

Miami County Fair is Just Around the Corner!

By Nancy Bowman

Entries are up for the 2015 version of the Miami County Fair, where officials promise visitors will find some old favorites along with new adventures.

Fair visitors Aug. 14-20 should notice improvements to facilities including the Junior Fair Building and the Merchants Building, said Jill Wright, fair secretary/manager.



Fair Manager Jill Wright

The fair always opens on the second Friday of August, meaning this year's activities start a little later thanks to how

the calendar falls, Wright explained.

"It's just fun, family entertainment," Mike Jess, fair board president, said of the annual fair. The \$5 daily admission "hasn't been raised in years," he added.

Once on the grounds, visitors will find the return of traditional food items along with a few new ones such as a doughnut trailer, grilled cheese sandwiches and

as well as those for the art and horticulture hall, which Wright said, "has really taken off." The art hall features works such as sewing, baked goods, scrap booking and many others.

Jess attributed some increase to "going back to the old way of entering before the fair instead of day of." The day of set up "created too long of lines for people to get their stuff checked in," he said.

Among the new entertainment at this year's fair will be a Marvelous Mutts show, featuring dogs doing tricks, and the human tractor pull scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 16. In the pull, eight teams will compete using a rope hooked to a tractor. Teams will pull for distance and speed, Jess said.

Other entertainment will include the Aug. 14 truck and tractor pull and harness racing will be offered Monday, Aug. 17, and Tuesday, Aug. 18.

With the Ohio Department of Agriculture ban on all live bird exhibitions



Preparing a barn at the Miami County Fair

at this year's fairs, the local agricultural society asked kids with poultry projects to create a poster display to explain the avian flu for fair visitors.

"There will be no poultry on the fairgrounds. The only poultry here will be if you see a stuffed one," Jess said.

Improvements at the fairgrounds include new windows, lighting and other features in the Junior Fair Building, new electric in the Merchants Building and painting at the stadium.

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New Workout Comes to Town

By Mike Woody

The workout most quickly rising in popularity and spreading all across the nation is Barre, taught locally at five different locations by Brandy Ulbrich. Originated by a ballerina, many of the moves in Barre are based on classic ballet positions and it's named after the ballet barre. However, the class has morphed from a class for dancers into a top choice for devoted workout fiends.

One option for anyone interested in Barre are the classes Ulbrich leads at the Robinson Branch of the YMCA on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m.

It's a class that Ulbrich really appreciates for the dedication everyone shows. "There's nobody who comes because they are bored. They are all in good shape and come for a workout," she said.

A workout is what they get as Barre focuses on the smaller muscle groups of the core, arms, and legs. It's low impact, without any jumping around, but uses small movements in often static positions. The method is highly efficient as it allows for two to four movements at once, such as holding, pulsing, and stressing. "We get each muscle group to the point

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Record Number of Election Petitions Invalidated

By Nancy Bowman

Miami County's Board of Elections invalidated around 30 candidate petitions for the November ballot including many from incumbents, late last week saying requirements for filing were not met.

Bev Kendall, elections director, said the list of petitions the board had to invalidate was the longest she has seen in 17 years with the elections office.

"I've never seen this many ... mistakes like this," said board Chairman Kelly Gillis before the board's vote Aug. 7.

Board member Jose Lopez described many of the mistakes as "elementary."

Petitions invalidated included both candidates filing for mayor of the village of Pleasant Hill and two of eight candidates for the Tipp City Board of Education.

The petitions were from across the county for positions such as township fiscal officer and trustee, boards of education and village councils.

The list of petitions invalidated included the follow reasons for rejections: circulator statement not completed; insufficient

signatures; nominating petition not completed; statement of candidacy dated after signatures collected; not dated; and not signed.

The filing deadline was Wednesday, Aug. 5, except for cities/villages with charter forms of government. The filing deadlines for councils in Tipp City, Piqua and West Milton is later this month. The board will review those candidate petitions after that deadline.

The board voted to validate the petitions of around 60 other candidates.

In Troy, incumbent Doug Trostle and Michael Ham were certified as candidates for two full terms on the Board of Education. The petitions of incumbent David Heffner were invalidated for having an insufficient number of signatures.

Tom Kleptz, appointed by the board this summer to fill the seat held by Stephen Lucas, who resigned, filed petitions to run for the balance of that term through 2017.

The remaining two school board seats – held

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Festival of Nations Coming Saturday

By Nancy Bowman

Troy's Annual Festival of Nations will bring an international flavor to the Great Miami River levee Saturday, Aug. 15, from 2-8 p.m.

Brock and Leyla Heath are co-chairing this year's festival, the 22nd edition.

"This is definitely family-oriented and anyone who is interested in experiencing a taste of cultures from around the world should plan to stop by," Brock Heath said. "It really is a great time."

This year's featured country will be China, continuing a tradition of putting the spotlight on one country each year.

More than 20 countries will be represented with many offering traditional food for purchase and/or cultural displays. Among the countries: Argentina, India, Honduras, France, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Germany, Japan, Peru and Ukraine.

Entertainment will be offered throughout the event. Among participants scheduled are

The main stage will feature continuous entertainment including a group of Peruvian dancers from Cincinnati, Argentine tango dancers, Zumba and Scottish folk dancers. A traditional Chinese dance also will

be featured. A parade of nations will be held around 4 p.m. and a children's parade will get under way around 5 p.m.

The first festival was organized by local residents including Ruth Jenkins, the wife of then Troy Mayor Pete Jenkins, under the umbrella of the Mayor's International Council. The Festival of Nations Committee continues the tradition with support of the City of Troy Mayor's Council, Heath said.

The festival recognizes and celebrates the Troy area's cultural diversity.

There is no admission to the festival. For more information, visit www.troyfestivalofnations.com.

This weekend also is the annual Troy Mayors' Concert. This year's theme, in conjunction with the 150th anniversary of the Lincoln assassination, is "Lincoln and Liberty: Music of the Civil War Era."

Music will be by the Dayton Philharmonic Concert Band and Festival Chorus with vocalists Rachael Boezi and Erikk Hood. The concert will be held Sunday, Aug. 16, at 7 p.m. on Prouty Plaza downtown. The rain location will be Hobart Arena.

Loan Sought for Gas Station Reuse

By Nancy Bowman

A Troy city Small Business Development loan committee wants more information from the operators of the Duck Wagon food truck and catering before voting on a \$34,000 loan requested to help convert a long-vacant West Market Street gas station into an ice cream, snowball and food business.

The committee met Friday, Aug. 7, to discuss the requested three-year loan with business owners Jenni and Donald Butler of JD Food on the Go LLC. They said a self-funded project second phase would include opening a larger part of the building as an arcade/activities area for kids.

Donald Butler gave a detailed description of the decision to pursue the expansion of their more than three-year-old business to the 100 W. Market St. property that previously was a BP station. It has been closed since 2007.

Butler said he researched the reuse of the property with building, fire and environmental officials, learning three underground tanks are not a problem and can remain if the site is leased. If it were sold, regulations

would require removal, he said.

Donald Butler said they like the prospects of the property for their business.

"We're the only ones who want it," he said.

The project first phase is almost complete and would offer customers 16 flavors of hand-scooped ice cream and the snowball shaped ice. Food would be added fairly soon. The business would be seasonal.

The loan proposal is for 3 percent interest with collateral from the business assets.

Loan Committee Chairman Russ Thayer said he was not comfortable with the numbers provided. He asked for more detail including a formal business plan.

Other committee members also said at least a simple business plan was necessary.

Patrick Titterington, city service and safety director, said he understood the loan program provides "gap" funding for projects and the goal of the applicants was to turn a blighted property into something productive.

"We need a level of comfort so we don't set you guys up for failure," Titterington said.

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TROY AREA SHERIFF REPORTS

Tuesday, August 4

11:33 a.m. – A deputy was following a vehicle driven by a male who fit the description of a male who was stopped on July 28 for driving under suspension. A traffic stop was initiated and the driver was cited for driving under suspension. The vehicle was secured and left at the scene and the driver walked home.

11:52 a.m. – Traffic stop on I-75 at the 78 mile marker. While speaking to the driver, the deputy could detect the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. The driver was not able to provide a valid driver's license. He said that he was smoking marijuana in the vehicle earlier. A search was conducted but nothing illegal was found. The driver was cited for no operator's license.

Wednesday, August 5

12:13 p.m. – Traffic stop on R.t 41 at Eldean Rd. The driver was arrested on drug possession and paraphernalia charges.

Thursday, August 6

6:29 p.m. – To Horseshoe Bend Rd. for a report of a domestic disturbance. A man reported that he and his wife were separating and were verbally arguing. He said that there were no threats or

Bowen Trial Ends in Mistrial

Miami County prosecutors said they'd pursue a second trial for Frank Bowen of rural Tipp City in the October death of Joseph Graley III, a friend who opened his house to a homeless Bowen.

A Miami County jury deliberated around 14 hours over three days in county Common Pleas Court before telling Judge Christopher Gee on Aug. 4 it would not be able to reach agreement on charges of murder, gross abuse of a corpse and tampering with evidence against Bowen.

Gee declared a mistrial on the three charges and said a scheduling conference to determine the next steps in the case would be held with prosecutors and defense lawyers Aug. 24.

The jury reached a verdict on one charge of safe-cracking in which Bowen was accused of prying open safe Graley kept in the bedroom of a Scarff Road, Bethel Township, money. Drugs, guns and money were among items witnesses testified they had seen in the safe.

The judge deferred sentencing on the safe-cracking charge. Bowen remains in the Miami County Jail.

“We’re going to regroup, we’re going to set this thing for trial and we’re going to do it again,” county Prosecutor Tony Kendell said after the verdict.

He and Janna Parker, assistant prosecutor, met with Graley’s family and friends after the verdicts. “They know it’s not over yet,” Kendell said.

The family and friends chose not to comment at this time.

Public defenders Steve Layman and Steve King represented Bowen. King said that because the case technically is pending it would not be appropriate to comment at this point.

The body of Graley, 31, was found Oct. 23 under brush in the backyard of his home. He had been reported missing to the sheriff’s office the previous day.

During the trial, investigators said Graley died of blunt force trauma to the head and neck. Prosecutors said a sledgehammer found in a wooded area behind the house with the DNA of both Graley and Bowen was the murder weapon.

Bowen, 25, formerly of the Tipp City area, returned to the county in late September from

Deputies Continue Enforcing Sex Offender Laws

Two recent apprehensions have been made

Roman L. Jacklin: Upon receiving an anonymous tip in mid-March, 2015 that Jacklin was a convicted sex offender residing in the Troy area and not registering as required by law, an investigation was opened. Upon looking into Jacklin’s past it was discovered that he was convicted in 1995 of “Felony Attempted Sexual Abuse” in Maricopa County, Arizona which carries a lifetime registration requirement wherever he resides. Jacklin’s criminal history also shows over 30 arrests and convictions in Arizona, Utah, and Colorado for multiple counts of drug possession, forgery, fraud, assault, possessing stolen vehicles, and thefts. Also, in Arizona in 2000 and Utah in 2014 charges were filed and warrants issued for

failing to register as a sex offender. There was also a federal conviction for “Bank Fraud” out of California that gave him a 33 month sentence in a federal penitentiary. After compiling all of this information a charge was filed and a warrant was issued on April 6, 2015. Jacklin was quickly apprehended on April 7, 2015. Jacklin was found to have moved into Miami County in January of 2015 (if not earlier) and never came to the Miami County Sheriff’s Office to register as required. He was convicted in Miami County Common Pleas court on July 27, 2015 for failing to register as a sex offender and was sentenced to six months in prison.

