

Monday, February 9
7:23 a.m. – To Laurel Creek Dr. A man reported that someone had slashed the tires on his vehicle. The deputy noticed several other parked vehicles with slashed tires, so he drove through the neighborhood to make contact with additional victims. A total of 19 vehicles had their tires slashed by what appeared to be a 1½" wide blade.

9:41 a.m. – Traffic stop on Elm St. at Jefferson St. The driver was found to have a suspended license. She said that she had driving privileges, but could not produce the paperwork. She also said that she was on her way to meet with her probation officer at 10:00. The deputy checked with the probation officer and found that the appointment was at 1:00 p.m., not 10:00 a.m. The driver was cited for driving under suspension and a licensed driver arrived to pick her up. She then went to Piqua, not to the court house to meet with her probation officer.

12:50 p.m. – To Barnhart Rd. for a report of possible fraud. A man reported receiving a call from "Western Acquisitions" regarding a \$2,000 debt on a Discover card. The man said that he never had a Discover card. He asked that the incident be documented for possible civil litigation.

1:23 p.m. – A woman came to the Sheriff's office for assistance in exercising a court order to recover four vans from her husband's business on S. Market St. She said that she has a protection order against her husband. The deputy followed her to the business, provided a copy of the court order to the husband, and received keys to the four vans in question. The woman asked that one of the vans be searched for possible drug paraphernalia. A search yielded no contraband. All four of the vans were taken without incident.

1:53 p.m. – A Peters Rd. couple came to the Sheriff's office to report identity theft. They said that they received a letter from the Internal Revenue Service informing them that they had received two tax returns for them. The letter advised them to get a police report and to contact their financial institution. When they checked with their bank, they found a fraudulent credit card charge for \$1.00.

2:31 p.m. – To Thornwood Ct. for a report of vandalism. A man reported that some time overnight someone slashed the right rear tire on his vehicle.

9:06 p.m. – Traffic stop on W. State Rt. 41. The driver said that she did not have a valid license. The deputy discovered that her driving privileges had been suspended. She was cited for that and for a stop sign violation. Her passenger, a valid driver, was given control of the vehicle.

Wednesday, February 11
9:55 a.m. – To W. Main St. to serve a protection order. The subject was to return a house key, and he complied. The protected party was notified of service and that she could pick up the key at her convenience.

By Nancy Bowman
Former associate indicted in Shelby County
A former associate with the Roberts, Kelly & Bucio law firm with offices in Troy, Sidney and Tipp City pleaded not guilty Feb. 12 to five felony forgery charges in Shelby County Common Pleas Court.

Joshua Albright was indicted earlier this month by a Shelby County grand jury on the charges, which are fifth-degree felonies. Albright is accused of forging documents in a child custody/support case in August 2014 in Shelby County.

Tim Sell, Shelby County prosecutor, said he could not comment extensively on the charges.

He described the situation as Albright allegedly taking money to do work for a client, failing to do the work and then making documents to make it appear the work was done. "The allegations center around him creating documents to mislead his client," Sell said.

Defense lawyer Jeremy Tomb of Troy said people would draw their own conclusions when evidence in the case is revealed. "When the evidence becomes public and when people see who has generated this evidence they will understand this was certain people trying to attack his credibility," Tomb said.

Albright is free on a recognizance bond.

Grant program outlined
Miami County expects to receive around \$112,000 again this year from the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocation program.

The county commission held the first public hearing on the allocation and other CDBG programs Feb. 12. Dan Suerdieck of the county development department explained the grant programs.

A new program requirement this year is a strategy meeting that applying jurisdictions must attend.

Planning commission OKs requests
Troy's Planning Commission approved two sign requests and recommended City Council's OK of a final plat for the Nottingham subdivision during its Feb. 11 meeting.

The first sign request was by P&C Ventures property development company to reface monument sign at 121 W. Franklin St. The second sign request was for a new wall sign for the Back to Our Roots business in the building at 402 W. Main St.

The final plat for the Nottingham subdivision includes two sections in the development's northwest and northeast sections with a total of 19 building lots. The building on these lots would complete construction in the development, said Tim Davis, city planning and zoning manager.

In other business, the board held its annual re-organization re-electing Alan Kappers as board chairman and Tom Force as the vice chairman.

Deputy Receives Counseling After Dog Rescue

By Nancy Bowman
The long-time K-9 unit handler for the Miami County Sheriff's Department received verbal counseling earlier this month for actions during the Jan. 12 rescue of a dog from the icy Great Miami River in Troy.

Deputy Tina Waymire handled the department K-9 units for more than 20 years before that assignment ended in 2014 with the retirement of her partner. She received the counseling because department policies were violated, sheriff's Major Steve Lord said.

"We appreciate she helped save a dog. We are very grateful the dog survived," Lord said Friday, Feb. 13. "We understand the situation ... but keep in mind we have to follow policies."

Waymire said she was unable to comment, referring questions to her lawyer and labor union representative. They were not available.

An inter-office memo obtained from the sheriff's office showed that the counseling was given Feb. 6 by Lt. Tom Wheeler. The memo was from Sgt. Todd Tennant to Wheeler.

Waymire's questioned actions allegedly occurred during the response Jan. 12 around 9 a.m. to a report of a dog in the icy river. The dog, Stella, a Labrador retriever, survived.

The Troy fire department, Troy police and the county Animal Shelter responded to the call. Tennant said he also heard Waymire on the radio at the bridge asking the countywide dispatch center to have the shelter call her cell phone and questioning about the location of a fire department rescue boat.

In the memo, Tennant noted he received an instant message from the dispatch center supervisor noting that Waymire's assistance had not been requested by firefighters or police.

The dog was rescued by firefighters and brought to shore. There, according to the memo, Waymire asked dispatch to call a local veterinary hospital and tell them she was on the way with the dog.

A video "showed Deputy Waymire driving away with emergency lights and sirens activated," the memo stated. "The GPS from Deputy Waymire's cruiser showed the vehicle speed at 54 mph between Meadow Lane and Stonyridge Avenue (in Troy). The speed limit for that area is 35 mph."

Troy Area Property Transfers

PropertyAddress	TransferDate	Buyer	Seller	Price
708 S MULBERRY ST	2/4/2015 13:57	US BANK NA	GROSS RICK	\$49,000.00
420 N WESTON RD	2/3/2015 9:30	LIGHTNER GARY L & @ (3)	LIGHTNER GARY L & @ (4)	\$0.00
1303 FLEET RD	2/6/2015 13:17	MARSH THOMAS K	SHIREY ANDREW JOHN & ELAINE A HOOVEN-SHIREY	\$114,900.00
645 OHIO AVE	2/4/2015 14:31	NASEMAN DONNA L	NASEMAN DAVID E & DONNA L	\$0.00
514 MAPLEWOOD	2/9/2015 9:12	MARSHIA WILLIAM	NIMER KAREN LYNN (TOD) & @ (3)	\$72,000.00
424 MEADOW LN	2/5/2015 14:07	BAKER DOUGLAS C	NEWNAM WAYNE A (LC) & @ (2)	\$93,500.00
756 SKYLARK	2/9/2015 14:03	FAVORITE IONA JEAN	FAVORITE RAYMOND L & IONA J	\$0.00
1155 LEE RD	2/9/2015 9:48	CHIASSON DAVE & KAREN	US BANK NA (TRUSTEE)	\$60,500.00
1324 E MAIN ST	2/2/2015 9:10	GIBSON JOAN	BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON	\$40,400.00
1000 N DORSET	2/2/2015 15:27	HESS KEVIN E (TR) & CAROL T (TR)	HESS KEVIN E & CAROL T	\$0.00
1513 BROOK PARK DR	2/6/2015 13:09	ORR CAMERON D & MARY ORR	AKERS MARTA K	\$159,000.00
MIAMI ST	2/4/2015 10:25	HUGHES MARK W & TANIA R	DRAKE HOWARD W TRUSTEE & RUBY M TRUSTEE	\$157,500.00
811 N MARKET ST	2/4/2015 10:25	HUGHES MARK W & TANIA R	DRAKE HOWARD W TRUSTEE & RUBY M TRUSTEE	\$157,500.00
1345 GREENFIELD DR	2/9/2015 9:10	STEWART ANDREW & SAMANTHA	ANDERSON JAMES R & NANCY E	\$175,500.00
2470 RENWICK WY	2/6/2015 13:52	GRIMM ALEX B	SCAGGS ANNE M	\$169,000.00
2555 WORTHINGTON DR	2/6/2015 13:48	LONG LARRY C & LINDA L	STREIN LLC	\$173,000.00
522 ACADIA CT	2/10/2015 9:59	THOMAS JEAN A	THOMAS PAUL A & JEAN A	\$0.00
1432 GOLDEN EAGLE DR	2/6/2015 12:31	KRUMMERY AARON A & KASSONDRA E	NVR INC	\$263,080.00
1630 GRAY HAWK CT	2/6/2015 13:45	NVR INC	STONEBRIDGE MEADOWS LLC	\$37,400.00
1615 GRAY HAWK CT	2/3/2015 9:44	LANDE ALLISON R & JUSTIN R	NVR INC	\$227,295.00
736 SHAFTSBURY RD	2/6/2015 13:50	SHIREY ANDREW J & ELAINE A	VAN HORN STEVEN R & JAMIE A	\$256,000.00
891 CROSSBOW LN	2/6/2015 13:07	BLACKBURN STEVE R & CARRIE I	CLAY RICHARD	\$249,900.00
816 GOVERNORS RD	2/5/2015 14:20	SCHWIETERMAN NICHOLAS R & GINA M	SCOTT INVESTMENTS OF TROY LLC	\$247,511.00

Seniors Development

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and safety director, asked if staff had looked at the impact of vehicles and traffic on Town Park Drive.

A marketing study is in the works, Murphy said. The traffic impact information could be "a big factor," Titterington said.

Titterington said he also would like to hear from the city development staff on whether the seniors' facility would be considered a "best use" for the 15 acres. The property lies in the city Tax Increment Finance District.

Murphy said the presentation Feb. 11 was intended to bring out questions such as those heard.

He said the developers would like to begin work on the project this year. Plans for the project would have to be approved by the city before any work could begin.

Murphy said the overall project is designed "to be an affordable product" for the community.

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Police Shooting

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weeks doing non-police officer work at the police department building, Patrick Titterington, city service and safety director, said last week.

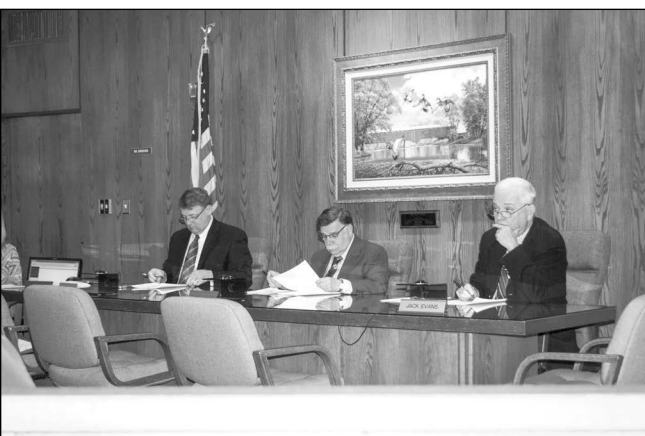
When Short arrived at the apartment, Coleman was outside with a knife. After he allegedly refused to put the knife down, he was shot by Short.

An affidavit filed by police seeking a search warrant of Coleman's apartment said Coleman refused to drop the knife while walking toward Short yelling, "Shoot me."

Commissioners Have More Questions About Sheriff

By Nancy Bowman

After receiving answers from Miami County prosecutors regarding sheriff's department operations, the county commissioners had additional questions, Commission President Jack Evans said last week.



The commissioners in December sent to Prosecutor Tony Kendell questions on legal and financial issues involving the department with the absence due to illness of Sheriff Charles Cox and his turning over of some duties to Chief Deputy Dave Duchak.

Duchak was sworn in as acting sheriff in November when Cox said some physical duties were being turned over as he worked to recover from complications associated with surgery.

The commissioners submitted the questions to Kendell in December and received responses about a week before Evans discussed the questions and answers Feb. 10.

"He did answer some of our questions. To be honest, he actually brought up more questions. Every time he answered one, it opened up another question," Evans said.

The commissioners asked for answers to ad-

ditional questions.

They didn't release specific questions and probably won't release the questions or the answers, Evans said. They have cited attorney-client privilege as the reason for not disclosing that information.

The commissioners

are, however, looking at issuing a press release to discuss issues questioned, Evans said.

The overall goal of the questions according to Evans, is to "make sure everything is legal, any actions they are doing are legal."

