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HOLIDAY DEADLINES

Since Independence Day falls on a Monday this year, deadlines for our July 6 issue will be noon Friday, July 1.

Troy Dedicates Renovated = Treasure Island Park =

By Nancy Bowman

Mayor Mike Beamish invited local residents Sunday, June 12, to get acquainted with the town's "new treasure" during the dedication of the lighthouse at Treasure Island Park and the park's official opening.

The lighthouse was a gift to the community in 2014 from The Troy Foundation as it celebrated its 90th anniversary and the city its 200th year.

It replaced the original lighthouse that was part of the Treasure Island facility developed by the Hobart family for use by family and Hobart Brothers' Co. employees.

The area was a popular gathering place following its opening in the 1940s with activities such as boat races, fishing and water skiing. The Hobarts later turned the property, including the nearby Marina Building, over to the city.

The original lighthouse was removed a few years ago because of its deteriorated condition.

Beamish has called for years for more use of the river and the Treasure Island area, which was part of the city riverfront development.

The project included the Marina Building renovation, Treasure Island development with an amphitheater, picnic shelter and other offerings to come such as a monarch butterfly garden. A new restaurant, Smith's Boathouse, will open later this summer in the Marina Building.

The third part of the riverfront project is the Hobart Arena expansion and renovation project now under way.



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Beamish stood near the lighthouse and its blinking light at the top while talking briefly about the donation, and the impact the Hobart family has had on the community over the years.

Among those attending Sunday was William Hobart, former Hobart Brothers Co. president.

"Look above at that light shining brightly. It is our beacon of light. It is our future for the young people. It is an

economic driver for this community, this county and this region," Beamish said of the project.

He said many partners were to credit for making the

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= Teen = Leadership Troy Returns

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

Teen Leadership Troy was finally in session last week. As an extension of the vision behind the Mayor's Youth Counsel, adult graduates of Leadership Troy nominate a group of high school seniors that participate in a week of activities that develop, train, and engage Troy teens. They are selected based on their grades, involvement in local initiatives and organizations, and aptitude to lead among their peers.

Last week, the young people gathered at the Municipal Building on Thursday, June 9 to take on an intense day of activities and history. They were even given an opportunity to participate in a brainstorming session with the Mayor about the positive aspects of the community and what they would like to see change or improve.

As young people who have grown up in Troy, many of those gathered for the Youth Counsel have big dreams and a particular view of their city. According to Michael Ham, a committee member who

oversees the Youth Counsel, the goal is not only to provide a greater depth of instruction to potential future leaders but also to receive feedback from a younger generation. "It's a great way for the city government, the Board of Education, and others to get a youthful perspective of the city," Ham said. "We enjoy hearing what they like but it also helps to hear what they think the city needs."

Mayor Beamish said that this year's rank-ordered list of ideas from the youth counsel will be taken into consideration by city officials as decisions are being made for improvements in the coming months. Among the top ideas presented by the teens, miniature golf, more books in the library, shopping, better local understanding of government, and poverty awareness was discussed. Also included were topics like downtown parking, a monthly block party on the square, food trucks and more recreation for young adults. "They developed a solid list of ideas,"

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Cars Damaged by Dome Paint Overspray

By Nancy Bowman

Paint overspray from the Miami County Courthouse center dome painting project damaged more than 20 parked vehicles the week of May 30.

Commissioners said June 7 they had received "a few" reports of overspray from work being done on the dome.

As of Monday, June 13, 22 reports of damage had been received, said Chris Johnson, the county's director of oper-

ations and facilities. He said he didn't expect a lot more reports.

An adjuster with the Motorists Group, working with the contractor's insurance company, has made arrangements to look at the affected vehicles later this week for those who did not make arrangements through their personal insurance, Johnson said.

The damage would cost

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Heroin Coalition Unveils Projects

By Nancy Bowman

A group representing Miami County law enforcement/legal system; health, mental health and substance abuse programs; faith-based organizations; and individuals said a community wide response is needed to the heroin epidemic locally.

Steve Justice, a lawyer with a Troy law firm, was among those who unveiled June 8 a county heroin coalition initiative that includes several steps toward education and medical response.

Justice said the group started meeting in January to talk and address the heroin epidemic, what some are calling a "plague."

The goal, he said, is to



"address this in a holistic way ... with dignity and respect for the person and for all involved."

During a press conference at the county sheriff's training center north of Troy, Justice and others cited the following numbers:

- About 50 people in the county a month are overdosing on heroin
- Within the week lead-

ing to the project's unveiling, two people, ages 27 and 31, died of what were suspected as heroin overdoses in Piqua

- The Troy Fire Department since 2013 has seen a 275 percent increase in overdoses (based on the use of Narcan by medics)

- In 2010 there were approximately 200 Emergency Department visits to UVMC for drug/alcohol related problems. The number last year was 800, Justice said.

To provide education on the problem and information on what people can do, a Hope Over Heroin faith-based festival is being planned July 8 and 9 at the county fairgrounds. More information on the festival will be distributed in com-

ing days, said Aaron Simmons, a Tipp City pastor and coalition member. "We want to be a launch pad for the community to face this epidemic," he said.

The Hope Over Heroin event's purpose, he said, "is to lead addicts and the hurting to freedom."

Steps already taken by the coalition include a two-page resource brochure, an information sheet outlining the system of care for an addict, sheriff's deputies being trained in administering Narcan and education for the medical community on prescribing the withdrawal drug Suboxone.

Also being explored is a

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Miami County Sheriff Reports

MONDAY, JUNE 6

1:19 p.m. – To S. County Rd. 25A for a report of a theft. A man reported that a trailer was stolen off of the property over the weekend. He said that it had been parked there for several years. It does not have a serial number or registration. He was advised that local scrap yards would be notified.

11:54 p.m. – To N. County Rd. 25A for a report of a disturbance. The parties involved said that the argument was only verbal with no threats made.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

11:37 p.m. – To N. County Rd. 25A for a report of an assault. A male victim was bleeding and complaining of left arm pain. He refused to give any information about who assaulted him or why it started. He said he refused to be a

victim and did not wish to pursue criminal charges. The other individual involved left before the deputy arrived.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

11:30 a.m. – To Lee Rd. for a random address verification. A convicted sex offender had reported this address as his home. The deputy discovered that the subject had moved out. An investigation is pending.

5:32 p.m. – To the area of Peters Rd. and Monroe Concord Rd. for a report of a suspicious individual. A neighbor saw two individuals walking around an old vacant residence. The deputy saw two juvenile females crawl out from an open window. They had entered through a broken window at the rear of the property. Attempts to reach the owner were unsuccessful. An investigation is continuing.

Troy Man Charged With Child Rape

By Nancy Bowman

A Troy man is being held in the Miami County Jail on bonds totaling more than \$2 million following his arrest Friday, June 10, on charges of rape and gross sexual imposition involving a juvenile.



Massie

Eric Massie, 42, is accused of engaging in sexual conduct with a juvenile allegedly since the juvenile was 11. The boy came forward to police recently and reported the abuse occurred over several years.

Police reported they questioned Massie Friday before he consented to a search of his residence. He subsequently was arrested on four charges of rape and two charges of gross sexual imposition.

Massie was arraigned on the charges in county Municipal Court where bail of \$500,000 was ordered on each rape charge and \$25,000 on each gross sexual imposition charge.

Police said Massie was convicted in 1997 on a gross sexual imposition charge.

Police are investigating whether there were any other victims of abuse by Massie, said Capt. Jeff Kunkleman. Any other victim is asked to contact the Troy Police Department at 339-7525.

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project a success, among them The Troy Foundation and the city council.

Foundation Executive Director Melissa Kleptz said it didn't take the foundation board long to agree to the lighthouse project as it looked for an appropriate 90th anniversary gift. Previous gifts have included the show trailer seen at many concerts and other public programs in town.

“Not a lot of discussion took place ... It was a great idea for our monies to go to something the entire community could enjoy,” Kleptz said. “This a great addition to our community.”

Alan Kappers, president of the Troy park board, noted

the city has 28 parks covering more than 370 acres. Seven employees maintain those properties, he said.

Recreation amenities such as the Treasure Island Park are important aspects of economic development, Kappers said. “Any Realtor will tell you the quality of life provided by a good park and recreation system enhances” a community, he said.

Kappers also said there is a cost to having those amenities, maintaining and improving them. He used part of his time at the microphone to urge residents to support a proposed recreation levy the council is considering placing on the November ballot.

Troy Police Reports

MONDAY, JUNE 6

10:00 a.m. – The following property was turned over to Police from information booths at the conclusion of the Strawberry Festival. 1. A black cigarette case with an open pack of cigarettes and a lighter. 2. 5 sets of keys 3. A stuffed toy rabbit wearing a police uniform. 4. A reusable grocery bag with an open drink and a Nikon camera. 5. Pink children's sunglasses. 6. A black Sony case with two cables. 7. A white notebook with multi-color butterfly design on the outside and notes concerning Bible studies. The items were submitted to property.

3:10 p.m. – To Summit Ave. for a report of criminal damaging. A woman reported finding a small piece of metal sticking out of a tire on her vehicle. Investigation showed that the vehicle had picked up a small piece of debris while driving through a construction zone. There was no evidence to support criminal activity.

3:43 p.m. – To the 1300 block of W. Main St. for a report of a theft. A woman reported that some time overnight, someone entered her vehicle and took items from the center console. She was not sure if it was locked. There are no suspects.

4:36 p.m. – An officer saw a vehicle on the closed portion of McKaig Ave. and initiated a traffic stop. The driver did not know why he was stopped. The officer reminded him that “he went right past the big sign that said closed road.” The driver said he thought you could still drive on it since the intersection was not completely barricaded. He was cited for driving on a closed road and for driving under suspension. His passenger was a licensed driver and took control of the vehicle.

TUESDAY, JUNE 7

9:30 a.m. – While monitoring the construction zone on McKaig Ave., the officer saw a red pickup truck approach the sign at Ridge Ave. from the south, stop, then turn around. He then saw the same vehicle come from Summit Ave. and turn west on McKaig. There were workers present at the time. He initiated a traffic stop and cited the driver.

4:58 p.m. – Traffic stop on Sherman Ave. at Elm St. The driver said that he just got his license back from suspension. He was advised that he still has two active suspensions and that his insurance was cancelled. He was cited for driving under suspension.

8:10 p.m. – To E. Staunton Rd. for a report of a disturbance. A woman reported that she wanted to leave her mother's home to go get her kids, but her mother would not allow her to leave. The woman's mother said that her daughter had overdosed on heroin this morning and she was trying to keep her from leaving, expecting that she would go use heroin again. The mother was advised that the police could not stop the daughter from leaving, but expressed concern to her over her heroin addiction. A friend arrived to pick up the daughter. The mother was advised to contact Children's Services to try to get custody of the children.

9:07 p.m. – To McKaig Ave. for a report of a theft. A man reported that a lawn mower was stolen from his property, and he suspects former tenants. The tenants were contacted and denied taking the lawn mower. They said that the man has already asked them about it several times. The officer asked for their address, and they said that they are currently homeless. The officer checked and found that the mower had not been sold to a pawn shop.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8

5:04 p.m. – An officer saw a vehicle turn from Ridge Ave. onto a closed portion of McKaig and initiated a traffic stop. The driver said that she was going to her home on Laurel Tree and did not know an alternate route. The officer agreed with her that there is a problem with people driving on the closed road. She was cited.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

1:17 a.m. – An officer saw a vehicle southbound on N. Short St. and turn right onto Main St. He initiated a traffic stop. The driver said that he had no license, only a temporary permit. He was cited for driving the wrong way on a one-way street and for no operator's license.

7:55 a.m. – Traffic stop in the 1300 block of Experiment Farm Rd. The vehicle was clocked at 60 MPH in a 35 MPH zone. The driver said that he was running late for work. He was cited for speed.

9:24 a.m. – To S. Counts St. for a report of a theft. A woman reported that a leather binder containing her insurance card, vehicle maintenance book and registration was stolen from her vehicle. She said that the cover to her center console was damaged. There are no suspects.

3:53 p.m. – Traffic stop on Red Cedar Dr. at McKaig. The vehicle came from Ridge Ave. to Red Cedar and passed a road closed sign and active construction workers and heavy equipment. He said that he was taking someone home who lived on Cameo Circle. He was advised that there was an alternate route that he should have taken. He was cited for driving on a closed road.

6:18 p.m. – To the 1200 block of S. Ridge Ave. for a report of found property. A man reported that he found a bicycle lying in the bushes on his property. It was a red men's mountain bike with “LB” written on the frame near the seat. It was not reported as stolen and was submitted into property.

9:05 p.m. – To S. Mulberry St. for a report of phone harassment. A man and woman reported that they have been getting phone calls and text messages from the man's ex-girlfriend regarding their getting back together. They wanted the contact to stop. The officer tried calling the ex but got her voice mail. He left a message.

9:51 p.m. – An officer heard a loud engine noise while stopped at the light at W. Main and Experiment Farm Rd. He then saw a Ford Mustang peeling its tires in the Fazoli's parking lot. The vehicle continued peeling its tires for about 10 seconds and the back end started to fishtail. When it stopped, smoke engulfed the vehicle and the area. There were two vehicles in the immediate area and the Mustang was about 30' from the Fazoli's building. He initiated a traffic stop and the driver apologized for his actions. He was cited for reckless operation

on private property.

FRIDAY, JUNE 10

1:38 a.m. – While following a vehicle on N. Dorset Rd., the officer ran the plate which showed that the owner was under suspension and BMV requested that the plates be confiscated. He initiated a traffic stop. The driver was cited for driving under suspension and she walked from the scene. The plates were confiscated and the vehicle was towed.

5:32 a.m. – Traffic stop on N. Market at Ferguson Dr. The driver said he forgot to renew his registration and forgets every year. He was cited for expired plates.

2:05 p.m. – To W. Main near King's Chapel for a report of a shoplifter. A store manager reported that a white male entered the store, selected 8 packages of underwear and 8 packages of t-shirts, concealed them in his jacket and left the store without paying. She said she confronted him and told him that she knew what he had done and that he needed to pay for the items. The suspect fled to the area of Kings Royal Dr. where she lost sight of him. A video of the theft was provided.