Jason A. Perkins: Jason Perkins was originally convicted of “Felony Corruption

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Trib BRIEFS

Man sentenced in bank robbery

A Troy man who pleaded guilty to felony robbery and misdemeanor making a false alarm in a Feb. 18 hold up of the Main Source Bank on South Market Street was sentenced Monday, Aug. 10, to 30 months in prison.

Brian J. Feltner, 40, made the pleas July 9 in Miami County Common Pleas Court. He was accused of calling 9-1-1 before the robbery, saying someone had a gun at Walmart. Several minutes later, he robbed the bank on the other side of town and then left on foot. No weapon was seen and no one was injured, Troy police said.

Feltner declined moment before sentencing.

Judge Jeannine Pratt rejected a joint sentencing recommendation of 18 months by prosecutors and defense lawyer John Herndon.

She pointed to lack of remorse by Feltner and his extensive criminal record. She sentenced him to 30 months for robbery and six months for making a false alarm. The sentences will be served concurrently.

Herndon objected to the sentence, asking Pratt to allow Feltner to withdraw his plea and take the case to a trial. Pratt said it was too late in the process to ask to withdraw the plea.

Feltner also was ordered to pay restitution of \$4,883 to the bank.

An appeal can be filed by Feltner.

Deputies on hand during hospitalization

The Miami County Sheriff’s Office spent around \$3,850 to have a deputy stationed 24 hours a day at the room of Hope Earnshaw-York of Tipp City while she was hospitalized in late July to deliver a child.

Earnshaw-York, 22, has been jailed since her early June following arrest on a warrant for possession of heroin and subsequent indictments for receiving stolen property, gross abuse of a corpse and tampering with evidence. She has pleaded not guilty.

The latter charges involved her alleged involvement in the death of her grandfather William York Sr., 88, of Tipp City. Richard Terrell, 35, formerly of Troy, is charged with William York’s murder.

Common Pleas Court Judge Chris-

topher Gee ordered the stationing of a deputy with Earnshaw-York for security. He released Earnshaw-York on medical furlough, according to court documents.

Sheriff’s Chief Deputy Dave Duchak said Earnshaw-York was hospitalized 4.5 days. The amount spent was based on both regular deputy pay and overtime, when necessary, Duchak said.

Committee recommends more pay

Troy City Council will be asked to approve salary increases for elected officials including mayor and council.

Council’s personnel committee Aug. 6 was told salaries for elected positions cannot become effective during a current term of office. New terms start Jan. 1 for the positions of mayor, auditor, law director, council president and council members. Any new salaries OK’d by council would be effective Jan. 1, 2016. The proposal includes increases each year of the next terms.

The term of city treasurer runs through 2017, meaning any increase for that job would not be effective until 2018.

The proposed pay increases were based on increases approved for city employees from 2012-2015.

The salary increases to be proposed to council by the committee are:

- Mayor, now \$21,519; by 2019, \$23,580
- Auditor, now \$55,341; by 2019 \$60,640
- Law Director, now \$55,341; by 2019, \$60,640
- President Council, now \$8,195; by 2019, \$8,980
- Council, now \$7,649; by 2019, \$8,382
- Treasurer, \$4,917; by 2021, \$5,375.

Judge rules on witness competency

A Miami County judge ruled Aug. 4 that two of three witnesses whose competency to testify in the upcoming trial of a Piqua man charged with rape was challenged are competent to give testimony.

Common Pleas Court Judge Christopher Gee ruled a third witness was not competent to testify in the trial of Harry Reedy, 58, of Piqua. He is accused with felony rape and kidnapping in an alleged June 27, 2014, incident involving a special needs adult.

In making the determination, the judge questioned each potential witness individually to gauge their ability to receive accurate impressions of fact or to observe acts and recollect those observations, the ability to communicate what they observed and their appreciation of their responsibility to tell the truth.

Reedy, who has pleaded not guilty, is scheduled for a trial before Gee later this month.



Brian J. Feltner



Area Property Transfers

| Property | Address | Date | Buyer | Seller | Price |
|---------------------|---------|------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1450 CORNISH RD | | 7/30 | SWEENEY ROGER & ANN | LULFS DAVID & LINDA | \$129,000.00 |
| 411 ARMAND DR | | 7/31 | CARGILL MICHAEL L | CARGILL LEVOYD | \$0.00 |
| 2710 MEADOWPOINT DR | | 7/31 | HOWELL ROBB F III | HARLOW FRANK D & HOLLY L | \$375,000.00 |
| 1130 SCOTT ST | | 7/31 | ALSIP TRICIA LEE | BAUER KELLY & NATHAN | \$89,500.00 |
| SCOTT ST | | 7/31 | ALSIP TRICIA LEE | BAUER KELLY & NATHAN | \$89,500.00 |
| 1236 HERITAGE DR | | 7/31 | MCCARTYVILLE PROPERTIES LLC | O'KEEFFE L MICHAEL | \$113,500.00 |
| 1616 GRAY HAWK CT | | 7/31 | DAVIS CAROLYN J | NVR INC | \$208,800.00 |
| 923 KENT LN | | 7/31 | PARSONS RICHARD & SUSAN M | HATHAWAY DAVID A (TOD) | \$6,000.00 |
| 538 PETERS AVE | | 8/3 | BLEVINS NANCY L | HARLOW BUILDERS INC | \$195,000.00 |
| 2846 SOUTHSIDE DR | | 8/3 | HUNT THOMAS G & MARGARET A | GERLACH JOHN G & AMY K | \$174,900.00 |
| 2639 SHADY TREE DR | | 8/3 | POTTS DEREK L & AMY C | DODD CUSTOM BUILDERS LLC | \$340,000.00 |
| 10 COLONY PARK DR | | 8/3 | BRANDEWIE MELISSA A & ROBIN R | SANCHEZ REARDON RANDAL E & ROBIN R | \$92,500.00 |
| 10 COLONY PARK DR | | 8/3 | BRANDEWIE MELISSA A | BRANDEWIE MELISSA A & ROBIN R | \$92,500.00 |
| 1257 WATERBURY PL | | 8/3 | CHRISTIAN MARY A (TRUSTEE) | CRUEA PAUL E | \$115,000.00 |
| 1131 POND VIEW DR | | 8/3 | KAUFMAN JOSEPH P & SHANNON | HARLOW BUILDERS INC | \$305,000.00 |
| 1302 COVENT RD | | 8/3 | SCOTT JAMES W & KIMBERLY A | FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSN | \$0.00 |
| 1139 RIDGE | | 8/3 | BOYER JEFFREY L | STEGEMANN DEBORAH A | \$104,900.00 |
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Rachael Andrew Boezi

Rachael is a choir member and frequent soloist at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Dayton where she also directs a children's choir. She works at the Troy Hayner Cultural Center and lives in Troy, OH with her husband and three children.

Baritone Errik M. Hood, a Dayton, Ohio native, has appeared professionally with Madison Opera, Dayton Opera, Cincinnati Opera, Opera Project Columbus, Chautauqua Opera, and Opera New Jersey, as well as with the Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra, Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra, Miami Valley Symphony Orchestra, Gallion Community Orchestra, Yellow Springs Community Orchestra, Capriccio Vocal Ensemble, Bach Society of Dayton, and with resident orchestras of Northwestern University, The Ohio State University, Wright State University,

and Northern Kentucky University.

His recent operatic engagements include: Melchior in Amahl and the Night Visitors (Menotti), Simone in Puccini's Gianni Schicchi, Escamillo in Carmen (Bizet, abridged), Cardinal/Priest in Galileo Galilei (Phillip Glass), Ford in Falstaff (Verdi), and Figaro in both John Corgillano's The Ghosts of Versailles and Mozart's Le Nozze di Figaro. Recent concert engagements include: Judas Maccabaeus (Handel), German Requiem (Brahms), Petite Messe Solenne (Rossini), Messe di Gloria (Puccini), Te Deum (Bruckner), Kindertotenlieder (Mahler), and Messiah (Handel).

Mr. Hood holds a Bachelor of Music from Wright State University, a Master of Music from The Bienen School of Music of Northwestern University, and is a doctoral candidate at The Ohio State University. Mr. Hood has taught voice at Northern Kentucky University, Wright State University, The Ohio State University, Northwestern University, and is currently on the faculty of the University of Dayton.

The theme for the 2015 Troy Mayors' Concert is Lincoln and Liberty: Music of the Civil War Era. As this year marks the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War and the assassination of Lincoln, and the Sculptures on the Square is featuring Return Visit, the bronze sculpture of Abraham Lincoln, it is appropriate that the music of that era be highlighted and brought to the downtown Troy stage.

The concert is set for Sunday evening, August 16, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. on Prouty Plaza in downtown Troy, with the rain location set at Hobart Arena. This promises to be a memorable event that you will not want to miss!

Miami County Fair

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Jess said the agricultural society continues to increase use of the fairgrounds year 'round. A successful fundraiser for the society, organizers of the fair, was a food truck rally in May. The rally will return in 2016 on May 21, he said.

Fair leaders also toured the fairgrounds earlier this summer with the county commissioners. "The biggest thing we

pointed out, and they are working with people on, is alleviating the possibility of flooding again," Jess said.

The fairground has been flooded in the past with a major problem with standing water on the property. "There are things that can be done to help the water get out of here quicker so it doesn't sit around the barns for days," he said

Going to the Miami County Fair

When: Aug. 14-20

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2015 STADIUM EVENTS

Aug. 14, 7 p.m.: Truck and Tractor Pull

Aug. 15, 7 p.m.: Dallas Smith in concert with Clare Dunn

Aug. 16, Noon: Human Tractor Pull

Aug. 16, 7 p.m.: Livestock Scramble

Aug. 17: 6:30 p.m.: Harness Racing

Aug. 18, 6:30 p.m.: Harness Racing

Aug. 19, 5:30 p.m.: Veterans Ceremony and Band Spectacular

Aug. 20, 7 p.m.: Tug A Truck Contest

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Rotary Sponsors Summer Camp at Brukner

School is still a few weeks away but, for 16 children from Garden Manor, combining summer fun and learning new things was easy at a week-long camp at Brukner Nature Center offered August 3-7, 2015. Thanks to the support of Troy Rotary, the children, ages 6-11, had hands-on education to understand the importance of wildlife and wild places. Throughout the week, they spent time learning about preservation and conservation by meeting wildlife in their own habitat.

Now in its third year,



Rotarians provided transportation to and from the center for the campers each day where they enjoyed breakfast and healthy snacks. After spending hours filled with fun activities at the center, the children took home butterfly nets, field guides, crafts, bug jars, a special camp journal and a commemorative T-shirt. Having the right equip-

ment to explore the great outdoors was an important part of the experience, so each child received a pair of Crocs for wading in the creek. Every camper also received a new pair of athletic shoes and socks they can wear back to school later this month, all provided through the Rotarians' support. Located at 5995 Horseshoe Bend Road in Troy, Brukner Nature Center offers various programs throughout the year, and the public is always welcome. Members enjoy free admission every day, and admission for nonmembers is \$2.50 per person or \$10 per family most days, payable by cash or check. Admission is free on Sundays. To learn more about Brukner Nature Center, visit www.bruknernaturecenter.com.