Duchak said Feb. 11 that Cox continues to recover from complications from a surgery last year and will need another surgery to replace a hip. Cox has been out of the office extensively for several months. The last time one of the commissioners talked with him was in August when Commissioner Richard Cultice spoke with Cox about the county jail, Evans said.

"The sheriff is making all decisions, appointments, etc.," Duchak said. "He has been in the office two times in the last two months albeit in a wheelchair. We average meeting with him two times a week. He has and continues to run the office."

Measles Outbreak Not Hitting Miami County

By Sarah Anne Carter

Ohio has not seen a case of measles in 2015, but did have 382 confirmed cases in 2014, according to the Ohio Department of Health. "Every year you'll see a couple of cases - that's not uncommon," said Dennis Propes, Miami County Health commissioner, "but we haven't had any cases in 2014 or 2015."

Propes said that the county has had "a couple" of mumps cases, but no measles.

ODH recommends people follow the CDC guidelines for immunizations, which has children between the ages of 12 to 15 months to be given the first dose and then a second dose between 4 to 6 years old, Amato said. As of Feb. 6, there were 121 cases of measles reported in 17 states, according to the CDC. Most of these are tied to an outbreak that originated in Disneyland in California.

"The outbreak likely started from a traveler who became infected overseas with measles, then visited the amusement park while infectious. However, no source has been identified," the CDC Web site says. "Analysis by CDC scientists shows that the measles virus in this outbreak is identical to the virus type that caused the large measles outbreak in the Philippines in 2014. However, the same virus type has

been identified within the past 6 months in 14 other countries and at least 6 U.S. states not associated with the current outbreak."

If measles were to show up in Ohio, there are regulations to follow if a student showed up at school with a possible case.

"It differs for every school, but if a student with the measles shows up at school, that child should be immediately isolated and the parents and LHD should be contacted," said Melanie Amato, Ohio Department of Health.

"We're paying close attention to what's happening out west," said Propes.

The Ohio Administrative Code (3701-3-13, (M)) states that "a person with measles shall be isolated, including exclusion from school or child care center, for four days following the onset of rash. Contagiousness may be prolonged in patients with altered immunity."

"We just keep promoting the vaccine and give it to every child we can," said Propes.

Ohio is a state where immunizations can be refused by a parent based on medical, religious or philosophical reasons, which is why there are so many students unvaccinated.

For more information on measles, visit the CDC Web site at <http://www.cdc.gov/measles/index.html>.

No Reason for New Trial - Prosecutor

By Nancy Bowman

Miami County's prosecutor contended in court filings last week that a motion for new trial in the murder conviction of Patrick McGail of Troy has no merit.

Prosecutor Tony Kendell filed a response in Miami County Common Pleas Court to the new trial motion filed by McGail's lawyer, Chris Bucio. Kendell asked Judge Christopher Gee to overrule Bucio's motion.

In his motion filed Jan. 30, beyond the time limitations for filings, Bucio asked to request a new trial because of new evidence he claimed surfaced after the normal filing deadlines.

A Common Pleas Court jury convicted McGail in August of murder and other charges in the October 2013 fatal shooting of Nathan Wintrow during an invasion of his Troy home. McGail, 18, of Troy was one of three convicted in the death and was sentenced to 24 years to life in prison in October. He has filed an appeal to Ohio's Second District Court of Appeals.

In the motion, Bucio said the claimed new evidence is based on events that followed the conviction, including a Sept. 9 search of the Roberts, Kelly & Bucio law firm and documents associated with that search.

Bucio said the motion was based, in part, on affidavits by Troy police and county Prosecutor Kendell and a September police report regarding the alleged theft of money from the law firm by a former associate who was involved in the McGail case.

Allegations about Bucio made to Troy police by the associate during questioning about the alleged theft led to the search warrant, according to affidavits unsealed last fall.

Among the allegations was that Bucio told McGail to lie during his trial and made up a scripted version of alleged false events the night of the murder.

In the motion for new

trial, Bucio claimed the police questioning the former associate "deliberately solicited privileged information pertaining to Mr. McGail's trial" and that the former associate allegedly "willingly breached his duty of confidentiality to Mr. McGail."

Bucio further claims the former associate "fed to Sloan (Troy police detective Todd Sloan) ... the answers, statements and allegations ... in hopes of receiving leniency with his own impending criminal charges."

That information and other information, Bucio claims, would "cast serious doubt as to whether Mr. McGail was afforded his right to a fair trial with effective assistance of counsel."

In his response, Kendell wrote that what Bucio called "newly discovered evidence" had nothing to do with the trial.

Research showed, he said, that a new trial was not possible when the newly discovered evidence "did not have something to do with a witness' testimony at trial, a recantation of earlier testimony, or physical evidence that would have something to do with the crime scene."

In addition, Kendell argued that information provided investigators by the former associate violated no attorney client privilege. "Logic dictates ... that ineffective assistance of counsel is usually, if not always, associated with the behavior and decisions made during the trial by the lawyer in question that is associated with the claim of ineffective assistance of counsel," Kendell wrote.

County Finds Options for Hobart Building, Clock

By Nancy Bowman

Miami County commissioners think they've found the best home for the historic Hobart clock.

Now, they need to learn the cost to prepare the location on the west side of the Hobart Center for County Government.

The commissioners last week took steps toward reuse of the clock removed from the pedestrian walkway that connected the government center, previously the Hobart Brothers/ITW office building, and the Hobart Brothers/ITW Manufacturing Plant in the area of Main and Adams Street in Troy. The plant and walkway were demolished recently.

After reviewing options for a new clock home with architect Candy Goodall on Feb. 12, the commissioners verbally agreed to a location on the building's west side in a vacant room (penthouse) at the top of an elevator shaft. That portion of the building projects above the roof and would be highly visible approaching Troy's downtown area from the west, Goodall said.

That view from the west shows "a really attractive building," she said.

Commissioner John "Bud" O'Brien said the location above the elevator shaft would look more a clock tower.

The option also would allow access to the clock from inside the building, instead of using a lift or other means to maintain the clock from the front

as it was in the past.

The company gave the clock dating to the 1930s or '40s to the county. The commissioners are reviewing options for restoring the clock including whether to use newer LED lighting or continue with a neon tube around the clock interior perimeter. Chris Johnson, county director of operations and facilities, reviewed estimates for that work recently with the commissioners.

During the Feb. 12 meeting, he said having the clock higher in the air than earlier discussed also might make a back lighting option more attractive because it would make the clock more visible. An accent color in neon around the clock also could be used, he said.

The commissioners also said they liked an idea of using metal letters to identify the building so the name also would be visible from the west. The building now has its name on the north side, facing Water Street.

The addition of the building name to both the west and south sides of the building, facing Main Street, would be part of a second project associated with the building. Goodall was hired to design part of the project that includes permanently repairing the west wall where the pedestrian bridge was connected to the government center building.

That work also will include a general clean up of the west side of the property along Adams Street.

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Trojans Looking For New Football Coach

Troy football coach Scot Brewer will not be returning to the sidelines in 2015, as his contract was not renewed with the Trojans according to Troy Superintendent Eric Herman.

“At this time, we are going in a different direction with our football program,” said Herman. “We would like to thank Scott for his efforts the last three years, and look forward to his continued teaching career at Troy High School.”

In his three year career with the Trojans, Brewer has a record of 9-21, including 4-11 in the Greater Western Ohio Conference North Division. In his first year with the Tro-

jans, Brewer led Troy to a 4-6 record in 2012, followed by 4-6 in 2013 and they came off of a 1-9 season this past season.

A timetable for the new coach hasn’t been set, other than nobody has met to set any dates. According to Marion Stout of the human resources at Troy, the job will posted this week.

“Scot did a good job with the kids while he was the football coach here at Troy and he cared about them,” said Troy athletic director David Palmer. “The kids really liked him. Whoever takes over the job, we just want to continue the tradition of a strong football program here at Troy.”

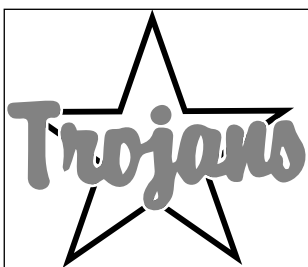
Boys Sectional Tournament Draw Held

Troy was playing at South Metro in the first round of the SWOHSHL Tournament and was taking on the number 4 seeded Talawanda Braves, and suffered a 6-2 loss. The number 5 seeded Trojans scored first just 23 seconds into the game when Alex Smith scored with Prestyn Hoeffler picking up the assist. Talawanda scored to make it 1-1 at the end of the first. Troy picked up 3 penalties including a 5 minute boarding to skate much of the second period a man short. Talawanda scored 4 goals in the second period to make it 5-1 game before the Trojans could

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Sports Schedule

Thursday, February 19
4:00 p.m. – Troy HS Bowling vs. West Carrollton at Poelking



Lanes South

Friday, February 20
Time TBA – Troy HS Boys Wrestling – GWOC – vs. Springfield at Trent Arena

10:45 a.m. – Troy Christian Boys DII District Swim Meet at Miami University

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

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

Saturday, February 21
Time TBA – Troy HS Boys Wrestling – GWOC – vs. Springfield at Trent Arena

10:45 a.m. – Troy HS Boys Swimming – Districts – at Miami University

5:40 p.m. – Troy Christian Women’s Basketball Sectionals at Fairlawn

5:45 p.m. – Troy HS Girls Swimming – Districts – at Miami University

8:30 p.m. – Troy Christian Boys Basketball vs. Lehman Catholic

Sunday, February 22
Time TBA – Troy HS Girls Gymnastics – Dayton City Championship – at Miamisburg HS



Troy Christian Wins Another MBC Title

By Jim Dabbelt

The beat rolls on for the Troy Christian boys’ basketball team, as they won their 37th consecutive Metro Buckeye Conference game on Friday night, defeating Dayton Christian 70-39. It was a big start that helped the Eagles win, as they led 37-11 at the half, and never looked back.

Four players scored in double figures for the Eagles, led by Isiah Fairley with 15 points, while KC Kamentz contributed 14 points for the Eagles, while Grant Zawadzki poured in 11 points and 12 assists.

Corde Donald also scored 11 points for Troy Christian, while grabbing 12 rebounds in the win.

The Eagles now stand 18-2 overall, and a perfect 11-0 in the Metro Buckeye Conference, wrapping up their fifth consecutive league championship.

Troy Christian was at Middletown Christian last night in the final league game of the season, then host Sidney Lehman on Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. before heading into the sectional tournament.

Troy Christian Girls Basketball- It was a week that saw the Eagles girls’ squad battle in a pair of close games. Troy Christian defeated Middletown Christian 36-33 last week, then came back with a 33-31 win over Dayton Christian on Thursday night.

Against Middletown Christian, Hailey Peters led the charge with 13 points and seven rebounds, while freshman Kathryn Lee added nine points and nine rebounds.

They came back with a big league win over Dayton Christian, and after trailing 20-12 at the half, the Eagles stormed out of the lockerroom at the half to dominate the third quarter to get back in the game, then held on down the stretch for the win.

Troy Christian now

Troy Hockey Results

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sits alone in second place in the division with an 8-4 league record, only trailing unbeaten Miami Valley School.

The Eagles open their tournament play on Saturday, as they play Sidney Fairlawn at Sidney High School at 5:40 in the first round of the sectionals.

Troy Boys Basketball- Troy split a pair of games last week, as they defeated Butler earlier in the week 63-41, before falling 98-93 in a double overtime thriller against Sidney.

Troy nearly doubled up Butler at the half of their league game, leading 40-22 at the half. From there, the Trojans played steady in the second half and cruised to the win.

Tre Hudson led four players in double figures with 13 points and five assists while Romello Yaqub scored 12, Matt Monnin contributed 11 and Austin Funderburg 10.

Against Sidney, Troy led late in the game, but Sidney fought back before the game went into overtime.

Hudson led the Trojans with 30 points in the win.

After the Trojans play at Piqua on Friday night, they head into the sectional tournament.

Troy Girls Basketball- The offense was dormant last week as the Trojans hosted the state ranked and 19-1 Sidney Yellow Jackets. Troy could not muster anything on the offensive end as they lost 39-23.

The Trojans defense held the high flying Jackets off the board in the opening period, only allowing five points. They still trailed 20-7 at the half.

A 17-2 third period by Sidney put the game out of reach, as the visitors led 37-9 heading to the fourth quarter.

Troy plays Tecumseh on Saturday in the opening round of the sectionals, 3:30 p.m. at Wayne High School.

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Boys Sectional Tournament Draw Held

By Jim Dabbelt

Like the girls’ last weekend, the area boys’ basketball scene knows their opponent as the sectional basketball tournament draw was held on Sunday at various locations. All seven of the schools in the coverage area can now prepare for the second season.

