



# State of Schools: Good

By Nancy Bowman

Troy schools' Superintendent Eric Herman said the district has "a lot of really good things going on" during his annual State of the Schools report April 23.

Herman spoke to a small gathering of community leaders during the 17th annual report at the high school commons.

Much of the district's success has been due to partnerships with the city, parents, local business, service organizations and many others in the community, Herman said.

He praised the board of education, saying the board "lets us do our job" in running the schools.

Among the things that "make Troy, Troy" are an excellent staff including teachers, administrators, bus drivers, nurses and maintenance workers, Herman said. The community also is good to the

district with numerous volunteers and organizations such as Kiwanis, which is replacing Kyle school playground equipment, and Rotary, which recently provided shoe coupons for distribution to students needing

shoes.

"Our community is incredible," Herman said. "We need to understand how blessed we are." A similar partnership is experienced with the city, a relationship that is "rare," he said.



Troy City Schools Superintendent Eric Herman

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# Dyke Earns Eagle Scout

By Mike Woody

As a leader in Troop 365 of the Boy Scouts, Alex Dyke sets an example for his fellow scouts to follow. His leadership and determination to successfully complete any task set before him, were instrumental in Dyke being named an Eagle Scout. Few scouts ever achieve the rank of Eagle, but Dyke refused to settle for anything less.



Eagle Scout Alex Dyke holding a flag presented to him by Congressman John Boehner

According to the troops Scoutmaster, Bill Stoltz, only about 4% of boys who enter the Boy Scouts of America earn their Eagle. However, Troop 365 averages close to three Eagle Scouts a year, which is the highest amount in all of the Miami Valley Council. "Earning your Eagle isn't going to happen by sitting at home doing nothing, this is something that Alex has been working on since he was 10 and a half years old," said Stoltz.

Stoltz has witnessed a lot of growth in Dyke through his time in Scouts, largely due to the experiences gained from camping. Troop 365 camps out during all 12 months of the year, including during the coldest and hottest of times, with lots of storms. The lessons learned while surviving the elements are meant to be used in other aspects of life. "Alex and our troop do not go home because conditions get rough. Just like in life, we teach them to adapt to change, be prepared for change, and be prepared for life. Alex is always prepared, and even if he isn't sure how to accomplish something, scouting has taught him how to figure it out," said Stoltz.

A strength of Dyke's that Stoltz most admires is his willingness to always help others at any time. At 17 years old,

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# Community Comes Alive for Stroke Victim

When Dave Shope suffered a stroke on January 17, his family was devastated.

They were still in the process of recovering from his bout with colon cancer two years before-hand.

"The doctors wrote me off," said Dave of his stroke. On the third day the doctors wanted to place a feeding tube in him, but he refused. "The doctors said without the feeding tube, I would suffer a slow death."

many as three jobs trying to bring in enough income to support the family and pay off some of the bills.

"I tried to get Dave on Social Security Disability," she said. "A couple of days after his stroke, a nurse told me to go to the Social Security office right away, so I did."

She was given an appointment in March. At the appointment, she was told that it would be several months before any action could be taken.

They were in a bind.



Rob Williams (left) and Dave Shope with Dave's Harley

"The doctors said he would never walk, swallow or use the left side of his body," said Dave's wife, Cheryl. "I thought he was going to die."

Since January, Shope has gone through a recovery that his family describes as "miraculous." He has some issues with manual dexterity and with his speech, but he is able to get around quite well.

"We had a wonderful speech pathologist named Reuben," said Cheryl. "Without Reuben, I don't know where we would be."

But the issue of the massive medical bills still faced the family. Cheryl had been working as

Dave, a truck driver for 25 years, was unable to work or to make payments on his truck. "We didn't have much left to sell," said Cheryl. "We sold our house when he had cancer."

That's when his friends swung into action.

"We got together with the family and decided to help out Dave and his family," said Rob Williams of Ungaged Biker Ministry.

They held a benefit dinner and raffled off Dave's Harley Davidson. They had hoped to raise enough money to pay off Dave's truck so he could sell it.

"We sold raffle tickets

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# Lincoln Sculpture Comes to Troy

By Nancy Bowman

Troy's Sculptures on the Square is back, this time with one large - very large - sculpture by artist Seward Johnson.

"Return Visit," a 30-foot, 40,000-pound bronze sculpture featuring Abraham Lincoln and a modern day man, was scheduled to be placed on the Miami County Courthouse lawn today, Wednesday, April 29.

A public opening reception for the exhibit is scheduled for Sunday, May 3, at 2 p.m.

"The Return Visit exhibit is a huge opportunity for Troy. This particular sculpture has never been publicly displayed and Troy will be the first city in the world to receive it. It is also the 150th anniversary of the Lincoln assassination and funeral train so this sculpture fits in nicely with all of the programming that is happening all across the country to commemorate Lincoln," said Katherine Hayes, director, Troy Main Street. "We expect the sculpture to draw thousands of people to downtown Troy and, since the exhibit is open during our summer event season, we expect many of those visitors to stay in Troy to experience the events," she said.

Sculptures on the Square is a bi-annual public exhibit presented by Troy Main Street. Other presenters this year are The Troy Foundation, Miami County commissioners and the City of Troy.

Johnson's life-like bronze statues have visited the downtown three previous summers - the first in 2003 - as part of the sculptures project. In addition to the Johnson statues, exhibits have included replicas of WACO airplanes decorated by artists and organizations in celebration of Miami

County's bicentennial in 2007; a juried sculpture exhibit by outdoor artists from Ohio and other states; and a display of doors decorated by artists and the community.

The sculptures committee was looking at what to showcase for the 2015 edition of the event when the Johnson monumental pieces caught the committee's eye, said Diana Thompson, executive director, Miami County Visitors and Convention Bureau. Not only was the piece impressive, but also was available for the 150th anniversary year of the Lincoln assassination.

"This is the first place in the world it is going to be shown. It is pretty significant," Thompson said of the exhibit. "The story that the piece tells is compelling - about Abraham Lincoln talking with the modern day man about writing the Gettysburg Address."

The location of the exhibit on the Courthouse lawn was a natural, Thompson said. "After short discussion, we chose the courthouse because it in itself is so beautiful," she said.

While past sculpture exhibits have featured pieces located on the square and beyond, this one does not.

"The whole point is we want people to get out of their cars and visit downtown Troy and, while they do that, be able to appreciate this vivid piece of history," Thompson said.

To provide a link, Troy Main Street has announced a Penny Art Competition and Exhibit developed to engage both students and businesses in the Sculptures on the Square exhibit. "We knew we needed to create something that would attract people to our downtown stores. We did not want visitors to just

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# THS Hosts Band & Choir Competition

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

Troy High School hosted the OMEA South West Region State High School Band and Choir competition on Friday evening, April 24th and Saturday, April 25th. Miami County in particular made an outstanding showing this year. With a total of twenty schools participating after numerous qualifying rounds throughout previous weeks, the atmosphere at Troy High School over the weekend was electric with anticipation. Elevated stakes and equally high hopes rested on the shoulders of students as they carried various instruments through the crowded deep halls and breathed deeply to calm their nerves.

Beginning at 4:00 PM on Friday and ending Saturday afternoon at 2:00 PM, symphonic bands, wind ensembles, concert bands, and wind symphonies from Versailles to Beavercreek played to four OMEA judges who rated their performance. "They are tough this year," Troy sophomore, wind ensemble member Nick Simon said. "Some of these

bands did really well and a few of them are not getting the high ratings you would expect."

2015 has been an exciting success and milestone for the Troy Symphonic Band. It was their first year going to state competition. According to students, Band Director Molly Venneman sent encouragement notes to each band member as they prepared for competition this year. "It's a well-run program. Kathy McIntosh and Molly Venneman are capable and dedicated," Troy band parent Rachael Boezi said. "They spend more time on the field with the band than the coach spends on the field with the football team." This is commensurate with the number of players the directors have to lead. With forty-three members of the Symphonic Band and fifty-two members of the Wind Ensemble, not to mention the members of the Troy marching band who did not compete, the two directors have a full-time job bringing harmony out of such an extensive team. Boezi has

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TROY AREA  
SHERIFF REPORTS

**Tuesday, April 21**

**2:32 p.m.** – Traffic stop in the 2100 block of N. County Rd. 25A. The vehicle had switched lanes and almost caused an accident. The driver was apologetic and said that the other vehicle was in his blind spot. The deputy learned that his license had been suspended. He was cited for marked lanes and driving under suspension.

**4:26 p.m.** – To Woodcreek Ct. for a report of a fraud. A woman reported that her accountant told her that someone had already filed a tax return using her information. She said that she has Anthem insurance. She was advised to contact the IRS and give them the police report number.

**Wednesday, April 22**

**1:23 a.m.** – To 4<sup>th</sup> St. for a report of a domestic disturbance. Both subjects were found walking on Harrison St., and said that they had been involved in a verbal dispute that never turned physical. The

RP refused to cooperate. Both subjects were warned for Domestic Violence.

**Thursday, April 23**

**9:44 p.m.** – To Old Staunton Rd. for a report of a theft. A man reported that someone entered his residence and took several prescription medications.

**Friday, April 24**

**4:41 p.m.** – To Walnut Ridge Dr. for a report of fraud. A man reported that he received a letter from the IRS informing him that someone had used his information to file a tax return. He said they asked for a police report. He said he has Anthem insurance.

**Sunday, April 26**

**1:03 p.m.** – Troy Police received reports of a reckless driver on Pine St. The vehicle was registered to a Fiesta Dr. resident. A deputy went to the Fiesta Dr. address and placed a male subject under arrest for suspicion of OVI. The case is pending lab results of urine collected.

Scam Alert

The Miami County Sheriff's Office has had reports of a scam that has been on-going for a while. The caller will claim that they are with the Sheriff's Office and there is an active warrant or other issue that needs to be resolved. The caller will then tell the target to send a money card or cashier's check to correct the problem. The caller I.D. is

showing "Miami County Sheriff's Office (937) 440-3950." This scam has been on-going across the country and state. Most of these scams originate overseas. The Sheriff's office advises that if you receive a call like this, hang-up on the caller. If calls persist call your local law enforcement agency.

Stroke Victim

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at \$50 each," said Williams. "My wife told me that we would never sell very many tickets." He set a limit of 100 tickets. All were sold before the benefit dinner began, and prospective purchasers were turned away.

Donations were also taken during the dinner. But who won the Harley? "It was a salesman who came into our office, saw the flyer and bought a ticket," said Williams. "I had never seen him before."

"I'm sure we have enough to pay off Dave's

truck and a little bit left over to help with medical bills," said Williams at the conclusion of the dinner.

"We're amazed that so many of Dave's friends have given of themselves for him," said Cheryl.

"It's heart touching," Dave said.

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BRIEFS

By Nancy Bowman

**Campaign spending outlined**

The campaigns for the candidates for Troy mayor filed spending reports with the Miami County Board of Elections by the April 23 deadline.

The committee to re-elect Michael Beamish for Mayor reported spending \$1,787 so far while challenger Patty Rose's Friends to Elect Patty Rose reported spending \$2,276.

Both candidates are Republicans and will face off on May 5.

Beamish's campaign reported \$1,790 in contributions and \$500 in a personal loan from Beamish for \$2,290 available. There is a \$503 balance.

The largest contribution to Beamish was \$250 from George Lovett, a former Tipp City mayor. Most of the campaign spending so far was for signs

Rose's campaign reported \$4,050 in contributions with a \$1,674 balance. The largest contributions to Rose's campaigns were \$1,050 total from eight individuals from a social or fund-raising event. In addition, \$500 contributions were reported from Rose, campaign treasurer Parker Behm and three Rose businesses, P&C Ventures, Fitness Institute of Troy and Leaf & Vine.

The bulk of Rose's spending was for signs and flyers. Also filing a report was the Citizens for Troy Schools, Craig Curcio, treasurer. The organization reported no spending so far on the


campaign to gain voter approval of the renewal of the district's 5.9-mill, five-year operating levy. The organization reported \$19,632 brought forward from previous reports, \$1,832 in contributions and

\$21,464 in available funds. The contributions were all from Bottling Group LLC (Pepsi-Cola General Bottler) of Somers, N.Y.


**Council learns of Hobart**  
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# Election Preview

By Nancy Bowman

Voters in Troy will vote in a mayor's race and those in the Troy school district on a renewal levy in the May 5 primary election.

The polls will be open 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

In the Republican race for mayor, incumbent Mike Beamish faces a challenge from Patty Rose.

Beamish, a retired educator in the Troy schools, is in his 12th year as mayor. Rose, a business owner, is making her first bid for public office. The mayor's salary is \$21,519 a year.

The schools are asking voters to renew a 5.95-mill, five-year operating levy.

The school levy brings in around \$2.8 million annually. The levy dollars help pay for day to day operations of the schools including wages, supplies, utilities, fuel and general expenses.

Superintendent Eric Herman said district leaders believe the schools "remain a good value" for district residents. He said reductions have been made in supplies and staffing for the district to live within its means,

"We have a quality education system in place but it is not without costs," Herman said. "We need this money to continue to operate the schools in the community" The levy has been on

the ballot since 1990 and has been renewed five times.

