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# School Board Addresses Transgender Issues

By Nancy Bowman

More than 20 people shared their thoughts, concerns and questions about the Troy City Schools’ transgender students’ restroom policy Monday, Sept. 14, during the first Board of Education meeting since parents were notified of a junior high student’s request for accommodation.

The Aug. 28 notification to parents from Superintendent Eric Herman said the district would accommodate, at the advice of its lawyers, a request by a female student who has declared they are of the male gender and asked to use the restroom of that gender. The message further stated each district building has gender-neutral, individual user facilities available for student or visitors who do not want to use shared facilities.

The board meeting was moved to the high school auditorium to accommodate an anticipated crowd. Around 75 people attended, many questioning

the board’s authority to implement the policy and several urging the board to reconsider its position.

Of 23 people who spoke to the board, four supported the policy.

Board members explained they did not vote



Board President Doug Trostle

on the policy but, instead, were implementing a policy on the books locally since 2002.

The policy did not go into use – or receive any attention – until the student and parents made the request in August.

Before the public comments opened, school board President Doug Trostle said, “This is not

about any one student, but all students. We are confident that the policy being enforced follows the law and appropriately makes accommodations to protect the privacy and safety of all students.”

“If you are addressing policy for one student, how are other students who don’t want the policy being addressed?” asked Melissa Leembruggen, who said she has two children in the school.

District resident Chris Daum asked the board to respond to a letter it received two weeks ago for the Alliance Defending Freedom stating the district was not required legally to allow students to use opposite sex restrooms. Superintendent Eric Herman said previously district lawyers were reviewing that letter.

Daum said court cases he’d read cited no federal mandate for accommodation.

Board member David Heffner said the courts have been split on the question. Beyond that, the district has to consider fed-

eral Title IX requirements and the Department of Justice’s definition of discrimination based on sex, which has been expanded to include gender identity, he said.

Board member Joyce Reives said the decision the board made was to



Chris Daum

follow the law. “We are always for adherence to the law; the law as we understand it,” she said.

Parent James Meyer asked if more restroom facilities would be added

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# Thousands Visit Lincoln Funeral Train

By Kathy Voytko

This past week history buffs were joined by families and individuals from throughout the area to take a step back in time to April 1865 when the body of slain President Abraham Lincoln was carried to his final resting place by

tions. Again you wonder how the supply lines were maintained during the war compared to the fighting force today.

As you stepped into the line to view the interior of the train car you are able to get up close to the 1860’s era steam locomotive, Number 63 with the name Levithan



train.

The Lincoln Funeral Train made a stop in Troy, Ohio from September 10 – 13 on a street just east of the court house. On the surrounding lawn visitors were invited to step back to the time when the country was divided by Civil War. Re-enactors set up tents and displays of items from the time of the war and greeted eager visitors as they approached. One tent in particular held examples of the artillery rounds used during the war.

If you are a student of American History, no doubt you have visited a number of the battlefields and seen the cannon balls but never had the opportunity to pick one up and feel just how heavy they were. Your mind begins the

emblazoned across her side. The reproduction was built using National Park Service plans about five years ago. You are able to imagine standing at the station waiting for the funeral train to arrive so that you can pay your respects to our 16th president who lead the country during one of the most challenging times in our history.

As you wait, you hear the bell on the train announcing the arrival of what is now known as the funeral car. The “United States” is a full size reproduction of the original car built for the Mr. Lincoln in 1864. Sadly the only use of the car was to transport Lincoln’s remains from Washington, D. C. to Springfield, Illinois.

Stepping up to the entrance to the car you



journey back in time wondering just how the horse drawn caissons were able to travel the muddy rutted roads that link north with south. A cut away section shows how the balls contained dozens of smaller rounds that would disburse when they hit their target. Historians shared information eagerly and entertained all ques-

move slowly into the room that contains the coffin of Lincoln. Somehow you recall him described as a tall man and yet the coffin seems so much smaller than it should be although it fills the room. Sitting in the corner to the left of the box studded with silver and having a silver plaque on the lid

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# Planning Commission Tables Plans For Stonebridge

By Nancy Bowman

Proposed changes to development plans that would increase the density of the Stonebridge Meadows housing subdivision near Concord school were tabled Sept. 9 by the Troy Planning Commission to allow for further review of options.

The staff recommended the commission vote to recommend city council deny the proposed changes based on new lots proposed being smaller than presented when the development was approved; the change increasing the development’s overall density; and the change “nearly” doubling the number of lots in the medium to high density category.

Judy Tomb, representing Summerfield Land Co., discussed the request with the commission.

The proposal affects the development’s phase four. It seeks to reconfigure the layout by removing a more than 50-year-

old house existing on the property before the development was approved, and adding four lots.

The staff report notes the majority of the new lot sizes are consistent with a R-4 district, which has a minimum 9,000 square feet lot size.

The change would increase the overall number of lots in the development to 138 from 134.

City staff members told the commission the proposal is considered a major change of the approved development, requiring commission review and council approval.

Several possible options for the property were discussed by commission members before Patrick Titterington, city service and safety director and commission member, successfully asked the commission to table the request.

Both Titterington and Mayor Mike Beamish, also a commission member, expressed concerns about increasing the den-

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# Election Board Buys 19 Year Old Server

By Nancy Bowman

Miami County’s Board of Elections agreed Sept. 10 to buy a back up server for the voting tabulation system and apologized to the county Educational Service Center for an office error that led to wrong terms for board members.

The board, which has been discussing options for the server, was asked by Eric Morgan, deputy elections director, to buy a back up before the November election.

The used, 19-year-old server could be bought from Dominion Voting Systems for \$7,000, Morgan said. The other option would be a new system and software that would include new voting machines for around \$800,000, the board was told.

Options are few because of requirements by the Secretary of State’s Office for its certification of election equipment, the board and election staff said.

“We have to have a back up server or we aren’t doing our job,” board member Robert Huffman

Jr., said.

The board directed staff to find the \$7,000 needed in the budget and move quickly to obtain the server. The purchase will have to be discussed with the county’s Data Board.

“Start on it right away ... get it in here before November,” board Chairman Kelly Gillis said.

In other business Sept. 10, Morgan and elections Director Bev Kendall described for the board an issue they found with the elections in recent years for the county Educational Service Center (ESC) board. The five members are elected to four-year terms on a staggering basis of three seats in one election, the remaining two seats in another.

Morgan explained that while programming the ballot for this fall, staff noticed problems with when board members’ positions were on the ballot. The problem dated to fall 2009, he said. With the error, four positions were on the ballot for this year when it should have been two positions.

Morgan said legal ad-

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# TROY AREA SHERIFF REPORTS

**Saturday, September 5**

**12:55 a.m.** – Traffic stop in the 1200 block of W. Main St. The driver was found to be under the influence of alcohol and was taken into custody for OVI.

**1:56 a.m.** – Traffic stop in the 1400 block of S. Market St. The driver was found to be under the influence of alcohol and was taken into custody for OVI.

**2:48 a.m.** – Traffic stop on S. Market St. at Smith St. The driver was arrested on suspicion of OVI and taken to the Sheriff's office for a breath test. The driver was charged with OVI and failing to turn on headlights. The driver was released to a valid driver.

