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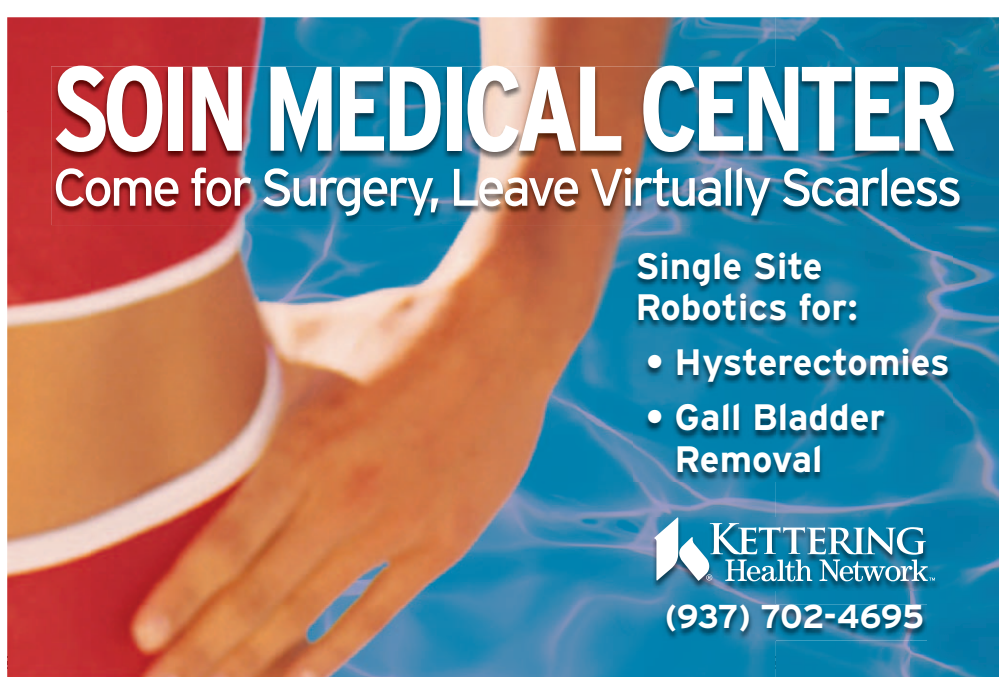
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Troy Schools to offer “Transgender” Restrooms

By Nancy Bowman

Troy Schools’ Superintendent Eric Herman said Monday the district is complying with the law by allowing a transgender student to use the school’s boys’ restroom.

Herman notified district parents in an automated phone message Friday, Aug. 28, that denying a student’s request to use a restroom that matches the student’s gender identity is prohibited under federal Title IX.

He said legal advice was sought when the junior high principal was approached just before the new school year started by a female student who has declared they are of the male gender and asked to use the restroom of that gender. Parents

accompanied the student, Herman said.

The phone message brought questioning and some complaints to the district including a protest near the Board of Education Office off North Market Street early Monday by resident Bryan Kemper.

The phone message was as follows:

For parents: Troy City Schools is committed to providing a safe learning environment to all students, including an environment free from sex discrimination. The U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Education have taken the position that prohibiting a student access to the restroom that matches the

student’s gender identity is prohibited sex discrimination under Title IX. Therefore, Troy City Schools allows students to use the restrooms that match their gender identity. Each school building has gender-neutral, individual-user facilities available for those students or visitors to the building who do not want to use shared facilities. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or a building principal.

Kemper said he has six children in the school district and was “outraged” by the message. He was spreading the word Monday of a community meeting planned for Tuesday evening for a “conversation” on “something many parents and students are deeply concerned about.”



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Sowers Appeals to Supreme Court

By Nancy Bowman

Lawyers for Jason Sowers II of Troy are asking the Ohio Supreme Court to consider an appeal of the Ohio 2nd District’s Court of Appeals decision to uphold Sowers’ conviction in the fatal shooting of Nathan Wintrow of Troy during a 2013 invasion of his Canal Street home.

The Office of the Ohio Public Defender, which is representing Sowers in his appeal, filed notice of the appeal on behalf of Sowers, 18, on Aug. 26 with the state Supreme Court.

Sowers, 17 at the time of the Oct. 30, 2013, death of Wintrow, 20, pleaded to felony murder, aggravated burglary, aggravated robbery and a firearms specification as part of a plea deal with Miami County prosecutors. He was sentenced in county Common Pleas Court to 18 years to life in prison in 2014.

He was one of three Troy teens convicted in Wintrow’s death.

Brendon Terrel, 21, also pleaded in the case. He is serving 14 years for complicity to aggravated robbery, complicity to aggravated burglary and a firearms specification. Patrick McGail, 19, was convicted by a jury in August 2014 of murder, aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary and a firearms specification. He was sentenced to 24 years to life in prison.

Gail also have appealed to the 2nd District Court of Appeals.

Investigators said the three planned to rob Wintrow of marijuana and money. Terrel served as the look out while the others went to the house.

After finding the back door locked, they broke a window to get in and ended up in an altercation with Wintrow and two other adults. Sowers shot Wintrow in the head during the altercation.

In the Sowers’ appeal notice to the supreme court, the public defenders claim the case “raises a substantial constitutional question” and is of public or great general interest.

In the appeal to the 2nd District court, Sowers’ lawyers claimed mandatory transfer to adult court provisions in state law for certain offenses committed by juveniles are unconstitutional. They also argued Sowers did not have the required effective assistance of legal counsel.

The appeals court judges rejected claims the transfer provisions violated rights including due process and prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment. They also rejected the ineffective assistance of counsel claim, noting it was based on statements that Sowers’ attorney in the Miami County case failed to raise the same constitutionality claims with the local court.

Election Board Makes Changes

By Nancy Bowman

Miami County’s Board of Elections agreed Aug. 27 to start providing a candidate guide to each prospective candidate obtaining petitions for elected office in hopes of reducing the number of petitions invalidated because of mistakes.

The board also is checking with the Ohio Secretary of State’s Office to make sure it is OK to also give the prospective candidates a checklist to use in reviewing petitions for compliance with requirements before filing with the elections office.

The measures were discussed by the board after more than 30 candidate petitions for the November ballot were invalidated because of errors, most considered “fatal” under state law. The board heard protests filed by some candidates, voting in the end to approve three petitions despite mistakes on which the board had some leeway.

The elections staff came under fire during some of those hearings by candidates who said no one in the elections office would answer their questions. Board members explained staff was following instructions by the board based on the law and directives from the Secretary of State’s Office, which oversees elections statewide.

The board agreed staff could copy and hand out to each candidate the

Secretary of State’s candidate guide. The guide also is available online. The guide covers every office that could be on the ballot, said Bev Kendall, elections director.

“In my mind we are trying to balance between not giving legal advice and not giving someone incorrect advice and trying to balance that with running free elections and facilitating the voters making the choices,” said board member Robert Huffman Jr.

The board voted 3-0 to have staff make copies of the Secretary of State candidate guide and hand it to everyone taking out a petition. Those voting were Chairman Kelly Gillis, member Dean Tamplin and member Robert Huffman Jr. Board member Jose Lopez was absent.

“That way we can give to them. The rest of it is on them,” Gillis said.

The candidate filing checklist reviewed by the board came from the Montgomery County Board of Elections use one.

That document states to the candidate the board staff “is not permitted to check validity and sufficiency of original petitions before filing. Candidates are responsible for the correct and accurate preparation and circulation of their petition.”

Among the petition

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Dental Clinic Serves the Community

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

Local dentist, Dr. Leslie Culp, imagined an affordable dental clinic for Miami County residents back in 2006. With government health care only covering a fraction of the cost for the regular dental expenses of a low income family, the need was evident to Culp and others. With the help of an 11 member board of directors, what began as a dream turned into a reality in 2008 with a fully staffed dental facility, including 3 part-time dentists, Dr. Victor Dubel, Dr. Robert Heist, and Dr. Leslie Culp.

Six years later, the Mi-

ami Valley Dental Clinic With a cleaning or filling for \$25, the clinic’s clients keep coming back for the care and affordability.

The MVDC’s philosophy reaches beyond the office at 1364 W. Main Street in Troy to “Traveling Smiles,” the clinic’s portable dental units for low-income children. During the 2014-15 school year, the units visited schools in Bradford, Troy, Piqua, and at the Upper Valley Career Center, providing \$106,900 in free dental care to 473 students. They have even had requests from schools they have yet to visit. According to Dr. Lytha Miller, a volunteer dentist, “The children we see are so needy. But



Dr. Heist performing a root canal

ami Valley Dental Clinic has continued to grow and find new ways to serve the community. The clinic recently began to partner with OSU’s Ohio Project (Oral Health Improvement through Outreach) and receives regular visits from OSU dental students. In 2014, the clinic had 5777 patients, 2012 fillings, 1248 extractions, 78 root canals, 49 crowns, and 129 dentures. Approximately 450 patients visit the clinic per month. While most dentists do not accept Medicare or other state assisted insurances, the MVDC does not turn patients away. Even uninsured families receive care with costs ranging on sliding fee scale developed for low income situations.

Claire Timmer is in charge of the clinic’s marketing and public relations. “We’re not government funded,” Timmer said. “The government only helps with 40% of our expenses.”

According to Erin Cooper, the office manager, Miami County Dental is also a preventative resource, providing counsel in nutrition for a better, healthier smile. “We’re a comprehensive dental practice,” Cooper said. “We don’t think of this as a one-time, in-and-out-and-you’re-done dental clinic; we want to build long-standing relationships with our patients.”

they are so well behaved being in the comfort of the school environment.”

The clinic’s many services are primarily supported by the community. “We wouldn’t be here if it wasn’t for organizations like the Troy Foundation, the United Way, local churches, etc.” Timmer said. “I write a lot of grants but we have benefited from tremendous generosity here. We have been able to meet a lot of needs because the community believes in what we’re doing.”

The Miami County Dental Clinic’s receptionist, Wendy Minnich said, “The best part of working for this office is that we



look at the person and not their income, not the type of insurance the person has. You know coming in here that you’re going to get quality care regardless of who you are.”



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TROY AREA SHERIFF REPORTS

Monday, August 24

4:52 p.m. – To Waco St. for a custody dispute. A man reported that is ex-girlfriend and mother of his child texted him stating that he would not get visitation this week because he struck the child during last week's visitation. The woman had not filed any report on abuse. He wanted the incident documented.

9:10 p.m. – To St. Rt. 718 for a report of phone harassment. A man reported that an unknown individual keeps calling him from a blocked number, asking about a car for sale. He said he has no car for sale and has told the individual several times to stop calling. He was advised to contact his phone provider to see if they can identify the calling number.

Tuesday, August 25

5:47 p.m. – Traffic stop in the 3100 block of N. County Rd. 25A. The driver was found to be driving under suspension. He was cited for driving under suspension and given a warning for a cracked windshield. He was transported to his residence in Piqua and the vehicle was legally parked on the scene.

9:38 p.m. – Traffic stop in the 2500 block of Lefevre Rd. The driver was placed under arrest for OVI.