3:20 p.m. – To Wal-Mart for a report of a theft. Loss Prevention reported that they had in custody two suspects who had made a series of thefts from the store. One suspect was charged with 18 counts of theft, the other with 11.

3:56 p.m. – A Staunton Twp. man came to the Police Station to turn over a cell phone he found in a field that he farms. A possible owner was determined, but attempts to reach her were not successful. The phone was submitted into property.

5:58 p.m. – An officer saw a white SUV come to the stop sign on Summit at McKaig. There is a road closed sign at that intersection and the vehicle waited at the stop sign for a short time, then turned east onto McKaig. Another vehicle came to the stop sign on Ridge at McKaig and turned onto the closed portion of McKaig. Both were cited. The driver of the SUV became upset and said that she could

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Local Property Transfers

Property Address	Transfer Date	Price	Seller	Buyer
820 Westlake Dr	6/1	\$234,000.00	Johnson-Sell Jolene K	Sullivan Meredith L
102 E West St	6/1	\$25,000.00	Renbarger Bret A	Brewsaugh Gary C
838 Branford Rd	6/2	\$0.00	Jebens Dennis G	Jebens Dennis G & Janet E
2640 Alexander Ct	6/2	\$0.00	Shaneyfelt Jill E	Bayman Darlene
2721 Fairview Ct	6/2	\$0.00	Celene Properties Llc	Shah Dipak M & Dipti D
108 Elmwood Ave	6/2	\$0.00	Voorhees Keith A	Voorhees Keith A & Angela K
846 S Union St	6/2	\$25,900.00	J N M Daffner Llc	Daffner Daniel D
1204 S Crawford St	6/2	\$309,400.00	J N M Daffner Llc	R & D Machine Inc
2625 Renwick Wy	6/2	\$207,000.00	Penkal Bryan J	Timmerman William J & Julie A
3295 Heatherstone Dr	6/2	\$55,000.00	Nvr Inc	Stonebridge Meadows Llc
331 W Market St	6/2	\$24,000.00	True North Group Ltd	Citimortgage Inc
530 Brookmeade Ct	6/2	\$269,000.00	Sullivan Marshall O & Seneca S	Brooks John M & Beth A
526 Peters Ave	6/2	\$215,000.00	Crotinger Jamie V & Cassy	Harlow Builders Inc
3301 Heatherstone Dr	6/2	\$55,000.00	Nvr Inc	Stonebridge Meadows Llc
2726 Fieldbrook Ct	6/2	\$160,500.00	Smith Mary A & Amy K	Deaville Joshua A & Erica D
419 Lincoln Ave	6/2	\$54,667.00	Jp Morgan Chase Bank	Scarborough Billy W & Mary
1527 Covent Rd	6/2	\$92,000.00	Cheung Mei Po	Hamm Penny S
689 Sedgwick Wy	6/2	\$237,000.00	Us Bank (Trustee)	Cornatzer Bradley P
2285 E Patterson Ln	6/2	\$124,000.00	Us Bank	Kitzmiller Eric D
1375 Lee Rd	6/3	\$96,900.00	Racine Sherri L & Jason R	Elfritz Richard L & Kerry A
924 Garfield Ave	6/3	\$0.00	Buirley Linda L (Trustee)	Butt Herbert O & Helen L
2100 W Main St	6/3	\$0.00	Potts David M (Trustee)	Potts David M (Tr) & Lynnae A (Tr)
582 Acadia Ct	6/3	\$0.00	Potts David M (Trustee)	Potts David M (Tr) & Lynnae A (Tr)
840 Dartmouth	6/6	\$180,000.00	Gray James C & Emily J	Phillips Stanley J & Jo-Ann R
812 E Franklin St	6/6	\$61,000.00	Carter Shane K	Plum Street Llc
2563 Renwick Wy	6/6	\$150,000.00	BruCIA Haresh K	Patel Upendra K
230 Grant St	6/6	\$159,000.00	Packard Robert	Allen Craig G & Mary Kay
404 W Race St	6/6	\$126,000.00	Richards Sherry L	Dorsten Robert G
768 Skylark	6/6	\$88,500.00	Etter Susan A	Browning Abigail M & Kristopher W
829 Gearhardt Ln	6/6	\$184,950.00	Flynn Debra A	Henderson
405 Mumford Dr	6/7	\$0.00	Knisley-Henry Vicky	Nascimento Talita & Ronald
				Hyden Jeremy R & Vicky L

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Concord Township Trustees Review 2017 Budget

By Bonnie L. McHenry

At the June 7, 2016 meeting of the Concord Township Trustees, the trustees held a public hearing on the proposed 2017 budget. Fiscal Officer Pat Quillen expects approximately \$1.4 million to be available in the General Fund. Expected revenues for the year include property taxes, intergovernmental distributions, and investment earnings totaling \$193 thousand. Projected expenditures are anticipated

for salaries, building and ground maintenance and highways, and the health district of \$348 thousand. Other income and expenses include income from road and bridge taxes and expenses for road maintenance. According to Quillen, “The proposed budget is based on historical data. It is not too conservative or too aggressive.” The trustees will vote on the proposed budget at their next regular meeting on June 21, 2016.

In other business, Troy

Fire Chief Matthew Simmons spoke to the trustees about the proposed Fire/Emergency Medical Services (EMS) contract. The initial proposal includes a substantial increase for EMS services. When asked about the increase, Simmons explained, “We have seen a substantial increase in calls from the UVMC Campus. We know that they have minimized their transport services. Most of the calls seem to be routine runs from Koester Pavilion to the

hospital. Koester Pavilion is now privately owned.” He went on to explain the difference between an incident and a run. An incident is a response to a call; however, if the department dispatches a fire unit and two medics units, it is considered three runs.

The trustees thanked him for the information. Trustee Bill Whidden said, “We need to meet with the UVMC administration to determine why the increase. The runs we are paying for from them

include almost fifty percent of the incidents; however, we don’t receive any revenue from them for the services.”

In the road report, Road Superintendent Neil Rhoades reported that the department has hired a second summer worker, Logan Magoto. In addition, he said that he would be attending a seminar on rain barrel harvesting systems and the proper installation and use of the systems. He suggested that once the information is available, the trustees

should consider placing the information on the township website.

For the road maintenance, Rhoades reported that Forrest Hill would be closed for two to three days the week of June 12, 2016 to replace a culvert. Forrest Hill will be closed from Fenner to Horseshoe. Rhoades will notify the 911-call center.

The next meeting of the Concord Township Trustees is scheduled for June 21, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the township building.

FDA Targets Internet Sales of Illegal Prescription Medicines

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration, in partnership with international regulatory and law enforcement agencies, announced that it took action this week against 4,402 websites that illegally sell potentially dangerous, unapproved prescription drugs to U.S. consumers. This effort was part of Operation Pangea IX, the Ninth Annual International Internet Week

of Action (IIWA), a global cooperative effort, led by INTERPOL, to combat the unlawful sale and distribution of illegal and potentially counterfeit medical products on the internet.

“Preventing illegal internet sales of dangerous unapproved drugs is critical to protecting consumers’ health,” said George Karavetsos, director of the FDA’s

Office of Criminal Investigations. “Operation Pangea IX demonstrates the FDA’s continuing commitment to stand united with our international partners to protect consumers in the United States and throughout the world from criminals who put profit above the health and safety of consumers.”

The goal of Operation Pangea IX was to identify

the makers and distributors of illegal prescription drug products and to remove these products from the supply chain.

The FDA’s Office of Criminal Investigations, Office of Regulatory Affairs, and Center for Drug Evaluation and Research participated in the enforcement action, which

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Staunton Township Trustees Approve 2016 Road Maintenance Contracts

By Bonnie L. McHenry

At the June 6, 2016 meeting of the Staunton Township Trustees, the trustees approved two 2016 road maintenance contracts. The first contract with Cooper Construction covers milling and the addition of 2 inches of asphalt on Rusk, Sayers and Polecat in places that the pavement has settled. The contract worth \$8,200 will fix

the resulting dips. According to Trustee Bill Gearhart, “A lot of work needs to be done on Polecat from the horse farm to the curve. We will need to contact the County Engineer to post signs that the road is closed.” Gearhart will request firm dates from Cooper as to when the work will start so the trustees can notify the Fire Department and local residents.

The second contract for

crack and seal for each of the township roads was awarded to Ray Hensley, Inc. for a maximum of \$43,686. If the company does not need all of the materials covered in the estimate, the township will not be billed for them. Gearhart will notify the company that the township approved their contract and will request an estimated start date for the work.

In addition, Gearhart will

notify the County Engineers office that the bridge on Rusk Road has a blowout hole that needs repaired. Although the bridge was replaced three years ago, a blowout of part of the surface is a recurring problem.

In other business, Trustee Levi Long reported that he received a complaint of noxious weeds for a property on

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Trib Briefs

By Nancy Bowman

Davidson wins county, district

Voter turnout in Miami County for the June 7 special election to fill the seat of 8th District seat of Congressman John Boehner of West Chester was around 6 percent, according to the county Board of Elections.

Republican Warren Davidson of Troy won the seat with more than 75 percent of the vote. In Miami County, he received 85.96 percent of the vote, or 4,456. Democrat Corey Foister received 12 percent (622 votes) and James Conduit Jr., running under the Green Party received 2.04 percent (106 votes).

The elections board will meet Monday, June 20, to certify the vote. Election workers used the new electronic poll books to sign

in voters for the first time during the special election. Few problems were reported, said Eric Morgan, deputy elections director.

Davidson was sworn in to the congressional seat later last week. He will complete the balance of Boehner’s term, which expires at year’s end. He also will be running for a new two-year term in November against Foister.

Elder Abuse Awareness Day June 15

A proclamation recognizing Wednesday, June 15, as Elder Abuse Awareness Day was approved June 7 by the Miami County commissioners.

Elder abuse complaints in the county are handled through the Job and Family Services Department. In 2015, the department formed an interdisciplinary team of law enforcement, prosecutors

and social services agencies that work with seniors in the community.

Suspected elder abuse, neglect and exploitation can be reported to Job and Family Services at 937-440-3471.

Troy man pleads guilty to unlawful sexual conduct

A Troy man pleaded guilty June 7 to three felony counts of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor for sexual conduct with a 14-year-old girl in Troy.

Shaquille R. Hickenbottom, 25, was accused of the sexual conduct between June and August 2015. He pleaded guilty to three felony counts while two additional counts were dismissed by prosecutors.

The plea was made in Miami County Common Pleas Court, where he will be sentenced July 25.

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“overall a few hundred dollars a car” to repair, he said. A couple of bills were expected to be higher because of paint on plastic, glass or rubber seams that would have to be replaced, he said.

Johnson was expected to discuss the damage Wednesday, June 15, with the commissioners.

The commissioners said they were told the dry fall paint in use that normally dries rapidly was drying slower due to humidity when the overspray occurred.

Johnson said the contractor did not know for certain what caused the overspray.

The dome work started in spring 2015 but was delayed while the 30-foot Abraham Lincoln sculpture was visiting on the nearby Court-

house lawn. The sculpture was scheduled to leave late last year but then stayed until this spring. The painting project was delayed on agreement of the county and contractor, Lee Restoration, in part due to concerns about paint overspray.

The current project involves painting of the second and third sections below the top section to the building’s roof.

Johnson said the contractor, Lee Restoration, has done “very good work” for the county. “We apologize,” he said of the damage. “They certainly didn’t have any malicious intent.”

The commissioners said the county maintenance department was working with the vendor on insurance

claims and individuals also were filing claims through their personal insurance company.

In other business last week the commissioners held a public hearing on the use of the county’s \$112,000 in Community Development Block Grant money for the 2016 program year.

Dan Suerdieck of the county building department said the county received only two applications for the money. The following distribution was recommended to the commissioners: 40,000 for water facilities improvements in Bradford and \$60,000 for sidewalk improvements on Forest Avenue in West Milton. The remaining \$12,000 would be used for general program administration (\$10,000) and

the county fair housing services (\$2,000).

The county also is being asked to apply for \$70,000 from the CDBG critical infrastructure program for the Bradford water facilities improvements.

The commission was expected to vote on the applications this week.

The commissioners last week also:

- Approved an agreement with the city of Troy for prosecutor services for the county Municipal Court. The cost is \$124,200 for the year beginning July 1.

- Acknowledged receipt of a \$36,000 grant from the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction for use in production of presentence investigations.

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

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MATTHEW K. FOREMAN A/K/A MATTHEW FOREMAN et al.

LEGAL NOTICE

Matthew K. Foreman a/k/a Matthew Foreman, whose last place of residence is known as 410 Glenwood Avenue, Piqua, OH 45356, but whose present place of residence is unknown and Brandy R. Foreman a/k/a Brandy Foreman, whose last place of residence is known as 410 Glenwood Avenue, Piqua, OH 45356, but whose present place of residence is unknown, will take notice that on November 19, 2015, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. filed its Complaint in Case No. 15 CV 00511 in the Court of Common Pleas of Miami County, 201 W. Main St., Troy, OH 45373, seeking foreclosure and alleging that the Defendants Matthew K. Foreman a/k/a Matthew Foreman and Brandy R. Foreman a/k/a Brandy Foreman have or claim to have an interest in the real estate described below:

Permanent Parcel #: N44-061290
Property Address: 410 Glenwood Avenue, Piqua, OH 45356

The Defendant(s) named above are required to answer on or before the 20 day of July, 2016.

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

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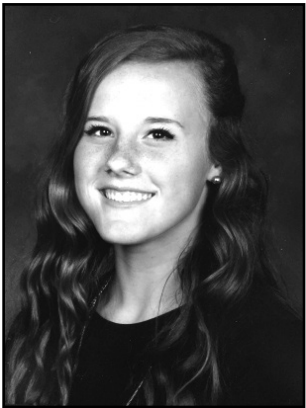
Hess Ready For Successful Season Year

By Jim Dabbelt

Editor Note: The summer feature series continues this week, as the Troy Tribune features returning athletes from Troy and Troy Christian each week all summer long in the Tribune.

