 5:15 p.m. toledowalleye.com.

April 1-2: Toledo Mud Hens Opening Weekend, Fifth Third Field, 406 Washington St., Toledo. The Hens take on the St. Paul Saints at 4:05 p.m. Saturday and 2:05 p.m. Sunday. milb.com/toledo.

April 6: Beer & Wine Tasting, Schedel Arboretum & Gardens, 19255 W. Portage River S. Rd., Elmore, 6:30-8 p.m. Join personal chef Jennifer Schuerman for a beer and wine tasting with creative foods. Theme features wines from Rocky Point



Disney's "The Lion King" is returning to Toledo for a three-week engagement, Wednesday, April 19 through Sunday, May 7. Shown is Gugwana Dlamini as Rafiki in the Lion King North American Production. (Photo by Joan Marcus)

Winery, \$36.05 per person. Come early and enjoy the gardens prior to the tasting. schedel-gardens.org, 419-862-3182, schedel-gardens.org.

April 7: Animal Egg Hunt, Toledo Zoo, 2 Hippo Way, Toledo, 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Come see what enrichment treats the Easter Bunny dropped off for your favorite Zoo animals. toledo.zoo.org/events/animal-egg-hunt.

April 7: Toledo Walleye vs. Cincinnati Cyclones, Huntington Center, Toledo, 7:15 p.m. toledowalleye.com.

April 8: Easter Bunny Visit & Shop Hop, downtown Fremont. Visit the Easter Bunny at the Bunny House on the corner of Croghan and Front streets from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. downtownfremontohio.org.

April 8: Easter Egg Hunt, Schedel Arboretum & Gardens, Elmore, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Egg hunts, divided into three age group categories, will be held in the morning and afternoon. There will also be an animal petting station, food truck, live music, ice cream, kettle corn and more. schedel-gardens.org, 419-862-3182.

April 8: Hayes Easter Egg Roll, Hayes Presidential, Spiegel Grove, Fremont, 12-2 p.m. Event replicates the White House Easter Egg Roll that Rutherford B. Hayes started. Kids are asked to bring three hard-boiled colored eggs to use in traditional egg games. Kids ages 3-10 can bring a pre-decorated egg to enter in a contest. The Easter Bunny will be on hand for photos. There will also be a scavenger hunt, craft and corn hole toss and more. rbhayes.org.

April 8-9: Fremont Flea Market, Sandusky County Fairgrounds, 901 Rawson Ave., Fremont, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday. Free. sanduskycountyfair.com.

April 11-16: Toledo Mud Hens vs. Louisville Bats, Fifth Third Field, downtown Toledo, milb.com/toledo.

April 12: Sandusky County Historic Jail & Dungeon Historical Tours and Flashlight Tours, 622 Croghan St., Fremont. Historical tours start at 5:30 p.m.; flashlight tours start at 6:30 p.m. For cost and info, visit sanduskycounty.org.

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April 13: Composting with Bridget from Hirzel Farms, Schedel Arboretum & Gardens, Elmore, 6-7:30 p.m. \$12. Learn the benefits of working with compost, where it works best and when. schedel-gardens.org.

April 13-16: Holy Toledo Polka Days, various area locations. Featuring a number of polka bands including host band The DynaBrass. Sunday's dance will be held at Oak Shade Grove Hall in Oregon. holytoledopolkadays.com

April 15: Encaustic Painting with Beth, Schedel Arboretum & Gardens, Elmore, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Join artist and teacher Beth Genson as she demonstrates the techniques and applications to create Encaustic Art. All materials included. \$105. schedel-gardens.org.

April 15: Fremont Pigeon Club Show & Shop, Sandusky County Fairgrounds, 901 Rawson Ave., Fremont, 8 a.m. Free. 419-483-3484.

April 15: Toledo Walleye vs. Kalamazoo Wings, Huntington Center, Toledo, 7:15 p.m. toledowalleye.com.

April 21: Wine Tasting at the Toledo Zoo, 2 Hippo Way, 7-9 p.m. Delight in a delectable mix of wines from around the world, hors d'oeuvres, live music and more. All participants must be age 21 years or older. Valid ID will be required. toledozoo.org/wine.

April 20: "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" on screen, Imagination Station KeyBank Discovery Theater, Toledo, 7 p.m. imaginationstationtoledo.org/keybank-discovery-theater.

