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Grant received for Curtice-Williston sewer project

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A proposed sanitary sewer improvement project that will straddle parts of Lucas and Ottawa counties in the Curtice-Williston area received a boost recently with the announcement of a \$2.5 million federal grant to help cover planning costs.

The counties are working on an inter-governmental agreement to officially determine proportional costs for each county.

"This will ultimately be based on the scope of the project, which will be determined after the general plan is completed and approved by both counties," Kelly Frey, Ottawa County sanitary engineer, said.

In addition to covering the cost of developing the plan, the grant will also be used to cover expenses already incurred by the health departments in both counties which conducted surveys of septic systems and package plants in use at residences in the area.

Sampling of water from Cedar and Crane creeks has also been conducted.

Planners have focused on areas where sanitary sewers are needed to replace aging septic systems.

Lucas County is the grant applicant and contracting authority for the project.

"This is part of a larger initiative to address unsanitary conditions in Curtice and Williston, prevent untreated sewer discharges, and protect the health of Lake Erie," Lucas County commissioner Pete Gerken said. "The general plan update and design work will enable us to be shovel-ready for future phases that will improve water quality of Crane Creek and Cedar Creek, both of which directly feed Lake Erie's western basin."

Dave Bench, a Jerusalem Township trustee, said the township has been working with sanitary engineers and commissioners from both counties for years on getting sewers into the area.

"The E. Coli level is very high in Cedar Creek," he said. "The grant gets us to shovel."

He credited Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur for securing the funding.

"There is no way we could do it. The cost would be too high and the homeowners couldn't afford it. We have to do something," Bench said.



Local winners

"A River Runs Through It" (pictured) by Maggi Dandar, of Curtice, took 2nd place and "Shake It Off" by Molly Dresser, of Martin, took 4th place in the Life On Lake Erie Photo Contest. See story on page 2.

Genoa

Water tank projects pass EPA review

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The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency has completed a review of a planned major repair project of two municipal water tanks in the Village of Genoa and has determined it presents no significant impact to the environment.

"This project's relatively narrow scope and lack of environmental impacts qualifies it for the Limited Environmental Review rather than a more comprehensible Environmental Assessment," Kathleen Courtright, assistant chief of the Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance, states in a recent letter to village officials. "Upon issuance of this Finding of No Significant Impact determination, award of funds may proceed without further environmental review or public comment unless new information shows that environmental conditions of the proposed project have changed significantly."

The village has applied for funding from the Ohio Water Supply Revolving Loan Account for the project.

A 150,000-gallon elevated tank was constructed in 1970 and wasn't equipped with cathodic protection – a technique



Repair projects to Genoa's water tanks qualify for low-interest loans.

used to control the corrosion of a metal surface.

Inspections of the tank in 2009 and 2019 indicated it has sustained interior corrosion damage and pitting that has increased in severity since the 2009 inspection. The tank has also sustained exterior corrosion damage to the roof vent.

"Primary rehabilitation needs for the tank include cleaning and repainting the tank interior, replacing the roof vent, and

upgrading of welds and access ladders," the review says.

The village qualifies for a small-community long-term WSRLA below-market interest rate on 20-year loans. Loan rates are set monthly. This month the rate is 2.12 percent.

The debt will be repaid from Genoa's Water Operating Fund and include a monthly infrastructure charge.

The project is scheduled to start next spring, said Thomas Bergman, village administrator. He said there will be no disruption of service for residents as the village is also serviced by a 500,000-gallon water tank.

The contractor for the project is American Suncraft, Medway, Ohio.

Bergman said village officials originally planned to seek bids for work on both towers as one project but he pulled the larger tank from the package so the village could apply for OPWC funding for its repairs.

"We should know that outcome this fall or winter. OPWC funds are released on July 1 annually, so it could be a fall 2025 project, but will likely be a spring/summer 2026 project," he said.

The EPA review also covers the larger tank.

Quote of The Week

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Tammy Teet
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“Shake It Off” by Molly Dresser, of Martin, took 4th place in the Life On Lake Erie Photo Contest.

Locals among photo contest winners

By Press Staff Writer

This year’s “Judges’ Favorite” photograph in the 32nd Life on Lake Erie Photo Contest features the aurora borealis dancing over the lake; a photo frozen in time by Vermilion’s Scott Dommin.

The Ohio Lake Erie Commission announced the winners of the annual photo competition during its quarterly meeting. The contest encourages photographers to capture moments, scenes, wildlife, and events that reflect the beauty and essence of Lake Erie. Each submission showcases the unique perspective of what “Life on

Lake Erie” means to each photographer.

Dommin’s photo, showing the aurora borealis over Lake Erie, was one of more than 200 submissions received by the commission, representing an impressive array of talent from across the region.

This year’s 10 winners are:

- 1st place Judges Favorite – “Aurora Borealis” by Scott Dommin of Vermilion
- 2nd place – “A River Runs Through It” by Maggi Dandar of Curtice
- 3rd place – “Kayaking through the ‘bergs” by Daryl Mummey of Willowick
- 4th place – “Shake It Off” by Molly Dresser of Martin
- 5th place – “Captain Charlotte” by Caitlin Quinlan of Rawson
- 6th place – “Seagull Wake-Up Call” by

- Daryl Mummey of Willowick
- 7th place – “Courtship Dance” by Greg Peiffer of Port Clinton
- 8th place – “Look at That Sunset” by Richard McBride of Conneaut
- 9th place – “Whitewater Paddlers on the Cuyahoga River” by Wendy Hess of Akron
- 10th place – “Across the Bay” by Mike Pinzone of North Royalton

The winners of the Life on Lake Erie Photo Contest were invited to attend the Ohio Lake Erie Commission’s quarterly meeting, where they were presented with awards, prizes, and proclamations from the governor’s office by Ohio Lake Erie Commission Executive Director Joy Mulinex.

Jury duty scam reported in Wood County

The Wood County Court of Common Pleas is warning residents about a recent surge in fraudulent phone calls targeting county citizens. Scammers are attempting to convince individuals they have missed jury duty and must make immediate payments to avoid legal penalties.

“These callers claim to be court officials, using the names of our elected judges and fabricated case numbers in an effort to defraud citizens,” said Court Administrator Brandy Hartman. “If you receive a suspicious call asking for payment, hang up and report it to the proper authorities.”

The court will never request payment over the phone for missed jury duty.

Additionally, individuals summoned for jury duty in Wood County will not be provided with case numbers or directed to any location outside of the courthouse.

If you believe you’ve been contacted by one of these fraudulent callers, report the incident to the Wood County Sheriff’s Office at 419-354-9001.

“Unfortunately, these scams are not new,” Hartman added. “We hope by sharing this information we can encourage our community to remain aware and cautious.”

The court welcomes anyone receiving a jury summons or other jury communications to verify its legitimacy by contacting the jury office at 419-354-9620.

Voting equipment testing

The Ottawa County Board of Elections will conduct a public test of voting equipment on Monday, Oct. 7 at 3:30 p.m.

The test will be held at the Board of Elections office, located in the Veterans Memorial Building at 8444 W. SR 163, Oak Harbor.

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What's the buzz?

Area residents came to see what the buzz was all about at Oregon's 2nd annual Honey Fest held Sept. 22 at 5401 Starr Ave. Top left: Festival goers took part in the People's Choice Honey Tasting Contest at Seven Jays Farm vendor booth. Top right: Volunteer Jane Schaffer, along with curious toddler, Malik Kurtovic, check out the live bee tent where Roger Myers (bottom right) did a Bee Beard demonstration earlier in the day. (Submitted photos)



'Unscripted: Hope Rises' Women's Conference

Northwest Ohio Women's Ministry will host its second Women's Conference, "Unscripted: Hope Rises!" Saturday, Oct. 19 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Intersection Church 1640 S. Coy Rd., Oregon. Check-in will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Women from across the Midwest will gather together for a pampered day of spiritual renewal, encouragement, nationally recognized speakers and an opportunity to connect sister-to-sister.

Karen Culler, president, described this year's conference as world-class. "So many across our community, nation and world are struggling, depressed, and overwhelmed by a sense of hopelessness. Our conference will minister to those dark places with a fresh infusion of God's grace, encouragement, inspiration and remind us that we have an unshakeable reason to hope," she said.

This year's conference will feature Nichol Collins, a former drug dealer, addict and gang member, who spent 20 years living life as a transgender male in Los Angeles before encountering Jesus, whom she credits as transforming her life. Collins' mother, Yvette Fisher, will also be on hand to share her experience during that 20-year period and how she was inspired to write the book, "Devil, Let My Baby Go!"

In addition, Robyn Dykstra will share her journey of abuse at a young age, and her ensuing addiction and life as a Playboy Bunny until God rescued her from a life headed for destruction. Gratitude Performing Arts will perform for attendees.