Wednesday, August 26

4:23 p.m. – To Piqua Troy Rd. for a report of a theft. Two women were involved in a civil dispute over property. They were referred to their attorneys.

6:41 p.m. – A Green Oak Dr. woman called to report that the father of her child did not pick up the child for visitation.

9:12 p.m. – To Valleyview Dr. A man reported receiving harassing and threatening messages from a man named Jerry. He said that he was in Dayton at Jerry's home when all of his medication came up missing. Jerry said that he would get the medication

back, but was unable to. He said he told Jerry that he would have to make a police report to get his medication refilled and Jerry became angry, and that's when the threats started. He was advised to block Jerry's number and not have contact with him. He was also advised that the Prosecutor's office would be contacted for advice on charges.

Thursday, August 27

8:24 p.m. – Traffic stop in the 3100 block of N. County Rd. 25A. The driver was placed under arrest for OVI.

Friday, August 28

9:56 a.m. – Traffic stop in the 3200 block of Piqua Troy Rd. The vehicle was doing 40 MPH in a 55 MPH zone. The driver said he was unfamiliar with the area and the speed limit. His Indiana license was found to be under suspension. He was cited for impeding traffic and for driving under suspension. A valid driver was called to take possession of the vehicle.

1:05 p.m. – To 4th St. for a report of a theft. A man reported that someone took a bag containing medications from his vehicle.

Saturday, August 29

12:48 a.m. – Traffic stop on N. Market St. at Troy St. The driver was taken into custody for OVI.

9:53 a.m. – Traffic stop in the 3100 block of N. County Rd. 25A. The driver was cited for driving under suspension and the female passenger was summonsed on an active arrest warrant.

12:21 p.m. – To Spruce St. for a report of vandalism. A man reported that someone broke out a window on his vehicle.

Monday, August 31

12:43 a.m. – Traffic stop on W. Main St. at Dorset. The driver was taken into custody for OVI.

Trib BRIEFS

By Nancy Bowman

New trial date set for Bowen

A new trial for Frank Bowen, 25, in the October 2014 murder of Joseph Graley III, 31, in Bethel Twp. will begin Nov. 16 in Miami County Common Pleas Court.

Judge Christopher Gee approved the five-day trial according to an entry filed Friday.

Bowen was found guilty in early August of felony safecracking but a jury could not agree on verdicts on charges of murder, gross abuse of a corpse and tampering with evidence. A mistrial was declared by Gee on those charges.

Graley was reported missing by family and friends Oct. 22. His body was found the next day under a brush pile in the backyard of his Scarff Road home. Investigators testified during the first trial that he died of blunt force trauma to the head.

Bowen, a friend, was staying with Graley at the time after returning to Ohio, police said.

Commissioners thank Holfinger

The Miami County commissioners agreed Aug. 25 to send an official notice of appreciation to Troy area resident Opal Holfinger for her more than 18 years of service on the county Planning Commission.

The commission thanked Holfinger for her service and wished her well in her "retirement" from the commission.

Commissioner John "Bud" O'Brien said Holfinger "was a great member of the board ... She will be missed."

All three commissioners serve on the commission. "I enjoyed and appreciated the time I served on the board with her," Commissioner Richard Cultice said.

Commission President Jack Evans said he wanted to thank Holfinger for her time on the commission and also as an active member of the community with organizations such as 4-H and the Farm Bureau.

Former school employee sent to prison

The former director of food service for the Piqua City Schools was sentenced Monday, Aug. 31, to one year in prison for stealing more than \$41,000.

Terri Meyer, 52, of Piqua pleaded no contest and was found guilty in Miami County Common Pleas Court in July.

Meyer was indicted by the county grand jury on a charge of theft beyond the scope of intent. She resigned March 19 from her position with the schools, where she had worked since November 1998. She had been food service director since December 2007.

District Superintendent Rick Hanes said earlier this year that \$41,267 was stolen between Jan. 1, 2010, and April 16.

At sentencing, defense lawyer Jack Hemm said Meyer had paid back the schools.

Judge Christopher Gee said that although Meyer pleaded to one felony charge she had engaged in repeated thefts over several years.

Center accreditation accepted

Miami County's Communication Center was formally presented with its first accreditation from the Commission on the Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) during a program Aug. 25 at the county commission meeting.

Jeff Busch, Communication Center director, and employee Jenny Noll, who served as accreditation manager, accepted the CALEA certificate from Doug Knight, Vandalia police chief and one of 21 CALEA commissioners from across the country.

Several center board members and law enforcement representatives also attended the presentation.

The accreditation followed two years of work by center staff to write or rewrite policies to meet best practices in providing emergency services telecommunications and dispatching.

"We still have some room to improve and will be doing that over the next several years," Busch said.

Local Property Transfers

Address	Date	Price	Seller	Buyer
1179 Scarlet Oak Dr	8/24	\$286,890	Inverness Group Inc	Puhl Adam & Mary K
4025 Spicebush Dr	8/24	\$243,445	Inverness Group Inc	Godsey Brian M & Jessica M
1433 Senna St	8/24	\$264,430	Nvr Inc	Kilich Ansar S
1047 Lakeside St	8/24	\$331,950	Inverness Group Incorporated	Stormer Kevin M & Ailene F
1085 Greenmantle Dr	8/24	\$344,800	Harlow Builders Inc	Kopp Gregory M & Debra S
Lincolnshire Dr	8/24	\$79,900	Merrimont Dev Corp	Kazer Philip K & Beth H
513 S Clay St	8/24	\$55,000	Sullenberger Jeremy D	Inscho Sherri L
1302 Mckaig Ave	8/24	\$145,000	Ellinger Terry C & Margaret A	Lee Shavez D & Olivia R
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611 Michigan Ave	8/24	\$94,500	S & T Ventures Llc	Hornberger Robert S
1620 Brook Park Dr	8/24	\$0	Donaghy George Stanley	Donaghy George Stanley & Kathy Lynn
2530 Delphinium Ct	8/24	\$223,000	Kiefer Glenn P & Rebecca	Eyink Robert V & Karen S
1424 Golden Eagle Dr	8/24	\$195,100	Nvr Inc	Metz Michael S & Colette L
4618 Olde Park Dr	8/25	\$146,000	Fink Rebecca L	Lambert Casey & Lindsey
6250 Troy Fred Rd	8/25	\$238,000	Franks Pamela A	Goodwin Gregory B & Frances A
320 E Main St	8/25	\$105,000	Curtis Richard Alan & Kathleen Renner	Gaal Brian D
316 E Main St	8/25	\$105,000	Curtis Richard A & Kathleen A	Gaal Brian D
933 S Market St	8/25	\$29,000	Harmon Nolan C	Fries Lisa Kae
1162 Edgewater Dr	8/25	\$0	Federal National Mortgage Association	Holsinger Harlan
5205 E Winterhill Ct	8/26	\$0	Fulks Mary E & Raymond L	Fulks Raymond L
4060 Forestedge St	8/26	\$48,000	Dec Land Co I Llc	Nvr Inc
8169 Bushclover Dr	8/26	\$195,575	Nvr Inc	Simons Brooke J
7140 River Birch St	8/26	\$32,500	Dec Land Co I Llc	Nvr Inc
25 S 7Th St	8/26	\$133,065	Clarke Sandra J	Hunter Nicholas M & Julie B
3610 Cassandra Dr	8/26	\$145,000	Flynn Caleb C & Ashley E	Hekle Brenda
2109 S Co Rd 25A	8/26	\$45,000	United Scrap Lead Co	Waco Historical Society Inc
961 W Hickory Ln	8/26	\$214,000	Cesul Brandon & Karen	Deyoung Grant G & Brenanna M
222 W Race St	8/26	\$185,000	Thompson Cindy	Watt Amy & Michael A
1521 Chelsea Rd	8/26	\$0	Taylor Clif B & Ruby A	Taylor Ruby A

Election Board Makes Changes

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areas on the checklist are statement of candidacy, nominating petition, signatures, dates and the circulator statement.

"This will hopefully

help people make less errors," Huffman said. "We want to help make fewer errors but also are obligated to follow the law," he said.

Road Closings

- I-75 north and south between CR 25 A(Tipp City) and SR 41, Nightly lane closures August 30th – September 3rd between the hours of 9 pm and 6 am. One lane will remain open in each direction.

- US 36 between Casstown Fletcher and Troy Road, Various lane closures July 27th – October 15th between the hours of 7:30 am and 5 pm. One lane will remain open in each direction through the use of flaggers.

- SR 589 between SR 55 and US 36, Various lane closures July 27th – October 15th between the hours of 7:30 am and 5 pm. One lane will remain open in each direction through the use of flaggers.

- Eldean Road between CR 25A(Troy) and Lytle Road, 24 HOUR ROAD CLOSURE June 8th through November 2nd. The official detour will be posted.

- SR 41 between

SR 201 and Hufford Road, 24 HOUR ROAD CLOSURE June 8th through September 5th. The official detour is: Westbound- SR 201 to SR 55 to SR 202 to SR 41. Eastbound- SR 202 to SR 55 to SR 201 to SR 41

- CR 25A (Piqua) between Looney Road and Indian Ridge Drive, 24 HOUR ROAD CLOSURE June 8th through October 15th. The official detour is: Looney Road to US 36 to Troy/Sidney Road to CR 25A

- CR 33 (Eldean) between CR 25A (Troy) and Piqua Troy Road, 24 HOUR ROAD CLOSURE June 8th through November 4th. The official detour is: CR 25A to West Peterson Road to Piqua Troy Road

- I-75 south Ramp to CR 25A near Troy, 24 HOUR RAMP CLOSURE May 6th through September 4th. The official detour is: I-75 south to SR 41 to I-75 north to CR 25A.

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Lincoln Train Arrives Next Week

By Nancy Bowman

When the reproduction Lincoln Funeral Train comes to Troy next week, it will be on display just a few miles from where the original funeral train made its way through Miami County in spring 1865 on its solemn journey to Illinois from Washington, D.C., carrying the body of the assassinated 16th president.

The train passed through Conover, Fletcher, Piqua, Covington and Bradford as it crossed the county April 29 and 30, 1865.

"I thought this was a rare opportunity to connect that important event with the local ties, starting with the passage of the funeral train through Miami County," said Scott Trostel, a Fletcher area resident, railroad historian and author of a book on the funeral train.

"I have been with the train twice over the summer and seen the reactions of people as they toured the funeral car. They were touched and many were humbled to experience that which they only ever read about, but which has played on the minds of people over the past 150 years," Trostel said.

He was among those who worked to bring the train to the city, joining this year's Sculptures on the Square presentation of the monumental bronze statue of President Abraham Lincoln and a Modern Man on the nearby Courthouse Lawn.

The 30-foot sculpture by Seward Johnson will be on display through October and is a project of Troy Main Street.

Diana Thompson, executive director of the Miami County Visitors and Convention Bureau, said that although numbers are impossible to know, she believes "thousands of visitors" have stopped by since May to visit the Lincoln sculpture.

The train's visit is an extension of Lincoln-related activities this summer including the recent mayor's concert with a Civil War era theme.