In the race for mayor, Beamish said he would like to continue in the office to help move the city forward. "I'm ready, willing, and able to continue as your mayor," he said.

Rose said she sees the mayor as the city's chief executive officer. "I believe it is time for fresh vision and leadership from the CEO in Troy," she said.

The candidates were asked what they would like voters to know about them.

"I've never wavered in my dedication to the citizens of Troy. I promote the city in both the Miami County and Miami Valley Regions," Beamish said. More information on his campaign is available at <http://facebook.com/beamishformayor>.

"I would like to pursue an OSU regional satellite campus for Troy. I would like to build a parking garage downtown, and there are very viable models for doing so," Rose said. More information on her campaign is available at <http://www.pattyroseformayor.blogspot.com>.

Miami County election officials said late last week the turnout for early voting in the county has been extremely light.

Voters with questions on where to cast their ballots should contact the Board of Elections at 440-3900.

# Speakers, Auction Set for Free Clinic Fundraiser

Two local healthcare leaders will be the keynote speakers at the Sixth Annual Healing Jar Gala dinner and art auction set for May 6. Funds raised from the event will provide continued support for the Health Partners Free Clinic, located in Troy, Miami County's lone free clinic for the past 16 years.

In addition, the variety of artwork created by area artists continue to grow as the expansion of the clinic's live and silent auctions, and their partnership with the Piqua Arts Council, was announced.



David Besecker

The gala will be held at The Crystal Room in Troy and begins with a Happy Hour at 6 p.m. A buffet-style dinner will be served, followed by the guest speakers.

Becky Rice, President and CEO of Upper Valley Medical Center, and Troy-based chiropractor David Besecker, D.C., will present information regarding the care of the uninsured and underserved population in Miami County.

Rice has been employed at UVMC for 39 years. She has a degree in Medical Dietetics from the University of Cincinnati, and earned a master's degree in Organizational Development from Wright State University.

She is board certified in Healthcare Administration and is a Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Administration. Over the years, Rice has been involved in various community organizations and was named a "Women of Excellence" by the Piqua/Miami County YWCA in 2014.

Besecker graduated from The Ohio State University in 1986. He is also a 2007 Cum Laude graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic in Florida. He has completed post-graduate certification for advanced treatment of extremities through Palmer College of Graduate Studies in Davenport, Iowa.

He is a member of the Ohio State Chiropractic Association, Ohio Public Health Association, and American Public Health Association. Besecker is in private practice at Rank Chiropractic of Troy and is an Adjunct Professor at Edison Community College in Piqua.

Justin Coby, Health Partners Executive Director, said the gala will provide a giving avenue for local leaders committed to giving back to their community. The partnering with the Piqua Arts Council has proven successful with

artists lending their work of one-of-a-kind paintings and blown glass pieces, he said.

Glass-blowing art creator, Dennis Walker of Piqua, will be one of the artists donating items. Miami County residents Blair Brubaker and Steve King will be offering uniquely-crafted wood pieces. A pottery piece is being offered by Sally Watson of Tipp City.

Also, Jim DeLange of Springfield will also provide a blown glass item; with Steven Walker of Westerville, Dan Knepper of Jackson Center, and Yuki Hall of Beavercreek, donating paintings.

PAC Executive Director Jordan Knepper said, "One of our main goals is to partner with worthwhile organizations in support of their efforts. We feel Health Partners is one of those worthwhile organizations in the service they provide for Miami County."

Coby said last year's contributions from local organizations totaled \$13,000, which was a 116 percent increase over 2013. These funds helped provide medical care valued at \$3 million for the uninsured and under insured residents of Miami County in 2014.



Becky Rice

In 2014, the clinic treated 1,137 unduplicated patients, which equated into 4,263 physician appointments. Coby also noted the clinic provided some 3,037 patient lab/diagnosis; and 13,730 clinic-dispensed free prescriptions valued at more than \$2 million. Overall, the clinic provided \$7.70 in medical services for every \$1 spent.

On May 4, Coby will be speaking of the clinic and gala on 98.1 WPTW Radio of Piqua. The program begins at 7:30 a.m.

Individual tickets are \$75 each with a table of eight tickets being \$550. For ticket information, contact the clinic at (937) 332-0894 x208, or by email at [Justin@healthpartnersclinic.org](mailto:Justin@healthpartnersclinic.org).

The clinic website is [www.healthpartnersclinic.org](http://www.healthpartnersclinic.org); and can be found on Facebook at [facebook.com/healthpartnersfreeclinic](http://facebook.com/healthpartnersfreeclinic).

# Cheryl Cotner Addresses Rotary Club

During the weekly meeting of Troy Rotary on April 21, 2015, Cheryl Cotner (pictured), Executive Director of The Future Begins Today, shared the impact the nonprofit has had on the city since its inception in 1993. Their mission is to provide mentoring and support for Troy community students willing to commit themselves to the pursuit of educational goals that foster lifelong opportunities for success.

Dollar Grants should be submitted by June 30th. All programs and grants are funded through donations, sales of Strawberry Salsa and fundraisers sponsored by The Future Begins Today. No tax money supports the organization.

The ongoing success of The Future Begins Today relies on volunteers and financial support from many organizations such as The Troy Foundation, Troy Noon Optimists, The



All programs are designed to help area students while in elementary, junior high and high school. These include homework helpers, leadership classes, evening family programs and lunch buddies. As students graduate from either city high school, the "Last Dollar Grants" program helps narrow the gap needed to pay the tuition, room and board at an accredited school chosen by the student. In the past 22 years, more than \$560,000 has been awarded to qualified graduates who choose to pursue post secondary education at accredited universities, colleges, community colleges, vocational and technical schools. In return, the students must commit to providing 15 hours of community service in Troy each year they receive the grants. Applications for the Last

Paul G. Duke Foundation, ACORN Society, City of Troy, Troy City Schools and the Tim Horton Children's Foundation. Troy Rotary sponsors educational field trips to the WACO Air Museum annually to introduce students to that important aspect of Troy history. To learn more about The Future Begins Today, visit their Web site at [www.thefuturebeginstoday.org](http://www.thefuturebeginstoday.org).

Troy Rotarians, and the Troy Rotary Foundation, support several community projects each year 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](http://www.troyohiorotary.org). You can also follow the club's activities on their Troy Rotary Club Facebook page.

# Lincoln Statue

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look at the sculpture and leave," Hayes said.

"Since Lincoln and the Civil War play a major role in school curriculum, we also wanted to find a way to get them involved in the project. So we kind of married the ideas and came up with a Penny Art Competition (because Lincoln is represented on the penny) among Troy students, where the art pieces would then be displayed in our downtown business windows." Details of that competition are available at [troymainstreet.org](http://troymainstreet.org).

Several other activities are planned to go along with the sculpture

display such as a "Lincoln Film Festival" at the Mayflower Arts Center beginning in June, a "Remembering Lincoln" exhibit during May at the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center and a Civil War memorabilia display at the Miami Valley Veterans Museum located just east of the Safety Building downtown.

For those wanting a photo reminder of their viewing of the sculpture, the visitors' bureau has set up a selfie station at the Courthouse. Photos can be posted to Instagram, Twitter or Facebook using the hashtags #lincolndanme & #home-grown-great.

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# Obituaries

## Roberta L. (Persinger) Best

Roberta L. (Persinger) Best, age 73, of Piqua, OH, formerly of Westfield, NY, passed away on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at Upper Valley Medical Center in Troy. She was born in Hurricane, WV on March 25, 1942 to the late Basil B. and Mary Etta (Dudley) Persinger. Her husband, William M. Best, survives.



Roberta is also survived by one sister: Frances Dankworth of Troy, OH; one half brother: Clay E. Step of Melbourne, FL; one foster sister: Midgie Crouch of Teays Valley, WV; three brothers-in-law: Quentin G. Best, Peter B. Best and Harry M.

Best; two sisters-in-law: Trudy Thompson and Bridget Johnson; numerous nieces, nephews and other family. In addition to her parents, Roberta was preceded in death by three brothers: Basil Gene Persinger, Ray Ruby and William R. Persinger; two sisters: Wanda L. Persinger and Charlene K. Bridges; and one foster sister: Pansy Smith.

Roberta was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose. She loved playing bingo and fishing. Roberta also loved collecting bears, music boxes and water globes. She was formerly employed with Quality Market, Bakery Department, in Westfield, NY.

Services were held at 5:00 PM on Sunday, April 26, 2015 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy with Rev. John Hughes officiating. Private interment will be in Westfield Cemetery in Westfield, NY.

Memorial contributions may be made to Gideons International, P. O. Box 140800, Nashville, TN 37214-0800. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com)

## Shirley A. Chalmers

Shirley A. Chalmers, age 80, of Troy, Ohio passed away Saturday, April 25, 2015 at her residence. She was born December 13, 1934 in Trotwood, Ohio to the late Herschel Gephart and Grace (Puterbaugh) Gephart Peterson. She was married to Arthur F. Chalmers, Jr. and he preceded her in death in 1996.



Shirley is survived by one daughter: Robyn (Terry) Stout of Troy; three sons: Timothy Chalmers of The Woodlands, Texas, Gary (Lee-sa) Chalmers of Bridgeport, WV and Arthur "Artie" Chalmers III of

Troy; three sisters: Alberta Baker of Brookville, Frances Class of Dayton, and Ethel Holland of Dayton; nine grandchildren: Brad, Lance, Matt, Cory, Trent, Kyle, Kyleigh, Jason and Nina; and nine great grandchildren. In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by her daughter Patricia Wilhelmy.

Shirley was a member of the Troy Church of the Brethren and was a long time bus driver for the Troy City Schools.

Funeral services will be held at 7:00PM on Thursday, April 30, 2015 at the Baird Funeral Home, Troy, Ohio. The family will receive friends from 4:00 - 7:00PM at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 2808 Reading Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45206. Friends may express condolences to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

## Mary Lou Fannin

Mary Lou Fannin, age 86, of Troy, OH passed away Saturday, April 25, 2015 at Genesis Health Care, Troy. She was born November 6, 1928 in Lincoln County, WV to the late Ernest and Idona (Queen) Adkins. She was married to Chester N. Fannin for 57 years and he survives.

Mary Lou is also survived by her stepsons: Roger Fannin of CA and Michael Fannin of VT; three grandchildren: Isaac, Sara and Ruby; and four great grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Orman Adkins and Herman Adkins.

Mary Lou was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Troy. She was also a volunteer at Stouder Hospital and at Upper Valley Medical Center, having served over 10,000 hours.

Chapel services will be held at 1:00 PM on Friday, May 1, 2015 at the Ridgelawn Cemetery in Huntington, WV. Arrangements are being handled by Baird Funeral Home in Troy, OH.

Memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church Stained Glass Window Fund, 110 West Franklin Street, Troy, OH 45373. Friends may express condolences to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

## Veda Vera Viney Hurley

Veda Vera Viney Hurley, age 74 of Troy passed away at 10:35 P.M. on Thursday April 23, 2015 at her residence surrounded with the love of her family. She was born March 21, 1941 in Chillicothe, Ohio to the late William Harold and Dorothy (Powell) Viney. She was preceded in death by her husband Bruce Branton Hurley.



She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law William and Marcia Viney of Trotwood, daughters and sons-in-law Vanessa Hurley of Dayton, Tina (Hurley) and Christopher King Sr. of Troy, Gina (Hurley) and Crosby Bonner of VA., Janee Hurley of

Dayton, 21 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren, sisters Katherine Viney Payne Patterson of Chillicothe, Sylvia Viney Smith of Troy, brothers Robert Viney of Chillicothe, Charles Viney of Chillicothe, special friends James Archie and Rita Richardson and special nephew Elliot Patterson.

She was also preceded in death by grandchildren Cynthia King and Alicia Vanhooze, brothers William Harold Jr., Russell, Wilbur, Sidney and Vernon Viney and a sister Betty Viney Reid.

She attended Chillicothe High School and was a member of Transformed Life Church of Piqua. Funeral service was held at 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at Transformed Life Church of Piqua, 421 Wood Street, Piqua with Pastor Brian T. Hamilton officiating. Interment followed at Riverside Cemetery, Troy. Arrangements have been entrusted to Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy. Condolences may be left for the family at [www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com](http://www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com).

## Nicholas Lee Ingles

Nicholas Lee Ingles, age 54 of Columbus, formerly of Troy passed away at 10:03 A.M. on Friday, April 24, 2015 at his residence. He was

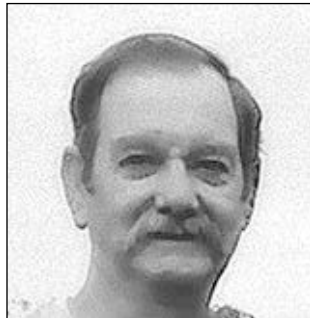


born August 16, 1960 in Troy to the Robert Lee and Judith (Fair) Shepard. His father is

deceased and his mother Judith Shepard survives and resides in Troy. He is also survived by brothers Torin Shepard of Troy, Douglas Ingles of Troy, Robert Ingles of Phillipsburg, Eddie Ingles of St. Paris, Michael Ingles of Dallas, TX., grandmother Annabell Ingles Black of Piqua, best friends Scott Wolf and David Wolfe both of Columbus. Nicholas was a 1979 graduate of Troy High School and a graduate of Columbus College of Art and Design, was owner of Alteriors Design in Columbus for many years. Memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements have been entrusted to Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy. Condolences may be left for the family at [www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com](http://www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com).