The event will also feature praise and worship, swag bags filled with goodies, vendors to browse and more.

Early bird registration (through Oct. 1) is \$35, and the fee is \$49.99 after that date. Catered lunch will be available for \$10.

Visit nwowomensministry.org for more information.

Quilt guild to meet

The Maumee Bay Country Quilt Guild will meet Tuesday, Oct. 1, at 6:45 p.m. at the Northwood Church of God, 2375 Curtice Rd. Doors will open at 6 p.m.

Gretchen Schultz, well-known Toledo area quilter, quilting teacher and former quilt shop owner will discuss the history and use of feed sacks in quilts. Attendees are invited to bring any feed sack quilts they have to share. Visitors and new members are welcome. The visitors' fee is \$10 and yearly membership is \$35.

Texas Star on stage

The Pemberville Freedom Historical Society will welcome Texas Star to the stage of the Pemberville Opera House Saturday, Oct. 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Texas Star's musical roots include time in Country as well as Christian music. Their truly unique sound appeals to fans of many genres. Their members have performed and recorded with legendary artists such as the Oak Ridge Boys, Gatlin Brothers, Aaron Tippin, Charley Pride, Lee Greenwood, Jason Crabb, Carman and many others.

Tickets are \$15 and are available at the door and in advance at Beeker's General Store, 226 E. Front St., Pemberville or by calling Carol at 419-287-4848. The Pemberville Opera House is located at 115 Main St.

For more information, visit pembervilleoperahouse.org.

Composting workshop

The Lucas Soil and Water Conservation District will host a vermicomposting 101 workshop on Oct. 3, from 5:30-7 p.m. at the

district office in Toledo.

Vermicomposting, otherwise known as worm composting, uses worms and other microorganisms to help accelerate the decomposition of food waste and convert the organic materials into a soil amendment full of nutrients to be used in the garden.

Participants will leave with a vermicomposting bin that they helped to make, plus a pack of starter worms and resources.

The cost is \$50, including all materials and resources.

The Environmental Protection Agency estimates that 24 percent of daily municipal waste entering landfills is food waste.

The workshop does include the use of power tools and so it is asked that participants be 18 years of age or older. To learn more and to register, visit: www.LucasSWCD.org/vermicomposting.

The district office is located at 3350 Hill Ave., Suite K, Toledo. The phone number is 419-893-1966.

Diabetes Get-Together

The next Magruder Diabetes Get-

Together will be held Thursday, Oct. 3 at 1 p.m. in the Magruder Conference Center, 615 Fulton St., Port Clinton.

These free get-togethers are for anyone dealing with diabetes or pre-diabetes, including family and friends. The topic for October will be "Understanding Food Labels." Certified diabetes care and education specialists lead the discussions.

RSVP is not required. Call 419-732-4047 or email tstadler@magruderhospital.com for more information.

Library closed through October

The Toledo Lucas County Public Library's Oregon Branch will remain closed through October following a plumbing failure that happened in August.

Management is working with insurance and restoration companies on mitigation efforts, including carpeting, drywall, painting, and electrical work.

Voting at the Oregon Branch on Nov. 5 will still occur as the meeting room at the front of the building was not impacted by the flooding.

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Mayor, township at odds over dispatch expenses

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The Lake Township budget for emergency dispatching service expenses has become a topic of discussion between officials of the township and Village of Walbridge.

Brian Ballenger, village solicitor, in an Aug. 21 letter to David Smigelski, township solicitor, says the village has been in contact with the Ohio Auditor's office on the matter.

"The initial recommendation from the auditor's office is to contact Lake Township formally and apprise the auditor of a continuing status," Ballenger's letter concludes.

At issue is an agreement, in effect since 2015, the township has with the Wood County Sheriff's Office for emergency dispatching service. The village and township are billed separately based on population and the sheriff charges only full-time police departments for the service but not for fire and EMS departments dispatching service.

The Lake Township Fire/EMS Department is funded by property taxes levied in the villages of Walbridge and Millbury and the unincorporated area of the township. The township funds its police department with property tax levies

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As you can see, it bills the township for dispatching service – it does not state police service only.
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in the unincorporated area of the township while the village funds its own police department with its municipal income tax revenues.

"Curiously, Lake Township has line items in their fire and EMS budgets for dispatching service expenses of the Wood County Sheriff's Office," Ballenger writes. "Appropriations have been made, and continue to be made, from these budgets for this Lake Township Police Department expense. The Wood County Sheriff's Office does not charge for fire and EMS dispatching, and it does appear the citizens of the Village of Walbridge are paying for the Lake Township Police dispatching expense via

the current fire and EMS property levies. Upon further review, it also appears this budgetary practice has occurred since the billing by the Wood County Sheriff's Office began in 2015."

Walbridge Mayor Ed Kolanko and township trustee Melanie Bowen-Greenwald also discussed the matter in an email exchange on Aug. 12.

Bowen-Greenwald enclosed a copy of a month's billing from the sheriff's office.

"As you can see, it bills the township for dispatching service – it does not state police service only," she wrote. "While police call volume is generally higher, EMS calls are more labor intensive, creating more work for the dispatch center."

The dispatch agreement between the township and sheriff's office states the sheriff's responsibilities are to: "Receive, process and promptly transmit to the appropriate township personnel all emergency calls for police, fire and EMS services..."

But in his response to Bowen-Greenwald, mayor Kolanko writes: "If the sheriff does not charge for a specific service, I question how you can use Fire/EMS taxpayer dollars to pay expenses dedicated to full-time police departments."

"If your methodology and reasoning is deemed correct, then you should have no issues with the Lake Township Fire/

EMS budgets absorbing 66 percent of the Walbridge Police Department dispatching expense. We are all in the same township – and should allocate the expenses accordingly."

The mayor further wrote: "If Lake Township dispatching expenses are split between police and fire/EMS budgets then so should the same expense of the Village of Walbridge."

Mayor Kolanko and Bowen-Greenwald agreed the sheriff has indicated to them he isn't concerned how the entities apportion and pay the bill.

Voters in the two villages and unincorporated area of the township will decide two levies on the Nov. 5 ballot for EMS and fire protection. A 1-mill, 5-year levy for fire protection is up for renewal and there is a request for an additional 1.5-mills for ambulance service or Emergency Medical Service on the ballot. The additional millage request will also be in effect for five years if passed.

Mayor Kolanko last week said he learned of the line item issue when attending a meeting July 1 to discuss budgetary issues and the levies. Millbury Mayor Michael Timmons, Bowen-Greenwald, and John Ervin, township fiscal officer, also attended the meeting.

Budget data for 2024 provided to him shows a line item of \$86,700 for dispatching in the fire and EMS budget, he said.



From left to right: firefighter William Hadder gets pinned by his son, Liam Hadder; firefighter Amanda Hughes gets pinned by firefighter Matt Kamann and firefighter Noah Cornelison gets pinned by his wife, Rashelle Cornelison. (Submitted photo)

Northwood Fire department holds pinning ceremony

The Northwood Fire Department recently held a pinning ceremony and oath of office conducted by Mayor Ed Schimmel to recognize the department's first three full-time employees.

The three will work 24-hour shifts to supplement two part-time members of the department, which will provide a daily on-station staff of three firefighters.

Fire Chief Joel Whitmore said the department has been staffed since 1950 with volunteer and part-time personnel, including when the department serviced Ross Township, the Village of Northwood, and the City of Northwood.

Thanks to a \$939,819 federal SAFER grant – Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response – the department will be in a position to bolster its full-time ranks even more, Chief Whitmore said.

The grant will fund the salary and benefits of another three full-time firefighters for three years.

Staffing soon after the first of the year will be four firefighters per shift, which meets the National Fire Protection Association Standard for the Organization

and Deployment of Fire Suppression Operations, the chief said.

"The badge worn by the firefighters has the Maltese Cross, which is the worldwide symbol of the fire service. Its tradition goes back to the Crusades, in the area of Malta around the Mediterranean Sea where the knights fought off the invaders as they threw flammable liquids at them. These heroes were presented a cross that became known as the Maltese Cross as an award for their bravery. The pinning ceremony recognizes the courage of the firefighters that have served for hundreds of years, and to help protect the firefighters that are recognized today," the chief said.

Three of five new recruits were also recognized during the pinning ceremony.

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Feed your neighbor

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Real Estate Transfers



Bay Township
09/16/2024 Robert J Miller to Lisa M Swaisgood and Allen J Swaisgood, 304 West Wayne Road, \$320,000.

Catawba Township
09/16/2024 Catawba Boat Yard Ventures to Pine Creek LLC, 3126 Northeast Catawba Road Unit E2, \$202,500.
09/19/2024 Sunshine Estates Builders to Charles M Allison & Kelley S Allison, 4781 Cottage Lane, \$675,000.