"I believe that bringing the Lincoln Funeral Train to Troy embodies the spirit of a community that embraces history during a very important, yet tumultuous time. It allows us to commemorate a time where our country was divided, and our 16th President helped to heal a wounded nation," Thompson said.

She said she anticipates visitors throughout the region "should want to view this replica funeral car and pay homage to a great president."

Each morning during the visit, the train will open with the playing of reveille and the raising of the flag at the Courthouse. Each evening, the retreat will be played and the flag taken down around 5 or 6 p.m., said Katherine Hayes, director of Troy Main Street Inc.

The train visit also will include historical re-enactors including M. Lynn Barnes, PhD, of Casstown as Mary Todd Lincoln, who is crafting a recreation of Mrs. Lincoln's mourning gown.

A display of the U.S. Sanitary Commission will be at the Courthouse during the event. It will feature a collection of

items gathered by ladies' aid societies in Tipp City and Troy and shipped during the Civil War to the Union Army hospitals during the Battle of Shiloh.

The Troy Historical Society also will have a display of photos and stories of Troy's past.

Hayes said as word of the train's visit spread earlier this summer, people started coming forward with stories about the city and county's participation in the Civil War. "We also heard from local churches that hosted funeral services for Lincoln after his assassination," Hayes said. "Hosting the train gives Troy an opportunity to celebrate and remember our local history."

Trostel provided this historical description of the train's stop in Piqua: - "It was raining when, in the early minutes of April 30, 1865, the Lincoln Funeral Train pulled to a stop at the station grounds in Piqua. On board were the coffins of slain president Abraham Lincoln plus

Miami County author Scott Trostel, a railroad historian, provided the following description of the train:

The original funeral car, named UNITED STATES, built by the United States Military Railroad Shops, was sold by the Federal Government and subsequently passed through several owners. It was destroyed in a prairie fire in March, 1911, near Minneapolis, Minnesota, while in storage.

The wood-body reproduction car is reasonably accurate down to the exterior car color and the seal of the United States. Stepping into the car, the first thing a visitor sees is the black coffin equal to the one used for Abraham Lincoln. The coffin lid holds a plate identical to the one on the actual coffin, plus wreaths made as the initials as "A.L." As your eyes scans the room, a striking ceiling, all done in folded rose fabric with a large folded rosette, fills depths of the room. In the center of the clerestory is one of

"Willie" Lincoln. He too made the funeral journey along with his father. This room contains a desk, Civil War era lounge with fabric woven for this piece plus chairs of that same era. Note the exit door has a reproduction of the builders plate used on the original car. Not present in the car are copies of two cast iron heating stoves.

All rod iron on the car was hand made by a blacksmith and is identical to the original. The brake wheel on the end of the car duplicates the type used in the Civil War era, since there were no automatic air brakes at that time. The couplers on the car are of the link-and-pin type, used on all railroad equipment of this era. The four trucks (sixteen wheels) are similar to those used under the original car. The journal lids are cast brass with an eagle imprint on each of the 16 journals. The journal pedestals are ornate examples of the pattern maker's skills of 1865 and were made specific to this unique car.

An artist has painted them according to colors in 1865. Steel has replaced the wood used on the original side frames.

The funeral bunting is arranged in the style used to decorate the car in 1865, including black bunting and silver stars on sides and ends. LEVIATHAN, the locomotive is also a reproduction based on the 1868

designed used to recreate the two locomotives at the Promontory Point, Utah National Historic Site. This locomotive style and design was typical of the Civil War era. At least 24 locomotives were used to pull the original Lincoln Funeral Train.

The engine was built by Dave Klocke at his Elgin, Illinois, shop, entering service is 2010. It weighs 88,000 pounds and is of the 4-4-0 wheel arrangement. It is a fully operational steam railroad locomotive. It is accurately painted with colors matching the original locomotive "LEVIATHAN" and has extensive and eye-catching gold leafing on the tender sides, typical of that era. The locomotive burns oil and carries 160 pound of steam when in operation. The tender holds 2,000 gallons of water.



his son, Willie Lincoln. Down the track a ways was the railroad's roundhouse, a change of locomotives was being carried out during the 30 minute stop.

On the station platform over 10,000 mourners gathered for a memorial service. A wreath was laid upon the coffin while Lincoln friend, and Piquapastor Rev. Granville Moody, conducted a service. Church bells tolled through the dark night. It was Moody whom Lincoln first discussed the idea of the Emancipation Proclamation. At near 1 a.m. the train departed on its sacred journey, where the remains were received at Springfield, Illinois. The engineer that night was an Irish immigrant, James Gormley, who later lived in Piqua. One-third of the population of the United States had witnessed the body or funeral train along its solemn route."

The Lincoln committee worked tirelessly to secure the train visit to the county, Trostel said. The project was a success thanks to "large support" from the community, he said. Trostel said he's had many people tell him they plan to visit the funeral train during its stop.

"I have to believe that many years from now people will say that they saw the Lincoln Funeral Train in Troy. I can't think of a better reward than knowing that people took the opportunity to see it and remember it," he said.



tains the bedroom of the car, complete with bed, dresser, and chandelier. The small wood framed mirrors were built for a railroad sleeping car by The Barney & Smith Car Company of Dayton, Ohio.

All windows throughout the car have polished brass hardware equal to that used on railroad and steam ship windows in 1865. Below the protective plastic carpet covers is hand woven wool carpet reproduced from Civil War era carpet patterns. It was made by a master weaver for this car.

Passing beyond the bed room, the hall opens into the third room at the far end of the car. In 1865, this room held the coffin and remains of William

Lincoln Funeral Train Details

What: Lincoln Funeral Train

When: Sept. 10-13

Where: Short Street, Troy, between the Miami County Courthouse and Troy-Hayner Cultural Center

Hours: Thursday and Friday (10th & 11th) noon to 8 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday (12th & 13th), 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Admission to inside of train: Adults, \$5; children, free. Children includes anyone under age 18 or currently in grades K through 12. There is no charge to view the exhibit from outside, historical and museum displays on the Courthouse lawn and activities of historical re-enactors.

More information: www.troymainstreet.org; 339-5455.

Leadership Troy Applications Available

The Troy Area Chamber of Commerce is now taking applications for the Leadership Troy program. This program was created by the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with Edison Community College. It is designed to increase the quality and quantity of men and women capable of accepting leadership roles in community organizations. Leadership Troy consists of nine full-day sessions to be held once a month from February through October. The sessions will expose the participants to a variety of social and economic issues and opportunities facing the Troy community. The program will consist of panels, lectures, on-site visit, group discussions, simulations and internship participation on a local community board. Participants are required to serve either an internship on a local community service board, write a research paper, or participate in a team action project. The Leadership Program will be celebrating its 34th year of preparing residents of the Troy area to assume leadership roles in the community.

Applications for the 2016 Class of Leadership Troy are now available at the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce, 405 SW Public Square, Suite 330, Monday thru Friday from 8-5 pm or by calling 339-8769. Deadline for returning competed applications is December 15, 2016.

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Obituaries

Clarence E. Carter

Clarence E. Carter, age 78 of Troy passed away on Wednesday, August 26, 2015 in Troy . At the time of his passing, he was surrounded by his family and lifetime devoted partner Tammy Carter. He was born on March 6, 1937 in Lincoln Heights, Ohio to the late Josh and Alice (Pendergrass) Carter. He was also preceded in death by his brother Jack Carter. Clarence is survived by his children and spouses Butch and Monica Carter of Toronto, Canada, Gail Cherry of Atlanta, George Carter of Atlanta, John Carter of Atlanta, Linn Carter of Atlanta, Cris and Melanie Carter of Florida, Carlos and Shianne Adkins of Troy, Alice Carter of Troy, Sarah Carter of Atlanta, Andrew Carter of Atlanta, Shane Carter of Troy, Alex Carter of Troy, Lance Carter of Troy, 16 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. He was

a graduate of Springfield South High School , was a retired construction foreman and a member of Local Union #1410 for over 40 years . He enjoyed cooking, fishing, helping others and following his kids in their sports. Visitation will be held on Saturday, August 29, 2015 from 5:00-6:30 P.M. at the Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy. Service will follow at 6:30 P.M. with his nephew Rev. Dr. Rockney Carter officiating. Interment will be held at Riverside Cemetery, Troy at a later date. If desired, contributions may be given to Lincoln Community Center, 110 Ash Street, Troy in his memory. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.fisher-cheneyfuneralhome.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy.

Terry Lee Drill

Terry Lee Drill, age 57, of Troy, passed away Tuesday, August 18, 2015 at his residence. He was born on April 27, 1958 in Fairbanks, AK to Mary J. (Weaver) Drill of Troy and the late Marion L. Drill. Terry is survived by two brothers: Norman (Jeanette) Drill of Troy and Christopher (Michelle) Drill of Piqua; two sisters: Mary E. (Rodney) Westfall of Troy and Regina (Robert) Leonard of Dayton; and seven nieces and nephews. Terry was a 1976 graduate of both Miami East High School and Montgomery County

JVS. He was a member of Sing Out Troy. He liked working with computers and electronics. Terry proudly served his country as a member of the US Navy for 4 years. Graveside services will be held at 2:00 PM on September 2, 2015, at Salamonia Cemetery near Portland, IN with Pastor Richard Wilson officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to American Heart Association, 1313 West Dorothy Lane, Kettering, OH 45409. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

Hayner Center Announces Film Series

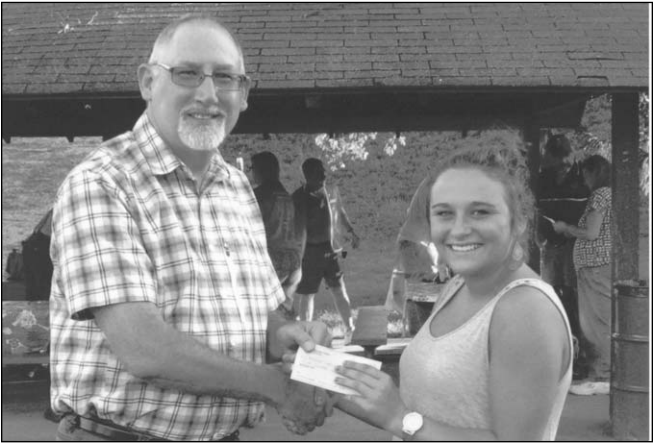
Everyone needs something to do on a Friday night. Why not go to the movies? Friday Night Movies at the Hayner Center feature classic movies with an introduction to the film, café style seating, and popcorn and soft drinks. All films begin at 7:30 p.m. and are free and open to the public. This season's series includes:

- *City Slickers* on Friday, October 9, 2015
- *The Goodbye Girl* on Friday, November 13, 2015
- *Top Gun* on Friday, January 8, 2016
- *Morocco* on Friday, February 5, 2016
- *A Streetcar Named Desire* on Friday, March 11, 2016
- *The Whales of August* on Friday, April 8, 2016

The film series is intended for mature viewers and may not be appropriate for children under 13. The Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is proudly supported by the citizens of the Troy City School District through a local tax levy and generous gifts to the Friends of Hayner. Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is located at 301 West Main Street,

Tebics Wins Lions Scholarship

Madison Tebics of Newton High School in Pleasant Hill, was chosen as the Newton recipient of the Troy Lions Club Scholarship. She will be majoring in Nursing at Ohio University this fall. The scholarship was awarded based on application essays on the importance of community service. Tebics also was the Leo Club President, a service club sponsored by the Troy Lions. She recently attended a Troy Lions Club family picnic where she received her \$500.00 scholarship. The check presentation was performed by Newton Leo Club Advisor Scott. The Troy Lions Club is a non-profit charitable organization, which has served the Miami County area since 1942. Their primary mission is vision health. For more information call 335-7345 or visit their web site at www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/Troy_OH .