April 20-23: "A Bad Year for Tomatoes," by John Patrick, presented by Genoa Civic Theatre, 509-1/2 Main St. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Directed by Joel Mann. Suitable for older youths and adults. genoacivictheatre.com.

April 22: Party for the Planet, Toledo Zoo. Join the Toledo Zoo in celebrating Mother Earth and exemplifying its mission of advocating for wildlife and conserving the natural world. Drop off recyclable goods at the Zoo – including hard-to-recycle items – between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Anthony Wayne Trail parking lot and stay for a great "green" day. toledozoo.org/events/party-for-the-planet.

April 23: Glass City Marathon, University of Toledo, 2801 Bancroft St., 7 a.m. Participants will take on one of the fastest marathon courses in the Midwest. glasscitymarathon.org.

April 25-30: Toledo Mud Hens vs. Syracuse Mets, Fifth Third Field, milb.com/toledo.

April 28: Presidential History Book Club, Hayes Presidential, Fremont, noon. Discuss "Louisa: The Extraordinary Life of Mrs. Adams," by Louisa Thomas. Club meets in person and online. For info, contact historian Dustin McLochlin at dmclochlin@rbhayes.org. Participants can bring their lunch. rbhayes.org.

April 28: Arbor Day Sunrise Tree Tour, Hayes Presidential, Spiegel Grove, Fremont, 7:30 a.m. Tour departs from the

Hayes Home verandah. Participants will learn how wassail was used to "wake up" the apple trees and scare away bad spirits. Tour highlights some of the unique trees at the Grove. Enjoy wassail and breakfast sweets afterward. \$8 for HPLM members, \$12 for non-members. rbhayes.org.

April 28-29: "Cinderella," Valentine Theatre, 410 Adams St., Toledo, 7 p.m. Friday, 2 p.m. Saturday. Toledo Ballet brings to life the fairytale classic with live accompaniment by Toledo Symphony Orchestra. toledoballet.com.

April 29: Fleetwood Gold – The Fleetwood Mac Experience, Maumee Indoor Theater, 601 Conant St., 8:30 p.m. The theatre does not sell alcoholic beverages, but Maumee does have a DORA (designated outdoor refreshment area) that includes the theatre. facebook.com/maumeeindoortheater.

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April 9 – Easter Celebration
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Tuesday of Holy Week	Chism Mass	11:00 a.m.	Rosary Cathedral
Wednesday of Holy Week	Tenebrae	7:30 p.m.	Rosary Cathedral
Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper	Pre-Triduum Potluck Mass of the Lord's Supper Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Night Prayer	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:30 p.m. 11:00 p.m.	All Saints Rossford
Friday of the Passion of the Lord	Celebration of the Lord's Passion The Chaplet of Divine Mercy Stations of the Cross "The Seven Last Words of Christ"	1:30 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 3:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Saint Jerome All Saints Rossford
Holy Saturday	Blessing of Easter Food	9:00 a.m.	All Saints Rossford & Saint Jerome
The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night	Mass of Vigil	8:30 p.m.	All Saints Rossford
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord	Lord's Day Masses	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Saint Jerome

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Get out and enjoy – spring wildflower show is about to begin

Get ready, the show is about to begin. It's almost time for spring wildflowers and Ohio's natural areas are extraordinary places to enjoy them. From the aptly named harbinger-of-spring to hepatica and spring-beauty and on to trillium and a host of others, it's a natural gift that keeps on giving.

Our local Metroparks and preserves offer ideal, close-to-home places to enjoy the parade of colors and varieties. If you're feeling the urge to hit the road for the day, overnight or a long weekend, Ohio is loaded with those possibilities as well.

Among the great destination choices is Hueston Woods State Nature Preserve in southeast Ohio. Its 200 acres of virgin beech-maple forest are surrounded by Hueston Woods State Park.

The wildflower show begins this month, sometimes greeted with near-freezing temperatures while the chilly winds make the entire forest and its carpet of wildflower appear to be shivering.

You'll see them everywhere - veritable carpets of Dutchman's-breeches and squirrel-corn, their blossoms filling voids among the spreading umbrellas of mayapple.