Clay Township
09/19/2024 Ryan P Bauman and Kristie Bauman to Katelyn C Peer-Hahn and Dustin M Peer-Hahn, 22428 West Hellwig Road, \$285,000.
09/19/2024 Stephanie R Carpenter and John N Carpenter Jr to Matthew Leeland, 25410 North Fostoria Road, \$368,000.

Danbury Township
09/16/2024 Gregory Vavrek and Sally Newman-Vavrek to Christine A Tarini, 1688 Coldwater Crossing, \$100,000.
09/17/2024 Bay View Villas LLC to Thomas J Zirger and Lyndell A Zirger, 2671 South Waterside Court, \$449,9000
09/18/2024 Peggy Hopp to Gregory J Vavrek & Sally Newman-Vavrek, 5499 East Mistic Bay, \$1,194,000.
09/18/2024 Bay View Villas LLC to Garry S Dodd & Jennifer L Dodd, 2660 South Harbor Bay Drive, \$49,900.
09/18/2024 Thomas E Champagne to Michelle Vallejo & Randal Vallejo, 324 Plum Avenue, \$818,000.
09/20/2024 Christopher Krupper to Sahron M Spohn & Daniel R Spohn, 143 Spring Crest Dr., \$177,000.
09/20/2024 Linda J Bresky & Robert L Wadsworth (Trustees of the Donald E Wadsworth & the Wadsworth Living Trust), 0 State Route 163, \$300,000.

Elmore Corporation
9/16/2024 Millhime Properties LLC to Rhonda A Brickner, 556 Rice Street, \$119,500.

Erie Township
09/16/2024 Jerry P Schuett to Robert Streiffert, 3930 W SR 2 Unit B112, \$ 64,020.
09/16/2024 Patricia Swyers to Emark Properties LLC, 2460 W Three Mile Crossing, \$50,000.
05/18/2024 Matthew Leeland to Austin J. Schaefer & McKenna L. Failor, 5773 West Harbor Road, \$155,000.
09/19/2024 Mathew Shumaker and Jessica Kimmett to Anchor Avenue Properties LLC, 53 Zeemon Road, \$199,900 09/20/2024 Estate of Robert L Chandler to Justin B Kuras, 3720 W Lakeshore Drive, \$35,000.

Genoa Corporation
09/19/2024 George L Kimble Jr. & Wendy Rate-Kimble to Wiciak Properties LLC, 1511 Superior St., \$22,000.

Oak Harbor Corp
09/20/2024 Phillip A Benner to Colton E L Jesson, 347 East Water Street, \$185,000.

Portage Township
09/16/2024 Donald J Novak to Stephanie L Novak to Robert A Custer & Lora L Custer, 680 S Plasterbed Road, \$96,000.

Port Clinton Corporation
09/17/2024 Paul R Robinson to Gerald A Hardin & Tracy J Hardin, 711 W Lakeshore Drive #603, \$200,000.

Rocky Ridge
09/19/2024 Beverly A Kaiser and Linda S Schlipf to Brian Ninke, 1120 North Main Street and 0 Main Street, \$12,000.

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September 29-Oct 5

September 29

1817-The Treaty of Maumee Rapids is signed with several major Indian tribes, opening up most contested lands south of Maumee River to White settlement.
 1896 - Wood County courthouse completed at a cost of \$310,000.
 1917 - First football game played at Waite Bowl in East Toledo.
 1923 - University of Toledo football team earns its nickname the "Rockets" in a game with Carnegie Institute of Technology when a sports writer says one of the UT players runs like a "rocket" and the name stuck.
 1956 - The new LaSalle's sign is being raised at Adams and Huron Street. It is said to be the largest sign in the city, weighing two tons.


September 30

1900 - Ottawa Park continues to show a huge increase in popularity as its noted in the local paper that thousands of people are turning out on the weekends to spend time in the park and the golf course is also very busy.
 1918 - The City Health Commissioner says the deadly Spanish Flu is now present in Toledo with hundreds of cases.
 1930 - Toledo, Fostoria and Findlay Interurban line is abandoned.
 1932 - Crowds line up on Jackson Street at News Bee building to watch the World Series with the new "Play-O-Graph" sys-



The Fasset Street Bridge.

Toledo Historical Museum
 by Lou Hebert



tem of mechanical graphics that allows audience to watch the series as it unfolds.
 1935 - The Fasset Street Bridge over the Maumee collapses under stress of high wind. It is rebuilt only to be wrecked by a freighter in 1957.

October 1

1903 - A four-month-old baby boy is badly bitten by a baboon that was housed at an animal museum on Summit Street.
 1912 - Ground broken for Perry's Monument on South Bass Island.
 1920 - Three armed robbers hold up the Ohio Savings bank on Broadway. They escape with about \$1800 dollars but overlook \$9,000 cash that had just been delivered to the bank.
 1922 - The Toledo Maroons NFL team plays its first game against Evansville Crimson Giants at Armory Park in Toledo, winning 15-0.
 1929 - Construction begins on long-awaited High Level suspension bridge over Maumee River. It would later be named the Anthony Wayne Bridge.
 1931 - The Toledo Railway and Light Company officially changes its name to Toledo Edison.
 1940 - Most Holy Rosary Cathedral on Collingwood is dedicated as mother church for Toledo Diocese.
 1955 - Entire length of the Ohio Turnpike is opened to traffic.

October 2

1908 - Addie Joss, a Toledo resident, sports writer and pitcher for Cleveland Bluebirds pitches a perfect game. He faced only 27 batters in the win over Chicago.

1908 - Six people are killed in train collision near Bowling Green at Sugar Ridge. A freight train ran into the rear of a passenger excursion train that was returning from the Wood County Fair.

1920 - Coal famine in Toledo. Many families suffer from lack of heat and complain to mayor for help.

1932 - Congregation shocked when pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Toledo has jazz orchestra play instead of traditional church music.

1934 - Several Toledo teachers are accused by the school board of teaching "radicalism" and one teacher, Clyde Kiker of DeVilbiss High School, is reassigned to janitorial duties.

1940 - GOP presidential candidate Wendell Willkie makes campaign stop in Toledo, speaks to a crowd of 20,000 in front of Lucas County courthouse.

October 3

1907 - A car runs into a Lakeshore Electric train on Woodville Road. The Engineer and conductor are killed and 30 passengers injured.



POW quarters at Camp Perry.

1943 - First Italian POWs arrive at Camp Perry in Ottawa County where they will be imprisoned for the duration of World War II.

1955 - The end of an era as the former Mud Hens stadium at Swayne Field at Monroe and Detroit is sold to developers for a shopping center.

October 4

1822 - Rutherford B. Hayes, who would later reside in Fremont and become President of the United States, is born in Delaware, Ohio.

1903 - National political figure William Jennings Bryan, while on a northern Ohio tour, speaks in Napoleon, Wauseon and Oak Harbor.

1911 - The Rev. Joseph Schrembs becomes first bishop for the newly created Toledo Catholic Diocese.



Detroit Police carry body of Toledo gambler Jimmy Hayes.

1934 - Well known Toledo gambling figure, Jimmy Hayes is murdered, and dumped in a Detroit alley.

October 5

1813 - Famous Native American leader in the region, Shawnee Chief Tecumseh, is killed in the Battle of the Thames in Ontario Canada by American troops.

1941 - City of Toledo dedicates new \$10 million Lake Erie water intake system.

1951 - Toledo hero of World War II Carl Winzeler, who lost both of his legs and one arm in the war, dies of a heart attack at his new Talmadge Road home which had been built by grateful citizens of Toledo for his service to the country.

1959 - Raceway Park opens as a horse racing track after being a stock car venue for 10 years.

1966 - Partial meltdown of Fermi One Nuclear Plant in Monroe, Michigan occurs. It is one of the first major nuclear mishaps in the United States.

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Harris Township Cemetery Clean-Up

The deadline for the summer clean up at Harris -Elmore Union Cemetery is Oct. 8th.

All wreaths and all floral arrangements or other materials remaining after that date will be removed and disposed of by order of the Trustees.

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

If you have items which you wish to keep, please remove them prior to Oct. 15. Decorations may be returned on or after Oct. 25.

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

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- ▶ 9:00-12:00pm - Fishing Derby
- ▶ 10:00-2:00pm - Street Fair Vendors
- ▶ 10:00-6:00pm - Family Fun: Straw Maze
- ▶ 11:00-11:00pm - Food Trucks in Town Hall Lot
- ▶ 11:00 - 12:00pm Pie Eating Contest
- ▶ 12:00-3:00pm Touch a Truck @ Fire Station
- ▶ 12:00pm - 11:00pm Football on the Big Screen
- ▶ 2:00pm-6:00pm - Bounce Houses, FFA Painted Pumpkins, Kids Crafts & Activities, Corn Hole, Axe Throwing
- ▶ 4:00-5:00pm - Pet Parade (Registration Required)
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Imperfection doesn't have to be a weakness

No one is perfect. We all have our strengths and weaknesses. Those who are most successful, build on their strengths while striving to overcome their weaknesses. It's not unusual for a trait that initially appears to be a weakness to actually be a strength. I came across the following parable which nicely shows this point.