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“Transgender” Restrooms

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Kemper said city and school leaders were being invited. He displayed hand-made signs Monday stating, “My students deserve privacy/No co-ed bathrooms” and “Boys bathrooms for boys, girls bathrooms for girls/Stop the insanity.” Herman said the district received no complaints of harassment of the transgender student. Discussions were held with the student and parents as legal advice

was sought. A protocol is being developed for handling other requests received from transgender students. Herman said parents were notified of the situation and how the district was advised to handle it as soon as possible. “We try to make sure all of our kids are safe and protect their rights. It is a big job,” Herman said. “We are trying to work our way through it the best we can. My role in this is to comply with the law as superintendent.”

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Waymire Can Collect Unemployment

By Nancy Bowman


Long-time Miami County Sheriff's Deputy Tina Waymire, fired by Sheriff Charles Cox in June, should receive unemployment benefits, a state Unemployment Compensation Review Commission hearing officer decided last week. Sean Reid, hearing officer, wrote in a decision that Waymire “was discharged by Miami County Auditor without just cause in connection with work.” With that finding, Reid said a previous benefits determination denying her request was no longer in effect. He sent the case to the state Department of Job and Family Services to determine the amount to which Waymire would be entitled. The auditor's office is listed on the legal documents as the employer of Waymire for this type of legal action. Jason Matthews, a Dayton lawyer representing Waymire, said, “We're happy with that decision and believe it supports our position that Deputy Waymire was terminated without just cause.” Waymire has other legal action pending against the sheriff's department. Sheriff's Chief Deputy Dave Duchak said Monday the department does not comment on personnel matters. An employment arbitration hearing for Waymire is scheduled for Nov. 4. Reid emphasized in the findings that the decision only affected the unemployment benefits question. The sheriff fired Waymire in June. Matthews said then the firing was in retaliation for legal action she had filed claiming violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act and allegedly being subjected to an inappropriate work environment. Waymire had been on administrative leave when she was fired. Cox listed alleged violations including: refusing to comply with direct orders; providing false testimony, statements or information during administrative investigation; failing to request clarification regarding removing confidential and proprietary information from the sheriff's office for personal reasons; violating oath of office; being given direct orders to be truthful during investigatory interviews and instead lying; demeaning a juvenile member of the public; and violating terms of a performance improvement plan. Sheriff's Office leaders emphasized the sheriff's action in firing Waymire had nothing to do with her involvement in the rescue of a dog from the river in Troy. She was given verbal counseling in early February for alleged actions during the Jan. 12 rescue of the dog. An inter-office memo on the counseling

showed the Troy fire department, Troy police and the county Animal Shelter responded to the call. Sheriff's Sgt. Todd Tennant said he also heard Waymire on the radio at the bridge asking the countywide dispatch center to have the shelter call her cell phone and questioning about the location of a fire department rescue boat. In the memo, Tennant noted he received an instant message from the dispatch center supervisor noting that firefighters or police had not requested Waymire's assistance. The dog was rescued by firefighters and brought up to the bridge area. There, according to the memo, Waymire asked dispatch to call a local veterinary hospital and tell them she was on the way with the dog. A video “showed Deputy Waymire driving away with emergency lights and sirens activated,” the memo stated. “The GPS from Deputy Waymire's cruiser showed the vehicle speed at 54 mph between Meadow Lane and Stonyridge Avenue (in Troy). The speed limit for that area is 35 mph.” Reid wrote in the decision he heard evidence in Waymire's appeal of a July determination at Job and Family Services that she was not entitled to unemployment because it was found she was discharged for just cause. Reid said he held two hearings on the matter in late July and mid-August.

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Troy Wins Season Opener

By Joe Wright

The Troy Trojans opened the 2015 season with a big win over Chaminade Juilenne 42-31 at Heidkamp Stadium. The win matched the total from the previous season. New head football coach Matt Burgbacher could not be happier with the result. "I told the kids it's a new season and a new story, turn the page on last season and let's write our own start and our own finish."



"I challenged them at halftime and they came out and fired on all cylinders, I couldn't be more excited." CJ opened the game with the ball and on the first play a pass by the Eagles quarterback was swatted at the line of scrimmage by senior Trojan Jared Bair, leading to a three and out. Troy's offense stalled, and the Eagles drove down the field to put three points on the scoreboard with 10-7 after one quarter.

In the second quarter as the Eagles were in the red zone, senior Trojan Drake McDonagh intercepted the Eagles quarterback. Troy capitalized on the turnover. Kotwica connected with junior Hayden Jackson for a 98 yard touchdown play giving the Trojans a 14-10 lead with 4:58 left in the half. The Eagles responded with a rushing touchdown by Massiyah Smith taking a 17-14 lead into

halftime. Behind Trojan offensive lineman Chris Linville and Porter Davis, Scordia ran for first down after first down to start the second half. Marc Scordia finished off the 70 yard drive with a one yard touchdown plunge to take a 21-17 lead. The scoring drive took less than three minutes. The Trojans defense piled on more points after the next Eagles pass attempt with picked off and taken to the house by senior defensive back Austin Jacobs, taking a 28-17 lead with 9:24 remaining in the third. CJ bounced back with a option pitch to running back Jacquell Freeman and took it 61 yards for a score. Troy led 28-24 at the end of three quarters. Chaminade Juilenne did not go away quietly when four seconds into the fourth quarter a touchdown through the air took the lead back 31-28. The Troy Trojans would go on to make a huge statement the rest of the way. Kotwica directed another drive ending with a rushing score by Scordia. Troy led 35-31 with 8:51 remaining in the game and never looked back. Kotwica hooked up with senior wide receiver Luke Robinson on a long completion. The ever efficient Kotwica tossed another touchdown pass to sophomore Zach Boyer, grounding the Eagles and ending the game. "This was a great way to start the season and it gives these kids a real confidence boost that will really help as we go along" said Coach Burgbacher. After a impressive win and 1-0 record the Troy Trojans play their first home game of the season Friday at 7 pm vs. Cincinnati Northwest. Photos by Xavier Gecko.



Troy Sweeps Volleyball Match From Tipp

By Jim Dabbelt

It was a solid, improving performance for the Troy volleyball team last week, as they headed to cross-county foe Tippecanoe to battle a team whose biggest issue was one thing, according to coach Howard Garcia. "The game is very simple, it's a game of unforced errors," Garcia said. "The team that controls the ball better, will win the match. In game one, we had 11 unforced errors, they had three. In game two, we had 12 and they had seven. In game three which was the tightest game, we had 11 and they had nine."

control most of the night. Tipp did lead 7-5 in game one before the Trojans' Miranda Silcott strung together three consecutive service points to give the Trojans the lead they would never relinquish. Katie Demeo put the game away with the last five points in the match, giving Troy the win.

In game one, Demeo led Troy with seven points, while Silcott added four. Solid net play from sophomore Camryn Moeller with four kills, with bot blocks from Drezanee Smith and Demeo controlled the game for Troy. Tipp was led by Kara



"It's not who has the tallest team, or who has the better offense, it's about who is better controlling the ball." Troy defeated Tippecanoe 25-11, 25-17, 25-21 in straight sets, and was in



trailed 16-10 and tried to fight back, but the Trojans pulled away in the end. Demeo led with five service points, while Dana Wynkoop added four. It was again solid net play from Moeller and Demeo each with three kills. Tipp received four points from Alyssa Crusey and solid net play from Prall and Aubrey Cox. Silcott had a solid third game, with three points and four kills. "This is a big rivalry for the girls, and they want to get those competitive feelings going," said Troy coach Michelle Owen. "Tipp has a good squad and is upperclassmen-heavy. I was pretty happy with our performance tonight."

"We came out and used our strengths to get the ball to the outside and the middle early. I would like to see our serving game be more intense, but for us to play the way we played I was very proud of our girls." Owen also praised the work of Moeller, only a sophomore who led the Trojans with 13 kills in the match, along with 16 points. "She plays really tall for her height," Owen said. "She is only 5'9 and has a huge vertical, and has a good shot selection for a sophomore." Silcott added nine kills, while Dana Wynkoop dished out 29 assists, Silcott added 14 digs. Photos by Carla Ungerecht



Troy Shuts Out Tecumseh

By Jim Dabbelt

It was an early season clash on Saturday night between two of the area's top Division One boys' soccer teams, as Troy tried to remain unbeaten on the year hosting Tecumseh in a non-conference contest. The Trojans scored twice in the first half, and their defense stood up throughout the game, defeating the Arrows 3-0. "During the first 15 minutes, we moved the ball around and used both ends of the field, we were playing quick," said Troy coach Richard Phillips. "Things chances at the end of the half, and we didn't do those things."

keeper that Tecumseh keeper Ridge O'Daniel tried to clear out of the goal, and put the ball into the net to give the Trojans a 2-0 lead. While the Arrows offense could not get on track against the stubborn Troy defense, the Trojans capped off the scoring in the second half, when Diffenderfer took a pass from an indirect kick from J.T. Yenney and slid the ball past O'Daniel with seven minutes left in the game, pushing the Trojans lead to 3-0. "We tried to make adjustments again, and make is a possession game and play quicker," Phillips said. "We needed to find the open players and that deteriorated. We



"We got the win, but we still need to be more aware off our possession game." Tecumseh coach Jason Runner knew the first couple of weeks would be tough with a young team, and a very difficult schedule. "We are young and inexperienced, and played back on our heels a lot," Runner said. "I thought we played well for the first 25 minutes, but we couldn't get our combinations together, and we committed some bad fouls." Troy got on the board 19 minutes into the game when Jake Diffenderfer scored from 18 yards out giving the Trojans a 1-0 lead. "He hit the ball into the upper corner," Phillips said. Troy held that lead until the 11 minute mark of the first half, when Max Sherman chased after a back pass to the

had numerous scoring opportunities. We were more in the attacking third last night, we still needed to be more organized in the back." Diffenderfer scored his first two goals of the season, and Phillips was impressed how the senior played. "He did a nice job in the middle of the field," Phillips said. "He created opportunities and made some for himself. He did a nice job." Meanwhile, the Arrows have another tough week ahead, as they battle Butler on Saturday after playing Ben Logan tonight. "We are still trying to work people together with a tough early schedule," Runner said. "They are playing with a good work ethic, they just need to fill the puzzle and we will be ok." Photos by Seth Gecko.