**10:51 a.m.** – To Countryside Dr. N. for a report of a found item. A man reported that a bicycle was in the empty lot across the street for about two weeks. The bike report was submitted into property. An e-mail was sent to Troy and Tipp City Police to see if it had been reported stolen.

**Monday, September 7**

**8:00 p.m.** – To W. St. Rt. 55. A man reported that he called the mother of his children and a man answered and threatened him with bodily harm. He said he had his phone on speaker, so his father and girlfriend heard the threat. Statements were left for all three to fill out.

**9:10 p.m.** – Traffic stop on I-75 at the 76 mile marker. The driver was found to be under suspension. He was cited for speeding and for no operator's license. The vehicle was left at the scene to be picked up later by a valid driver.

**Tuesday, September 8**

**2:03 p.m.** – To Upper Valley Medical Center. A nurse called to report that one of her patients had been making threats to harm his father. She asked that the incident be documented, but neither she nor the father wanted charges filed.

**Wednesday, September 9**

**12:49 a.m.** – Traffic stop on I-75 near the 77 mile marker. The driver was cited for driving under suspension and for having only one operative headlight. The driver and the vehicle were released to a valid driver.

**Thursday, September 10**

**10:29 a.m.** – A deputy followed a vehicle on I-75 that had a broken taillight and the left rear wheel was wobbling. The vehicle was traveling at 59 MPH. A traffic stop was initiated at the 76 mile marker. The driver was found to have a suspended license. He was cited for that and issued a warning for the equipment violations. A licensed driver took possession of the vehicle.

**10:46 a.m.** – Traffic stop in the El Sombrero parking lot. The driver said that he was speeding because he was late for court. The deputy detected a faint odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. The vehicle was searched but no drugs were found. The driver was found to be under suspension. He was cited for driving under suspension and for speed.

**3:04 p.m.** – To the Eldean Rd. covered bridge for a suspicious complaint. A woman reported that she was walking by the river and found two bones. No further information was provided.

**Friday, September 11**

**8:17 a.m.** – A Windmere Dr. resident who is out of town called to report that his neighbors cannot find his trash can. He had asked the neighbor to take his trash to the curb, but the can could not be found. There are no leads or suspects.

**11:10 p.m.** – Traffic stop on Experiment Farm Rd. near W. Main St. The driver was arrested on suspicion of OVI and drug possession.

**Saturday, September 12**

**12:24 a.m.** – Traffic stop on N. Ridge Ave. at W. Main St. The deputy ran the plates and they did not match the vehicle that displayed them. The driver admitted to taking the plates from another vehicle and putting them on his to drive for the night. He was cited for plates belonging to another vehicle.

**11:31 p.m.** – To Fenner Rd. for a report of a suspicious vehicle. A Dodge Caravan was wrecked into the front ditch of the property. After investigation, the driver was arrested for OVI.

**Sunday, September 13**

**2:29 a.m.** – Traffic stop on Farrington Rd. at Experiment Farm Rd. The driver was cited for lanes of travel and failure to reinstate.

## Road Closures

- I-75 both directions between CR 25A (Tipp City) and SR 55, various lane closures between 8:30 am and 3 pm September 14th – 18th. Two lanes open at all times.
- SR 48 between US 36 and SR 718, 24 HOUR ROAD CLOSURE September 14th – 25th. The official detour is: US 36 to SR 721 to SR 718. \*Local traffic will be maintained at all times.
- SR 41 between SR 201 and Hufford Road, 24 HOUR ROAD CLOSURE June 8th through September 30th. 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
- SR 721 between Pittsburg-Laura Road and SR 571, 24 HOUR ROAD CLOSURE September 8th through October 20th. The official detour is: SR 549 to US 40 to SR 48 to SR 571
- 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,

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- Eldean Road between CR 25A (Troy) and Lytle Road, 24 HOUR ROAD CLOSURE June 8th through November 2nd. The official detour will be posted.
- 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 18th. The official detour is: I-75 south to SR 41 to I-75 north to CR 25A

## Stonebridge Plans

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ity of the development. Council first approved it as a Planned Development in 2009 as an emergency measure. The approval followed city voters rejecting three previous plans for developing the land, then known as the Summerfield site.

The proposal approved in 2009 was sold to council as an extension of the nearby Stonebridge neighborhood featuring larger lots and larger homes.

In discussing the request Sept. 9, Tomb said different bidders now are working in the subdivision than those on board when the project began. The current builders requested the removal of the older house. The proposal for the added lots was made to recover cost associated with removing the house and other associated changes.

Tomb said the house would be "incongruent with the neighborhood," adding its removal also would eliminate two curb cuts from that lot onto State Route 718. The house is worth nowhere near the \$300,000 to \$350,000 homes now being built, she said.

"We discussed this and approved the plan with the house there," Beamish said, adding later, "We planned on it to be large lot sizes, high quality type housing. I thought that was the direction we all wanted to go and keep."

Titterington added, "What we ought to be doing is looking at the intention of this development and whether or not we think it meets what our objectives and goals have been – those in the comprehensive plan which dictate that this be low density."

Titterington reminded those at the meeting that

the development was approved during what he termed "the referendum craze, if you will" and council was told the larger lots, more expensive homes were what were needed in the community.

"We were able as an administration, as a planning commission, as a staff, to convince a large enough majority of the city council at the time to pass this as a planned development, as an emergency measure, which flew in the face of what some in the community felt was their right to referendum anything and everything," Titterington said. "I am very concerned that - whether it is a modest reduction in lot sizes ... that densities become greater - this is not in keeping with why this development was pushed through, basically, and was advocated as a very good thing in 2009 and in 2012."

# Trib BRIEFS

By Nancy Bowman

### Man pleads to rape

A Tipp City man pleaded guilty Monday, Sept. 14, in a Miami County court to the rape of a 15 year old girl a year ago in Troy.

Mark A. Donohoo, 50, was indicted on felony charges of rape, corrupting another with drugs and possessing a weapon while under a disability.

The rape initially was reported to Tipp City police and the case later turned over to Troy detectives after evidence indicated the acts occurred in Troy.

Donohoo was accused of giving the girl a drug and engaging in sexual conduct with her Sept. 13, 2014. Donohoo pleaded guilty in Common Pleas Court to rape and having a weapon under disability. The corrupting another with drugs charge will be dismissed, according to the county prosecutor's office.

Judge Christopher Gee accepted the pleas and ordered a presentence investigation. Sentencing is scheduled Oct. 26. Donohoo remains in jail on \$250,000 bail.

### Police promotions today

The Troy Police Department will promote five officers in a ceremony today, Sept. 16, at 4 p.m. in City Council chambers.

The following are being promoted:

To sergeant: Thomas O. Gibson, Jesse D. Canan and Zachariah C. Mumford

To captain: Shawn McKinney and Jeffrey D. Kunkleman.

Two captains – Chuck Adams and Chris Anderson - ave retired from the department this year.

### Polling location moving in same building

The Miami County Board of Elections last week agreed to move two voting precincts from one side of a Grant Street building to the other.

Board member Dean Tamplin told fellow board members the owner of the building at 722 Grant St. asked the board to move the polling locations previously housed in the former One Call Now location to the north end of the building that is home to the Koinos Christian Fellowship.

