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Troy Police Foil Bank Robbery

By Seth Gecko

Troy Police stopped a would-be bank robber in his tracks. The saga started with a bomb threat at F&P America on Corporate Drive on January 29. Several officers stayed in other ends of town in case it was an attempt to draw officers to one end of town so someone could do something on an other end of town. Officers spoke with employees of several banks in other parts of town alerting them to the possibility of a robbery. Soon afterward, there was a 911 call reporting a robbery at Wright-Patt Credit Union. Officers who arrived saw nothing wrong. People were coming and going as normal. An officer

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CO Deaths Leads to Detector Requirement

By Nancy Bowman

A proposal to require carbon monoxide detectors in rental units is intended to help protect the community’s residents, not penalize property owners, Troy Fire Chief Matt Simmons said. The proposal to require the detectors followed the deaths almost a year ago of three teen girls from carbon monoxide poisoning at a South Elm Street rental property where they lived with their grandmother. The young boy taken ill from the house the afternoon of Feb. 27, 2015, survived. Simmons said those deaths were in the forefront as the department undertook a review for “the protection of our community and what can we do to help.” Shortly after the deaths, a smoke detector/carbon monoxide detector program was initiated in which the fire department



staff on request would deliver a detector, install it and provide education. Detectors were donated by Meijer and First Alert and provided through a community detector fund set up through The Troy Foundation. So far, 270 of the smoke/carbon monoxide detectors have been

installed. “It has been a great program,” Simmons said. The proposal before council would require rental property owners to supply and install the carbon monoxide alarms, ensure any batteries are operating when someone first occupies the property and provide written in-

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Work Progresses on Treasure Island



By Nancy Bowman

As final touches are placed on the Treasure Island Marina Building renovations and work progresses on developing the adjacent Treasure Island Park, the city continues to search for a Marina Building restaurant operator. Planning for 2016 programming for the new park area and a dedication of the Marina-park complex in June also are under way.

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Advocates Program Seeks Volunteers

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

Miami County’s Court Appointed Special Advocates/Guardian Ad Litem program is looking to the community at the advent of a new year as they call for more volunteers to be the voice of abused or neglected children in the court system. CASA/GAL is a local 501(c)3 organization with offices at 405 Public Square in downtown Troy. This court-contracted group offers consistent support and advocacy for children under the protection of the Juvenile Court and Children’s Services. The average number of children in the CASA program every year is 125. As of today, 85 cases are active in the court system and supervised by CASA/GAL volunteers. Jennifer Sanders has been the director of CASA/GAL since 2007. “We hardly ever have to change a CASA throughout the life of a case,” Sanders said. “Our CASA’s stay with the child and provide a constant in their life throughout the entire time they are in the system.” Sanders currently has 41 CASA volunteers, many of whom have been active participants in the program for more than 5 years. The organization asks for a two-year commitment by a volunteer of more than 21 years of age. A clean criminal record and 30 hours of preliminary training is required prior to being sworn in by



Jennifer Sanders, CASA/GAL Director

the Miami County Juvenile Court Judge. An additional 12 hours of subsequent training is needed every year to keep a CASA current on legislation and compliance. Working closely with Children’s Services, the CASA investigates a child’s family, school, and any other pertinent information pertaining to the child’s situation to make recommendations to the court for action on the child’s behalf. Most often, Sanders will specifically choose a CASA for their background in an area where a child is known to have need. For instance, in a case where a child struggles with learning, a CASA is often chosen who has experience in education. “I wish I had a crystal ball for these kids sometimes,” Sanders said. “Our primary hope is that we can be there for them during a difficult time and make a positive impact.” One of CASA’s longest active volunteers is a woman by the name of Kay Kaebnick who has been working with CASA/

GAL almost since its inception in 1995. Kaebnick says the reason she continues to work with the program is because, “once you finish a case, there is always another child who needs help.” Although a mere two-year commitment is required, Kaebnick has devoted nearly two decades of her time, talent and compassion. She has served a total of 45 children. According to Kaebnick, the number one quality a volunteer CASA must have is compassion, closely followed by number two: dedication. “Most of the time, it’s difficult to see any progress but occasionally something wonderful happens and you think ‘this is the reason I’m doing this,’” Kaebnick said. “You go through all the emotions of anger, sadness, and happiness but I’ve never found that it’s not worth it.” As a wife, mother and grandmother, Kaebnick understands the necessity of stability and a sense of family relationships during times of difficul-

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Beagle Addresses Miami Valley Veterans

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

State Senator Bill Beagle of Ohio District 5 addressed veterans at the Miami Valley Veterans Museum in Troy on February 3 at 9:00 a.m. The event was part of a monthly meeting for local veterans where various topics are discussed over coffee and donuts. This was the first time Senator Beagle has had the opportunity to speak with former service men and women in this forum. Beagle began his political career as a member of the Tipp City Council, where he served as council president overseeing the construction of a new water plant and local economic development. He is now in his second term in the Ohio Senate, representing all or part of Darke, Miami, Montgomery and Preble Counties. Because he serves as the Chairman of the Senate Finance Subcommittee on Workforce and the Governor’s Executive Workforce Board, he specifically addressed the veterans gathered at the Miami Valley Veterans Museum on issues concerning job placement and hiring for service men and women. Other talking points included higher education, counseling, behavioral health and access to healthcare. A group of 50 participated in the event and had opportunities to comment and ask



Left to Right Beagle, Veteran Donny Meeks, Museum Curator Mitch Fogle

questions of the senator. “There are unique needs to veterans returning from the service and we want to ensure their success,” Beagle said. He went on to highlight Ohio organizations like the Development Services Agency that actively promotes veteran-owned businesses. He further discussed tools like OhioMeansJobs.com that specifically caters to employers who want to hire veterans. According to Mitch Fo-

gle, the executive director of the Miami Valley Veterans Museum, many of the gathered veterans were hearing for the first time about the resources Beagle presented. “He’s answered questions for veterans in the past and he’s been really good about helping them get answers on a higher level,” Fogle said. Some of the questions posed concerning health care and benefits were not easily answered on the floor of the meet-

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Pellman Sentenced

By Nancy Bowman

The mother of a Troy man who was killed in a March 2015 wreck on Interstate 75 told the driver Monday, Feb 8, she forgives him and prays for him. Eric Pellman, 41, of Sidney subsequently was sentenced in Miami County Common Pleas Court to six years in prison in the death of Philip Smith II, 33, of Troy. Pellman pleaded no contest and was found guilty in December of aggravated vehicular homicide and driving while under the influence. State troopers said he was south-bound when his vehicle made “a dramatic lane change,” overturned and landed on a guard-rail on the right side. Passenger Smith died in the crash that took place between Troy and Tipp City. The indictment alleged Pellman had cocaine in his system at the time of the wreck. Before sentencing Monday, Pellman apologized and said he has frequent nightmares about the wreck in which his close friend died. “It is something I will have to live with the rest of my life,” he said. “All I can say is I’m sorry. I know that is not going to bring Philip back.” Janna Parker, assistant county prosecutor, said it was clear Pellman had a serious drug problem at the time of the wreck. She asked for a prison term of several years, Smith’s mother asked Pellman to use his time in prison to better himself. “I forgive you and I will be praying for you,” she said. “Come out of there (prison) a new man.” Judge Christopher Gee said Pellman had a history of drug-related convictions and showed genuine remorse for his conduct. “You are going to pay a heavy price,” the judge said. He noted that Pellman was arrested 10 days after the wreck on drug charges in Shelby County. Gee ordered a mandatory six years in prison and credited Pellman for 113 days served in jail. He was fined \$375.

Troy Police Reports

MONDAY 2/1
2:44 p.m. To Nutmeg Sq. N. for a report of a found item. A woman reported that a bicycle had been sitting in her yard for about a week. It is a black mountain-style bike with black handlebars. It was submitted to property.
4:47 p.m. To Wal Mart for a report of a theft. A store employee said that a man who had previously stolen from the store was back and looking at the same type of items he had stolen in the past. He left before officers arrived, but he was located a short time later. A search of the subject yielded the stolen items. He also had no valid license. His vehicle was towed, he was cited for failure to reinstate and incarcerated for theft.
WEDNESDAY 2/3
9:51 a.m. While parked in the Troy Baptist Temple lot, an officer saw an SUV westbound on Staunton

Rd. at 52 MPH in a 35 MPH zone. He tried to initiate a traffic stop, but the SUV kept going. Vehicles in front of the SUV were pulling over, but not the SUV. It finally stopped in the left turn lane at Market St. The officer approached the driver and she was looking down at her phone, texting. He knocked on the window and the driver appeared startled. He asked her to pull into an adjacent parking lot. She said that she was texting to set an appointment. She was cited for speed and given a warning for texting.

1:40 p.m. While stopped on Crawford at E. Main, an officer saw a vehicle run the stop sign on Main St. He initiated a traffic stop and the driver admitted to running the stop sign and that she was wrong. She was cited for a stop sign violation.

4:46 p.m. To the area of Lake St. and McKaig Ave. for a report of a

disorderly male. An intoxicated male was found. He was transported to UVMC and cited for disorderly.

4:53 p.m. To S. Clay St. A woman reported that while she was in the parking lot of Kroger’s yesterday afternoon, she lost her prescription bottle of Percocet. She asked for a report to get it replaced.

THURSDAY 2/4

12:27 a.m. Traffic stop on E. Main near Crawford St. for a vehicle that had no rear bumper. The driver was asked if he was wearing his seat belt and he stated that he was not. He was cited for a seat belt violation and given a warning for the rear bumper.

10:59 a.m. To the 100 block of E. Main St. for a two-car accident. A car backed from the north side of the street while a car backed from the south side and they struck each other. Both drivers were cited

for unsafe backing.

2:38 p.m. To Troy Jr. High School for a report of child abuse. A guidance counselor reported that a student made abuse allegations against her foster mother. The student told the counselor that her mother scratched her face last night. The student said that she was arguing with her foster mother after being brought home by the police for running away. She said the mother grabbed her by the face and when she tried to pull away, she was scratched. She had scratches on her face, but they appeared to have been caused more recently than last night. The placement agency reported that the student made the same allegations last week. The foster mother was called and denied making the scratches. She said she sent the student to bed as soon as the police brought her home. The student eventually admitted that

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Miami County Sheriff Reports

MONDAY 2/1
12:02 p.m. To the 2400 block of Peters Rd. for a report of a burglary. No further details were given.
11:32 p.m. Traffic stop on Weston Rd. at Henley Rd. The driver was found to have a suspended license. He was cited for that and for an equipment violation. His vehicle was left at the scene.
TUESDAY 2/2
9:16 a.m. To Jobs & Family Services for a report of a violation of a protection order. A woman advised that she has a protection order against a male subject. She said that he showed up at JFS the same time she did, and called out her name in the parking lot. She said she wishes to pursue charges. Dispatch was contacted, and they reported that the protection order was served in August, 2015 and dismissed in September, 2015.
5:20 p.m. To Wisteria Dr. for a report of identity theft. A man

reported that four new lines of credit were opened in his name without his knowledge. He said that three credit cards were issued, but the fourth was declined. He said that he notified the three creditors of the fraud and they closed the accounts. None of the cards had been used.

THURSDAY 2/4

2:36 a.m. Traffic stop on Piqua Troy Rd. at Knollwood Rd. The driver was found to be under the influence of alcohol and was taken into custody for OVI.

8:14 a.m. To N. Sayers Rd. for a report of an individual being harassed on Facebook. No further details were given.

3:36 p.m. To Woodlawn Dr. for a report of identity theft. A woman reported that American Express contacted her for confirmation of her request for credit due to a fraud alert on her credit report. She informed them that she did not request credit from them. She has not suffered any financial

loss, and a report was requested for American Express.

SATURDAY 2/6

8:20 p.m. A man called to report that someone forced entry into a locked tack room at the Miami County Fairgrounds and stole his beer.

SUNDAY 2/7

12:06 a.m. A deputy saw a vehicle southbound on N. County Rd. 25A that appeared to be speeding. He clocked it at 70 MPH in a 55 MPH zone. The vehicle was stopped in the Marathon lot. As the deputy approached the vehicle, he detected a strong odor of an alcoholic beverage coming from the driver and her eyes were bloodshot. She said that she had two Bud Light Limes before leaving Piqua. She failed several field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest. Before patting her down, the deputy asked if she had anything in her pockets that could poke him and she said that she was not telling what was in

her pockets. The passenger in the vehicle was released and the vehicle was towed. Upon arrival at the jail, the driver pulled out a small baggie of marijuana from her front pocket. She agreed to a breath test and blew .139 BAC. She was then released to her father.