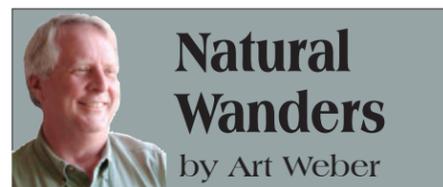
Above the wildflowers is a canopy of old beech trees.

"Those big beeches may approach 300 years; that would be absolutely a guess of mine," said Tim Snyder, retired West Central District manager for the Ohio Department of Natural Areas and Preserves. "The maple trees are pretty old, too. A number of the trees in the woods definitely pre-date Euro-American settlement."

The ancient trees make great homes for pileated woodpeckers, which greet walkers with their maniacal laugh-like chatter.

Together, the park and preserve are an island in a landscape of rich rolling agricultural lands, often with big wooden barns and stately old colonial farmhouses – venerable symbols of generations of successful farmers. Five miles south is the college town of Oxford, home to Miami University, called one of America's public "Ivies," both for its architectural beauty and academic excellence.

The state park and preserve have roots



Natural Wanders
by Art Weber

in our backyard. In the 1790s, when George Washington signed the mandate to establish Miami University, Matthew Hueston and his brother were serving in the frontier under General "Mad Anthony" Wayne. In 1797, after Wayne had forced peace with the Native Americans, Hueston, who had remembered the fertile soil of southeast Ohio, began to buy land in what is now Butler and Preble counties.

Praised as being among Ohio's earliest conservationists, the Huestons also profited from keeping the woods, which was valuable as a sugar bush for production of maple sugar products.

Eventually the Huestons acquired about 2,000 acres of land that became the park. The oldest of the woods is preserved in Hueston Woods State Nature Preserve, an enclave of the larger Hueston Woods State Park. The preserve is characterized by virgin forest growing in a setting of deep ravines, a more exaggerated terrain than the rolling countryside that characterizes the rest of the park and surrounding area.

A visit to the area is a great getaway.

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The picture-perfect campus of Miami University, the welcoming feel of the town of Oxford, and a host of other possibilities, including meals at the venerable Golden Lamb in Lebanon, make it a visit to remember.

For more information visit ohiodnr.gov, cityofoxford.org, and Butler County tourism at gettothebc.com.



Among the early spring wildflowers to enjoy this month are the unusual Dutchman's-breeches, shown here growing in the rich soils of the mature beech-maple forest along a ravine in Hueston Woods State Nature Preserve. (Photo by Art Weber)

Artist Susan Prentice displaying works on Magruder's Healing Wall



The works of artist Susan Prentice are on display through the end of April at the Healing Wall in Magruder Hospital in Port Clinton. (Submitted photo)

The works of Susan Prentice, resident artist at the Greater Port Clinton Area Arts Council's The Arts Garage (TAG), are now on display at the Healing Wall in Magruder Hospital in Port Clinton.

The Healing Wall is a rotating exhibit of artists from around Ottawa County which began more than nine years ago as a collaboration between the Greater Port Clinton Area Arts Council and the hospital.

The Healing Wall, which is located in the outpatient wing hallway, is designed to offer a few moments of peace and reflection for hospital visitors.

Magruder Hospital is located at 615 Fulton St. Port Clinton.

About the artist

Susan Prentice is one of more than 20 resident artists with working space in (TAG). She has worked as an x-ray technician, in addiction services, with Detox in Erie County as a chiropractic office manag-

er, and helped set up Genesis by the Lake in Vermilion – a 32-bed facility for women in recovery and their children.

Prentice turned to advocacy as well as art to heal after the unexpected death of her son Christopher in 2013. "Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time," Prentice said.

Besides photography, she also dabbles in painting, which are also on display at the Healing Wall. She said that she's learned that art, in multiple forms, is an outlet for her.

Prentice's work is on display through the end of April. All of the pieces on display are for sale.

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Mike May, Hayden Buhro honored

By Yaneek Smith
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For their efforts this past season, Oak Harbor coach Mike May and WR/DB Hayden Buhro were recognized by the Toledo/Wistert Chapter of the National Football Foundation at the 61st Annual Scholar Athlete Banquet held March 20 at Glass City Center in Toledo.

The duo oversaw a season in which the Rockets won the Sandusky Bay Conference Bay Division and a playoff game before putting up a great fight in a loss to Eastwood in the second round of the playoffs.

For a player to be recognized as a scholar-athlete, he must be a senior; have at least a 3.2 GPA; earn all-league (or greater) status; and have a record of community, school or church service.