## Raymond Thomas Staruch

Raymond Thomas Staruch, age 64, of Troy, passed away on Saturday, April 25, 2015 at his residence after a brief battle with pancreatic cancer. He was born on March 29, 1951 in Yonkers, New York to the late Michael J. Staruch and Margaret Staruch. He was married to Rosario (Perez) Staruch for over 41 years and she survives.



Ray is also survived by two daughters and sons-in-law: Vivian (Rory) Paikai of Hawaii and Stacey (Joshua) Lambert of Utica, Ohio; one brother: Michael Staruch of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida;

two sisters: Mary Ramos and Patricia Staruch both of Yonkers, New York; and five granddaughters: Kihei, Mele, Ala'i, Laney and Kennedy. He was also preceded in death by his birth mother: Vivian Mulhair.

Ray was a member of the St. Patrick Catholic Church. He was a US Navy veteran, retiring after serving twenty four years. He was a member of the Troy Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5436 and the Troy Amvets Post 88. Ray worked as an electrician at Honda for the past sixteen years.

A memorial service will be conducted at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Troy, OH Veterans of Foreign Wars, 2220 Lefevre Rd, Troy, OH 45373. Friends may express condolences to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com)

## Lois Ann Siler

Lois Ann Siler, age 78, of The Woodlands, TX; formerly of Troy, OH, passed away on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at St. Luke's Hospital in The Woodlands, TX. She was born in Dayton, OH on December 9, 1936 to the late Hubert and Jessie (Schultz) Short. Her husband of 58 years, Donald K. Siler, survives.

In addition to her husband, Lois is survived by one son: Brian (Roxana Pope) Siler of Piqua, OH; one daughter: Belinda Newman of The Woodlands, TX; one brother: Frank Short of MD; one sister: Jeanne Steele of IL; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. In addition to her parents,

Lois was preceded in death by one son: Brent Siler.

Lois was a member of First United Church of Christ in Troy, OH. She was also a member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

Memorial service was held at 11:00AM on Tuesday, April 28, 2015, at Baird Funeral Home in Troy, OH. Burial followed in Riverside Cemetery in Troy.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 2808 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45206. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

## Ronald R. Weaver Jr.

Ronald R. Weaver Jr., age 45, of Casstown, Ohio died Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at his residence. He was born November 28, 1969 in Troy, Ohio to Ronald R. and Carol E. (Dankworth) Weaver Sr.



He is survived by one daughter: Crystal (Jesse) Messaros of Casstown; one son: Jacob Clark of Troy; two sisters: Elizabeth (Matt) Helke of Troy and Tiffany Long and friend Lawrence Keel of Englewood; grandchildren: Sabrina, Austin and

Gwyndalynn; nephew: Nathan Helke; nieces: Sarah Helke and Cara Long; uncle: Tim Weaver and aunt: Pat (Charles) Davis. Ron was preceded in death by his father in April of 2014.

Ron was a 1988 graduate of Miami East High School and the Montgomery County CTC. He was employed by Hobart Brothers. In addition, Ron taught Okinawa Shorin-ryu and was an honorary member of the Casstown Volunteer Fire Department.

Funeral services were held 6:00PM on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at the Baird Funeral Home, Troy, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Casstown Volunteer Fire Department, 4210 East State Route 55, Casstown, OH 45312. Friends may express condolences to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

## Paul Edward Honeycutt

Paul Edward Honeycutt, age 74, of Dayton, passed away on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at Hospice of Dayton. He was born on February 11, 1941 in Wallins Creek, KY to the late General Howard and Bulah May (Hornsby) Honeycutt.

Paul is survived by one brother: Harry Honeycutt of Troy.

Private services will be held at the convenience of the family. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

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# Area Track Teams Shine In Meet

**By Jim Dabbelt**

Solid performances by both the Troy boys' and girls' track squads earned both of them championships at the Miami County Championships last week at Miami East High School.. The Trojans boys' team scored 136 points, with Tippecanoe fourth with 79.5, Bethel seventh (53) and Troy Christian ninth (15).

For the girls', Troy was in total control with 187.5 points, with Tipp also fourth (59), Bethel sixth (47) and Troy Christian seventh (41).

The Troy 3200 relay mens race was won by the Trojans, as the team of Huth, Prus, Nagata and Schultz ran a time of 9:01.94, while the 110 hurdles, Levi Smith from Troy was second (18.35) and Tipp's Evan Hamilton third (18.50). Bethel's Jacob Evans finished fourth.

In the 100 dash, the Trojans' Brandon Lee placed second at 11.90 and Tipp's Cameron Gibbs was third at 11.92, while in the 1600 meter run, Stephen Jones from Troy took home first in 4:30.36.

The Troy 400 meter relay team of Lee, Rizhallah, Michael and Baumann finished first with a finish of 45.19.

Troy Schultz was first overall in the 800 run, as the Trojan completed the race in 2:02.84, with his teammate Jones third at 2:06.69.

Alex Rizhallah was third in the 200 dash (24.04), with Gibbs from Tipp right behind him at 24.59. Also in the 3200 meter run, Jones was first (9:42.48), Bethel's Korry Hamlin second (10:30.56) and Tipp's Jordan Brown fourth (10:58.34). Finally in the running events, the Troy 800 relay team of Lee, Rizhallah, Michael and Baumann took home second overall with a time of 1:35.24.

Bethel's Devin Hazely finished second in the high jump with 5-10, then came back in the long jump and brought home the first place gold, jumping 19-10. Troy's Hayata Nagata finished third at 19-4.25. in the discus, David Blake from Troy Christian placed second with a toss of 129-7, and Matt Garber from Tippecanoe placed third (125-10).

# Butler Scores Late To End Troy's Streak

**By Jim Dabbelt**

Two big innings for the Butler Aviators opened up a close ballgame, as the host Aviators sent the Trojans down to their first defeat of the season 7-2 on a cool damp day in Vandalia.

Troy saw their first batter of the game reach after bring struckout, but the ball eluded the catcher sending Josh Fulker to first base. Fulker was later thrown out on a steal attempt, which was followed by a single from Trenton Wood. The Troy senior was left at first as Colin Moeller struck out.

Butler came back and threatened themselves as they had two runners on base as Ryan Lavy escaped trouble in the opening at bat.

In the Butler third inning, they nearly broke the tie again, as they put their first two guys on base, but the Trojans did not break as they stranded the baserunners, keeping the game scoreless after three innings of play.

Troy took the lead in their half of the fourth, as Wood walked with one out and was balked to second base. After Moeller grounded out, Wood came into score on a wild pitch.

Just as quickly as Troy scored, the Aviators came storming back and took the lead in their half of the fourth. The first three batters all reached to load the bases before a sacrifice fly scored a run, Another run scored on a fielders' choice, Two more runs scored to push their lead to 4-1 after four innings.

Trying to come back in the fifth, the Trojans cut into the lead. Dalton Cascaden walked to lead off the inning, and he came into score when Jaren Bair doubled to cut the deficit to 4-2. After two outs, Lavy walked to bring up Wood, who grounded out to remain down by two runs.

As Butler came to the plate, they pushed the game out of reach, after the opening batter struck out. An error by the Trojans opened the door as a balk and a hit by pitch set up a sacrifice fly was followed by a run scoring double and ensuing single to make it 7-2. The Trojans could not answer in their final two at-bats, falling for the first time this season.

\* Troy fell for the second night in a row as Butler knocked off the Trojans 14-6 to take a commanding two game lead in the league. Butler led 7-0 midway through the third inning before Troy attempted a comeback by scoring five times in the third. That was a close as they would get, as Butler scores twice in the fourth and five more in the fifth to put the game away. Lavy had two doubles to lead the Trojans.

# Troy Netters Continue To Enjoy Success

**By Jim Dabbelt**

The success continues for the Troy tennis team, as they cruised to an easy 5-0 win over non-league foe Urbana last week. First-singles player Luke Oaks won his match against Mklaine Eggleston 6-0, 6-0 to set the tone of what was going to be a good day for the Trojans. At second-singled, Shane Essick cruised past Andrew Fansler 6-0, 6-1, while at third-singles, it was Matt Schmitt defeated Austyn Fannin 6-3, 6-2 to make it a sweep at the singles spots for Troy.

First doubles was a bit closer as the Troy duo of Connor Oaks and Elijan Sadlier defeated Nicholas Shank and Gregory Coffey 6-1, 7-5, while at second doubles, it was Andrew Magateaux and Nick Prus with a 7-5, 6-1 victory over Ullnh and Kitchen, giving the Trojans their eighth consecutive win to start the season.

\*The winning streak for the Trojans was ended at the hands of Vandalia Butler 3-2.

Oaks lost to Justin Kopronica at first singles 6-4, 6-4, as the match between two key players in the area went to the Aviators.

"Luke and Justin are probably the top two players in the area," said Troy coach Mark Goldner. "Our team played with a lot of effort but just came up short."

At second doubles Es-

sick defeated Denish Patel 6-2, 6-3, while Schmitt won at third singles 6-0, 6-0 over Troy Luken.

Oaks and Sadlier lost at first doubles for the Trojans 6-4, 6-1, then Magateaux and Prus fell to Morrussi Ramirez and Morgan Jackson 1-6, 7-5, 6-3.

\*Troy got back on the winning track the next night as they defeated Fairmont 5-0 to run their record to 9-1 overall.

Oaks won at first singles over Daniel Bendel 6-3, 6-3, Essick beat Sully O'Hara 6-1, 6-1m and Schmitt beat Nick Fantaci at third singles 6-3, 6-4.

At first doubles, Oaks and Sadler defeated Haas and Powers 7-5, 6-1 and at second doubles, Magateaux and Prus had no trouble with Brandon Huford and Matt Kenney 6-2, 6-2.

\*Ending the week, the Trojans defeated Northmont 5-0 to push their record to 10-1 on the season.

Oaks defeated Andrew Correll 6-1, 6-1 at first singles, while at second singles, Essick rolled past Dan Adams 6-0, 6-0. At third singles, the Trojans' Schmitt defeated Sam Minneman 6-0, 6-0.

Oaks and Sadler won in straight sets at first doubles 6-2, 6-3, while at second doubles, it was Maghoteaux and Prus defeating Cameron Daniel and Austin Lucas 6-1, 6-2.

# Troy Christian Annual 5k Race Slated for May 9

The 5th annual Troy Christian Schools Family 5k and Kids Pixy Stix Fun Run will be held Sat. May 9, 9 a.m., beginning at the high school track, 700 S. Dorset Rd., Troy.

"This run has gained popularity because it features three surfaces for a unique experience," according to race coordinator, Brenda Hart. "We begin on the track, progress to a slight incline stretch of Dorset Rd. that takes runners to the Hobart Nature Preserve,

where they go "off-trail" around a scenic pond. Then the participants come back the same way and end on the track again. It's track, road and trail in one race!"

Hart added that all surfaces are wide enough to accommodate serious runners who want to get an official time, as well as families or individuals who just want to walk for a great cause. Chip timing for the race is provided by "Can't Stop Running."

The money raised

from the 5k will benefit the school, which will begin a building project this summer to add classrooms to the elementary and the Jr. high/high school buildings.

The entry fee is \$15 per person, and many prizes will be awarded to age groups in both male and female categories. Refreshments will be served.

The Pixy Stix Fun Run is for kids 10 and under. For each lap around the track, each

child gets a Pixy Stix; four times around and a ribbon will be awarded.

The Pixy Stix run will begin at approximately 9:40, with the race awards ceremony beginning at 10 a.m.

To register, find a downloadable form at [www.troychristianschools.org](http://www.troychristianschools.org) or online at [www.cantstoprunningco.com](http://www.cantstoprunningco.com). Race day registration is available from 7:30-8:45 a.m.

For more information contact the school office at 339-5691.