12:20 a.m. Traffic stop at the Market St. Ball Fields. After investigation, the driver was arrested for OVI, cited for a traffic signal violation and then released.

9:40 a.m. To S. State Route 202 for a report of a theft. A man reported that someone stole several hunting items from his home.

10:10 a.m. Traffic stop on I-75 South at the 77 mile marker. Deputies had received reports of reckless driving. The driver was found to be in possession of marijuana, and it was seized and booked into evidence. The driver was cited for a moving violation and for possession of marijuana.

Troy Police Foil Bank Robbery

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was then sent to Abbey Credit Union on Wayne St. On his way, he stopped at two banks alerting them to the two false alarms on the west end of town. Arriving at Abbey, the officer went inside and advised the manager that there were two false alarms on the west end of town, and that police believed that this was an attempt to get officers away from the east end. As the officer left Abbey, he saw an older red Chevy pickup truck that he had seen earlier around the Credit Union. It was parked in a parking lot across from the Credit Union. He moved his cruiser to an area where it could not be seen by the driver of the truck. The truck then headed toward the Credit Union, but turned on Crescent Dr. The officer had requested a plainclothes vehicle, but none were available. Another officer asked why he was looking for help and he explained the situation. The officer finally initiated a traffic stop on the truck on Drury Lane at Pennsylvania Ave. The driver, David Winter, 33 of 432 Lincoln Ave., only had an Ohio ID card. He said he was looking for a girl named Ashley who he had just met and had called and needed a ride. Winter had slurred speech, his eyes were red his pupils were restricted and his head movements

were slow. The officer could also detect a moderate odor of alcohol coming from Winter. A second officer had arrived, and asked Winter what he had in his lap. He gave the officer two pieces of a pill. Winter was ordered out of the vehicle, and officers saw a gun on the seat. Winter yelled “It’s not real and I have not hurt anyone.” Winter was cuffed and placed in a cruiser. The weapon was a Ruger semi-automatic “airsoft” handgun, a toy replica that had been altered by covering the orange tip with either spray paint or a magic marker. Also in the truck officers found a cell phone with the battery removed. This is a common practice to prevent the phone from being tracked. The officer notified his Captain that he probably had the suspect in the false alarms and requested a search warrant. The Captain and a member of the Prosecutor’s office soon arrived, and the decision was made to get a search warrant and tow the vehicle to the Police lot. The officer called for a tow truck and the Captain read Winter his Miranda rights. Winter requested an attorney and would not talk. At the Miami County Jail, Winter was asked for a urine sample but refused. He said he would rather have a year’s license sus-

pension than go to rehab for drug problems. He was cited for OVI, possession of a dangerous drug and no operator’s license. At 5:30 p.m., Winters’ truck was searched. A note was found on the driver’s side floorboard that read “Stack the cash on the counter or people will be shot. You first. I’m serious, Thanks.” Another cell phone with the battery removed was found. Batteries were replaced in both cell phones and dispatch was called from them. The numbers matched the numbers calling in the false reports. A black fabric cape tied into a knot, possibly to be used as a mask, was found. Officers also found two pair of gloves and a backpack with a change of clothes. Detectives then went to 432 Lincoln Ave. to talk to Winter’s wife, the registered owner of the vehicle. His wife said that her husband’s boss was at the home inquiring where Winter was. She was advised that he was arrested for OVI. She started “freaking out” because she said he had been acting very strange for about a month. She was advised to come to the Police station to talk. In the interview room, she said that she and Winter had not been getting along for several weeks.

She said that today they had been arguing about being one month late on their rent and needed money for medicine. She submitted a handwriting sample, and her handwriting was not the same as the writing on the note found in the truck. She was shown the note and said “Oh my God, that’s his handwriting. He writes like a girl.” Winter’s wife said that he had talked about robbing a bank about a year ago, but was just kidding. She said that he needed the truck today to go to the drive-thru. She then fell asleep with her ill son and was awakened by Winter’s boss knocking on the door asking his whereabouts. She said that Winter owns two cell phones, but didn’t think either was operational. She was asked if she could provide a sample of Winter’s handwriting, and she said that she had samples at home. Her truck was released to her and officers followed her to her home. She produced tax papers and a Bible that Winter had given to her son. The Bible had an inscription that Winter had written. They were taken as evidence. In light of all of the evidence, David Winter was charged with Attempted Aggravated Robbery, Inducing Panic and making false alarms.

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120 S Crawford St	2/1	\$10,000	Security Lenidng Ltd	Gambrel Del
214 W Main St	2/1	\$150,000	New Life Worship Center Upci Of Troy Ohio	Sec. of Housing & Urban Dev.
914 S Mulberry St	2/1	\$84,500	Clark Leonard & Kathy	Osborne Kimberly D & Holdon M Lingrell
440 Mumford Dr	2/1	\$0	Wheat Sidney & Karen J	Wheat Karen J
Experiment Farm Rd	2/3	\$12,400,000	Ramco Properties Assoc Limited Patnership	Mo Troy Llc
1803 W Main St	2/3	\$12,400,000	Ramco Properties Associates Limited Part	Mo Troy Llc
985 Linwood Dr	2/4	\$0	Coffey Marjorie H (Tod) & @ (2)	Francis Karen Ann

Concord Township Trustees Approve New Website

By Bonnie L. McHenry

The Concord Township Trustees formally approved the changes to the new website. Trustee Don Pence agreed to notify eLI-ANT Technology Services to replace the old website. In addition, the trustees approved an expenditure of \$1300 to transfer the website to a new engine that will make the website resizable based on a user's device. Trustee Bill Whidden said, "I would like to see the township take the next step." Trustee Tom Mercer added, "I was pleasantly surprised to see that it is less expensive than I thought." Pence agreed to notify eLI-ANT Technology Services that the trustees approved the launch of the improved website and approved expenditure for the new software. The Township's website is www.concord-township.com. In other old business, the


trustees discussed the resolution regarding junk vehicles in the township. Mercer reported that Miami County Zoning and Planning doesn't get involved in junk vehicle enforcement unless there are multiple vehicles involved. He also said, "I have worked with Chief Deputy David Duchak to rewrite the resolution. The Sheriff's department will provide enforcement." He also thanked Duchak for his assistance in developing the junk vehicle regulations. Mercer further explained, "The resolution defines a junk vehicle and specifies that the vehicle must be in an enclosed facility. In addition, the resolution defines the steps to resolve the issue." He also added, "Junk vehicles are not a major problem in the township. We have only had one complaint in the six years I have been on the board." Pence remarked, "People don't want to pay to license

junk vehicles. Candidate for Miami County Prosecutor Mel Kemmer asked, "Have you gotten feedback from the prosecutor's office?" Mercer agreed to follow up with them. For Fiscal Management, Fiscal Officer Pat Quillen reported, "The township audit for 2014 and 2015 began February 1, 2016. It should only take about a week and will focus on accounting issues." She added, "This year we qualify for a shorter audit, which will cost the township approximately \$2200. In the past, it has taken a month or more and cost between \$6000 and \$8000. We have never qualified for the shorter audit before." For the Road Department, Road Superintendent Neil Rhoades reported that the Christmas tree pick-up is complete. According to Rhoades, the department picked up more trees than last year.

In addition, he added, "It has been quiet because of lack of snow; however, we have been busy maintaining equipment and removing corn and bean stubble from roadways and ditches caused by flooding. In addition, we have been looking for a replacement for the truck." For the Sheriff's Department, Duchak reported that the Sheriff's department had 221 service calls for township in January including 63 traffic stops and 28 criminal reports. He also reported that there are no pattern crimes in the township at this time. Fire Chief Matthew Simmons attended the meeting. He informed the trustees that he would like to expand services that the department provides to the township. He also indicated that January was busy with emergency medical service calls (EMS). In addition, he said, "We have experienced

a big turnover with several guys out of commission. We are actively looking for qualified candidates." Several candidates for county offices introduced themselves to the trustees. Kemmer, who is running for Miami County Prosecutor, said, "I have the confidence I can do a better job than what is being done now. If you need me, I will be here." County Commissioner Candidate Greg Simmons said, "I believe I am a good candidate because I believe in personal integrity, transparency and accountability. I was raised in Miami County, and have a B.A. and M.A. in Education. I have a passion for Miami County Residents and believe that commissioners should look at both sides of annexation issues. The next meeting of the Concord Township Trustees is scheduled for February 16 at 10:00 a.m. in the Township Building.

Troy Police Reports

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she lied about the abuse in order to be moved out of the home.

2:42 p.m. To Troy Jr. High School for a report of a student with alcohol on school grounds. A school employee reported that he was investigating reports of students smoking in the restroom. He said he searched the locker of one of the suspects and found two bottles of liquor in the student's backpack. The student said someone else must have put them there without his knowledge. He was questioned why he didn't notice the extra weight or the glass-on-glass sound. The student was charged with Underage Possession of Alcohol. The liquor bottles and a shot glass were submitted to property.

2:48 p.m. To Michael Ct. for a report of phone harassment. A man reported that the mother of his daughter keeps contacting him about seeing the daughter. He said that she contacts him all of the time and he doesn't want her to. Both were advised that anything regarding their daughter should be handled by their attorneys or a third party from now on.

FRIDAY 2/5

10:19 a.m. To the area of McKaig and Elm for a report of young children near the street with no coats on. The officer arrived to find four children between the

ages of 1 and 4 playing near the edge of McKaig Ave. The mother was found to be asleep at her home on Elm St. She was charged with four counts of child endangerment.

1:41 p.m. To Fieldbrook Ct. A woman reported that she accepted an invitation to a dinner hosted by Energy Comfort Systems which included information on how to reduce utility bills. She said that a representative came to her home and inspected her attic. She said that the representative told her that she needed some work done, and showed her pictures of black mold spots that he located in her attic. She said the representative quoted her a discounted price of over \$5000 to do the work, but she had to agree to the work right away to get the discounted price. She did not agree to have the work done at that time. Instead she had two other subjects inspect her attic, and both agreed that she did not have mold in her attic. One of them reported that the insulation she had was sufficient. She said she called the company and spoke with a manager who was very evasive in giving her name and would not give her last name. She said the call ended with the manager being very rude and telling her not to call them again. She said that she was concerned that the company was attempting to defraud her and might

be doing the same thing to other people. She was advised to call the BBB.

3:43 p.m. To Ash St. for a report of an unruly juvenile. No charges were filed. A report was completed due to allegations of sexual misconduct, and it was forwarded to Children's Services.

4:44 p.m. To Penn Rd. for a report of a juvenile runaway. The juvenile was located on Childrens Home rd. At first she gave a deputy a false name, and said that she was walking to her home in Dayton but got lost. She finally gave her true name and said that she had run away from her foster home because she didn't like living there and wanted to go back to Dayton. Montgomery County Children's Services was contacted, and they advised to take the girl back to her foster home in Troy and someone would be out to speak with them tomorrow. She was transported back to Troy and charged with one count of obstructing official business.

5:15 p.m. Traffic stop on Adams St. at Riverside Dr. The driver was cited for speed (42/25).

6:48 p.m. Traffic stop on S. Stanfield Rd. The driver was cited for speed (50/35). The driver said she was not aware that she had been going that fast.

8:52 p.m. To S. Crawford

St. for a report of a non-injury crash with the vehicle stuck on the railroad tracks. The driver was arrested for OVI and a male passenger was arrested on an active warrant.

SATURDAY 2/6

1:45 a.m. While stopped for a red light on Adams St. at Main St., the officer saw a westbound vehicle brake suddenly for the red light, lost traction and skidded into the middle of the intersection. The driver then backed up behind the stop bar. A traffic stop was conducted, and the driver said he did not see the light turn red until it was too late. He was cited for a red light violation.

3:51 p.m. While an officer was northbound on Dorset Rd. approaching Arthur Rd., a southbound vehicle turned left onto Arthur Rd. cutting off the officer. He initiated a traffic stop. The driver said that he thought the light was about to change and apologized for the incident. He was cited for failure to yield when turning left.

6:21 p.m. Traffic stop in the SE quadrant of Public Square. The driver had run the red light on S. Market at Canal St. and was so cited.

8:54 p.m. An officer saw a vehicle rev its engine and peel its tires. It accelerated rapidly exceeding the 35 MPH speed limit. A traffic stop was initiated in front of

Carl's Drive Thru. The driver was cited for the violation.