Two-sport athlete Bailey Hess heads into her final year with the Troy Trojans with one thing in mind. The athletic senior wants to see all of her years of hard word pay off with not only a league title on the soccer field this fall, but also a basketball season to remember.

The Trojans soccer team just missed the GWOC North title last season, finishing second overall in 2015. They actually tied Butler, who ended up winning the division, but a tie against Trotwood earlier in the year kept the Trojans out of the top spot.



Bailey Hess ready for a big senior year.

As for basketball, the GWOC North is a wide-open division this year. Hess will have to rally her team to prepare for the toughest challenges from the likes of Butler and newcomer Tippecanoe.

Hess has enjoyed playing both soccer and basketball for the Trojans, and has enjoyed playing both of them for a long time.

“I got started with them by trying almost every sport possible as a little kid and these were the two that stuck with me,” she said. “I am a competitive person and my parents gave me that little push to try them and the support to keep playing.”

The Trojans senior favors basketball, but continues to work on both sports in the off-season to prepare for her final year with Troy.

“My favorite sport is basketball,” she said, adding her favorite highlight being her career high last year against Piqua. “I also liked it when we played at Hobart Arena to celebrate the 100th year of basketball in Troy.”

Now that summer is here, Hess will be working to improve on both sports, as she prepares in two months to lead the Trojans on the soccer field.

“For both sports, I have played AAU and club teams in the spring,” she said. “I also work out at the school in the summer and off-season with coach Gibbons.”

Her biggest improvements she needs to work on in her mind continue to be her strength, speed and skill, and has solid goals as she looks to lead as a senior.

“I want to have a winning record and I want to win the GWOC North in both soccer and basketball,” she said. Hess also has set a goal for herself this coming season.

“I just want to be someone my team can depend on,” she said.

As a junior, Hess was named second team all GWOC North in soccer, after being named the Rookie of the Year and all-conference as a sophomore.

On the basketball court, Hess averaged a team high 7.2 points per game last year, also with a team high 2.0 assists per game. She was

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Blake Ready For Breakout Sophomore Year

By Jim Dabbelt

Editors Note: This continues a weekly series in the Tribune featuring Troy and Troy Christian returning athletes.

Coming off of a successful freshman year at Troy Christian, Kenley Blake is an athlete that holds a lot of high expectations from not only her coaches...but herself.

Former varsity basketball coach Dick Steineman held her in high praises, and as her sophomore year begins, the two-sport standout now looks to take her game to another level.

Blake played soccer and basketball for the Eagles last year, and hopes to run track this coming season. While she is quickly becoming a force on the court, she knows that hard work is what it will take for her to become the players she wants to become.

“I started playing soccer at age three and I loved it,” Blake said. “I also started to play basketball when I moved to Troy Christian from Michigan. My grandpa Skip Layton loves basketball and my cousins all played for Troy Christian so they encouraged me to try it.”

“I was not sure that I was going to like basketball, but really took to it right away. My family is a big influence on my love for sports.” Blake also credited her mom and her coaches for instilling her love.

As a freshman, Blake had numerous memories that she hopes continues into this season.

“Going into basketball, my two goals were to play varsity and earn a starting position,” she said. “I was blessed to accomplish both. Another big highlight for me happened during a game against Xenia Christian.”

“I was sent in to face guard their best play, who regularly scored 20 points per game, and she only needed 10 points to break 1,000,” she added. “We were pretty



Kenley Blake hopes to break out for the Eagles.

much able to shut her down.”

During the off-season, Blake continues to work to improve her games.

“I work hard to be the best athlete I can be, and I try to do at least one thing every day to improve my game” she said. “I have trained with Zach Vargo year round and he helps me with my speed, agility and strength. It will give me an advantage on the

soccer field and basketball court.”

Blake also plays on the Dayton Lady Hoopstars and has played in the elite and college exposure tournaments, and regularly play up in the 17U division.


“Playing this high level of competition has been great preparation for the upcoming season,” Blake said. “I have been lucky to also do soccer training with David Wall and basketball training with Halee Printz and Richard Quisenberry of Relentless Basketball.”

“This summer and during the off-season, I am working on sharpening my ball skills and becoming more consistent with my shot in both soccer and basketball,” she added. “I am naturally athletic, extremely competitive, and a hard worker, and by really fine-tuning my skills

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Miami County Cubs Edge Ducks

By Jim Dabbelt

While the heat was scorching on Market Street Field, the Miami County Cubs took an early lead against the Dayton Ducks, scoring four times in the second inning. The Cubs then withstood a comeback to defeat the Ducks 6-5 in Dayton Amateur Baseball League action in Troy on Sunday.

The host Cubs team came out in the opening inning and threatened with two runners on, but could not muster any runs.

With one out, Joe Allen singled and Scott Jones reached on an infield single, only to see Kris Brown strikeout and Rusty Long pop out leaving the game scoreless.

The Ducks came back with a threat of their own against the Cubs starting pitcher Scott Jones. Mike Hartman walked, Jeremy Mohr then singled and Trevor Burbank singled to load the bases with two outs. Jones then induced Zach Stewart to ground to halt the threat.

The second inning was

a big inning for the Cubs. Steve Critz was hit by a pitch and moved up on a wild pitch. Mike Sosebee singled and Caleb Comer was also hit by a pitch. The Cubs received a big two-run double by Allen knocking in Comer and Kevin Adamsky, giving the Cubs a 4-0 lead.

Back came the Ducks an inning later, as they cut into the lead with three runs of their own. With two outs, Matt Smith singled, and following a hit from Hartman and walk to Mike Davis,

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Post 43 With Late Inning Heroics

Troy Post 43 scored four times in the bottom of the seventh inning to defeat the Miami Valley Prospects 7-6.

Troy took a 3-1 lead in the third inning as Brandon Nesbitt singled, advanced to second when Cory Cottrell was hit by a pitch and Hunter Cohee ripped an RBI for the first run. Dylan Hensley also knocked in a run, and later scored on a single from Anthony Steele.

The Prospect scored four times in the fourth to take the 5-3 lead, and added another run in the sixth, setting up the big comeback.

Trailing 6-3 going into their final at-bat, Nesbitt singled, and Cottrell reached on a walk. Kieran Williams knocked in a run to make it 6-4, and Hens-

ley walked. Ethan Garland singled to center to make it a one-run game, then Post 43 scored two consecutive runs on wild pitches giving Troy the win.

Troy also swept a pair of games from the Springfield Titans 3-2 and 5-1.

Cohee drove in two runs in the opening inning of game one, and later scored on a ground out by Williams. The three runs in the first inning turned out to be enough for Troy.

Dalton Lee earned the win for Troy, and Ian Yunker picked up the save.

“We are still a work in progress and we see numerous things we need to improve on if we are to continue to win the close games,” Troy coach Frosty Brown said. “Our bun-

ting and base running hurt us at times in this game.”

In game two, it took a late four-run sixth inning to break open a tie game, and give Post 43 the 5-1 win.

Troy nearly pitched a no-hitter, not allowing a hit until the final inning.

In the sixth inning, Nesbitt singled to open the inning, and after a walk to Keaton Mohler, and Greg Peffley hit a slow roller past the mound to load the bases.

Cottrell then lined a two-run single to center to give Troy a 3-1 lead, and Michael Hale knocked in two more runs to make it 5-1.

“I think potentially we have the ability to put innings like that together more often,” Brown said.

Specializing - Not The Best To Go

By Jim Dabbelt

Commentary

I have seen it way too many times, and everytime I do, I get more discouraged. Why parents....why do you encourage your kids to specialize with a certain sport at such a young age? I have seen in during my years of basketball, where an athlete would play their high school season, then go straight to AAU all summer, then work with a basketball "trainer" in the fall. This is the same athlete who used

to play soccer in the fall, and softball in the spring. Now these athletes have given all of that us to focus on just one sport. I will say that if an athlete is a senior in high school and had already decided which sport they will play in college, then by all means if you choose to do so, focus on getting your game to the next level by putting in some extra work. And yes...you can still manage your time to enjoy other sports while still training in your primary sport all

year around. But don't give up on your other sports. Be a kid and enjoy the chance to participate in various activities. I have even heard of middle school parents forcing their kids to give up all sports except for the one the parents think they will shine in. Middle school? Come on, that is ludicrous to take that away from your child. Three of the biggest things that playing multiple sports can prevent are: burnout, overuse injury and focus.

Burnout often happens in a child no matter how much they love a sport. Playing a sport 365 days a year is a recipe for disaster. I have seen kids walk away from a sport once they get to high school because quite frankly, they are tired of playing it all the time. Also overuse injury is something that can also happen if you use the same muscle every day. While it's good for muscle memory, it can be bad for a child's overall health. Finally, if a kid gets too

comfortable with their game, it becomes stale no matter how much "training" you do. Taking time off in the summer for a nice two-week vacation, or deciding to play a fall sport to take your mind off of your winter or spring sport will help you come back hungrier and more focused. Next, if you are being recruited or have even narrowed your schools down for college, ask your coach about playing other sports while you are still in high school. You may be surprised

how quickly they are going to encourage you to do so. If you have dreams of playing in college, trust me you will not forget how to play your primary sport if you are involved in a secondary sport. Plus playing in multiple sports helps a child grow during their development. It allows them to succeed at some of them, and allows them to fail at others. By no means should you force your child to play multiple sports, but don't discourage it either.

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named to the second-team all-GWOC North team last season, and was a District Nine all-media team for Division One. Hess isn't certain whether or not she wants to con-

tinue her playing career in college yet, as she is considering it. She does plan to major in graphic design, and enjoys working with the yearbook staff with the Trojans.

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Mohr singled in Mohr and Phil Reamy knocked in two more runs with a double, making it a 4-3 game. Just that quickly, the Cubs answered with a rally of their own. Two walks and a hits batsman loaded the bases with no outs as Miami County looked for a big inning. Mike Sosa-by drove in a run with a fielders' choice knocking in Brown, and the Cubs scored another run later in the inning when Comer reached on an error, giving the Cubs a 6-3 lead after three innings. In the top of the fourth, the Ducks again answered,

as Mike Davis Jr. was hit by a pitch, stole second and moved to third on a single from Dawson. A ground out by Smith drove in one run, and Hartmen knocked in another run with a hit, and it was a one run game heading to the Cubs fourth inning. The Ducks left two runners on in the fifth inning, while the Cubs threatened in the fifth but could not score. In the top of the seventh, Brown watched as the Ducks loaded the bases, but got Smith to strike out, preserving the win for the Cubs.

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I think that I will be more valuable to my teams, and a more complete package." With all of that hard work in the off-season, Blake expects it to pay dividends. She knows that this could be a breakout season for her and the teams. "My goals and expectations for basketball this year are big," she said. "We have a new coach this season at Troy Christian and some very talented girls. I think the next few years at Troy Christian will be really exciting! I think we will do great things together as a team." "I would love to see us win our conference and go far in the tournaments. My personal goals are, first and foremost, to glorify God in all that I do, to be a positive influence and leader on our team, to push my limits and come out of the season a better player, and also to score at least 10 points and get 10 rebounds a game." Aside from the athletics, Blake has impacted lives in

other avenues as well. She is a person who always tried to help the other person succeed. "Troy Christian really encourages all of us to be God's hands and feet, and to use our time to help others," Blake said. "This past year, I had the privilege to travel to Costa Rica with a group from school to do teen outreach and help with elementary school children. I also spend a lot of time with kids at the Early Childhood Education Center at Troy Christian. I read to the kids, play with them, plan activities, and even clean play equipment." "This year I am also planning to help continue the Night of Nets program that my cousin, Meredith Haddad, brought to Troy Christian. Night of Nets raises money to buy bed nets that are then distributed in Africa with the goal of ending malaria." Blake's future plans are to attend college and major in interior design and busi-

Troy Farmers Market Opens

Last Saturday was the opening day for the Troy Farmer's Market, presented by Troy Main Street. "We have over 30 vendors," said John Wilson, TMS Executive Director. "And we expect more will be coming over the next few weeks as crops come in." The Market featured fresh produce, baked goods, crafts, health foods and food trucks.



A happy customer with her purchases.

Wilson said he was pleased with the number of shoppers who came to the market. "We try to offer a wide variety of



If you haven't had your fill of Strawberries, they were available at the Farmers Market.

products - something for everyone," he said. Entertainment was provided by Megan Osman. The Farmer's Market is



Some of the fresh produce available at the Farmer's Market.

open every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and is located on Cherry St. between Main St. and Franklin St.

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Beamish said. "It told me a lot about this group when charity, facilities for the disabled, and poverty awareness were some of the first things they mentioned." In addition to brainstorming, the teens had a full day of learning that began at City Hall and ended with a scavenger hunt titled The Amazing Race with a break for lunch at K's historic restaurant in between. The race was cited by a majority

of the teens as their favorite part of the day and incorporated stops at various significant locations throughout the city. Their objective was to follow clues, learn something of the history behind the places they visited, and do an activity that provided a clue to their next destination. The teams of teenagers in red shirts could be seen canvassing the Troy downtown for two hours. This year's Teen Leader-

ship Troy delegation included: Hannah Severt, Jake Anderson, Jessica Bigley, Will Brumfield, Robbie Dickerson, Camron Earick, Timothy Hanna Jr., Grant Holland, Victoria Holland, Katie Jackson, Chloe Johnston, Niki Krishnan, Karlie Lehman, Holland Lively, Rachel Martin, Sunao Masunaga, Derrin McCormick, Rachel Morgan, Maria Poggi, Caroline Pratt, Meredith Pruitt, Lauryn Rutan, Charles Ryan, Matt

Sanders, Marc Scordia, and Derrick Spittler. Local officials who participated in the activities of Teen Leadership Troy included: Grant Kerber, Mayor Beamish, Patrick Titterington, John Frigge, and Martha Baker. According to City Auditor John Frigge, "These kids are the cream of the crop. When they decide to step up and lead in a positive direction, it's going to be awesome."