In the Division One sectionals, the Tecumseh Arrows will take their 13th seed into the sectionals and will play #12 Piqua in the opening game on Friday, Feb. 27 at 6 p.m. at Trotwood Madison High School. It will be the first of two games at Trotwood that evening, as in the nightcap, #1 seed Wayne will play #20 Vandalia Butler. The winner of that game will return to Trotwood on March 3 at 6 p.m. against #15 Sidney.

Troy will also open the sectional tournament at Trotwood Madison, as the #17 Trojans will open their sectional tournament against #2 Centerville at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 28.

In the Division Four sectionals, both Troy Christian and Bethel were top four seeds at they will be playing their games at Troy High School.

Troy Christian earned the number two seed, only behind Tri-Village, and will open their tournament action on

Saturday February 28 at 5 p.m. against Springfield Catholic Central in the third game of that day. Should they win, they come back on March 4 at 6 p.m. against Xenia Christian.

Bethel opens tournament play as the #4 seed, as they will battle Southeastern on February 28 at 8 p.m. at Troy High School. Should the Bees earn the win in their opener, they come back on March 4 at 7:30 against the winner of Franklin Monroe and Miami Valley School.

Tippecanoe will open the Division Two sectional tournament on March 4 at Springfield High School against the winner of Shawnee/Clinton Massie, with tip off set for 6 p.m. The Red Devils earned the tenth seed. The Red Devils took a bye in the opening round.

Greenon also plays at Springfield as the seventh seed, and will play Kenton Ridge in the opening round on February 28 at 7 p.m. A win against the Cougars will put Greenon into the second round on March 4 at 7:30 p.m. against Indian Lake or Meadowdale.

Northwestern will open tournament play in the Division Two sectionals at Springfield on February 27 in the opening game of the night, as they play the top-seeded Urbana Hillclimbers.

Troy, TC Swimmers Qualify For Districts

Several local swimmers have qualified for this weekend’s district meet at Miami University after competing in the sectionals last weekend at Trotwood Madison.

For the boys’ meet, in the 100 Free it will be Troy’s Nate Watkins who advanced after swimming a 51:07 in the sectionals, while in the 200 Free, Watkins came back and qualified with a time of 1:54.48. In the 500 Free, Joe Dutton from Troy advanced with a sectional time of 5:14.65.

In the relays, Troy advanced in the 200 Free with a time of 1:36.19, and in the 400 Free, Troy advanced to districts with a time of 3:31.88. Finally in the 200 medley relay, Troy qualified with a time of 1:50.98.

For the Troy girls’, Alex Merle just qualified for the districts with a 26.67 sectional time. She also qualified in the 100 Free.

After a strong sec-

tional finish, Troy senior Shelly Zelnick qualified for districts with a time of 1:07.83 in the 100 Breaststroke, but she wasn’t done yet. She also qualified in the 200 IM with a time of 2:10.02.

The Troy 400 Relay team also qualified, as did the 200 medley relay team.

*Troy Christian also had a successful sectional tournament, sending several swimmers to districts. For the boys, Samual Lavielle qualified in the 50 Free and 100 Free while Matthew Moebius qualified in the 200 Free.

Matthew Newcomer advanced in the 100 Backstroke with a time of 1:02.18, while Ezekiel Fulton qualified in the 100 Breast. In the 100 Butterfly it was Moebius advancing, while Newcomer also advanced in the 200 IM.

The 400 Relay team and 200 Medley teams of Troy Christian both qualified.

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At Home

By Connie Moore

Newsworthy Name

IN 1881, THE W. H. BEERS COMPANY of Chicago, published many Ohio county histories including Clark County. The 1178-page volume is undoubtedly a wealth of information, not only of statistics for county, but more importantly, of family and individuals who settled here, some making names for themselves and the land on which they lived.

In the name index we find nine listings for the Forgy family. The family as a whole is listed as original settlers to Pike Township along with others such as Bixlers, Basingers and Leffels.

C. S. Forgy is listed as a private in the O. V. C. Next we find him as a Second Lieutenant in Company G. By August of 1881, C. S. is a committee member from Donnelsville for the Clark-Shawnee Centennial held in Springfield on the 9th day of the month. That celebration was said to be the largest gathering ever to that date in Clark County.

Horatio J. Forgy is listed as a corporal in the 16th Ohio Independent Battery while Henry Forgy died as a Private in the same Battery. J. T. Forgy is found to be Eighth Corporal, Company E, in the 153rd Regiment National Guard which was organized at Camp Dennison, Ohio in May of 1864. John S. Forgy is listed among the men of Company F, 153rd Regiment National Guard.

By the time we find James Forgy in the area, he is with his brothers, John, Stewart and Presley. The year is 1806. Their father, John, came earlier and settled in Mad River Township. John's sons, John, James and Stewart are all listed as early members of the Honey Creek Church, all described as "solid men, doing their share to clear up the country". The elder John Forgy is listed as a member of the Board Managers of Clark County by 1822 in connection with the temporary organization of the

Clark County Bible Society.

On the 1870 map of Bethel Township found in the Atlas of Clarke County, Ohio by C. O. Titus, we find J. T. Forgy owns land along the north side of National Road in Section 21. J. M. Forgy owns 160 ad ¾ acres south in Section 20 and also 25 acres is section 27. J. V. Forgy owns 82 acres north and east of J.T. in section 21. W. B. Forgy owns 83 acres between J. T. and W. R.

W. R. Forgy owns 97 acres in Section 15. P. & S. Forgy own 20 acres in Section 22. A new relative, Joel N. Forgy owns 225 and ¼ acres west and east of today's Route 235, south of New Carlisle' Section 32. His land includes a school house.

By 1875, W.R. Forgy has expanded his acreage to include that of W. B.'s. A school house is shown as built on the north side of National Road.

On the 1894, the Rerick Brothers produced "the County of Clark Ohio-An Imperial Atlas and Art Folio". The Forgys are still there. Now, increased land holdings and ownership changes puts Jonathan V. owning the Forgy land in Section 32. Section 21 holdings now belong to Joel T., Jonathan and Cornelius S. The new item is the settlement of Forgy Station, located at the intersection of Lammes Lane (which ended at its north end on the National Road) and the C.C.C. & St.L. RR (or Big 4).

A post card mailed in 1890 was from the Oakland Nursery Company, located at Forgy, Clark County, Ohio. It included a trade list from the "Growers of General Nursery Stock". They could quickly ship anywhere because of the railroad's handy location.

A mail train went through twice a day and passenger trains stopped daily. A post office was located there, where according to a March 1885 posting in a newspaper article, the post master salary was \$4.01 a year. (At the time, Medway P. Master was paid a whopping \$168.83 a year.)

Homes, a black smith and a grocery store brought daily life to a full here. According to another 1885 newspaper article, Mr. C. Hilleary and Mr. Frank Day were going to build a road from parts unknown to Forgy Station. Mr.

Elmer Brechbill began his home construction the same year with a cellar being dug. He expected the masons to commence the foundation during July of same year. Mr. J. B. Forgy claimed a larger yield of wheat this year than he had last year.

One of the earliest pioneers of Bethel Township, Mr. Dodson, lived close by Forgy Station. Other residents included J. B. Forgy, Mrs. Jonathan Forgy, Miss Louie Forgy, Ed Forgy, and John B. Souders. John Johnson, another resident was reported to have a 3-year old black mare named Nelly that steps off easily and moves swiftly. William Hunter, Mr. Freet and Harry Brodbeck also lived in Forgy Station.

Most often in print of our hometown neighbors in Forgy Station was C. S. (Cornelius S.) Forgy. By 1887, Mr. Forgy was traveling across the country in business and pleasure.

June of 1887 found him in Fort Worth, Texas, arriving at the Ellis on the tenth. Six days later he was checked into the Long Beach Hotel in California. May of 1888 found C. S. and his wife arriving in Fort Worth again. This time the brief newspaper notice said, "Mr. Forgy is largely interested in Fort Worth real estate."

May of 1887, it was reported in the Fort Worth Daily Gazette that C. S. Forgy of Forgy Ohio was a capitalist and one of the most enterprising citizens of Ohio. He was one of a party of men arriving in Fort Worth from Kansas who were stockholders in the new company, East Fort Worth Company, whose purpose it was to purchase land and build a new city. All the men were said to be "famous in the railroad world and capitalists of great financial ability".

His daughter, Effie, traveled to Los Angeles, CA during April of 1888. Mr. Forgy was reported in the Springfield newspaper of July, 1888, to be on the "log cabin" committee of the Clark County Assoc. State Centennial Society for the Ohio Centennial.

A news-worthy man, a family well-rounded in community and business, a town on maps of old and new. Forgy, Ohio.

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Dormant Spray

MOST OF US ARE STILL WAITING for spring to get here so we can get out in the yard and start cleaning up after the winter. Speaking of cleaning up, most of us did a good job of getting the leaves off lawn areas last fall. There is sure to be damage to grass areas if leaves are not removed from lawn areas. It is late to take care of this now but it still would be better to get any heavy accumulation of leaves off any grass areas to prevent further deterioration of turf. One of the last things on our minds is any kind of bug or insect control in the yard. Since there is a great deal of emphasis about protecting the honey bees we need to take a look at ways to control insect pests without hurting our bees. These pollinators are required for our food supply and we need to protect them anyway we can.

One of the ways to protect the bees is to avoid using harsh chemicals as much as possible. Dormant spraying is a way to do that but our timing must be correct. Dormant Oil sprays are not toxic. When dormant oil is applied in March, before leaves and flowers begin to develop, this spray can suffocate insects in the egg stage or very immature stage of development. It is not necessary to use other chemicals if we use an insect control product like this. There are some catchy things we need to remember when we apply a spray that suffocates the bad critters like aphids, mites and scales primarily. It only makes sense to spray when the insects are most vulnerable and that is when they are just about ready to hatch and begin feeding on our plants. If we can cover their egg masses with a coat of very thin, highly refined oil, this will exclude the oxygen they need to survive and develop. These insects require the most oxygen just before they are ready to hatch so that makes them more vulnerable to suffocation about the first or second week in March. We cannot spray on a day if it is going to freeze that night. We for sure do NOT want to spray any evergreens that have blue foliage, like a blue spruce, because it will take the blue color away for that season. There is a list of other plants that should not be sprayed but they are minimal. This is the most economical spray we can do all year, the least toxic to the environment and most effective in killing some of the most detrimental insects in the yard. Be sure to read the label thoroughly, that is why we are telling you about this now. You have plenty of time make your purchase of Dormant Oil and read the label. You can Google Dormant Oil Sprays and likely find a label on line that will allow you to read about it even before you make the purchase. This spray is particularly good for any scale insect. If you have any euonymus or mugho pines in the landscape these plants are susceptible to Oyster Shell Scale so be on the alert and be sure that all of your fruit trees and these particular plant varieties mentioned receive a dormant oil spray.

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From the Pulpit

By Pastor Marc Frey

Judas

I HAVE NEVER HEARD OF PARENTS who named their son, Judas. The name Judas is synonymous with the word "traitor." Judas is remembered for only one thing – betraying Jesus for 30 pieces of silver.

At one time, Judas was much like you and me. He must have believed in Jesus. He had a good knowledge of Jesus. But in spite of this, he fell. He deserted Jesus and joined his enemies for a small amount of money. This teaches us something. If he fell, so can we.

What led Judas away was the promise of money. We all like money. We like to get as much as possible. People like it so much they can't do without it. There are so many things you can buy with it.

People want money so much that they spend time planning how to get it.

Doesn't the same thing that attracted Judas also attract us? You never seem to have enough money. You could always use more. Anything that promises more money gets our attention. Money is so tempting that the Bible warns against the desire for money, "Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction."

As we look back on what Judas did, we are revolted. But remember that at the time it looked good to him. Money looks attractive to us today, too.

But we don't get out of money what we think we will. It is deceptive. It does not deliver what it promises. Judas pictured himself with money in his pocket and thought he would be happy. But it didn't happen that way. That is the way it always is with sin. The forbidden fruit looked good to Adam and Eve. They thought it would be good for them. Instead, it led to shame and fear.

Sin always promises good things; otherwise, no one would be attracted by it. But it is deceptive. It never delivers more than temporary pleasure and

satisfaction. Many rich people are unhappy.

Money did not make Judas happy like he thought it would. He did not enjoy the money. Instead, he was horrified at what he had done. He didn't even want the money anymore. He wanted to get rid of it and brought it back to the enemies of Jesus and said, "I have sinned for I have betrayed innocent blood." They told him, "That's your problem." Sin brings guilt. Sin looks attractive but it doesn't tell you about death and the judgment. Judas finally lost all hope.