11:56 p.m. Traffic stop on W. Main St. near Dorset Rd. The juvenile female driver was clocked at 51 MPH in a 35 MPH zone. She said she knew she was speeding and was headed home with her 14 year-old passenger after dropping off a friend. Her father was contacted and informed of the situation. He said that she was supposed to be home already and that the passenger was spending the night. She was cited for speeding.

SUNDAY 2/7

12:04 p.m. To Archer Park for a report of a fight. Two juveniles were charged with disorderly conduct.

8:31 p.m. Traffic stop on Ross St. at Amelia Ave. for a turn signal violation. The driver had a suspended license but she said she did not know that it was suspended. She also said that she was having issues with the turn signals on her vehicle and was trying to sell it. She was cited for driving under suspension and left the vehicle legally parked at the scene.

11:00 p.m. To S. Clay St. for a report of a domestic disturbance. A man was arrested and charged with Domestic Violence, Assault, Resisting Arrest and Disorderly Conduct. He was treated at UVMC and then incarcerated at the Miami County Jail.

Beagle Addresses Miami Valley Veterans

ing room. A young veteran, Bill Elliott, has been in a wheelchair following his tour of duty and continues to pursue government help to make his two-story home wheelchair accessible. Beagle and his aids were taking notes. "Veterans are an engaged group and they express a lot of frustration with things going on with the VA and benefits on the federal level," Beagle said. "It's my goal to assist wherever I can and make sure they know that their state cares and is ready to fight for them." His two primary motivations in addressing veterans at the MVVM was to introduce them to resources they may not have known existed and to give them an opportunity to discuss issues. "Sometimes there is already an answer and they just don't know about it yet," Beagle said. "So then the challenge is to find ways to get connected and stay accessible so they don't feel isolated." Despite the challenges raised in discussion, veterans departing the event expressed various levels of gratitude and satisfaction. Fogle and other organizers behind the meeting were encouraged by the turnout and response by Beagle and attendees. The Miami Valley Veterans Museum offers social time featuring coffee and donuts on the first Wednesday of each month from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. The Museum is located above Home Comfort Gallery.

CO Deaths Leads to Detector Requirement

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formation to the occupant about testing and maintenance. The occupant would be required to install replacement batteries as needed, test and provide general alarm maintenance and notify the owner in writing of any deficiencies they cannot fix. The carbon monoxide detectors are required by the state building code, which is in effect in the city, for all new residential construction. Carbon monoxide provisions for existing residences are included in a pending new state Fire Code, based in large part on the international fire code, and are part of codes in use across the country, Simmons said. The goal is to educate and protect, the chief said. "We are not going to get a group of inspectors and go out and inspect homes in Troy," Simmons said. "Our goal as a fire department is to educate people, not to charge people." The proposal also includes adding a penalty section to allow the city and police to enforce fire code requirements criminally. The penalty would be for all code requirements/prohibitions, such as open burning, not just the carbon monoxide detectors, Simmons said. A criminal penalty section was inadvertently removed during a prior code update a couple of years ago, said Patrick Titterington, city service and safety director.

Heywood Elementary School Honor Roll

4TH GRADE: Austin Baker, Andrew Crane, Michelle Daffner, Skylar Davis, Owen Edger, Cadence Favorite, Cristian Fuentes, Mason Glover, Danielle Hall, Ryan Hicks, Eva Hixson, Catharine Logan, Victoria Lucas, Bryce Massingill, Kellen Miller, Bella Nickels, D'Auna Palmer, Allison Ray, Krislynn Scott, Bradley Spangenberg-er, Austin Towne, Ann Waller

5th GRADE: Lucas Buschur, Elijah Donnan, Nolan Fox, Kaiya Godin, Owen Hemmelgarn, Jaemison Kemper, Astryd Littlejohn, Jaden Mayse, Elise McCann, MacKenzie Perkins, Cate Rehmert, Harmony Rolf, Molly Rolon-Pawlaczyk, Savannah Sharett, Spencer Walters, Charlie Wyatt

Schools Keep Price for 5 More Years

By Nancy Bowman

A five-year contract with Jeff Price as the Troy City Schools' Treasurer/CFO was approved unanimously Monday, Feb. 8, by the Board of Education.

Board President Doug Trostle said a five-year agreement is unusual in its length.

"It is probably somewhat unique that we would extend a five-year contract to him but I think, in recognition of his performance and contributions to our administrative cabinet, it is our small way of saying, 'Thanks for doing a great job,'" Trostle said.

The agreement is effective Aug. 1, 2016, through July 31, 2021. It

lists Price's annual base salary at \$127,345 and states any increases on or after Aug. 1, 2017, will follow the schedule of salary payments for other administrative personnel.

Price has been with the district since mid-2013.

In other business during its monthly meeting the board heard from Superintendent Eric Herman that the campaign for renewing the district's 5.8-mill, five-year levy on the March 15 ballot would be more prominent in coming days.

Herman said the fact the election is being held in March, for the presidential primaries, in-

stead of the usual May date "scares" him because of the limited amount of time remaining before the vote. The campaign will emphasize the renewal would not increase taxes, he said.

Trostle asked administrators, staff and other board members to pass along the information if anyone hears critical comments so any levy-related questions in the community can be addressed.

The board also:

- Heard Rachel Martin, THS junior, present her award-winning Voice of Democracy entry.

Martin placed sixth in the state in the competition sponsored by the VFW.

- Heard details of the varsity baseball team trip to Atlanta from coach Ty Welker.
- Received an update on state testing from Herman. As for overall testing, he said, "no one can tell you a whole lot about it." He described changes in the state report card program and said more changes are coming. "It is what it is. You just keep moving," Herman said of dealing with changing reporting and requirements.
- Herman reported the district received \$13,754 in gifts/donations during the past month, bringing the yearly total to \$169,654.

Advocates Program Seeks Volunteers

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ty and transition. "Some of these children come from situations an adult would struggle to cope with," Kaebnick said. "You come to care deeply about what happens to the child and some you even continue to be involved in their lives after they're no longer in the system."

Many CASA volunteers are either retired or working part time to support the lifestyle that accompanies their role. Hundreds of abused and neglected children have received help from the people of Troy over the years. Sanders said that throughout her time serving as director for CASA/GAL in Miami County, the organization has never lacked for anything. "We live in a wonderful community," Sanders said. "In spite of those people who have subjected children to harm, there are so many more people who have tremendous compassion and are looking for ways to help."

Those interested in applying to the CASA program are encouraged to visit miamicountycasa.org for more information or email Jennifer Sanders at jsanders@miamicountycasa.org. Training classes for 2016 begin in March.

Troy High School Principal's List and Honor Roll

The following Troy High School students have earned a grade average of 3.75 or better the second nine week grading period and have been named to the Principal's List.

Freshmen: Taylor Abdon, Josalyn Abrams, Azalia Ali, Fatima Al-Jarani, Rachel Anderson, Gabrielle Behr, Travis Bertram, Matthew Bigley, Tiyantha Boyd, Cole Brogan, Emily Burleson, John Carpenter, Blair Carroll, Katherine Castaneda, Kristina Christman, Anya Coleman, Zackary Collin, Erin Cothran, Lillian Cusick, Taylor Dankworth, Christopher Demeo, Mikayla Dixon, Natalie Dudte, Ethan Dyke, Zachariah Erwin, Mackenzie Evans, Lauren Garlow, Colleen Gilfoyle, Gabrielle Glander, Jessica Goodwin, Grace Hartman, Kalee Heitbrink, Kayleigh Hill, Irene Hinojosa Porras, Alexa Holland, Jordan Horstman, Logan Huth, Samuel Iverson, Bree'Anna Jackson, Abby Johnson, Gabrielle Johnson, Riley Johnson, Daniel Katwyk, Spencer Klopfenstein, Olivia Love, Megan Malott, Kaitlyn McClure, Leonardo Medel, Ciena Miller, Mackenzie Morgan, Lily Morris, Laura Murray, Zachary Niswonger, Cayla O'Neill, Mitchell Orozco, Rhiannon Paglione, Caitlin Palivec, Katherine Pence, Seth Plantz, Yakira Reynolds, Caroline Rhea, Jenna Rice, Payton Riley, Katie Robinson, Josephine Rohlf, Davis Ruzicka, Macie Sadler, Molly Sanders, Sabrina Schaeffer, Luke Severt, Samuel Shaneyfelt, Emily Shurtz, Fateh Singh, Camryn Spencer, Matthew Spencer, Mark Summers, Reina Tanaka, Hailey Taylor, Brandon Thompson, Isabella Tsurkan, Olivia Tyre, Mikayla Vernon, Jessie Welker, Dominic Wenrick, Ethan West, Megan Wheeler, Blake Whitford, Erika Wilson, Tiarra Womble, Abigail Zielsdorf,

Sophomores: Nana Adachi, Hailey Adkins, Laura Barth, Emily Becker, Julia Black, James Boezi, Kylee Brooks, Krishna Brucia, Isabella Burghardt, Bridget Carpenter, Meredith Covault, Joseph Dutton, Adam Falknor, Andrew Flamm, Jacqueline

Fulker, Zoey Geuder, Austin Glover, Sydney Hafer, Lanie Hagen, Megan Hartley, Melanie Harvey, Tristin Heiligenberg, Kaylee Hermann, Abigail Innes, Braden Jamora, Meaghann Joseph, Mayu Kinoshita, Brooke Klopfenstein, Aislinn Klosterman, Nathaniel Leembruggen, Bingliang Liu, Xander Magill, Kendra Magnuson, Courtney Miller, Camryn Moeller, Stephen Moore, Megan Myers, Joshua Niemi, Anoop Patel, Zachary Reichelderfer, Benjamin Ressel, Kearston Riley, Nicolas Rizkallah, Christopher Robbins, Madison Rougier, Elijah Sadler, Cassidy Scisson, Emma Shigley, Hannah Simister, Carly Smith, Jaclyn Smith, Miranda Smith, Hallie Snyder, Cynthia Stanley, Megan Strader, Jacob Sweeney, Camille Thompson, Chiharu Watanabe, Shana Weidner, Olivia Westfall, Jacob Wheeler, Hannah Widener, Lauren Zaylskie,

Juniors: Nicholas Alexander, Jacob Anderson, Michala Andrade, Colleen Baker, Nathaniel Balok, Ashley Barr, Jessica Bigley, William Brumfield, Lauren Cardinal, Caitlyn Cusick, Zoie Davidson, Ally Decker, Katie Demeo, Marshall Dunlap, Meghan Fieessinger, Jennica Funderburg, Monique Gagel, Anish Gollamudi, Collin Goltzene, Katheryn Jackson, Sarah Jergens, Chloe Johnston, Rachel Kinder, Erin Kirner, Nikita Krishnan, Holland Lively, Srividhya Madireddy, Sunao Masunaga, Keith Matthews, Kirsten McMullen, Alexandria Merle, Katelyn Overla, Nicholas Prus, Autumn Ramsey, Madeline Ramsey, Austin Rank, Andrew Ray, Lydia Reedstrom, Cassandra Roache, Matthew Sanders, Marc Scorida, Hannah Severt, Kymberlee Seyfried, Henry Shaneyfelt, Miranda Silcott, Zane Small, Abby Smith, Allison Tyre, Jenna Vent, Nicholas Wehrley, Trey Wiley, Haylee Wright,

Seniors: Christian Alexander, John Alexander, Hope Ash, Mindy Bach, Jared Bair, Kaitlyn Baker, Austin Barney, Brooke Beeler, Ireland Bender, Abigail Bertram, Sierra Besecker, LeeAnn Black, Brandon Blier, Jillian Blount, William Boezi, Hallie Brubaker, Jessica Bryant, Claire Buerger, Courtney Carmack,

Gabrielle Centliver, Holly Clagett, Carsen Clouser, Morgan Cockerham, Shannon Cothran, Spencer Covault, Rachel Culp, Jacob Curcio, Daniel Davenport, Scott Demeo, Bailey Dornbusch, Dominique Drake, Casie Duchak, Lisa Dziko, Zenta Enomoto, Katherine Fetter, Collin Fleischer, Austin Funderburg, Brett Galey, Jonathan Gaul, Cozy Geuder, Jasmeen Gill, Sara Goodwin, Ann Griffith, Clara Guerra, Brooke Harlow, Savannah Harvey, Allison Helman, Carter Hench, Parker Hench, Melanie Henson, Natalie Henson, Megan Hess, Tyler Hess, Haley Huelsman, Mariana Huerta, Madeline Innes, Abbey Jacobs, Austin Jacobs, Caleb Jergens, Zachary Kiss, Alexander Kohler, Phebe Kuo, Bennett Leckrone, Caleb Leibold, Shane Love, Kaylie Marshall, Haelee Merritt, Michaela Miller, Victoria Miller, Nicholas Minesinger, Hannah Munday, Minori Nakada, Caleb Niemi, Kayla Niswonger, Katara Olden, Justin O'Neill, Megan Osman, Alexis Ostot, Jordan Peck, Abigail Pence, Hannah Priebe, McKenzie Pruitt, Alexander Riedel, Noah Roswell, Zoey Scancarello, Matthew Schmitt, Lukas Schroeder, Jared Sherrick, Lydia Shigley, Abigail Shump, Mitchell Silcott, Drezanee Smith, Hannah Stickel, Megan Sweeney, Austin Ullery, Kelsey Walters, Hannah Weaver, John Yennery.