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quick response team of first responders who would follow up with heroin addicts within 72 hours of an overdose to explore interest for treatment. Coalition participants said more work needs to be done. Expanding treatment options locally is among goals longer term. As an example, Justice said the county jail is the largest drug detox facility in the county. The Tri County Board of Recovery and Mental Health Services is working to build a one-stop shop for a variety of services including some beds for people needing treatment, said Mark McDaniel, the Tri-County board executive director. "This issue has come

upon us so aggressively," he said. "It was just too much, too fast. The addiction and substance abuse services in most communities were not ready for this." During the past two years the agency has invested \$1 million for treatment beds where available as it works with the addicted, McDaniel said. The focus now includes building levels of care in order to meet people where are at in their recovery process, he said. Those levels range from medically assisted detox programs to recovery houses to participation in groups such as AA and NA. For law enforcement, the heroin epidemic has brought more people committing crimes such as retail thefts and residential burglaries, said Maj. Steve Lord of the

sheriff's office. The problem, Lord said, isn't drug trafficking but drug abuse. For those who step forward seeking help, law enforcement is looking more at steering them to resources than punishment. Those who continue to victimize, will continue to be prosecuted, he said. "In the long term for law enforcement, we are still going to go out and enforce the law ... but if you have a person who is going to surrender themselves ... there needs to be a safe haven for them," Lord said. McDaniel said the sheriff's office has been open to treatment of addicts in jail through counseling as well as medical-assisted treatment for those leaving the jail and possibly participat-

ing in drug court programs. "There is an interaction between the jail, law enforcement, court system and treatment providers to attempt to get people in treatment, We know if we don't try that, it becomes a revolving door type of thing," McDaniel said. Troy Fire Chief Matt Simmons said his job is to help not only the public but to protect his crews who respond to the overdoses, and are impacted by what they see. He said "compassion" is vital as the coalition, and the community, work to help those addicted. To give to the Hope Over Heroin event, donations are taken at any Fifth Third Bank location, Simmons said, or online at hopeoverheroin.com.

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Eric Jerardi Opens “Fridays On Prouty”

Troy’s annual summer music series, “Fridays on Prouty” will open June 17 with the Eric Jerardi Band. Fridays on Prouty concerts are always at 7:30 pm and are free and open to the public. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket! Enjoy dinner on the square or a refreshing beverage with some ice cream or chocolate from our wonderful downtown stores and restaurants for a great hometown community concert in lovely, downtown Troy, Ohio.

The series begins with Eric Jeradi Band on Friday, June 17. Eric is a true blues rocker who has worked with some of the industry’s best! This Side Up will be here on Friday, June 24. This Side Up is a dance party oriented band that plays hits from rock, pop, R&B and country.



The Eric Jerardi Band will open June 17.

Everything Fitz performs on Friday, July 8. This family band will feature high energy fiddling and percussive step dancing. Seventh Street will be here Friday, July 15. Everyone’s favorite local band with an energetic blend of bluesy-

rock and your favorites from Johnny Cash to Led Zeppelin. Brass Tracks eight-piece band will be on Prouty Friday, July 22. Enjoy the best of Blood Sweat and Tears, Chicago, Earth Wind and Fire and more featuring Hal

Melia on sax. Mad River Railroad plays on Friday, July 29. Enjoy toe tappin’ newgrass and country as well as high-octane bluegrass and traditional folk tunes. Hotel California will be on Prouty Friday, August 5. Troy’s all-time favorite Eagles tribute band returning for the fourth time! The sponsors for the 2016 Downtown Troy Summer Music Series are Alvetro Orthodontics, Steve and Marty Baker, Emerson Climate, Patty Rose Allstate Insurance, Troy CARSTAR, Troy Community Radio, The Troy Foundation, Unity National Bank. This series is a collaboration between The Troy Foundation, the City of Troy, Troy Main Street and the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center.

What To Do in Troy

Bookmobile in the Park “Games Around the World”
June 15, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Hobart Urban Nature Preserve
The Miami County Park District will host the Troy-Miami County Bookmobile “Games Around the World” from 2 to 3 p.m. on June 15 at Hobart Urban Nature Preserve, 1400 Tyronne in Troy. In addition to story time with the Bookmobile, enjoy an activity with a park district naturalist. Check out books for summer reading with a valid library card. All ages are welcome. Register for

the program by sending an email to register@miamicountyparks.com, going to the program calendar at www.MiamiCountyParks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104.
Health Trekkers
June 17, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Stillwater Prairie Reserve
The Miami County Park District will hold its Health Trekkers program on June 17 from 6 to 7 p.m. at Stillwater Prairie Reserve, 9750 State Route 185 north of Covington. Take a hike for health and join park district health and wellness specialist, reg-

istered nurse Marion for this weekly low impact walk. Relevant topics such as heart health, diet and nutrition, diabetes prevention, stress relief and many others will be discussed during this twelve walk series. Walks are held Remember to wear weather appropriate gear and walking shoes for comfort. Registration not required but highly recommended. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.
Echo Hills Kennel Club

All-Breed Dog Shows
June 17-19, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Miami County Fairgrounds
Echo Hills Kennel Club (EHKC) will be holding its 23rd annual American Kennel Club (AKC) sanctioned All-Breed Dog Shows on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, June 17-19, 2016, from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM at the Miami County Fairgrounds in Troy, Ohio (650 County Road 25A). In addition to the All-Breed Conformation Shows, Obedience, and Rally Trials scheduled for Saturday and Sun-

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not believe that she was getting a ticket. She said that she had only ever had one ticket and that police should not be ticketing good drivers. A check of her records showed she was issued a citation on 10/8/14 and warnings on 11/19/14, 12/21/14 and 10/20/15.
6:54 p.m. – A man came to the Police Station to turn in a wallet that his son found at Heywood Elementary School. The owner’s father was contacted and said he would tell his son to come pick it up.
8:10 p.m. – To Larch St. to assist Children’s Services in returning a female juvenile to her father’s home in Tipp City. Two other juveniles were with her, and one was found to be in possession of alcohol. That juve-

nile was charged.
8:25 p.m. – To Washington St. for a report of a disturbance. This was the second call today to this residence. A woman was threatening a man in front of the officers and damaged the front door. She was arrested for disorderly conduct, criminal damaging and menacing. The jail would not take her. She was ordered into court and released.
11:34 p.m. – Traffic stop on W. Main at Elm. The driver said that he didn’t know his registration had expired and he shares it with his mother. He was cited for expired plates.
SATURDAY, JUNE 11
2:19 a.m. – Traffic stop on Drury Ln. near Garfield. The

driver was cited for driving under suspension.
3:40 a.m. – To Stonyridge Ave. for a report of found items. A woman reported finding two hypodermic needles on her front passenger seat. She does not know how they got there. She said that she had returned home from an establishment in Dayton and had left her windows open while there. There were no other signs of paraphernalia in the vehicle. The needles were submitted for destruction.
6:08 p.m. – While stationary on S. Ridge Ave., an officer clocked a vehicle southbound on Ridge at 39 MPH in a 25 MPH zone. The vehicle then turned left onto McKaig, which is closed, then continued on S. Ridge.

He initiated a traffic stop on Ridge at Wayne. The driver said that she thought she was allowed to drive on the closed road because she was just crossing McKaig. She was cited for driving on a closed road and issued a warning for speed.
6:38 p.m. – An officer saw a vehicle turn right onto McKaig from southbound S. Ridge Ave. He initiated a traffic stop, and the driver said he thought people were allowed to drive on that road because he has seen people doing it constantly. He said that he has been on that road on a daily basis. He was cited for driving on a closed road.
8:24 p.m. – To Gearhardt Ln. for a report of phone harassment. A woman reported that she was de-

Casstown Church Offers Annual Reading Program for Youth

Casstown United Methodist Church will be offering its annual reading program again this Summer for Youth entering Kindergarten through sixth grade, thanks to the “Live Free” grant provided by the Miami Valley District of the United Methodist Church. The summer program, which highlights reading skill development lead by college students and church members, will also include crafts, games, music and tips for healthy living. A tasty, healthy lunch and an afternoon snack will also be included. Plans are in the works to have special presentations by Brukner Nature Center and a visit from the Troy Library Bookmobile. “We are excited to be able to offer this fun program for the area youth again this summer and for them to enjoy our now air conditioned building,” said

Maggie Sykes, Pastor of the Casstown Church. “Each of the past two summers we have had over 30 students attend at least one week. It is a great way to break up the week during the summer.” Todd Rappold, Superintendent of Miami East Schools supports the work the church is doing with this program. “We encourage all kids to maintain their academic skills over the summer. Reading is a key skill for students of any age.” The program will be offered once a week for six weeks on Tuesdays, from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm beginning on June 21, 2016 at the Casstown UMC, 102 Center Street in Casstown. For more information or to register call Pastor Maggie Sykes at 937-339-4828 or visit <http://Casstownumc.org> to download the registration form from the Children’s Ministry page.

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Piqua-Troy Road. He mowed the property in question. The trustees also reported to Sheriff Deputy Boggs that illegal dumping continues to be a problem in the township. The trustees have cleaned up several instances of trash dumped on Rusk, most recently between Deweese and Springtown. They reported to Boggs that the dumping occurs from Saturday night to Sunday morning and requested that the Sheriff’s Department monitor the area for the perpetrators. Boggs also notified the trustees that the Sheriff’s Department responded to 115 calls in Staunton Township during the last month. Forty-eight of the calls were

traffic stops and seven arrests were made. The trustees approved the rescheduling of the regularly scheduled July 4, 2016 meeting. The meeting date was moved to Tuesday July 5, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the township building. In addition, Gearhart announced that the Miami County Township Association quarterly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Lost Creek. Trustee Jeff Cron, Gearhart and Long plan to attend. The next regular meeting of the Staunton Township Trustees is scheduled for June 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the township building.

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ran from May 31 to June 7, 2016. The FDA conducted extensive inspections at International Mail Facilities (IMFs) in coordination with U.S. Customs and Border Protection, and sent formal complaints to domain registrars requesting the suspension of the 4,402 websites. Included are 110 websites that sell the chemical 2,4-Dinitrophenol (DNP) as a weight-loss product. DNP is most often used as a dye, wood preserver, and herbicide and has never been approved by the FDA for use as a drug. A recent FDA task force

investigation into the distribution of DNP resulted in a May 9, 2016 guilty plea from Adam Alden of Bakersfield, California, for introducing an unapproved drug into interstate commerce. A Rhode Island customer who purchased DNP via the internet from Alden, among other sources, died in October 2013 as a result of DNP ingestion. During the IIWA, the FDA, in addition to requesting the suspension of 4,402 websites, issued warning letters to the operators of 53 websites illegally offering un-

approved and misbranded prescription drug products for sale to U.S. consumers. FDA inspectors, in collaboration with other federal agencies, screened and seized illegal drug products received through IMFs in San Francisco, Chicago, and New York. These screenings resulted in the detention of 797 parcels which, if found in violation of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, will be refused entry into the country and destroyed. Preliminary findings from drug products screened at the IMFs show that U.S. consum-

ers had purchased certain unapproved drug products from abroad to treat depression, narcolepsy, high cholesterol, glaucoma, and asthma, among other diseases. Consumers should be cautious when buying prescription drugs online. For tips on how to identify an illegal pharmacy website and advice on how to find a safe online pharmacy go to BeSafeRx: Know Your Online Pharmacy. In addition to health risks, illegal online pharmacies pose other risks to consumers, including credit card fraud, identity theft

and computer viruses. The FDA encourages consumers to report suspected criminal activity at www.fda.gov/oci. The IIWA is a collaborative effort between the FDA, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center, INTERPOL, the World Customs Organization, the Permanent Forum of International Pharmaceutical Crime, Heads of Medicines Agencies Working Group of Enforcement Officers, the pharmaceutical industry and national health and law en-

forcement agencies from 115 participating countries. The FDA, an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, protects the public health by assuring the safety, effectiveness and security of human and veterinary drugs, vaccines and other biological products for human use, and medical devices. The agency also is responsible for the safety and security of our nation’s food supply, cosmetics, dietary supplements, products that give off electronic radiation and for regulating tobacco products.

LIVE FREE 2016 Summer Reading Program

- **WHEN:** Tuesdays, 11:00 AM - 3:30 PM
June 21 - July 26, 2016
- **WHERE:** Casstown United Methodist Church (CUMC), 102 Center St., Casstown, OH
- **FOR:** students entering Kindergarten through 6th Grades in Fall
- **WHAT:** Reading skill development, crafts, music, games, exercise
- **INCLUDES** a tasty, healthy lunch & afternoon snack
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Library Celebrates 120 Years

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

The Troy-Miami County Public Library celebrated its 120-year anniversary with a birthday party and summer reading program kick-off celebration on June 9. The evening event featured family-friendly music provided by Troy Community Radio, hot dogs, birthday cake, the history of the library, a bouncy house for children, face-painting, Cardio Drumming by Uplift, free Kona Ice, a Storybook Trail presented by Miami County Parks and an illustrious visit from Curious George and the Man in the Yellow Hat.

According to Nancy Hargrove, the Library's Youth Services Manager, the mission is to inspire children to continue reading over the summer. Their free summer reading program gives children, teens, and adults a reading sched-



Early Bookmobile

ule so that they can achieve their goals. "We want children to get back to school either doing as well at reading as they were doing before the summer break or even better," Hargrove said. "A parent already told us today that her daughter was bumped up a grade after summer reading last year." This year's summer reading challenge is themed "On Your Mark, Get Set...

READ!" It began June 6 and concludes on August 5, 2016. With a raft of upcoming summer activities, the library is making every effort to engage the community in a season of recreational learning. **Upcoming Library Events:** **June 20:** Sock Hop 1950's style dance party, 6 p.m. **June 23:** Bubble Bonanza, make your own bubble wand, 1:30 p.m.