Troy Notes: Eagles Win Season Opener

Troy Christian Football - It was a dominant performance for the Troy Christian Eagles in their football opener last Friday night, as they cruised past Lima Perry 49-0, opening the year on a good

down pass, giving them a two touchdown lead early. It was déjà vu as Dillahunt and Brown scored again in the same ways, pushing their lead to 28-0 at the break. Back came Dillahunt



note. It didn't take the Eagles long to break through, as returning standout running back Luke Dillahunt broke free for a long touchdown run, giving the Eagles a quick 7-0 lead. They added another score before the quarter ended when Jacob Brown caught a touch-

to open the second half, as he took the opening kickoff back for another touchdown, pushing their lead out to 35-0. A defensive touchdown added to their lead when Peyton Spurlock ran a pick back for a score. **Troy Christian Boys Soccer** - Troy Christian defeated Ponitz last

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Cross Country Results: NW Wins Invitational

By Jim Dabbelt

Northwestern placed three runners in the top ten of their own invitational last weekend, as the Warriors captured the mens title of the Northwestern Cross Country Classic, held on Saturday. Greenon placed fifth overall, Tecumseh ninth and Tippecanoe tenth. Justin Prack was the overall winner, as the Northwestern runner finished the race in 16:51.5, nearly 20 seconds ahead of the runner up finisher. Greenon's Max Pettit placed third with a time of 17:31.0. Also for Northwestern, Ryan Cleland was fourth (17:31.5), Kyle Jamison placed seventh (17:38.8), Liam Randall finished 12th (18:09.3), Jake Boop placed 27th (19:10.4) and Keith Kaiser finished 35th with a time of 19:34.5. Greenon's Joel Pensworth placed ninth overall with a time of 18:07.7, with fellow Knights runner Cameron Haught running 13th (18:22.3), and finishing 56th was Conner Bushell (20:16.0). Tecumseh's top runner in the meet was

Garrett Gemmaka, who placed 25th with a time of 19:06.8, with Caleb Ricks finishing 50th (19:59.2), Ethan Adams 51st (19:59.2), Jack Dague was 60th (20:30.9), Reid Hale 64th (20:41.4) and Christian Hunt 65th (20:43.2). As for Tippecanoe, their best time came from Colin Duncan, who finished 32nd overall with a time of 19:27.4, while Richie Robbins was 41st (19:48.5) and Zach Dix 43rd (19:51.9). *On the girls' side, Tecumseh placed fourth overall with a point total of 122, Northwestern was fifth and Greenon sixth. Brooke Smith ran to a fifth place finish for Northwestern, finishing with a time of 21:45.1, while Megan Schimpf was 22nd (23:36.0), Kaylee Parrett was 42nd (25:14.4) and Emily Funderburg was 43rd (25:15.2). Greenon was led by Rachel Dewey who placed 15th (22:41.7), with Olivia Blevins 24th (23:50.3), while Rhianon Morlock was 37th (24:52.2), Katie Conley 46th (25:28.0) and Cheyanne Caswell 47th (25:29.9). For Tecumseh, their

best finisher was Natalie Allen who was 16th (22:42.4), Morgan Crowley 23rd (23:43.3), Breanna Crowley 31st (24:23.6), Emma Hoover 33rd (24:28.1), Taylor Henderson 35th (24:33.9) and Megan Pennington 49th (25:40.8). Bob Schul Invitation- al- Troy Christian boys got a good start to their season today running at the Bob Schul invitation- al. the boys team finished 18th being led by two of their freshman, Isaac Flora 68th 19:17.1 and Nick Pratt 69th 19:19.1. Sophomore Zach Davidson followed running his best 5K for an 81st place finish in 20:36.1. Caleb Hunnicutt and Noah Davidson completed the scoring team, both running PR's. The Bethel boys team finished in 16th place with a score of 427, while the girls finished in 18th place with 497 points. The boys were led by Korry Hamlin, who won the Division 3 race in a time of 16:34.2. He was followed by Chase Heck in 114th place in a time of 20:43.4, Connor Whelan in 119th place in a time of 20:52.4, Ben Wright in 130th place in a time of 21:33.8, Brian Pencil

in 162nd place in a time of 22:41.6, Max Schell in 183rd place in a time of 24:12.1, Jacob vanTilburg in 204th place in 26:15.7, Brandon Gilbert in 210th place in a time of 27:29.0, Sam Pencil in 211th place in a time of 27:29.2 and Joel Ricker in 216th place in a time of 28:47.9. The Bethel girls were led by Kaylee Baugh in 105th place in a time of 25:19.3. She was followed by Kaitlyn Balkcom in 121st place in a time of 25:52.06, Eili Wright in 127th place in 26:11.6, Morgan Jergens in 185th place in a time of 33:57, and Olivia Norris in 186th place in a time of 33:58. As for Tippecanoe, their boys also sent runners to Milton Union, with the top finisher being Michael Stearns who placed 11th overall with a 17:08.7, followed by Noah Ballard 39th (18:12.7), Ben Jans 41st (18:19.2), Ethan Sinning 42nd (18:19.6) and Adam Rindler 53rd (18:34.5). For the Tipp girls, Anna Klepinger was the highest finisher with a time of 21:42.1, good enough for 46th overall. Annie Martino also finished 53rd (21:55.3).

What to Do in Troy

Downtown Farmer's Market
September 5, 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.

"Movies and Musicals" - Free concert
September 7, 7:00 p.m.
Prouty Plaza
Troy Civic Band will present "Movies and Musicals" a free outdoor concert on Labor Day, Monday, September 7, downtown Troy on Prouty Plaza, 7 PM. Concert and parking are free. Audience members should bring lawn chairs. In case of rain, concert will be moved to Troy Christian High School, 700 S. Dorset. Both sites are handicapped accessible. Info contact: 937-335-1178

Farmer's Market - Health Fair
September 9
Piqua YWCA
The YWCA Piqua September 9 Monthly Lun-

cheon Series will feature a Health Fair - Farmer's Market. "This month's program will include speakers from a variety of groups as well as gathering 'healthy' food items from each health vendor," said Beth Royer, YWCA Program Director. Each health vendor's kiosk will include information about services and supplies that they offer as part of the health fair. "Individuals visiting each booth will receive a fruit or vegetable to fill their farmer's market bag," continued Royer. "We hope that this event will not only educate those attending about health services and supplies that are available, but will also give them a nice bag of healthy foods to take home." Reservations for the program and lunch should be made by Monday, September 7. Stop at the YWCA at 418 N. Wayne Street or call 773-6626 for more information or to make a reservation. A UVMC nurse is available from 10:15-11 a.m. for free blood pressure and glucose screenings. The YWCA is handicap accessible. To promote your club or organization's events, e-mail the information at least two weeks in advance to editor@troytrib.com. If you prefer to mail the information, our address is Troy Tribune, P.O. Box 281, New Carlisle OH 45344

Sports Notes

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week 7-1 in a non conference soccer game. The Eagles used goals from Jon Slone, Seth Wynne, Tom Null and two each from Andrew Strait and Colt Tanner. Slone added two assists while Jared Trimbach and Tanner each added one in the win. Wesley Alexander and Jackson Kremer combined to record four saves. **Troy Christian Girls Soccer** - It was a shutout for the Eagles girls' soccer team, as they defeated Newton last week 3-0 in a non-league game. They came back with a 1-1 tie against Lehman on Thursday night. Scoring the lone Eagles goal was Kenlie Blake who scored off a corner kick for the Eagles.



"For us, it was a job well done, the girls stepped up tonight," Brian Peters said. "It was an accomplishment for our squad to walk away with a tie." "We put a tactical defensive game together to reduce our risk of losing," Peters said. "Our back five and Cara Salazar was just phenomenal. Cara had some saves that were game saving. She played well above her years." **Troy Tennis** - Four easy wins by the Trojans tennis team gave them a 4-1 victory over Greenville last week in a GWOC North contest. Hannah Essick won at first singles 6-2, 6-0 to lead the Trojans, while Maggie Hennessy captured the second singles match 6-3, 6-1 before Ashley Bruns fell short at third singles 6-2, 6-4.

The first doubles team of Zoey Scancarello and Sierra Verstraten defeated Mallory Rich and Neeps Kaur 6-2, 6-3, while at second doubles, it was Meredith Pruitt and Katie Sherrick defeating Hanna Gully and Larissa Schmitmeyer 6-3, 6-1. Also last week, the Trojans lost 4-1 to Bellbrook, and bounced back to defeat Xenia 5-0. In their loss to undefeated Bellbrook, Bruns picked up the lone Trojans win at third singles over Maddie Bertacini 6-2, 6-1. "They have two outstanding singles players," Trojans coach Mark Goldner said. "After a tough loss (to Greenville), she had a nice comeback win." Against Xenia, Essick and Hennessy both won at the top two singles spots 6-0, 6-0, while Bruns came back with another win 6-1, 6-0. Both doubles teams for Troy also were victorious.

Troy also placed in a tie for second at the Tipp Invitational on Saturday. Essick was second at top singles, while Bruns won the third singles spot. Also the doubles team of Pruitt and Sherrick placed second overall at second doubles.

Troy Boys Soccer - The Trojans defeated Fairmont 3-1 last week, behind a pair of goals and as assist from junior Grant Holland. Also scoring for Troy in their win was Brandon Lewis, while assists came from JT Yenney and Cam Schultz. Keeper Alex Williams recorded the win with 13 saves for the Trojans.

Troy Girls Soccer-Kelsey Walters scored a hat trick for the Trojans, as they defeated Fairmont 4-0 last week in girls' soccer action. Adding a goal for the Trojans in the win was Jenna Stone, who also dished out an assist. Other assists in the win came from Bailey Hess, Kailyn Hatfield and Sierra Besecker. Earning her first win of the season in the net was Arianna Garcia. Photos by Xavier Gecko.