Troy Rotary works in partnership with other local organizations to sponsor activities and programs, including WACO Air Museum, Heywood Elementary School and Lincoln Community Center. Club members, and the Troy Rotary Foundation, support several projects each year. Together, they distributed over \$16,000 in scholarships, program support and community aid in 2014-15. The Troy Rotary Club is a member-involved, goal-oriented service club focused on socio/economic issues that have an impact both locally and internationally. Follow their activities on Facebook at Troy Rotary Club. To learn more about membership, visit their Web site at www.troyohi-rotary.org.



Elizabeth School Reunion Coming

The Elizabeth Township School will hold a reunion on Sunday, September 13 at 1:00 p.m. at the Elizabeth Township Community Center, 5760 Walnut Grove Rd.

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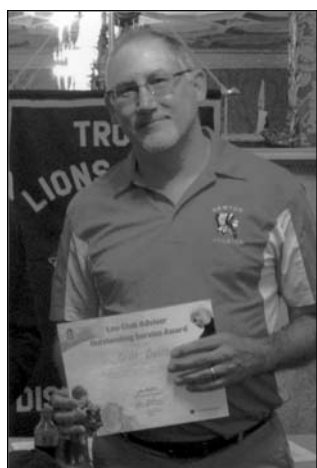
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Lion Scott Davis Honored

Scott Davis, a teacher at Newton High School and a member of the Troy Lions Club, was honored for service performed as the advisor of the Newton Leo Club. A Leo Club is the youth organizational branch of Lions Clubs International. Davis received a "Leo Club Advisor Outstanding Service Award" in front of the local Lions at a recent meeting for his dual-service to these two organizations. The Newton Leo Club is sponsored by the Lions Club in Troy and operates out of Newton High School in Pleasant Hill, where Davis teaches math. Leo clubs encourage youths to develop leadership skills and qualities by participating in social services activities. The members of the Newton club traditionally perform voluntary activities at St Patrick's soup kitchen, the Pleasant Hill food pantry, the Salvation Army's toy drive, Newton Elementary School Easter egg hunt and a Halloween safety program. The Leo motto is Leadership-Experience-Opportunity. Club members raise money by participating in fund-raising events

held jointly with the Troy Lions Club, such as their concession booth at the local Strawberry Festival. Davis has been with the Leo club since its beginning in 2002. The Newton Leo Club has had an average of 30 members in grades 9 through 12.

The Troy Lions Club is a non-profit community service organization



serving Troy, Covington, Pleasant Hill, Piqua, Tipp City, and surrounding areas of Miami County since 1942. Their primary mission is vision health. For more information see the Lions website at www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/Troy_OH or call (937) 335-7345.

Barre Class

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of exhaustion and then stretch it out some more," said Ulbrich.

To participate in a Barre class, no leotards or ballet flats are required as the only equipment needed is a mat, a pair of light hand weights (two to three pounds), resistance bands, and a small exercise ball. The ball is typically used to help engage the leg muscles. The room at the Robinson Y does not have a ballet barre, but chairs are used as a replacement.

Those who take Barre are usually looking to tone-up and lengthen their muscles. Benefits also include improved postural alignment, core strength, enhanced mobility and better balance. All age groups participate as does both men and women. "It's more for toning, not bulking," said Ulbrich. "Barre is used

as an additional class to your typical workout regime. It's not the only thing you do."

At first look Barre may look easy, but it's not and the sore muscles of the participants serves as proof. Many who take Barre agree that it's the hardest exercise class they have ever taken.

It was two years ago when a friend of Ulbrich's from Los Angeles asked here where the Barre classes in the area were. The lack of available classes inspired Ulbrich to obtain her certification to instruct, without having to have her own Studio. In addition to the Robinson Y, Ulbrich also leads Barre at Salsa City in Troy, Mondays at 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. & Saturdays at 8 to 9 a.m.; Balance Yoga in Piqua, the Piqua Y and at Fit 2B Me in Tipp City.



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Obituaries

George Stanley Donaghy

George Stanley Donaghy, age 95 of Troy passed away at 5:30 P.M. on Friday, August 7, 2015 at his residence. He was born March 15, 1920 in Wheeling, West Virginia to the late John and Hazel (Gorby) Donaghy.



He married Pauline Lexie (Conley) Donaghy in 1954 and she preceded him in death on March 10, 2009.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law Steve and Kathy Donaghy of Troy, step-grandsons Nicholas Joseph (Cassie) Tatlock of Crothersville, IN., Jeffrey Dean Tatlock of Crothersville, IN, step-great-grandchildren Joseph, Taylor, Jeffrey Ian, Hannah and Triston, and a sister Bertha Taylor of Columbus.

He was also preceded in death by sisters Mary Edna Clark and Naomi

Ruth Harmon.

George served his country proudly in the Army Air Corp. during WW II, was a 1938 graduate of Martins Ferry High School and retired in 1983 from WPAFB as an Aircraft Mechanic after 37 years of service.

He was a member of Michael L. Finnell # 711 F & AM Lodge of Fairborn, member of Freewill Baptist Church of Fairborn and former member of American Legion and VFW of Fairborn.

Funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy with Rev. Anthony Conley officiating. Interment to follow at Glen Haven Memorial Gardens, New Carlisle with Military Honors by Veteran's Memorial Honor Guard of Troy at graveside. Friends may call on Tuesday from 5:00-7:00 at the funeral home.

Contributions may be made to Hospice of Miami County, P.O. Box 502, Troy, Ohio 45373.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com

Alice M. Pearson

Alice M. Pearson, age 74, of Troy, OH passed away on July 17, 2015 at the Hospice of Miami County Inpatient Unit. She was born on April 23, 1941 in West Charleston, OH to the late Eugene A. and Miriam I. (Tucker) Pearson.



Alice is survived by her sister-in-law: Mary J. Pearson of Troy and her three nieces: Angela Kay

Hutchinson of Sevierville, TN; Rebecca Lynn Griswold of Troy; and Trudy Irene Angel of Troy and one nephew: Mark Allen Pearson of Hamlet, NC and several great nieces and great nephews. In addition to her parents, Alice was preceded in death by her brother: Neil A. Pearson.

Alice was a member of the Troy Baptist Temple. She was formerly employed with PMI (Pre-mark International) in Troy.

A graveside service esd held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at the Maple Hill Cemetery in Tipp City, OH with the Rev. David Thomasson officiating.

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

Eugene C. Shook

Eugene C. Shook, age 96 of Troy passed away at 3:06 P.M. on Saturday, August 8, 2015 at Troy Care and Rehabilitation Center, Troy. He was born on December 7, 1918 in Lostcreek Township, Ohio to the late William N. and Iva Ellen (Mumford) Shook.



He was preceded in death by his wife Gathel C. Shook (Loop) in 1985 and three brothers Gar-nard, Paul, and Victor.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Connie and Paul Knauff of Valparaiso, Indiana, grandchildren Laurie (Brian) Swallow, Kyle (Meghan) Knauff, Lisa (Patrick) Thomas, and great-granddaughter Eloise Knauff, brother and sister-in-law Robert and Barbara Shook of Troy.

Eugene was a graduate of Troy High School and Miami University. He worked at Aero Products in Vandalia, Ohio from 1941-1961 and retired as a manager at Troy Sun-shade in 1982. He was the oldest living member of the First Presbyterian Church, Troy, was a lifetime member of 74

years of the Troy Elks #833 where he served as Exalted Ruler in 1970 and served many years as Secretary of Elks and in 1994 was appointed District Deputy of the Elks Lodge and was a 57 year member of the Troy Kiwanis Club. Eugene's passion was serving the community as Santa Claus for more than 50 years.

ugene also served on the Riverside School Board of Directors, served as President of the Children's International Village Organization, and was a charter member of the Troy Jaycees. He received the Community Service Award from the Troy Jaycees in 1984, and he served the Troy Strawberry Festival as Honorary Grand Marshall in 1977.

Funeral service will be held at 11:00a.m. on Friday, August 14, 2015 at the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Dr. Richard Culp officiating. Interment to follow at Riverside Cemetery, Troy. Friends may call on Friday two hours prior to the service (9:00-11:00) A.M. at the church. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Barbara Sharkey Shook Bike Trail Enhancement Fund or to the First Presbyterian Church, Troy. Arrangements have been entrusted to Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com.

Roberta Sue Gearhardt

Roberta Sue Gearhardt, age 63, of Cass-town, OH passed away on Saturday, August 08, 2015 at the Miami Valley Hospital, Dayton.

Bobbi was born on February 20, 1952 in Troy, OH to Joan Charlotte (Minnich) Counts of Troy and the late Robert Marvin Counts. She was married to her husband of 43 years, Paul W. Gearhardt.



In addition to her mother and her husband, Bobbi is survived by her daughter and son-in-law: Cynthia and Mark Rose of St. Paris, OH and son and daughter-in-law: Joshua and Jennie Gearhardt of Piqua, OH; 4 grandchildren: Cael and Allison Rose of St. Paris and Ashlyn and Haley Gearhardt of Piqua; two sisters: Linda Leigh (David) Baehr of Riverside, CA and Carol Ann Counts (partner, Mr. Lynn Davis) of Maple Leaf, Ontario, Canada; one brother: Douglas Allen (Ann Marie) Counts of North Olmsted, OH; one brother-in-law and sister-in-law: David and Carol Pinkerton of Troy; one sister-in-law: Jill Gearhardt of Troy; two aunts: Jeannie Morrett and Nancy (Marvin) Anderson; and numerous cousin, nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Bobbi was a 1970 graduate of Troy High School. She was also a graduate of Community Hospital School of Nursing in Springfield, held a certification as an EMT A from Montgomery County JVS, a certification of EMS Instructor from Upper Valley JVS in Piqua, and a Certificate of Paramedic Studies from Clark State Community College in Springfield. Bobbi achieved an Associate of Science Degree from Edison State Community College in Piqua and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the College of Mt. St. Joseph in Cincinnati. She was a Registered Nurse with a BS in nursing and experience in health care service and management as an educator, consultant, training officer, supervisory nurse, Emergency Medical Services Coordinator and Director of Training systems. Bobbi's professional experience included: Charge Nurse for the CCU at Stouder Memorial Hospital in Troy; Office Nurse at Troy Family Practice and the office of Kenneth Smith, MD

in Troy and ED Staff Nurse, EMS Coordinator and EMS Education Coordinator at Upper Valley Medical Center in Troy. She was also a Volunteer Paramedic, Training Officer and Vice President with Fletcher-Brown Twp in Fletcher; a Volunteer Paramedic with Christiansburg Fire Company; Regional Sales Manager for Southeastern Emergency Equipment; Staff Nurse at Olsten Staffing Agency in Dayton; ED Staff Nurse at Wayne Hospital in Greenville; ED Staff Nurse at Wilson Memorial Hospital in Sidney; EMS Coordinator at Kettering Medical Center in Kettering; Supervisory Nurse and Training Committee member with the Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT) OH, from which she was deployed to Superstorm Sandy 2012, Republican National Convention 2008, Hurricane Ike 2008, Hurricane Katrina 2005, Hurricane Floyd 1999 and the Summer Olympics 1996. Bobbi was also a part of the Department of Emergency Medicine-National Center for Medical Readiness (EMS) at Wright State University; a consultant/educator for Emergency Medical Services (EMS); Clinical Instructor at Hondros College and Director of Training Systems at JXT Applications, Inc. Bobbi was a member of Ohio Association of Emergency Medical service, where she held the offices of President, Second Vice President and served various committee chairmanships. She served as Governor of Ohio appointee to State Board of Emergency Medical Services from 1992-1999. Bobbi was a member of the Cove Spring Church in Troy and the Order of Easter Star Chapter 256. Bobbi's first priority in life was taking care of her family. She dearly loved all her family, especially her children and grandchildren. Her second priority was taking care of anyone who needed care. She dedicated her life to nursing and training and educating emergency personnel.