There are sinners who didn't end up as Judas did. They sinned and were just as guilty but they repented and clung to Jesus for forgiveness.

You can find forgiveness with Jesus, too. That is why Jesus died. That was the purpose of his suffering and death. We are told, "The Lord laid on him the iniquity of us all."

Even though we are sinners as Judas was, we can turn to Christ and be forgiven because he died for our sins. That is the path to life and happiness.

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Police Tip of the Week

By Sgt. Jj Mauro Tcprd Retired

Dangerous Animals

LAST WEEK WE DISCUSSED THE Federal Law concerning "Endangered Species." This week let's take a look at Ohio Law pertaining to possessing "Wild Animals." The United States Constitution still allows what our founding fathers considered to be "States Rights." Under the Constitution the State of Ohio is the governing body over the animals within its borders and as such regulates what animals can be hunted and fished by issuing the proper license to its residents. The state also regulates what it has defined as dangerous animals and just who can possess them.

I remember as a child going to the Cincinnati Zoo and riding the elephant, huge turtle and seeing all the wild animals in captivity. We have had the circus come to the county with a display of the wild animals parading down Main St., USA. I never gave it a second thought about who regulated those shows but as a police, I learned to understand that it is the State of Ohio. So let's take a look at what Ohio allows when it comes to those elephants and

tigers.

On the local level, the City of Tipp City regulates what is required of a person who has a wild animal escape from their control. That situation states it must be reported within one hour. And as we already discussed, the Federal Government only control's "Endangered Species."

Ohio Revised Code Section 935.02 prohibits any person from possessing a "...dangerous wild animal on or after January 1, 2014." The law does permit certain people the right to possess the animals such as if they owned the animal prior to the law's enactment. It also allows zoos, circus owners, pet rescue farms, petting zoos, veterinarians and so on to keep and harbor dangerous animals.

Just like the Federal Government controls what animals are considered to be endangered, the State of Ohio controls what animals are considered dangerous. Here is a list of what animals Ohio prohibits its residents from possessing without a license because as common sense dictates are dangerous animals.

My thought is if it makes the hair on the back of your neck stand up, then it is a dangerous animal and you should not take it home with you.

935.02 POSSESSION OF DANGEROUS WILD ANIMAL PROHIBITED.

(A) No person shall possess a dangerous wild animal on or after January 1, 2014.

(1) Except as provided in divisions (G)(1) and (2) of section 935.06 of the Revised Code, no person shall acquire, buy, sell, trade, or transfer possession or ownership of a dangerous wild animal on or after the

effective date of this section.

(2) Notwithstanding division (B) (1) of this section, a person that operates a rescue facility may acquire, except by purchase, possession or ownership of a dangerous wild animal if one of the following applies:

(a) Prior to January 1, 2014, the person is authorized to do so by the director of agriculture in accordance with procedures adopted by the director.

(b) On or after January 1, 2014, the person has obtained a rescue facility permit under section 935.101 of the Revised Code.

CHAPTER 935: POSSESSION OF WILD ANIMALS AND SNAKES

(C) "Dangerous wild animal" means any of the following, including hybrids unless otherwise specified:

- (1) Hyenas
- (2) Gray wolves, excluding hybrids
- (3) Lions
- (4) Tigers
- (5) Jaguars
- (6) Leopards, including clouded leopards, Sunda clouded leopards, and snow leopards
- (7) All of the following, including hybrids with domestic cats unless otherwise specified:

- (a) Cheetahs
- (b) Lynxes
- (1) Sell, trade, or barter the animal or the animal's body parts
- (2) Use the animal in any manner for profit
- (3) Breed the animal
- (4) Allow the public the opportunity to come into contact with the animal

(L) "Restricted snake" means any of the following:

- (1) All of the following constricting snakes that are twelve feet or longer

- (a) Green anacondas
- (b) Yellow anacondas
- (c) Reticulated pythons
- (d) Indian pythons
- (e) Burmese pythons
- (f) North African rock pythons
- (g) South African rock pythons
- (h) Amethystine pythons
- (2) Species of the following families
 - (a) Atractaspididae
 - (b) Elapididae
 - (c) Viperidae
 - (3) Boomslang snakes
 - (4) Twig snakes

Tipp City Code:

\$ 90.11 REPORTING ESCAPE OF CERTAIN ANIMALS REQUIRED.

(A) The owner or keeper of any member of a species of the animal kingdom that escapes from the owner's or keeper's custody or control and that is not indigenous to this state or presents a risk of serious physical harm to persons or property, or both, shall, within one hour after the owner or keeper discovers or reasonably should have discovered the escape, report it to a law enforcement officer of the municipality and the sheriff of the county where the escape occurred, and the Clerk of the Legislative Authority where the escape occurred.

(B) If the office of the Clerk of the Legislative Authority is closed to the public at the time a report is required by division (A) of this section, it is sufficient compliance with division (A) of this section if the owner or keeper makes the report within 1 hour after the office is next open to the public.

(C) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

Woman in a Man Cave

With
Nicole Bauer

One Dish Meals

TIME IS SOMETHING THAT I don't seem to have enough of these days. Between homeschooling my sons, writing, running by Ebay store and taking care of my family I am exhausted. I'm ready for Spring to be here so we can take walks and do outside educational endeavors.

Since time is so essential to a smooth schedule, I have been making more and more one-dish meals. I love the idea of throwing everything into a casserole dish and sticking it in the oven while I get other necessary chores done. Not to mention, the one-dish meals are sometimes more affordable and the leftovers can be enjoyed on Leftover Night. If you don't have a Leftover Night in your house, do it. Nothing is simpler on a busy night than reheating the leftovers and making a smorgasbord for the family to enjoy. It's common in our house to have tacos, mac n'cheese, barbecued hamburgers, and whatever else I can find in the fridge.

Since I'm somewhat new to the one-dish meal phenomenon I have been searching through my cook book collection for some recipes that my family would enjoy. With two picky eaters, it makes it difficult to make just any old casserole. The ones I'm including here are kid-tested and husband-approved. Obviously, each home is different. So, you may find that the ingredients in these don't sound appealing for your family. Tweak them until they do. That's another perk to making one-dish meals, you can experiment and create until you find something you like.

SALTY COW CASSEROLE

- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 2 cups milk
- 2 cups uncooked macaroni
- 2 cans mushroom soup
- 1 package (7 oz) dried beef

Tear beef into shredded pieces and mix with other ingredients. Pour into 13x9 baking dish and let set overnight in refrigerator. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-50 minutes.

TUNA AND CHEESE CASSEROLE

- 1 can tuna, drained
- 1 medium onion, diced and sauteed in olive oil, margarine or butter
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 can cheddar cheese soup
- 1 soup can milk
- 1/2 to 1 pound medium noodles cooked
- 1/2 cup frozen peas

Grease 13x9 or deep dish casserole. Combine ingredients in casserole dish and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

BACON AND CHEESE STRATA

- 8 slices firm white bread
- 2 scallions, chopped
- 8 strips bacon cooked and crumbled (or grab a bag of crumbles in the salad section)
- 1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- 1 can (14 oz) diced tomatoes, drained and patted dry
- 3 eggs
- 1 1/2 cup milk
- 1/8 tsp black pepper
- 1/8 tsp hot pepper sauce

Coat 2 quart baking dish with cooking spray. Arrange half of the bread in a single layer in the dish, cutting pieces as needed to fit. Cover with half the scallions, bacon, cheese and tomatoes. Repeat for second layer. Combine eggs, milk, pepper and hot sauce. Pour over casserole. Cover and bake at 375 degrees for 45 minutes or until lightly browned. If it begins to brown too quickly cover loosely with aluminum foil.

*After arranging layers, you can store this in the refrigerator for two hours before cooking.

There you have it. A few one-dish meals that were a hit in my home. I hope you find one you can enjoy. Before I go, I'd like to send a big hug and a special thank you to Mrs. Gothard in Springfield, OH and also to Jill Renicker who reads the Tippecanoe Gazette. Both of them took the time out to reach out to me. It makes my day when I hear from readers. Thanks so much for your support.

As always, thanks for reading and take care.

Financial Focus

You bought the policy...now what?

Knowing your policies supports healthy financial strategies

Purchasing proper insurance coverage is an important part of a healthy financial picture. However, with many policies, staying engaged ensures you have adequate coverage as your life changes.

As life changes, your insurance needs can also change. Particularly with long-term care insurance, reviewing your coverage on an ongoing basis helps ensure you and your loved ones are financially protected from risks associated with extended medical needs. If you bought coverage 10 years ago for example, meeting with a financial professional to make sure the policy still offers the protection you need for now and the future is essential to you and your family.

Some policies, like whole life insurance, require minimal engagement after purchase. If those policies are attractive to you, your financial professional can help guide you toward an option that best meets your needs.

A good plan is to meet with your financial professional for insurance "check-ups" annually. A financial professional can help you assess if the policies are still appropriate and are fulfilling their appropriate role in your personal financial strategy. They are also abreast on the latest changes in the regulatory landscape and can help guide you toward newer options that are often created as financial regulations change.

When you review your policies, Thrivent Financial recommends asking these questions:

- What kind of financial protection do I need?
- Do I have the right amount and type of insurance?
- Do I have the right beneficiaries designated?
- Is my family aware of my policies?
- Do I have other financial areas that require attention and protection?
- Is my level of coverage appropriate?
- Am I clear on the terms of my contract?

These types of meetings can ensure that when it comes time to collect benefits on your policy, everything meets your expectations.

As it is appropriate, you should also review pertinent policies that family members hold and make sure they're still appropriate. Raising the subject may create some momentary awkwardness, but it is far better to discuss policies and options ahead of time to ensure that nothing is missed or forgotten when it comes time to claim insurance benefits.

Some sample questions include:

- Do you have insurance coverage? If so, what kind?
- Where can we find your policy information in case you need help from us if/when you activate your policy?
- How can we contact your financial professional? Your insurance company?
- Are there any special requirements in your policy that we should know about?

Taking the time to evaluate your coverage and talk with your family about your insurance policies is a good way to make sure your benefits meet your expectations and are there when needed.

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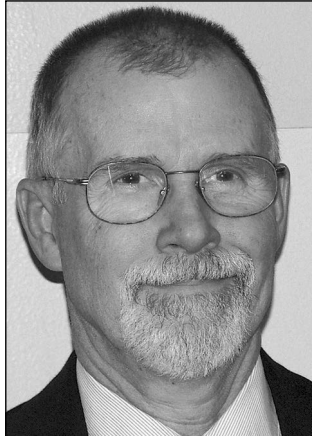
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Habitat Announces New Board Members

Habitat for Humanity of Miami & Shelby Counties, OH (HFHMSCO) is pleased to announce the addition of three new board members ... Dr. Reece Nickol, Mr. John Schweser and Mr. Seth Heckaman.

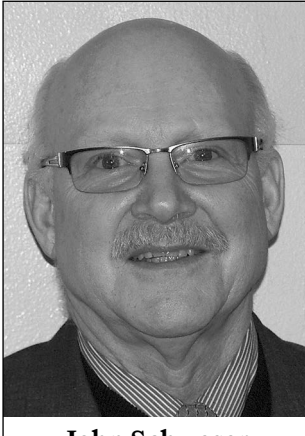


Dr. Reece Nickol

Dr. Reece Nickol is a native of Ohio and is currently a resident of Piqua. Married with four children and three grandchildren, Dr. Nickol received his education, post-graduate and medical school training in the Cincinnati-Dayton area, and retired from Miami County Surgeons/Upper Valley Professional Corporation in 2013. In addition to his full time career, he has actively volunteered in the community with such organizations as Big Brothers/Big Sisters; Habitat for Humanity; The Lehman High School Foundation Board, and recently was Chairman, Board of Directors of Upper Valley Medical Center. He brings over fifteen years of dedicated volunteerism to the HFHMSCO board.

Mr. John Schweser has lived in Troy for the past 27 years; is married and has three grown children. His career path is in Management with Meijer stores, and he also brings a wealth of active community volunteerism to the board. Mr. Schweser is a Troy Soccer Parent member; past Secretary and current Treasurer for the Martin Luther King Team; past member of the board of the Troy Historical Society and currently in his fourth term on the Troy City Council, 3rd Ward.

Also, the Troy Strawberry Festival has had the benefit of Mr. Schweser's leadership abilities. Mr. Seth Heckaman serves as Sales Manager



John Schweser

for Isaiah Industries, a leading manufacturer and distributor of premium, residential building products. He holds a BA in Organizational Management from



Seth Heckaman

Bluffton University, has volunteered with his local church and started a nonprofit to help raise awareness of human trafficking in the Miami Valley. Seth currently resides in Piqua with his wife and child.

"Serving on the board of a thriving non-profit like HFHMSCO requires dedication, time and a commitment to improving our community" said, Matthew Mottice, Board President.