June 27: Fire truck visit and obstacle course, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. **July 7:** Walk of Art sidewalk chalk day, 1:30 p.m. (weather permitting) **July 11:** Diary of a Wimpy Kid Party, 6:30 p.m. **July 19:** Pizza in the Park behind the library with Star Wars characters, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **July 21:** Kool-Aid Playdough games, 1:30 p.m. **July 7, 14, 21, 28:** Mornings in Motion at McKaig & Race Park, 10 a.m. **July 31:** Pool Party Summer Reading Challenge Wrap-up at the Troy Aquatic Park, 7:15-8:45 p.m. The Library also offers Monday Fundays for children between 9-11 a.m. and Outdoor Movies at sunset on Prouty Plaza in Downtown Troy: **June 14:** Star Wars: The Force Awakes **July 12:** Polar Express **August 9:** Zootopia



1940's Library at the Hayner.



New Bicycle Shop Opens

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

J & D Bicycle Shop recently opened across the street from the Treasure Island access to the Miami River bike path. After acquiring the building in March, Dennis and Joyce Ferguson opened in April amid widely varying climate conditions. Despite the challenges with the weather early on, business has continued to grow as outdoor recreation comes alive with the summer temperatures. Joyce Ferguson worked for many years at Weitz Bicycle Shop in Wapakoneta, Ohio under Eddie Weitz and acquired the business in the early 90's. It was not until 2004, after Dennis and Joyce were married that the shop was renamed J & D Bicycles. They moved several times, most notably because the Auglaize River flooded the shop. In 2012, the couple began to consider the possibility of moving to Troy. When 500 N. Elm Street became available this year, the Fergusons saw an advantageous opportunity to relocate their business and home. The new shop visually represents the ideal of its owners. Clean, straightforward, and rugged, the wood floors and concrete walls illustrate

the amalgamation of nature and hard work enjoyed by cycling enthusiasts. With years of experience in the rearview mirror and new technology in the present biking world, Dennis and Joyce are always finding ways to bring their business up to speed. J & D even offers its own coffee they titled "biker blend." Cycling is not something the Fergusons do simply for business; it is also their favorite outdoor recreational activity. The couple truly combines work with play. Dennis and Joyce have participated and won awards at bicycle races all over the Miami Valley, exhibiting the art of their trade in the bikes they ride. The Strawberry Festival ride has been on their list of rides regularly throughout the years. In fact, the path along the Miami River was a draw for them in opening their business here. "We always felt like we wanted to be somewhere on a bike path," Joyce said. "Not only for us but we wanted to make it really easy for visitors in our shop to take a test ride." According to Dennis, Troy was a city they perceived to be very "bicycle friendly." When they found their new location

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Health Partners Adds Physical Therapy

A retired, long time Piqua physical therapist has joined Health Partners Free Clinic, located in Troy, volunteering his skills to help patients two days a week. A college roommate's broken leg to motivate Chris Cooley to a 43-year career in physical therapy. The 73-year-old Cooley retired last year after 15 years of being affiliated with Upper Valley Family Care in Troy. He also spent 25 years providing services at the former Piqua Memorial Hospital, and later in home health care and hospice care. After taking a year off in retirement, Cooley decided to start giving back and was soon directed to Health Partners. "After a year off, I realized I missed it (physical therapy). I talked with Dr. (Craig) Critchley and he told me about the clinic. I just wanted to volunteer and this is a good place," Cooley said. Cooley is available on Monday and Wednesday



Cooley

each week from 9 a.m. to noon. His services include an evaluation of the doctor's diagnosis, creating a plan of care, determining muscle strengths and weaknesses,

a patient's range of motion and their balance. Gate training involves the regaining full walking capabilities and Kinesio taping options are available.

Originally from Port Clinton, Cooley was a pre-med student at the University of Toledo. When a college roommate broke his leg, it was Cooley who helped him in several ways. He would take him to physical therapy and soon became involved in his recovery exercises. He was soon asked to become a physical therapy aide at the clinic. Embracing the field, Cooley was off to Georgia State University in Atlanta where he earned an Allied Medical degree becoming a physical therapist. He worked in Georgia for three years, but he wasn't alone in his personal life which led to a road map back to Ohio in 1977. "My wife and I were both from Ohio and we were getting homesick. That's when we found the position at Piqua Memorial because we wanted to be closer to where we were from."

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Blind Student Pleads Her Case to School Board


By Nancy Bowman

A member of the Troy High School class of 2016 made an impassioned plea to the Board of Education Monday, June 13, regarding an unexpected request that she surrender to the district a BrailleNote Apex machine she'd used for years and had been told she could keep. Dawn Bilpuch attended the board meeting with parents Kaye Bilpuch and Jamie Wyan telling the board the loss of the machine, her communication tool, would delay her plans to attend college to become a teacher. The situation has caused a major disruption in her and her parent's lives, she said. Bilpuch said two weeks before graduation she was told by a school employ-

ee that she would have to turn over the machine. The lack of notice left her family without time to explore resources to buy the equipment, which she said could cost up to \$12,000. "What me and my family don't understand is why and how this situation was handled ... Because by taking my Apex, you have taken my life away from me," she said. Board of Education President Doug Trostle said board members appreciated a letter they received from Bilpuch. The board could not provide an answer at Monday's meeting, but would "do what we can to help you attain your goals," Trostle said. "Individually and collectively we will have conversations to see if we can help out."

In other business Monday, the board met in a closed executive session to discuss the position of assistant superintendent. The job has been vacant for a few years. Superintendent Eric Herman said interviews are being held with three internal and three external candidates. He asked to talk with the board about how it wants to proceed. Herman said he also has heard from the Ohio School Facilities Commission about the board's interest in a facility assessment as part of the process of possibly requesting state funding to help with a building project. The board will be asked to approve an application, he said. The board heard a report from Kathy McIntosh of the


district's music department on another successful strawberry doughnuts sale during this year's Strawberry Festival. She said 15,000 dozen doughnuts were sold, the maximum the organization can make with available time and equipment. More than 700 volunteers helped make the sale a success. "We are very thankful. It is a great fund raiser for us," McIntosh said. The district music program also was recognized in a proclamation presented by Mayor Mike Beamish. The proclamation followed the district's selection as one of the Best Communities for Music Education in the country by the National Association of Music Merchants.




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on Elm Street, they discovered upcoming renovations and the new development at Treasure Island. “We were already really excited to be on this path that has so many options as far as distance and everything,” Joyce said. “With Treasure Island

opening across the street, it was an added bonus for us. We’re looking forward to our coming years in Troy.”

J & D Bicycles list their hours and more information about the shop and their brand partners online at JandDbicycles.com.

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Schools; Liberty Bowman, Van Cleve Sixth Grade; Alison Osborne, Van Cleve Sixth Grade; Miami County Park District; Jenna Weber, Cookson Elementary, Troy City Schools; First Presbyterian Church; Jackie Thase-Burch, Piqua City Schools; Brukner Nature Center.

The Altrusa Club of Troy

was chartered on June 30, 1948. It’s longest continuing project has been Mobile Meals since 1973. The first Bee For Literacy was held in 1993 and has raised over \$94,000 to benefit local literacy projects. For more information on this and other services of the Altrusa International of Troy, Ohio visit www.altrusatroy.com.

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Chris and Karen Cooley met at the University of Toledo. They have been married for 53 years and have two sons and four grandchildren. A son, Jason, followed his father into the field becoming a physical therapist assistant and massage therapist in Columbus. His brother, Jonathon, is an 8th grade science teacher in Noblesville, Ind.

The Cooleys serve elsewhere in a manner that hits close to home. Mrs. Cooley serves as a pool instructor at the Piqua YMCA. Chris has

developed a Y water therapy program for those dealing with Multiple Sclerosis, as his wife is afflicted.

Executive Director Justin Coby said Cooley is a great addition to the clinic in offering physical therapy.

“This is the first time we have been able to offer physical therapy services as it’s something our patients have a need for. We are blessed to have someone with Chris’ knowledge and experience willing to step up and help our patients. I’m so glad he is on board.”

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day, June 18-19, Associated Specialty breed events will be held on Friday, June 17. All-Breed Conformation Group and Best-In-Show judging will begin Saturday and Sunday at approximately 2:30 PM. An “AKC All-Breed Fun Match”, consisting of Conformation and Obedience events, will begin at 5:30 PM on Friday until all judging is completed.

Obedience and Rally events are now open to mixed breed dogs that are pre-entered and have a valid registration number issued by the AKC. In order to obtain a registration number from the AKC, the mixed breed dog must be spayed or neutered.

Food and refreshments will be available at the show grounds. A wide-variety of pet-related items will be available for purchase from participating vendors at the show site. On-site parking and Show catalogs are available. The public is cordially invited to attend this annual event.

Downtown Summer Concert Series – The Eric Jerardi Band
June 17, 7:30-9:00 p.m. Prouty Plaza

Troy Main Street, Inc. will kick off the Downtown Troy Summer Concert Series with the Eric Jerardi Band at Prouty Plaza in downtown Troy on Friday, June 17th at 7:30 PM. This show marks the first concert in the Downtown Troy Summer Concert Series that annually brings thousands of visitors and locals alike to Troy’s historic downtown square.

The Eric Jerardi Band is presented by Troy Main Street, with sponsorship from Patty Rose Allstate, Troy CARSTAR, Steve and Marty Baker, and Troy Community Radio. Troy Main Street will also be hosting This Side Up on June 17th, Mad River Railroad on July 29th, and Hotel California on August 5th. All concerts are free and open to the public.

The Downtown Troy Summer Concert Series is a collaborative effort between the Troy Foundation, Troy Main Street, Troy-Hayner Cultural Center, and the City of Troy. Visit www.troy-mainstreet.org or call 937-339-5455 the day of the concert for location confirmation in the event

of rain. Information on the Eric Jerardi Band can be found at www.ericjerardi.com or on the Eric Jerardi Band Facebook page.

Miami County In Bloom – Garden Tour
June 18, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Master Gardeners of Miami County in Troy, Ohio are having their bi-annual garden tour, “Miami County in Bloom” on Saturday, June 18 from 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. Six gardens in Troy, Piqua and Cass-town will be featured.

Tickets are \$10.00 presale and \$15.00 the day of the tour.

Tickets can be purchased at the Miami County Extensions office, in the County courthouse, from Coldwater Cafe in Tipp City, Patterson’s Flowers in West Milton, Lisa’s Flowers in Covington, Genell’s Flowers in Piqua, or any Miami Master gardener.

For more information please call 937-440-3945.

Pollinator Workshop
June 18, 12:30-4:30 p.m. Brukner Nature Center

Pollinators, like bees, butterflies, birds and other animals, bring us one in every three bites of food and maintain our environment. The monarch butterfly is a well-known and much-loved pollinator but it, along all other pollinators, has shown disturbing signs of decline. Pollinators positively affect all our lives – join us to learn more about monarchs, pollinators, and how you can help!

Presentations will be offered on the monarch life cycle and its great migration, techniques on rearing monarchs and other butterflies, citizen science opportunities for school or home, and ways you can help pollinators in your own backyard or schoolyard. Join Brukner Nature Center and Ohio Pollinator Habitat Initiative for a Pollinator Workshop!

Registration deadline: Friday, June 10th, 2016

Cash or check only
Gardening Series “Intro to Gardening”
June 18, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Lost Creek Reserve

The Miami County Park District will its new Gardening Series “Intro

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Lou (Motter) McQueen

Lou (Motter) McQueen, age 67, of Troy, Ohio, passed away on Wednesday, June 8, 2016 at her residence. She was born on January 14, 1949 in Piqua to the late Charles and June (Shoemaker) Motter. Her husband of 28 years, Phillip Edward McQueen, preceded her in death on February 25, 2013.

Lou is survived by two sisters: Barb Maul of Centerville, OH and Sandy (Ed) Adamson of East Liverpool, OH; nieces, Kelly (Brian) Randles, Kim (Jason) Click, and Stacy (Jordan) Williams; nephews, Alex Maul and Jerry (Chelcia) Maul, III; 3 great nieces and 3 great nephews.

Lou was a 1967 graduate of Piqua Central High School. She was a lifetime member of St. Paul’s Evangelical & Reformed Church, Piqua, Ohio. Lou was operations manager for Piqua Transfer and Storage for 30 years. Lou was past president of Upper Valley Transportation Club. She was also a member of Troy Eagles Post 971 and Troy AmVets Post 88.

Memorial service will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy with Dr. Keith Gebhart officiating. Friends may call from 10:00 – 11:00 AM on Wednesday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul’s Evangelical & Reformed Church, 500 North Downing Street, Piqua, OH 45356. Friends may express condolences to the family through www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

to Gardening” on June 18 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at Lost Creek Reserve, 2385 East State Route 41 east of Troy. Come out to the farm and learn about mulching and how to plant, harvest and maintain a garden. Discover the health benefits of growing your own food and see how easy it is to have your own garden at home. Class fee \$5/adult or \$10/family per class. Space is limited. Pre-registration is required. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Downtown Troy Farmers Market
June 18, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. S. Cherry St.

Fresh vegetables, homemade treats, and warm, sunny Saturday mornings are right around the corner as we draw closer to the start of the 2016 Downtown Troy Farmers Market. Troy Main Street, Inc. is pleased to announce the return of its successful summer market for a sixth season and excited to reveal extended market dates and hours. The market will begin on Saturday, June 11th and will run through October 8th, 2016 on Saturday mornings from 9 AM to 1 PM.

The market features fresh local produce, bread, artisan cheeses, maple syrup, honey, baked goods, locally raised meat, artists’ booths, live music, other entertainment, and much more. The location on S. Cherry St, just off W. Main Street, is convenient for shoppers with adjacent parking.

For more information on the market visit www.TroyMainStreet.org or call 937-339-5455.

Canoe Float
June 18, 9:00 a.m. Hobart Arena Parking Lot

The Miami County Park District will hold a canoe program on June 18 at 9 a.m. Participants will meet at Hobart Arena parking lot (check in at Troy Aquatic Park entrance) in Troy and be transported by bus to the canoe launch where they will take a leisurely float back down river to Hobart Arena parking lot. Registration fee is \$5 per person. Registration

is required. Must be 18 or older or accompanied by an adult with parental consent to participate. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104.