Services will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, August 13, 2015 at the Baird Funeral Home in Troy with the Rev. Lauren Allen and Pastor Greg Morrow officiating. Interment will follow in the Casstown Cemetery in Casstown. The family will receive friends from 2-8 PM on Wednesday at the Baird Funeral Home, Troy, OH.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christiansburg Fire Department and EMS, 10 West First Street, Christiansburg, OH 45389. Friends may express condolences to the family through www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

Rec Board Reviews Hobart Renovation

By Nancy Bowman

Troy's recreation board Monday, Aug. 10, reviewed plans for the proposed expansion and renovation of Hobart Arena before recommending City Council seek bids on a \$7.35 million project.

The project "will make drastic improvements" to the 1950s venue, Ken Siler, city recreation director, said following the board review and unanimous recommendation to council.

The project design calls for adding more than 26,000 square feet of space to the building including an addition to the north and a new south entrance closest to the bulk of the facility's parking.

The project being designed by MSA Architects of Cincinnati is around 98 percent complete, Siler said.

Work recently with the architects has included paring down the design to get the project within budget, he said. "We feel if we were to cut anything more out of it we wouldn't necessarily be doing the project the right way," he added.

Once bidding is complete and construction under way, architects indicate the work will take 10-12 months to complete, Siler said. The arena would remain in use during much of that time, he said.

Among changes will be more restrooms and concession stands more strategically located through the arena corridor.

"It makes it a much better experience for the patrons and increases the opportunity for the arena to increase revenues," said Marty Hobart, recreation board president.

Siler said the project primary design centered on improving the flow within the arena. Among project goals, he said, were:

- Expanding corridor space;
- Adding a south entrance
- Increasing restroom capacity
- Strategically placed concessions with more offerings
- Multipurpose room and kitchen for catering, activities during arena shows and public rentals
- Making the current main entrance handicapped accessible
- Moving "back of house" operations for concerts and other special events to a true back of house space versus now converting space in the corridor and other arena areas for each event.

The expanded arena space, among other uses, also will help accommodate relocated functions such as offices and storage now under the seating area, said

Jill Rhoades, city engineer. The arena expansion/renovations are part of the city riverfront development project. It also includes a renovated Marina Building at Treasure Island and a Treasure Island Park with amphitheater and other features.

Loan Sought for Gas Station Reuse

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"I think what you are doing is great," Thayer added.

The committee agreed to table the request until the business plan was available. Committee members also requested copies of the lease.

Thayer said the request would be tabled and

another board meeting schedule, possibly within the week, to review the business plan and lease and decide on a loan recommendation.

The committee's recommendation would be forwarded to City Council, which votes on the loans.

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Experienced Singles Players To Lead Troy

By Jim Dabbelt

As the Troy girls' tennis team begins their season this week, coach Mark Goldner has two certainties. First, his singles spots all return talented experienced tennis players, while at doubles, he is hoping they all come together quickly, as the first part of the season will put his Trojans against some stiff competition. "The girls have to be ready to go," he said. "We had to start challenges right away and we had three good days this week. I am still trying to figure our doubles, but we have four spots pretty set right now. The singles players have been playing there so they should be ok, but doubles has only one person back and there are four girls competing for the second doubles team."



Over the summer, the Trojans held open courts once per week, and despite some kids being on vacation and in summer PE, Golder is happy with the work the girls put in. "Some of the girls played in some tournaments," he said. "Hannah (Essick) traveled all the time for tournaments as part of the USTA, plus we had the Freydehl tournament out here, we had a lot of girls in that." "I encouraged them to play as much as possible. Several of them played at the Troy Country Club and Schroeders all summer. For the most part they worked hard at their game." Essick will return at

the first singles spot for Troy, her third year at the top spot.

"She has worked hard over the winter and summer with her USTA tournaments, and I am expecting a really good year," Goldner said. "She played doubled last year and won the sectionals before losing in the district second round."

At second singles will be junior Maggie Hennessey, also her third year at second singles. She was the player to team with Essick last season during the tournament. Returning to singles for her second year is Ashley Bruns, a junior who will compete at third singles for the Trojans. Goldner expects her experience to play a part in her success this season.

"We will be relying on them early in the season until our doubles players settle into their spots," he said.

Playing first doubles will be senior Zoey Scancarello, who played second doubles the last two years. She will likely be teamed with senior Sierra Verstraten.

"Zoey is the only girls I have back at doubles," Goldner said. "Sierra didn't play last year but came back out and showed a lot of improvement."

Four players will battle for the final doubles spot. It will be between juniors Meredith Pruitt, Emma Kazmaier and Jackie Fuller along with freshman Katie Sherrick.

"Every year, our goal is to win the GWOC North and do well in sectionals, qualifying some girls to districts," Goldner said.

Troy plays at Northmont tomorrow night, after playing three games already this week.

Post 43 Finishes Fifth At Legion Regionals

By Jim Dabbelt

Troy opened the regionals with a 7-3 loss to Madison, Wisconsin last week, in a game where a couple of crucial errors cost the Troy squad.

"There were some moments that things went our way, but not very often," Troy coach Frosty Brown said.

Troy got on the board first, as they took advantage of a walk with one out, and

Cody Harsman

knocked in the games' first run with a single.

Madison scored twice in the first, as Chris O'Brien led off with a double, and came into score on a double by Chad Herbst. Andrew Pliner then knocked him in with a single to give the Wisconsin state champs a 2-1 lead. They went up 3-1 in the third before Troy came back.

Zach Kirby delivered with a two run single to tie the game at three for Troy in the top of the fourth, but Madison regained the lead in the bottom of the inning and never looked back, as they knocked off Troy in the opener.

"Chris Heisey pitched and we just couldn't keep the leadoff man off of base," he said. "Jackson Ford also pitched two scoreless innings at the end of the game."

Kirby was the lone Troy batter with two hits.

"We made some mental errors which is uncommon for us," Brown said. "Our pitchers faced

a real good hitting lineup and did the right things."

"Troy bounced back for a 2-1 victory over Rockport, Indiana as Trenton Wood picked up the hard fought win.

Troy scored in the second inning as Ford singled and with two outs, Greg Peffley singled to give Troy a 1-0 lead.

In the third inning, Troy added to their lead



when Wood drove him in with a sacrifice fly.

Wood had a no hitter into the fifth inning, before Spencer Dean tripled and later scored on Tyler Schneider's single.

"We had some fantastic defensive plays through the game, including Harsman making a diving catch to save a run," Brown said. "Peffley also had a diving catch to help support Trenton on the mound."

In the ninth inning, Troy had another defensive gem to save the game when Wood deflected a ball over to Michael Hale, who threw out the runner.

"Troy was eliminated on Friday, when they lost to Elgin 7-2, as they fell behind in the first inning then Elgin secured their win with four runs in the eighth. With their finish, they completed the season as one of the top 50 American Legion teams in the country.

Tipp, Troy Opens Golf Season

The Tippecanoe Girls Golf team was the Champions at the Covington Invitational at Echo Hills Golf Club in Piqua to kick off the high school golf season.

Tori Merrick placed second overall and Ally Chitwood finished ninth. Sammie Rowland, Taylor Hudson, Lydia Stueve and Emily Doll all contributed to help the team bring home the win.

Also last week, the Red Devils also won the CBC pre-season tournament, behind 83 from Merrick.

*Troy placed fifth in

the GWOC pre-season tournament. Troy Moore finished with a 73 to place tied for third on the day, while other Troy scored included Holden Scribner 78, Nate Uhlenbrock 83m Keaton Pfeiffer 92, Tyler Lampbert 93 and Ryan McClurg 88.

The Troy girls also placed fifth overall in the GWOC tournament, as Ali Helman and Natalie Henson each shot 96 to lead Troy. Also, LeeAnn Black fired a 99, Brooke Beeler 102, Hannah Wright 103 and McKenzie Pruitt 111.

Eagles Ready To Challenge Again In 2015

By Jim Dabbelt

Coming off of a 14-2 regular season and a trip to the district finals, the Troy Christian girls' soccer team is gearing up for what they hope is another solid season. Coach Brian Peters knows they lost a lot of firepower off of that team, but has been preparing his team to come back and begin another solid season later this month.

"We started the first full week of June with conditioning and open fields in the evening, and we had pretty good participation," Peters said. "Even though it was all voluntary, we had around 70% of the kids at most of the summer, which is a little lower than the past, but still pretty good. We had great participation from the younger kids, who will be strong in years to come."

Troy Christian played in the Troy Preview last month, and despite a slow start, Peters was impressed with what he saw at the conclusion.

"The first game was probably the worst game

build-up coach instead of a 'kick it and see if we can score', and most of the girls are used to passing and watching, or kicking and running forward, and that's not my style of play. When the seniors ran the open fields, things got better through the summer."

While the backline returns all of their key players, they will be protecting a freshman goal keeper in Kara Salazar, who Peters said has done a great job and as a ton of confidence.

Up front, the Eagles lost a lot of firepower, including All-American Lauren Peters.

"She helped train our strikers all summer long, and as a coach I was spoiled with the players we had," Brian Peters said. "There was little I had to do, now we are going back to the basics how to attack and learn their responsibility. Lauren spent a ton of time with them and it was a bit of a struggle, but they understand the concept and starting to execute them. By mid-season, we will be more in stride."



I have ever coached," he said. "But our last three games was the quickest a team has ever progressed. We played three different formations and had eight different lineups in four games."

"We scrimmaged Shawnee and stuck with the last formation and I was impressed with the ability to adjust, and to make the major changes and execute."

"Our team was un-unified back in the Troy tournament, but things got better. I am more of a possession

Nobody is going to hand the Eagles the league title, something they have owned in the past. Now, they will battle for the gold this season.

"I think if we can be about .600 this year, that would be an accomplishment," he said. "Our goal has always been to win our conference, but now Xenia Christian and Dayton Christian will give us a fight this year. It is open to those three teams, any given team can show up and win."

FBC TROY 5K 2015

We are so excited to be hosting our 5th Annual 5k Run/Walk at First Baptist Church, Troy, Ohio, on Saturday, September 12, 2015!

This year, your **ENTIRE** registration fee will be given to support **TROY'S LINCOLN COMMUNITY CENTER AFTER SCHOOL ALL STARS PROGRAM!**

This program allows all Troy students K-12 the opportunity for extended educational, recreational, and enrichment activities; support in reading, writing, math and science; improvement in student achievement, and expands the cultural base of these young people through innovative programs offered by highly qualified instructors. For more info, visit www.fbctroy.com!

As in years past, the race will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will be followed by refreshments, amazing door prizes and awards – including a **\$50 DOLLAR CASH PRIZE** for the 1st place Male and Female finishers donated by Baird Funeral Home, Troy! The course will begin and end near the church and wind through the beautiful

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Pre-register at www.fbctroy.com or mail registration to First Baptist Church, Attn: 5K, 53 S. Norwich Road, Troy, Ohio 45373. Make checks payable to First Baptist Church.

Day-of registration and packet pick-up will start at 8:30am at the church on race day.

For questions, do not hesitate to call the church office at (937) 339-3602.