Many years ago, a farmer had to get his household water from a nearby stream. To get as much water as possible from each trip, he used two large clay pots, each fastened securely to opposite ends of a stout pole.

After he fetched his first load of water, the farmer discovered that the pot on the left side had a small crack, causing it to lose about a third of its water on the trip from the stream back to the house. But the farmer didn't have another pot to replace the imperfect one. Besides, in spite of the leak, he had enough water from each trip for his daily needs.

The farmer retrieved water in this manner for several years. One day, a neighbor observed the farmer carrying his daily load



Golden Advice
by Bryan Golden

of water with one of the pots leaking. The neighbor asked the farmer if he knew about the defective pot.

The farmer's reply surprised the neighbor. "I discovered the leak the first time I filled the pots. I was very disappointed. It had taken me a lot of time to attach the pots to the pole. I didn't have a replacement pot nor did I have time to replace the imperfect one if I did have another."

"After several weeks of carrying water, I noticed flowers springing up on the left side of the path I walked each morning. The water from the leaking pot was enabling flowers to grow in the normally hard, dry dirt."

"Since I really enjoyed looking at the flowers each morning and I had enough wa-

ter at the end of every trip, I realized the imperfect pot was more valuable to me with its defect than if it had no leak. You see, what I and most people would consider an imperfection was actually an asset."

Both pots had their own unique strengths. The perfect pot carried a full load of water flawlessly. The cracked pot, while it lost some water, enabled beautiful flowers to grow. Each pot served a different function and was just as important as the other.

This story touches on several issues. Whether a character trait is a strength or weakness is dependent on circumstances as well as what one is trying to achieve. For example, consider the following two people. Irene is a person who is easily bored, enjoys change, likes to work independently, makes decisions quickly, and is a risk taker.

Carol, on the other hand, prefers a predictable routine, likes stability, enjoys working and making decisions with others, and is very cautious when making decisions. Who is a better worker, Irene or Carol? Which of them has more imperfections?

The answer is, it depends. For starting a new business, or striking out on a new venture, Irene's personality is better suited. Carol is more suitable for managing an established, stable organization.

Don't be too quick to label a trait of yours or a characteristic of someone else an imperfection. What appears to be a defect, may be the result of an individual being in the wrong situation. Anything can be interpreted to be a defect when looked at narrowly and out of context.

Our world is diverse. It can only function with the contributions of people with different strengths and abilities. Rather than worry about your imperfections, why not capitalize on your strengths?

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Help map the future of public service in Lucas County

By Lisa A. Sobecki, Lucas County Commissioner

There's a lot to be excited about in Lucas County.

Last month, the Lucas County Sheriff's Office unveiled a new precinct in Swanton that provides a central location to seven western townships patrolled by our deputies.

Next spring, we'll open the doors on a brand-new Canine Care & Control facility in downtown Toledo that will expand and enhance the services we provide to Lucas County dogs.

And in 2026, we will unveil an operational materials recovery facility that will drastically reduce our carbon footprint and save taxpayers money by sorting, process-

ing, and separating recyclable materials currently being transferred 90 miles away, in-house all at one location.

There's a lot happening in our county in the near future. Our long-term goals, priorities, projects, investments, processes, and day-to-day operations, however, need some thoughtful planning to map out what we want our home to look like three, five, and even ten years down the road.

That's why we've engaged in a strategic planning process alongside Experience Management Institute, an organizational consulting firm based in Columbus.

Strategic plans are common for businesses, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies. This plan will be the first of its kind for the Board of Lucas County Commissioners.

Our plan will be a roadmap for the board, provide a guidebook on what we value, articulate what our priorities are, and hold us accountable to execute and meet the goals we set forth.

As part of this process, we've engaged hundreds of stakeholders, including elected officials, county directors and administration, union leadership, city and township representatives, community partners, and Lucas County employees.

Now, we want to hear from you, our residents.

This is your home. This is where you live, where you work, where you greet friends and family. And it's where you will retire and watch your children and grandchildren grow up and thrive.

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This is your chance to help identify our shared values. This is your opportunity to write what our future will look like in Lucas County.

As an elected official, I work for you. The Board of Lucas County Commissioners works for you. Your feedback is critical to inform this process and develop a specified plan that meets the needs of our community.

By spending a few minutes on this confidential and anonymous survey, you can have stake and ownership of what Lucas County will look like for you and your children and grandchildren.

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Rose endorsement

To the editor: Having served as state representative and county commissioner, I have seen firsthand the importance of strong leadership, integrity, and electing qualified individuals to public office.

Wood County recorder candidate Connor Rose is a real estate professional with a clear understanding of the specific needs of the office. Connor has a fresh perspective and vision for improving efficiency, enhancing public accessibility, and ensuring accuracy of records.

I have seen Connor Rose at many community events throughout Wood County supporting fundraisers held by volunteer fire departments, attending community festivals, participating in parades, and tirelessly knocking on doors to get to know people. I've worked closely with many elected officials over the years, and I can confidently say that Connor

Rose possesses the dedication, work ethic, knowledge, and integrity necessary to be an outstanding public servant.

Tim Brown
Grand Rapids

Bidenomics working well

To the editor: An acquaintance of mine recently stated that while she thought Trump was not a good person she was going to vote for him anyway because of the economy.

So I decided to check it out. When Biden took office in January of 2021 the Dow Jones Industrial Average was at 31,017. As I write this today, the Dow is at a record high of 42,063. That is an increase of 35 percent. Check your IRA's they should be doing very well.

The unemployment rate was 6.4 percent and today it is at 4.2 percent. Economists would consider that to be full employment.

The inflation rate today is 2.5 percent. Because the Federal Reserve sees inflation as under control it recently cut interest rates in the first of what will likely be a series of rate reductions in the future.

Timothy Reardon
Oregon

Bidenomics puts dream at risk

To the editor: The American Dream? Are you enjoying the excessive grocery prices? Are you enjoying the excessive gas prices? Are you enjoying the excessive property tax hikes along with car/home insurance rising?

Can one buy a home anymore? Are you enjoying watching millions of illegal immigrants pouring, more like stampeding, over our borders? They are receiving from you the tax payer free monthly checks, free phones, free schooling, free healthcare and luxury hotel rooms, while our own citizens and veterans are on the streets.

Gangs are taking over hotels in places, break-ins, murders, sex trafficking and drugs killing our citizens. Does this matter to anyone out there? I am not a Democrat or a Republican. I vote for policy. Former President Trump is the only one who promised extreme tariffs on any company wanting to leave our country and then sell their products in the U.S.

This is about being able to provide for our families, put money away for hard times, keep your freedom of speech and religion.

Stop voting for a party, vote on poli-

cy. Are you better off now than four years ago? Everyone is digging deep in their pockets to keep up with this terrible economy. Many are falling behind. This election will decide if that American Dream could still be a reality for our kids.
Tammy Teet
Wiliston

Opinion

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Education

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Toledo Zoo to hosts U at the Zoo event for college students

The Toledo Zoo announced the return of U at the Zoo, a special night dedicated to college students, on Thursday, Oct. 3, from 4-9 p.m.

This special night offers college students, with a valid ID or course schedule, the opportunity to explore the Zoo's diverse attractions and exhibits at a steeply discounted rate. In addition to reduced-price admission and memberships tailored for this event, guests will enjoy free parking in the Anthony Wayne Trail lot.

As part of the Toledo Zoo's Harvest Fest, students can enjoy the seasonal displays, including massive, intricately carved pumpkins that will be showcased across the grounds; entertainment in the Amphitheatre and a variety of activities designed to make the evening unforgettable.

Guests can expect:

- Free food offerings and discounted food and beverages throughout the Zoo.
- Games, entertainment, and animal encounters that bring the Zoo to life after dark.

• Special giveaways – the first 100 students will receive a free U at the Zoo t-shirt. "The Toledo Zoo is committed to being a space for everyone, and we're especially eager to connect with the young adults attending college in our community," said Jen Brassil, director of PR and communications at the Zoo. "U at the Zoo is about more than just a fun night out – it's an opportunity for students to engage with wildlife conservation, learn about the species we care for, and explore how their Zoo membership can benefit them all year long."

Visit toledo zoo.org/events/college-night for more information and to register.

GPA

Sept. 30 deadline set for Outstanding Alumni nominations

Penta Career Center is accepting nominees through Sept. 30 for its annual Outstanding Alumni Awards.