The following Troy High School students have earned a grade average between 3.5 and 3.74 the second nine week grading period and have been named to the Honor Roll.

Freshman: Jacob Adams, Kiyha Adkins, Grace Avey, Tyler Brandenburg, Alex Bridge, Marshall Brueckman, Matthew Brush, Shelby Clark, Lillian Clouser, Savannah Crist, Katherine Dunne, Grace Dynes, Novalee Farris, Jacob Forsythe, Haley Free, Alekhya Gollamudi, Trevor Griffith, Rachel Groover, Ariella Hardin, Brandon Hicks, Miranda Houshel, Erika Innes, Cade Johnson, Garrett Jones, Austin Kendall,

Skylar Kline, Sydney Langenkamp, Hannah Lindimore, David McGraw, Cassidy McMullen, Benjamin Merritt, Kaleb Nelson, Da'Mya Raglin, Scott Riedel, Chalea Ross, Gavin Ruzicka, Megan Sawchek, Hannah Setser, Kaitlyn Sherrick, Margaret Snurr, Jasmine Thompson, Nicole Usserman, Masada Warner, Bailey Webb, Jesse Westmeyer, **Sophomores:** Adam Bilitzke, Shelby Bixler, Joel Blount, Emily Clawson, Daisy Feltner, Elizabeth Freshour, Mikaela Griffith, Dakota Hamman, Hannah Hargrove, Maddison Heffner, Alyse Holter, Jacob Jergens, Emma Kazmaier, Austin Kloecker, Emily Lairmore, David Law, Andrew Magoteaux, Haylea Mattan, Danielle McDonagh, Christine Moser, Tomoaki Nakayama, Savannah Nelson, Victoria Noon, Haylie Nulph, Tyreek Parker, Elizabeth Pedler, Paula Perotti, Dana Senter, Anthony Simon, Charlotte Snee, Deven Sturgeon, Ryan Subler, Destiny Tubbs, Cierra Ulrich, Anna Walker, Weaver Walton, Keiran Williams, Joshua Witters, Dana Wynkoop, **Juniors:** Jackson Armstrong, Alexandria Bristow, Samantha Crotinger, Alexa Dankworth, Connor Goltzene, Kacey Gonzalez, Kyrianne Griffith, Timothy Hanna, Maggie hennessy, Luke Johnson, Jackson Johnston, Hannah Kirk, Samuel Kondall, Logan Magoto, Derrin McCormick, Carlene McGuirk, Caitlin Mellieon, Dylan Miller, Justin Mittelstadt, Rachel Morgan, Hayata Nagata, Meredith Pruitt, Lauryn Rutan, Derrec Sandifer, Taylor Schmitz, Amanda Setser, Pete Sheehan, Sierra Simon, Samantha Sowers, Terrell Sprowl, Megan Studebaker, Katherine Timmers, **Seniors:** Kevin Anderson, Spencer Blackton, Hena Brucia, Zachary Burleson, Kayla Coate, Rachel Darrow, Taylor Dever, Grace Dwyer, Lauren Freed, Alex Gigandet, Sarah Hartley, Angela Hess, Jordan Hoffman, Stephen Jones, Jared Liew, Samuel Nation, Anya North, Shelby Rodgers, Parker Savard, Nicholas Simon, Alisen Soutar, Connor Stradling, Lauren Swank, Johan Trotter, Whitney Webb, Logan Westfall, Hannah Wright



Troy Places 12th In GWOC Wrestling Tournament

By Jim Dabbelt

Davin Snyder finished third overall to lead the Troy wrestling squad to a 12th place finish in the league wrestling tournament on Saturday at Fairmont High School. Snyder was one of four Trojans to place in the league meet, as the team now prepares for the sectional tournament next week.

Snyder, who wrestled at 182 pounds, won his third place match over William Nibert of Centerville 9-6 after advancing through the early rounds. Snyder opened tournament play with a 12-3 major decision over Kenton WcWharter of Xenia be-

fore dropping an 11-6 decision to Seth Rawlings of Beavercreek in the quarterfinals. Snyder then pinned Jacob Newburg of Lebanon in 3:34 in the fourth consolation then defeated Seth Vondenhuevel of Sidney 11-6 to advance to the consolation semis, where he knocked off Garrett Fogel of Fairmont 4-1 to get to the third place match.

Also placing fifth for Troy was Christian Nation at 220. He defeated Tyler Haworth of Wayne in 1:46 in the fifth-place match.

To get there, Nation opened the day with a pin of David Henson of Northmont in 1:31 in the open-

ing round, and advanced into the quarterfinals, where he recorded another pin, taking down Eli Phipps of Lebanon in 2:27. Once in the semis, he lost his match to Bradley Smith of Beavercreek in 4:48 and was defeated by Henson in a rematch 15-0 to land in the fifth-place match.

Two Troy wrestlers placed sixth overall, including Brandon Lewis at 106 and Ben Andrews at 113.

Lewis opened his day with a major decision over Trevor Landon of Fairborn 14-5 and headed to the quarterfinals, where he lost to Luke Holloway of Northmont via pin in 3:07.

Lewis recovered to pin Kenneth Wilson of Fairmont in 2:16 in the fourth consolation round, and did the same to Reid Salzer of Springboro in 2:41 advancing to the consolation semis. There, he lost to Patrick Dillon of Lebanon 10-5, and he wrapped up his day losing in the fifth place match to Cole McGuire of Miamisburg 14-5 to finish sixth.

Also placing sixth was Ben Andrews at 113. Andrews lost in the quarterfinals to Chad Craft of Northmont in 48 seconds dropping him to the consolation round, where he won his next match over Ryan Fey of

Greenville 6-5. In the consolation quarters, Andrews defeated Dean Hurd of Greenville 7-1 before losing in the semis to Josh Suddeth of Butler in 2:25. Once in the fifth-place match, the Trojans wrestler lost to Jacob Boulton via pin.

Also competing for Troy was Shane Love at 132, Justin Mittelstadt at 138, Frankie Quintero at 145, Shane Shoop at 152, Will Brumfield at 195, and Kameron Block at 285.

Troy now prepares for the sectional tournament next week.

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Tipp Survives Trojans At Hobart Arena

By Jim Dabbelt

Teams that are successful hope to be peaking just at the right time... when the post-season arrives. For Tippecanoe, their boys basketball team is geared up for what they hope will be a solid run by winning their third consecutive game on Saturday, defeating Troy 50-41 at Hobart Arena on a night where they honored the history of Trojans basketball.

As for the Trojans, they were riding high after a big win against Miami East and a thrilling win against league for Butler. On this night, it came down to who could survive a bad night at the free throw line, and put the game away in the fourth quarter.

It wouldn't have surprised anyone in attendance if both Troy coach Paul Bremigan and Tippecanoe's Joel Visser called their squads back in for a midnight practice to work on one thing...free throws.

The two teams combined to miss 16 free throws in the fourth quarter alone as the Red Devils were trying to put the game away. Tipp did hit six of their last seven to secure the win.

“We had to get to the line, we are

shooting 70 percent from the line as a team, and that is our deal,” Visser said. “We got to the line 30 times, but we only made 17. We made it interesting and didn't need to.”

He knows that coming off a rough year last year, this group is hungry to make a statement in the sectionals.

“We had a good win at Urbana who I think will have a good shot at a #1 seed in the tournament, we beat Bellefontaine twice this year for the first time since 2009, and tonight we come in here and play tough,” Visser said. “This is a huge win for us.”

“It's all the kids, they are working so hard,” he added. “They want it for each other.”

Bremigan also hopes to have his team playing well as they head into the post season as well.

“We didn't get the ball inside like we want to, and when we did, we rushed some shots,” he said.

“We are looking to try to get better and more consistent,” he added.

“We are trying to find people who will put the ball in the basket. That has been a struggle for us all year,



Troy's Trey Bucio goes in for a layup.

we have missed a lot of shots inside that other teams don't miss.”

Troy led early but Tipp took the lead at 5-3 on a three-point play from Carter Mann, and never looked back. Nathan Shirley then hit a three, and later Adam Grieshop scored in the paint, giving Tipp a 10-4 lead.

The Trojans fought back behind Zach Reichelderfer and Romello Yaqub but a three from Zach Wildermuth kept the lead for Tipp.

Mader Leads Tipp Past Troy

By Jim Dabbelt

For the first time in many years, there was basketball at Hobart Arena. Troy celebrated their 100 years of basketball with a doubleheader against the Red Devils on Saturday night, as several of the former Trojan male and female players returned to Troy to be recognized on this special celebration.

Many figured that playing in an arena like Hobart would cause a difficulty in shooting from the outside, but don't tell that to Allison Mader. The Tipp sophomore connected on four of the eight total three-point shots hit by the Red Devils, as they cruised to a 54-36 victory over the Trojans. She scored 18 points to lead everyone on the night.

“It was a nice bounce back win for us after the Shawnee game, and we tried to focus on communication and talking a little bit more,” Tipp coach Andy Holderman said. “In the second quarter, we got some pressure on them and it helped get things rolling for us.”

Troy led early 4-3 before Tipp put together a 7-2 run in the first

period to take a 10-6 lead with 2:10 left in the opening period. Maddy Taylor answered for the Trojans with a layup, and when Alaura Holycross hit a short jumper, the Trojans tied the game late in the first period. Sammie Rowland busted a big three at the end of the quarter and Tipp took the 13-10 lead.

Tipp opened the gap in the second period, when Mader and Taylor Prall hit consecutive three's and the Red Devils took a 23-12 lead with 4:53 left until the half. Both teams exchanged free throws and when Holycross scored from five feet out Troy cut their deficit to 28-15. Holycross added another free throw late in the half, as Tipp took a 12-point lead into the half.

Tipp never looked back in the second half, as they went on a 9-0 run in the third period, including four points from Rowland to push their lead out to 37-18 with 3:50 left in the third period.

Bailey Dornbusch answered to finally stop the bleeding for the Trojans, but 30 seconds later,



Jordan Short goes into score.

Mader fired in another three to keep the momentum with Tipp.

Troy ended the third quarter on a 8-2 run over the final 2:32, and headed into the third period only trailing 42-29.

Mader came back and hit another three to open the fourth, and scored seven in the period to keep the Red Devils in command.

In addition to Mader's 18, Prall added 10 points for Tipp. Troy

was led by Holycross with 10 and Kiyha Atkins with eight.

Tipp opens sectional tournament play on Saturday against Greenon, at Tecumseh with the gametime now set for 4:30. It was originally set for 6 p.m. but was moved back. Troy opens tourney play next Tuesday at 6 p.m. against the winner of Beaver-creek vs Fairborn. That game site is not determined as of presstime.

Yellow Springs Stops Eagles In League Play

By Andre' DeVond Jr.

The Troy Christian Eagles lost 50-34 to Metro Buckeye Conference foe the Yellow Springs Bulldogs Friday night.

The Eagles are now 6-4 and 8-11 overall on the season. Eagles head coach Ray Zawadzki talks about his team's effort.

“I really thought our kids came out and competed. We executed a game plan to what I thought was about 85% perfection, it's that 15% when you play a great team like Yellow Springs their going to take advantage of you.”

In the first quarter, the Eagles

were off to a good start until the Bulldogs were able to surge a six point run, leaving the trailing at the end of the first 13-9.

Going into the second quarter, the Bulldogs continued to put up points on the scoreboard and take a 21-11 lead midway through the quarter.

With rebounding contributions from Eagles big man James Anderson and scoring from Chase Hayden and Jacob Brown, the Eagles were only down 20-18.