# Sports Schedules

Date	Sport	Event	Time
4/22	THS Tennis	@ Fairmont High School	04:00 PM
4/22	THS Track	@ Stebbins HS	04:30 PM
4/23	THS Softball	@ Wayne High School	05:00 PM
4/23	THS Tennis	@ Northmont Senior High School	04:00 PM
4/23	TCS Baseball	@ Emmanuel Christian Academy	05:00 PM
4/23	TCS Softball	@ Trotwood High School	05:00 PM
4/24	THS Baseball	@ Springboro High School	05:00 PM
4/24	THS Softball	@ Springboro High School	05:00 PM
4/24	THS Tennis	vs Fairborn City Schools	04:30 PM
4/24	THS Track	@ Welcome Stadium	03:30 PM
4/24	TCS Baseball	vs Russia High School	05:00 PM
4/25	THS Baseball	@ Bellefontaine	01:00 PM
4/25	THS Softball	@ Tippecanoe High School	10:00 AM
4/25	THS Softball	@ Loveland Jr/Sr HS	12:00 PM
4/25	TCS Baseball	@ Houston Invitational	9:00 AM
4/25	TCS Track	@ Bulldog Track Classic	9:30 AM
4/25	TCS Softball	vs Trotwood High School	11:00 AM
4/25	TCS Softball	vs Trotwood High School	01:00 PM
4/27	THS Baseball	vs Sidney High School	05:00 PM
4/27	THS Softball	vs Sidney High School	05:00 PM
4/27	THS Tennis	@ Centerville High School	04:00 PM
4/27	TCS Baseball	vs Jackson Center H.S.	05:00 PM
4/27	TCS Softball	vs Jackson Center H.S.	05:00 PM
4/28	THS Baseball	@ Sidney High School	05:00 PM
4/28	THS Softball	@ Sidney High School	05:00 PM
4/28	THS Tennis	vs Sidney High School	04:00 PM
4/28	THS Track	@ Tippecanoe HS	04:30 PM
4/28	TCS Track	@ Stillwater Valley Invitational	04:30 PM
4/28	TCS Baseball	vs Yellow Springs/ McKinney High School	05:30 PM
4/28	TCS Softball	vs Yellow Springs/ McKinney High School	05:30 PM
4/29	THS Tennis	vs Springfield HS (Springfield)	04:30 PM
4/30	THS Tennis	vs Wilmington High School	04:30 PM
4/30	THS Track	@ Wayne HS	04:00 PM
4/30	TCS Baseball	@ Yellow Springs/ McKinney High School	05:00 PM
4/30	TCS Softball	@ Yellow Springs/ McKinney High School	05:00 PM
5/1	THS Baseball	@ Miamisburg HS	05:00 PM
5/1	THS Tennis	vs Tippecanoe High School	04:00 PM
5/1	THS Track	@ Wayne HS	04:00 PM


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## Gardening Commentary



**Winter Damage**

Some gardeners are discovering that they have damaged plants in their landscapes this spring. One of the first things many people want to do is to replace any plants that aren't looking well, those that have a few brown needles or leaves. This spring is not the time to move too quickly, removing and replacing any plants that have a little damage. We must be patient and give our plants time to show new growth. Many plants, deciduous and evergreens alike, have experienced some problems due to the harsh winter. If portions of your plants are not leafing out and showing new growth you may want to remove the upper 25% of the plant to try and stimulate new growth in the remaining portion of the plant. One thing we want to avoid is removing damaged plants too soon. When the root system is established and the plant is ready to grow, it would be unfortunate to remove the shrub/tree and start all over, getting the plant established again.

Now is the time to plant Cole crops from transplants or 'starts'. It is time to plant others from seed like carrots, radishes, beets, peas, lettuce, onions and spinach. Potatoes could have been planted in March most years but due to the colder temps this spring you can still plant them now. All the bare root veggies like rhubarb and asparagus should be planted now.

We are still a week or two away from our frost

## From the Pulpit

**BY PASTOR MARC FREY**

Holidays in May  
By Pastor Frey

There is a holiday coming in May that is celebrated throughout the country. It is a day of tribute to mothers. It is a time when children consider and show their appreciation for the many blessings which have come to them through their mothers. It is certainly a good thing to do.

Mother's Day has become a tradition but it is of fairly recent origin. Right around the same time of year comes another important observance which is recognized and observed only by Christians and that is the anniversary of the ascension of Jesus into heaven. It occurred 40 days after his resurrection.

The day that the Ascension is celebrated isn't important. But the ascension of Jesus is full of meaning for Christians and deserves our attention.

One of the things that the Ascension of Jesus impresses on us is that Jesus is the Lord. When the disciples saw Jesus ascend into heaven, they were dumbfounded. But after the initial amazement and after the angels had spoken to them, they fell down and worshipped Jesus.

Why did they do that? The answer is obvious. The ascension of Jesus impressed on them the fact that Jesus is the Lord. Jesus has ascended to his place

free date in this area but there is plenty to do in the yard and it is a good time to plant perennials, roses, trees and shrubs. It is a good idea to wait until the soil warms up to plant warmer types of plants from seeds and plants like impatiens and the many warm season vegetables.

I'm sure you have noticed how fast our lawns are growing. It is very important to keep the grass cut regularly with a sharp blade. It is best not to remove more than 1/3 of the blade of grass at one time. When you can keep up with the mowing between showers your grass will respond by developing a thick turf that will crowd out weeds and add real value to your real estate investment. Your lawn sets off the whole yard.

There are a number of annuals that can be planted now and will tolerate frost. Pansies, Snap Dragons, and Dianthus provide fabulous color along with many perennials including English Daisies, Mt. Pinks, and many more. They will tolerate frost and all these early plantings become well established while the weather is cool, this will get them off to a great start and they will reward you when you plant them while it is cool and plenty of rains. Trees and shrubs are ready to plant so let's get planting.

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of power and authority as Lord and Rule of all things. And that is why they worshipped him.

The disciples had been through some trying times. There had been times when their faith in Jesus had been shaken. There were in fact times when they had lost faith in him completely. They had seen him suffer at the hands of mere men. They had seen him die. They had seen his lifeless body buried.

But then he had risen from the dead. They had seen him alive several times after his resurrection. Now everything fell into place. They remembered what Jesus had said. The realized that all of this was supposed to happen. And now, they had seen him ascend into heaven. Jesus had done everything he needed to do.

Jesus promised that he would be with us with his almighty power. We still have sickness and accidents, but Christ protects us with his almighty power. It is important to know this or we will become discouraged.

May the ascension of Jesus remind us that he is the ruler of all things, give us confidence, and keep us from becoming discouraged. "If God is for us, who can be against us?"

(Pastor Marc Frey is the pastor at Peace of Our Savior Lutheran Church (WELS) New Carlisle, OH [www.peaceofoursavior.net](http://www.peaceofoursavior.net))

## At Home

BY CONNIE MOORE

*Mrs. Hackman's Journal Continues*



Lizzie Fentz's mother's journal continued with entries into May of 1895. By this time, Lizzie had written her mother that Medway was busy with spring plantings and could boast having brick layers, a bridge builder, butcher shop, carriage shop, cooper shop, general store, harness shop, grocery, tailor and shoemaker.

Lizzie and her husband, Henry Fentz, had moved the family from Hillgrove to Medway a year or two earlier. Henry was sure he could find work in this growing town. But as life was busy around them, Lizzie found her husband less and less willing to work. Oh, she made ends meet, but barely.

With seven children to feed and clothe and one on the way, Lizzie missed

her mother's help tremendously. In the meantime, Mrs. Hackman was busy caring for her husband and garden back in Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Hackman's journal entry for May 14, 1895 read: "Pop dreamed last night he caught Old Flathead. I have no doubts one of these days he'll catch that ugly old catfish. I'll be hard pressed to clean it. It must be older than Methuselah and weigh about as much."

Pop told me to kill a chicken for supper 'cause he needs the liver for his stink bait. I guess I'll be going a visiten' in the morning-it stinks up the whole place when he cooks it. I better try and write down what he puts in it. Lizzie wrote and asked so her boys can try it when they fish in Mud Creek.

### Pop's Stink Bait

- Chicken livers
  - Corn meal
  - Anise oil
- "Use a iron skillet that you don't use for nothing else. Cook some corn meal and water till real thick. Mash in the livers and inards if you got them too. Cook till it balls up and add a few drops of the oil. Let it ripen for a day or two but not in the house. Best kept as far away from the house as possible."

She's relieved Henry is doing work for Mr. Day helping load the hack between New Carlisle and Osborn. Maybe he can keep the work-he sure would make Lizzie happy. She says there's talk of a traction line through Medway. What'll they think of next?

May 22 entry reads: "Old lady Laster down with the gout. I'll go see her and take some stewed rhubarb. Nothing better for lifting the spirits than something tart. Not a good spring for mushrooms. Too cold and wet after a few warm days. Dug a mess of fiddleheads-they're just about as good."

### Fiddleheads

"Gather a mess of young, just sprouted fiddlehead ferns. Be sure you get 'em in the woods where no one has let their dogs or hogs in. Wash them in cold running water. Peel off any of that brown papery stuff that sticks to them. Put on a pot of salted water and get it to boiling. Put the ferns in and cook for just about five minutes. Don't let them go to mush or you might as well through them out. Drain them well. Fry up in a skillet with plenty of fresh butter. Salt and pepper just before you eat them."

May 23 entry read: "Kitchen garden in and up. It's good to see the green onions, lettuce, cabbage, potatoes and carrots. Pop and I will plant the tomatoes when we get home from cleaning up the family plot at the cemetery."

Contact Connie at [mooredcr@Juno.com](mailto:mooredcr@Juno.com) or Box 61, Medway, OH 45341

### Baked Rhubarb

- 4 cups rhubarb, chopped
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  - 3 tablespoons flour
  - 1/2 cup brown sugar
  - 1/2 cup oats or broken up biscuits
  - 1/2 cup butter
  - 1/3 cup or less flour
- "In a bowl, toss the rhubarb with the cup of sugar, the 3 spoons of flour. In another bowl put the brown sugar, oats (If you're using leftover biscuits one or two will do. Crumble them real fine.) Put in the butter and cut it in fine with a fork. If using the oats, put in the last measure of flour.
- Pour the rhubarb into a deep casserole or pan. Sprinkle the crumbs over top. Bake in a hot oven (350 degrees) for about 45 minutes or until the rhubarb is tender, juices are bubbling and the top is golden brown. Pour cream over top when you've got it dished out."

## Police Tip Of The Week

BY SGT. JJ MAURO

Tipp City Police Retired

### Are Traffic Tickets Revenue?

You have heard them on the radio claim that Cities send their police officers out to write tickets as revenue for the city coffers. Some claim, "Tickets are just a hidden tax on the public." Let's examine this line of thinking.

Never in my long career has any supervisor ever told me to go out and write tickets for anything other than public safety. I have been told to "Watch intersections where we have a lot of accidents." The order to be seen in school zones never was associated with we need more tickets to buy a new cruiser. In fact I was told on several occasions

that it did not matter if I gave a warning or a ticket, the idea is to be seen.

As a supervisor I never told my people to write tickets unless the person had been warned prior for the same violation. My line of thinking was the person did not learn from the warning, so it is time to give a little monetary incentive to obey traffic laws. Ask any police officer with some experience and most will say they write tickets because they have seen what happens in accidents when people speed or run red lights.

Do larger cities have traffic enforcement units whose job it is to write tickets? Sure they do. But all governmental jurisdictions with traffic enforcement also have to pay millions for fire and rescue. The fines from speeding tickets come nowhere close to paying for all the expenses they spend on police and fire.

You still don't believe it? Ok, let's look at what happens when a ticket is written. A police officer who earns \$20 to \$30 an hour is driving a \$30,000 vehicle with another \$10,000 of equipment inside. The city has to also pay 20% of the officer's salary into the retirement and pension fund. The uniforms, equipment and training are not free.

So the City Manger tells the police chief to have his officers go out and write tickets for revenue. From a minor misdemeanor traffic citation, the City gets just under \$10 from the fine. But that last ticket you received cost you over \$100? Where does the rest of the money go?

Well the Court has to pay its costs first. The State takes its share of the fine to pay for different programs. I wanted to confirm all this so I spoke with Chief Eric Burris of the Tipp City Police Department.

Chief Burris confirmed my belief that traffic ticket fines amount to less than \$10. So I asked about OVI fines, those are higher. Chief Burris laughed and said they indeed were. But the Ohio Revised Code Section 4511.193 denotes that from every fine \$50 goes for housing the mandatory jail sentence. \$75 of the fine goes to the Indigent Offender's Defense Fund. \$100 of that fine goes to an OVI Education Fund. And of course a lot of convicted OVI offenders can't or never pay their fines, which is the reason for indigent defense funds to begin with. You don't get a Public Defender if you can afford the fine.

So the next time you hear someone claiming the police are out doing "Revenue enhancement", think if that \$10 the police department has earned for the city is really enhancement or a loss.

## Pay It Forward

BY KAREN MARTIN

### "One Of A Kind"

You and each one of us are someone special. There is not another one like you anywhere. There might be someone who looks a little like you, and might even share the some of the same DNA, but they are not exactly like you.

Each and every one of us hold a unique quality, and have a special meaning to someone. You are one of a kind treasure. You are here to shine in your own way. Each and everyone

of us have unique qualities that we can share with others to make their lives and our better. We all have a special meaning to others in our life. We may be their Mom or Dad, or their brother or sister. We may be their best friend, or their boss or coworker. You have a special title in their life that no one else holds. You hold a special place in their heart that no one else does. You are a part of their life, a part of their most precious treasures.

Each one of us have the capability of making our life better for ourselves and those we love.

We have so many talents within us to make our life better, and for those around us. We all need to acknowledge our talents and abilities. It is also important for us to be needed and feel special. In return, we can make others around us feel the same. Don't hold back what you have to give. People in your life will be thankful you shared your beautiful soul. We all need to understand the wonder within.