Since its inception in 1993, these prestigious awards have been presented to 183 Penta alumni. Former students selected as 2024 Outstanding Alumni recipients will be honored at a banquet at Penta on Nov. 14.

The Outstanding Alumni Awards are presented to individuals who have completed a career-technical program at Penta Career Center (formerly known as Penta County Vocational School). Potential candidates should demonstrate excellence in their careers with evidence of professional accomplishments and community involvement. Nominees must have completed a high school or adult education program at Penta prior to 2014.

Applications may be completed online at pentacareercenter.org/OutstandingAlumni.aspx.

Among past award recipients are Jennifer (Byington) Wilkins (Oak Harbor High School), a 1991 alumnus of the Word Processing program; Edward Stribrny (Lake High School), a 1973 alumnus of the Carpentry program; Jarrad Egert (Woodmore High School), a 1995 alum-

nus of the Automotive Technology program; William Hammer (Woodmore High School), a 1982 alumnus of the Drafting program; Erin McKnight (Eastwood High School), a 2000 alumnus of the Nurse Aide program; and Diana (Escobar) Rodriguez (Genoa High School), a 1999 alumnus of the Administrative Assistant program.

Geology research grant applications

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Geological Survey is accepting applications for the Ohio Geology Student Research Grant program. For the 10th consecutive academic year, the program will support graduate and undergraduate students who conduct geologic research in the state.

The ODNR Division of Geological Survey will award grants of \$2,500 each to up to three earth science students at Ohio colleges and universities. Grantees will be selected based on the quality of their application, the strength of their professor's letter of recommendation, and how relevant their proposed research is to the Division's mission and to furthering understanding of Ohio geology. The deadline for application submission is Friday, Dec. 6.

The application and complete submission guidelines can be found on the Division's website, at ohiodnr.gov/buy-and-apply/apply-for-grants/grants/ohio-geology-student-research. Candidates must be enrolled in a full-time graduate or undergraduate earth science studies program at an accredited college or university in Ohio for the 2024-2025 academic year.

Owens Aspire student, educator win awards

An educator and former student in the Owens Aspire Program for adult learners each received awards from the Ohio Department of Higher Education during Ohio Adult Education Week.

Duaa MustafaAli, an instructor in the English for Speakers of Other Languages program, was named the Outstanding Educator of the Year for the Northwest District.

Millicent Carrick, who recently passed all components of the GED test and earned her High School Equivalency credential, was named the Outstanding Student of the Year for the Northwest District. Carrick was one of five statewide winners.

"We are thrilled to know that, in our region, both the Outstanding Educator and Outstanding Student came from the Owens program," said Heath Huber, director of the Aspire Program. "Many nominations from all over the state were submitted, each celebrating the efforts of students and staff alike in improving the quality of life for Ohio residents through adult basic education and workforce preparation."

MustafaAli, who has been at Owens for more than five years, said her award is a reflection not only of her efforts but those of the entire Aspire program, saying it's "a recognition of how much we all invest in our students' success."

According to Huber, Carrick, of Toledo, showed strength in overcoming challenges along her way, showing skill and perseverance.

MustafaAli and Carrick will be recognized during the Ohio Association for Adult and Continuing Education Award Luncheon on Friday, October 25, in Dublin.

GENOA BANK

Salutes Genoa High School's September Student of the Month



Madison Zimmerman

Madison has a GPA of 4.3 and is ranked 1st in her class. She is a member of the FFA, Student Council, National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society and Key Club. Madison participates in Golf and Cheer.

Madison, the daughter of Rebecca and Matthew Zimmerman, plans on majoring in Pharmacy.

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OAK HARBOR HIGH SCHOOL SEPTEMBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Peyton has a GPA of 4.15 and is ranked 1st in her class. She is active in Cheerleading, Tennis and the National Honor Society. Peyton also does volunteer work.

The daughter of Ryan Sautter and Robyn Sautter, Peyton plans on attending a 4 year university and obtain a business degree.

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Tyann Smith



Tyann is a senior from Genoa High School who is studying Criminal Justice at Penta Career Center where she holds a GPA of 3.94. At Genoa, Tyann has been involved in band programs including marching, jazz, pep and concert bands. She played both the trumpet and tuba in the bands. While at Penta, Tyann has been an Ambassador and a member of the Criminal Justice Honor Guard. She has achieved honor roll status all years at Penta. Through the Criminal Justice program, Tyann is a member of SkillsUSA where she has competed in regional and state competitions. As a junior, she competed in the Job Skills Demonstration contest at the Regional SkillsUSA competition and earned first place. Tyann earned fifth place in the Ohio SkillsUSA Championships in the same contest. She currently is a sergeant of her Criminal Justice class at Penta.

After graduating from Genoa and completing her career-technical training at Penta, Tyann plans to attend Owens Community College and major in Criminal Justice. Her ultimate goal is to apply to the United States Marshals Service and become a Federal Marshal. She is the daughter of Melissa and Thomas Smith.



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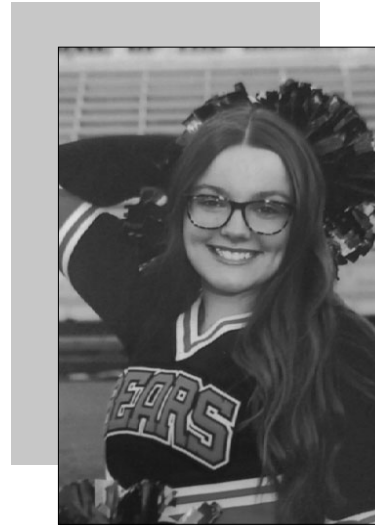
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Sarah Alldredge



Sarah has a GPA of 4.462 and is ranked 4th in her class. She is Class President, National Honor Society Vice President and is a member of the Key Club, Spanish Club, Science Club, Elementary Reading Mentor and was a 2024 Buckeye Girls State Delegate. Sarah is a Varsity Cheerleader.

Sarah, the daughter of Philip and Stacy Alldredge, would like to pursue a career in either Marketing or Business Finance after attending an undecided 4 year university.



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Salutes Woodmore High School's
September Student of the Month



Alivia Smith

Alivia has a GPA of 3.965. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club, Student Council (secretary), Journalism Club and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Alivia, the daughter of Amy and Doug Smith, plans on attending The Ohio State University.



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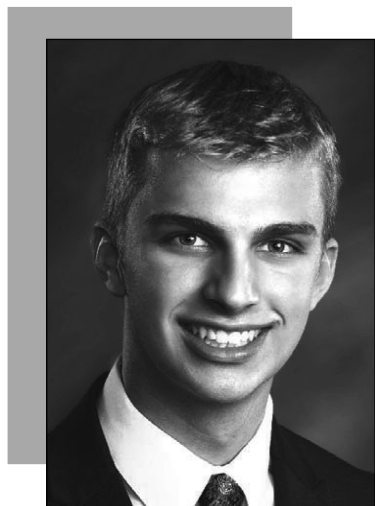


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Salutes Eastwood High School's
September Student of the Month!

Eric Sander



Eric is ranked 2nd in his class. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council President, Key Club Secretary, and is an Eagle Scout (Troop 344). Eric participates in Varsity Soccer, Varsity Swimming, is on the Ohio Swimming Board of Directors as an Athlete Representative and is a member of the Bowling Green Swim Club. He is on the Wood County Junior Fair Board and is a member of the Portage Valley 4-H Club. Eric is the Concert Choir (President) and Encore A Cappella Ensemble. He is a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Stony Ridge and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Eric, the son of Michael and Shannon Sander, plans to attend a private 4 year institution to study Biology and continue his swimming career at the collegiate level.

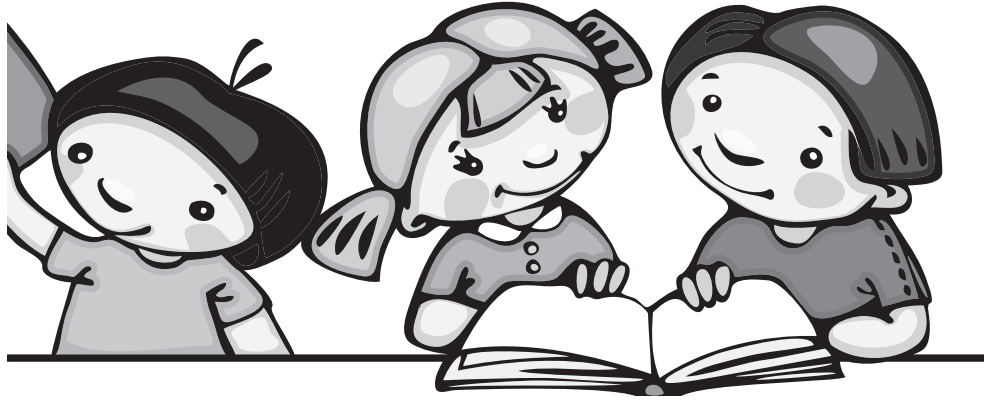


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The 2024 Ohio School Report Cards issued by the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce delivered good news to most all of the metro- and suburban area public school districts in The Press' circulation area.