Mottice also stated that ... "we are currently looking for additional board members that have a connection with Shelby County. Now that Shelby County is part of the affiliate's geographic service area (GSA), we want a good balance of board members representing the entire GSA."

Cemetery Spring Clean-Up

To prepare for the annual spring cleanup of the cemetery grounds of both Riverside Cemetery and Rosehill Cemetery, citizens are asked to remove their wreaths, decorations and other items that have been left on the cemetery grounds/gravesites at both Riverside and Rosehill Cemeteries.

All ground mounted decorations will be removed commencing Monday, March 2, 2015.

Spring wreaths, grave-stone saddles, and other appropriate decorations

can be placed starting April 1.

All decorations placed must conform to the Cemetery Department Rules and Regulations for the Use of Flowers and Other Decorations. Copies of the Rules and Regulations are available from the Cemetery office. Unauthorized plantings, flowers and decorations will be removed from the cemetery grounds without further notice.

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Obituaries

Lemuel M. Roth

Lemuel M. Roth, 76, of Covington, passed away Saturday, February 14, 2015 at the Hospice Inpatient Unit of Upper Valley Medical Center, Troy. He was born in Piqua on June 13, 1938 to the late Leo Roy and Mae Lucille (Snyder) Roth. He was married to Norma J. Walker and she survives and resides in Covington.



Lemuel is also survived by four sons and daughter-in-law, Larry and Beverly Baker of Atlanta, GA, William M. Roth of Piqua, Lemuel Roth, Jr. of Orlando, FL, Douglas "Doug" Sierra of Troy; four daughters and sons-in-law, Angel and Jim Schaefer of Columbus, Valerie and Jane Roth of Orlando, FL, Darla and Gene Smith of Greenville, Dawn and Al Rismiller of Covington; twenty-one grandchildren; thirty great grandchildren; and one sister, Hilda Asher of Piqua. He was also preceded in death by three brothers, Homer Roth, Daniel Roth, Dennis Roth; and one sister Leona Gephart.

Lemuel was retired from Hobart Corporation, Troy after 27 years of service.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements are entrusted to Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy. Condolences may be left for the family at www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com.

Douglas C. Weikert

Douglas C. Weikert, 68, of Troy, OH, passed away on February 12, 2015 at home. He was born to Richard and Virginia Weikert on March 30, 1946 in Troy. He lived most of his life in Kettering, OH, but moved back to Troy with his wife, Gayle, who loves and misses him very much. He is also survived by his beloved sons, Matthew Weikert and his wife, Carrie, of Columbus, OH, and Nathan Weikert and his wife, Anne, of Cincinnati, OH, his sister, Tamara Walker, of Chicago, IL, his parents-in-law, John and Jean Sampson of Tipp City, OH, and his brother-in-law, David Sampson and his wife Beverly, of Greenville, SC. Doug was a dedicated and enthusiastic math teacher, who helped countless students at Van Buren Junior High School and Kettering Fairmont High School enjoy and understand math. He also had a great passion for coaching basketball and track. After retirement, he continued coaching the throws at Troy High School, Piqua High School, and most recently, Wright State University. His athletes were always very special to him. He enjoyed officiating at track meets and playing golf as often as he could. Doug loved his family very much, and we loved him. He will always be in our hearts, filling us with his energy, joy, and enthusiasm for life. A visitation will be held 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 22, 2015 at Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy. A private service for family and friends will be held at a later date. Contributions to honor Doug's memory may be sent to the Kettering Education Foundation, 3750 Far Hills Ave., Kettering, OH, 45429. Condolences may be left for the family at www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2015

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Montessori To Hold Open House

The Miami Montessori School in Troy will host an informational meeting regarding the Montessori method and philosophy of education for parents of children ages 2 ½ through 6th grade at the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center, 301 W. Main, Troy, on Thursday, February 26, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. Attendees will have the opportunity to observe and personally use some of the Montessori hands-on materials in order to see how Montessori children are actively engaged in the learning process. Please call the school at 937-339-0025 or email Sharon-Prais@aol.com to reserve a space and request information. Parents are invited to visit the school's website at www.miamimontessori.org for additional information and to schedule an observation. The Miami Montessori School has served children throughout the Miami Valley since 1979.

Yoga Classes at YWCA

Ever thought about taking Yoga classes? Join Katie Nardechchia for the new 5 week session of Yoga at the YWCA Piqua beginning March 2. Classes will run from 6:15-7:30 p.m. on Monday nights. "Yoga is a physical, mental and spiritual discipline originating in ancient India. The goal of Yoga is the attainment of a state of perfect spiritual insight and tranquility and the ultimate improvement of one's health," said Nardechchia "Each class will begin with centering which involves emphasis on the breath. This allows participants to become centered and grounded for the practice," added Nardechchia. Throughout the class a variety of "asanas," (postures), will be taught and practiced. Some of these postures are seated and some are standing. According to Nardechchia, "The standing postures help us with balance which becomes increasingly important as we get older." Classes end with relaxation which leaves those in the class feeling rejuvenated and most importantly, present in the moment. For more information on membership requirements, class fees or registration, stop at the YWCA Piqua at 418 N. Wayne St. or call 937-773-6626.

Book Lovers Anonymous Book Club Meets at Library

Join the Troy-Miami County Public Library's adult book club at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 23, 2015; we will be reading and discussing "One Thousand White Women" by Jim Fergus. The Book Lovers Anonymous Book Club usually meets at 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month; we read a variety of fiction and nonfiction titles. For more information, call 937-339-0502 ext. 120.

N.A.R.F.E. To Meet

Chapter #2238 of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees will hold its next meeting Friday, February 20, at 12:00 at Roush's Restaurant, 305 W. Main Street, Fairborn. Chapter 2238 serves Huber Heights, Englewood, Vandalia, Tipp City, New Carlisle, Riverside, Dayton, Clayton and Brookville. If the weather is bad and the Huber Heights schools are closed we will not have a meeting.

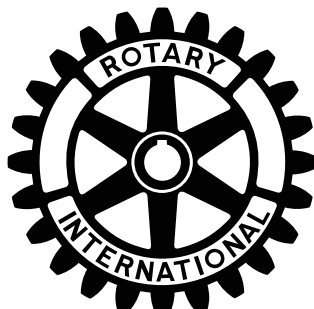
Still Time To See Grilliot Collection at Troy-Hayner

The Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is pleased to be exhibiting just a small portion of the Historic Grilliot Collection. This historically significant collection will be on display at the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center located at 301 West Main Street in Troy, OH through March 1, 2015. The exhibit is free and open to the public. According to this exhibit's curator Judy Deeter, "Each piece in the Michael Grilliot collection tells a story of life long ago in Troy and Miami County. Some pieces present stories of individuals; other items describe business, culture, education, or sports history . . . A few artifacts, such as the 19th century Jacquard coverlets, show the skills of local workers. From a wide variety of sources, Mr. Grilliot has brought these pieces together to present a visual history of west central Ohio. The collection allows us to 'see' what we have been reading about for years!" Judy Deeter serves as President of both the Troy Historical Society and the Overfield Tavern Museum. The Troy Historical Society administers this collection of over 700 artifacts. The collection is always exhibited in honor of Mr. Grilliot's parents, Linus and Vivian Grilliot. The Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is proudly supported by the citizens of the Troy City School District through a local tax levy and generous gifts to the Friends of Hayner. Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is located at 301 West Main Street, Troy, OH 45373. Hours of operation are 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Monday, 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Special Hayner holiday hours: 9:00 a.m. to noon Christmas eve, closed Christmas day, 9:00 a.m. - noon New Year's eve, and closed New Year's day. For more information, please visit our website at www.troyhayner.org or call (937) 339-0457.

List Your Events in the Tribune

To promote your church, club or organization's events, e-mail the information at least two weeks in advance to editor@troytrib.com. Please submit your event in a word document with no headers or formatting. Please do not embed photos in a word document. If you prefer, you can also mail the information to Troy Tribune, 114 S. Main St., P.O. Box 281, New Carlisle OH 45344. We require the full name, address and telephone number of the submitter for our records.

Troy Rotary Helps
Brukner Wield
International Influence



When Clayton Brukner donated land on Horse-shoe Bend Road to establish a nature center, little did he realize that his vision of promoting the appreciation and understanding of wildlife through preservation, conservation and rehabilitation would be embraced by villagers in Kangun-

do, Kenya. It all began when a scholarship from the Hartstein Favorite Foundation, overseen by the Troy Rotary Club, was awarded to Gold-certified safari guide and passionate environmentalist Preston Mutinda in 1998. That scholarship allowed Mutinda to spend three (3) months as an intern at Brukner Nature Center. It was during his stay that the vision of an urban wildlife sanctuary in his Kenyan village took shape. The Mutinda Wildlife Education Center became a reality in 2004 when Troy Rotary raised more than \$50,000 to help Mutinda and local volunteers build the first of several buildings on Mutinda's own property. Today, the Center boasts a library, auditorium, exhibit hall and an office that houses books, binoculars, DVDs and other educational material. Mutinda's goal is to educate Kenyan children about the wildlife that surrounds them each day in the country's national

arks. Currently, he is able to provide free education to approximately 400 children each month. Many of the children have no means of transportation to and from the Center. They must walk from one to three hours each way to learn about the wildlife and Kenya's cultural traditions. The teachers who come with the children are taught typing and computer skills while at the Center. Mutinda is working with the Environmental Education and Conservation Global organization to accept donations for the purchase and maintenance of a four-wheel-drive van that will be outfitted to transport children to and from the Center safely. The van will also allow more children to experience the wonders of wildlife throughout the coming years. Troy Rotarians are honored to continue to support the Mutinda Wildlife Education Center through donations made to the Troy Rotary Foundation. The Troy Rotary Foundation supports several community projects annually and distributed more than \$11,000 in scholarships and community aid in 2013-14. To learn more about Rotary programs and membership, visit their Web site at www.troyohiorotary.org. You can also follow the Club's activities on their Troy Rotary Club Facebook page. If you are interested in making a donation to the purchase of the van, please visit www.eecg.org and click on the "donate" button. You can learn more about Brukner Nature Center's programs at www.bruknernature-center.com.

Troy Christian Schools
To Hold Open House

Troy Christian Schools will hold its annual Open House on Sunday, March 8, 1:30-3:30 p.m., at both school locations. The Early Childhood Education Center, Preschool, Pre-Kindergarten and K-6 school is located at 1586 McKaig Ave., Troy. The Jr. High and High School is located next door at 700 S. Dorset Rd., Troy. Teachers and staff members will be on-hand to greet parents and students, answer questions and give a tour of the facility. Enrollment for new students began Feb. 2; enrollment forms and information will be available. "We often hear from people who have attended our Open House events that they are surprised to find out what Troy Christian Schools have to offer," said Superintendent Dr. Gary Wilber. "That will be even more evident this year as we have added so much to our curriculum in the area of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math (STEAM), from Preschool to 12th grade." Dr. Wilber said the youngest learners will be demonstrating "Bee-Bots," which are adorable robotic bees that teach toddlers sequencing and robotics on the most basic level, while High School students will be demonstrating how they are changing lives by building prosthetic hands on the school's 3D printer using Computer Aided Design (CAD). In addition, the open house will offer break-out sessions on leadership and missions, intervention services and show choir performances, as

well as opportunities to visit classrooms and speak with teachers. Dr. Wilber and Asst. Superintendent, Jeanne Ward, also will be holding forums to answer questions. Troy Christian is a non-denominational, faith-based school that focuses on academic excellence, spiritual formation and leadership development. The school offers a safe and secure, large modern facility with state-of-the-art technology and STEAM courses. There are many opportunities for solid programs in athletics, arts, missions and clubs. The school offers a history of high academic achievement, small class sizes, caring teachers, college credits on campus (College Credit Plus) and character development at all grade levels. Troy Christian is in the middle of a \$5.2 million plus development project that will add classrooms and programs to the infant-12th grade school. Information about future plans for the school will be available at the open house event. Buses are available from Northmont, Northridge, Vandalia, Huber Heights, Brookville, Trotwood, Piqua, West Milton, Miami East, Troy, Tipp City, Bethel, Tecumseh, Newton, Covington, Englewood, and surrounding regions. Financial aid up to 75 percent is available. The community is invited to this event and light refreshments will be served. Contact the school office at 937-339-5692 or check out the website at www.troychristianschools.org.