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There are 15 churches and charitable organizations enrolled through Thrivent Choice in Troy and Tipp City, including First Lutheran Church, Troy Christian Schools, Partners in Hope, Needy

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Thrivent Financial is represented in the local area for more than 26 years by Matt Buehrer. He has an office at 29 W Main St in Tipp City and can also be reached at 667-8270.

What To Do in Troy

Bookmobile in the Park "Superheroes - Dragonflies"

August 12, 2:00 to 2:45 p.m.
Garbry Big Woods Reserve

The Miami County Park District will host the Troy-Miami County Bookmobile from 2 to 2:45 p.m. on August 12 at Garbry Big Woods Reserve, 6660 Cass-town-Sidney Rd. east of Piqua. In addition to a visit from the Bookmobile, a Park District Ranger will take a hike through the park where participants will learn about Dragonflies and what makes them superheroes. All ages are welcome. Register by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104.

"Cardio" Yoga Classes

August 12, 6:15-7:30 p.m.
YWCA, Piqua

Join Katie Nardecchia for a new 5 week session of "Cardio" Yoga at the YWCA Piqua beginning August 12. Classes will run from 6:15-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights. "Cardio Yoga is vigorous exercise with cardio, strength building, core work, "Asanas" and meditation all wrapped into one. "It's a great mental workout with more calories burnt," said Nardecchia. "Interested students can take both the Monday night Yoga classes and/or the Cardio Yoga class and really get a workout," she added.

"Each class will begin with centering which involves emphasis on the breath. This allows participants to become centered and grounded for the practice," added Nardecchia.

Throughout the class a variety of "asanas," (postures), will be taught and practiced. Some of these postures are seated and some are standing. According to Nardecchia, "The standing postures help us with balance which becomes increasingly important as we get older." Classes end with relaxation which leaves those in the class feeling rejuvenated and most importantly, present in the moment. Students should bring a bath towel, sash and mat to class.

For more information on membership requirements, class fees or registration, stop at the YWCA Piqua at 418 N. Wayne St. or call 937-773-6626.

IH Scout Car Show

August 14-16, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Waco Air Museum

Come enjoy the antique cars & trucks at the site of a grass airstrip. Take the ride of a lifetime in an open air WACO bi-plane. Food, activities & more!

Miami County Fair

August 14-August 20, all day
Miami County Fairgrounds

Celebrating Miami County's rich agricultural heritage, the Miami County Fair is a timeless tradition that provides a little bit of country for well over 100,000 visitors each and every year. This great family favorite consists of a week of competitions, food, entertainment, harness racing, art exhibits, midway rides and much, much more! There is virtually something for everyone to see, enjoy and experience when visiting the Miami County Fair.

Children of all ages have the best time at the fair. Imagine the look of excitement in a child's eyes when they first see the many types of animals paraded proudly at the fair. Cows, goats, chickens, rabbits, horses, pigs and sheep, all on display and waiting for that first blue ribbon or to be labeled the grand champion at the auction. And there's no doubt that a kids favorite fair spot is the Midway with thrill rides, games of chance and our great fair food. It is this wholesome experience that we strive so hard to keep alive.

Downtown Farmer's Market

August 15, 9:00 a.m. to noon
Downtown Troy

Vendors set up on South Cherry street with fresh produce, artisan cheeses, baked goods, eggs, organic milk, maple syrup, flowers, crafts, prepared food and entertainment. Free parking is off of Franklin St. contact Troy Main Street at 339-5455 for more information. The market is made possible through the support of Alvetro Orthodontics, Unity National Bank and a grant from the General Fund of the Troy Foundation.

Music in the Parks "Heart Beat of the Earth"

August 15, 1-4 p.m.
Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Music in the Park "Heart Beat of the Earth" program on August 15 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd south of Tipp City. Participants are invited to listen to the sound of music and nature. Bring a blanket to sit on and a snack to eat. 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.

Festival of Nations

August 15, 2:00-8:00 p.m.
Downtown Troy

The Featured Country in 2015 is CHINA. Residents of Troy, Miami County and beyond will be able to experience and celebrate 15-20 nations and cultures from around the world through interactive booths/displays, food, dance, music, story-telling and arts and crafts. All ages will enjoy learning about various countries which are represented by local residents who want to share their heritage. Colorful tents and booths will create a festive look for the Festival area. Also, there will be multi-cultural entertainment presented on the open-air stage during the entire festival featuring dances, musicians, story-tellers and others. Food from many

different countries is always a highlight of the event each year. Individual delegations prepare authentic, traditional food items representative of their countries.

The event is free and is open to the public—and will include the Parade of Nations at 2 pm. and a children's parade at 5pm.

Dallas Smith Concert

August 15, 7:00 p.m.
Miami County Fairgrounds

The Miami County Agricultural Society and the Troy Foundation is delighted to announce on the evening of Saturday August 15, 2015 an all star line up of country talent.

Hailing from British Columbia, **Dallas Smith** is skyrocketing to the very top of the Country music scene. His 2012 debut album "Jumped Right In" generated 5 singles in the Canadian Hot 100, including the GOLD selling title-track, garnered five CCMA Award nominations and was nominated for Country Album of the Year at the 2013 JUNO Awards. Following a slew of sold out tour dates with Florida Georgia Line and Bob Seger, Smith released 2013's "Tippin' Point EP", making his debut in the U.S. and setting the bar high while representing Canadian Country music's cutting edge sound. Co-written by Florida Georgia Line's Brian Kelley and Tyler Hubbard along with The Cadillac Three's Jaren Johnston.

Clare Dunn was born on a farm in south-east Colorado near the Oklahoma panhandle. Her roots run deep in the heart of Dust Bowl Country. Working cattle, hauling water, driving combines, tractors and eighteen wheelers from a young age all were a part of everyday life. When your closest neighbor is six miles away and many hours are spent behind the wheel of a John Deere Tractor on the family farm, a work ethic becomes ingrained in your soul. During the miles burned up hauling water to cattle, Clare dreamed of creating her own music.

Tickets will be available beginning Saturday April 11th by calling 937-335-7492 or going on line at www.miamicountyohiofair.com or in person at the fair office starting at 9:00 AM. Through the week; the fair office will be open for ticket sales Wednesday through Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM.

Ticket prices are \$ 15.00 stadium and \$ 20.00 track. Gate admission to the Miami County Fair is \$ 5.00 per person age 9 and over.

Dog Social "Hero Dogs"

August 16, 1-3 p.m.
Stillwater Prairie Reserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its monthly Dog Social on August 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Stillwater Prairie Reserve, 9750 St. Rt. 185 north of Covington. If your dog is nice and plays well with others, bring them to the park to take part in "Hero Dogs." This month our special guests will be the Buckeye Search and Rescue Dogs. These animal heroes will demonstrate how they assist with search and rescue operations. Don't miss this fun event! Please remember owners are responsible for their dogs. 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.

Concert - Lincoln & Liberty: Music of the Civil War Era

August 16, 7:00 p.m.

Prouty Plaza

The theme for the 2015 Troy Mayors' Concert is Lincoln and Liberty: Music of the Civil War Era. As this year marks the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War and the assassination of Lincoln, and the Sculptures on the Square is featuring Return Visit, the bronze sculpture of Abraham Lincoln, it is appropriate that the music of that era be highlighted and brought to the downtown Troy stage.

The concert is set for Sunday evening, August 16, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. on Prouty Plaza in downtown Troy, with the rain location set at Hobart Arena. This promises to be a memorable event that you will not want to miss!

The event is free and open to the public, but is entirely dependent on 100% tax-deductible contributions from individuals, corporate sponsors and foundations.

The Dayton Philharmonic Concert Band and Summer Chorus is featuring two notable and outstanding vocalists. Troy's own Rachael Andrew Boezi, a mezzo soprano, has sung professionally in the choruses of the Dayton Opera, Indianapolis Opera, Baltimore Opera, and New Jersey Opera Theatre and with the vocal ensemble, Musica. Rachael studied voice at DePauw University School of Music and in Vienna, Austria at the Hochschule fur Musik.

Rachael is a choir member and frequent soloist at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Dayton where she also directs a children's choir. She works at the Troy Hayner Cultural Center and lives in Troy, OH with her husband and three children.

Baritone Errik M. Hood, a Dayton, Ohio native, has appeared professionally with Madison Opera, Dayton Opera, Cincinnati Opera, Opera Project Columbus, Chautauqua Opera, and Opera New Jersey, as well as with the Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra, Cincinnati Chamber Orchestra, Miami Valley Symphony Orchestra, Gallion Community Orchestra, Yellow Springs Community Orchestra, Capriccio Vocal Ensemble, Bach Society of Dayton, and with resident orchestras of Northwestern University, The Ohio State University, Wright State University, and Northern Kentucky University.

His recent operatic engagements include: Melchior in Amahl and the Night Visitors (Menotti), Simone in Puccini's Gianni Schicchi, Escamillo in Carmen (Bizet, abridged), Cardinal/Priest in Galileo Galilei (Phillip Glass), Ford in Falstaff (Verdi), and Figaro in both John Corgillano's The Ghosts of Versailles and Mozart's Le Nozze di Figaro. Recent concert engagements include: Judas Maccabaeus (Handel), German Requiem (Brahms), Petite Messe Solenne (Rossini), Messe di Gloria (Puccini), Te Deum (Bruckner), Kindertotenlieder (Mahler), and Messiah (Handel).

Mr. Hood holds a Bachelor of Music from Wright State University, a Master of Music from The Bienen School of Music of Northwestern University, and is a doctoral candidate at The Ohio State University. Mr. Hood has taught voice at Northern Kentucky University, Wright State University, The Ohio State University, Northwestern University, and is currently on the faculty of the University of Dayton.

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Concord Trustees Propose Policy Changes

By Bonnie L. McHenry

At the August 4, 2015 meeting of the Concord Township Trustees, the trustees proposed two policy changes to the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual. The first change, an update in the Motor Vehicle Operator section of the handbook, was revised and sent to Chris Englert, Chief Civil Assistant to the Miami County Prosecutor for review. The trustees are waiting for approval before formally adopting the amendment.

In addition, Don Pence, Trustee, asked for samples of "Hold Harmless" agreements for groups using the township building to relieve the township of any harm that may occur during that use.

The trustees also set the date to review the website to ensure that it provides the township residents a website that is easy to use and provides them with easy access to the information they need. Phyllis Moore asked if the new website would provide easy access to the township resolutions. Pence replied that the resolutions are currently on the site but are hard to find. This is the primary reason the trustees want to review the website.

Moreover, Pence reminded the trustees and residents that the Lakeshore Beechwood-Lake-wood Surface Water Review is scheduled for August 11, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. The Miami County Commission, Miami County Engineer's Office, Concord Township Trustees, Neil Rhoades, Road Superintendent, and interested residents will attend. The review will help determine what action if any will be taken to address the water issues.

In new business, Bill Whidden, Trustee proposed the township again participate in the UVMC Occupational Health Flu Vaccine program. The trustees all approved the resolution, which will provide flu vaccinations to employees of the township at a reduced cost.

In addition, the trustees passed a resolution to support Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Tom Mercer supported the action; however, he felt that the Miami County Township Association should provide documentation of all the townships in Miami County's support. September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. The American Childhood Cancer Association works to improve the lives of children living with childhood cancer and their families through advice, support, and assistance.

In the Road Superintendents report, Neil Rhoades noted that several residents in the township have reported standing water issues. Dan Baker, P.E., sized a tile for a driveway on Windmere. Baker and Rhoades plan to meet with the homeowner later this week. In addition, Baker will also examine a driveway on Norbert Drive that the homeowner reports is always wet. Rhoades also received a report that the ditch between Shenandoah Drive and Seneca Drive has developed an island and needs dredged. He will follow up with the Engineer's Office.