Sports Schedules

Wednesday, September 2
3:45 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Golf vs. Butler at Cassel Hills GC
4:30 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Tennis vs. Stebbins
7:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Soccer at Northmont

Thursday, September 3
4:00 p.m. - Troy HS Boys Golf vs. Butler at Miami Shores
4:30 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Tennis vs. Fairborn
5:00 p.m. - Troy Christian Boys Soccer at New Knoxville
6:00 p.m. - Troy HS Boys Soccer at West Carrollton
6:15 p.m. - Troy Christian Girls Volleyball at Yellow Springs
7:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Volleyball vs. West Carrollton

Friday, September 4
7:00 p.m. - Troy HS Boys Football vs. Cincinnati Northwest
7:00 p.m. - Troy Christian Boys football at Waynesfield-Goshen

Saturday, September 5
8:30 a.m. - Troy Christian Golf at Joe Middleton Invitational at Beechwood Golf Club
9:00 a.m. - Troy Christian Boys & Girls Cross Country at Covington Invitational at Eagles Farm
9:30 a.m. - Troy HS Boys & Girls Cross Country at Greenville Treaty City Invite
11:15 a.m. - Troy Christian Girls Volleyball at Franklin Monroe
1:00 p.m. - Troy Christian Boys Soccer vs. Botkins
5:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Soccer at Wayne

Monday, September 7
4:30 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Golf vs. Chaminade Julianne at Miami Shores

Tuesday, September 8
9:00 a.m. - Troy HS Boys Golf at Fairmont Firebird Invitational at NCR Country Club North
4:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Tennis at Butler at Dayton Center Courts
5:00 p.m. - Troy Christian Golf at Meadowbrook Country Club
6:15 p.m. - Troy Christian Girls Volleyball @ Middletown Christian
7:00 p.m. - Troy HS Boys Soccer vs. Springboro

Wednesday, September 9
3:45 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Golf at Greenville at Turtle Creek Golf Course
4:30 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Tennis vs. Springfield
7:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Soccer vs. West Carrollton

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Troy Civic Band will present two free «end of summer» concerts downtown Troy on Prouty Plaza. The Labor Day concert entitled «Movies and Musicals,» will take place on Monday, September 7 at 7 PM and will feature lively Hollywood and Broadway tunes. The final concert of the Downtown Troy Summer Music Series will be on Sunday, September 13 at 7 PM, also on Prouty Plaza. Troy Civic Band will treat the audience to a concert entitled, "Planes, Trains and Automobiles". Audience members are encouraged to bring lawn chairs to the concerts. Concerts and parking are free and handicapped accessible. In case of rain, the concerts will be moved to Troy Christian High School gymnasium, 700 S. Dorset Road, in Troy. For additional information, phone: 937-335-1178
Troy Civic Band performs from May through September and is generously supported by The Troy Foundation, The City of Troy, and private donors. The band is directed by Bill

and Kathy McIntosh and includes musicians from Miami County and the surrounding area. Downtown events are a collaborative effort of The City of Troy, The Troy Foundation, Troy Main Street and Troy-Hayner Cultural Center. Brochures for upcoming Fall and Winter events are available at Troy-Hayner Cultural Center, 301 W. Main, Troy. Web addresses for downtown Troy events are www.troyhayner.org or www.troymainstreet.org. Sunday, September 13, 2015 is the last day to view President Lincoln's Funeral Train located at W. Main & Short Street, just south of the Miami County Court House, 10 AM to 8 PM. Students through grade 12 are treated to free admission to tour the inside the train. Adult admission is \$5. Visitors to the train exhibit are encouraged to arrive by 6 PM, tour the train and then attend the band concert at 7 PM.

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Commissioners Discuss Solar

By Nancy Bowman

A possible solar project involving Miami County property was discussed briefly with the county commissioners last week.

Bill Bradish of Palmer Energy talked with commissioners about a solar program being developed by the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO).

"At this point, we want people to know this will be available," Bradish said.

He said he and Chris Johnson, county operations and facilities director, took an initial look at county power bills, program parameters and any county properties that might benefit from association with a solar project.

A preliminary review showed the juvenile detention and rehabilitation centers located between Troy and Piqua fit initial parameters such as amount of kilowatt hours used per year and availability of acreage for the solar units. Bradish explained that the solar units would not be placed on rooftops and said most of the county facilities whose bills were reviewed did not have the required acreage.

From information available so far, the program would involve the CCAO putting out requests for proposals on program models for interested developers. The program includes federal tax credits for those developers that now run through 2016, Brad-

ish said. It also includes long-term agreements for participants.

"There are a lot of pros and cons here," he said.

If at some point, the commission has an interest in the project, Bradish said he'd have someone with more specific details meet with them.

"I am glad we're looking at it," Commission President Jack Evans said.

In other business last week, the commissioners:

- Approved more money than budgeted to pay architects who assist the county Building Department with project plan reviews. Craig Thompson, Development Department director, told the commission the department had used most of the \$100,000 budgeted for the contract work by the end of July.

- The commission approved another up to \$85,000 for contracts combined first with Bruns Consulting and, on Aug. 27, with Candace Goodall. Thompson said he thinks the added money approved would get the department through the rest of the year.

- Authorized flu inoculations for all county employees and their spouses through the county Health Department at the annual county health fair.

- Approved the sale of two county vehicles to Didier Auto Parts, doing business as Poling's Auto Parts, Troy, for a total \$950. The vehicles are a 1998 Ford Club van and a 1994 Dodge Caravan, both described as beyond their useful life.

Communication Board Recommends \$2.9M System

By Nancy Bowman

The Miami County Communication Center Board recommended Aug. 26 the county commission approve the move to a Project 25 (P25) system that allows public safety agencies to talk across jurisdictional lines.

Still under discussion is who would pay for new or updates to nearly 900 communication radios in use by police, fire and EMS workers across the county.

The county has had a countywide center for dispatch and operations since 1990. The center board is comprised of representatives of cities, law enforcement, fire and EMS and the county commission.

Options for the communication system based in Troy and radios have been under exploration for some time.

While the county sales tax pays for the center's operation and the system backbone and maintenance of the communication system, the cost of radio purchases has remained largely with the local governments and volunteer departments.

The estimated cost for the new system backbone is \$2.9 million if the commission decides to go with a proposal by Oct. 2.

The proposed new system would use the existing countywide communication footprint including a series of communication towers, said Frank Galvin IV, a large project sales manager with Motorola.

A chart shared with the board Aug. 26 shows how many radios each agency has, how many can be upgraded, how many new would be needed and the estimated cost per department. Jeff Busch, Communication Center director, said the inventory numbers were obtained from each agency.

For example, the estimated cost for Troy fire and police departments was listed as \$70,000 and \$158,000, respectively.

For Tipp City, the following numbers were listed: EMS, \$12,100; fire, \$20,700; and police department, \$57,000. The sheriff's department was \$122,000.

Board member Jan Mottinger of the Bradford Fire Department said the department is looking at close to \$50,000 for radios. "I agree we should change," he said of the overall communication system.

He added, though, the radios are the big question. "How are they going to do it?" Mottinger asked of agencies, including those volunteer-based.

County Commissioner John "Bud" O'Brien, who also serves as center board chairman, said discussions would be held with county Auditor Matt Gearhardt to review possible scenarios for county participation in buying radios.

"We should be able to put some affordable scenarios out there for the departments," O'Brien said.

Among options briefly discussed at the Aug. 26 board meeting were phased purchases of radios and a phased payment program. Galvin said older radios could be used during a transition period with a "patch" system implemented at the communication center. Busch added that an end date for the transition activities would need to be established.

Tim Eggleston, city manager in Tipp City, said following the meeting he liked the concept of paying for radios over five years.

He said he is considering options for the city departments such as the police department buying new portables and passing along the older models to other departments.

"I have other questions for the next 911 meeting on how this impacts the non-emergency departments. This is where the bump in the road is, but the reality is that emergency services need to be on the same system," Eggleston said.

Troy has delayed replacing radios while system options were explored. "I think this new backbone is the right direction for the staff. I think the fact everybody will be able to talk to everybody else seamlessly is a real benefit," said Patrick Titterington, city service and safety director.

"I look forward to working with the county to come up with some help for the communities to offset part or all of the radio costs," Titterington added.

Also under discussion by the board is the type of relationship the county should have with the Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS). Busch said benefits of a couple of MARCS options continue to be analyzed.

Edison Adjunct Faculty Honored at Banquet

Nineteen employees were recognized for instructing a combined total of 3,075 hours or 1,025 classes in their careers at Edison Community College's annual adjunct faculty recognition banquet on Wednesday, August 19.

Dr. Paul Heintz served as the event's Master of Ceremonies while Dr. Doreen Larson provided a President's Welcome and presented honorees with gifts.

"Often I hear students talk about their adjunct faculty with true admiration," said President Larson. "They've had the professor that they know worked all day, came in to teach their class and bring real world experience to the classroom."

"Thank you to all adjunct faculty for everything that you do for our students."

Adjunct faculty hours are accrued by the number of credit hours in each class taught. Typically, each class taught is worth 3 credit hours.

The following employees were recognized for reaching significant milestones in their careers at

Edison: Five Hundred Twenty-Five Hours: John Andreoni, Communications; Four Hundred Fifty Hours: Sally Andreoni, Math; Three Hundred Hours: Stephanie Beiser, Art; Michele Curry, Office Systems Administration; Two Hundred Twenty-Five Hours: Eva Maloney, Psychology, Sociology, Social Services; Bob Robinson, Communications; One Hundred Fifty Hours: Heidi Hittepole, Nursing; Seventy-Five Hours: Curtis Ankeny, Political Science; Megan Edmonds, Philosophy; Pam Gilbert, American Sign Language; Shannon Guditis, Math; Connie Humphreys, Philosophy; Linda Price, Math; Nahreen Rahman, Economics, Political Science; Erin Reese, Biology; Daniela Sowers, Accounting; Maggie Sykes, Management; Penni Warren, Office Systems Administration; Heather Young, Medical Assisting.

During the banquet, adjunct professors Dawn Hines, Charles J. Brooks, Sr., and Nancy Brewer were also honored in memoriam.



President Larson honors John Andreoni for Five Hundred Twenty-Five hours of employment at Edison Community College's adjunct faculty recognition banquet.

World's Greatest Mentalist Returns to Edison

Edison Community College brings the "World's Greatest Mentalist," Robert Channing to the Piqua Campus on Monday, September 28 at 7 p.m. This astonishing performance is open to the community and offered free of charge.



Robert Channing, most recently known for his triumphed appearance on

America's Got Talent, is renowned for his extra-sensory perception (ESP). Channing's ability to demonstrate the incredible power of the human mind by exploiting its bugs and loopholes, offers a revealing look at the software between our ears. His dazzling and often very funny show brings audience members right onto the stage to participate in mind games that will leave them guessing for days.

The event will be held in the Robinson Theater. Those interested in attending are encouraged to arrive early to reserve a seat. For more information about the event, contact Nate Cole at ncole@edisonohio.edu or call 937-381-1555.

Hundreds of Arrests, Millions in Drugs Seized Statewide

Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine joined representatives from the Ohio Task Force Commanders' Association (OTFCA), Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services, Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police, and Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association this morning to announce the results of a statewide drug enforcement effort that resulted in several hundred arrests and millions of dollars' worth of drugs seized.

Nearly 400 law enforcement officers representing 29 OTFCA task forces participated in "Operation OTFCA," which took place across Ohio over the last several weeks. The Ohio Attorney General's Bureau of Criminal Investigation

has involvement with many of the task forces.

The goal of "Operation OTFCA" was to target those trafficking drugs such as heroin, prescription drugs, and cocaine into Ohio's communities. Many task forces also provided information on treatment and addiction recovery assistance to those taken into custody.

"Because of this operation, millions of dollars' worth of drugs will never make it onto the streets and into the hands of those suffering from addiction," said Attorney General DeWine. "I applaud the local, state, and federal authorities who worked to make this initiative a success and who also work every day to make Ohio a safer place."

According to OTFCA, 108 search warrants were served across the state as part of the initiative, and 409 people were arrested on at least 920 charges, most of which were drug related. As part of the initiative, 224 heroin-related charges were filed, 140 charges involved cocaine offenses, 110 charges were filed relating to prescription drugs, 82 charges involved marijuana, and 51 charges involved methamphetamine.

As part of the operation, OTFCA task forces also reported seizing drugs with an estimated total street value of more than \$5 million, which is in addition to a total of \$1,330,644 in cash seized as part of the task forces' investigations.