So take pride in yourself. You are a special person that gives many people in your life a reason to smile. You deserve the

best in return. Be true to yourself, and only settle for the best for yourself. That special person you see in the mirror each day, may not always get to hear the compliments you deserve, but you need to keep on being the great person you are. You are so worthy of joy, love and friendship. You are the only one like you in this whole world. So take the time to realize the special person you are, and what you have to give. Pay some good forward. Share you talents and special qualities. Make someone smile today.

## RESCUE ME



Born on July 18, 2014, Apollo is an intact, male, dachshund mixed dog. He is a playful little guy, who has had this first and second worming and is current on all of his shots, including rabies.

The father of this little pup is unknown, but judging from the size of his mother, we expect him to "top out" at under 20 pounds. However, unlike his brothers; he also shows many un-dachshund like features, and may be closer in size, at full growth to his "Mystery Father."

Appalo is the darkest of the litter, and also the "designated pig" Although they all eat in the same room, Appalo wants ALL the dog food. So if you have other pets, it would probably be best to feed him in a separate room.

For more information on Apollo, or any of our other dogs, puppies, cats or kittens: Please call us at 937-450-1227 or contact us via email at [Lovefourpaws@ATT.net](mailto:Lovefourpaws@ATT.net)



# Financial Focus



Provided by Matt Buehrer

## Making work, work for you

Many employers simply can't afford to offer benefits like they used to. The benefits that are offered often entail a head-spinning mix of options that increasingly put the decision-making onus-and higher cost burdens- onto the employee's shoulders. Employer-sponsored benefits still offer solid, cost-effective options. But to get the most out of an employer's benefits package, employees must take more personal responsibility for determining the effective use of those benefits and where it might be necessary to supplement what is offered.

The following tips from Thrivent Financial can help make work, work for you.

### Tuning-up your 401(k)

The first step is to take advantage of the employer's 401(k)\* plan, if offered. This retirement account is an easy investment choice because it offers tax deductions, tax-deferred growth and often an employer match. Still, several factors worth considering include;

- Short- versus long-term goals: Contributions should fit overall financial goals. If short-term needs are pressing, investing in other vehicles can help avoid tapping the retirement plan early to meet those needs, which can trigger taxes and penalties.
- Changing jobs: If an employee has taken a loan from his or her 401(k) plan and then changes jobs or is laid off, the loan must be paid back immediately. Taxes will be assessed at that time; if the employee is under age 59 ½ and doesn't pay off the loan, the loan will be considered a premature withdrawal and penalties will apply.
- Overall asset allocation strategy: 401(k) investment options should fit one's timeframe and risk tolerance. A financial service professional can help assess a person's financial goals. A financial professional can also offer a strategy with investment choices that may complement the choices offered by an employer's 401(k) plan.

### Weighing your flex spending

Flexible spending accounts offer key advantages to employees, but they must be used wisely. Employees can contribute income on a pre-tax basis to a flexible spending account and withdraw for qualified expenses such as health and dependent care costs. These tax savings are attractive but only if the dollars put into the account are used. If the funding isn't used within a specified period, it may be lost. Keeping track of receipts for qualifying expenditures is a good way to avoid losing the tax benefits.

### Examining your insurance

Most employers offer group life insurance, but the coverage offered by your employer may not be sufficient to meet your needs or may only cover you (the employee) only. Employers often present

additional coverage options at an employee's expense and this might be a good option to explore as it is often cost effective. However, keep in mind that it is usually not transferable if you change jobs. Add additional supplemental coverage from other insurers as needed to ensure you can cover house hold debt, future earnings, and education funding for your children.

Also, take a closer look at your disability income insurance coverage. One common misconception is that your employer's coverage is enough, so it is not needed. However, the coverage you might receive from your employer likely is not enough to protect your income. In addition, as your employer pays the premiums, the benefits you might receive are taxable.

### Staying tuned

Finally, it's important to regularly monitor and update one's employer-provided benefit plans. A financial representative can help you determine if your benefits package is maximized and that you're doing the most to make work, work for you.

\*Note: Different tax provisions rules apply to Roth 401(k) accounts.

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### To the Editor

I am not one who openly voices my political opinion. However, in view of the vitally important election on May 5th, I feel compelled to make an exception. It is with great enthusiasm that I give my support to Michael Beamish in his bid for re- election as our Mayor. There are so many things that I could say about how Mayor Beamish's leadership and example have made a profound positive impact on the community, but there are a few that mean the most to me.

When I moved back to Troy with my son over ten years ago, I fell in love with the City and prayed that my son would find mentors and people to show him how to be successful, good and kind. Little did I know that one of those mentors would be the Mayor. This is one of the aspects of his character that I appreciate the most. Not only has Mayor Beamish been one of the most influential people in my son's life, but also he has spent the better part of his adult life fostering a better future for Troy students as an educator. I have always admired how he has always made every student he meets feel valued by giving so much of his time to their future development. They are the future of Troy's success.

Michael Beamish has not been alone in serving the people of this community. Troy is very fortunate to have Ginny Beamish who also has given of herself to this community and is well respected for being a leader in her own right

Michael Beamish is a tireless community supporter. He has come to symbolize the selfless dedication of leader., always giving his best for the city and its people. Over the past twelve years Troy has garnered many distinctions, and is a respected commu-

# Letters to the Editor

nity on an international level. Michael Beamish is an avid promoter of the downtown and thanks to his influence Troy is known throughout the state as being a small town with all the amenities of a large one. One of the roles of the Mayor is to constantly seek new ways of attracting people to the community. Recently Michael Beamish has been instrumental in bringing to light the invaluable opportunities that Troy has in its river resources. Treasure Island will serve as an asset allowing us to use the river to its fullest potential, and will encourage people to come to the community while being an extension of our vibrant downtown, as well as linking the cities along The Great Miami River Corridor. This is yet another example of how Mayor Beamish's vision and leadership is forward thinking and in the best interest of Troy and its citizens.

As the May 5th Election approaches, it is my hope that the citizens of Troy will look beyond all the money that has been spent by the Mayor's opponent on this campaign, and realize that running a City bears no relation to running a business. I URGE the people of Troy to join me on May 5th and choose to support someone who has over twenty years of experience in City government, and has served this community at a variety of levels for almost a half century. The issues that I have mentioned are only a small representation of the role that Michael Beamish has played on this community and the good that he has done throughout the region. Thank you for your consideration of Michael Beamish on behalf of a city that has benefited immeasurably from his wisdom and passion for giving to others.

Patricia A. Ham  
Troy

ic & athletic), church involvement, support and volunteerism at The Soup Kitchen, United Way participation, and of course, the important job of helping to keep our parkways and sidewalks free of litter, as evidenced by him and his wife picking up trash while on their evening walks...

Mike is totally dedicated to his position as mayor, always has been and always will be. Besides his love of family, his hearts' desire is to be the best Mayor he can be, having done a superb job thus far! I appreciate his compassion for the citizens of Troy, regardless of their social demographic, stature, or struggles he truly cares about common folk. A simple man, living in the same humble home for all these years... Please re-elect Mayor Beamish - we need him!

Deb Grant  
Troy

### To the Editor,

Please join me in supporting Michael Beamish for re-election as Mayor of Troy.

During my 65-year career in Troy, I have had the privilege of working with and for a number of Troy Mayors.

All have had the best interests of our community during their service.

None have worked harder and more selfishly for all citizens and ages than Mayor Beamish.

Throughout his career

### To the editor,

We are giving our personal endorsement to Mayor Michael L. Beamish for re-election for a number of reasons.

We have known "Mayor Mike" for over twenty five years and can personally attest to his commitment, sincerity, and devotion to the city of Troy. Through the years we have both had the opportunity to serve on a number of committees with Mike. He is a terrific leader and member. He listens closely to what others have to say, gives his thoughts when appropriate, asks great questions, attends meetings regularly and always does his homework concerning the topic(s) at hand.

As mayor for the past twelve years, and a member of city council for five terms, Mike has a significant amount of direct job experience with all aspects of city government. Even though the mayor's position is an elected one, it's an important administrative position with overall responsibility for the effective and efficient operation of the city.

Troy has made significant progress in many areas during Mike's tenure as mayor. In one important area of responsibility, he has represented the city in Troy's unique "public-private" partnership with the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce, the Troy Development Council (TDC) and the Troy City Schools.

This partnership has been responsible for moving the Troy community ahead during the past several years when many other communities our size have struggled. Mike has established

### To the editor,

I am asking people to go out and vote on May 5th for the re-election of Mayor Mike Beamish. He demonstrates that he loves and truly cares about the wonderful community of Troy, Ohio. Mayor Beamish

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in Troy he has continuously exhibited a deep commitment to the improvement of the Quality of Life.

He has provided the leadership to move our community forward and has truly defined "Where Civic Pride is City Wide.

Michael Beamish is unquestionably the right person to continue as Mayor of Troy and deserves our vote.

Arthur "Ozzie" Haddad  
Troy

three key goals for the city as he has worked closely with leaders involved in the "public-private" partnership.

First, in order to thrive in today's world, Troy must continue to have a comprehensive Economic Development Program. Having a solid base for jobs in business and industry are key ingredients in building and maintaining a skilled workforce that today's employers demand. Working with the chamber, the TDC, and the schools, several important strategies for economic development are currently in place and being maximized.

A second major goal Mike has identified for the city is continued financial stability. He, the city council, and the city's staff evaluate every expenditure to ensure the budget is balanced while providing high levels of service for citizens.

A third goal has been for the city to provide high level entertainment, cultural and recreation activities, and events for citizens of all ages in the community. Building on existing exceptional resources and facilities already in place in the community, Mayor Beamish and others have recently initiated new upgrades and programs for the future benefit of the community.

We are supporting Mayor Mike Beamish for re-election to insure the city of Troy continues to prosper during the next four years. We believe Mayor Beamish will provide the leadership for that to happen!!

Dr. Jim and Linda Daniel  
Troy

supports ministries and outreach that provide help for those whom are at risk.

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Dick Steineman  
St. Joseph's House and St. Patrick's Soup Kitchen

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# Concord Trustees Approve Backhoe Purchase

**Bonnie L. McHenry**

At the regular meeting of the Concord Township Trustees on April 21, 2015, the trustees approved the purchase of a new Caterpillar Backhoe from Ohio Cat in Troy for \$63,010. The backhoe purchase is part of the planned capital expenditures for 2015. Neil Rhoades also got a bid for a Case backhoe; however, he recommended the Caterpillar because of the local service available to the township should any repairs be required during the life of the backhoe. Rhoades expects delivery of the new backhoe in August. In addition, the trustees approved the capital expenditure for paving two of the township roads at a cost of \$135,000 plus the cost to term the roads. The roads scheduled for paving work for 2015 include Forest Hill Road from SR 718 to McCurdy and Barnhart Road from SR 718 to Fenner. In other road business, Rhoades announced that he had worked out a deal with Troy to sweep the township roads to remove that grit and salt that accumulated over the winter in exchange for the township mowing some of the city streets, especially along SR55. The city removed between 25 to 30 tons of grit and salt. Don Pence, Trustee, asked if the removed material could be recycled. However, Rhoades said, "It is considered hazardous waste because of the oil and other automotive by-products mixed with the salt and grit; therefore, the material must be disposed of through proper channels. If a private contractor had provided the sweeping service, it would have cost us \$126 per hour. It took Troy about 24 hours, so we are talking about a huge savings here."

As a further part of the discussion, Pence asked whether the trustees wanted to participate in the Share Ohio Initiative. The initiative proposed by State Auditor Dave Yost allows local governments to register online to request or to share heavy equipment. Pence said, "The Township is already doing this informally with Miami County, Miami County Townships and the City of Troy."

Tom Mercer said of the Share Ohio Initiative, "We would help anybody out in a heartbeat. However, since we are already doing this locally, I don't see any reason to get involved on a statewide level."

In other old business, Mercer updated the trustees on the property at 1690 Peters Road. He said, "It has been in bad shape for six years. There was grant money

to tear it down; however, there is only about \$10,000 left in grant money. The County Engineer's office and the Health Department are aware of the problem. Something needs to be done; however, we're not in the business of demolishing properties. I will keep pestering everyone, but there were questions of ownership and tax liens, so the process has not moved quickly."

In new business, Pence requested and the trustees approved a public hearing to be held at the next township meeting to review the 2016 Budget. Pence conducted an in-depth analysis of the cash flow for the next five years. At the current rate, based on projected revenues versus expenditures, the township will have just over \$100,000 by the end of 2019. Currently, the township has almost two million. He said, "The problem started when the state eliminated the estate tax in which they passed 80% of those revenues to townships and municipalities." Pence proposed that the township request a .5 mill levy as an interim step to get the township through the next two to three years.

Bill Whidden, Trustee, said, "I don't see many alternatives to asking taxpayers for more money. We do that or we quit buying equipment and paving roads."

Pat Quillen, Fiscal Officer, will include the .5 mill levy in the budget she has to submit to the county by July 1, 2015.

In other new business, the trustees evaluated a proposal from Josh Mandel for townships to participate in the Ohio Checkbook Initiative. In the proposal, Mandel says, "We intend to host, post and display your local government's checkbook-level spending on OhioCheckbook.com at no cost to your local government." He also said, "[The site] will empower citizens to see how their tax dollars are being spent and to provide public officials with a tool to improve efficiency."