While in transition, the Eagles committed a costly over and back that could've potentially

tied the game.

The Bulldogs closed out the quarter on a 5-0 run and led going into halftime 25-18.

Coming out of halftime, the Eagles cut the deficit to 25-23 but the Bulldogs shot lights outs from the three-point line, making three consecutive baskets.

The Bulldogs remained in command 39-27.

In the final quarter, the Bulldogs became more aggressive on both sides of ball.

The Eagles miscues on offense and defense prevented them from any chance of a comeback.

The Bulldogs mounted a 19-point lead at one point and that deficit was too much to overcome as the Eagles go on to lose 50-34.

With this win, the Bulldogs won the Metro Buckeye Conference with a conference record of 11-0.

Coach Zawadzki speaks the miscues and how his team tried to bounce back.

“It hit a certain level where we know when it got to nine the game plan was going to be hard to overcome a nine point deficit. We made a change and we

Notes:

Daum Signs With CCU

Troy's Ryan Daum has signed to play football with Cincinnati Christian University as they prepare to enter the NAIA for their first season of football in 2016. The Eagles, who hired former Cincinnati Bengals safety David Fulcher as their first head coach, will compete in the Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletics Conference.

Daum, who started playing football in second grade, will keep his number 48 that he has had all through his football career including at Troy High School.

Troy Christian Girls Basketball

The Eagles defeated Yellow Springs 45-39 last week in Metro Buckeye Conference play. With the win, the Eagles stand 14-6 overall, and opens tournament play on Saturday at Sidney High School at 2:30 against #2 seed Jackson Center.

Hailey Peters led Troy Christian with 23 points and 14 rebounds, while Kathryn Lee added 11 points and eight rebounds, and Lauryn Lavy scored six points and 11 rebounds

“Our post players dominated the paint,” said Troy Christian coach Dick Steineman. “Lauryn and Megan also controlled their leading scorer (Liz Smith) and made her work for her points.”

The Eagled led 24-16 at the half, and maintained through the second half.

Troy Hockey

The Troy hockey team won the league championship of the Gold Division last week with a 4-3 victory over Talawanda. With the win, the Trojans will move up to the Red Division next season.

AJ Noll had two goals and one assist for Troy, while Michael Hess added one goal, Doug Eardly had the game winning goal, and Prestyn Hoeffler added three assists.

“Last year Talawanda beat us twice,” Troy coach Phill Noll said. “We had the lead tonight from the start, and held on for the final eight minutes to win.”

Talawanda outshot Troy 27-14.

The Trojans now play Centerville tomorrow night at 7:40 at South Metro, as the number six seed in the tournament.

Bowling

Troy lost a pair of boys' bowling matches last week, falling to Butler 2335-2107 and Sidney 2375-2372.

The Trojan girls' team lost to Butler 2367-2284 then defeated Sidney 2371-1885.

Sports Schedules

Wednesday, February 10

6:00 p.m. – Troy HS Boys Wrestling vs. Greenville/ Piqua/West Carrollton

7:30 p.m. – Troy HS Girls Basketball at Springboro Friday, February 12

6:00 p.m. – Troy HS Girls Gymnastics in the Gem City Tri-Meet at Gem City Gymnastics

7:00 p.m. – Troy Christian Boys Basketball vs. Middletown Christian

7:30 p.m. – Troy HS Boys Basketball vs. Piqua

TBA – Troy HS Swimming Sectionals @ Trotwood High School

Saturday, February 13

9:00 a.m. – Troy HS Bowling in GWOC Tournament at

Beaver-Vu Bowl

2:30 p.m. – Troy Christian Girls Basketball Sectional @ Sidney HS

3:00 p.m. – Troy Christian Girls Sectional Swim Meet @ Trotwood HS

TBA – Troy HS Swimming Sectionals @ Trotwood High School

Monday, February 15

7:45 p.m. – Troy Christian Boys Basketball @ Northeastern

Tuesday, February 16

4:00 p.m. – Troy HS Bowling vs. West Carrollton @ Troy Bowl

Wednesday, February 17

TBA – Troy HS Boys Hockey at SWOHSHL Tournament



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All materials are included in the class fee. Fees are available for both members and non-members.
For more information on the class or to register, stop at the YWCA at 418 N. Wayne Street or call 773-6626. The YWCA is handicapped accessible.

Rick Polhamus To Speak About ISIS & Boko Haram
Troy Church of the Brethren invites the community to join us Sunday, February 28, 2016 to hear speaker Rick Polhamus.
Rick has served on Christian Peacemaker Team delegations in Palestine, Iraq, and has worked with the Nigerian Church of the Brethren conflict with Boko Haram and the “Black Lives Matter” conflict in Ferguson, Missouri. Rick is a respected leader in peace making throughout the world.
During our Sunday school hour (9:30-10:30 am) in the Fellowship Hall, Rick will focus on nonviolence and conflict transformation in Nigeria. In worship service starting at 10:40 AM, Rick will give the Sermon “Put Your Faith Not Your Fears In Charge.”
After worship at noon there will be a luncheon. After the luncheon, Rick will share his experience in the Middle East regarding ISIS with a focus on the root issues.
The Troy Church of the Brethren is located at 1431 West Main Street in Troy. Questions call 937-335-8835.

Book Lovers Anonymous Book Club at the Library
Join the library for a lively discussion at the adult book club at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 22. They will be reading and discussing “Under the Banner of Heaven” by Jon Krakauer for the month of February.
The Book Lovers Anonymous Book Club usually meets at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month. They read a variety of fiction and nonfiction titles.
The Troy-Miami County Public Library is located at 419 West Main Street, Troy, Ohio.
For more information, call 937-339-0502, ext. 120, or visit our website at www.tmcpl.org.

Library to Hold Family Movie Night
Join the Troy library for some family fun and popcorn as they present the movie “Inside Out” at 6 p.m. on Monday, February 29, 2016; the movie is rated PG and runs for 102 minutes. Registration opens February 15, please call 937-339-0502 ext. 121 to register.
For more information, call 937-339-0502 ext. 121 or visit www.tmcpl.org. The Troy-Miami County Public Library is located at 419 West Main Street, Troy, Ohio.

What to Do in Troy

Great Backyard Bird Count Walk
February 12, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Maple Ridge Reserve
The Miami County Park district will hold the Great Backyard Bird Count Walk on February 12 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Maple Ridge Reserve, 10430 State Route 185 north of Covington. Join park district naturalist Wil o the Wisp for a winter walk in the woods to identify and county birds as part of the Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC). This program is for both amateur and experienced birders. Bring binoculars and a bird field guide if available. Dress for the weather. For more information on the GBBC visit birdsourc.org/gbbc. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Valentine Dinner & a Show
February 12 & 13, 6:00-9:00 p.m.
Troy-Hayner Cultural Center
Troy-Hayner Cultural Center's Annual Show for you and your sweetheart!
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magic, black light, laser manipulation, cigar box manipulation and an insane 22 real plate spinning finale that has to be seen to be believed. He is one of few entertainers left in North America performing authentic plate spinning – his signature piece.
Please call 937-339-0457 or visit www.TroyHayner.org for more information.
Great Backyard Bird Count Walk
February 13, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Charleston Falls Preserve
The Miami County Park district will hold the Great Backyard Bird Count Walk on February 13 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Road south of Tipp City. Join park district naturalist Wil o the Wisp for a winter walk in the woods to identify and county birds as part of the Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC). This program is for both amateur and experienced birders. Bring binoculars and a bird field guide if available. Dress for the weather. For more information on the GBBC visit birdsourc.org/gbbc. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.
Troy Night Market
February 16, 4:00-7:00 p.m.
11 N. Market St.
The market is a collaboration of local farmers market vendors

who grow and produce ‘Local Foods’ and food related items. The market is being presented with the support of producers who are volunteer committee members of The Miami County Food Council under the guidance of The OSU Miami County Extension Office.
The Troy Night Market vendors embrace the slogan “In Support of Local Food” and will be offering a variety of locally based food products for sale. Products include homemade jams, jellies, fruit butters, baked goods, gourmet roasted coffee, herbal seasoning, mixes, tea blends, candy, honey, sorghum, maple syrup, popping corn, and many other items.
Seasonal fresh produce, herbs, flowers and garden plants will also be offered in season.
The market will also offer a limited number of handmade kitchen/household related items such as soaps, cutting boards, wooden tureen ware, ceramic ware, rolling pins and other hand-crafted items.
For more information visit us on Facebook at, “Troy Night Market” or call (937) 216-0949 e-mail TroyNightMarket@gmail.com .
To promote your non-profit club or organization’s events, e-mail the information at least two weeks in advance to editor@troytrib.com. You can also mail the information to Troy Tribune, P.O. Box 281, New Carlisle OH 45344

YW Wild Walking Women
Get motivated to walk and get healthier with the YW Wild Walking Women beginning Tuesday, February 16. The ladies will meet to walk on Tuesdays and Thursdays for a 4 week period from 9-10 a.m. Participants will meet at The Miami Valley Centre Mall and Joan Beck and Nancy Hirby, facilitators, will guide the group each week.
“We promise a fun time, an opportunity to meet new friends and a time to develop your health and well-being,” said Beck and Hirby. “Motivation and laughter will keep you going as you get healthier together,” they added.
For more information on class fees or to register, stop at the YWCA Piqua at 418 N. Wayne Street or call 773-6626. Pre-registration is requested. YWCA membership is not required.

DAR To Host Awards Tea
The Piqua-Lewis Boyer Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will award students from Miami and Shelby Counties who have participated in the American History and Christopher Columbus Essay Contest as well as Good Citizen Awards and the Dorothy Walker Beach Memorial Scholarship on Saturday February 13. The awards tea will be held at the Westminster Presbyterian Church located at 325 Ash Street in Piqua and will begin at 10:30am. Guests, students, faculty and family are welcome to attend. The Hostess Committee is Judy Deeter, Chair; Kaye Humerickhouse, Susan Miracle and Shannon Shafer.

Sunday Drive In Concert
Sunday Drive, a gospel trio, will perform at Bethel United Methodist Church on Sunday, March 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Sunday Drive, from Knoxville, Tennessee travels across the country sharing the message of joy and hope in Jesus.
They have won more than 20 Entertainer and Vocal Group of the Year awards and were voted the 2013-2014 ICM Vocal Group of the Year! They have had many #1 songs in several areas and have performed at the Grand Ole Opry, Theme Parks, Riverboats and Festivals, sharing the stage with great artists as the Oak Ridge Boys, Tanya Tucker, Stella Parton and others.
Sunday Drive strives to positively influence the world through their music. To be a light...for the world to see, To show love...in all that they do and To live life...as disciples of Christ.
The public is welcome to join us for this free concert as we welcome Sunday Drive on Sunday, March 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Bethel United Methodist Church, 2505 E. Loy Rd. Piqua, Ohio. Refreshments will be served following the concert. A freewill offering will be collected.

Hayner announces Poetry Reading - Contest
The Troy-Hayner Cultural Center, 301 W. Main Street will begin the 2016 Poetry Series on Thursday, February 25 with a presentation by Cathryn Essinger. The 7:30 p.m. program is free and open to the public. Cathryn Essinger is the author of three prize winning books of poetry: Desk in the Elephant House, My Dog Does Not Read Plato, and What I Know About Innocence. Her work has appeared in a wide variety of journals, from Midwest Gothic to The Southern Review, The Antioch Review and Poetry. She is a retired Professor of English at Edison State Community College and a member of The Greenville Poets, a small but well published poetry group that has

been together for over twenty-five years.
The second program in the series will take place March 24 at 7:30 and will feature poet Lianne Spidel and artist Ann Loveland. They will share a collaborative project entitled “Pairings.”
In April the Hayner program will be a reading by the winners of the sixth annual poetry competition. The competition is open to students and adults who are citizens of Miami or surrounding counties in Ohio. The submitted works must be original, never published and never read at a Hayner poetry reading. Poets who have been featured presenters at Hayner readings are ineligible. Winners of past competition may submit again. There is a \$5.00 non-refundable entry fee and cash prizes



are awarded in each age group category. The deadline for entries is April 1, 2016. A prospectus with complete contest rules is available on the Hayner website Troy-Hayner.org or may be obtained by calling 339-0457 or stopping by the Hayner.
This is the fourteenth season of Poetry Readings at the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center. The series is coordinated by David Petreman, Professor of Modern Languages at Wright State University.