In other business, Rhoades reported that he has found four dead trees in the township that need to be removed including an ash on Lodge Road, a sugar maple and ash on Forest Hill and another ash on Peebles. Rhoades secured a quote from Stillwater Tree Service for \$3575 to remove the trees.

Last, Mercer followed up on Moore's complaint regarding yard clippings being blown into the street. Neither Monroe Township nor Concord Township have resolutions regarding grass clipping. Phil Cox, Monroe Township trustee said that Monroe does send constant reminders to residents against the practice.

The next meeting of the Concord Township trustees is scheduled for August 18, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Concord Township Building.

Change of Plans for Class of 1980 Reunion

The party is still on for Saturday, August 29, 2015 for members of the Troy High School Class of 1980 to celebrate their 35th reunion. The fun kicks off at 6:30 p.m. at 3740 W. Monroe-Concord Road in Troy. The BYOB event will include a happy hour, buffet dinner and dancing until midnight. The cost is \$25 per person and registration is required by 20 August 2015. Please send your name, number of people attending and registration payment to: THS Class of 1980, P.O. Box 771, Tipp City, OH 45371. Please note that the venue for the informal

get together on Friday, August 28 at 7 p.m. has changed. Plan to meet everyone at Hinders Sports Bar & Grill, 902 West Main Street in Tipp City, Ohio 45371. Family and friends are welcome to stop by and say "hello" to classmates throughout the evening. For more information on the week-end's activities, please visit the Troy (Ohio) Class of 1980 Facebook page or the Class of 1980 page on the Troy High School Web site at <http://www2.troy.k12.oh.us/info/Alumni/>.

JFS Wants Second Fraud Investigator

By Nancy Bowman

A second part-time fraud investigator for the Miami County Department of Job and Family Services would help the office fully explore more complaints, department Director Teresa Brubaker said Aug. 5.

Brubaker told commissioners Richard Cultice and Jack Evans she hoped to hire a second investigator to help handle more than 200 referrals of possible fraud each year. Not all of those complaints are being investigated, as the current investigator has to prioritize, she said. She estimated 20 to 25 percent are not investigated fully.

The current fraud investigator is a retired police officer and the number of cases referred to prosecutors has increased from three to four a year to eight in each of the last two years, Brubaker said. A police officer brings beneficial knowledge of working with the courts and the prosecutors' office, she said.

An increase in fraud complaints has been seen, particularly those alleging individuals are selling food stamps for drugs, she said.

The department had a full time fraud investigator until 2011 when

the position became part time because of a resignation coupled with budget cuts, Brubaker said.

The commissioners said they were not opposed to the proposal.

Brubaker also reported her staff at the OhioMeansJobsCenter is working with the county courts and probation/parole offices on creating a workforce re-entry boot camp for ex-offenders.

She said meetings are being held with judges, magistrates and parole/probation representatives to put together a program that would cover topics such as job readiness; skills in resume writing; interviewing techniques; employer behavior expectations; and appropriate dress.

Judges as part of sentences possibly could order the boot camp for some offenders.

In other business last week, the commission Aug. 7 approved an agreement with Alexander Sewer and Drain of Casstown to repair a sinkhole in the area of the old septic system at the county animal shelter, which is located just north of Troy.

The estimated cost for the repair of the sinkhole, described as one to two inches deep, is \$1,201.


Sex Offenders

Continued from Page 2 of a Minor" in Miami County Common Pleas Court in August of 1997, requiring him to register with the Sheriff's Office in the county in which he lives for a period of 10 years. He was convicted of "Failure to Register" in 2002 and subsequently went to prison. This conviction and other jail time extended his registration period from May, 2007 to July, 2010. In September of 2008, Mr. Perkins failed to come in for his regular 6-month registration as required and a warrant was later requested. He has been on the run since then with an additional active warrant for not paying child support. In 2013, the Miami County Sheriff's Office enlisted the help of the United States Marshall's Service to aid in the search for Mr. Perkins as it was assumed he had fled Ohio. After tips of Mr. Perkins being in Colorado, Texas and


West Virginia, the US Marshall's Service was able to finally track him to Georgia in early July, 2015. Perkins is currently in the Miami County Jail on both charges on a \$75,000 bond. The US Marshall's Service is seeking a federal charge of failing to register on Mr. Perkins since he fled the state of Ohio. Both cases are still pending further court action.

The Miami County Sheriff's Office is grateful to have these two individuals off the streets so they no longer pose a threat to the residents of Miami County. We would also like to give a big "Thanks" to the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, Sandy Police Department in Salt Lake County, Utah, and the US Marshall's Service for their assistance in these cases, as the arrests may not have been possible without their help.

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Substitute Teachers Get Raise

By Nancy Bowman

Substitute teachers in the Troy City Schools this year will be paid \$95 a day as part of an effort to find enough substitutes.

The Board of Education approved the new rate during its monthly meeting Monday, Aug. 10.

"I think it is just a shortage," Superintendent Eric Herman said. "There are a lot of jobs out there for people ... If they get guaranteed work Monday through Friday ... a sub (work) is not guaranteed."

The new rate is effective Aug. 19. The old rate was \$80 a day. Other districts in the county were paying from \$75 to \$92 a day, according to survey information dated in April and given to the board earlier this summer.



Art teacher Jill Hartman shows one of the mosaics made by art students for the High School

In reports, the board heard from Tytus Jacobs, director of facilities and maintenance, about maintenance-related projects in the district this summer. Jacobs said workers lost about three weeks of project progress this summer due to rainy weather.

He provided a lengthy list of projects that have been completed but said roof work at the high school won't be done when school opens. Crews will finish that work after 3 p.m. school days and on weekends, if needed, he said.

The board also heard from Marion Stout, district business manager, on the 2014-15 food service report. The operation lost \$135,000 last year, which was better than the previous year, she said.

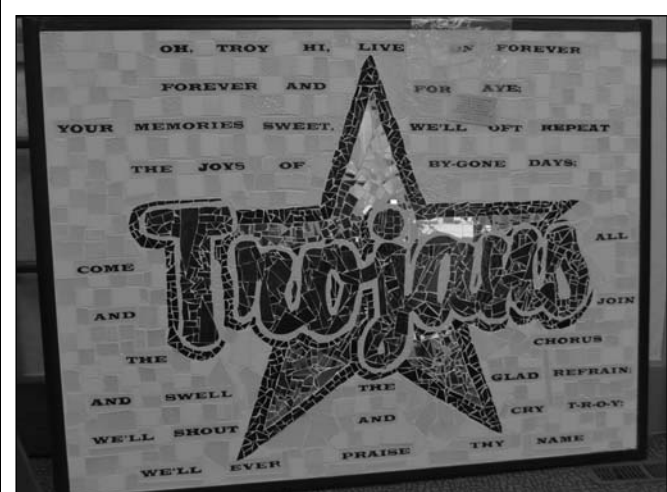
Stout added that

Sharon Babcock, director of food service, "does a good job controlling her expenses."

In other business, the board accepted \$23,474 in gifts to the district including \$17,855 from the Troy Music Boosters to the Music Department for choir and orchestra and a \$5,619 environmental grant from the Miami County Park District to transport students to park district programs.

The board also OK'd an agreement with Troy Christian Schools for student transportation and the 2015-16 school year bus stop schedule.

In presentations, Jill Hartman, art department chairwoman, showed the board two mosaics created by high school students that will be displayed at Troy High School.



The second mosaic features Troy High's Alma Mater

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Tip Of The Week

By Sgt. Jj Mauro
Tipp City Police Retired
Sentimental Tools

My coworkers accuse me of having no feelings. I do not dispute this claim, except for when it comes to babies and dogs. Who doesn't love babies and puppies? So when asking me if I am sentimental, it caused me to think on what tool I have chosen to use for most all of my career.

The first thing that jumps out at me is my ink pens. From day one, 1 January 1976 the ink pen of choice has been my Cross pens. The first police department issued a gold badge and the buttons were all brass. So the ink pen was a gold Cross.

When moving to the city police force, the color was silver so it was no big deal to switch to the silver colored pens. Cross always felt good in the hand and the point easily went through all five copies of a ticket.

So when I started working in the jail after retiring from the road, I went back to the gold colored Cross but soon retired it to the shadow box since it was around since the start. But I purchased a new gold ink pen and use it now.

Next to the Cross is a handcuff key. The key's I started with are too small to use multiple times throughout the shift when I have to cuff up or uncuff up to 10 or 12 inmates. So I am using a longer key that actually was with me for the last 10 years on the road.

Another item in my uniform shirt pockets are my pocket copies of the United States Declaration of Independence and The Constitution. When I find myself with a few minutes of inactivity I will pull out the Constitution and read a few pages.

On my Sam Brown belt is the handcuff pouch that holds two sets of cuffs. One set is an old set that Sgt. Ron Re' engraved with my initials in a smart look italic style. Some of the inmates ask me why I carry two sets of handcuffs since all the other CO's carry only one set. My response is that often times on the street I found myself arresting more than one person from a fight or crime in progress. When the encounter is ongoing, that is not the time to be running back to the cruiser or waiting for another officer to bring more cuffs. So I still carry my double pouch and old cuffs. With regular oiling the cuffs work fine.

Other items I can't bring myself to throw away are my boots. When I first got on the city, I was allowed to go to Style's Shoe Store which was in the Old Hotel on Main at 2nd Streets. I purchased a pair of calf length quality leather boots. I still have them to this day although they have not grown as my feet are now wide width.

On TV you probably have seen police writing in their notebooks. I still have those notebooks but what I really use continuously is the leather cover. That cover has been with me for about 20 years. It saves my notebook from sweat, rain and the occasional cup of spilled coffee.

And finally, to the half units of chagrin, I still have every issue of the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin for every month going back to 1977. In a crate next to those old issues is every ticket and criminal charge I ever filed. That's right, if I gave you a ticket or warning dating from 1976 to 2012, I still have the police officer's copy. I don't know why, I just can't make myself throw them away.

I'm sure I have forgotten some items, like my favorite weapons, night sticks and flashlights. Maybe we will go into those in another article.

At Home

By Connie Moore
Why She Baked That Pie

When Jennifer Wendling's daughter, Addy, prepared for the Clark County Fair last year, Jennifer supported her and a very natural thing happened. If you've ever been around the teens that participate in 4H and FFA projects out at the fair, you know how high their enthusiasm goes.

It is that enthusiasm and positive attitude of Addy's that rubbed off on her mom and of course, we all know where that leads. Jennifer came down with a case of fair fever. This year when helping Addy prepare for the fair Jennifer absorbed more of that enthusiasm. She wanted to participate too. While open class entry deadline was past, Jennifer read the fair book and found she could enter PIE DAY on Tuesday.

Jennifer was about 15 when she baked her first pie in home economics class. She's baked many since then for family and friends. Tuesday's contest required the pie to have a lard crust. So, in order to get it right, Jennifer picked up lard at Copey's Butcher Shop in Medway, checked her stash of Tombstone peaches purchased when the Peach Tree



Truck came through our area and spent the evening before the contest baking a pie to test her usual recipe using lard. She was not satisfied with the results. Did that deter her? Nope.

Tuesday morning found her baking two different recipes of pastry. Baking two pies and two pans of scraps to taste test, Jennifer's enthusiasm and excitement at the whole venture just kept building.