Friends For Riverside
Seeks Craft Fair Vendors

Friends for Riverside, the action committee that helps fund levy campaigns for Riverside Developmental Disabilities, is hosting a Home & Craft Fair on Saturday, April 4 at Riverside (1625 Troy Sidney Rd., Troy). Organizers are seeking rummage sale and craft vendors to participate in the fundraiser. Space in the sale is available for \$25, and includes an eight-foot table and two chairs in an indoor location. The event is being held in conjunction with a Ford Drive 4UR Community event, during which Troy Ford will donate \$20 to Friends for Riverside for each person who test drives one of their vehicles (up to \$6,000). Sale hours are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 4. Businesses interested in sponsoring the event are also being sought. The deadline for vendor registration is March 13. For a space registration form or information about business sponsorships, contact Melissa Nichols at 937-418-0523 or via email at knichols@woh.rr.com. Riverside Developmental Disabilities is Miami County's local board of developmental disabilities serving nearly 900 Miami County citizens. Riverside's mission is to empower people with developmental disabilities to live, work and play as full members of our community, and its vision is to build a community that supports and values people of all abilities.

Miami County Park
District Events

February 22 - Naturalist Adventure Series "Winter Tree Identification"

The Miami County Park District will hold its Naturalist Adventure Series "Winter Tree Identification" program on February 22 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Road, south of Tipp City. The Naturalist Adventure program is a series of fun, family activities where participants can drop in anytime during the program and learn about nature. This month, learn about trees as you follow the tree ID trail. A roving naturalist will be on-site to answer questions. Stay warm - remember to layer up before you head out. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104.

February 27 - NASA Moon Rocks Have Landed

The Miami County Park District will hold a program featuring the NASA Moon Rocks on February 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Road, south of Tipp City. Join park district naturalist Spirit of Thunder, John De Boer, and learn all about the authentic moon rocks on loan from NASA. The program will take place at the park district education office. Meet at the house. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104.


2015 Teen Leadership
Application Deadline is
April 1

The deadline for applications to the 2015 Teen Leadership Troy program is April 1. The TLT program is sponsored by the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce. The Teen Leadership Troy program, started in 1997, provides a valuable learning experience with the help and cooperation of our community's leaders. A group of selected high school juniors participate in a week-long program to develop and enhance community leadership skills and their potential through a series of classroom and practical learning experiences. Among the sites the TLT participants visit will be Troy City Hall, Brukner Nature Center, Troy Daily News and the Miami County Courthouse. The class also will participate

in the G.I.F.T. program and assist with the selection of area not for profits to receive \$5,000 in grant money from the Troy Foundation. The program consists of five full-day sessions to be held from June 7-12. The program will expose the participants to a variety of social and economic issues and opportunities facing the Troy community. Students who have completed their junior year of High School are eligible to apply. Applications must be received by 5 p.m. April 1. Teen Leadership Troy Applications and more information are available online www.TroyOhioChamber.com - programs/events or at the SW Chamber office: 405 SW Public Square, Suite 330, Troy, OH 45373.


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TRIVIA CHALLENGE:

February 2015 Current Events

1.) Harper Lee, author of To Kill a Mockingbird, has announced the release of a new novel for later this year. What is its title?
a. Go Set a Paramedic
b. Go Set a Watchman
c. Go Set a Policeman
d. Go Set a Fireman

2.) Bodyguards of Prime Minister Tom Thabane were involved in a shootout in which nation in February of 2015?
a. Syria
b. Nigeria
c. Nepal
d. Lesotho

3.) Ivory Coast took on which team in the final of the 2015 African Nations Cup?
a. Nigeria
b. Ghana
c. Morocco
d. Ivory Coast

4.) Which pop star lent her name to a vegan home delivery food service in February 2015?
a. JLO
b. Lady Gaga
c. Beyonce
d. Kylie Minogue

5.) Zsa Zsa Gabor celebrated what birthday in February 2015?
a. 108
b. 88
c. 78
d. 98

6.) A flight crashed on takeoff into a river killing forty people in which Asian country on February 4th, 2015?
a. Laos
b. China
c. Taiwan

d. Thailand

7.) Complete the title of the 2015 movie starring Nicole Kidman as Gertrude Bell - "Queen of the...."?
a. Kings
b. Days
c. Desert
d. Nile

8.) John Baird resigned as minister of foreign affairs in which nation in February of 2015?
a. France
b. USA
c. UK
d. Canada

9.) "Living For Love" was premiered online in February of 2015. This was the latest single from which artist?
a. Kylie Minogue
b. Rihanna
c. Madonna
d. Beyonce

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40. Poet's challenge

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56. Ruhr Valley city
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11. Emotional highs
17. Bit
19. Possessive pronoun
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23. Connecticut university
25. Horticulturist
26. Dig find
27. Make uneasy
30. Not a thing
31. Adroit
37. Indecent language
39. Live ____ (1985 concert)
41. Banana oil, e.g.
43. Accusation response
45. Slip (into)
47. Bird word
48. Skull
49. Tailward
50. Practice suffix
51. Hawaiian garland
53. All for it
54. Chop

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by Larry Warren

THERE IS NOTHING MORE PEACEFUL THAN A BLANKET OF FRESHLY FALLEN SNOW.

YEP, SURE IS PEACEFUL.

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How to get the most out of your tax refund

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The majority of Ohioans (53.2 percent) expecting a refund will use the money to pay down existing debt, according to the Ohio Credit Union League's 2015 Consumer Survey. Meanwhile 46.8 percent will invest in a savings program. Only 4.6 percent are planning to make a major purchase, and a very small percentage will use it

start a new business.

With many deciding to save and pay down debt, where do you start?

- Replenish "rainy day" funds. Putting money aside helps manage the unimaginable. Building up a "rainy day" savings account allows for a little cushion when things such as car repairs or home maintenance projects arise.
- Pay the high-interest balance first. Before you make a large payment on a credit card or loan balance, look to see which has the highest interest rate and will give you the greatest relief to your monthly expenses/payments.
- Invest in your future. Putting additional funds in your retirement account can have long term benefits.
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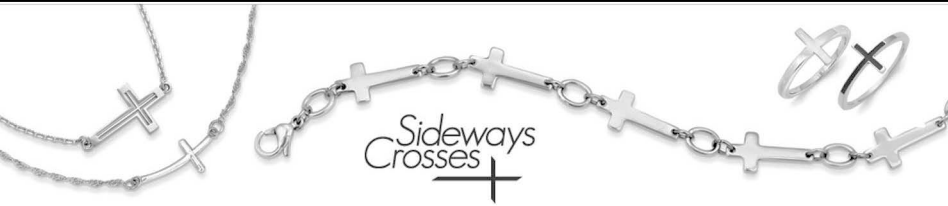
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The next concert in the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center's Drawing Room Series will be held on February 24 at 7:30 p.m. The series showcases both local and international musicians in an intimate, relaxed setting. This chamber concert



David Crean

will feature the cello of Daniel Kazez D.M.A. while David Crean plays the Hayner's harpsichord. The harpsichord was built by hand and donated to the cultural center by one of the graduating classes of 1960s. It is a rare and anticipated event to be able to enjoy harpsichord in our Drawing Room Series. David Crean is the adjunct instructor of Music Appreciation at Wittenberg University, the University Organist and directs the Chapel Choir there as well. He has performed extensively throughout the United States including the New York premier of two fugues by American composer Henry Martin.

Daniel Kazez is the Wittenberg University professor of music theory, world music, cello, and

bass; and the Music Audition Coordinator. Professor Kazez is an internationally renowned cellist with a performance resume that extends from Paris, London and Rome to Prague, Budapest, Fez and beyond. He is known in the United States for his scholarly writings and articles on music theory, pedagogy, and performance, a dozen editions of music and two books. Rhythm Reading: Elementary Through Advanced Training (W.W. Norton) is the most widely used rhythm textbook in the United States.

There is no dress code and as always, it is free and open to the public. The Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is proudly supported by the citizens of the Troy City School Dis-



Dan Kazez

trict through a local tax levy and generous gifts to the Friends of Hayner. For more information regarding these free events and to receive a complete listing of Hayner Events, please call 339-0457 or visit www.TroyHayner.org for complete details.

WACO Presents "Bricks Do Battle" Lego Exhibit

WACO Historical Society is hosting the 2nd Annual Lego Exhibit. Come see recreated battles, including the battle at Concord, the bombing of Hiroshima, D-Day, or Black Hawk Down. Pretend you are that tiny LEGO character climbing

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in a humvee, an Osprey or the P 51-D Mustang. Remember all of our fallen soldiers as you reflect on the memorials represented in this display where tiny bricks come together to form beautiful memorials, intricate battle scenes, and realistic models of military vehicles. All entries are currently on display at WACO Air Museum for public viewing February 14th - March 13th, during regular business hours with a paid museum admission. As a way to further honor our military, this event

determine "The People's Choice Award." Each paying museum guest will get to cast five votes for their favorite entries, or put all five votes on a single entry. Additional votes can be purchased for \$1.00 per vote at the museum gift shop or online at www.wacoair-museum.org.

Sponsors of the "Bricks Do Battle" LEGO Contest include MEIJERS, Wal Mart, Scene 75, Jumpys, Cairns Toys, Boonshoft Museum, McDonalds, Wendy's, and Skyline Chili.

6 Healthy Habits To Implement In February

Despite decades of medical research and public campaigns to ease the problem, heart disease is the No. 1 killer in the United States and throughout the Western world.

One of the problems driving heart disease is the messaging, says Robert Thompson, M.D., an integrative medicine specialist deemed by his peers to be in the top 5 percent of U.S. physicians. While there's plenty of good advice, the general public, and many of his peers in the medical community, are stuck with faulty conclusions, he says.

"Perhaps the biggest misconception is that an overabundance of calcium, which may include supplements, is very good for people, especially women, but that's simply not true," says Thompson, author of "The Calcium Lie II: What Your Doctor Still Doesn't Know," (calciumliebook.com), a new book that details the roles minerals play in overall health and how to identify and correct deficiencies and imbalances.

Calcium is just one of 12 substances, as well as traces of 64 other minerals, that make up our bones. Excessive amounts of calcium hurt our bodies in many ways, especially the heart and the brain, he says. We cannot possibly replace minerals with just calcium, which hardens concrete and makes bones more brittle.

One study, published in the British Medical Journal in 2008, was meant to assess the effect of calcium on bone density and fractures in postmenopausal women. Researchers found that participating women were significantly more

likely to suffer heart attacks while taking calcium supplements.

- Drink at least 64 ounces of water a day. As a general rule, we need to drink half of our bodyweight in ounces of water daily. For a 150-pound individual, that's 75 ounces of water. Those who are overweight, or are heavy exercisers or live in warm climates may need more. Take care to drink quality water. Get a quality filtration system at home, which can range from \$200 to \$3,000.
- Take ionic sea salt-derived minerals. We all need a diverse range of minerals and virtually none of us get enough. Ionic minerals are the only ones that are completely available for our bodies to use because they are water-soluble and they naturally carry an electrical charge that allows them to be carried through the cell membranes. All sea salt-derived trace mineral products are recommended - at least three grams per day.
- Use only vitamin supplements made from 100 percent organic whole foods that have been vine-ripened. Almost all of us need supplements because contemporary food supplies lack adequate amounts of vitamins and minerals, thanks to soil depletion. Most store-bought vitamins include just one component of the many complex molecular elements contained in the naturally occurring vitamin source. You need all of the nutrient components to get the full benefits.

- Get your fill of essential fatty acids; raw nuts and/or seeds are a good source. In 2003, the Food and Drug Administration approved the following health claim for seven kinds of nuts: "Scientific evidence suggests but does not prove that eating 1.5 oz. per day of most raw nuts as part of a diet low in saturated fat and cholesterol may reduce the risk of heart disease." Omega-3 and Omega-6 are considered essential because humans can't manufacture them within our bodies. Research has now shown that plant-derived Omega 6, and not fish oil, is the best oil for humans.

- Eat high-quality proteins. Seafood, eggs, beans, chicken, game meat, duck and turkey are excellent sources of essential amino acids that are the building blocks of every protein molecule, hormone, neurotransmitter, cell membranes and immune molecules. Proteins can also be obtained from grains, sprouted grains, raw nuts and raw seeds. Vegetarians and vegans need to play close attention to combine protein sources to get the full complement of amino acids.
- Walk at least 30 minutes every day. This activity has a huge effect on relieving the physiologic effects of stress on the human physiology. Exercise is good, but walking is amazing. No other single activity will more significantly or more rapidly affect the adrenal stress response in humans than walking, which probably works so well because it slows us down. And, it is an incredible way to build relationships.

"Also, I recommend ingesting essential monosaccharides, which is new and unknown territory for most people," he says. "They are the simplest form of carbohydrate molecules found in the body, are essential for protein molecules and can be found in maple syrup, sweet potatoes, parsnips, beets and onions."

*Robert Thompson, M.D., was added to the peer-reviewed directory, "Best Doctors in America," in 1996.