"I have been a member

of the Ohio Task Force Commanders' Association since it was formed, and I haven't met a more passionate group of law enforcement executives working to combat Ohio's drug problems through enforcement, prevention, and treatment," said Ohio Task Force Commanders' Association President Jeff Orr of the Trumbull County Sheriff's Office.

Task forces operating as part of the Ohio Task Force Commanders' Association are funded by the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services.

More information on the Ohio Task Force Commanders' Association can be found at www.otfca.net.

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Tip Of The Week

BY SGT. JJ MAURO
Tipp City Police Retired

Police Harassment

So the police are out looking to harass the innocent citizenry. Two words here that do not belong in the same sentence, “Harass” and “Innocent.” With the United States average is 2 police officers per 1000 citizens, there are simply not enough police to harass everybody. Put 1000 people in a typical high school stadium and tell me how two officers in blue are going to harass all of them.

Of those 1000 people in the stadium, there will be some who want to take the property belonging to another. There will be some who take offense at being bumped and strike out physically. There will be those who want to go off under the bleachers and cook up some heroin and main line it just because it makes them feel good. And of course there will be enough beer for those who want to abuse what is legal to purchase in the gas station.

In that crowd will be youth who are bored and will see what kind of damage they can do without getting caught. Some of the more sophisticated youth will seek out a place to practice that newly found activity called lovemaking even though there are hundreds of people around to watch.

I could come up with plenty of examples of human activity I have seen over the years, as well as what you can add to the list. All these are examples of the second word given emphasis and that is innocent. None of these activities are considered innocent in a genteel society. They have each been given a title and a section of the Ohio Revised Code making them illegal. The only people in the crowd of 1000 people with the power to arrest the participants of these activities are the two humans dressed in blue and wearing a badge.

In fact the two police officers swore an oath to enforce all of the laws of the State of Ohio and their employing jurisdiction. So now comes the harassment. Which of the violators do the two officers deal with first? The drug injecting person only wanting to feel good? How about the youth who are damaging public property which cost taxpayers more money to fix. Perhaps the fight going on after someone was bumped? Surely somebody will get hurt in the melee with the possibility of it turning into a fully fledged brawl and riot.

Whoever the officers decide they should handle first, that person will feel harassed since there are more serious violators in the crowd. The police are only harassing them because of the color of their skin, because of their young age or simply because the police officer is a jerk.

Whomever the police choose to deal with, the remaining crowd will continue to do their thing without fear of police harassment since the police will be tied up for several hours dealing with their victim by removing them from the scene, taking them to jail (if it is not full and refusing new inmates) and doing to the paperwork for lawyers to later make harassment accusations.

No I am not cynical and feel this is how police work is done every day or I would not still be in the business after 40 years. But the point here is that the police have the training, authority and power of discretion to deal with what the society employing them desires and needs to be enforced. Every one of the violators described is participating in an activity that is deemed illegal and as such, they are not innocent. To scream, yell, resist arrest or lash out at the police is not a form of civil disobedience. It is a person with no respect for themselves, let alone the authority of the police. Harassing the innocent! I think not.

At Home

By CONNIE MOORE

Nature’s Single Threads Weave Autumn’s Cloak

Single threads of a spider’s web glimmer in sunlight as this morning begins. The threads seem to hang upon nothing, moving in mid-air like a shimmering strand of gauze.

Larger patches of gossamer caps spot the grass as the light catches on them and blends mild rainbow colors for a patchwork quilt of nature’s weaving.

Two crows head out at dawn from east to west sounding their harsh caw to wake up those not disposed to rising early. From their night’s roost in trees where sun’s first rays warm their feet and wings, the two companions make their way “straight as a crow flies” to surrounding fields for breakfast.

Within an hour or so another raspy voice will take over the neighborhood as late summer locusts buzz their lives away in the yard trees. Silence then ensues as the heat of the day creeps in on the land.

Finding the first spike of delicate pink miracle lily was as exciting as finding the first morel in spring. The lilies, now however, mean an early autumn is bound to overtake us this year. Sweet scents of forty-two miracle lilies mingle



with hundreds of Royal standard hosta trumpet blooms. Snow white beacons of summer’s last strength, they make the transition from summer to autumn a very sweet endeavor.

Along the back fence, the fire bushes are beginning to show a reddish tint, faint yet unmistakable. We feel that they are not supposed to change clothes for another four weeks. But who are we to decide when Lady Autumn takes a notion to show up. Even the maples out on the roads are urgently changing from green to dry green to yellow streaked with red.

Probably one of the stron-

gest signs that autumn is early is the change taking place inside the house. Grilled meats move aside for end-of-the-season fried zucchini with a side of sliced tomatoes. Soon enough the garden will be asleep and its produce tucked away in jars and freezer bags. Now though, as evening light shows up a last ripe tomato here and there and another two or three baby zucchini beginning to grow, we take heart that maybe, just maybe, we can squeak another few weeks of summer out of time’s forward march.

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FRIED ZUCCHINI

- One large zucchini, washed and dried
 - 2-3 eggs, beaten
 - 1-2 cups flour
 - Salt & pepper to taste, optional
 - Oil for frying
- The zucchini should be big. Some folks say it should be big as your arm. That’s up to you. We go for about 3-4-inch diameter and a foot long. You want to slice it into ½-inch round slices. Some cooks let the slices drain on paper towels to remove some of the moisture-the less moisture, the crispier the frying. The eggs should be in a bowl wide enough to hold the slices. The flour should be in a similar bowl or plate. You can add the salt and pepper to flour or not, we prefer not to use them. Oil should be in a large, nonstick skillet about ½-inch deep.
- Dip zucchini slices in beaten egg. Lift and drain. Place in flour and coat completely. Shake off excess. Place in hot oil. Fill pan with slices. Fry until deep brown and turn. Fry till both sides are deep brown. Remove from skillet and drain on paper towel lined plate.
- Keep frying until all zucchini slices are used OR until you have enough. If there is any zucchini left, chop coarsely and freeze for baking zucchini bread later. It can also be folded into pancake batter or muffin batter or added to casseroles.
- Serve fried zucchini hot with butter, maple syrup or plain.

Gardening Commentary

By MEADOWVIEW GROWERS

Fall Garden Mums: How Hardy Are They?

This is a question that is asked frequently and the answer has a number of factors to consider. Years ago our grandmothers had a limited selection of flowers that would bloom and provide color in the garden during the fall season. There were only a few types of mums and the flowers were limited to a few basic colors and they all bloomed about the same time. The consumer was interested in more colors that would bloom over a longer period of time. They wanted plants that bloomed in August all the way through the fall to Thanksgiving. They also seemed interested in different types of flowers for additional interest. The marketing people saw an opportunity and they asked the breeders to develop plants that would bloom over a longer period of time with more colors and different types of flowers.

Over time the breeders came up with very compact varieties that had hundreds of flowers, new colors and some with white petals and yellow centers. They developed plants that would bloom early and varieties that would bloom later. Those that bloom later are referred to as “season extenders”. Some even had more fragrance. All these “new” characteristics were the drivers of the breeding and hardi-



ness was not one of the big issues so it fell by the way side. Many people look at mums as a seasonal decorating plant because they are used to replace some of the annuals that have served their purpose and if they survive the winter that is a bonus.

Here are the ways to improve the survivability of the “garden mums” we have today and some of the things you can do that will help your mums get through the winter in good condition.

1) Plant your mums as early in the fall as possible, by mid-October is preferable.

2) Use good compost, peat moss or a good quality potting soil like Metro Mix 360 mixed 1/3 by volume with the soil from the hole you dig for planting. The top of the root

ball should be level with the surrounding soil when planting is finished.

3) Use a starter fertilizer mixed according to the directions on the container with the backfill soil, this will stimulate those good healthy roots to get growing in their new location.

4) Soak the plant when it is planted by flooding the hole with water after planting is complete. Water the plant every second or third day if we don’t get rain. Avoid letting it wilt severely. It is very important to get the roots established.

5) Mulch the plant with about one inch of mulch when planting. In mid-December or when the ground begins to freeze and the top of the plant looks brown and dry cover the top of the plant with leaves or

straw. Do not cut the top of the plant back at this time and be sure the soil is damp when you’re doing this step.

6) About mid-March, when we get a mild day remove the leaves or straw you put on in December. In April when you see the new shoots sprouting you can trim back the dead top to the new shoots. Fertilize at this time with a slow release fertilizer like Osmocote.

Now, when you follow these easy steps you should have better success with your mums surviving the winter. Send any questions to info@meadowview.com and we’ll do our best to help you with your gardening success.

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Pay It Forward

By KAREN MARTIN

One School With No Graduation

Well it is that time of year again. This summer was one that seemed to fly by. I think we kept waiting for the rain to stop so we could start our summer. Most children are excited to see their friends and think we are all glad to

get back to schedules. College starts for those graduates and another year for those working on their degrees. And there is another school that we are all enrolled in, and that is the school of life.....

We too take in as much information as we can to make our living better. We are constantly learning from so many, even the smallest of teaches. Our children teach

us what to do and not to do as parents. We learn from the trials and errors from the one before them. We try to be the best teacher for them as well in everything that we have learned in our life before them. In this school of life, we are the students and the teachers. In all the mistakes we have made, there are lessons to be learned.

We are constantly learning

at our jobs as well. We have to accomplish certain levels to advance to a higher position. We also have to go to classes ourselves to receive more knowledge for that job, also more credit hours to keep our license for others. Then there are the times that we decide to change occupations, so more learning is necessary. Learning has no age limit.

Financial Focus



Provided by Matt Buehrer, Thrivent Financial

Think you don't need life insurance? Think again!

If you died tomorrow, how would your loved ones fare financially? It's not a pleasant scenario to think about, but not doing so can have serious consequences. September is life insurance awareness month and Thrivent Financial wants to encourage you to think about your life insurance needs and make sure your family would be protected if the unexpected were to happen.

If someone depends on you financially, you need life insurance. It's that simple. According to LIMRA1 roughly 35 million American households have no coverage at all, and most of those who do have far less coverage than financial professionals recommend.

Life insurance can provide cash to your family after your death. Known as the death benefit, it can help your family pay for your funeral and other final expenses, eliminate credit-card balances and car loans, and provide loved ones with income to live on for a period of time.

Whether a person needs life insurance depends on his or her particular situation and financial objectives. For help determining if you need life insurance, Thrivent Financial suggests thinking of the following seven scenarios:

You're Married. Married people share a life with one another, but also share financial obligations. If you died suddenly, would your surviving spouse have enough money to pay for your final expenses and be allowed to easily adjust to a new way of life? Life insurance can help ensure that these financial goals will be met.

You're Married With Kids. Having kids is an important reason to own life insurance. If you and your income were suddenly gone, would your spouse and kids be financially covered? Life insurance replaces lost income to help make sure those who depend on you will be provided for, no matter what life throws your way.

You're a Single Parent. As a single parent, you're the caregiver, breadwinner, cook, chauffeur, and so much more. It is critical to make sure that you have safeguarded your children's future in case you are no longer there to care for them. Make sure you have enough life insurance in place and designate who will take care of your children in case the unthinkable were to happen.