By the time she got herself and her best pie to the check-in table, she admits she was a bundle of nerves. She said she just couldn't understand it. In her job, she meets and deals with people and patients all the time as a respiratory manager at Atrium Medical Center in Middletown. She said, "I'm normally a very calm person. It's just a pie. Why am I so nervous?"

We know the feeling well. It's called fair fever and by now, Jennifer was knee-deep in the



middle of it. Symptoms are excitement, butterflies in the stomach, wanting to talk with others with the same diagnosis, wanting to stay and watch judging while at the same time not wanting to stay and watch. (Staying always wins out.)

In a field of 15 contenders with fillings of apples, peaches, pecans, berries and even mincemeat, Jennifer's pie stood out with its decorated top of a bouquet of sugar flowers. The judges thought it was a nice touch. Her pie scored fine on taste of crust and filling, although it didn't place due to a slightly underdone crust. It is a common mistake, easily corrected next year.

Will there be a next year for Jennifer at the fair? "Oh, yes, I loved it. I loved the excitement, talking with everybody and how friendly everyone was. It was a wonderful way to spend a vacation day. I am already thinking of what canned goods

and baked goods I can enter. I don't think I'll lose any excitement, even if I have to wait a whole year."

Her husband, Tim, who works at Time Warner and is a captain at the Mad River Township Fire & EMS, is anxious for next year to get here, too. He couldn't believe the auction results that showed Jennifer's pie brought \$110. He's going to be there to check out all these people who pay hundreds of dollars for a pie (or thousands-this year set a record for amount paid for a pie-\$2015!)

With Addy and her FFA projects, Jennifer and her pies and canned goods and the laughter and comradery Tim will find at the auction, Jennifer figures he'll probably catch fair fever too. Then look out. The Wendling family will officially be part of the latest generation to join the Clark County Fair.

Gardening Commentary

With Meadowview Growers

Bag Worm Damage

Some insects that feed on the plants in our landscapes are not that damaging but some of them, if allowed to go unchecked, can ruin a plant and actually kill it. We are not necessarily concerned about some caterpillars that do a little nibbling on a few leaves and then turn into a beautiful butterfly or moth. We need to let these 'friends' eat their few leaves and develop, so we are helping mother nature and enjoying the beauty around us. What we need to be concerned about are insects that harm our plants and give us nothing of value in return. They don't produce anything we can eat, like honey, and they don't pollinate flowers that will produce fruit or vegetables that are edible. These harmful bugs destroy the foliage by eating it or sucking the juices to the point that the plant is so weakened that it

eventually dies or is unsightly that we remove it.

Some examples of insects that cause major damage are mites that can devastate spruce, junipers and boxwood and many others. Then there are the borers like the Emerald Ash Borer(EAB) that has killed thousands of ash trees and borers that affect dogwoods, peach and cherry trees. The critter we want to talk about today is the Bag Worm, not to be confused with Tent Caterpillars or the Fall Web Worm which are annoying but do not cause any long lasting damage to trees.

The bag worm, pictured here, is many times mistaken for a pine cone on spruce, pines, arborvitae and other evergreens. Bag worms begin to hatch and start their munching in late May or by mid-June. When they hatch and begin to develop they can hardly be seen but in just a couple of weeks they can do some serious damage. Mother

Nature has provided this insect with a casing that is hard to see because it is made of a very tough silk type thread and some of the foliage from the plant it is devouring. This "home" moves along with the young worm and is very well camouflaged. The casing is so impervious that pesticides used to kill the insect will not penetrate it. If you are going to control this critter there are a couple of ways to do it. You can pick the casings off the plant anytime or spray with something like Sevin when the insect is young and coming out of its casing to munch on your plant. The young insect moves about by swinging from plant to plant, soon after hatching, on a silk like thread that blows in the wind. Timing of pesticides is critical to control this insect. If the bagworm is not controlled when young, while it is coming out of its "bag" to feed, it is almost impossible to stop their damage. The adult



matures in the "bag" and overwinters there, lays eggs ready to hatch and immerse the following spring and begins the process of eating your plants until they are completely defoliated.

How many bag worms have you spotted this summer?

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From the Pulpit

By Pastor Frey
Numbering Our Days

People die every day. We pay little attention to it. It doesn't affect us. We are busy with life. But then someone we know personally, someone we love dies, and we are shocked. We can't believe it. Death becomes very real.

Death can come very suddenly and unexpectedly after a very short life, but even if you live longer, death is inevitable. It is only a matter of time. Not long from now, none of us will be alive. We don't like to think about death. But the Psalm writer wants to think about it and prays, "Teach us to number

our days aright." We don't want to think about our own death. Our sinful nature wants to live our lives as if we are going to live forever and never have to answer to God. But that is unrealistic. We are not going to live forever. No matter how long we live, we are going to die. And the truth is, not everyone is going to heaven.

If we are going to be realistic, we must face this fact, and number our days. Why? The Psalm writer tells us, "that we may gain a heart of wisdom." Our death will not go away just because we ignore it. We need to face the fact. We want to realize our days are numbered and gain wisdom from knowing that fact. We will die and

face God's judgment. Learning the meaning of life and death does not come to us naturally. We must learn it from God. The Bible tells us that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Wisdom begins with God. It is wise to know that God made us. It is wise to know that God demands that we be perfect and that we are answerable to God who will judge us. The Bible tells us about sin. And it tells us "Death came to all men, because all sinned." The wages of sin is death, physical death and eternal death in hell.

But the Bible also tells us, "God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son the whoever believes in him will

not perish but have eternal life." God the Son, Jesus, became a man, took our sins, and paid for them by his death. So that God promises that all who trust Jesus alone for their salvation will have eternal life not because of what they do but only because of God's mercy.

When you are at the cemetery, look around at all the graves. Does it really matter which of the people buried there had the most money, or was the most athletic, who was the smartest or had the most fun? The only thing that matters is having faith in Jesus.

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

Financial Focus



Provided by Matt Buehrer, Thrivent Financial

Three Strategies for Maximizing Your Retirement Income

Retirement comes with many benefits including increased time for family, travel and pursuing other passions. What doesn't necessarily come with it is a drop in expenses. Make sure that you have a strategy for your retirement income so that you are able to keep up with monthly bills, as well as have extra for additional expenses and giving back. One of the keys to a healthy retirement picture is balancing your need for retirement income against staying invested in the financial markets. Working with a financial professional you can gain insight into generating a dependable source of retirement income, strategically spending down retirement assets while optimizing your Social Security benefits. To get you started here are three financial tips from Thrivent Financial for making the most of your retirement income.

1. Asset gathering and rollovers

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

2. Social Security optimization

There is more to Social Security than just applying when you reach age 62. By waiting to claim Social Security you can increase the amount that you receive when you do start your benefits. Depending on your situation it could be beneficial to wait to start collecting your full Social Security (SS) benefits. For every year that you delay your SS benefits will increase eventually putting your projected SS benefits over 100 percent. Delaying the receipt of your SS benefits requires careful planning since most people will need to call upon your other retirement savings to cover your expenses until your SS benefits payout. A financial professional can help you decide which withdrawal option is right for your personal situation.

3. Life insurance for the death benefit and income

You probably know that the death benefit from a life insurance contract is often a key source of income for a surviving spouse—but did you know that cash value life insurance can also

be an income tax advantaged source of retirement income while you are living? A financial professional can help you determine if having the type of life insurance which can be leveraged as income would be a good fit for you.

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

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“American Pickers” to Film in Ohio

Ohio is excited to welcome Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz and Antique Archeology to the area. The team will film episodes of their hit series AMERICAN PICKERS throughout Ohio. Filming is scheduled for October.

AMERICAN PICKERS is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique ‘picking’ on History. This hit show follows two of the most skilled pickers in the business, Mike Wolfe and Frank Fritz, as they embark on an epic road trip across the U.S. in search of America’s most valuable

antiques from motorcycles, classic cars and bicycles to one-of-a-kind vintage memorabilia. Mike and Frank are on a mission to recycle America, restore forgotten relics to their former glory, and learn a thing or two about American history along the way.

AMERICAN PICKERS is looking for leads and would love to explore what you may have. They are on the hunt for interesting characters with interesting and unique items. Some of what they look for: vintage bicycles, toys, unusual radios, movie memorabilia, advertis-

ing, military items, folk art, vintage musical equipment, vintage automotive items, early firefighting equipment, vintage clothing, pre-50’s western gear.

AMERICAN PICKERS is produced by Cineflix Productions for History. New episodes air Wednesdays at 9pm ET on History.

If you have a large collection or want to refer someone to Mike and Frank, email: your name, number, address and description of the collection and photos to: americanpickers@cineflix.com 855-old-rust.

Phil Dirt Headlines Concert of Caring

Plans are underway for the second annual “Concert of Caring,” a fundraiser for Catholic Social Services of the Miami Valley’s Northern Counties Office. The event will be held at the BMI Speedway and Concert Venue in Versailles on Saturday evening, September 19, and will feature America’s most popular vintage rock and roll show – Phil Dirt and the Dozers.

Ticketholders for this dressy-casual event will enjoy a fantastic night of music and dancing held in a unique concert venue, a light supper buffet, complimentary non-alcoholic beverages, a cash bar, and the opportunity to bid on a variety of fabulous silent auction items donated by area businesses and individuals. Doors open at 7 p.m. and Phil Dirt & the Dozers will take the stage from 8 to 11 p.m.

Phil Dirt & the Dozers will help you recapture those wonderful days when poodle skirts, saddle shoes, and the corner drug store were all a part of everyday life. With their musical talent, high energy, and contagious sense of humor, Phil Dirt & the Dozers will transport you to another time and place – namely the 50’s, 60’s, and 70’s of

Rock of Roll! This nostalgic show encompasses three decades of great music made famous by groups like The Beach Boys, The Four Seasons, The Righteous Brothers, The Doobie Brothers, and more.

Proceeds from the event will support CSS-

guaranteed table seating on the main floor. Sponsorship opportunities are also available and sponsors will enjoy VIP, Premier, or Reserved table seating, signage, and program recognition.

Tickets and sponsorships can be purchased



MV services for children and families in Auglaize, Darke, Mercer, Miami and Shelby Counties. Those services include counseling for all ages, early childhood intervention programs, and long-term care coordination for seniors.

Tickets for the Concert of Caring are \$50 and include the entertainment, food, and non-alcoholic beverages. Anyone registered by September 1 is

online at www.cssmv.org/events. Tickets are also available at the following locations: Sidney Flower Shop, 111 E. Russell Rd., Sidney; Readmore Hallmark, 430 N. Main St., Piqua; Galbreath Realty, 1026 W. Main St., Troy; Francis Furniture, 1410 Wayne Ave., Greenville; BMI, 791 E. Main St., Versailles; and CSSMV Northern Office, 1201 Fairington Dr., Sidney.

Elections Board Invalidates Petitions

by Ginny Beamish and Joyce Reives – are not on the ballot this year. Continued from Page 1

The deadline for Troy City offices was earlier this year.

In Concord Township, Patricia Quillen is running unopposed for township fiscal officer and William Whidden is unchallenged for his seat on the township trustees. Two people are running for Staunton Township fiscal officer – Sara Fine and Christine Mumma – while the petitions of lone Staunton Township trustee candidate Jeff Cron were invalidated.

In other business Aug. 7, the board heard from Kendall and Eric Morgan, deputy elections director, about issues experienced last week with the office’s aging voting tabulation system.

Lopez, who said at a previous meeting that the system was the highest priority for the board said information on the latest issues raised his concern. “What I don’t want to happen during the presidential election is to have a failure of that magnitude,” Lopez said.