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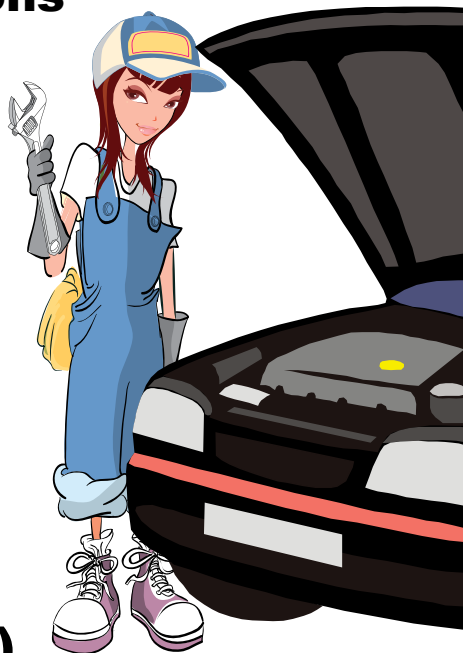
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Tax Basics

The date April 15 is as ingrained into our minds as birthdays and anniversaries – but may not be associated with as many happy thoughts.

The date marks the tax filing deadline. And unless you file an extension, you are required to square up with Uncle Sam on your tax responsibilities on or prior to the mid-April date. Miss the cutoff and you could be facing stiff penalties and interest charges.

In general, federal tax guidelines are more straightforward than state and local varieties, which can include variances across income, sales and property taxes that you will need to look into before filing your taxes.

WITHHOLDING THE RIGHT AMOUNT

The Internal Revenue Service offers many tip sheets and publications designed to answer your tax-related questions. Find them at www.irs.gov. One of the most commonly asked questions relates to making sure the right amount of tax is withheld throughout the year so there is not a surprise payment due at tax time.

In most cases, you can ensure a withholding in line with your needs if you correctly complete all of the Form W-4 worksheets that are maintained by your employer. It also is important to adjust your W-4 form when changes



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occur, such as the addition of a new dependent to your family.

WHAT YOU WILL NEED TO FILE

Before visiting your local tax firm or sitting down to

complete your forms on your own, be sure these materials are available and ready to reference:

- Photo identification
- Social Security cards for the taxpayer, spouse and dependents
- Birth dates for primary and secondary earners and

dependents on the tax return

- Wage and earning statements (W-2, W-2G, and 1099 forms, among others) from all employers

- Interest and dividend statements from banks (1099-I forms)
- A copy of last year's federal and state returns, if avail-

able

- Bank routing numbers and account numbers for direct deposit
- Other relevant information about income and expenses (such as total amount paid for day care and day care provider identifying number or tax ID)

One Option for a Tax Break

A Roth IRA can be an excellent retirement savings vehicle, particularly for younger workers and for those who feel that tax rates will be higher in the future than they are now.

With a traditional IRA, workers get an up-front tax break, and the money is only taxed when it is withdrawn in retirement. The Roth IRA turns this concept on its head, eliminating the up-front tax break in favor of tax-free withdrawals in retirement.

This allows eligible taxpayers to put aside money for retirement, have it grow tax-deferred, and take the money out without paying taxes on those withdrawals.

EARNED INCOME ONLY

The only income that can be used to fund a Roth IRA is earned income, such as income from wages. Income from other sources, including capital gains and interest payments, cannot be used to fund the Roth IRA. That means a worker needs to have earned income equal to or greater than the amount contributed to the Roth IRA.

UNDERSTAND THE CONTRIBUTION LIMITS

The contribution limits for the Roth

IRA change from time to time, so it is best to consult with an accountant or tax expert before you make your annual contribution.

For the year 2013, eligible workers can contribute up to \$5,500 to their Roth IRA plans. Workers 50 years of age and older can contribute an extra

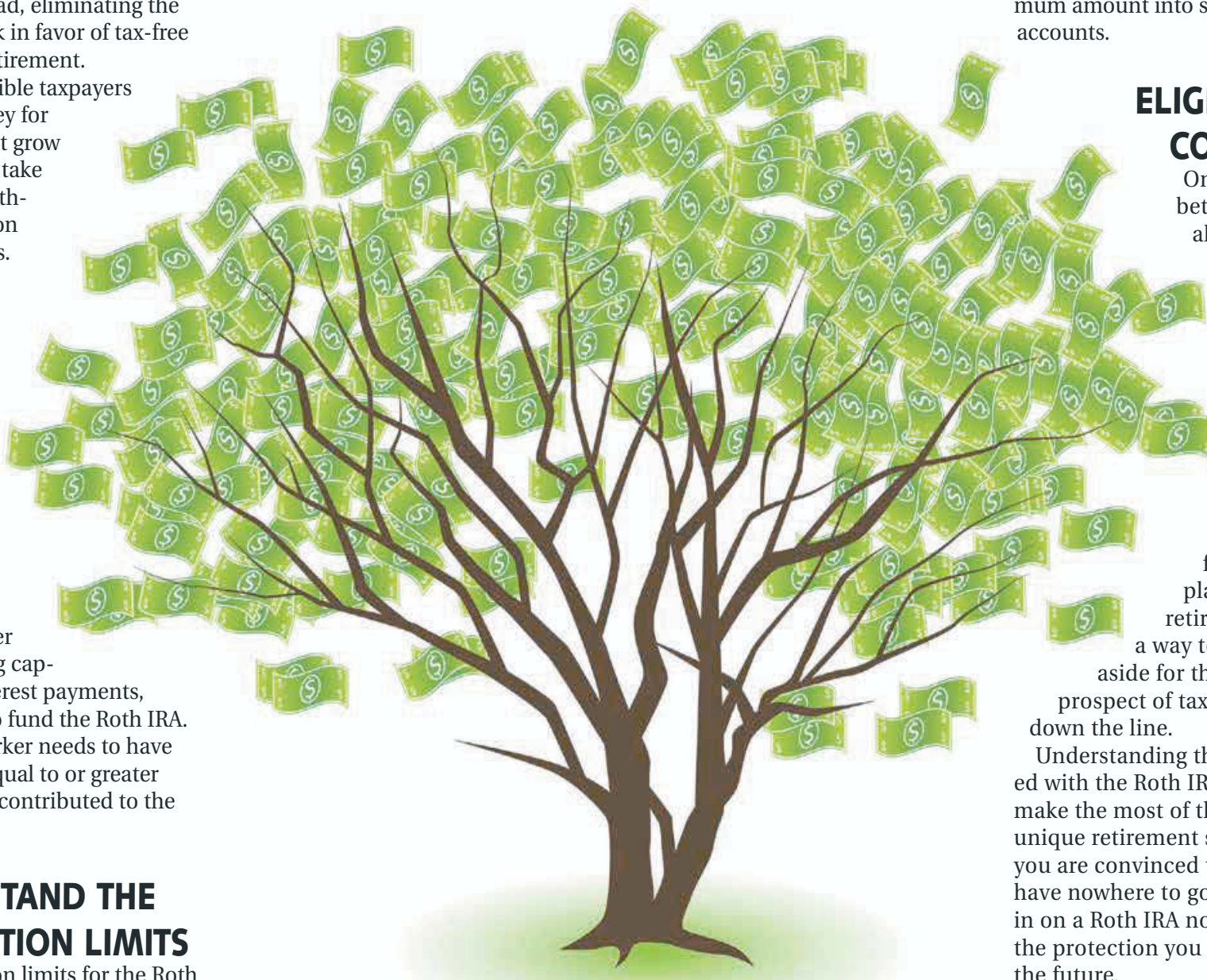
\$1,000 under the catch-up provision of the plan.

For married couples, each individual can contribute up to their maximum amount into separate IRA accounts.

ELIGIBILITY FOR CONTINUING

One difference between a traditional IRA and a Roth IRA is that workers can continue to contribute to a Roth plan after age 70 1/2, something they cannot do with a traditional IRA plan. That can be an important benefit for those who plan to work in retirement and need a way to put money aside for the future with the prospect of tax free withdrawals down the line.

Understanding the rules associated with the Roth IRA will help you make the most of this exciting and unique retirement savings vehicle. If you are convinced that tax rates have nowhere to go but up, getting in on a Roth IRA now could provide the protection you need well into the future.






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Finding a Tax Preparer

With so many options in your neck of the woods, how can you be sure you're hiring the right professional to file your taxes?

You want the process to be as quick and painless as possible without any big surprises. You also want to be able to trust that your tax professional is up on all of the new laws and will be able to complete your taxes with 100 percent accuracy.

Another factor in trying to find a great tax professional is cost. According to a recent survey by the National Society of Accountants, solo tax preparers charged an average of \$226 for the usual itemized federal form 1040 and state income-tax form last tax season, compared with \$260 for preparers at larger firms with three or more full-time staffers.

WHY A CPA?

A certified public accountant who specializes in performing individual income tax returns may be your best option. To find a CPA, check with friends and family members for local professionals they have dealt with.

You also can use the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' website tool "Find a CPA" to track one down.

Some are more focused on bringing on business clients, so be sure to call for an appointment and ask if the CPA handles individual

income tax matters.

ENROLLED AGENTS

Unlike CPAs, who can handle a variety of financial activities, EAs focus solely on taxes. They must have

worked for the IRS for at least five years or passed exams on tax codes and calculations.

Enrolled agents might work for themselves or in a CPA firm or storefront office. The National Association of Enrolled Agents' website offers an online locator.

NATIONAL CHAINS

Storefront operations can be adequate for simple, straightforward returns. The average fee for a name-brand tax company client is less than \$200, which can be lower than a CPA or enrolled agent who may charge application

and document-preparation fees.

According to the websites of these national tax preparers, employees in franchise offices of the chains have usually passed at least a several-week course, and work is reviewed by experienced supervisors.



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Compiling Your Information

Whether you're paying a professional or completing your taxes yourself, you'll need to compile key information. This can be difficult if you haven't kept good track of expenses and income.

If left to the last second, putting together all the required information for filing your annual taxes can be an overwhelming task. The best strategy for organizing your information should be a year-round effort.

MAKE IT A HABIT

Save time by completing a helpful tax organizer as thoroughly and accurately as possible. You can find organizers for the current tax year online. They are helpful in guiding you through questions based on the most recent tax laws.

Business owners should consider preparing monthly financial statements. This will help you better understand how your business is doing financially. There are plenty of professionals available to help you with the process, and planning throughout the year will make the year-end tax processes much easier.

ORGANIZE EARLY

The day after you file your taxes in 2015, you should assess how well the process went for you. Was the required information hard to find? Is there anything you can keep better track of to make for a more seamless tax season?

Keep your 2014 tax return handy for reference throughout the year and take time to review the prior year's return. This will help you determine if there are changes in your situation that will affect what you include this year. Potential changes could include the purchase of equipment for your business or the birth of a child.

MEET WITH A PRO

Meet with a tax professional after you compile your information and complete your tax organizer. If you are preparing your own taxes, be sure to weigh the cost and your confidence level in completing them in line with all legal requirements. The IRS website (irs.gov) provides free electronic filing if you made \$58,000 or less and have a relatively simple tax return.



Self-Employed Tax Rules

The benefits of being self-employed are many. Filing your taxes does not qualify as one.

As a self-employed individual, generally you are required to file an annual return and pay estimated quarterly payments for both self-employment and income tax. SE tax is a Social Security and Medicare tax primarily for individuals who work for themselves.

For ordinary workers, Social Security and Medicare taxes are withheld from their paychecks. Employers also pay a portion of these taxes, lessening the tax burden on the employee. But when it comes to being self-employed, you are required to handle the entirety of the tax.

DETERMINING YOUR INCOME

Before you can determine if you are subject to self-employment tax and income tax, you must first figure your net profit or net loss from your business. Subtract your business expenses from your business income to reach this calculation, and always consult a professional for advice in your particular business.

According to the Internal Revenue Service, you have to file an income tax return if your net earnings from self-employment were \$400 or more. If your net earnings from self-employment were less than \$400, you still have

to file an income tax return if you meet any other filing requirement listed in the Form 1040 instructions.

QUARTERLY PAYMENTS

Estimated tax is the method used to pay Social Security and Medicare taxes and income tax.

Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals (PDF), is used to figure these taxes. Form 1040-ES contains a worksheet that is similar to Form 1040, and you may need your prior year's annual tax return in order to fill out the proper forms.