Beginning Archery (single day class)
June 18, 9:00 a.m. to Noon Garbry Big Woods Reserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Beginning Archery class on June 18. Participants can register for the 9 a.m. to noon session or the 1 to 4 p.m. session. The class will be held at the new outdoor archery range at Garbry Big Woods Reserve, 6660 Casstown-Sidney Rd. east of Piqua. This class will focus on teaching safety and technique. Equipment is provided. Minimum age is eight years old. There is a class minimum of five and class maximum of six. Class fee is \$10 per person. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Daddy & Me
June 18, 10:00 a.m. Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Daddy & Me program on June 18 at 10 a.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Participants can spend quality time with Dad as they learn about birds while building and painting their very own birdhouse. Class is fee \$5 per child. Pre-registration is required. Register by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Family Discovery Hike “Pond Life”
June 18, 1:30-3:00 p.m. Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Family Discovery Hike “Pond Life” on June 18 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Join park district natural-

Richard W. “Ric” Wallace

Richard W. “Ric” Wallace, age 63, of Casstown, passed away on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at Brookdale in Piqua. He was born on August 5, 1952 in Troy to Josephine M. (Brown) Wallace of Troy and the late Charles William “Bill” Wallace. His wife, Suzanne K. (Hartzell) Wallace, preceded him in death on December 10, 2003.

Ric is survived by three children: Thomas Howard (Dawn) Wallace of Casstown, Betsy Suzanne (Mark) Staley of Casstown and Sally Ann (Jake) Oakley of Morrow; one sister: Krista (Mel) Black of Richmond, IN; six grandchildren: Katelynn Wallace, Kendal Staley, Thomas Wallace, Caleb Staley, Jake Oakley II and Jadyn Oakley; numerous nieces and nephews; father-in-law: Thomas Hartzell of Troy; sisters-in-law: Kathy (Joe) Thorpe of Cincinnati and Julie (Herman) Kaebnick of Louisville, KY; and brother-in-law: Tom Hartzell of Troy.

Ric was a member of Cove Springs Church, where he was active in Men’s Quartet and Choir. He was a 1970 graduate of Miami East High School. Ric was former president of Hartzell Fan, former president of Ohio Sheep Improvement Association and former president of Air Movement and Control Association. He was also former board member of Main Source Bank in Troy, YMCA of Miami County and a long time 4-H advisor. Ric was also a former member of National Corriedale Association, Ohio Corriedale Association, National Southdown Association, Ohio Southdown Breeders Association and an honorary member of Miami East FFA.

Services were held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 11, 2016 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy with Pastor Greg Morrow officiating. Burial followed in Casstown Cemetery in Casstown.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cove Spring Church, 5705 Walnut Grove-Clark County Road, Troy, OH 45373 or Dr. Jack Judy Memorial Scholarship Fund c/o Ohio Sheep Improvement Association, 280 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43218. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

ist Accipiter Amalee to learn about what lives in and around the pond at the Preserve. This guided hike is designed for children with autism and their families, but all are welcome. Each hike will include 1-2 different social skills to practice along with several fun activities. Class minimum four families, maximum 10 families. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Dog Social “Doggie Daddy Day”
June 19, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Dog Social “Doggie Daddy Day” on June 19 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Participants can celebrate Father’s Day with the whole family, including your pooch. Re-member owners are responsible for their dogs - please clean up after your pet. Meet at the park entrance. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Zentangle
June 21, 6:00 p.m. Troy-Miami County Public Library

Join the Troy Library at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 21 and learn how to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns using fine tip pens. It’s easy to learn, relaxing, and fun. This program is for adults and teens, all materials will be provided.

The Troy-Miami County Public Library is located at 419 West Main Street in Troy, Ohio. For more information, call 937-339-0502 ext. 117.

The History of Barns
June 21, 6:30 p.m. Piqua Public Library

The Miami County Historical & Genealogical Society invites you to its June program.

“The Ohio Barn Inside and Out, the History of Barns with the Barn Consultant”, will be presented by Pamela Whitney Gray, President of Friends of Ohio Barns.

This power point program will be about the historical importance and evolution of barns. Pam has spent many years traveling Ohio and surrounding states doing barn consultations and helping barn owners to understand and save their barns. The Friends of Ohio Barns is a statewide organization that is dedicated to the education and preservation of Ohio’s historic barns. Pam is also the author of two books, Americanization of the Family Barn, and Ohio Barn Inside and Out: with the Barn Consultant, which will be available for purchase at the program which is free and open to the public.

The program will be held at the Piqua Public Library, 116 W. High St., Piqua, OH, Louis Room, Tuesday, June 21, 2016, at 6:30pm. For more information visit our website, Face Book page or contact Stephanie Winchester at stefalx@msn.com or 937-307-7142.

Health Trekkers
June 24, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Garbry Big Woods Reserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Health Trekkers program on June 24 from 6 to 7 p.m. at Garbry Big Woods Reserve, 6660 Casstown-Sidney Rd. east of Piqua. Take a hike for health and join park district health and wellness specialist, registered nurse Marion for this weekly low impact walk. Relevant topics such as heart health, diet and nutrition, diabetes prevention, stress relief and many others will be discussed during this twelve walk series. Walks are held Remember to wear weather appropriate gear and walking shoes for comfort. Registration not required but highly recommended. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

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Columns & Opinion

At Home

By **Connie Moore**

Pie Are Squared

Pillsbury sent me an email about a slab pie. It looked delicious and mouthwatering. An Oreo Slab Pie is what they called it. I always thought they were called square pies. Don't be fooled though. If you Google square pies you'll get a bunch of jargon about numbers and roots and dimensions and everything but pie. I mean real pie. The last straw was when a website posed the question as to whether pi was made up of rational or irrational numbers. Turns out, google has an automatic spell check and assumed I meant pi r squared when I was looking for a square pie. Square or slab pies are not new. One website proposed that Martha Stewart invented them but I doubt she's that old. Pioneers of a hundred years ago were known to bake pies in the square as a way to serve large crowds. There are two basic points one must remember when shaping a square pie. It will take more crust. It will take more filling. Both are okay by me. I love pie. Apparently lots of people do.

Britain has a Pie Week (1st week of March), Americans have two Pie Days (Dec.1 & Jan.23) and a whole Pie Month (February). My question is why not have it be the National Food and serve it 24/7. When people are asked about their favorite pie, most answer Apple. However one survey found that over 22% of those polled actually liked "other than". That was other than apple, strawberry-rhubarb, pumpkin, cherry, blueberry, lemon meringue or chocolate. That tells you there's a whole lot of pies that hold a treasure of ingredients other than the norm. There are also two categories of pies whether round or square. Sweet and savory. While sweet pies are the overwhelming choice, savory pies are wonderful inventions of a deep flaky crust holding meats, veggies, cheeses, sauces and spices. Modern ideas even include macaroni and cheese stuffed pies. How great is that! But back to the square pie. Pillsbury recommends their own refrigerated pie crusts for their slab pies. They are round, yes, but they have a nifty picture of someone rolling the two pie shells stacked on top of each other. It is supposed to easily roll into a rectangle of 15x10x1-inch proportions. Easier said than done. If stretched far enough for the

pan, it leaves no pastry for a top crust of any kind. So of course, Pillsbury says to use half a roll of their sugar cookie dough, cut into tiny pieces and dotted on top. I find no problem in eating cookies and pie at the same time, however, some might exclaim 'sugar overload'. So, I reached out to Pillsbury and asked them how about producing the exact measured rectangle of dough needed for the slab pies. Just to be sure they understood I was serious, I mailed it the old-fashioned way in an envelope with a stamp. (Today's emails so often get lost in transit.) When I get their answer, I'll let you know. In the meantime, here are some old-fashioned tips for pies, no matter what shape they're in. **PIE TIPS** *Pastry can be frozen for up to three months. Shape pastry in a ball, flatten and wrap tightly in plastic wrap. Place in zipper top freezer bag. Or, roll pastry out, line pie pans. Wrap entire pan in plastic wrap. Slip pan into zipper top freezer bag. Press as much air out as possible. Thaw pastry to be rolled. Frozen pie shell in pans can be baked from frozen state. *Pies can be lower calorie by using bottom crust only. Granola, oats, or a few tablespoons of finely chopped nuts can be sprinkled on the top for a decorative look or just arrange top pieces of fruit in a pattern. Cutting amount of sugar in pie filling, even by a few tablespoons can result in few-



ONE CRUST PASTRY

1 cup flour
½ teaspoon salt
1/3 cup lard OR
1/3 cup shortening and 1 tablespoon butter
2-3 tablespoons ice cold water

In bowl, mix flour and salt. Add the lard or shortening/butter. Use fork, two knives or pastry blender to cut shortening into flour until mixture resembles coarse cornmeal or tiny peas. Add water one spoonful at a time, drawing mixture together with fork. When ball forms, place dough on wax paper and roll out. Dough can be wrapped tightly in flattened ball and refrigerated.

er calories and larger fruit taste. *General rule for cutting pies: 8-inch pie yields 4 to 6 wedges. 9-inch pie yields 6 wedges. 10-inch pie yields 8 wedges. Square pies yield more servings. The sweeter and richer the filling the smaller the wedges hence more servings per pie. *If pie is browning too fast, place a piece of foil over it loosely. Or cut center round out of square piece of foil to leave middle open to heat. Only edges of pie will be covered. *Always preheat oven for pie baking. Cold pastry ingredients and hot oven will help bake a crispy, flaky crust. *If you're unsure of how large a circle to roll out, cut a large piece of wax paper 2 inches larger than your pie pan. (9-inch pie, cut paper 11 inches round; 10-inch pie, cut paper 12 inches round) Place the pie dough on the cutout paper. Roll until dough reaches all edges of paper, use paper to transfer dough into pan.

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Tip of the Week

BY SGT. JJ MAURO
TIPP CITY POLICE RETIRED

Bicycle Signal Devices

In 1959 I got my first bicycle. It was green, had fenders and a frame made of solid steel and tires so thick, they had more rubber than a semi-truck tire. On the rear fender was a rusted out hole where there once was a red reflector. Of course being a young man with a need to leave rubber like the Indy Cars did on Memorial Day, I had to go as fast as I could and stand on the pedal brake hard enough to leave a deceleration tire mark on the sidewalk. The green tank was not exactly a speed demon. The bicycle was not to be ridden in the street according to my Dad because it did not have the required headlights and reflectors. I did not want to break the law and get a ticket from a Montgomery County Deputy after all.

In 1964 for my birthday, I got a bicycle that was street legal. It was a yellow 3 speed; yes it had more than one gear. The fenders were still made of steel but it was a much lighter weight metal. The brakes were no longer on the pedal but were activated by hand and had to be tightened down when the rubber wore away since they actually made contact with the aluminum rims. But what made this a legal bicycle was that it had a headlight and rear red light. Back then batteries did not last long so it had a generator. That's right a generator that one would engage the top to the tire and as the tire rotated, producing enough electricity to power the front headlight and rear red reflector/light. Now I could ride in the street. After becoming a police officer, I learned that having a light and horn was actually covered by law and is a requirement. And all those years I just thought my dad made that up about it being a law.

Even my old green tank taught me why you wear shorts on a bicycle without a chain guard. Which remarkably is not a requirement. Enough about my childhood memories. So if you provide your kid with an old green tank, use the ORC to make sure the kid doesn't go too far from home since even crossing the street while riding would be "Against the law!" Here is the official Ohio Revised Code Statute dealing with bicycles. Just remember, Cities often have more restrictive rules so check with your local police department about those. **4511.56 Bicycle signal devices.** (A) Every bicycle when in use at the times specified in section 4513.03 of the Revised Code, shall be equipped with the following: (1) A lamp mounted on the front of either the bicycle or the operator that shall emit a white light visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet to the front and three hundred feet to the sides. A generator-powered lamp that emits light only when the

bicycle is moving may be used to meet this requirement. (2) A red reflector on the rear that shall be visible from all distances from one hundred feet to six hundred feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful lower beams of head lamps on a motor vehicle; (3) A lamp emitting either flashing or steady red light visible from a distance of five hundred feet to the rear shall be used in addition to the red reflector. If the red lamp performs as a reflector in that it is visible as specified in division (A) (2) of this section, the red lamp may serve as the reflector and a separate reflector is not required. (B) Additional lamps and reflectors may be used in addition to those required under division (A) of this section, except that red lamps and red reflectors shall not be used on the front of the bicycle and white lamps and white reflectors shall not be used on the rear of the bicycle. (C) A bicycle may be equipped with a device capable of giving an audible signal, except that a bicycle shall not be equipped with nor shall any person use upon a bicycle any siren or whistle. (D) Every bicycle shall be equipped with an adequate brake when used on a street or highway. (E) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If, within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree. Effective Date: 01-01-2004; 09-21-2006

Financial Focus

Provided by **Matt Buehrer, Thrivent Financial**
A penny saved is a penny earned...and other financial lessons from the past

If the recent financial turmoil has taught us anything, it's that maybe we should pay attention to the age-old clichés that our parents and grandparents passed on to us. Take it one day at a time...the new reality for most Americans when it comes to financial recovery. Don't put all your eggs in one basket...a poster child for diversification. You get the idea. So keeping the "what's old is new again" mantra in mind, here are some famous clichés from generations before that

Thrivent Financial thinks could serve us well this year and beyond. 1.) Don't cry over spilled milk. The recession is over and it is time to start putting the pieces back together. It might take a while (patience is a virtue after all), but you need to start somewhere. 2.) Save for a rainy day. Call it an emergency savings fund, rainy day fund, or what you will. The idea is simple, but changing our behavior is not. Money is easy to spend and there's no question that there is still plenty of "got-

ta have it now" in us all. It's time to slow down on spending and start saving. Next, resist the temptation to raid your savings! While most Americans have plenty of credit card debt (and the issue needs to be addressed as part of your financial picture), resist the temptation to raid the savings to pay it all off immediately. Also, resist the desire to raid the savings for cash purchases. If you succumb, whenever the fund is used, the amount withdrawn should be replenished as soon as possible. 3.) A penny saved is a penny earned. For an emergency savings fund, a standard savings account or money market account should meet your needs. However, thinking even longer-term, con-

sider certificates of deposit (CDs). CDs help force you to commit your money for a period of time, so they can help you start to make your savings a more permanent habit. It should be noted that the money is not accessible for the term. 4.) You're walking on thin ice. The economy got bad enough that some of us had to sacrifice the standard financial protection that we always took for granted. If you terminated your life insurance contract, now is the time to begin shopping around for a new one. It's hard to think about, but if something happened to you would your family be able to maintain their current lifestyle? Could they stay in the house so the kids would not have to move and switch

schools? The time to protect your family is now. And, you know what they say, never put off until tomorrow, what you can do today. 5.) Home is where the heart is. It's also where much of your equity probably is too. Look into home equity loans to help you consolidate debt and get back on your feet. Lending standards are now tighter, but banks want your business and will work with you to meet your needs. 6.) Another day, another dollar. Unless you are sick as a dog. While your savings should help protect you if you lose your job, what happens if you get sick or injured and cannot work for a period of time? Consider disability income insurance to help cover living expenses and protect your savings

should that happen. 7.) Lend a helping hand. Reach out to others in need through charitable giving and by volunteering your time and talents. There is plenty of need out there right now and every little bit helps. 8.) Stop and smell the roses. We have all been through a lot the past several years, virtually none of us untouched by the financial turmoil. Perhaps your most important investment is time spent with family and friends. Thrivent Financial is represented in the Tipp City area by representative Matt Buehrer. He has an office in Tipp City and can also be reached at 937-667-8270. Or you can visit him at his webpage Thrivent.com/fr/matthew.buehrer.