Buhro, who is also an all-Ohio wrestler and sprinter, said his experience playing for Oak Harbor has been the greatest time of his life.

"The lights and the full stadium every Friday are what I looked forward to every week," he said. "The bonds I built playing football will last forever because of the things we went through," he said.

May talked about Buhro.

"I think for Northwest Ohio football players, it's about the best honor you can get. Academics are part of the award," May said. "Hayden was very deserving, he's one of the best all-around athletes that's come out of Oak Harbor in a while.

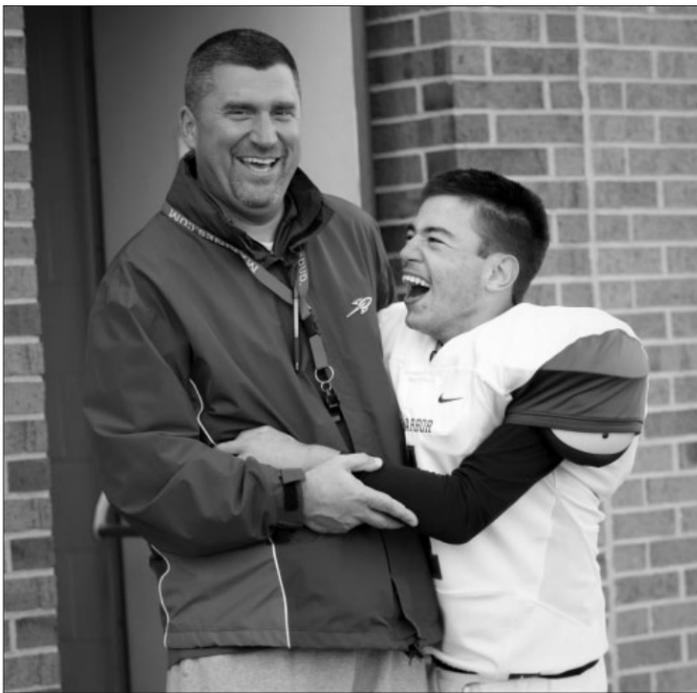
"He's the complete package and has had so much success in all three sports, and gets it done in the classroom. He's that rare combination of strength and speed, and he has a good head on his shoulders – and a good work ethic; he's been a pleasure to coach, and we're going to miss him."

May deflected praise and credit to his assistants, a loyal group that includes Scott Schulte, Dave Thiel, Renel Thompson, Doug Slagle, Eric Dusseau, Rob Rakay, Jason Overmyer and Andy Augsburger.

"It's very humbling and a high honor. I look at it as a staff award. Our staff did a really good job this season. We had some injuries; we had to shuffle some guys around. Our assistant coaches did a phenomenal job," said May, who had been recognized twice by the NFF.

"I'm kind of embarrassed that it has my name on it. I see it as a staff honor, I wish it had the name of (our entire) staff because it's our honor," he said. "It's nice to be recognized for our hard work."

The banquet included a star-studded list of speakers, including Toledo Rocket legend Chuck Ealey and former Rocket Coach Gary Pinkel, who were recognized



Oak Harbor coach Mike May (pictured with player Nick Fish) was recognized by the Toledo/Wistert Chapter of the National Football Foundation at the 61st Annual Scholar Athlete Banquet held March 20 at Glass City Center in Toledo. (Photo courtesy of Laura Bolander)

for their recent admission into the College Football Hall of Fame. From 1969-71, Easley quarterbacked his team to a record of 35-0. Pinkel holds the most wins in school history with 73. USA Today columnist Christine Brennan, a Toledo native was also a speaker.

Past speakers at the annual banquet have included Ryan Day, Luke Fickell, Jason Candle, Pat Fitzgerald, Jim Harbaugh, Matt Campbell, Brady Hoke, Urban Meyer, Brian Kelly, Jim Tressel, Rich Rodriguez and Nick Saban.

Ealey, who did not suffer a loss in his high school or collegiate career, was the first African American quarterback to lead a team to a Grey Cup championship (in the Canadian Football League) when the Hamilton Tiger-Cats won it in 1972, defeating the Saskatchewan Roughriders 13-10. Ealey was the MVP of the game after throwing for 291 yards and a touchdown.

He later played for Winnipeg and Toronto and retired in 1978, throwing for 13,326 yards and 82 touchdowns in his career.