### Planners OK downtown work

The Troy Planning Commission approved applications for exterior changes to two buildings in the historic district during its Sept. 9 meeting. The requests approved were:

A request to reface the awning at 7 S. Market St. for the new business, Raise Your Brush. The work already has been done due to miscommunication, city staff told the commission.

A request for exterior alterations for the building at 121 Northeast Public Square

to initially remove paint and awning. The building has a vacant retail space on the first floor and residential use on the upper floors. Further renovation of the building is planned but specific details have not been proposed.

Patrick Hansford, architect for building owner Family Abuse Shelter, said additional plans for renovation will be made once the paint is removed and the brick color known. The proposal has been approved by the Ohio Historic Preservation Office because the building is on the National Register of Historic Places, the commission was told.

### Commission OKs printer/service contract

The Miami County commissioners agreed Sept. 10 to sign a contract with a new vendor, Woodhull Inc. of Springboro, for the county's multi-function printer equipment and service project for five years. The company's proposal was listed as the lowest/best bid for the work.

The commission heard from Chris Englert, legal counsel from the county prosecutor's office, that after bids were received letters of protest were received from some other bidders and addressed. Questions raised by those bidders were explored by the project committee and no reason was found to change the recommendation of Woodhull as the contractor, according to a letter to the commission from Matt Watkins, IT Department Director.

The commission Sept. 10 also noted receipt of grants for the county Sheriff's Office for added traffic enforcement.

The grants for \$54,041 are from the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program and the Impaired Driving Enforcement Program.

### Man pleads to 18 counts

A Troy man accused of a series of thefts from vehicles, sheds and other buildings at properties east of Troy during January pleaded guilty Sept. 9 to 19 criminal charges in Miami County Common Pleas Court.

Zachary Lucas, 33, pleaded as charged to one count of felony burglary, two counts of felony breaking and entering, eight counts of felony theft, seven counts of misdemeanor criminal trespass and one count of misdemeanor criminal damaging.

Lucas was accused of stealing from properties and vehicles along Piqua-Troy Road, Troy-Urbana Road, DeWeese Road, Sayers Road, LeFevre Road, Children's Home Road and Woodcliffe Drive. A report by sheriff's deputies said a photo of Lucas was taken from a camera at one of the properties. Gift cards and money were taken from a number of vehicles along with tools from at least one building. Sentencing for Lucas is scheduled Oct. 19.

## Election Board

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vice was sought from the county prosecutor's office and elections administrators met with ESC Superintendent Tom Dunn and the center's lawyer.

Chris Englert, assistant county prosecutor, said extensive research was done and he recommends the board have two positions on the ballot this year and the remaining two positions that were listed as up for election on the ballot this year in 2017 along with the fifth board seat.

Board member Jose Lopez told Dunn the board of elections owed him and his board an apology.

"Ultimately, we are responsible ... the ones (employees) responsible for this are not here anymore," Lopez said. "This confusion should not have occurred."

Three candidates are on the ballot for the November election for the two seats. They are Carl Bowman, Tipp City; Janel Hodges, Ludlow Falls; and Neil Thiesing, Covington. The remaining

two seats then would be filled by the ESC following the election, Lopez said.

Dunn said following the board's meeting that the ESC has determined that all of its board members are officially elected. "They have all been elected by the people," he said.

Dunn said the board's legal advisers would tell him and the board what steps are needed to ensure everything required is done and that the board terms get back on a proper rotation.

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# Fire Under Investigation

By Nancy Bowman

The Troy Fire Department is investigating a fire Thursday, Sept. 10, at J&L Wood Products on Dye Mill Road. The fire was reported late in the afternoon. Firefighters from Casstown assisted Troy firefighters. The business makes

wood pallets. "The conditions of the building did not allow us to gain entry. There was a risk of collapse due the integrity of the building," said Matthew Simmons, Troy fire chief. The cause is not known and damage initially was estimated at up to \$200,000.



# Hayner Center Announces Gallery Talk

On Sunday, September 27, 2015 at 2:00 p.m., join the Five in Fiber artists for some special insight into their series of Dayton Landmark quilts. This event is hosted by the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center and is free and open to the public. Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is located at 301 West Main Street, Troy, OH 45373. The presentation will feature the photographer, Ronnie Doyal, and three quilters, Pam Geisel, A. Sue DeSantis, and Carroll Schleppi. Ronnie will discuss how and why certain photos were selected for the series. The discussion will include an overview of the 13 quilts, highlighting special details and comparisons, followed by a step-by-step description of how two of the quilts were constructed from initial photo to completion. Several of the landmark quilts will be on display for the presentation. Questions will be welcomed on the Dayton Landmark quilts, or other quilts in the Five in Fiber show. Five in Fiber is on

display through October 4, 2015. The exhibit features the work of regional artists, A. Sue DeSantis, Ronnie Doyal, Pam Geisel, Carroll Schleppi, and Lisa Quintana. Each of these artists brings her unique perspective and talent to the process of creating art quilts. Some employ traditional methods while others in the group use a multi-media approach. The Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is proudly supported by the citizens of the Troy City School District through a local tax levy and generous gifts to the Friends of Hayner. Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is located at 301 West Main Street, Troy, OH 45373. Hours of operation are Monday 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Tuesday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., Friday & Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., and Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. The Hayner Center is closed on holidays. For more information, please visit our website at [www.troyhayner.org](http://www.troyhayner.org) or call (937) 339-0457.

# Edison Announces Summer Dean's List

Edison State Community College recognizes 14 students for excellence in academics on the 2015 Summer Semester Dean's List. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have at least a 3.5 grade point average and

carry a minimum of 12 hours for the semester. Listed in Alphabetical Order by Last Name Allison Brown, Mason Gilbert, Emily Mothmiller, Jinesh Patel, Sara Thielman, Versailles: Kevin Berning.

# ABC Organizers Look to Community

Organizers of Troy's bid in the America's Best Communities (ABC) competition are looking to a local asset - its residents - to connect with efforts to develop a strategy to accelerate the local economy and improve quality of life.

The city cleared the first competition hurdle with its selection in April as one of 50 communities from 26 states and one of six in Ohio to advance as a quarter finalists in the \$10 million competition sponsored by Frontier Communications, DISH, CoBank and The Weather Channel. JPMorgan Chase is Troy's mentor company, assigned by Frontier, and is donating \$15,000 and expertise to Troy's effort. In addition, Troy was awarded \$35,000 by Frontier as quarter-finalist to which \$15,000 in local funds had to be added as part of competition rules. All funds have to be applied to proposed local project.

The local project vision is: "To create a community where residents are gainfully employed and experience a lifestyle which is inclusive, safe, productive, and provides a sense of belonging - which comes from being a connected community, individually and collectively."

Community participation and a strategy of creating a connected community will be keys as Troy bids to become one of 15 semi-finalists in the ABC competition.

A Community Connection Center has been set up on the northwest corner of the Troy Public Square, in the Coleman-Allen-Saidleman Building. The building has been home to David's Shoes and Amish Furniture. The center will be open during a few lunch hours during the week and during scheduled downtown activities and other special events. The center can be reached at (937) 335-2578.

A survey also is being conducted at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TROYAMERICASBESTCOMMUNITY>.