Toledo Public Schools had an overall rating on the education department's report cards of 2.5 out of 5 stars, which means the district's schools need support to achieve state standards.

The report cards, released earlier this month, are based on 2023-24 performance.

The district, which had 20,901 students in 57 schools, received 3 stars in progress, which looks closely at the growth all students are making based on their past performances; 2 stars in achievement and gap closing (a measure of the reduction in education gaps for student groups), and 1 star in early literacy K-3 (a measure of reading improvement and proficiency for students.). It also received 1 star in the graduation component, which measures the four- and five-year adjusted cohort graduation rate. The district had a four-year graduation rate of 75.3% but was given an overall weighted percentage graduate rate of 77%. A 1-star rating means TPS needs "significant support to meet state standards in graduation rates."

Waite High School also had a 2.5 out of 5 stars, which means the school needs support to meet state standards. Waite got 3 out of 5 stars under progress, which measures the academic performance of students compared to expected growth on state tests. The school had 2 out of 5 stars on achievement and also on gap closing, which measures the reduction in educational gaps for student growth.

On other accountability-related matters, Waite had a chronic absenteeism rate (missing 10% or more of the school year for any reason, including excused, unexcused, medically excused and suspensions) of nearly 65%, and a four-year graduation

rate for its 2023 class of 66.3%, but a state weighted graduation rate of 70.1%.

Benton-Carroll-Salem Local Schools in Oak Harbor achieved an overall rating 4.5 out of 5 stars, rated on half-star increments, signifying the district exceeds state standards.

The district of 1,237 students got a perfect 5 stars for its graduation rate (nearly 97%) and closing educational gaps while also garnering 4 star (exceeds state standards) ratings for student academic achievement on tests and early literacy K-3.

BCS's lowest category score, 3 stars for progress in student growth based on past performance, met state standards.

Eastwood Local Schools exceeded state standards with an overall rating of 4 stars. The district, which had 1,363 students in three schools, got a perfect 5 stars in academic achievement on state test performance and on early literacy K-3.

Eastwood also exceeded state standards with 4 stars for educational gap closing and graduation rate (96%).

Eastwood received 2 stars in progress, displaying "significant evidence that the district fell short of student growth expectations."

Genoa Area Schools met state standards with 3.5 stars overall. The state gave the district of 1,240 students a 4-star rating each in student test achievement and graduation rate (95.2%) and 3 stars each in educational gap closing and early literacy in K-3.

Like Eastwood, however, Genoa Area got 2 stars in progress of all students based on past performances.

Gibsonburg Exempted Village Schools met state standards with a 3-star overall rating on its state report card. The district, which has 715 students, scored 4 stars for educational gap closing, early literacy K-3, and graduation rate (94.6%).

In addition, Gibsonburg met state standards in student academic achievement on tests with a 3-star rating. However, the district received 1 star for student progress against past performance.

Lake Local Schools, which had 1,532 students, met state standards with an overall score of 3 stars.

The district earned the maximum 5 stars for its four-year graduation rate of 96.7%; 4 stars for exceeding state standards for educational gap closing; and 3 stars (met state standards) each for student test achievement and early literacy K-3. The district got 1 star for progress on student growth.

Northwood Local Schools got 4 out of 5 stars on its report card, exceeding state standards.

The district, which reported 800 total students in its three schools, got five stars in graduation rate (97.7%), 4 stars in progress of student growth and three stars in student test achievement, educational gap closing and early literacy K-3.

Northwood High School also received an overall 4-star rating, with 5 stars for

graduation; 4 stars for progress in student growth and 3 stars for gap closing and academic achievement on state and other tests.

Oregon City School District exceeded state standards overall with 4 out of 5 stars on its report card.

The district of 3,287 students in six schools scored 4 stars in three categories toward its overall score: student achievement on tests, progress in growth of all students, and in graduation rate. The four-year graduation rate was 93.4%.

Three-star ratings (meets state standards) were given to Oregon Schools for reducing educational gaps for student groups and for early literacy in K-3.

Clay High School also received a 4-star rating based on 4-star scores in progress with "significant evidence that the school exceeded student growth expectations" and in graduation rates. The high school met state standards with 3-star ratings in achievement and gap closing.

Woodmore Local Schools, which had a total 948 students, got a 3.5-star overall score, meeting state standards. The district's best score in individual categories came with 5 stars for its graduation rate of nearly 97%. But Woodmore also exceeded state standards with a 4-star rating in student test achievement and met state standards with a 3-star rating in educational gap closing and early K-3 literacy. The district received a 1-star rating in student progress and growth expectations.

Penta Career Center earned a five-star rating on its Career Technical Planning District Report Card. Penta met nine of nine federal indicators and earned five stars in career & post-secondary readiness, graduation rate and post-secondary outcomes, and four stars in achievement (a measure of the skills and knowledge learned in students' career-technical programs).

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Sports

Emch looking to finish out cross country career with a bang

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Leah Emch's resume would be impressive enough, even if she had graduated last year.

The Eastwood senior is a two-time, all-Ohioan who finished 14th in 18 minutes, 56.7 seconds in Division II last season, and took 14th in 19:14.0 the year before that. As a team, the Eagles were 16th last season and 12th in 2022, respectively.

At the Liberty Center Extravaganza last week, she finished second in 18:39, meaning she could be a little ahead of schedule.

As a team, the Eagles were seventh (out of 14 schools) at the invitational.

Emily Payne was 38th in 21:34, followed by Brynn Sheets (39th in 21:38) and Caitlyn Stiner (52nd in 22:23), Keira Dawson (57th in 22:41.00) and Emerson Sheets (58th in 22:41.95), and Savannah Stephens (62nd in 23:04) rounded out the top seven.

Eastwood coach Nathan Howard talked about where Emch and the team stands midway through the season. "Leah has been pretty consistent this year, (and) she had her best race of the year last week with an 18:40 last Saturday," said Howard. "I think she's getting into her groove. Leah is in great shape."

"We've got a lot more inexperienced girls. We want them to run with confidence and drop our times to have a chance to win the league, and I definitely think we're going to do that. We still have a fairly large team; the kids love being a part of our program. We had to replace two of our top three runners, and new people have to step up. We're working hard, coming together. Times haven't been what they were in the last few years. Emily Payne is a pretty good runner, the number-two runner, and there

are a couple of sophomores and juniors that are stepping up into new roles. I think there are good things to come down the road for our team."

Emch has finished second in four invitationals (19:04; 19:13; 18:40; 18:39) and was ninth (19:09) at the Tiffin Cross Country Carnival. The Eagles finished first at the Battle of Turtle Creek, fifth at the Darin Goodman Night Meet, seventh at the Tiffin Carnival and eighth at the Mel Brodt Invite.

At the Battle of Turtle Creek, Payne was 10th (21:45), Brynn Sheets finished 11th (21:47), Stephens placed 15th (22:13), Dawson finished 16th (22:22), Stiner was 17th (22:30) and Emerson Sheets took 18th

(22:30).

Emch wants to finish out the season on a high note.

"We need to trust our training because we've been training since June, and now we need to put everything we've worked toward into action," she said. "We have to put in some extra work in the upcoming weeks and really encourage each other to push limits. It's also for us to have grit, work together, and to perform not only for ourselves, but each other, too."

Emch is seven seconds from her personal record.

"Her PR was at the Nike Cross Regionals in 18:32," said Howard. "Now she's at 18:39, so she's set up to do that."

We expect that she'll drop some more time. She's hoping to peak at the right time this year.

"She's pretty consistent with what she does. She understands that there might be a couple of weeks where you're down. She's grown a lot over the last four years; she doesn't let a bad workout get to her. She stays patient and knows the good times will come. I think in a couple of the earlier races, she wanted better times, but she's been patient, and last Saturday, she had a great race."

Emch is arguably the best distance runner in school history. She holds the school record for the 5K, the two-mile and has some indoor track records.

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Rutherford back to competing against Oak Harbor

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For years, Craig Rutherford competed against Oak Harbor.

Whether it was as a head coach, an assistant coach or a player, the Otsego coach, who was an assistant for one year at Anthony Wayne following his time coaching at Eastwood before taking over in Tontogany during the offseason, is facing the Rockets yet again.

Otsego is currently 4-1 and 2-0 in the Northern Buckeye Conference. The Knights find themselves ranked sixth in the Division IV, Region 14 standings with 7.25 points.