He asked for costs on a possible new system and information on whether a system could be installed before the November election.

“You are telling me things that cause me real concerns about the viability ... This thing is ancient,” Lopez said.

November 2015
Local ballot issues:
Bethel Township, additional, 2.1 mills, five years, for roads
Lostcreek Township, renewal, 1.5 mills, five years, fire
Monroe Township, additional, 1.0 mill, five years, senior citizens center
Southwest Ambulance District, replacement with increase, 1.5 mills, five years
Piqua Library, renewal, 1.30 mills, five years
Casstown Village, renewal, 1.75, five years, fire
Fletcher Village, renewal, 1 mill, four years, ambulance
City of Union, renewal with increase, 4 mills, five years, streets
Milton Union Schools, renewal, 3.9 mills, five years
Newton Schools, renewal, 0.75 percent, three years
Troy schools, Hayner Center, renewal, 0.85 mill, five years
Countywide ballot issues will be:
Miami County Bridge Levy, renewal, 0.45 mill, five years
Riverside of Miami County DD, renewal, 2.5 mills, five years

Candidate petitions invalidated
(By name, position)
The following petitions and the position being sought were invalidated by the board’s vote:
- Gregory Scott Law-

son, Bethel Board of Education
- Michael van Haaren, Bethel Board of Education
- Deborah Watson, Bethel Township fiscal officer
- Michael Miller, Bradford Board of Education
- Art Bowser, Brown Township fiscal officer
- Dawn Vanover, Cass-town Council
- Angela Lewis, Cass-town Council
- Judith Smith, Covington Council
- Lois Newman, Covington Council
- Bradley B. Hall, Covington Board of Education
- Danny McEowen, Mayor, Fletcher
- Kenneth James, Laura Council
- Myrna Yoder, Miami County Educational Service Center
- Harold Brumfield, Miami East Board of Education
- Lori Gin Parsons, Milton Union Board of Education
- Mary Benedict, Newberry Township fiscal officer
- Kody P. Thiebeau, Newberry Township trustee
- Mark Landis, Newberry Township trustee
- Kurt Locker, Newberry Township trustee
- Leonard Wirz, Mayor, Pleasant Hill
- Gary Johnson, Mayor, Pleasant Hill
- Paul Laughman, Pleasant Hill council
- Thomas Hill, Springcreek Township fiscal officer

- Vernon Quinter Jr., Springcreek Township fiscal officer
- Jeff Cron, Staunton Township trustee
- Patricia Lynch, Tipp City School Board
- Samuel Kronour, Tipp City School Board
- David Heffner, Troy School Board
- Marjorie Coate, Union Township fiscal officer

Candidates certified for the November ballot were:
Bethel Schools: Lori Sebastian
Bethel Township trustee: Gary Lee Biggs
Bradford Council: Galen Balmert
Bradford Fiscal Officer: Brenda Selanders
Bradford Board of Education: Maria Brewer, Scott Swabb
Bradford Mayor: Donald Stump
Brown Township Trustee: John Beal, Daniel L. Sturgill, Ryan Havenar
Casstown Council: Amanda Shoup
Concord Township Trustee: William Whidden
Concord Township Fiscal Officer: Patricia Quillen
Covington Mayor: Edward McCord
Covington Council: Keith Warner
Covington Board of Education: Mark Miller
Elizabeth Township Trustee: Micah Mitchell, Benjamin Sampson, John Ryman
Elizabeth Township Fiscal Officer: Mary Ann Mumford

Lostcreek Township Trustee: Richard Walker
Lostcreek Township Fiscal Officer: Walter Pemberton
Miami County Municipal Court Judge: Gary Nasal
Miami County Educational Service Center: Neil Thiesing, Carl Bowman, Janel Hodges
Miami East School Board: Rusty Miller, John E. Demmitt, Mark E. Iames
Milton Union Board of Education: Christopher Long, Jessica Brumbaugh
Monroe Township Fiscal Officer: John Skolnicki
Monroe Township Trustee: Ronald Thuma
Newberry Township Trustee: J. Jason Sargent, Robert E. Reck
Newton School Board: Tonia Schauer, Nathan Oburn
Newton Township Fiscal Officer: John Wackler
Newton Township Trustee: Gene Laughman

Piqua School Board: Clint Bostick, Frank Patrizio
Pleasant Hill Board of Public Affairs: Stanley Fessler
Springcreek Township Fiscal Officer: Mindy Grube, Robert Black
Springcreek Township Trustee: Douglas DeWeese
Staunton Township Fiscal Officer: Sara Fine, Christine Mumma
Tipp City School Board: Theresa Dunaway, Douglas Andrew Venters, Donald Watson, Amy Stueve, Samuel Spano, Jay Lopez
Troy School Board (full term): Douglas Trostle, Michael Hamm
Troy School Board (unexpired term): Thomas Kleptz
Union Township Trustee: Philip Mote
Washington Township Fiscal Officer: Mikel Rike Brown
Washington Township Trustee: Matthew Hartley

Troy & Miami East Kids!

Are you showing at the Miami County Fair this year? The Tribune wants to take your picture and put it in the paper!

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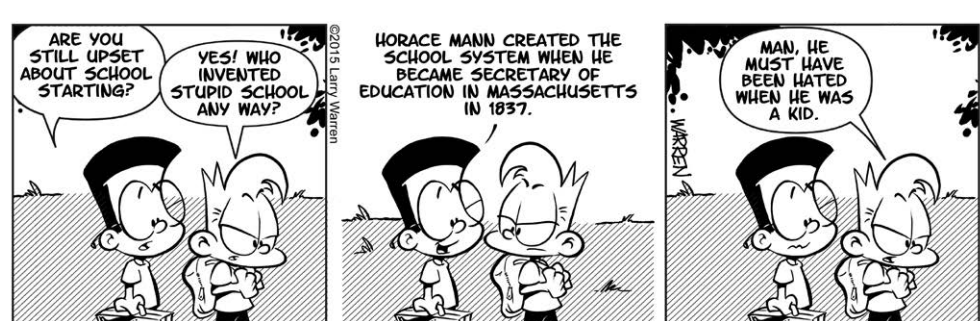
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Cooper

By Larry Warren



Crossword Puzzle

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| Across | | | 42. Wrestling venues | 10. Oval object |
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| 5. Government figure, for short | | | 46. Beer month | 19. Historic period |
| 8. Activist | | | 48. Light source | 20. Recent |
| 12. Like some chatter | | | 51. ____ mode | 21. Big city in Iraq |
| 13. Creeping vine | | | 52. Kind of test | 22. Bury the dead |
| 14. Verge | | | 56. Jovovich film "Resident ____" | 23. Military operation |
| 15. Booth fare | | | 57. Pine tree | 25. Gas additive |
| 16. "A Street____ Named Desire" | | | 58. Algae gelatin | 26. Entrance halls |
| 17. Ryan and Tilly | | | 59. Controvert | 27. Rhone river city |
| 18. Fall | | | 60. Watch pocket | 30. Mas' mates |
| 21. Casual eatery | | | 61. What's expected | 33. Impressive array |
| 24. Kellog's output | | | | 35. Pie content |
| 28. Black cuckoo | | | | 38. Red resinous substance |
| 29. Mount Blanc, for one | | | | 40. Adam's partner |
| 31. Waggish | | | | 43. Personnel |
| 32. Measure | | | | 45. Keith of country fame |
| 34. Paddle | | | | 47. Medley |
| 36. "Comin' ____ the Rye" | | | | 48. Was in front |
| 37. Theater chain | | | | 49. Street |
| 39. Lady | | | | 50. Time div. |
| 41. Feminine side | | | | 53. ____ boosting |
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| 3. Building annex | | |
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Hidden Treasures

By Liz Ball



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Trivia Challenge

Pop Culture

- Which of the following films starring Samuel Jackson has the earliest release date?
 - Jurassic Park
 - Die Hard with a Vengeance
 - Pulp Fiction
 - Goodfellas
- Which of the following bands has NOT had singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Roy Wood as a member?
 - ELO
 - Wizzard
 - Rainbow
 - The Move
- Accomplished in March of 2012, who became the second youngest World Number One golfer after Tiger Woods?
 - Arnold Palmer
 - Jack Nicklaus
 - Rory McIlroy
 - Lee Trevino
- Released in 1991, the video for which Michael Jackson song involves him dancing on top of the Statue of Liberty?
 - Heal the World
 - Black or White
 - Earth Song
 - Billie Jean
- What kind of creature was Dumbo's best friend

Sudoku

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- "Timothy" in Disney's 1941 film "Dumbo"?
- Cat
 - Elephant
 - Rat
 - Mouse
- 6) At which Wrestlemania event did the Ultimate Warrior defeat Hulk Hogan?
- 2
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- 7) Who originally had a hit with the song "Blue Suede Shoes"?
- Jerry Lee Lewis
 - Carl Perkins
 - Eddie Cochran
 - Johnny Cash
- 8) Black and which other color were once the primary

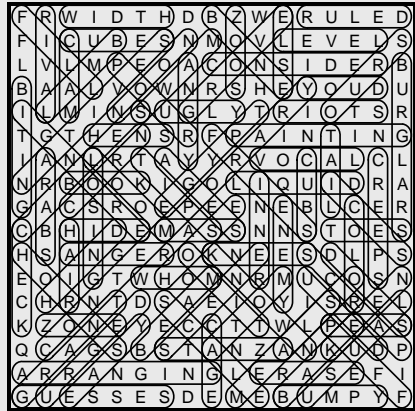
- colors of Penn State?
- Orange
 - Pink
 - Green
 - Blue
- 9) Fill in the blanks to complete this well-known movie quote - "Toto, I've a feeling we're not in ____ anymore"?
- Topeka
 - New York
 - Florida
 - Kansas
- 10) Which band released the 2002 hit album titled "Songs About Jane"?
- Creed
 - The Killers
 - Los Lonely Boys
 - Maroon 5

Last Week's Solutions

Trivia

- Simpsons - Among many, Shearer does the voice of Principal Skinner, Mr. Burns, Smithers and Ned Flanders.
- Reddit - According to Sam Altman, Pao resigned by mutual agreement.
- Russia - There was no confirmation on whether the bombers were armed.
- Amazing Grace - Clementa Carlos Pinckney was an American State Senator.
- Netherlands - The Tour De France will run from Saturday July 4th to Sunday July 26th 2015.
- Hilary Clinton - Longtime Clinton aide Paul Begala said that the roping off of the press was 'horrible, horrible' on CNN.
- Subway - Taylor's home was raided on suspicion of child pornography.
- Facebook - There are 600 words which are forbidden to be used on the site and an 'Amen' button.
- Iceland - Blasphemy is the act of insulting or showing contempt or lack of reverence for God.
- France - Julian Assange denies having made the asylum request to France.

Wordsearch



Sudoku

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This Week In Troy

Troy celebrated National Night Out last Tuesday evening (August 4) on the levee. The event was busy all evening long. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community part-

nerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live. Together, we are making that happen. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bring-

ing back a true sense of community and provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. There were plenty of activities for kids, food and police and fire vehicles and staff on hand.



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Friday night brought The Floorwalkers, a popular jazz/pop/funk band from Columbus. Prouty Plaza was packed for the concert, attesting to their popularity in our area. This was one of many of their performances in Troy over the years. The concert was presented by Troy Main Street.



Saturday evening, David Wion presented the magic of Liberace to an overflow crowd at the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center.



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