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Gardening Commentary

From **MVG**

Protecting the Pollinators and Controlling the Bugs

Now that summer is here some gardeners are finding holes appearing in the leaves of their garden plants and are concerned that this damage will end up destroying their flowers or killing their plants. People want to know how to eliminate these worms, bugs and beetles that appear to be harming their plants. Many times it is not an easy task to identify what is causing the problem and the reason is that we cannot find any critters. Some bugs are active at night and only for a very short time so they cannot be seen. Others are tiny and it is hard to see them. There are some caterpillars that may nibble on some of our plants and only cause cosmetic damage and will not weaken or kill them. Some of these caterpillars may even develop into butterflies so we don't necessarily want to eliminate them. In general most insects will not cause serious damage to our plants if they only make a few holes in the leaves so there is no need to panic and try to kill them. On the other hand there are some insects that can cause a great deal of damage and we can normally see these bugs if we know what we are looking for and when to look for them.

Some insects that can be a serious threat to our plants are spider mites, bagworms, scales, borers and aphids. If you google these pests before they cause damage you will know what to look for and it will be easier to find a pesticide that will help you control them. Another option is to wait until you see the damage and then take a plant sample to your local nursery to have the bug identified so the correct control measure can be prescribed. If the damage is from a disease the control method will be different than if an insect is causing the problem. And sucking insect control will be different than that for chewing insects so it is important to properly identify what bug is causing the damage so the correct measures can be used to control them. Remember it is not necessary to control every little nibble on our plants, this will help us avoid using too many chemicals that can cause problems to our pollinators and damage our environment. Our pollinators are important for our food supply so let's be sure to protect them and only apply pesticides when it is necessary and when we do use these plant protectors that we use them according to the label and handle them safely. *The MVG Gardening Team meadowview.com*

Word Search

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Locate all the words below in the word search. They may be across, down or diagonally in any direction.



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Advise	Decorated	Into	Need	Runners
Affect	Deed	Keep	Nerve	Same
Ages	Drip	Kept	Nose	Seen
Also	Explosive	Kind	Outfit	Sets
Atom	Fade	Kite	Peel	Shoes
Bass	Fetch	Knee	Physical	Spoon
Bikes	Flute	Lawn	Pile	Steel
Calf	Foil	Lead	Proof	Still
Chest	Furnace	Left	Puffs	Stir
Chop	Gale	Less	Pure	Tail
Cones	Goals	Lies	Raced	Thick
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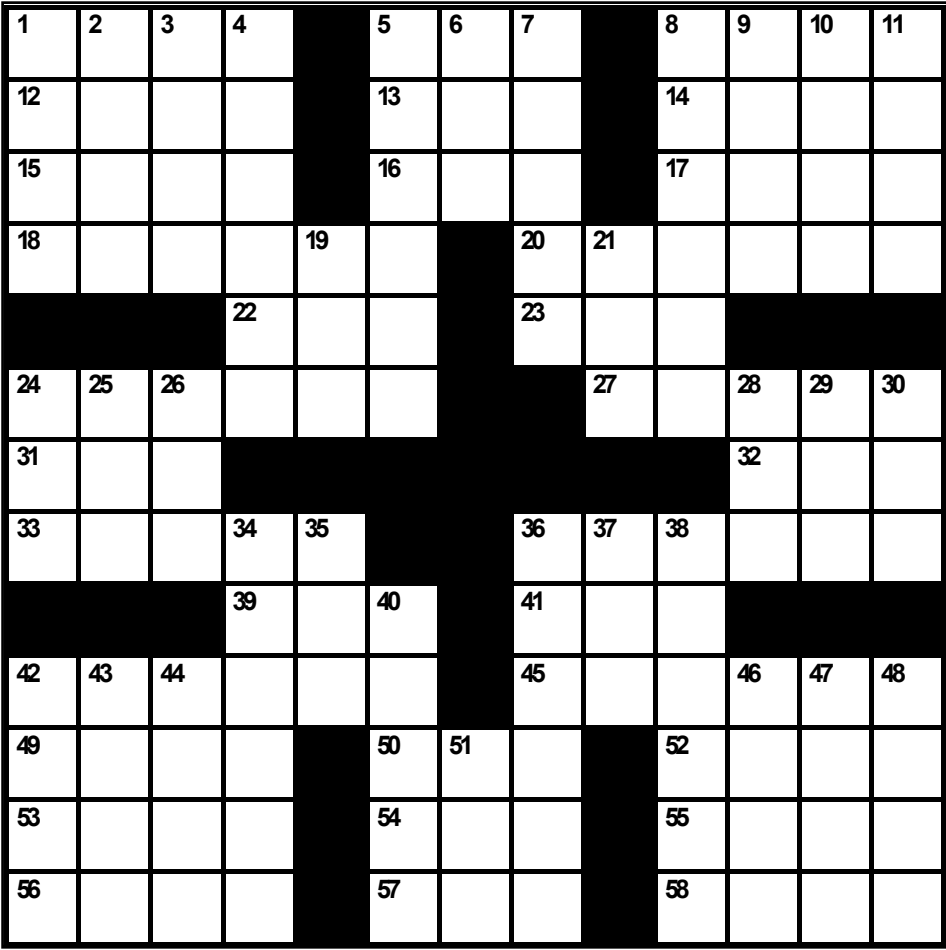
Cooper

By LARRY WARREN



Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS				DOWN			
1. "Notting Hill" star, Grant	31. Fancy neckwear	32. Promising words	33. Tournament round	1. Better ____	2. ____-friendly	3. Indian dish ingredient	4. Aromatic herb
5. Engine need	36. Gentle wind	39. UK TV	41. Cured salmon	5. Ladies' man	6. "Who ____ we kidding?"	7. Tangle	8. Sorority letter
8. Deficiency	42. Chinese tree with aromatic bark	45. Happens	49. Brother of Jacob	9. Type of berry	10. River fish	11. NASCAR's ____ Busch	19. Hundredweight
12. Pallid	50. Solo in "Star Wars"	52. "The Terrible"	53. Leaf unit	54. Peculiar	55. ____ lily	56. Mast pole	57. Jonson work
13. Bother	58. "____ of Eden" 1955 movie						
14. In need of a massage							
15. Dregs							
16. To the right							
17. Handle roughly							
18. Painting technique							
20. Drink							
22. Too wit too woo bird							
23. Catch some Zs (with "off")							
24. Secret prefix							
27. Papaya							

Hidden Treasures

By LIZ BALL



Sudoku

#231

Each Sudoku puzzle consists of a 9x9 grid that has been subdivided into nine smaller grids of 3x3 squares. To solve the puzzle, each row, column and box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9.

	3	8		2	7			1
	6		4	5			7	
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	2			9	5		3	
3			1	6		2	8	

Trivia Challenge

What Happened First Trivia Quiz

- 1.) British Prime Ministers - Which of the following Prime Ministers was in office first?

A. Harold Macmillan
B. Winston Churchill
C. Anthony Eden
D. Clement Attlee
- 2.) Historical Events - Which of these events happened first?

A. Mussolini seizes Power
B. USSR Formed
C. Ataturk Becomes President
D. Treaty of Versailles
- 3.) History of Technology - Which came first?

A. Thermometer
B. Telescope
C. Steam Turbine
D. Dynamite
- 4.) History of the Roman Empire - Which of these events occurred first?

A. Nero Dies
B. Reign of Five Good Emperors
C. Cleopatra Suicide
D. Augustus is Emperor
- 5.) Medical History - What occurred first?

A. First Open Heart Surgery
B. Fleming invents Penicillin
C. X Rays discovered
D. Landsteiner discovers Blood Groups
- 6.) Second World War - Which battle or operation occurred the earliest?

A. Battle of Stalingrad
B. Battle of Kursk
C. Normandy Landings
D. Operation Barbarossa
- 7.) Siege History - Which famous historical siege occurred the earliest?

A. Quebec
B. The Alamo
C. Luck now
D. Yorktown
- 8.) US Presidents - Who was president before the others?

A. Richard Nixon
B. Jimmy Carter
C. John F. Kennedy
D. Harry Truman
- 9.) Historic Assassinations - Which of the following famous people was assassinated first?

A. Rasputin
B. William McKinley
C. Abraham Lincoln
D. James Garfield
- 10.) Historic Battles - Which of these battles occurred first?

A. Battle of Granada
B. First Battle of St Albans
C. Battle of the Night of Sorrows
D. Battle of Castillon
- 11.) America Conflicts - Which of these conflicts occurred before the others?

A. American Revolutionary War
B. First Barbary War
C. Quasi War
D. Northwest Indian War
- 12.) World War One - Which of these battles occurred first?

A. Battle of Loos
B. Battle of Lone Pine
C. Battle of Festubert
D. Battle of Shaiba
- 13.) Roman History - Which of these Roman Emperors reigned the earliest?

A. Nerva
B. Titus
C. Trajan
D. Domitian
- 14.) Historic Wars - Which of these major conflicts occurred the earliest?

A. First Balkan War
B. Boer War
C. Russo Japanese War
D. Mexican Revolution
- 15.) Historic Events - Which of these events happened first?

A. New Zealand Women Vote
B. Dreyfus Affair
C. X Rays discovered
D. Eiffel Tower Completed
- 16.) British Monarchs - Of the following British Monarchs, who reigned the earliest?

A. Henry II
B. John
C. Edward I
D. Richard I

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11936 W. NATIONAL RD. Tent sale Sat. 10-5. 50% off assortment of frmaed wall art, large amount of hand and yard tools.

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2807 N. DAYTON-LAKEVIEW RD. 1.5 miles north of city. Huge barn sale June 16-19, 8-4. Tools, hand electric garden & lots of misc.

9180 LOWER VALLEY PIKE Moving Sale Fri June 17 & Sat June 18. Starts at 9 a.m. Kitchen, Canning equipment, garden tools, sports/camping gear, men's clothes, household decorative, holiday items. Everything must go!

8692 BELLEFONTAINE RD. Off Rt. 235 one block north of Park Layne School. June 16 & 17, 9-5. Park Layne First Church of God multi-family sale. Something for everyone, bargains galore.

402 W. JEFFERSON ST. Thurs, Fri, Sat 9-3. Bikes, desk, toy box, oil lamps, fishing poles & tackle, metal porch chairs, toys, snow blower, girls clothes 6T-12, home decor, lots more

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Fentanyl Cases and Deaths Increase in Ohio

Prince’s Death from “Self-Administered Fentanyl” Raises Awareness about Painkiller

Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine continues to caution Ohioans about the powerful drug fentanyl after Prince’s autopsy reveals the artist’s cause of death was “self-administered fentanyl.” “We’ve seen what’s coming into the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Lab, as far as drug submissions from law enforcement around the state, and statistics show how dramatically fentanyl is on the rise in Ohio,” said Attorney General Mike

DeWine. “In 2010, we had only 34 cases of fentanyl and last year we had 1,110 cases. We’re on track this year to surpass 2015 numbers.” BCI Labs in Ohio (London, Richfield, and Bowling Green) are seeing mostly synthetic (as opposed to prescription) fentanyl, which first appeared in 2013 in Ohio. It’s 30 to 50 times stronger than heroin, according to the National Institute for Drug Abuse. Sometimes it’s cut with other substances, like cocaine

or heroin. Heroin is still the number one drug that’s brought to the BCI Lab for testing in criminal cases, however the number of heroin cases overall are declining, while fentanyl case numbers continue to rise. Ohio coroners are also seeing deadly and startling results from fentanyl’s impact: **Franklin County:** In Franklin County, there were 13 fentanyl-related deaths in 2014, 48 in 2015, and 16 deaths in the first quarter of 2016. (Source: Franklin

County Coroner’s Office) **Cuyahoga County:** In Cuyahoga County in 2016, there were 19 fentanyl-related deaths in January, 24 in February, 34 in March, 26 in April, and 37 in May. (Source: Cuyahoga County Coroner’s Office) **Montgomery County:** Montgomery County reported fentanyl was present in 46 accidental overdose deaths in January and February of this year. There were 128 deaths in 2015.