However, according to Pence, "There is a significant cost to the local government. We would have to purchase the electronic software in addition to other expenditures." The trustees agreed to table the township's participation until a more in-depth study can be made of the initiative.

Mercer said, "The information is already public record."

The next meeting of the Concord Township Trustees is scheduled for May 5, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Concord Township Building.

# Hobart Clock to Be Restored

**By Nancy Bowman**

The Hobart bridge clock is on its way to repair and restoration before it is placed in its new home on the west side of the Hobart Center for County Government.

The clock overlooked the nearby intersection of Main and Adams streets for decades from the pedestrian bridge that linked the center, the former Hobart Brothers office building, with the Hobart Brothers/ITW manufacturing plant. The pedestrian bridge was removed as part of the plant demolition completed earlier this year.



Hobart Brothers/ITW gave the clock, believed to be from the 1930s or 40s, to Miami County. The clock had not worked for several years. The county looked at various options for the clock and its new home before voting last week on the final plans.

The commission voted April 21 to hire Smith's Bell & Clock of Mooresville, Ind., to restore and repair the clock at a cost not to exceed \$3,840.

The work will include refurbishing the existing clock face and housing, adding a translucent white backing with LED lighting on photo cell, adding LED tube (green in color) to interface, overhauling existing movement, adding a manual controller and mounting the clock and housing into existing frame with a weather seal.

"We are trying to make this as close as possible to the existing clock with today's technology," said Commission President

Jack Evans. "It is an important piece of memorabilia from Miami County ... We felt it was important to put it back as close as possible."

The clock will be placed in the old elevator tower west side window on the Hobart Center after work on the building needed following the bridge removal. Midwest Maintenance of Piqua was approved by commissioners for that work at a cost not to exceed \$40,650.

The company will repair the area where the bridge was attached to the building and repair the elevator tower area for the

clock. The work includes matching special masonry block on the façade of the building. The company previously worked on the building, including obtaining the matching block.

In other business last week, the commissioners, as discussed earlier, approved a six-month extension of the agreement with Shelby County to house female prisoners in that county's jail. The agreement allows for up to 15 prisoners per day at a cost of \$55 each per day. The extension will run through Sept. 30.

The commission also approved a retail electric supplier agreement with MidAmerican Energy Company for electric supply for the county's large and small accounts. The company's proposal would provide more than \$30,000 a year in savings over the next closest proposal, the commission was told.

# Miami-Shelby Ostomy Support Group to Meet

The Miami-Shelby Ostomy Support Group will meet Wednesday, May 6, at 7 p.m. at Conference Room A in the lower level of Upper Valley Medical Center, 3130 N. County Road 25A.

The Ostomy Support Group's meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month except January and July.

Programs provide information and support to ostomates and their families, and are beneficial to health care professionals as well. The speaker for the May meeting will be Kim Sharp, RN, from Convatec company.

For more information, call (937) 440-4706.

# Trail Run Challenge Kicks Off this Sunday

The first race of the 2015 Trail Run Challenge takes place this Sunday, April 26 at Hobart Urban Nature Preserve, 1400 Tyrone in Troy. The 5k race will start promptly at 9 a.m. Registration and packet pick-up begin at 8 a.m. For those who pre-registered, packets can be picked up at Up and Running in Troy on Saturday from 3 to 5 p.m.

Myers. Participants who take part in the health screenings are automatically entered into a drawing to win a prize from Up and Running. Those who complete all six races and health screens are entered to win the grand prize in October.

Miami County Public Health and Upper Valley Medical Center will have information available on



This is the fourth year for the Trail Run Challenge offered by Miami County Park District. The races will be held in six different parks throughout Miami County. The goal of the Trail Run Challenge is to get healthy, get outside and to discover your local parks. "The Trail Run Challenge is a great way to promote healthy exercise and get individuals and families outside in our beautiful County parks," says J. Scott Myers the executive director of the Miami County Park District. "It doesn't matter if you walk or run, we encourage you to come out and participate. You will have an opportunity to meet some great people and experience the satisfaction of completing a 5k race," adds Myers.

Nurses from Miami County Public Health will be on-site to measure blood pressure, height and weight and calculate body mass index (BMI) for participants. "We hope people take advantage of the free screening and use the information to set and track health and fitness goals over the six race series," says

a different health topic at each race. The first focuses on how BMI and blood pressure relate to the risks for certain diseases such as cancer, diabetes and heart disease.

Awards are given for the top racers in each category. Groups of two or more are encouraged to sign up for the Trail Run Team Challenge. The Team Challenge is based on the total number of individuals who attend over the series of races. The winning team receives a corn maze party at Lost Creek Reserve in October.

Race day registration is available for \$25 for adults, \$20 for team members and \$15 for students. Participants can still sign up for the full series for \$90 until this Sunday. More information is available at the Park District's website [www.miamicountyparks.com](http://www.miamicountyparks.com) or AllianceRunning.com.

The Trail Run Challenge is sponsored by Premier Health - Upper Valley Medical Center, Miami County Public Health, Up and Running, Brower's Insurance, Abbey Credit Union and Scott Family McDonald's.



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# Quilt Show Coming in May

By Nancy Bowman

Becky Goodwin has been around quilting all of her life. Linnette Vagedes took on the challenge when her second child was born. Loraine Smith decided a few years ago to make a quilt from pieces of fun fabric leftover from sewing projects.

Although these Miami County women's introductions to quilting came from varying circumstances at different times in their lives, they all fell in love with

"For years I'd attend the guild meetings and applaud others because I felt my skills weren't honed enough," she said. "I asked them if I could hang out with them. I just loved the people."

The quilting helped take her mind off other life challenges, Vagedes said. Over the years, she'd go to other members and ask for help, something she isn't afraid to still do, if needed.

Smith of Tipp City joined the guild eight



the craft.

They also are members of the Batty Binders Quilt Guild, which is celebrating its 20th year with a May quilt show in Troy, and one of its splinter organizations, the Twisted Stitchers Group.

Goodwin of Troy and Vagedes of West Milton were among those who formed the guild in 1995. Goodwin said she was taking a reading

years ago. Although she'd been sewing since she was 12, Smith didn't take on quilting until she decided to cut squares from "fun" fabric she had on hand and sewed together.

"I had no idea what I was doing. Talk about a newbie," she said with a laugh. She visited the Jo Ann Fabric store in Beavercreek, asking for help.

There, she was

hooked up with the "quilting guru" who helped her pick out the proper tools and provided a "quilt lesson 101" between other customers, Smith recalled.

She bought a quilting book and visited the guru again on the road to completing from the two quilts she now describes as "rudimentary."

Smith, who is known for the vivid colors used in her works, learned about the guild from another person waiting in line at a local store. She soon joined.

"This group is so awesome. People are so willing to share, so giving, so friendly. Any questions I would ever have, lots of people would have an answer," she said.

Each month's guild meeting includes a project or program with an emphasis of ongoing learning. "That is one of the things I love about quilting. You are always learning. There is always a new technique," Goodwin said.

The Batty Binders guild has several splinter groups that focus more on certain aspects of quilting. Among the groups are the Twilight Quilters, the Stitchin' Sisters Long Arm Quilters and the Twisted Stitchers, who make art quilts. "I found out I really like the variety. I like to make the regular quilts but I also like to do wall hangings," Smith said.

The guild's quilt show May 8 and 9 will feature up to 100 quilts, vendors, a quilt raffle and door prizes. Planning for the show began a couple of years ago.

For more information about the Batty Binders Quilt Guild visit <https://sites.google.com/site/battybindersquiltguild/home>. The organization also is on Facebook.

# State of Schools

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are dealt with and every-one moves forward.

The district's buildings range in age from 41 years with the Troy Junior High School to Van Cleve, which is more than 100 years old. "Most of our buildings have some age to them. Tytus (Jacobs, director of facilities and maintenance) has taken good care of them," Herman said.

He added that he thinks the community has spoken about the importance of those buildings. "They love them," he said.

Herman said he considers the Troy community "second to none," thanking the parents, organizations such as The Troy Foundation and the district's business partners for all they do for the schools.

The district is turning to the community again - this time for volunteers willing to participate in a volunteer community panel interested in a dis-

cussion on future curriculum and facilities.

"Before we can decide what we want to do with our buildings though we have to decide what we want to do curriculum wise," Herman said.

A facilities project will come sooner or later. "We are going to have to do something. We can only keep putting them back together for so long."

Among challenges facing the district is reaching those students who don't see the value of an education, Herman said. "We work with that; is something we do daily."

The district is asking voters to approve a levy renewal May 5. The 5.9-mill levy is for operating dollars for five years.

"I believe the Troy city schools are a good value," Herman said. "Our goal, as always, is to give a good education to our students ... We need your support. All of the things I have talked about are critical to our success."

# Band/Choir Competition

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two sons in the music program at Troy High School, Will and Jamey.

"This is the culmination of their year," Boezi said. "Working on pieces... just getting better together as an ensemble. This event really shows what they've learned." The well-polished tunes evidenced this fact as they played selections like "American Riversongs," "The Light Eternal," "Circus Days," "Chase the Shouting Wind," and "Pulse." Discerning listeners would recognize these pieces from previous performances of the Troy Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble throughout this school year.

Senior student Shelby Snider was hoping to graduate with one more string of superior ratings to add to a portfolio of powerful performances. "We have had a hard time making room for more trophies in the band room case," Snider said. "Some of the trophies

are really old and we've had to move them over carefully so they don't fall apart. It's exciting to see that kind of legacy. It makes us think about what kind of legacy we want to leave when we graduate." Snider joins the United States Air Force upon graduation and cares deeply about excellence in academics, music, and life goals. "We judge ourselves a little bit harder than the judges judge us I think," she said.

Snider's assessment rang true and her dream of superior ratings came to life. Symphonic Band pulled out a perfect score in their first set and another perfect score for sight-reading. Wind ensemble gave a flawless performance and received superior ratings across the board. Director Katherine McIntosh said, "The students worked very hard and did an incredible job. It's been a great year for the music department here at Troy High School."

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# Chamber of Commerce Seeks Award Nominees

The Troy Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for the 2015 Community Service Award. This award has been presented annually since 1976 to an individual who donates a significant amount of their time back to the Troy community and whose work has contributed to the strength and vitality of Troy.

The Community Service Award for organizations was added to our program in 2013. This award is presented to groups or organizations that have also donated a significant amount of their time back to the Troy community and whose work has contributed to the strength and vitality of Troy.

The Community Service Award for Individuals and Organizations will be presented during the performance of the Cincinnati Symphony in downtown Troy on Thursday, June 25, 2015.

An award of \$1,000.00 will be provided by The Troy Foundation for the recipient of the Community Service Award to donate to the charitable organization of his/her choice and The Troy Foundation will also donate \$1,000 to the Community Service Award Organization recipient.

Nomination forms are available at the Troy Chamber and on the chamber website. To place a name in nomination, please include a brief synopsis of the nominee's qualifications and mail, fax, or deliver it to the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce.

The deadline for nominations is 5:00 PM, Friday, May 8, 2015.

Forms are available at the Chamber's offices at 405 SW Public Square, Suite 330, Troy.

Visit the chamber website for more information: [www.troyohiochamber.com](http://www.troyohiochamber.com)

# YWCA Offers Mother's Day Class

Students in K-4th grade will make special gifts for Mom or that special someone in the YWCA "Mom's Special Day" class on Monday, May 4, from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Lorna Kitchen, instructor, will help participants make a beautiful floral arrangement along with a surprise craft too! All supplies are included

in the class fee.

"I love working with children and making this special gift for Mom or someone special for Mother's Day is a lot of fun," said Kitchen.

For more information on membership requirement, class fees or to register, stop at the YWCA at 418 N. Wayne Street or call 773-6626.

# Eagle Scout

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Dyke is older than a lot of boys in the Troop and serves as a mentor. Dyke still attends almost every meeting, most than other scouts his age. Dyke has spent several terms as Den Chief, for which he also had to go to the Cub Scout meetings, where he mentored the Cub Scouts.

For his Eagle project, Dyke made a Gaga Ball Pit at the Ludlow Falls Camp, which the director of the campgrounds had suggested. It was a large

undertaking for Dyke, but he was very pleased with the results. "I hope a lot of people get to enjoy it for a long time," he said.

A junior at Troy High School, Dyke is interested in pursuing a career in Engineering and believes the leadership skills he's gained from scouting will prove to be valuable. He's honored to obtain his Eagle and will continue to form a path to be followed. "I'm very proud, it's something I've always wanted to do," said Dyke.



(Left to Right) Alex's mom, Wendy, Alex, Scoutmaster Bill Stoltz, brother Ethan and dad Brad.

# YWCA Knits for Cancer

Suzie Hawkes will coordinate a knitting activity for cancer patients on Thursday, May 7, at 10 a.m. at the YWCA Piqua. Participants will be knitting or crocheting hats and other items to donate to cancer patients at UVMC. Individuals coming to help with this project are asked to bring their own yarn, knitting needles or crochet hooks.

"This is a wonderful community project to support those affected by cancer," said Hawkes, YWCA volunteer. "It is especially meaningful to those receiving our items

to show that members of the community are helping them through a difficult time," she added.