Leadership Troy to Hold Two Candidates Nights
The Leadership Troy Alumni will be sponsoring two back-to-back evenings to Meet the Candidates in February 2016.
The first night is scheduled for scheduled for Tuesday, February 23, 2016, will feature fifteen candidates with opposition for the 8th Congressional District Race.

The second evening, Wednesday, February 24, 2016 and will feature candidates for Sheriff of Miami County, Prosecuting Attorney, and Miami County Commissioner, as well as the Troy Schools levy.
“The important issue and races along with the number of candidates running in the Primary Election has necessitated the additional night,” said Steve Baker, Chairman of the event. “Mark your

calendars and be sure to join us to help you make an educated decision in the Primary Election on March 15, 2016.”
Both of these forums will be held at the Troy Jr. High School gymnasium at 556 North Adams Street in Troy. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. The program will begin each evening promptly at 7:30 p.m. and will last ninety (90) minutes.
Leadership Troy Alumni have been hosting the

Meet the Candidate forums since 1990. Leadership Troy includes residents of the Troy area who, since 1984, have successfully completed an extensive program designed to increase the quality and quantity of men and women capable of accepting leadership roles in community organizations.

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Valentine’s Day, is it more than a Hallmark holiday?

By: Kathy Voytko

If you ask any young woman, she will tell you that Valentine’s Day is a special day when her sweetheart sends her flowers and buys her diamonds. Men will tell you it is the day they must remember to purchase a card, candy, flowers, and yes, jewelry for the lovely lady in their life. A school child will tell you that it is the day they have a party and get candy and little cards decorated with their favorite cartoon character or TV idol. Retailers will tell you that it is a bonus to their bottom line as they line the shelves with candy, cards, roses, and, yes folks, frilly nighties and other things you can give as a gift to that someone special. Cha Ching, and watch the cash register sing! From the historian’s point of

view, Valentine’s Day is somewhat of a mystery. It seems that there were up to three saints named Valentine according to the Catholic Church, all of whom were martyred. One dates back to ancient Rome and is associated with the idea that only single men could serve in the Roman army. The Emperor Claudius II put him to death for continuing to marry men bound to serve as soldiers. Another story suggests that Valentine helped prisoners escape Roman prisons. There are a number of speculative notions on why Valentine’s Day is held in mid-February to remember the death and burial of Valentine. In ancient Rome, spring began at this time and was a time of purification. If this is

the case, the norm of life today would frown upon the sacrifice of a goat for fertility and a dog for purification. What followed this action is really what nightmares are made of. As the story goes, Pope Gelius declared February 14th as Valentine’s Day at the end of the 5th century. Adding to the idea that mid-February was the beginning of bird mating season in France and England, it was seen as a day of romance. Today Valentine’s Day is the second largest greeting card holiday with Christmas being the first. Women purchase about 85% of Valentines. The holiday is celebrated in the United States, Canada, the U. K., Mexico, France and Australia. In

case you wondered, the oldest known Valentine is on display in the British Museum, and the first commercial Valentine’s Day card was produced in America in the 1940’s. Esther A. Howland created cards using lace, ribbons and colorful pictures. Hopefully you will create a Valentine for someone special in your life. You really don’t need a holiday to write that e-mail, drop a card in the mailbox, or make a call to a friend, family member or neighbor just to keep in touch and say “I thought of you today” or “I love you.” For me, I will be looking forward to my puppy kisses from Suzie after work, dinner with my family, and if I am lucky, a Simply Caramel Milky Way.

Club Benefits Spina Bifida Association



Corvette-Troy held their annual Christmas Party for children afflicted with Spina Bifida. Corvette-Troy also presented the Miami Valley Spina Bifida Association with their annual check for \$10,000.00. An additional \$6,000.00 was recently presented to various local food banks, service groups and the Humane Society. In the past 30+ years, Corvette-Troy has donated over \$500,000.00 to various local charities. Charity funds come from their annual Corvette raffle held in September. For additional information, contact www.corvette-troy.com, or P O Box 125, Troy, Ohio 45373 or 937-236-6762.

Rotarians Host Children’s Hospital Representatives

The campus of Dayton Children’s Hospital, 1 Children’s Plaza, is transforming so it can meet the continuing needs of youth in the Miami Valley area. Troy Rotary hosted several representatives from the hospital during their February 2nd meeting. Members learned all about the updates that will make being at the facility more convenient for families whose children rely on the well-rounded and responsive pediatric medical center. The hospital provides services for children from birth to 21 years of age, with a few exceptions. “Reaching New Heights” is the motto and tagline of the \$153 million expansion and renovation project

currently underway. Destination 2020 is the hospital’s long-term strategic plan that began in 2012. The four key areas of the plan include exceptional patient experience, focusing on what the staff does well, integrating community-based physicians with hospital-based doctors, and fostering partnerships with other networks and medical groups. Included in the changes are ways to accommodate travel needs when family members of a patient want to be on hand to support the child’s recovery. The expansion includes a new seven-floor tower being built on land made available through the demolition of old, existing structures. The

new building is due to open in April 2017. The rest of the campus will see a consolidated front entrance, new paint and a new look from the highway. Inside, new directional signage will have the theme “Things That Fly,” paying homage to Dayton’s aviation heritage. The cost of the improvements is being paid for with existing hospital funds, bank financing and the philanthropy of private and business donors. Dayton Children’s Hospital supports 20 counties in the region. The goals are to improve access to services, offer greater convenience, and provide a positive patient experience through improved customer service.

The facility supports 40,000 patient visits annually, 10,000 of which are from youth who live in the city of Troy. The hospital hosts 47 specialties, including eight super specialties where the staff believe they have a core competency. To learn more, please visit their Web site: www.childrensdayton.org. Troy Rotarians, and the Troy Rotary Foundation, support several community projects annually. In 2014-15, more than \$16,000 in scholarships and community aid was distributed from the fund, including the annual Shoe Project, Troy After Prom and support for summer camps at Brukner Nature Center and Waco Air

Work Progresses on Treasure Island

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Both the Marina Building renovations and the park are within the budgets approved by City Council, Patrick Titterington, city service and safety director, said last week. The search for the Marina operator extends beyond someone interested in running a restaurant, a search that might require involving a consultant. “We are still looking at a couple of different folks. We may want to ask a consultant to come in and head hunt for us,” Titterington said. “The reason is we want the right business in here, something that is going to complement the park, something that is going to be reputable and have the assets and willingness to come in here but also do some other things.” What those other functions might be continues to be hammered out but include being a partner in the Treasure Island program and other events, he said. The restaurant was operat-

ed previously by Tin Roof, which was closed for the renovations. The operators chose to go mobile with a food truck instead of waiting for the project’s completion. Some who have toured the Marina building have told officials their business plan doesn’t fit and the city representatives have told a couple of others the same, Titterington said. Most of interior work at the Marina Building by Bruns General Contracting of Tipp City is done. The contract was for \$959,274. Last week, workers were re-pairing a large glass Marina Building window overlooking the Great Miami River following the window being vandalized. The interior work has opened up the area entering the building with new restrooms and a Fireplace Room on the north side. The bar area has been redone but not much work carried out in the kitchen area. “We are finishing it out to the shell. The restaurant, business

operator who comes in will take this and do what they want with it,” Titterington said. The space of the Fireplace Room, which includes a fireplace, was vacant previously. It will have an entrance from a north side balcony for access for functions separate from the restaurant, if desired. “This area has great potential, as you can see,” Mayor Mike Beamish said adding he could see the area possibly as a lounge or other gathering area. The space beyond the kitchen on the south side is done and could be used for storage or other restaurant equipment. The area looking to the east toward the river has a sliding window that could be used for walk up service for food, rentals or other purposes. Outside the building, Bruns has been waiting to complete the rest of the exterior work including the balcony following river flooding last month. Steel beams

needed for the work are on site with everything ready to go once the water under the building is down enough to allow adequate space for workers, Titterington said. The Marina Building work initially was scheduled for completion last summer but was delayed first by a proposed change in the design of the building eaves/awning that was accepted and off and on by weather conditions. Final work on those areas will be done when weather permits. “There’s nothing here that is delaying us other than weather. That is perfectly legitimate,” Titterington said. Work on the Treasure Island Park continued on a warmer day last week when crews working with general contractor Double Jay Construction of Englewood were at a large shelter that will accommodate several picnic tables. The contract for the park is for \$1.686 million. Most of the park grading is

complete, trails are in and the amphitheater is partially done. Programming for the park is under way with many ideas involving river use such as canoeing and kayaking. Donations received so far from individuals and companies will be used for projects such as bike racks and a sponsor still is welcome for exercise stations proposed for along the park path at an estimated cost of around \$50,000. Camping is being explored along with a possible location in the park south area for a monarch butterfly habitat. A habitat also is being considered a city owned land north of Treasure Island. Beamish said the area would offer wellness, education, preservation and environmental awareness. “It does have an awful lot of key themes that we are trying to develop here let alone bringing the river back to life,” he said.

Troy Noon Optimists host Director of “The Future Begins Today”

Natalie Rohlfs is a homegrown Troy Trojan, with a Journalism/Public Relations degree from Ohio University. Her experience for more than a decade has been in the field of higher education advancement, where she has made scholarship and programming fundraising, development, community and donor relations and communication her passion. With strong family roots in Troy, she continues to serve her Troy community through her volunteer work with her church, Troy Schools



and St. Patrick Catholic School. Rohlfs’ husband, Brad, teaches at Van Cleve School and her daughters attend Forest Elementary, where she serves as the PTO President. In her third month as the Executive Director of The Future Begins Today, she is already committed to bringing enrichment programs and scholarship opportunities to Troy students so they can reach their educational and personal potential. “The Future Begins Today” Board announced that Natalie Rohlfs has been named the executive director of the 22-year-old program that supports the education of Troy students. “I’ve been privileged to see the many opportunities that the program (TFBT)

has offered our Troy students. It is my hope that these opportunities will become something that many more families can experience,” Rohlfs said. She began the transition process with previous director, Cheryl Cotner, in October 2015 and assumed the executive director position in December 2015. To learn more about supporting The Future Begins Today and the opportunities that it provides, visit www.thefuturebeginstoday.org. The Future Begins Today is a non-profit organization that partners with the Troy City Schools to provide additional programs and support for students to succeed. TFBT also provides college

grants for students who otherwise might not view post-secondary education as an option. The Troy Noon Optimist Club has been supporting the youth of Troy for 60 years. The club motto is “Bringing out the Best in Kids.” A few of the service projects that the Club is involved in include sponsoring the Hometown Halloween Parade and Costume Contest, the Hometown Holiday Celebration, our own “Avenue of Flags” and the Troy Noon Optimists Strawberry Festival Booth. Our “Avenue of Flags” program provides the majority of our funds to support our five scholarships awarded yearly to Troy graduates and

allows us to continue our Troy Noon Optimists Oratorical Contest for Jr. and Sr. High students. It also gives us the ability to provide support for kids programs like The Lincoln Center, Girl Scouts, Destination Imagination, Sheriff’s Summer Youth Camp, Brukner Nature Center, Kids Read Now, and many others. It’s an honor to be a part of this enthusiastic group that is contributing to all the great things that make Troy one of America’s Best Communities!” For information about joining our Troy Optimist Club please contact any member and/or attend a Monday lunch meeting at the LA Piazza for lunch.

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Columns & Opinion

Tip of the Week

By Sgt. JJ Mauro TCPD Ret.

Change Of Direction Indicators

Everyone has a pet peeve. My Boy Scout Troop Leader’s was people griping about his cooking. A paramedic friend of mine hated when someone would call for an emergency ambulance then asks that no lights or sirens be used. I know a lady who when she sees children acting out in public wants to go to the parents and give them what for. My personal pet peeve is people who don’t use those new fandangled electronic devices called turn signals.

You would think that with all the thumb use on these modern games and phones, this generation would naturally use them without thinking. I know they still count points off o the driver’s test if signals are not used. But recently I was talking with some of the younger CO’s and was castigating one for not using a turn signal when our shift went to breakfast and I was behind her.

One of the other CO’s stated, well she didn’t have to use it, she was in a turn only lane. I could not believe what I was hearing so thinking she was joking. I said, “Yeah right.” She was dead serious though and again said if you are in a right turn or left turn only lane, then everybody knows they are turning.

Ah, no that is not the case. If a driver wants to make a change of direction, lane change or turn, a signal indicating the driver’s intention must be given. The young lady was adamant and was told otherwise. Another CO told her that she was wrong and JJ is not the one to argue with about the law.

So I retrieved a copy of Anderson’s Ohio Revised Code and turned to ORC 4511.39 and had her read the first paragraph.