(Source: Montgomery County Coroner’s Office) “This opiate epidemic is the worst I’ve seen in my lifetime,” said DeWine. “We can’t continue to lose three to four people a day to opiate overdoses. Fentanyl is the latest substance to rise to the top of the alarming drug trend in our state.” Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine created a Heroin Unit in 2013, which helps local law enforcement agencies with investigations and prosecu-

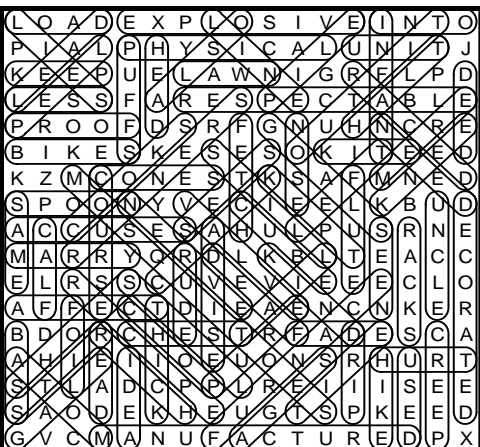
tions. It also includes Heroin Unit Outreach Specialists who help communities combat the opiate problem. In addition, much training is provided to law enforcement on different topics like how to treat overdose scenes as crime scenes and how to administer the drug naloxone in overdose situations. BCI agents and forensic scientists just sponsored a Fentanyl Investigation and Awareness Training day for law enforcement with the DEA on June 1, 2016.

This Week’s Solutions

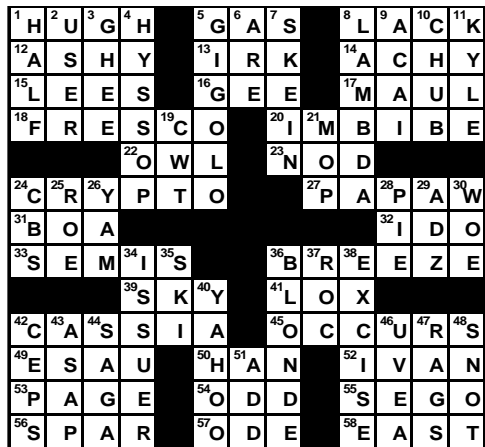
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Word Search



Crossword



Trivia

- 1.) Winston Churchill - Churchill won the Nobel Prize in Literature for his numerous published works.
- 2.) Treaty of Versailles - The Treaty of Versailles ended the war between Germany and the Allied Powers in June of 1919.
- 3.) Telescope - The earliest recorded telescopes appeared in the Netherlands in 1608. 4.) Cleopatra Suicide - Some historians believe that Cleopatra did not commit suicide, but rather, she was murdered.
- 5.) X Rays discovered - Most credit German physicist Wilhelm Rontgen with the discovery of X-rays in 1895.
- 6.) Operation Barbarossa - Starting in June of 1941, Operation Barbarossa was the codename for the invasion of the Soviet Union by the Germans.
- 7.) Quebec - The battle started took place on December 31, 1775.
- 8.) Harry Truman - Truman was President of the United States from 1945 to 1953.
- 9.) Abraham Lincoln - Lincoln died nine hours after being shot in the head on April 15th, 1865.
- 10.) Battle of Castillon - Won by the French, the Battle of Castillon ended the Hundred Years' War in 1453.
- 11.) American Revolutionary War - The American Revolutionary War took place from 1775 to 1783.
- 12.) Battle of Shaiba - Fought between British and Ottoman forces, the Battle of Shaiba took place in April of 1915.
- 13.) Titus - Titus was Roman emperor from 79 AD to 81 AD.
- 14.) Boer War - The Boer War was fought between December 1880 and March 1881. 15.) Eiffel Tower Completed - The Eiffel Tower was completed on March 31, 1889.
- 16.) Henry II - Henry II of England reigned from December 1154 to July 1189.
- 17.) Pius XII - Pius XII papacy began in 1939 and ended in 1958.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

My daughter, Dawn Bilpuch is legally blind. She is a Braille reader who just currently graduated from Troy City School. Due to her lack of vision, she had to use a BrailleNote Apex computer device to do all of her school work. She used this device to communicate with her teachers and any research needed to complete her school work. This was her only way of independently accessing braille, the Internet and turning in her school work.

Dawn has always wanted to attend college and become an English Teacher. For the past 4 years the administration at Troy High School have helped and encouraged her to work hard to achieve her goals in life. So image our surprise when just weeks before she graduates Beth Marshal, Director of Pupil Services at the Board Office decides she wants Dawn's BrailleNote back to give to another student, when we have been told verbally by Kristi Shanesy, Case Manager at the board office for years that the BrailleNote was Dawn's. When I spoke with Beth Marshal about this over the telephone, she informed me of 2 organizations that would buy a BrailleNote for Dawn. I spoke with one, BSVI who informed me they only help in securing her a job. The other organization SCC, you have to put hours of volunteer work plus attend 6 meetings a year. How was I supposed to do this before the fall when Dawn was to start college if they only have a meeting once a month and never during the summertime.

Dawn was not dealt a good hand in life. She was born totally blind. She has worked so hard to be where she is today. Dawn is able to attend college and one day successfully have a job from the degree she would have received. Due to her BrailleNote being taken from her, her college education has been put on hold and she currently has NO access to braille. This has crushed her!

I don't understand why at the last minute Troy City School has decided to do this knowing due to the price of the BrailleNote was not something that could have been replaced right away. Beth Marshal has stated that this was discussed at the last IEP meeting, although nowhere in my copy of the meeting notes does it state that.

We would like an explanation as to why Dawn's BrailleNote was taken from her. Why Troy City School would encourage her to work so hard to achieve her goals only to strip her of them at the last minute.

Dawn has expressed to me how devastating this has been for her. She is so depressed. She doesn't think she's ever going to college now. She feels hurt and betrayed that Troy City School's would encourage her to live up to her goal, then strip them from her at the last second. I encouraged Dawn to write a letter to express how this has affected her.

Here are her words:

I have fought and worked extremely hard throughout both grade school and high school to graduate. One of the things that helped me be successful was a BrailleNote Apex, which allowed me to complete assignments and turn them in for the teacher to grade. When this device was purchased for me in 2010 my mother and I were told for 6 years that upon graduation the BrailleNote Apex would be given to me to keep. However, 2 weeks before I was to receive my diploma we were informed that the device had to be turned over.

Due to a lack of time-ly being notified we were unable to make sure we had resources available to help fund the purchase of this piece of equipment. A BrailleNote Apex can cost anywhere from \$8,000 to \$12,000 dollars. This price range makes the device unaffordable for most blind people and their families, such as myself and my family.

This has had profound affects throughout parts of my life. For example, after high school I had a goal to go to Edision an take General Education classes, and then transfer those classes to Wright State University. Once at Wright State, I planned on obtaining a degree for teaching high school students with multiple disabilities. The reason I mentioned my plans in passed tense is because I no longer have an Apex. For me that means no college. It means no teaching job or degree. Without this I cannot function in a school setting, whether it be Edison or Wright State University. I will not be able to submit assignments or take the necessary exams and tests for example. While I may not be able to read books, that doesn't devastate me the most. However, what does devastate me is the fact that despite me and my families efforts an Apex is unaffordable. I have always wanted to teach since sixth grade. The fact that I have wanted to attend college and live on my own and aim for better in my life.

This has affected me mentally because I have been upset and depressed because my dreams are unobtainable without an Apex. I am not a person who likes to give up without a fight, so this has been hard for me to except. Along with that I have had to give up my independence, which is also a very uneasy thing for me to do. I have lost sleep because I have been trying to figure out what my options are without going to college. If a student needs equipment I understand that completely. What me and my family DO NOT understand is why and how this situation was handled. We have contacted BSVI (Bureau Services for the Visually Impaired) and were told they were only able to buy equipment for a person's job. As I have previously stated, if we would have been notified in a timely fashion that this was going to happen we would have been able to be or get prepared. Because by taking my Apex You have taken my life away from me. Again, I would like to reiterate how much I REALLY want to attend college but cannot at this time without a piece of equipment. I had a BrailleNote MPower that SCC bought for me when I was in second grade. However, it is now and has been inoperable for years. The school was very well aware of this situation.

I like advocating for myself and not having an Apex would hamper my ability to do things such as request services from organizations, keep in touch with a counselor or obtaining technical support for when my equipment needs service. It will also hamper my ability to succeed in my school, professional and home life. For example, I will not be able to communicate with instructors, to obtain work in advance, make sure I have work if I'll be missing class or to contact them if I need help with an assignment. My ability to succeed in my professional life will be hampered because I will not be able to do things such as finding a job, requesting interviews, complete other job related tasks and otherwise be a productive member of soci-

ety. Ability to succeed in my home life will be hampered by the inability to communicate with friends, family or public transportation services such as Ride Share or Miami County Transit. I will also be unable to continue my education should I decide to do so.

This has caused me and my family to feel anger, sadness, helplessness and determination. To watch my mother who I am very close to try to be strong for me has been heart breaking for me. It has made me feel hopeless, anger, frustration, depression, worried, sadness and helpless for example. I use to be proud to answer the question "what will you do after high school?" and I would say, that I'd attend college. Now I feel like a failure. While I have lost sleep thinking about what my options were, I have also been trying to think of a way for us to be able to get an Apex. I also feel very stunned and hurt because this is happening to me. Braille has been a huge part of my life, whether I'm in school or not. Now that I don't have access to it, I feel

lost. That's my one way of learning, communicating and reading. It's also my way of understanding and developing. Without Braille there is no more me. It devastates me to know that now my dreams are gone and unreachable.

Braille has been a part of my life since I was 6 months old. A lot of people say that there lives depend on their computers and devices. For me that phrase takes on a whole new meaning because if I don't have a computer there is no going to a store such as Radio Shack and get another one. If you take away a kids computer they will be mad, but they can still take notes the old fashion way. My paper and pencil cost thousands of dollars. As you can see it's not as easy for me to live without my computer, as it may be for someone else. I'm not as confident as I use to be. Now I feel like I cannot do anything because my dreams of college and teaching have been derailed because I do not have a working functional piece of equipment.

Braille has undergone

some major changes this year. Every country has it's own standard of Braille, this includes English speaking countries such as the US and the UK. Our standard was called English Braille American Edition or EBAE. However, starting in January of this year the Braille authority of North America or BANA implemented a new standard called UEB or Unified English Braille. This is one of the major changes that has occurred throughout braille's two hundred year history. Some changes that were implemented include, the elimination of 9 contractions such as the "ation" contraction, the elimination of the "dd" contraction, new punctuation being added such as a bolded line or passage and a change of the parenthesis symbol. As a result, one of the things I have to do in preparation for the future is learn this new standard of Braille. The Hadley State School for the Blind offers a free course to familiarize Braille readers with the standard. However, this course is only available online. The

Apex can support UEB and it will allow me to learn this new Braille code and become proficient in reading and writing with UEB. Having the Apex will allow me to see and learn how this new standard is implemented. This will make me fall behind because from now on everything from assignments to the latest addition of textbooks will be translated in UEB.

What I want is college and a teaching degree with a job. What I do not want is to have to depend on government welfare or to have to get a low or minimum wage job. I want more from life! Please help me have the chance and the ability to earn what I want and deserve by ruling in my favor and letting me have my BrailleNote Apex back!

Thank You, Dawn Bilpuch

We can be contacted at this email address or our home address: 1800 South Forest Hill Rd. Troy, Ohio 45373.

*Sincerely,
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Teen Honors Grandfather Through Honor Flight Trip

“It was the most emotional flag ceremony I’ve ever done,” said Honor Flight Dayton’s Kelly Cox of her experience in D.C. late last month.

While Cox has conducted countless flag ceremonies during Honor Flight trips, the most recent instance resonated with her deeply, as she was using the flag bequeathed to Army veteran Arlin Martin’s family at his funeral just one month ago. Martin, who was scheduled to travel with Honor Flight Dayton this season, tragically did not make the trip, as he passed away on May 2, just a few weeks shy of his flight.

Martin’s grandson Cameron Martin, 17, of Tipp City initiated his grandfather’s participation in the Honor Flight experience, completing all the required paperwork, even volunteering to go as his guardian. The two were originally slated to go on the April trip, but the elder Martin’s health concerns forced them to reschedule for the May flight.

Cameron said that after his grandfather’s passing, he didn’t think he wanted to keep his seat on the May 28 flight, but a call from Honor Flight Dayton President James Salamon quickly forced him to reconsider.

“I kind of didn’t want to go, but they found out that grandpa had a military (funeral) service and wanted to use his flag,” said Cameron.

Cox added that “it didn’t take him very long to say yes,” to Salamon’s offer of using Martin’s flag in their ceremony, which takes place on each trip in honor of the fallen. She said the flag ceremonies are always conducted using the flag from a fallen serviceman’s funeral, and serve to honor not only that individual, but all the soldiers who will never get to see their memorials erected in their honor in the nation’s capital.

“We always take a flag for the ceremony and felt that using this one would be perfect,” said Cox.

During the flag ceremony, Cox said Cameron chose a World War Two veteran to accompany him in placing his grandfather’s honored flag in a wheelchair so that it could be ceremoniously paraded before the group. She noted that the World War Two veteran who accompanied Cameron had been sitting in a wheelchair the whole time before the ceremony, but that he was so moved by the experience that he stood up and walked with Cameron.

Arlin Martin moved to the Dayton area in 1949 after being discharged from the military. He served in the Army in Augsburg, Germany from 1951 to 1953 as a personnel clerk and administrative officer. He



also entered Korea just as the Korean Conflict was ending. Originally from Hazard, Kentucky, Arlin lived in Tipp City for the past 50 years after coming to the area to work as a pump designer for the Duriron company in Dayton.

He was married to his wife Rose Ann for 59 years and together they raised four children, all of whom graduated from Tipp City Schools.

Cox said the next Honor Flight Dayton trip is scheduled for November, as for the first time

in the organization’s history, they are faced with unfunded flights. She explained that the switch to chartered flights allows more veterans to go at once, but it makes the group’s fundraising efforts more difficult to keep up, as the chartered flights accommodate nearly twice the amount of veterans as commercial flights.

To register for or donate to Honor Flight Dayton, visit www.honor-flightdayton.org, or reach out to volunteers via the Honor Flight Dayton Facebook page.



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