The competition unveiled in fall 2014 challenged towns and small cities with 9,500 to 80,000 residents to come up with innovative ideas to re-energize their local economy and those of similar size communities.

Troy's selection as a quarter-finalist was celebrated during a recent dinner hosted by Frontier on the Troy Public Square.

"We are truly excited with what you are doing here in Troy," Bethany Yost, general manager, Frontier Communications in Southwest Ohio, said during the celebration.

The competition has generated hundreds of

discussions across the community, Mayor Mike Beamish said.

"This is a great opportunity for all of us to network and to create even more interest in what this Troy community is, and could become, in this America's Best Communities contest," Beamish said.

J.C. Wallace, Troy Development Council CEO, said a community today has to work continually to come up with solutions for new challenges. "Not only are you challenging us to demonstrate why we are America's Best Community, but also challenging all these cities to prove they have the capacity to plan for the future. Troy, Ohio, is up for that challenge," Wallace said.

During the celebration, Gov. John Kasich and Lt. Gov. Mary Taylor through Sandra Brasington, Western Ohio regional liaison for the governor, recognized the city's selection. The state's top leaders wanted to recognize the city for its selection, she said, adding, "Troy has contributed to the success and vitality of our state."

Ed Westmeyer, president of the Troy Development Council, moved with his family to the community eight years ago. He serves as steering committee co-chairman with the mayor. "We are having great discussions. People are challenging each other," Westmeyer said of the ABC project. "The partnership and relationships in Troy are incredible."

The Troy ABC steering committee includes representatives of the city, the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce, Troy Development Council, Troy Main Street, Troy City Schools, The Troy Foundation and Daniel Consulting. The committee can be contacted at [troyisabc@gmail.com](mailto:troyisabc@gmail.com).

Anyone interested in participating in the project, or wanting more information, is asked to call Kathi Roetter at 339-8769 or email to: [kroetter@troyohiochamber.com](mailto:kroetter@troyohiochamber.com).

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# New Director for Youthworks

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

Two weeks ago, Troy acquired a new director of Youthworks at Miami County Jobs and Family Services. Lindsey Gruen was formerly a part of AmeriCorps and served in Dayton Public Schools. After managing and mentoring over 200 youth, including Beaumont's Junior ROTC program, Gruen is now adjusting to meet the needs of Miami County Youth.

The current active case load at Youthworks is 11 students but the state is projecting that Gruen will manage approximately 45 young adults between the ages of 16 and 24 this year. Although Miami County students have access to adult job services by the time they are 18 years of age, Youthworks specifically targets those young adults who are in the transition between dependence and independent adulthood. "Youth encounter different barriers," Gruen said. "They may be looking for specific experience so that when they graduate they can find employment immediately after high school. Maybe they graduated and are skills deficient or they dropped out of school and realize they need to finish." According to Gruen, her job is to help students who are struggling on the road to self-sufficiency.

years getting to know Montgomery County and all their services and now I'm trying to figure out the differences between inner city Montgomery County youth and rural Miami County youth and what options are available here." The program is government funded and does not charge the students for the counsel, training, and certifications they receive.

On an even more practical level, Youthworks is committed to giving students training in foundational life-skills like resume writing and managing a budget. According to Gruen, the schools that she worked with in Montgomery County taught a form of budgeting but the assignments were impractical to the individual student's needs and financial situations. "They weren't teaching them how to apply," Gruen said. "One of the programs I was working with helped students make a realistic budget and figure out what it was going to look like when they moved out." Gruen is in the process of building relationships with the local schools, community college, and vocational schools in Miami County to provide the best opportunities to the students she serves.

The support Gruen now provides for teenagers grows out of her understanding of the



Jobworks Inc., the nationwide parent organization over Youthworks, is a non-profit government contractor that partners with youth programs for the Workforce Opportunity Act in Ohio and the Workforce Investment Act across the country. They have been in operation in every state for 25 years. This is the first subcontract job they have acquired working with Miami County Job and Family Services. "It's a learning curve," Gruen said. "I spent the last two

needs and challenges they face. "I had a lot of great teachers and mentors when I was in high school," Gruen said. "I dealt with a whole lot of issues in my home, like domestic violence and alcoholism that my parents were struggling with... I had a lot of teachers who stayed after school and gave me guidance when they didn't have to." Her goal today is to help as many youth as possible overcome the barriers she remembers encountering as a teenager.

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# Obituaries

## Marian McGillvary

Marian McGillvary, age 81, passed away on Saturday, September 12, 2015 at the Hospice of Miami County Inpatient Unit. She was born on May 25, 1934 in Troy, Ohio to the late Cleo and Edna (Gorrell) Seeker. She married Robert McGillvary and he preceded her in death in 1990. Marian is survived by a daughter: Bonnie (Robert) Kinney of Piqua, OH; sister: Karol Kreider of Winter Haven, FL; three grandchildren: Josh McGowan, Brittany (Daniel) Allison, and Danielle (Brandon) Lehman. In addition to her parents and her husband, Marion was preceded in death by a stillborn son Thomas McGillvary.

## Jewel A. Gheen

Jewel A. Gheen, age 85, of Troy, passed away September 11, 2015, at 2:37 a.m. at her daughter Jan's residence. Jewel was born October 25, 1929, in Sandy Hook, KY to Forn and Abigail (Atkins) Lewis.



Jewel is survived by her husband of 60 years, Earl Gheen; daughter: Alice Sue (Harold) Drees; son: Bobby (Deb) North; daughter: Jan (Eric) Whitmer; grandchildren: Robert, Angela, Stacy, Paul Jr. (Alice's children); Michelle, Bobby Joe, Jody Mae, Julie, Jason, Tony (Bobby's children); Mike (Nicole) Weaver (Jan's son); great grandsons: Austin and Mason Weaver; and numerous other great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by sisters: Bertha Michael,

Marian was a 1952 graduate of Troy High School and a member of the First Baptist Church of Troy. Services will be at 10:00AM on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy with Pastor Dale Christian officiating. Burial will follow in Forest Hills Memorial Gardens, Vandalia. Friends may call from 6:00-8:00PM on Tuesday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Miami County, PO Box 502, Troy, OH 45373. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

Elizabeth Ison, May Ison, Martha Lewis, and Effie Fannin; and brothers: Clyde Lewis and Junior Lewis; granddaughter Tracy and great granddaughter Alicia. Jewel and her husband Earl owned and operated the E & J Nite Club for over 40 years. They also owned rental properties. Mom was a great mother and grandmother. In her spare time, she loved to sew and create beautiful quilts, doll babies and doll clothes and pillows. Mom loved flowers, having beautiful vines hanging in the house and beautiful flowers outside. A beautiful lady that will be missed so much! Services were held 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at the Baird Funeral Home, Troy with interment followed in Riverside Cemetery, Troy. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association 31 West Whipp Road, Dayton, OH 45453 or Hospice of Miami County, PO Box 502, Troy, OH 45373. Friends may express condolences to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

## David Carr Lambert

David Carr Lambert, age 54, of Bradford passed away on Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at his residence.



He was born January 23, 1961 in Chillicothe, OH to Calvin S. and Beulah D. (Herman) Lambert and was a member of the Bradford Church of the Brethren where he taught Sunday school in the Pioneer Class. He was preceded in death by his father: Calvin; and his grandparents: Leo and Mary Lambert of Pike County, OH; and David and Geneva Carr of Troy, OH. David is survived by his only child, Ciara Christine Lambert, of Bradford, whom he loved and was so proud of; and a great nephew: Rob Maxwell of Bradford.