Pinkel is a coaching legend. Recently retired, he has a career record of 191-110-3 and 7-4 in bowl games. While coaching the Rockets, he went 73-37-3 in 10 years, finishing the 1995 season 11-0-1, one of just two undefeated teams in the country with the other being Nebraska, which won the national championship. Pinkel won one Mid-American Conference title.

He left UT for the University of

Missouri in 2001, coaching in Columbia for 15 seasons. For 10 years, from 2005 to 2014, the Tigers had one losing season and won the Cotton Bowl twice. The best season came in 2007 when UM won 12 games and finished fourth in the final AP Poll.

Brennan grew up watching Ealey and the Rockets play, and the two have since become friends. A graduate of Northwestern University and its prestigious Medill School of Journalism, she has won a bevy of awards and written seven books. She worked for The Miami Herald, The Washington Post and has been with The USA Today for 26 years.

"The speakers were outstanding. Coach Pinkel is someone, when I started coaching, was someone I looked up to," May said. "I listened to him speak; he was a hero of mine for coaching.

"Chuck Ealey had a great message for the kids. He talked about some things that helped him back then and today to get things done. Christine Brennan talked about Chuck when he played, and she shared some stories about them being good friends. It was phenomenal," he said.

May added that he followed Pinkel as a young coach moving up through the ranks.

"It was the defense that he ran, a 4-4 defense, which now has evolved. Tom Amstutz, too, I followed guys that ran that defense," he said. "I'd listen to Pinkel and Amstutz – that's how I learned about our defense in those early years. I kept tabs on how Pinkel was doing."

Liskai honored for commitment to Gibsonburg

By Yaneek Smith
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Twenty years.

That's how long Brent Liskai committed himself to the Gibsonburg Golden Bears.

Liskai, who graduated from Gibsonburg in 1989, coached the basketball team for 20 years from 2002-22, winning 235 games — by far the most in school history — four sectional titles, two league championships and one district title.

He was recently honored at the state basketball tournament in Dayton and received the Bob Arzen Award, given to a coach that has spent at least 20 years at one school.

Arzen is a legendary coach in Ohio, having accumulated a record of 676 wins and 291 losses at Delphos St. John's; good enough to be the third winningest coach in the state. His teams captured a state title in 1983 and were regional champions five times.

Arzen, a Cincinnati native, played in the NBA for the Cincinnati Royals and in the ABA and for the New York Nets and the Indiana Pacers.

Liskai achieved great success in his time coaching the Bears.

"I thought it was great for someone who has dedicated his career to coaching and teaching in the same location," said Gibsonburg athletic director Brian Jackson. "Brent has dedicated 20-plus years of coaching at Gibsonburg and has represented the community as well. We are all proud of him.

"He is a hard worker and pays attention to detail. His players worked hard for him and respected him. The combination of those things made Brent a successful

coach."

Tony Egbert, who just completed his first season as the coach at Gibsonburg, talked about what it was like to play for and coach with Liskai.

"He had high expectations for everybody. No matter what your role was as a player, he expected your best effort. That was the biggest thing - no matter who you were, he had high expectations for you and to be the best at your role. His passion for the game and knowledge for the game, especially his passion, rubbed off on myself and my teammates and it made it easy to play hard and play the right way. His knowledge of the game taught us how to play the right way. It was fun to play for him. You learned something new every day in practice."

Five of Liskai's players earned All-Ohio honors — Egbert, Jordan Kreglow, Matt Kreglow, Brent Ernsthansen and Gage Beaber — and four were named player of the year in the conference — Ernsthansen, Beaber, Jordan Kreglow and Matt Kreglow.

The Bears competed for many years in the old Suburban Lakes League, as one of its smallest schools, and then in the Toledo Area Athletic Conference, one of the best small conferences for basketball in the state. Now, Gibsonburg is in the Sandusky Bay Conference River Division.

"It was ingrained in the way his teams were, that we had to out-scrap people and take charges, diving for loose balls," said Egbert. "That's one thing he did a great job at preaching about was the little things that don't show up in the box score. You kind of embrace those things being an underdog playing against teams like Ottawa Hills, Toledo Christian, Eastwood and Otsego."

Egbert has a great deal of respect for Liskai because of his longevity.