A win over a good team like Oak Harbor could vault Otsego much higher in the standings.

The Knights beat Fostoria, 41-7, last week, which followed a close win over Rossford, 20-19. The other victories were over Defiance Tinora (14-9) and Bowling Green (41-7). The loss came to the second-ranked team in Division V, Liberty Center, 37-7, last year's state runner-up.

In the win over the Bulldogs, Otsego ran for 316 yards, led by running back Kris Kazmaier, who had 28 carries for 163 yards and a touchdown, and fellow running back Jake Limes carried the ball 10 times for 59 yards and a score.

"It's been fun to find ways to win. We came out strong against Bowling Green – a lot of things went our way, and then we had a tough game against Tinora, where we had to play hard in the second half to keep them out of the end zone," said Rutherford. "Then we had the comeback win over Rossford, which was a fun one. It hasn't always been how we've drawn it up, but we've found a way."

The Rockets, meanwhile, have won every game by at least 35 points. This might be Oak Harbor's first real test of the season.

The Rockets are currently ranked fourth in the Division V, Region 18 standings with 9.10 points, just 0.2 points behind a former Sandusky Bay Conference foe in Edison.

GAME OF THE WEEK



A win over the Knights would help Oak Harbor gain some valuable computer points.

Last week, the Rockets defeated Rossford, 55-6.

In the first quarter, Oak Harbor scored two touchdowns and led 13-0 after the first 12 minutes following a 75-yard touchdown run by Carson Ridener and a 67-yard touchdown run by Michael LaLonde.

The Rockets put the game away in the second quarter by outscoring the Bulldogs, 28-0, to take a 41-0 lead at the half. Ridener scored twice on touchdown runs (20, 38) while LaLonde connected with Tyler Thompson twice for touchdowns (34, 61).

LaLonde finished 8-of-10 passing for 261 yards and three touchdowns and rushed twice for 83 yards and a score; Ridener had three carries for 101 yards and three scores and Thompson caught five passes for 163 yards and two touchdowns.

"Mike May has built a really good program. They were in a great place when he took over, and over the last few years, he's built it, and they found an identity," Rutherford said. "They're really disciplined; they've always got some big guys up front on the offensive and defensive lines, and they're really athletic in the skill positions."

"Oak Harbor is always really disciplined, and they don't make very many mistakes, and this year, it's to another level," he said. "Guys know where they need to be, that's why they're scoring so many



The Rockets celebrate a touchdown. (Photo by Lauren Bolander)

points and the defense is playing really well."

Oak Harbor coach Mike May talked about his team, whose next three opponents have a combined record of 13-2.

"I feel pretty good about where we are right now. We have a good group of seniors that are doing a great job leading us; we have good practices, and one of the pleasant surprises has been our offensive and defensive lines. They have really gelled together on both sides of the ball," May said. "We knew what we had with the skill positions, but there were questions with the lines. We're really happy with their progress."

"The good thing for our team is our seniors – a lot of them are three-year starters. Carson Ridener is a four-year starter, and this group is probably mature beyond their years; they do a great job of keeping us focused. We're trying to focus on each day, and they've really bought into that. Day in and day out, they're focused and try to be a better football team each day."

May, now in his 17th season leading the Rockets, talked about the Wing-T offense Rutherford has employed. "Craig's a great coach, and I know they have a great staff that they put together. His teams are very disciplined," said May. "They run the Wing-T to perfection; they don't do a whole



The Rockets are ranked fourth in Division V, Region 18 and have won every game by at least 35 points. (Photo by Lauren Bolander)

lot on offense, but what they do, they do well. "They'll have a good, tough defense and be one of the most well-coached teams we'll face all season. They'll be solid in all three phases," he said.

With Otsego, the Wing-T offense is running back by committee.

Limes, Kazmaier, Keeghan Hutton and Mason Kramer are some of the primary running backs, and Kaidyn Hutton is the quarterback.

"We've got a bunch of different running backs that we've been rotating in," said Rutherford. "We've been able to spread the ball around a little bit – we just have to find ways to sustain drives."

Last season, the Rockets beat the Knights, 41-7, in the second round of the playoffs and also won the regular-season matchup, 49-21.

Before that, the teams hadn't played since 1985, when both were in the old Suburban Lakes League.

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Boerst



Dennis Richard Boerst, Sr., 77, of Toledo OH left this world on Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2024 to be reunited with his loving wife, Patricia. He was born in Toledo to Robert and Alice (Barlett)

Boerst on February 25, 1947. Dennis would later marry the love of his life, Patricia, in 1967. Together they would spend the next 57 years creating many happy memories and raising their family of four children.

Dennis and his wife, Patricia, were the owners of Aquarium East pet store for 30 years. He also worked as a lineman for Penn Central Railroad for several years. Dennis enjoyed motorcycles, hunting, fishing, archery and crafting with his wife. Dennis and Patricia were movie buffs, often visiting the theatre multiple times a week to enjoy films. Dennis will be greatly missed by those blessed to have known him.

Left to cherish his memory are his children, Robert (Michelle) Boerst, Dennis Boerst Jr., Christopher (Kimberly) Boerst, and Trisha (Paul) Mendoza; grandchildren, PJ, Kathryn, Breanne, Dennis III, Christopher Jr., Miranda, Adam, and Joseph; and four great-grandchildren and one on the way. He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Alice; and his loving wife, Patricia, who passed in August 2024.

Private committal services were held at Toledo Memorial Park, Sylvania, OH, where Dennis and Patricia were laid to rest. Arrangements entrusted to Freck Funeral Chapel, Oregon, OH.

Johnson



Dolores Ann (Dulinski) Johnson, 86, passed away peacefully at Hospice of Northwest Ohio, Perrysburg, Monday, September 23, 2024. Dolores was born August 7, 1938, to Thomas and Clara (Heinze) Dulinski. The family will receive friends at St. Jerome Catholic Church, 300 Warner Street, Walbridge, Ohio, Tuesday, October 1, 2024 from 10:00 am until Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 am. Interment: Lake Township Cemetery. Preferred memorials to Sparrow's Nest or American Diabetes Association. To read Dolores' full obituary please visit:

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Prewitt

On August 29, 2024 Andrea Prewitt, 73 of Millbury left the loving arms of her husband and two sons and into the arms of her infant son, Steven Walter Prewitt and her Heavenly



Father and her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Andrea was born in Toledo, Ohio to Audrey and Walter "Shorty" Fowler on March 22, 1951.

She graduated from Lake High School, and she married her best friend and the love of her life, Danny Prewitt, on June 8, 1968. Andrea spent most of her childhood riding her pony "Topper". She loved everything horses! Together with Dan, she spent many years trail riding in multiple states and parks. Most of all, her grandchildren were the highlight of her life. She loved to spend time with them, take them shopping and spoiling each one of them. Andrea and Dan have been together over 57 years and she will be deeply missed by Dan and her family.

Andrea is survived by her husband Dan, children Danny (Stephanie) Prewitt II and Andrew Prewitt; grandchildren Katerina Star Prewitt, Abigail and Danny Prewitt III; brother Randy (Ann) Fowler, sisters Judy Stout and Sheila Fowler, special niece Lisa Honaker; she is also survived by many nieces, nephews, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents Audrey and Walter "Shorty" Fowler, stepfather Roy Brueshaber, infant son Steven Prewitt and brother Barry Fowler.

Services were conducted on an earlier date. Expressions of sympathy and donations in Andrea's name may be made to Project Hope Equine Assisted Therapies for Children, 16195 W. Poe Rd., BowlingGreen, OH 43402

Martin



Marlene Joyce (Sondergeld) Martin, 87, of Genoa, Ohio, passed away on Monday September 23, 2024, at Genoa Care Center. Marlene was born in Graytown, Ohio on February 10, 1937, the only daughter of William and Freida (Arnold) Sondergeld. She graduated from Harris-Elmore High School in 1955, and then worked for the old Toledo Trust Bank before meeting her constant companion and husband, Ron Martin. The two were married on April 26, 1958, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Genoa.

Marlene and Ron started their married life and family on her farm near Graytown, Ohio. In 1972, they moved to a farm in Lake Township, where they grew their family and spent the rest of their lives. Marlene was active in all the kids' school activities, serving as Room Mother and event PTA President. Once the kids were in high school, Marlene remained active with the Lake Band Boosters, serving as President several times.

Marlene was also very active in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, serving as Rosary Altar President for many years. As the children got older and left the nest, Marlene found her second calling working in the catering business with her niece. Marlene was already known for her great cooking by the family but was able to share her talents with the community working for Carole's Personalized Catering and then Carolyn's Personalized Catering in Millbury.