He is also survived by his dear friends at the Bradford Church of the Brethren and at Edison State College where he was an instructor and coordinator of Microsoft Academy. He was also a Microsoft Certified System Engineer with his own computer salvation company at one time. David loved to laugh and he loved his God. He was a 1979 graduate of Miami East High School and attended The Ohio State University. Services were at 2:00 PM on Monday, September 14, 2015 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy with Rev. Aaron Chivington, Rev John Shelton and Pastor Dan Scalf officiating. Burial followed in Casstown Cemetery in Casstown. Memorial contributions may be made to Bradford Church of the Brethren, 120 West Oakwood Street, Bradford, OH 45308 or In memory of his loving niece, Rachel, Rehab Center of Neurological Development, 1306 Garbry Road, Piqua, OH 45356. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

## Helen Louise Crabtree

Helen Louise Crabtree, age 88, of Troy, OH passed away on Thursday, September 10, 2015 at the Genesis Health Care Center in Troy. She was born on March 20, 1927 in Piqua, OH to the late Dan and Margaret Ryan. Helen was married to Roy Crabtree and preceded her in death in 1996. Helen is survived by sons: Stanley and Jim Crabtree of Troy; daughters: Pat Odom and Mary Baker, both of Troy; two grandchildren: Timothy Odom and Teresa Odom; and four great grandchildren: Cody Odom, Mira-

cle Odom, Tristan Odom and Seth Odom. In addition to her parents and her husband, Helen was preceded in death by four brothers and sisters; and one granddaughter: Glenna Odom. Funeral service was held 2:00 PM on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy. Interment followed in Riverside Cemetery, Troy, OH. Friends may express condolences to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

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# DD Meeting Stresses Power of Advocacy

By Nancy Bowman

The power of advocacy was a central theme during an Aug. 30 four-county developmental disabilities meeting that drew consumers, providers, families and four state legislators to the Troy Fish & Game. The meeting was organized by Julie Anderson of Miami County, a parent and advocate. Legislators participating were state representatives Steve Huffman of Tipp City, Rick Perales of Greene County, Kyle Koehler of Clark County and state Senator Bill Beagle of Tipp City. Also participating in the program was Brian Green, superintendent of Riverside Developmental Disabilities in Miami County. The moderator was John "Bud" O'Brien, Miami County commissioner. The legislators said they were on hand to listen and learn from those gathered, including several who testified in Columbus earlier this year during the budget process. Several comments involved strong opposition to a proposal that would have eliminated independent providers for individuals with developmental disabilities. Huffman said that proposal "received no momentum. People like you came to Columbus and told us, 'this is a bad idea.'" The stated goal was to eliminate bad providers, something that can be accomplished by other means, Huffman said. Perales said the finance

committee heard clearly when the local residents went to Columbus to share concerns. "Don't give up on us," he said. Other speakers discussed issues of communications, means for those with developmental disabilities to work in the community and regulations/rules that hamper efforts to provide care or as some said just don't make sense. Perales said legislators have many fighting for their attention so information from constituents is helpful. "Don't assume we know everything. We need all the help we can get to make the right decisions," he said. Koehler emphasized that legislators are listening. "You need to help us," he said. Huffman said emails, calls and visits to offices "give us a sense of concerns." Beagle said that in this era of term limits for elected officials, it is an ongoing learning process for those in the General Assembly. Meetings such as the consumers gathering need to be held every so often to keep everyone informed, he said. He said groups need to make their concerns known beyond the General Assembly to the governor's office. Contact with aides also is a good idea, Beagle said, nothing the aides are the "gatekeepers" in legislators' offices. Anderson said that following the meeting people in Clark and Darke counties have asked for help forming a consumers group in their counties.

# Troy Rotarians to Clean Up Roadway

As they have for more than a decade, Troy Rotarians will pick up trash and debris along a two-mile stretch of St. Rt. 55 East in Troy on Saturday, 3 October 2015 at 9 A.M. Club members gather to clean up the roadway at least twice a year. John Haller, program chair, estimates they fill 25 trash bags each time and often find interesting items such as a large roll of baling wire and various pieces of clothing. This semiannual community project is part of the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT) "Adopt-a-Highway" program managed by the Division of Operations. ODOT rolled out the first project in 1989 following suggestions made by citizens to make Ohio a cleaner, and more scenic, state. Since then, more than 1,400 groups, prison inmates and ODOT employees

have worked to police highways across Ohio. Volunteers receive training, trash bags, disposable safety vests and two road signs to mark the section of highway being cleaned. For more information on the program, or to become a volunteer, visit [www.dot.state.oh.us](http://www.dot.state.oh.us) and select the Division of Operations. Troy Rotarians, the Troy Rotary Foundation, support several projects each year. Together, they

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distributed over \$16,000 in scholarships, program support and community aid in 2014-15. The Troy Rotary Club is a member-involved, goal-oriented service club focused on socio/economic issues that have an impact both locally and internationally. Follow their activities on Facebook at Troy Rotary Club. To learn more about membership, visit their Web site at [www.troyohiorotary.org](http://www.troyohiorotary.org).

# Health Partners Provides a Medicare Counselor

Do you feel like you are spooning through alphabet soup as you try to select the right Medicare plan for you? Health Partners Free Clinic, located in Troy, now offers free help in selecting the right Medicare health insurance and drug plans for Miami County residents.



Lois Wiggin, patient assistance program advocate at the clinic, is now certified as a Medicare counselor through the Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program. Diana Bashore is also a certified Medicare counselor with OSHIIP and based at the clinic. "We are here to educate people about Medicare," Wiggin said. Open enrollment for anyone on Medicare age 65 or older begins October 15 and runs through December 7. Those who are currently receiving benefits may need to make adjustments to their plans or may have questions about Medicare. "We're here year-round

to help people review their plans, discuss an issue about a claim or other Medicare questions," Bashore said. Both Wiggin and Bashore agree that it's a good idea for individuals to review their Medicare plans annually. Deductible and co-pay requirements may have changed, along with an individual's health care needs. To schedule an appointment for a review or to discuss other Medicare issues, telephone Wiggin or Bashore at Health Partners Free Clinic at 332-0894. Individuals should bring their Medicare card and any other insurance cards with them. Individuals should also bring list of medications they currently take. Health Partners was incorporated in 1998 and is the lone free medical clinic for Miami County residents. Volunteer health care professionals provide free health care for uninsured and under-insured residents.

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# Troy Christian Runs Past Polar Bears

By Joe Wright

The Troy Christian Eagles grounded the Northridge Polar Bears 42-14 at Eagles Stadium to remain undefeated on the season at 3-0. The Eagles run-heavy approach was the perfect formula on a wet rainy night.

We wanted to control the line of scrimmage and run the ball in these conditions and I think we were effective in doing that," said head football coach Steve Nolan.

The Eagles scored 20 unanswered points into halftime. The second half started with the game plan remaining the same. Quarterback Hartman rushed for his third touchdown from five yards out with 1:57 remaining in the third quarter. Hartman had over 100 yards rushing in the game. A two point conversion was successful on a run by Dillahunt. The Eagles led 28-8.