"I think it was a pretty cool thing. Him

being a former Gibsonburg player, and then turning around and being the coach for as long as he was, it's special at Gibsonburg because it's a community thing. He kept it within the Gibsonburg basketball family," said Egbert. "It's weird when someone is there so long they become part of people's every-day lives. People go to the games knowing they're going to see a team that plays hard for Coach Liskai. Twenty years is a long time to do anything."

Jackson also talked about the benefit of having one coach in place for many years.

"It helps to have consistency with any sports program because the players and parents know what they are going to get, and if it's going well, don't change it," he said. "It makes it nice when there isn't high turnover because experienced coaches are so valuable."

Being a community staple in his hometown had to have been a thrill for Liskai, he said.

"Small towns love their high school sports, and the Gibsonburg community is no different," said Jackson. "The community loves the school and supports the kids, coaches and sports, so when there is success in any sport at any level, it is exciting and important to the community. That's one of the reasons I love Gibsonburg."

Jamie Kachmarik, now the coach at St. Francis, coached Cardinal Stritch during Liskai's latter years, and the two teams were great rivals.

"One thing you always knew when you played a Coach Liskai team was that they were going to play fast, hard and extremely tough," Kachmarik said. "Their offense fed off their defense and their trapping style of play."

"He had tremendous buy-in from his players because he worked with them from such a young age. He built his program around the Gibsonburg community."

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Toledo

East Toledo, Spring Bazaar, April 22, 1 p.m. Calvin United Church, 1946 Bakewell St. Bingo, **Lake Erie Perch Fish Fry**, April 7 from 5-7 p.m. or until sold out, VFW Post 4906, 2161 Consaul St. Shrimp, frog legs and combo dinners also available. Dinners include fries, cole slaw, bread and dessert. Dinners \$15, sandwiches \$8. Dine in or carry out.

Card Party, May 9, 12 p.m., First St. John Lutheran, 2471 Seaman St. Donation \$13. Donation drawing. Men and women welcome. For reservations, call 419-691-5506 or 419-691-7222. **419 Cares**, a ministry of Christ United Methodist Church, serves food and beverages and provides toiletries to the less fortunate every Sunday from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Uptown Green Park on Madison Avenue in Toledo. A monthly giveaway of clothes, blankets and shoes is also offered. Donations of toiletries and clothing items, particularly bigger men's sizes, are welcome. Contact Christ UMC or visit 419 Cares on Facebook for info.

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

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

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

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

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

Oregon

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Northwood

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Jerusalem Twp.

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

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

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

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

Elmore

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

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

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

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

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

St. (behind Grotto).

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

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

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

Gibsonburg

Gibsonburg Branch Library offers a number of programs, including Preschool Storytime at 11 a.m. Thursdays; SPARKS - Curious Kids Learn, April 6, 4 p.m. (K-5) - Make a simple robot and learn about Stephen Hawkings (registration required); Foodies Night: Mexican Cuisine, April 10, 6:30 p.m. - Adults invited to make a favorite Mexican recipe and bring it to share; Beekeeping for Beginners, April 12, 6:30 p.m. - Program presented by Sandusky County Beekeeping Association (registration required); Hear & Share Book Club, April 26, 10:30 a.m., Gibsonburg Senior Center - Discuss "Something in the Water," by Catherine Steadman. Register for programs at birchard.lib.oh.us. Call 419-637-2173 for details. Lockers available for after-hours pickup of library materials.

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

Graytown

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

Luckey

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

Millbury

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

Oak Harbor

Lake Erie Yellow Perch Fry, April 7, 4-7:30 p.m. or until sold out, Oak Harbor American Legion Post 114, 221 Park St. Dine in or carry out. Public welcome.

Oak Harbor Public Library, 147 W. Main St., programs for kids include: Spring Break Book Bags available in April (pick up and go); Preschool Storytimes, Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. For adults: 60+ Clinic provided by the Ottawa County Health Department, April 12, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. (call 419-734-6800 to make an appointment); Friends of the Library Meeting, April 14, 11 a.m.; Flying Island Airlines, April 15, 11 a.m. - Come hear the stories of Ed Rusch, who flew the Ford Tri-Motor and a bush plane back and forth for many years to the Lake Erie Islands; Book Sale, week of April 17-21 during library hours; Coffee and a Book Book Club, April 12, 11 a.m. - Discuss "Honor," by Thirty Umrigar; 4th Tuesday Book Club, April 25, 6 p.m. - Discuss "The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry," by Gabrielle Charbonnet; Watercolor Wednesdays, 12:30-3:30 p.m. - Bring your own supplies; Needle Crafts Group, Thursdays, 9:30-11 a.m. - Bring your own supplies; Cricut Craft, April 24, 2 p.m. - Registration required, all materials provided; Pinochle every Friday at 2 p.m. The Local History & Museum Center is open Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Call 419-898-7001 or visit oakharborpubliclibrary.org to register or for info.