You're a Stay-at-Home Parent. Just because you don't receive a financial paycheck doesn't mean you don't make contributions to your family that would be expensive to replace. If you were no longer there, could your spouse afford to pay someone to provide the childcare, transportation, cleaning, cooking and other household responsibilities that you handle every day?

You're Approaching Retirement. The kids may be gone and the mortgage paid off, but that doesn't mean Social Security or your savings will necessarily take care of everything that lies ahead. Some life insurance products can provide you with cash in your retirement. If you died tomorrow, would your financial strategy, without insurance, enable your spouse to maintain the lifestyle that the two of you worked so hard to achieve?

You're a Small Business Owner. Life insurance can help protect your business in a number of ways in the event you, your partner, or a key employee dies prematurely. A buy-sell agreement funded with life insurance allows surviving business owners to buy the company interests of a deceased business owner at a previously agreed-on price. Key-person insurance can provide business owners with the flexibility to hire a replacement when the key employee dies.

You're looking to be generous. Life insurance can be used to leave a legacy to your favorite cause, charity or nonprofit organization. You can make them the beneficiary of a contract you take out and it will provide for the causes you care about and give an additional avenue to continue your generosity after you're gone.

Life Insurance Awareness Month is the ideal time for a life insurance checkup and we urge you to take a few minutes out of your busy schedules this month to meet with your financial representative to make sure you have adequate life insurance protection.

You can learn more about your individual life insurance needs by using the calculator offered by Thrivent Financial www.thrivent.com/calculators/dinkytown/LifeInsurance.html.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

August 26 is the 238th day of the year. With the fatal shootings in Virginia in which a gunman shot himself after killing two reporters and wounded one more person the number of mass shooting incidents has risen to 257 for the year. More than one a day. The definition of mass shootings is 4 or more victims including the shooter killed or wounded.

Lets look back at some of the worse mass killings for 2015.

- 2/27/15 Tyron Mo. 8 killed 1 wounded.
- 5/17/15 Waco Tx. 9 killed 18 wounded
- 6/17/15 Charleston S.C. 9 killed

- 7/16/15 Chattanooga Tenn. 5 killed 3 wounded
- 8/8/15 Huston TX. 8 killed (6 of them children)
- Ohio has had it share also:
- 6/13/15 Columbus 4 killed 1 wounded
- 7/15/15 Cleveland 7 wounded

Google up mass shooting tracker and you can see where and when each 257 shootings happened.

A great number of our politicians seemed to turn a blind eye to gun violence and mass shootings except for expressing condolences to the family. I wonder why?

Its time we contacted our representatives and senators in Columbus and Washington and demand action on gun

violence.

Please keep in mind that the Ohio house will soon vote on HB 48 (guns everywhere) which would allow hidden loaded weapons on college campuses ,day-care facilities, school safety zones, public areas of airport terminals, certain government facilities ,and even police stations. This bill needs to be trashed.

Call your representative Troy and Tipp City Stephen Huffman 614-466-8114 E; mail rep80@ohiohouse.gov Ohio speaker of the house Cliff Rosenberg E; mail rep91@ohiohouse.gov

Now's the time to act!

George Riegler
Troy,Ohio

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Locate all the words below in the word search. They may be across, down or diagonally in any direction. #107



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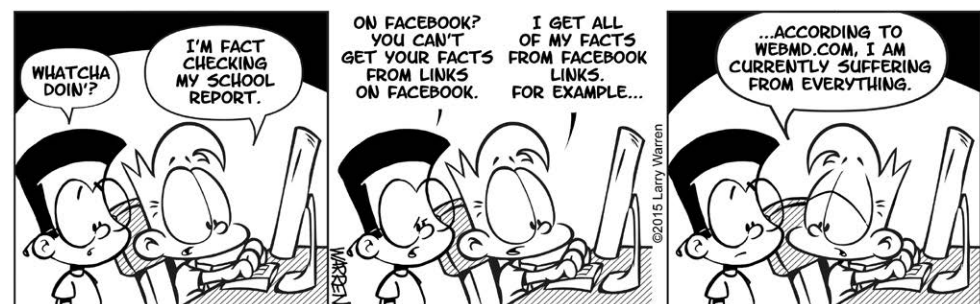
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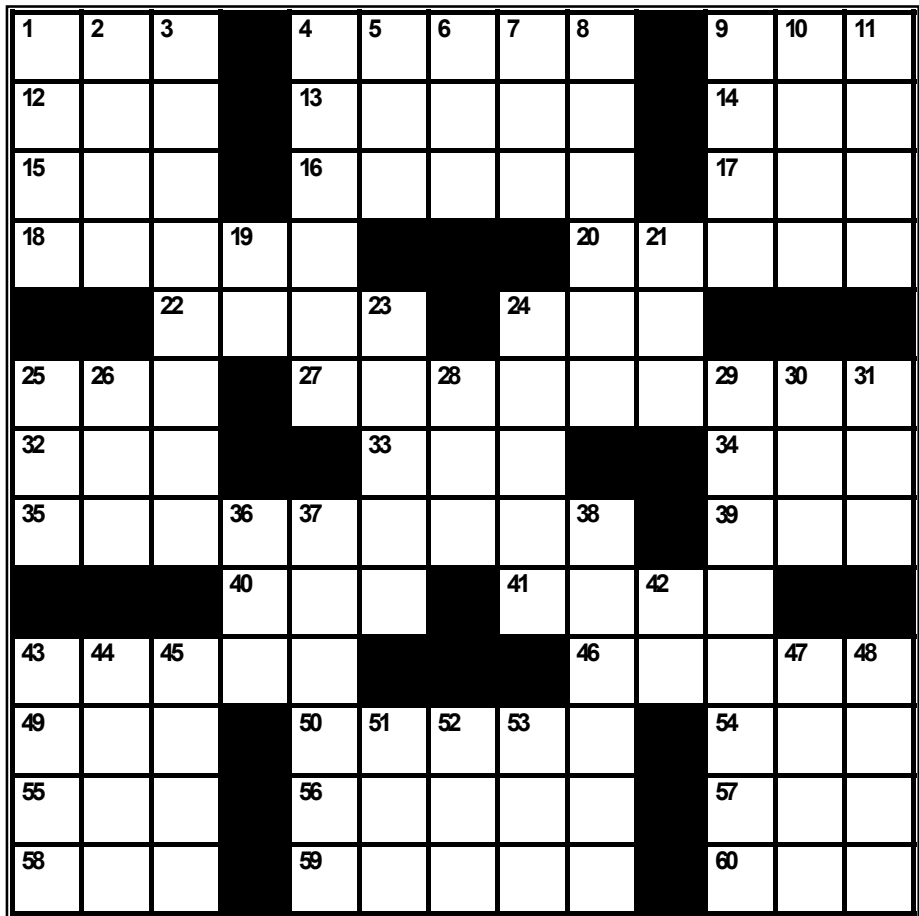
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Crossword Puzzle

#195



ACROSS

- Toothed tool
- Photograph holder
- Beetle, e.g.
- In favor of
- New Delhi salad
- Blood classification system
- Over, poetically
- Lost cause
- Pet doctor
- Late
- Swap
- Egg center
- See ya!
- Luau souvenir
- Bird with soft down used for pillows
- Day's end, in poetry
- Water-logged
- Golfer's concern
- Google search engine placement tool
- Preserve
- Dads
- Not all

- Galoshes
- Breakfast liquid
- Legal grp.
- Seashore
- Collection of misc. info
- Set afire
- Sweetie
- Waiter's need
- ___ in his kiss
- Nuts
- Time of arrival, abbr.

DOWN

- X marks the ___
- Vicinity
- Disturbing
- Sock pattern
- A northern Thai people
- Storage place
- SUV (abbr.)
- Joan of Arc became one
- Pink sparkling wine
- In the sack
- Memorization method
- Cheat, trick

- One side in checkers
- Fuzzy fruits
- Elizabeths, for short
- Greensward
- Slippery one
- Police investigator, for short
- Develop a sore
- Intelligence gathering org.
- Actor, Watanabe
- Select
- Mischievous person
- Majorly
- "I did it __ way" Frank Sinatra
- Indonesian tourist island
- Section in the newspaper (abbreviation)
- Horse feed
- Single thing
- Three bears' big guy
- Lennon's love
- Earlier
- One with a six-yr. term

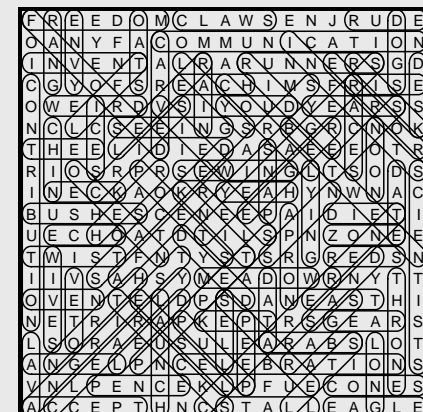
Last Week's Solutions

Trivia

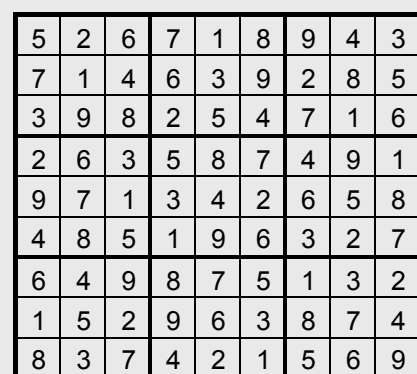
- Sandman - Joker, Riddler and the Penguin are Batman villains.
- Donna Summer - Donna was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2012, one year after her death from lung cancer.
- Big Brother - Julie is also the moderator of the daytime talk show 'The Talk'. 4) Windows 10 - For the most part, it has been well received.
- Carrie Fisher - Carrie will be making a return to the series in the 2015 Star Wars - The Force Awakens.
- Freddie Mercury - Originally,

- the lead singer for Bad Company, Paul Rodgers sang for Queen from 2004 to 2009.
- Risky Business - Tom also appeared in his underwear in the movie Top Gun. 8) Burger King - Burger King got their start as Insta-Burger King in 1953.
- Back to the Future - Emmett Brown was portrayed by Christopher Lloyd.
- Maggie - The concept for the two-part episode was taken from 'Who shot J.R.?'. 11) 9 to 5 - Dolly wrote the song for her debut movie appearance in 9 to 5.

Word Search



Sudoku



Crossword



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441 CALDWELL CIRCLE Sept. 3, 4 & 5 from 10 -4 Lots of goods items. Must see!

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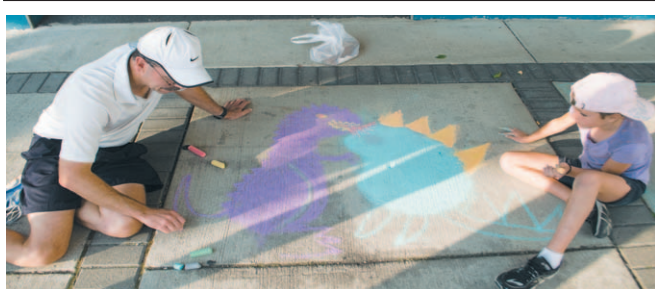
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