4511.39 Turn and stop signals. (A) No person shall turn a vehicle or trackless trolley or move right or left upon a highway unless and until such person has exercised due care to ascertain that the movement can be made with reasonable safety nor without giving an appropriate signal in the manner hereinafter provided.

When required, a signal of intention to turn or move right or left shall be given continuously during not less than the last one hundred feet traveled by the vehicle or trackless trolley before turning, except that in the case of a person operating a bicycle, the signal shall be made not less than one time but is not required to be continuous. A bicycle operator is not required to make a signal if the bicycle is in a designated turn lane, and a signal shall not be given when the operator’s hands are needed for the safe operation of the bicycle.

No person shall stop or suddenly decrease the speed of a vehicle or trackless trolley without first giving an appropriate signal in the manner provided herein to the driver of any vehicle or trackless trolley immediately to the rear when there is opportunity to give a signal.

Any stop or turn signal required by this section shall be given either by means of the hand and arm, or by signal lights that clearly indicate to both approaching and following traffic intention to turn or move right or left, except that any motor vehicle in use on a highway shall be equipped with, and the required signal shall be given by, signal lights when the distance from the center of the top of the steering post to the left outside limit of the body, cab, or load of such motor vehicle exceeds twenty-four inches, or when the distance from the center of the

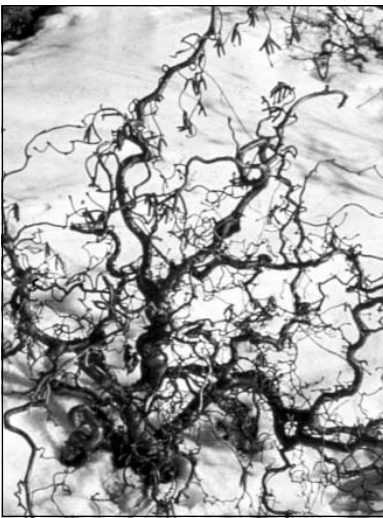
Gardening Commentary

from MVG

Open Your Eyes !

Yes, it is winter and some people think it is pretty bleak outside. We need to take a minute and look around, there is a lot to see in the plant world all around us at this time of the year. This beauty will go unnoticed if we don’t look now. When the leaves are off the deciduous trees and shrubs the rest of their winter beauty appears. There are plant forms and characteristics like- beautiful bark, bright berries, winding/twisted vines and evergreens that we don’t notice when all the foliage and flowers are on the plants around us. Take a look at some of the large trees at this time of the year. Trees like the stately sycamore or heritage birch, the bark on these trees is beautiful and we may not even notice it when the leaves are on the trees. Ninebark shrub is another good one for winter form and unique bark.

A unique ornamental plant is Harry Lauder’s Walking Stick with its twisted branches and in late winter it has blooms, actually



Harry Lauder’s Walking Stick

catkins, with their long pendulous flowers that are so graceful in the breeze or even stellar looking when there is no air moving, they hang perfectly straight down.

Then there are the evergreens that have weeping branches or tight columnar shapes. See the photo of the Weeping Alaskan Arborvitae pictured here. This graceful, stately tree is a real beauty that tolerates many types of soil and grows very well here in the Miami Valley.



Pear tree espalier

Espaliered plants add a whole new dimension to the winter landscape. They can be developed from a number of plants. See the photo here of the pear tree growing next on the brick wall. Nearly any plant can be trained to grow on a wall or trellis adding something different to any landscape planting. Some vines like the pictured Climbing Hydrangea actually clings to the wall and has a very interesting bark. Large green leaves in summer mask the beauty of the bark. Large white



Weeping Alaskan Arborvitae

flowers are another feature of this plant. It prefers shade from the westerly sun so planting on a wall facing north or east is best.

So look around you when you are driving and walking, there is plenty to see even in the winter months.

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At Home

by Connie Moore

Roses of the Past

At one end of the house lay a pile of seed catalogs. At the other end of the house puzzles were stacked up on a shelf and one spread out on the big utility table to work on. Never did we think there would be any connection between the two and certainly not a small piece in our family history.

Seed catalogs are something akin to high-potency vitamins taken in wintertime to stave off all sorts of maladies. The high-gloss photographs infuse our brains with energizing colors missed once snow whitens the ground and frigid air turns green into brown. Unique variety names and descriptions replenish our syntaxes that seem to shrivel in winter’s dry air.

We are equally excited over seeing the latest in variety and color and the heirloom varieties making a comeback. An example is roses. In Medway, my hometown, our house on East Main Street had a number of bushes including the beautiful hybrid tea Peace rose. It has been called the most famous rose of the 20th century. Its blooms are large, soft, pale yellow petals edged in pink. It has the sweetest fragrance and was my dad’s favorite rose.

My favorite rose from that childhood home was the Cabbage rose which grew along the back west wall of the garage. Mounds of pinkish white blooms gave off the most enticing scent and were



our favorites for cutting. Cabbage roses go as far back as the 17th century, related to the damask rose.

Later when we lived on West Main, Dad planted the Peace rose along with a pink hybrid tea whose name has long been forgotten. Yellow, pink and red roses were also in attendance in both homes.

Being aware of my inherited love of roses, catalogs and history, my husband brought home a Smithsonian Seed Catalogue Collection puzzle that included nine framed late 19th century catalogs including some that featured roses. The surprise came when the puzzle was examined. Two of the frames held roses from Springfield Ohio.

The George H. Mellen Company’s 1898 catalog bearing the Innisfallen Greenhouses logo featured the Mosella rose. Creamy white petals with hints of yellow and a deep orangish yellow cen-

ter made a gorgeous bowlful for the front cover. McGregor Brothers’ 1898 catalog was titled Floral Gems and included pink and red roses.

Springfield, Ohio was known back then as the rose capital of the world. Numerous greenhouse businesses in and around the city made it their specialty to grow and ship rose bushes around the world at unheard of low prices. One ad in the Western Garden and Poultry Journal of 1892 ran an ad from the Champion Greenhouses owned by Good & Reese Company. The buyer could have twenty rose bushes shipped to them for \$1.00. Testimonials accompanied many of the ads, all stating the “green-ready to plant” condition of the product.

Good & Reese roses were grown on acres of land for decades. Old newspapers were keen to note men who came in from far and wide to work at the greenhouses. John Summers was work-

ing for them in 1905, along with Archie Taggart. In later years, Clyde Dewey Lytle worked there. And that is where family history opened up. Clyde was my grandfather whom I do not recall having ever met. He and my grandmother were divorced long before I was born. But I can recall my mother describing the greenhouses, the acres of rose bushes and the pleasant times walking through the rows of flowering plants.

By 1920, Good & Reese also were keen developers of Peonies. In their ad of 1920 in the Garden Magazine, referring to their fields under cultivation we find “We recall the glories of our acres last June. We remember the avalanches of beauty that nearly swept us off our feet. And we are ready now to share Peonies with you.”

We can well remember last June’s blooms in the flower beds here and around the area. Yes, they too held avalanches of beauty, sometimes nearly sweeping us off our feet. While seed catalogs and puzzles keep us going this winter, it is the hope of this coming spring’s all things green and colorful that holds us together and pushes us forward through time and dry winter air.

Next week we’ll look at a testimony from C. D. Campbell as to the magnitude of Good and Reese’s Champion City Greenhouses in 1900.

Contact Connie at mooredcr@juno.com or Box 61, Medway, OH 45341 Join Connie on Grit Blog Landing (At Home in Ohio).

Pay It Forward

By Karen Martin

Worth Knowing But Not Well Known

You can be the person that they are glad they know, but you do not have to be well known to all. We were born with the ability to change someone’s life. We should never take that for granted and waste the time we have to use it. No matter how educated , talented, rich or cool we think we are. It is how we treat people ultimately that tells all. INTEGRITY IS EVERYTHING.

Sometimes all people need is someone to simply be there, not to fix anything in particular, but just there to let them that they are cared for and supported. We can be that person they remember was there when no one else was. We can be their support and help with life’s hard knocks. We can be that person that they will always remem-

ber because of our kindness and time we were there for them. We can be that person that they are glad that they have had in their life. We can be the person they are glad to have known.

It seems in these present times, people are few and far between that want to take the time for anyone else other than themselves. We need to change this world by taking the time for others. We are all this planet together, so why not try to make harmony for all. We can show our children examples of caring and kindness. Children can become what they see and watch.

The best well known that I would want to be would be to be well known for my caring and kindness. We can all learn to create a world where everyone looks out for each other, giving care and compassion for anyone in need. SO IN CLOSING, be the person that they will never forget. Pay your good forward, you will be glad you did.

Financial Focus

By Thrivent Financial

Three Strategies for Maximizing Your Retirement Income

Retirement comes with many benefits including increased time for family, travel and pursuing other passions. What doesn’t necessarily come with it is a drop in expenses. Make sure that you have a strategy for your retirement income so that you are able to keep up with monthly bills, as well as have extra for additional expenses and giving back.

One of the keys to a healthy retirement picture is balancing your need for retirement income against staying invested in the financial markets. Working with a financial professional you can gain insight into generating a dependable source of retirement income, strategically spending down retirement assets while optimizing your Social Security benefits. To get you started here are three financial tips

from Thrivent Financial for making the most of your retirement income.

1. Asset gathering and roll-overs

If you change jobs, or just have several retirement accounts (e.g. individual retirement accounts (IRAs), old 401(k)) consolidating them could save you money and time by keeping your retirement funds in one centralized place. It can also make it easier for your loved ones to locate your retirement account should anything happen to you.

2. Social Security optimization

There is more to Social Security than just applying when you reach age 62. By waiting to claim Social Security you can increase the amount that you receive when you do start your benefits. Depending on your situation it could be beneficial to wait to start collecting your full Social Security (SS) benefits. For every year that you delay your SS benefits will increase eventually putting your projected

SS benefits over 100 percent. Delaying the receipt of your SS benefits requires careful planning since most people will need to call upon your other retirement savings to cover your expenses until your SS benefits payout. A financial professional can help you decide which withdrawal option is right for your personal situation.

3. Life insurance for the death benefit and income

You probably know that the death benefit from a life insurance contract is often a key source of income for a surviving spouse—but did you know that cash value life insurance can also be an income tax advantaged source of retirement income while you are living? A financial professional can help you determine if having the type of life insurance which can be leveraged as income would be a good fit for you.

You can find more information at Thrivent.com/retirement. Work with a financial professional to ensure you have an income strategy for when you retire.

This article was prepared by Thrivent Financial for use by Tipp City representative Matt Buehrer. He has an office at 29 W Main Street in Tipp City and can also be reached at 667-8270.

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Obituaries

Dorothy C. Davis

Dorothy C. Davis, age 95, of Troy, OH passed away on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at the Heartland of Piqua. Dorothy was born on February 26, 1920 in Ft. Loramie to the late John and Mary (Mougey) Tecklenburg. Dorothy was married to Donald A. Davis for 66 years and he preceded her in death on December 23, 2007.

Dorothy is survived by her son and daughter-in-law: Brian and Karen Davis of Centerville; daughters and son-in-law: Mary and Ronald Sweeney and Carol Davis all of Troy; six grandchildren: Christopher Sweeney, Angela Sweeney, Lynn (Randy) Mathias, Shawn (Laura) Davis, Kristen Davis and Brett Davis; four great granddaughters: Julia and Morgan Mathias and Amelia and Penelope Davis; one brother: Richard (Virginia) Tecklenburg of Mint Hill, NC; and one sister: Evelyn (Sam) Scott of Floyd’s Knob, IN. In addition to her parents and her husband, Dorothy was preceded in death by two brothers: Martin and Robert Tecklenburg; and three sisters: Viola Davidson, Helen Huffman and Ruth Ewart.

Dorothy was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church. She made every family gathering special. Her greatest joy was having all the family together and fixing one of her favorite meals. Dorothy will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 AM on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Troy with Rev. Fr. James Duell officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery, Troy. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of donor’s choice.

Friends may express condolences to the family through www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

Wanda Geraldine Voris

Wanda Geraldine Voris, age 90, of Troy, passed away on February 3, 2016 at Koester Pavilion in Troy. She was born on January 25, 1926 in Troy to the late Lowell and Emma (Adams) Penney. Her husband of 64 years, Lowell N. Voris, preceded her in death on July 1, 2010.