Oak Harbor Masonic Lodge Public Open

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

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

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

Pemberville

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

Stony Ridge

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

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

Walbridge

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

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

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

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

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

Woodville

Woodville Library, 101 E. Main St., programs include: Storytimes for preschoolers and caregivers, Thursdays at 10 a.m.; I Spy Spring Contest, April 1-30 - All ages invited to stop in and pick up a game board; Sewing Machine Basics, Monday and Tuesday evenings in April - One-on-one lessons, check website for times, registration required; Nature Night Storytime, April 3, 7 p.m. (K-4) - Crafts, facts and stories about frogs; Bunny Crafts, April 6, 3:30-5 p.m. (K-6) - Drop in and get crafty; Woodville Book Club, April 12, 7 p.m. - Discuss "Remarkably Bright Creatures," by Shelby Van Pelt; LEGO Thursday, April 13, 4-5:30 p.m.; Launch Into Space, April 15, 11 a.m. (K-6) - Space science activities; registration required; Recycled Crafts for Kids, April 17-20, 3:30-5 p.m. (Pre-K-6) - Earth Day crafts; Moss Gardens for Kids, April 17-20 - Kids create moss gardens (while supplies last); Crochet & More, April 24, 6:30 p.m. - An evening of crochet, knitting, macramé, etc. Register at birchard.org.

Woodville Food Pantry, 2112 Bridge St., is open the last Thursday of the month, 6-7 p.m. and the last Friday, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Available to all Woodville village and township residents. Applications available at the pantry. Accepting help from the pantry will not affect any other benefits you may be receiving.

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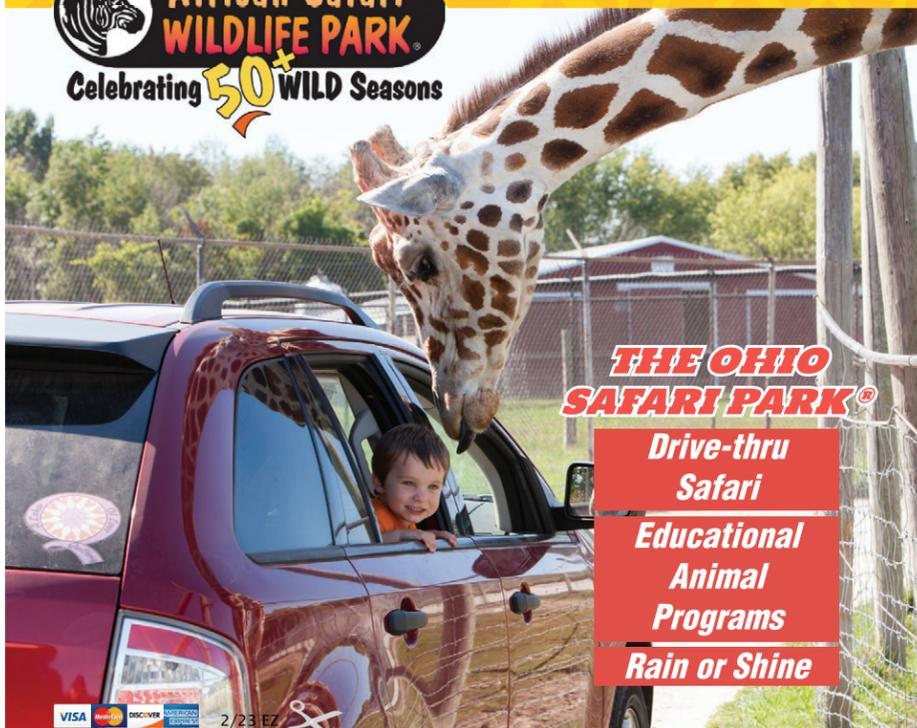
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