As they approached retirement, Marlene and Ron found another life of fun and family in Bonita Springs, spending over 25 years wintering at Bonita Lake Resort. They enjoyed the warm climate and made many friends at the park. Marlene continued her cooking legacy as she organized the many park meals and was famous for her "bar cookies" and other desserts. She became well known for altering recipes for specific group sizes or to meet the flavor needs of the event or activity.

Marlene and Ron were avid and lifelong Ohio State fans and enjoyed cheering for the Buckeyes in the Horseshoe or at home on the couch! More recently, Marlene watched every Ohio State sporting event she could find on TV.

Family was a priority for Marlene, who loved not only her own children and grandchildren, but the many nieces, nephews, cousins and neighbors that crossed her path. Aunt /Grandma Marlene was loved and cherished by all for her generosity and support.

Marlene is survived by her daughters, Dianne (Roger) Mortensen, Deb (Mike) George, sons, Bill Martin and Gene Martin, and grandchildren, Emily (Jesse) Baker, Nick Mortensen, Amandrea (Brandon) Holmes, John (Grace) George and great grandson Max Baker. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband of 64 years, Ron Martin.

Visitation for Marlene will be held from 4:00-7:00 PM on Sunday, September 29, 2024, in the Robinson-Walker Funeral Home & Crematory, 501 West St., Genoa, Ohio. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 AM Monday September 30, 2024, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Genoa, with burial to follow in the Clay Township Cemetery. The family suggests memorial contributions to Cleveland Clinic Pulmonary Medicine [PO Box 93157, Cleveland, OH 44193-1655], St Jude [501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105] and Hospice of Northwest Ohio [30000 East River Road, Perrysburg, OH 43551] Online condolences may be shared with Marlene's family at

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Witt



Kathleen Marie Herman Witt, 75, of Martin, Ohio, passed away on Sept. 19, 2024, surrounded by her family.

The daughter of Genevieve (Davis) and Kenneth Herman, Kathleen was born on October 3rd, 1948 in Fostoria, Ohio.

Kathleen graduated from St. Wendelin High School in 1966, then studied to become a radiology technician, working in the field for a career spanning from 1968-1996.

She met the love of her life, Jere Willard Witt, in the summer of 1967. They married on August 31st, 1968 at St. Wendelin Catholic Church in Fostoria, Ohio. Jere and Kathy built a beautiful family and enjoyed forty-eight years of marriage together before Jere's passing in 2017.

Kathleen leaves a legacy of great faith, love, and commitment to her family. She retired early to take care of her beloved grandchildren and was known for her never-failing presence at their events. Together with Jere, she went on many road trips for sporting events for their children and grandchildren, hunting trips, and to explore nature. Kathleen was talented at gardening, sewing, woodworking, baking, stained glass, and other crafts; and was always working on a project. "Mamee" will be lovingly remembered for sharing her talents, wisdom, and stories with her family.

Kathleen was a faithful member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Genoa, Ohio. She worked to beautify and improve the Grotto and raise funds for the Church as a long-time member and former president of the OLL Grotto Committee and member of the Altar Rosary Society. An active community member, Kathleen was also involved in the Genoa Athletic Boosters and many other clubs and organizations.

Kathleen's family will miss her commitment and fierce loyalty to her family. Her energy and smile will always be remembered. Her family could always count on her for her knowledge and guidance towards completing any task.

Kathleen is survived by her son, Mark (Susan) Witt, daughter, Lisa Witt Cruickshank (Joshua Garner), grandchildren, Derek and Dylan (Ana) Witt, Caden (Hannah) and Caitlin Cruickshank, Shelby (Reese) Brossia, and Samantha (Westen) Frantz, great-grandchildren Nora Frantz, Maiya Frantz, and Penelope Brossia, siblings Kenneth (Kathy) Herman, Tom (Kathy) Herman, Janine (Henry) Schulz, and Don (Tena) Herman, and sisters-in-law Donna Witt and Cheryl (Royce) Buehler.

Preceding Kathleen in death are her husband, Jere, parents, brother, Jim Herman, brother-in-law, Tom Witt, maternal grandparents, Gertrude (Romstadt) and Edward Davis, paternal grandparents Louisa (Ott) and John Edward Herman, and mother and father in-law, Elizabeth and Willard Witt.

Visitation was held previously at Robinson-Walker Funeral Home & Crematory, Genoa, OH and Funeral Mass celebrated at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Genoa on September 25, 2024. Interment was in Clay Township Cemetery, Genoa. Memorial contributions for Kathleen may be directed to Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, 204 Main St., Genoa, OH 43430 or to the Genoa Area Local Schools Athletic Dept., 2820 N. Genoa Clay Center Rd., Genoa, OH 43430. Online condolences may be shared with the family at

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Resolution 06-2024
To Approve the Form and Authorize the Execution of Blue Creek Wind Schedule with American Municipal Power, Inc. and Taking of Other Actions in Connection Therewith.
Resolution 07-2024
Resolution Accepting the Amounts and Rates as Determined by the Budget Commission and Authorizing the Necessary Tax Levies and Certifying Them to the county Auditor.
To read in full please contact:
Gretchen Densic, Fiscal Officer, Village of Elmore

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CITY OF NORTHWOOD
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
The Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a meeting on Tuesday, October 08, 2024 at 7:00PM in the City Council Chambers at 6000 Wales Road, in the Administration Building.
Item to be discussed:
• Carissa Curry, 204 Beringer Ave., is requesting a variance from NCO 1264.09(e), to build an accessory structure in the front yard.
• Greg Whetsel, 259 E. Plaza Blvd., is requesting to appeal a Notice of Public Nuisance & Order to Abate issued by the City of Northwood requiring the property to be restored to its original condition of soil, removing all concrete, bricks, block, and asphalt grindings.
Attest:
A. Stribrny, Planning and Zoning

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CITY OF NORTHWOOD
PLANNING COMMISSION
The Planning Commission meeting scheduled for October 21, 2024 has been cancelled.
Attest :
A. Stribrny, Zoning/Code Enforcement

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
WWTP Clarification Improvements
Village of Lindsey, Ohio
SEALED BIDS for the furnishing of the necessary labor and materials for the construction of the WWTP CLARIFICATION IMPROVEMENTS for the Village of Lindsey will be received by the Village of Lindsey at 240 South Main Street, Lindsey, OH 43442 until 2:00 pm Local Time on October 30, 2024 and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud. All bids received after 2:00 pm local time will be returned unopened.
Bids will be received on a lump sum price basis as outlined in the bid documents.
The scope of work consists of replacing two (2) aeration/clarification modules with similar systems. Previously, Lindsey replaced their other two (2) modules in a 2019 project. The blower control panel will also be replaced. In addition, there are miscellaneous piping and electrical improvements to support the proposed work.
The contract documents, including plans and specifications, are on file at the office of the Owner at the Village of Lindsey at 240 South Main Street, Lindsey, Ohio 43442. Bidders may view the project site by contacting Mr. Jerry Neff, Village Administrator, at 419-367-1685.
The documents may be viewed and ordered online or obtained from Becker Impressions, 4646 Angola Road, Toledo, 43615, Telephone 419-385-5303, www.beckerplanroom.com for the cost of printing to be paid to the printing company at the time the documents are ordered. Charges for shipping and tax are payable directly to Becker Impressions and are the bidder's responsibility. All charges for documents, shipping, and tax are non-refundable. Bidders must order documents direct from Becker Impressions in order to be placed on the Engineer's official list of planholders. Bids will only be accepted from bidders listed on the Engineer's official list of planholders.
A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on October 16, 2024. Interested Bidders will meet at the WWTP at 10:00 am. The WWTP is located at 2340 Cemetery Drive, Lindsey, OH 43442. Continue toward the cemetery on Cemetery Drive (initially Elm St.) and turn left just before the cemetery entrance to go to the WWTP.
The Engineer for the project is TD Engineering, LLC, 6146 Lakota Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45243, Telephone 513-607-8397.
The estimated project cost is in the range of \$500,000.00 to \$600,000.00.
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A bid guarantee instrument must be submitted with the bid. The bid guarantee instrument shall be in the form of a Bid Guarantee and Contract Bond for the FULL AMOUNT of the bid OR a certified check, cashier's check, or irrevocable letter of credit for an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. The bid guarantee shall be made payable to the Village of Lindsey, Ohio, and is to be held as a guarantee that in the event the bid is accepted, and a contract is awarded to the BIDDER, the contract will be duly executed, and its performance properly secured. Bid security furnished in Bond form shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety.
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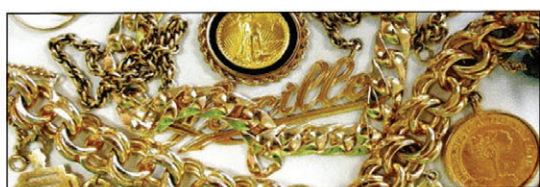
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