Wanda is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Robert Riley of Troy, Ohio; three sons: William T. Voris of Piqua, Ohio; Christopher Voris of Troy, Ohio and Lanny E. Voris of Florida; nine grandchildren: Amy and Sam, Eric and Gail, Jaime and Krystyna, Genny, Sarah and Scott; and ten great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents and husband, Wanda was preceded in death by one sister: Janice Shipp.

Wanda graduated from Troy High School in 1945. She worked at DARE in Troy. Wanda was also a loving homemaker.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy. Burial followed in Riverside Cemetery in Troy. Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer’s Association, Miami Valley Chapter, 3797 Summit Glen Drive, Suite G100, Dayton, OH 45449. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

Persis L. Berkshire

age 85, of Troy, OH passed away on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at Dayview Care Center in New Carlisle. She was born on November 13, 1930 in Lima, OH to the late Robert R. and Wanda C. (Bowers) Smith. She was married to Karl F. Berkshire for 65 years and he preceded her in death in 2014.

Persis is survived by daughters and sons-in-law: Karlene K. and Marko Vandevier of Mesa, AZ; Denise L. Berkshire of Chillicothe and Barbara and Richard Schwartz of Troy; granddaughters: Aimee (Eric) Reese of KY and Heather and Mark Cancino of Troy and grandson: Erick (Mandy) Schwartz of Troy and five great-grandchildren.

Mark Aaron Harrison

Mark Aaron Harrison, age 66, of Troy, OH passed away on Friday, February 5, 2016 at the Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton. He was born on February 11, 1949 in Portsmouth, OH to Truman Lee ‘Chick’ Harrison and the late Billie P. (Rice) Harrison. Services are

Richard L. Morrison

Richard L. Morrison, age 75, of Troy, OH passed away on Friday, February 5, 2016 at Good Samaritan Hospital, Dayton, OH. He was born on March 24, 1940 in Troy, OH to the late Robert M. and Euorda (Howe) Morrison.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Gloria (Wagner) Morrison; seven children: Richard L. Morrison II of Piqua; Regina L. Morrison of Cleveland; Rhonda L. Morrison of Troy; Robin Brandt of Troy; Terri Harrison of Springfield; Stacy Shaffer of Troy; and Chris Morrison of Troy; one brother: James Morrison

children.

Persis enjoyed many years of playing bridge and golf. Services were held at 11:00 AM on Friday, February 5, 2016 at the Baird Funeral Home in Troy with Chaplain Candy Null officiating. Interment took place in Riverside Cemetery, Troy, OH. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association, Miami Valley Chapter, 3797 Summit Glen Drive, Suite G100, Dayton, OH 45449 or American Cancer Society, 2808 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45206.

Friends may express condolences to the family through www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

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Memorial contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans, 228 Obell Court, Dayton, OH 45109.

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of Springfield; one sister: Beverly Heffner of Troy; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter: Lisa Morrison; sisters: Thelma Davis and Dorothy Simpson and brother: Robert Morrison.

He was a U.S. Army veteran and a member of the First United Church of Christ. He was owner and operator of Dick’s Automotive and Towing for 40 years.

No services will be held. Friends may express condolences to the family through www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

Marcella L. Bayman

Marcella L. Bayman, age 91, of Tipp City, passed away on Monday, February 8, 2016 at Stonespring Nursing Home in Vandalia. She was born on May 29, 1924 in Covington, OH to the late Lester and Susan (Ney) Earick. Her husband of 61 years, George Bayman, preceded her in death in 2007.

Marcella is survived by three children: Georgia Bayman (Fiancé: David Werts) of Tipp City, Bruce (Debbie) Bayman of Fletcher and Chris (Evelyn) Bayman of Tipp City; four grandchildren: Michael (Jan) Bayman, Matthew (Rebecca) Bayman, Jason (Kate) Bayman and Amanda (Adam) Pressel; and six great grandchildren: Mason and Madison Bayman, James and Penny Bayman and Jonah and Jude Pressel. In addition to her parents and husband, Marcella was

Shirley D. Smith

Shirley D. Smith, age 81, of Pleasant Hill; formerly of Troy, passed away on February 2, 2016 at Koester Pavilion in Troy. She was born on May 23, 1934 in Dayton to the late Dewey and Mary (Brooks) Day. Her husband, Edgar H. Smith, Jr. preceded her in death on January 19, 1993.

Shirley is survived by two daughters: Susan (Brian) Bohlander of Pleasant Hill and Sharon Barrett of Indianapolis; four grandchildren: Abby (Lucas) Delcamp, Corey (Litxia) Barrett, Katie (Corey Willing) Barrett and Elena (Olan Griffiths) Bohlander; and one great grandchild: Owen Delcamp. In addition to her husband and parents, Shirley was preceded in death by one brother: Jerry Day.

Shirley was an active

preceded in death by one brother: Luther Earick of Phoenix, AZ.

Marcella was a 1942 graduate of Piqua Central High School. She was an avid gardener and participated in garden tours. Marcella was a founding member of The Brukner Herb Society. She also loved craft work and rug hooking. Along with her husband, she enjoyed collecting antiques and restoring homes. Marcella was a devoted mother and grandmother and supported her family in their activities and accomplishments.

Private services will be held. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Miami County Herb Society, c/o Jan Mescher, 2900 Parkwood Drive, Troy, OH 45373. Condolences may be made to the family at www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

member of St. John’s United Church of Christ in Troy where she served on the Church Council. She and her husband owned and operated Edgar H. Smith & Son Florist for 47 years before she retired in 2003. After retiring, she was an active volunteer at Covington Elementary and also very involved in the lives of her grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, February 6, 2016 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy with Pastor Nick Beam officiating. Burial followed in Riverside Cemetery in Troy.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John’s United Church of Christ, 130 South Walnut Street, Troy, OH 45373. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

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Cooper

By Larry Warren



Crossword Puzzle

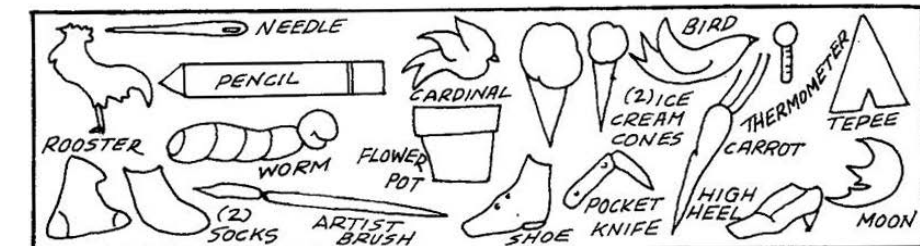
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14. Continuous pain	50. American coot	6. Beat setter	36. Synthesized music
15. Lab burner	51. Weight of vehicle without cargo	7. Surgical tool	37. Repay
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17. Track	53. Overworked horse	9. Healthful berry	39. Reversal
18. "That was close!"	54. United by kinship	10. Islamic religious group	42. Influence
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21. Oval shaped item	56. Four quarters	20. Freudian topic	44. Account entry
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Hidden Treasures

By Liz Ball



Trivia Challenge

Current Events Quiz

- 1.) The year 2016 marks which anniversary of the Great Fire of London?
a. 550
b. 650
c. 450
d. 350
- 2.) A 6.7 magnitude earthquake hit which country on January 4th, 2016?
a. Syria
b. Japan
c. India
d. Turkey
- 3.) January 3rd marked the festival of what activity worldwide?
a. Kissing
b. Sadness
c. Sleep
d. Joy
- 4.) Lemmy, who passed away just before January of 2016, was a member of which band?
a. Motorhead
b. REM
c. Motley Crue
d. Kiss
- 5.) Netflix launched for the first time in which country in January of 2016?
a. Israel
b. North Korea
c. China
d. Russia

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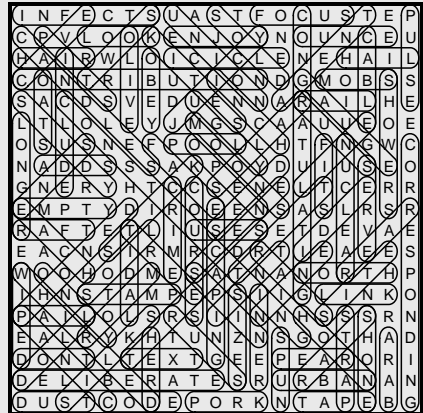
- 9.) Which country claimed to have tested an H Bomb in January of 2016?
a. Russia
b. Japan
c. South Korea
d. North Korea
- 10.) What Cyclone hit Fiji in January 2016?
a. Sula
b. Bula
c. Mula
d. Ula
- 11.) The tallest statue of Jesus in Africa was unveiled in January 2016. In which nation does it stand?
a. Nigeria
b. South Africa
c. South Sudan
d. Chad
- 12.) Released in January 2016, Creed is the latest installment in which film series?
a. Hunger Games
b. Rocky
c. Harry Potter
d. Star Wars
- 13.) John Key began 2016 as the Prime Minister of which nation?
a. France
b. Australia
c. Italy
d. New Zealand
- 14.) Iran banned imports of goods from which country in January of 2016?
a. Italy
b. France
c. North Korea
d. Saudi Arabia
- 15.) Thirty earthquakes shook which US State in January 2016?
a. New York
b. South Dakota
c. Nebraska
d. Oklahoma
- 16.) David Bowie passed away in January 2016 at what age?
a. 59
b. 89
c. 79
d. 69
- 17.) Which film won "Best Picture - Musical or Comedy" at the 2016 Golden Globes?
a. The Martian
b. Creed
c. The Hatefule Eight
d. The Revenant

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

Trivia

- 1.) The Tabard Inn - The Canterbury Tales was published in 1475. 2.) Rabbit, Run - Updike has won two Pulitzers.
- 3.) Painting - Titian was an Italian painter who was born around 1488. 4.) Cecile Ahern - Published in 2004, PS, I Love You is Ahern's first novel.
- 5.) Tyre - Pericles, Prince of Tyre was a character created by Shakespeare. 6.) J. M. W. Turner - Turner was born in England in 1775.
- 7.) Colin Armstrong - Colin was a Special Forces operative before he became a writer. 8.) The Prisoner of Zenda - Ruritania is a fictional country in Europe.
- 9.) 1897 - Serialized, The War of the Worlds appeared simultaneously in Pearson's Magazine in the UK and Cosmopolitan magazine in the US.
- 10.) The Netherlands - Vermeer was a Dutch painter who was born in 1632. 11.) Caroline Graham - Tom Barnaby is one of the main characters in the drama Midsomer Murders.
- 12.) Davies - The Riddle of the Sands was published in 1903. 13.) Sculpting - Antony is a British sculptor.
- 14.) Rudyard Kipling - Kaa, Mowgli and Shere Khan all appear in The Jungle Book.
- 15.) The Hunchback of Notre Dame - Published in 1831, The Hunchback of Notre Dame was written by Victor Hugo.
- 16.) Dixon - Lucky Jim was published in 1954.
- 17.) The Thames - Published in 1889, Three Men in a Boat was written by Jerome K. Jerome.

Word Search



Sudoku

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Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine released the top categories of complaints filed with the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Section in 2015, when more than 27,000 complaints were recorded.

"Through our complaint process, we've helped people solve disputes, secure refunds, and clear fraudulent charges," Attorney General DeWine said. "We encourage consumers to contact us when they think they've

been treated unfairly or when they need help solving a problem."

The Attorney General's Consumer Protection Section works with individuals, businesses, and nonprofits to resolve complaints through informal dispute resolution. According to complaint information, more than \$2.4 million was returned or adjusted in 2015 through complaint resolution.

The 2015 top complaint categories were:

Motor vehicles
Professional services
Collections, credit reporting, or financial services
Shopping, food, or beverages
Utilities, phone, Internet, or TV
Home or property improvement
Identity theft
Potential scams or other (such as sweepstakes, do-not-call issues, or grant offers)

Nearly a quarter of all complaints involved motor vehicles. The most common motor-vehicle complaint related to used vehicle sales. Other top motor-vehicle complaints involved vehicle repairs and new vehicle sales.

Identity theft complaints continued to rise in 2015, when more consumers sought assistance from the office's Identity Theft Unit,

which works with creditors and other agencies to correct problems resulting from identity theft. In 2015, the Ohio Attorney General's Office received more than 1,670 identity theft complaints, an increase of more than 300 from the previous year. It also helped victims clear more than \$658,000 in fraudulent charges, according to identity-theft complaint information.

Other areas of concern cited among the top complaint categories were collections calls, wireless services, sweepstakes or prizes, cable/bundling, and in-store or online shopping issues.

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