Use the worksheet found in Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals to find out if

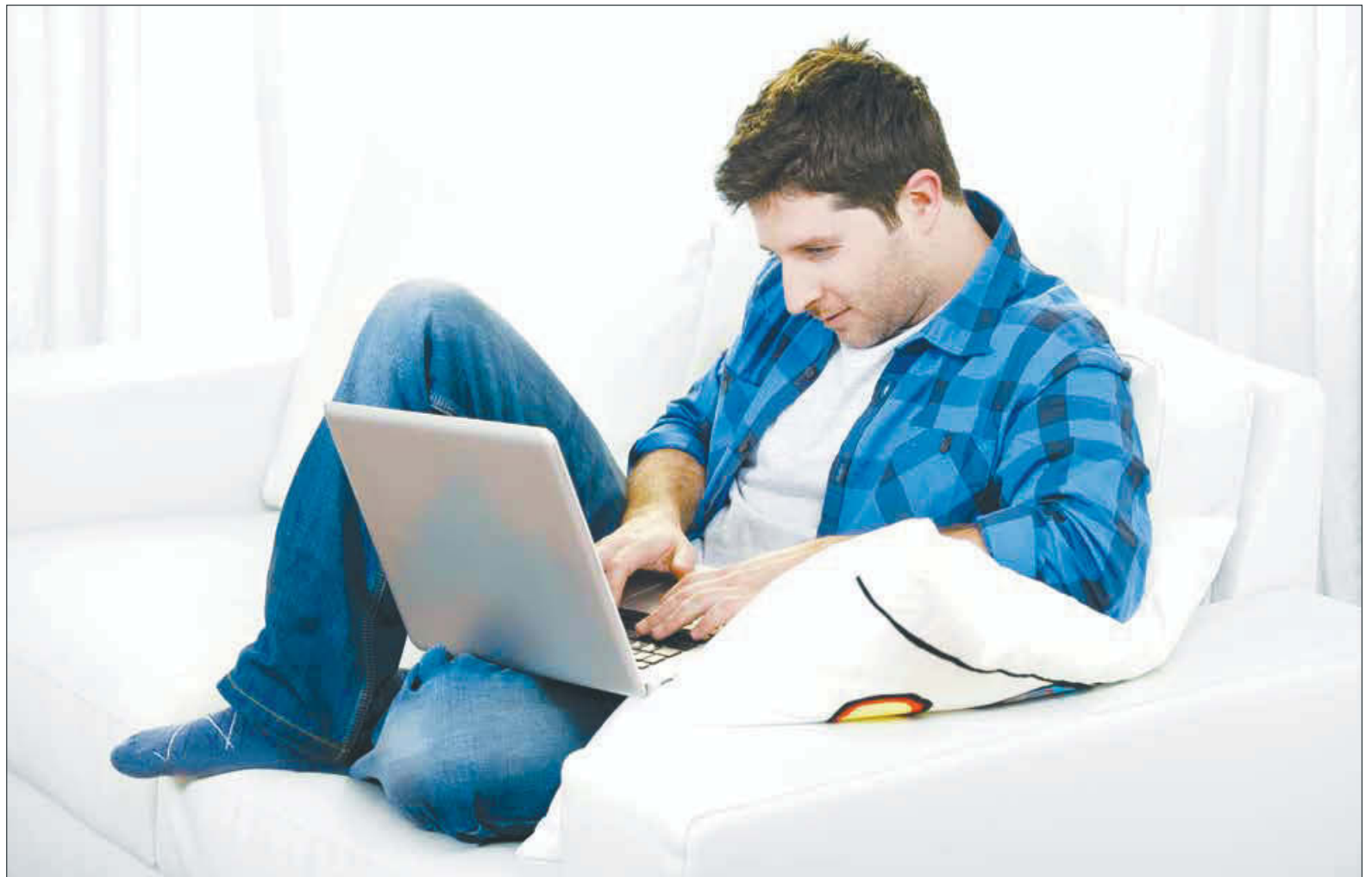
you are required to file quarterly estimated tax.

HOW DO I FILE MY ANNUAL RETURN?

To file your annual tax return, you will need to use Schedule C or Schedule C-EZ.

These forms help you report your income or loss from a business you operated.

Small businesses and statutory employees with expenses of \$5,000 or less may be able to file Schedule C-EZ instead of Schedule C, according to the IRS. To find out if you qualify, see the instructions in the Schedule C-EZ form.



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Getting Audited

You're being audited. Those three small words have resulted in monumental stress headaches for many taxpayers throughout the years.

And with the randomness of selection by the Internal Revenue Service, your tax return could be next. An IRS audit is a review of an organization or individual's accounts and financial information to ensure information is being reported correctly.

BEING SELECTED

Being chosen for an audit does not necessarily mean your tax return includes an error. Returns are selected using the following methods, according to the IRS:

Random selection and computer screening: Sometimes returns are selected based solely on a statistical formula

Document matching: When payer records, such as Forms W-2 or Form 1099, don't match the information reported, an audit may be ordered

Related examinations: Returns may be selected for audit when they involve issues or transactions with other taxpayers, such as business partners or investors, whose returns were selected for audit

AUDIT METHODS

An audit may be conducted by mail or through an in-person interview and review of the taxpayer's records. The interview may be at an IRS office, the taxpayer's home or



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place of business, or an accountant's office.

YOUR RIGHTS

According to the IRS, you have certain rights as a taxpayer when it comes to the audit process. They include:

- Professional and courteous treatment by IRS employees

- Privacy and confidentiality about tax matters

- Knowledge of why the IRS is asking for information, how the IRS will use it and what will happen if the requested information is not provided

- Right to representation by oneself or an authorized representative

- Right to appeal disagree-

ments, both within the IRS and before the courts

AUDIT DETERMINATIONS

If you agree with the audit findings, good or bad, you will be asked to sign the examination report or a similar form,

depending upon the type of audit conducted. The same holds true for an audit that requires no further action on the part of the taxpayer.

Disagreements with an audit may be followed up on with an IRS management conference. The IRS also has appeals mediation programs or appeal request processes to help.

Tips for Military Families

For their dedication in serving the United States and its citizenry, military families and veterans are afforded special privileges when tax time comes.

Military personnel may qualify for certain tax deadline extensions because of their service in a combat zone.

For federal tax purposes, the U.S. Armed Forces includes officers and enlisted personnel in all regular and reserve units controlled by the Secretaries of Defense, the Army, Navy and Air Force. The Coast Guard also is included, but not the U.S. Merchant Marine or the American Red Cross.

FREE RESOURCES

Many installation legal offices operate a free tax clinic from early January to mid-April, preparing and filing federal and state tax returns for eligible persons. Visit the Armed Forces Legal Assistance Services locator at <http://legalassistance.law.af.mil/content/locator.php>.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program (VITA) also provides free tax filing assistance. VITA sites are located on military installations and across the nation. They provide free tax advice and preparation, and return

filing for military members and their families who are eligible.

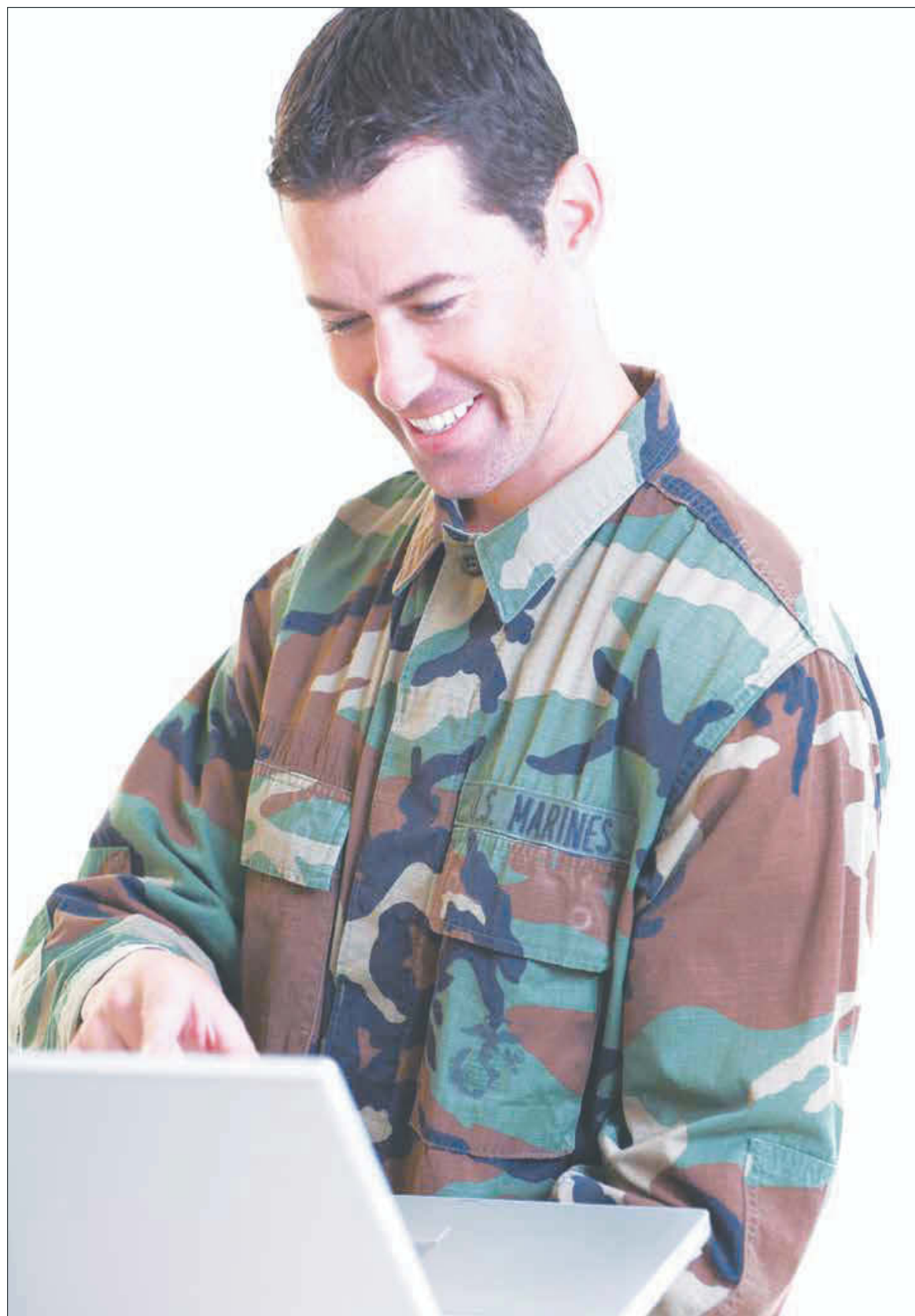
DISABLED VETERANS

According to the Internal Revenue Service, disabled veterans may be eligible to claim a federal tax refund based on:

- An increase in the veteran's percentage of disability from the Department of Veterans Affairs
- The combat-disabled veteran applying for, and being granted, Combat-Related Special Compensation, after an award for Concurrent Retirement and Disability

To do so, the disabled veteran will need to file an amended return, Form 1040X. An amended return must be filed as a paper return.

The IRS also urges disabled veterans to include all documents from the Department of Veterans Affairs and any information received from Defense Finance and Accounting Services explaining proper tax treatment for the current year.



What's Your Tax Bracket?

Near the end of every year, the Internal Revenue Service announces the next year's tax brackets to much anticipation from taxpayers and tax preparers alike.

The adjustments are made to prevent what it labels as “bracket creep,” which happens when people are pushed into higher income tax brackets or have reduced value from credits due to inflation instead of any increase in real income.

Here are the 2014 taxable income brackets and rates. (These apply to the 2014 taxes due in 2015.)

Rate	Single Filers	Married Joint Filers	Head of Household Filers
10%	\$0 to \$9,075	\$0 to \$18,150	\$0 to \$12,950
15%	\$9,076 to \$36,900	\$18,151 to \$73,800	\$12,951 to \$49,400
25%	\$36,901 to \$89,350	\$73,801 to \$148,850	\$49,401 to \$127,550
28%	\$89,351 to \$186,350	\$148,851 to \$226,850	\$127,551 to \$206,600
33%	\$186,351 to \$405,100	\$226,851 to \$405,100	\$206,601 to \$405,100
35%	\$405,101 to 406,750	\$405,101 to 457,600	\$405,101 to \$432,200
39.6%	\$406,751+	\$457,601+	\$432,201+
Source: Internal Revenue Service			



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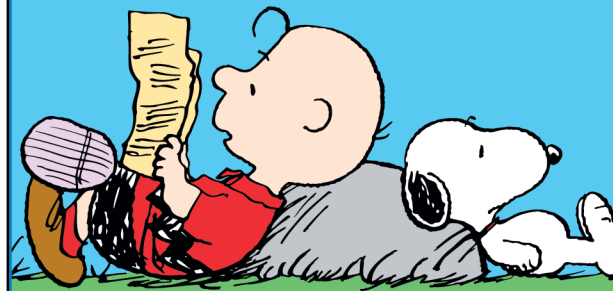
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