Northridge took a kick



Northridge started on offense and after two plays and 45 seconds later, the Polar Bears had a 8-0 lead. Later in the first quarter Eagles quarterback Hayden Hartman took a three yard keeper into the end zone for a touchdown and the Eagles trailed 8-7 with 1:17 left. Hartman connected with receiver Peyton Spurlock on a 55 yard pass play that set up another rushing touchdown from four yards out. The Eagles took a 14-8 lead after kicker Seth Wynne's extra point with 7:28 remaining in the half.

The Polar Bears used a pass heavy approach in the inclement weather with no success as the Eagles defense shut Northridge out the rest of the half behind outstanding play from juniors Caleb Salazar and Seth



Douglas.

Troy Christian's senior running back Luke Dillahunt followed blockers and hit gaping holes all the way down the field to the tune of 30 plus carries and well over 300 yards on the ground. Offensive line-man Nate Doman and Matthew Boone pushed around the Polar Bears defensive line. Dillahunt scored on a five yard halfback blast. The extra point was blocked, but

touchdown shedding would be tacklers all the way to the end zone. "We played a good team and the boys responded , we're going to work on getting healthy we are off next week" said coach Nolan.

Troy Christian's week four matchup at Cincinnati Christian has been cancelled due to forfeit. The 3-0 Eagles are back in action September 25th at Covington.

# Area Cross Country Results

By Jim Dabbelt

The Troy Trojans girls' cross country team finished second overall at their host Troy Invitational on Saturday, in an event which hosted over a dozen teams, including Troy, Tippecanoe and Troy Christian.

The Trojans finished with 64 points, while Tippecanoe was seventh with 206 points. Troy Christian didn't field a complete team for points, but had some runners compete in the event.

Megan Myers from Troy finished second overall with a time of 20:09.3, just .3 seconds behind Madison Pelfrey from Bellbrook for the title. Troy's Kate Pence was third at 20:19.0 and Haley Huelsman finished 18th with a time of 21:58.4. Also rounding out the top 20 for local teams was Troy's Megan Sweeney with a 20th place finish of 22:10.9.

Hyla Pitsenbarger was the highest placer for Troy Christian with a 119th place finish (29:31.7).

For the boys, Nick Pratt from Troy Christian was the highest finisher, placing 31st overall (18:21.6). Troy's Andy Smith placed 38th (18:39.7), while Troy Christian's Isaac Flora was 44th, and the Troy duo of Adam Falknor (49th) and Pete Sheehan (50th) rounds out the top 50.

\*Also the Brookville Invitational was held Saturday, with area teams involved. Tippecanoe had some runners at the event, and their girls finished second overall to Oakwood for the title. Leading for Tipp was Abbi Halsey who was second overall with a time of 19:44, Laura Fink placed third (19:51), MaKenzie Dietz seventh (20:55), with Annie Martino 15th (21:52) and Anna Klepinger 22nd (22:09). Also for Tipp, Allison Mader was 25th (22:36) and Bekah Shiningier 32nd (23:36).

In the boys' race, Tipp also finished second with 61 points. Michael Stearns was third overall with a time of 17:15, Keenan Fraylick placed 13th (17:55), Ben Jans was 14th (17:56), Noah Ballard 15th (17:58) and Ethan Sinning

16th (17:59). Also placing 17th was Adam Rindler (18:05) and Andrew Doviak was 25th (18:30). \*The Tiffin Cardinal was held on Saturday, one of the state's premier running events of the season. Tecumseh and Bethel

The Tecumseh girls' finished 20th overall in the girls Division One race, with the top finisher being Morgan Crowley, placing 73rd overall with a time of 21:48.41, while Danielle Franklin finishing 95th (22:02.19) and Natalie Allen, who ran a 22:33.65, good enough for 127th. Breanna Crowley also finished 136th.

In the boys race, Tecumseh placed 27th, with Garrett Gemmaka finishing 98th (18:31.16), while Ethan Adams ran 144th (19:01.12), Caleb Ricks 168th (19:23.88) and Jack Dague 172nd (19:26.95).

Also for the the Bethel Bees , the girls finished in 45th place with 1332 points. The boys were split into two teams and in the varsity B race the bees finished in 26th place with 774 points and the boys in the varsity A race finished in 33rd place with 851 points.

The girls were led by Kaitlyn Balkcom in 245th place in a time of 25:33.8. She was followed by Kaylee Baugh in 249th place in a time of 25:44.6, Eili Wright in 294th place in a time of 28:11.0, Morgan Jergens in 307th place in a time of 29:14.5 and Olivia Norris in 318th place in a time of 31:40.9.

The boys in the varsity B race were led by Max Schell in 135th place with a time of 22:50.8. He was followed by Sam Pencil in 163rd place in a time of 25:21.5, Brandon Gilbert in 167th place in a time of 26:00.9, Joel Ricker in 170th place in a time of 27:23.5 and Jacob Vantilburg 171st place in a time of 27:24.4.

The boys in the varsity A race were led by Korry Hamlin in 19th place in a time of 16:52.2. He was followed by Coleman Clark in 121st place in a time of 18:39.7, Chase Heck in 224th place in a time of 20:37.8, Connor Whelan in 245th place in a time of 21:14.6, Benton Wright in 251st place in a time of 21:31.6 and Brian Pencil in 277th place in a time of 22:45.4.

# Area Tennis Recap

By Jim Dabbelt

Tippecanoe Tennis-The Red Devils opened last week with a 4-1 win over Brookville, to run their record to 10-3 on the season.

Kennedy Reeder led the way at first singles for Tipp, with a 7-5, 6-0 win over Bowen, while at second singles it was Ladia Coning with a 6-3, 6-1 win over Roher from Brookville. Kokladas defeated Tipp's number three singles player Jordan Jones 6-3, 6-2 for the lone loss of the night for the Red Devils.

At first doubles, Ali Merrick and Sophia McDowell defeated Schell and Parish 6-1, 6-2, while at second doubles, it was Victoria Nordquist and Sydney Laymon over Rozelle and Winterbothem 6-3, 6-2.

Tipp won their 11th match of the season, defeating Shawnee 5-0, and continues to remain unbeaten in the CBC.

Reeder defeated Holmes 6-1, 6-0 at first singles, while Coning defeated Driskill 6-1, 6-0 and Jones won over Novakova at third singles

6-3, 6-3.

Merrick and McDowell had no troubles with Gustavson and Garrett 6-0, 6-0, while Laymon and Nordquist also won in shutout fashion at second doubles.

Finally last week, Tipp defeated Kenton Ridge 4-1, as Coning and Jones won at singles, along with both doubles teams.

Northwestern 5 Tecumseh 0- The Warriors swept all five matches from the Arrows in a crossover CBC match. At first singles, Northwestern's Addie Smith defeated Karli Mulkey 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 in the closest match of the day.

Allison Sigler won at second singles for the Warriors defeating Libby Foland 6-3, 6-0, and at third singles, Hannah Miller won over Bea Neves 6-0, 6-0.