"One community member has already donated a large amount of hats that she has done at home. We were thrilled with her donation," added Hawkes. "Anyone can donate yarn or items they have made at home if they are unable to attend the April 2 get together," she said. "We plan to do this each month on the first Thursday and encourage others to come and join in this very special project," said Hawkes.

For more information, stop at the YWCA at 418 N. Wayne Street, call 773-6626 or e-mail [info@ywcapiqua.com](mailto:info@ywcapiqua.com). Participants are encouraged to pre-register for the session. The YWCA is handicap accessible.

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**land offer**

A local developer told Troy City Council she has made an offer to purchase the former Hobart Brothers/ITW manufacturing plant property.

Jessica Minesinger of Troy Land Development told council April 6 she made an offer for the asking price, which city and Troy Development Council leaders have said is \$500,000. The land is owned by Hobart/ITW.

Minesinger said that, despite the offer, she supported a plan by the city and TDC to share the cost of a market study and assessing traffic and utilities in the property area near West Main and Adams streets.

J.C. Wallace of the TDC said he agreed, and appreciates the local company's interest. The TDC "would like to complete the study so it can identify the highest and best use of the property"

Council approved the \$35,000 as part of an ordinance to reappropriate more than \$650,000 for projects thanks to the city's 2014 year end fund balances ending up around \$2.5 million more than anticipated.

Among the projects in the ordinance were the following:

- \$365,200 in added funds for the McKaig Road Phase II reconstruction project
- \$125,000 for estimated expenses related to possible purchase and demolition of downtown area properties for future parking lot or lots
- \$110,000 for employee benefit costs related to Health Savings Accounts and the city wellness program
- \$30,000 for design of a future baseball complex near Duke Park

Council also heard a second reading of an ordinance that seeks to rezone 14.6 acres off Towne Park Drive. The proposal would change the zoning from B-2 general business district to Planned Unit Development.

The concept plan for the senior living facility described as "an age in place product" was discussed Feb. 11 with the planning commission. The project would feature

158 units including 92 independent living units, 30 harbor units, 18 assisted living units and 18 memory care units.

A public hearing on the rezoning will be held at council's May 4 meeting.

**Historic district work OK'd**

The Troy Planning Commission approved applications for exterior work to properties in the city historic district during its April 22 meeting.

The following requests were approved:

- A request by Christina Badgley for painting siding, trim and shutters of a house and painting of a wood fence at the rear of the property at 315 W. Franklin St.
- An application to place a wall sign above a south window on the front of the building at 103 S. Market St. The sign is for N.Y. Bagel Café and Deli.
- A request by C and C Land Group, Elizabeth Marie Fashions, to place a wall sign above the entrance to 117 S. Market St.
- An application by the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center to install a temporary eight-foot vinyl banner to the front rail of the center's porch. The sign announces the center's naming as the 2014 Institution of the Year by the Ohio Museums Association.

**Man pleads not guilty in robbery**

A Troy man charged with robbing the Main Source Bank on South Market Street on Feb. 18 pleaded not guilty during arraignment April 23 in Miami County Common Pleas Court.

Brian J. Feltner, 40, faces one felony count of robbery and a misdemeanor of making a false alarm. He is accused of robbing the bank and then leaving on foot along South Walnut Street. No weapon was seen and no one was injured, Troy police said.

Feltner also is accused of calling 9-1-1 several minutes before the robbery, saying someone had a gun at Walmart in Troy.

Bail of \$25,000, set earlier in county Municipal Court, was continued.

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# Habitat for Humanity Accepting Service Applications

Habitat for Humanity of Miami and Shelby Counties, OH (HFHMSCO) has been awarded one (1) AmeriCorps member position and is looking for motivated and qualified candidates to serve locally during the 2015-16 service year, which begins this September.

AmeriCorps, often referred to as the domestic Peace Corps, is a network of National Service programs that engage more than 80,000 Americans each year in intensive service throughout the United States. National Service programs, such as AmeriCorps, are funded by the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Throughout the year, AmeriCorps members serving with HFHMSCO will develop, document, and implement plans to mobilize and increase our programs that are currently in place at the Habitat ReStore. This may include creating volunteer programs, marketing plans, business systems, and/or donation opportunities. This full-time AmeriCorps volunteer position, offers to the member a modest living allowance, education award, and valuable professional experience

serving HFHMSCO's mission.

Applicants who are accepted as AmeriCorps members and commit to serve for up to a year with HFHMSCO will join will join more than 400 other Habitat AmeriCorps who will be placed in more than 110 communities nationwide. These members are anticipated to serve more than 2,200 families, provide more than 650,000 hours of service and engage more than 225,000 volunteers in local community building efforts.

Since Habitat partnered with the Corporation for National and Community Service in 1994, more than 8,000 AmeriCorps members have served with Habitat for Humanity, helping Habitat to serve more than 20,000 U.S. families; contributing more than 13 million hours of service; raising tens of millions of dollars in resources and engaging nearly 3.1 million volunteers.

For more information, visit <http://www.habitat.org/ameriCorps> or <http://www.nationalservice.gov/>

To apply, go to <http://www.habitat.org/job/oh-troy-vista-restore-development>.

# Chess Club to Meet at Library

Challenge your friends or learn a new skill at the Checkmate Chess Club at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 7, at the Troy-Miami County Public Library, 419 West Main Street, Troy, Ohio; you'll be amazed at how your game will improve.

The chess club is open to everyone with an interest in the game, even if you've never played before, and it is a great activity for the whole family.

For more information, call 937-339-0502, ext. 127.

# Friends of Library to Hold Book Sale

The Friends of the Library will sponsor its spring book sale May 1-3, 2015 at the Miami County Fairgrounds, 650 North County Road 25A, Troy, Ohio. Sale times are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on Sunday.

A members-only preview night will be held 6-9 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, during which time NEW memberships may be purchased.

Admission is free. Most adult books are 50 cents each, and children and young adult books

are 25 cents each. There is a large selection to choose from, including science fiction. Specials, some books, videocassettes, CDs, collectibles, and miscellaneous items are individually priced. Sunday is \$1 per bag with specials at half price.

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# What to Do in Troy

## EZ Cook EZ Clean Camp Meals

May 2, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon  
Lost Creek Reserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its EZ Cook EZ Clean Camp Meals class on May 2 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Lost Creek Reserve, 2385 E. St. Rt. 41 east of Troy. Participants will get tips and recipes for quick, healthy meals that clean up in a snap. Methods will include utilizing both a camp stove and campfire to prepare a variety of hearty meals. Class fee is \$5 per person and includes a light brunch as well as some taste testing. For adults and children 14 and up with a parent. All participants must be registered to attend. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at [MiamiCountyParks.com](http://MiamiCountyParks.com), e-mailing [register@miamicountyparks.com](mailto:register@miamicountyparks.com) or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104.

## Preschool in the Park "Art & Nature"

May 2, 11:00 a.m. to Noon  
Hobart Urban Nature Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Preschool in the Park "Art & Nature" program on May 2 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Hobart Urban Nature Preserve, 1400 Tyrone in Troy. Join park district naturalist Gecko Jody as she leads the group in play, a craft and toddler sized hike. Meet at Meneke Park shelter. The fee is \$3 per child for each class. Class size limited to 12, class minimum is four. All participants must be registered to attend. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at [MiamiCountyParks.com](http://MiamiCountyParks.com), e-mailing [register@miamicountyparks.com](mailto:register@miamicountyparks.com) or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104. Credit card payments are now accepted online at time of registration.

## Film: I'll Knock a Homer for You: The Timeless Story of Johnny Sylvester and Babe Ruth.

May 2, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.  
Mayflower Arts Center  
On Saturday May 2, at 7:30 pm there will be a special screening of the 2013 baseball documentary film, *I'll Knock a Homer for You: The Timeless Story of Johnny Sylvester and Babe Ruth*.

The film, directed and produced by Andrew Lilley, chronicles the story of the promise made by Babe Ruth that became a legend. During the World Series of 1926, The Babe, at the height of his popularity, promises a very ill boy, Johnny Sylves-

ter, to hit a homer for him during Game 4. Shrouded in mystique for almost 90 years, the story has become one of baseball's most enduring legends. The award-winning documentary was selected by the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY for a screening at its own baseball film festival in 2013. The limited theatrical screening at The Mayflower Arts Center in Troy marks the Ohio premiere of the film.

For more information on the Mayflower Arts Center, visit [www.MayflowerArtsCenter.com](http://www.MayflowerArtsCenter.com) or LIKE "Mayflower Arts Center" on Facebook and @MayflowerArts on Twitter.

## Exhibit - Remembering Lincoln

May 3 thru May 31  
Troy-Hayner Cultural Center

This exhibition will be featuring an array of Lincoln memorabilia and artifacts from local collectors, libraries, and museums. Our programs on Lincoln are presented in coordination with Troy Main Street's *Sculpture on the Square* project to be installed this summer. The 2015 *Sculptures on the Square* will pay homage to President Lincoln with a monumental-scale sculpture by Seward Johnson called: *Return Visit*. This sculpture is a 25 foot bronze likeness of Abraham Lincoln discoursing with a modern-day philosopher. This has never been exhibited outside of the artist's retrospective exhibit in New Jersey. Troy will be the first city in the world to receive the sculpture.

## Wings on Strings Family Kite Fly

May 3, Noon to 3:00 p.m.  
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Rain date is Saturday May 9th.

## Sculptures on the Square Opening Reception

May 3, 2:00 p.m.  
Court House Square

Troy will be filled with visitors of all ages this summer! Building on the rich and successful partnership between the Sculptures on the Square project and artist, Seward Johnson, this summer's planned exhibit will not

disappoint.

Troy Main Street will install the monumental-sized Seward Johnson sculpture *Return Visit* in downtown Troy after the third successful Seward Johnson exhibit in 2013. The 2015 display will deviate from past exhibits in that it will offer one significant sculpture, rather than multiple smaller sculptures.

Return Visit is a 25 foot bronze sculpture of Abraham Lincoln and a modern-day man. This sculpture is of monumental scale and has never been exhibited outside of the artist's retrospective exhibit in New Jersey. Troy, Ohio will be the first city in the world to receive the sculpture for public viewing! Return Visit will be placed on display in Downtown Troy on the Miami County Courthouse Plaza area for a period of six months.

The sculpture was unveiled for the first time in the spring of 2014 at the J. Seward Johnson Retrospective at the Grounds for Sculpture in New Jersey.

Troy Main Street will open the exhibition with a community party on May 3, 2015. The exhibition will remain on display through October. Previous exhibits have been available for shorter periods.

This exhibit is on loan from the Sculpture Foundation, Inc. and is made possible by a grant from the General Fund of the Troy Foundation. Presented by Troy Main Street in partnership with the City of Troy and the Miami County Commissioners, Sculptures on the Square is a bi-annual public art exhibit in historic downtown Troy. For further information, call 937-339-5455 or visit [www.sewardjohnson.com](http://www.sewardjohnson.com).

## Trailing Moms & Tots

May 4, 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Charleston Falls Preserve  
The Miami County Park District will hold its Trailing Moms & Tots program on May 4 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. This program is for expectant mothers, mothers and tots 0 - five years of age. Participants can social-

ize, play and exercise during this walk. There may even be time for a craft. Make sure to dress for the weather. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at [MiamiCountyParks.com](http://MiamiCountyParks.com), e-mailing [register@miamicountyparks.com](mailto:register@miamicountyparks.com) or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104.

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## Adult Exploration Hike

May 5, 9:00 a.m.  
Gabry Big Woods Sanctuary

The Miami County Park District will hold an Adult Exploration Hike on May 5 at 9 a.m. at Garbry Big Woods Sanctuary, 2540 E. Statler Rd east of Piqua. Join Park District Naturalist Sassafras Susan as she heads out to explore nature. Walks are not strenuous or fast-paced and usually last about two hours. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at [MiamiCountyParks.com](http://MiamiCountyParks.com), e-mailing [register@miamicountyparks.com](mailto:register@miamicountyparks.com) or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104.