The Warriors' first doubles team of Britanee Massie and Destanee Wilson defeated Aurora Miller and Selina Cabrera 6-0, 6-0, while at second doubles, Erica Brandyberry and Caitlyn Hummer defeated the Tecumseh team of Danielle

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# Eagles Fall To DC In League Battle

By Jim Dabbelt

You could tell on the faces of the Troy Christian girls' soccer players that this was a game they really wanted.

After a scoreless first half, the Dayton Christian Warriors scored twice in the first ten minutes of the second half, and added an insurance goal in the final seconds, as they defeated the Troy Christian Eagles 3-1 last week in a huge Metro Buckeye Conference matchup in Troy.



"Dayton Christian played a great game," said Troy Christian coach Brian Peters. "They were more passionate about playing and their desire to win 50-50 balls was the difference."

Kinley Blake nearly gave the Eagles the early lead when she controlled the ball that went off the hands of the keeper, but missed her shot to the right, keeping the game scoreless with 33:42 left



# Troy Notes: Troy Volleyball With Big Week

Troy picked up a huge non-conference win last week in volleyball, defeating Versailles 25-17, 25-21, 24-26, 20-25, 15-8 to keep their unbeaten record intact.

Katie Demeo had 20 kills for Troy, while Camryn Moeller added 16 and Miranda Silcott had 12. Victoria Holland had four aces for the Trojans, while Dana Wynkoop and Lauren Freed each had two. Wynkoop added 54 assists, while Freed led with 20 digs, Moeller added 17, Silcott 13 and Holland 11. Demeo also had four blocks.

The Trojans came back and defeated Springboro 25-12, 20-25, 25-13, 25-16. Leading the way for Troy was Demeo with 17 kills, four digs and 17 points, Silcott added 11 kills, 10 digs and 11 points, and Wynkoop had 38 assists. Freed contributed 26 digs.

\*Troy then came back to win their own invitational on Saturday, They defeated Northmont 25-13, 25-10, defeated Bethel 25-4, 25-7, then in the finals swept two from Kenton Ridge 25-17, 25-20.

Troy Christian Volley-

in the first half.

The Eagles also had another shot at the goal at the 15 minute mark, when Olivia Glaser lobbed a shot over the goal, then with 5:11 left before the half, Riley Spoltman nearly broke through with the games' first goal, but she just missed as the Dayton Christian keeper made the save, sending the game to the half still scoreless.

Early in the second half, the Warriors broke through with a goal past Troy Christian keeper

Cara Salazar giving Dayton Christian a 1-0 lead.

Just that quick, the Eagles fought back. Meredith Haddad ripped a shot past the Dayton Christian keeper with 32 minutes left in the game, tying the game at one.

In what turned out to be a hectic two minute span, the Warriors put another shot past Salazar giving the visitors the 2-1 lead, which they held until the final 28 seconds. Dayton Christian added an insurance goal to make the margin 3-1.

"They just outthustled us tonight, period," Peters said. "I thought they did a nice job."

The Eagles battled Yellow Springs last night, and returns to action on Monday night at Dixie in a non-conference game.

ball- It was a clean sweep for the Troy Christian volleyball team last week, as they defeated Middletown Christian 25-16, 25-17, 25-17. Jenna Bullock led Troy Christian to their first win of the season with 12 assists, six digs and two aces, while Jenna Grady and Kathryn Lee each had six kills.

Allison Winger recorded three kills and six digs, while Kristen Winger had seven digs, Emily Slone five digs and Faith King with four aces. Making her varsity debut for the Eagles was Rachel Winters with three assists and two aces.

Also last week, Troy Christian lost to Xenia Christian 25-16, 21-25, 25-18, 25-21. Lee led the way with 11 kills, nine blocks, three aces and six digs. Bullock had 13 assists and 16 digs, while Kristen Winger had 16 digs. Grady contributed six blocks and three kills in the loss, while freshman Allison Winger had four aces and 13 digs.

On Saturday, Troy Christian lost in straight sets to Stivers 27-25, 25-13,

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# Tennis Recap

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Guzman and Nazareth Saverimoutou 6-1, 6-1. \*The Warriors also defeated Catholic Central and Lehman Catholic 5-0 last week, to move to 12-1 on the season. Against Lehman, Smith won at first singles over Gibson 6-1, 6-1, while Sigler beat Briggs 6-0, 6-0 and Miller cruised past Pennapparra 6-0, 6-0. Massie and Wilson won at first doubles 6-1, 6-4, while Hummer and Brandyberry were victorious 6-1, 6-0.

Against Catholic Central, all five matches were straight set victories, and only four sets were lost by the Warriors.

\*Both Northwestern and Tippecanoe remain on a collision course for the CBC title, as both are still unbeaten in the league. They will play in the final scheduled regular season match September 22 at Tippecanoe, 4:30.

Troy Tennis- Hannah Essick from Troy defeated Madison Peyton at first singles 6-2, 7-5, while at second singles, Maggie Hennessy lost to Butler's Leigh Harden 6-0, 6-0. The third singles match went to Ashley Bruns from Troy who defeated Ashley Hess 1-6, 7-6 (10), 6-1.

"It was a great team win to take control of the GWOC North," said Troy coach Mark Goldner. "Hannah showed a lot of maturity in a tight second set and did not give in to pull out the win."

"The match of the day was third singles," he added. "Ashley played her worst first set of the year and hung in there to

pull out a close second set tie breaker 12-10. It was about a three hour match and Ashley was a totally different player in the third set."

Butler's first doubles team of Vynesa Evan-son and Allison Baker survived a tough three set match against Troy's Zoey Scancarello and Sierra Verstraten 4-6, 6-3, 6-2, and at second doubles, it was Meredith Pruitt and Katie Sherrick from Troy defeating Maggie Loan and Jenna Al-Bezreh 6-2, 6-0.

\*Troy also defeated Springfield 5-0, as Essick defeated Demeter 6-3, 6-2, Hennessy won over Dillon 6-0m 6-2, and Bruns cruised past Umerari 6-2, 6-1. At first doubles, Scancarello and Verstraten defeated Syed and Umerani 6-2, 7-5, and at second doubles, Pruitt and Sherrick won in three sets 6-1, 4-6, 6-3 over Connolly and Mistry.

\*Closing out the week, Troy lost to Miamisburg 5-0.

Greenon Tennis- The Knights cruised to a 5-0 win over Urbana in a CBC tennis match last week. Arian McNeil won at first singles, defeating Haylee Johns 6-0, 6-0, while at second singles Courtney Brinkman defeated Morgan Lattimer 7-5, 6-3, and to finish the sweep at singles, Valarie Bandell won by forfeit. At first doubles, it was Kendra Gochenour and Ashlyne Griffis defeating Katie Asper and Briana Ussher 6-0, 6-0, while at second doubles it was Macey Hardy and Shelby McHenry with a 6-4, 6-4 win over Krueger and Ogden.

# Troy Notes

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then came back and took Tri Village to three sets before losing 25-7, 17-25, 25-13.

Troy Christian Boys Soccer- The Eagles had no trouble knocking off Botkins last week 5-1 in a non-league boys' soccer game. Three goals from Jon Slone led the way for Troy Christian, while Stefan Speck and Colt Tanner each added a goal. Gaining the assists for the Eagles were Seth Wynne, Tristan Miller and Riley Hall.

Wesley Alexander did the job in the goal, as the Eagles earned the win.