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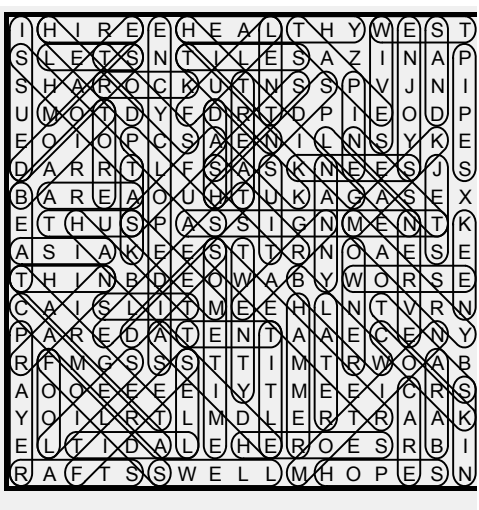
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by Larry Warren



# Trivia Challenge

## Ancient Wonders Of The World

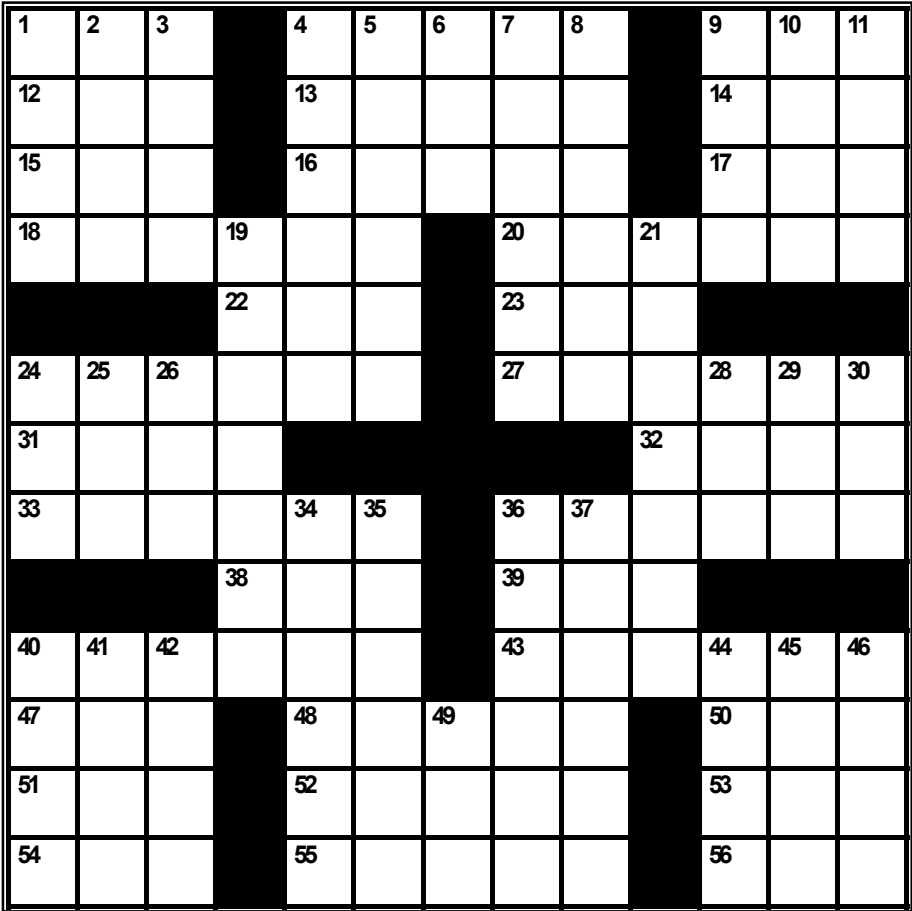
- 7 -Who was the Mausoleum at Halicarnassus built for?  
a. Ptolemy  
b. King David  
c. King Solomon  
d. Mausolus
- 8 -Which wonder of the ancient world was designed by Satyros and Pythius?  
a. The Hanging Garden of Babylon  
b. The Great Pyramid of Giza  
c. Colossus of Rhodes  
d. Mausoleum at Halicarnassus
- 9 -Which wonder was designed by Chares of Lindros?  
a. Colossus of Rhodes  
b. Statue of Zeus at Olympia  
c. Lighthouse of Alexandria  
d. The Hanging Garden of Babylon
- 10 -Which wonder was sculpted by Phidias?  
a. Statue of Zeus at Olympia  
b. The Hanging Garden of Babylon  
c. Colossus of Rhodes  
d. The Temple of Artemis
- 11 -If you wanted to see the site where the Mausoleum at Halicarnassus had been built, which country would you have to visit?  
a. Yemen  
b. Turkey  
c. Egypt  
d. Iran
- 12 -Which is the only wonder still standing?  
a. The Hanging Garden of Babylon  
b. Great Pyramid of Giza  
c. Colossus of Rhodes  
d. The Temple of Artemis

## Last Week's Trivia Solutions

- 1 -Great Pyramid of Giza -also called the Pyramid of Khufu.
- 2 -The Temple of Artemis -also called the Temple of Diana.
- 3 -The Hunt - Artemis is often depicted with a bow and arrows.
- 4 -250 BC - It was built by the Ptolemaic Kingdom.
- 5 -The Hanging Gardens of Babylon -The legend says he created the garden for his Persian wife, Queen Amytis.
- 6 -Iraq - All that remains of this once glorious city is a large mound.
- 7 -Mausolus - This Mausoleum was built for Mausolus and his wife Artemisia II of Caria.

# Crossword Puzzle

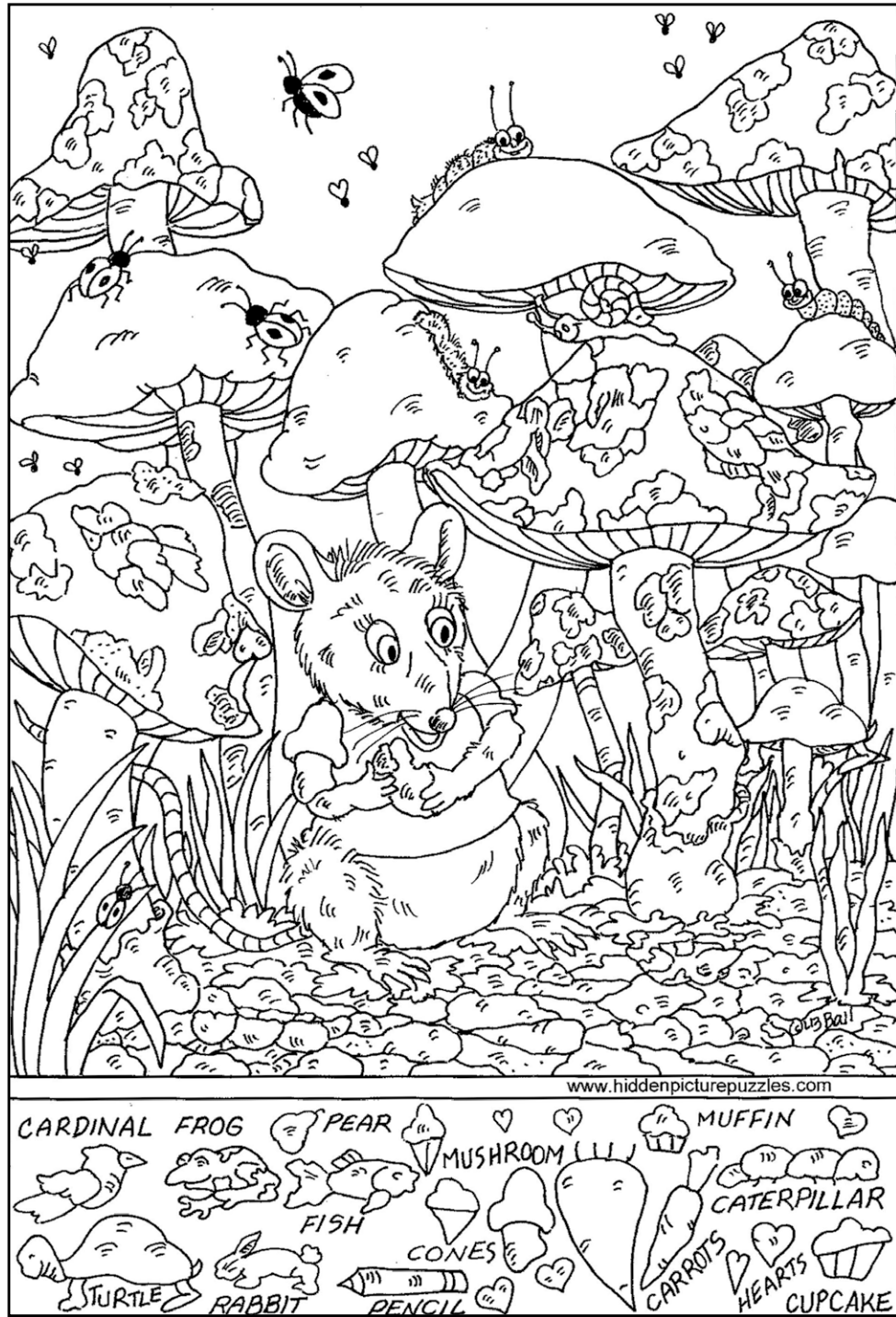
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- Across**  
1. Relieve  
4. Kind of lyric poem  
9. Hard throw, in baseball  
12. U.N. workers' grp.  
13. BMW Series  
14. Colorado native  
15. Lady's man  
16. 7-11 game?  
17. Earthling  
18. College area  
20. Overturn  
22. Former name of Tokyo  
23. Exclamation of disbelief  
24. Type of hawk  
27. Great  
31. Ben Hur, e.g.  
32. Vitality  
33. Visionary  
36. Use for support  
38. By way of  
39. Keats' subject
40. Outcast  
43. Germanic peoples  
47. It's next to nothing  
48. Smacks a fly  
50. Family  
51. Floral necklace  
52. Free-for-all  
53. Cuckoo  
54. Hold title to  
55. Bake, as eggs  
56. Yes!
- Down**  
1. PC processor  
2. Hipbone uppers  
3. Frat house  
4. Former currency of Portugal  
5. Human being  
6. Super N\_  
7. Core  
8. Cherish inwardly  
9. Low-cut shoe  
10. Footnote abbr.  
11. Heredity carrier  
19. Guilty confession in
- Latin  
21. Group of Roman fighters  
24. Nourished  
25. Month, for short  
26. Go horizontal  
28. Skewer  
29. Strange object in the sky  
30. Ballpoint, e.g.  
34. Unhealthy atmospheres  
35. Hebrew God  
36. Shine  
37. Arnold Schwarzenegger film (1996)  
40. Lauren's clothing brand  
41. Over  
42. Steering rope  
44. Not bad  
45. Prime-time hour  
46. Quick cut  
49. Will Smith title role

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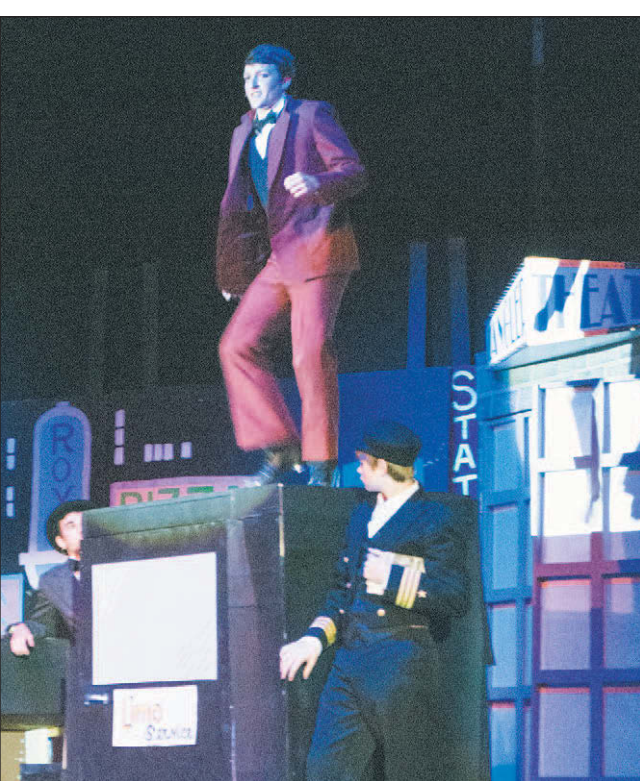
# Around Troy This Week

## TCHS Presents Musical

Troy Christian High School presented the musical "Crazy For You" this past weekend. The George and Ira Gershwin musical is the story of a well-to-do 1930's playboy whose dream in life is to dance. Despite the serious efforts of his mother and soon-to-be ex-fiancee, he achieves his dream.

The presentation featured Wes Alexander, Kimmy Wilderman, Aaron Rhoton, Tyler Lamb, Bekah Land-fair, Austin Risner, Lauren Setzkorn, Caroline Ford, Adam Flora, Emilee Rhoton, Hannah Gray, Chassidy Combs, Cassandra Mendez and a number of other promising young actors.

The musical was directed by Mrs. Paige Nichols.



## Trojan Florist Celebrates 100,000th Order

Caroline Doolittle placed her order at Trojan Florist at just the right time.

She placed the company's 100,000th order.

"Ray (Harelson, owner) and I were thinking of ideas to reach out to a younger crowd," said employee Anthony Smith, "so we promoted this contest on Facebook."

Doolittle will receive a free flower arrangement each month for a year.

"I'm having them sent to my mom," said Doolittle. "She is an RN and is always doing for others but never for herself," she said.

Doolittle said she knew about the contest and placed an order for an arrangement for her mother. "My husband said 'Go ahead - you might win.'"



Doolittle with Anthony Smith of Trojan Florist and her 4-year-old son Jackson



Caroline's mother, Debra Cummings, with her prize winning flower arrangement

## Cattlemen Cookout at Court House

The Miami County Cattlemen held their "Lunch on the Lawn" last Friday at the court house. The fare included hamburgers or ribeye sandwiches.

"It's something we do on an irregular basis," said Cindy Harris of the Miami County Cattlemen. "We're going to try it again in May, but we haven't set a date yet."



Garrett Smith had lunch with mom Layla, but he seemed to prefer his Cheetos to a steak sandwich.



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