Troy Golf- Holden Scribner fired a 71 to earn medalist honors, to lead Troy to a tenth place finish at the Hadley Invitational held on Saturday at Weatherwax Golf Course.

Scribner had a 34 at the turn which was tied for the lead with St. Xavier's Parker Getgey, before outdueling him by two strokes on the back nine.

Troy Moore was next for the Trojans with an 81, Nate Uhlenbrock finished with an 84, Austin Rank 87 and Ryan McClurg with a 101.

Troy Girls Soccer- Troy split a pair of games last week, defeating West Carrollton 9-0, before losing 3-0 at Springboro on Saturday night.

Against West Carrollton, Sierra Besecker scored two goals for the Trojans with three assists to lead the way. Kelsey Walters added a goal and two assists, Bailey Dornbusch dished out two assists while Kenzie Evans added an assist.

# Rotarians Get Coached

Teams come in all shapes and sizes. Christy Shell (pictured), owner of Zeal Coaching, 3 East Water Street in Troy, knows how to help people learn team building, career focus, transitional decision-making and other related topics they need to find their vision and preferred work future. She shared some of her insights with Troy Rotarians during their weekly meeting on Tuesday, 8 September 2015.

Shell has been in the executive coaching business since receiving her master's degree in Education from Xavier University. After making Troy home in 2014, she opened Zeal Coaching and now focuses on career and life coaching for teens and adults. Her first love is working with students, both high school and college, who are unsure of the field of study in which they'd like to concentrate. Shell coaches leadership, performance improvement, and management

of job and life transitions, through the use of techniques such as positive psychology. Another technique she uses frequently is outdoor team building exercises, which build trust, productive conflict, communications, accountability and, ultimately, results. To learn more about Zeal Coaching, visit [www.zealcoach.com](http://www.zealcoach.com) or Facebook.com/ZealCoaching.

Troy Rotary Club members are always looking for new topics to share at weekly meetings. If you are interested in presenting your business or organization, please visit the Troy Rotary Web site at [www.troyohiorotary.org](http://www.troyohiorotary.org) and submit your information in the "Contact Us" section. Troy Rotary is a member-involved, goal-oriented service club focused on socio/economic issues that have an impact both locally and internationally. You can follow their activities on Facebook at Troy Rotary Club.

# WACO Aviation Cadet Program

WACO Aviation Cadets extra-curricular program is designed for students ages 10 - 16, who may be interested in pursuing a career in a technical field, like aviation. Motivated students will experience hands on aviation related activities and problem solving opportunities. Cadets will meet twice a month to work on an aviation project, to learn more about flying, or take a related field trip. An orientation flight and training in the WACO Flight Simulator Lab will also be part of the course.

A schedule of topics and events will be discussed and questions addressed at the kick-off meeting, September 24,

2015 at 7 pm. Come meet the pilots leading the program, and other interested aviators. Registration forms and sign-ups will be available at the meeting and registration will remain open through October 15, 2015. Registration fee is \$150 and the program runs October through May.

WACO is very grateful to Paul G Duke Foundation and Vectren for their support of this program and the Flight Simulator Lab, made possible through generous grants.

You may also call the WACO Learning Center at 937 335-9226 or go to [www.wacoairmuseum.org](http://www.wacoairmuseum.org) for registrations.



# DAR Celebrates Constitution Week

The United States Constitution is the supreme law of the United States of America. Since the Constitution came into force in 1789, it has been amended twenty-seven times.[2] In general, the first ten amendments, known collectively as the Bill of Rights, offer specific protections of individual liberty and justice and place restrictions on the powers of government. The majority of the seventeen later amendments expand individual civil rights.

The Articles of Confederation and Perpetual Union was the first constitution of the United States. It was drafted by the Second Continental Congress from mid-1776 through late-1777, and ratification by all 13 states was completed in early 1781.

On the appointed day, May 14, 1787, only the Virginia and Pennsylvania delegations were present. A quorum of seven states met and deliberations began on May 25. Eventually twelve states were represented; 74 delegates were

named, 55 attended and 39 signed.

Per the national headquarters of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, September 17, 2015, begins the national celebration of Constitution Week. The weeklong commemoration of America's most important document is one of our country's least known official observances. Our Constitution stands as a testament to the tenacity of Americans throughout history to maintain their liberties and freedom, and to ensure those inalienable rights to every American.

The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was started many years ago by the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR). In 1955, the Daughters petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was later adopted by the U.S. Congress and signed into Public Law #915 on August 2, 1956 by President

# United Way Kicks Off Campaign

By Nancy Bowman

Maurice Sadler, 2015 United Way of Troy campaign co-chairman, knows from personal experience the good done by agencies like those supported with donations to the United Way.

A native of Charlotte, N.C., Sadler shared during the annual campaign kickoff Sept. 12 details of growing up in the inner city as a youth abandoned by his parents. There, organizations whose work is similar to Troy's Lincoln Community Center and The Future Begins Today truly make a difference, he said.

"My Lincoln center was a center called the Bethlehem Community Center. It picked me up after school, brought me to the center, kept me away from the drugs and gangs that were rampant in the 1980s," Sadler said. "My Future Begins today was a program associated with Davidson College called Love of Learning."

That program, he said, gave high school kids from poverty time with professors over the summer, professors who helped grow and support them.

"This is not just a fly by night thing to me. This is not just it looks good on your tax returns for me... This is personal," said Sadler who works as principal at Heywood Elementary School.

The Lincoln Community Center and The Future Begins Today are just two of the 28 health and human service agencies receiving support from the local United Way, whose goal of \$810,000 was among top-ics at the kickoff event.

This year's kickoff veered from the traditional event held on Prouty Plaza downtown, where the United Way thermometer is in place and will continue to keep the community updated on the campaign's progress.

The kickoff was held outside ITW/Hobart Corp's facility on South Ridge Avenue. There, the United Way supported agencies set up booths to share with local officials, businesses and organization supporters informa-

tion on their work.

"This gives them a chance to talk to agencies," Richard Bender, United Way's executive director, said. "We see a lot of it (needs, services) on paper but when you see that passion, it changes everything and it really makes you aware of what is going on ... Every one of these agencies is changing someone's life."

The Rev. Richard Culp of Troy noted that the kick off came on the anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Following the initial horror of the day, people now can talk not only about the tragedy but the way people bonded together in response to help.

"It strikes me that transformation is a powerful way to deal with the harsh reality we encounter in the world sometimes. I think that is what you do as United Way agencies. In your own little niches, you are in the real world, trying to transform that into a better situation or a new opportunity," Culp said. "As we gather here thinking about how our world has changed and yet some good came out of it, I am mindful of that and also the work of our agencies as you help transform our community."

Mayor Mike Beamish said those who gathered for the kickoff were caring people. "The most important thing we can do is give back to our community," he said. "That is what makes Troy special - we live, we work we play in the community but we also serve in this community."

Everyone spreading the word, Sadler said, can achieve the United Way of Troy's 2015 goal of \$810,000.

"This is not just a regional thing, a local thing, a public thing, a press thing, this is a personal thing. Take it all with you, spread the word and this goal will be achieved just like that," he said.

For more information on the United Way, visit [www.unitedwayoftroy.org](http://www.unitedwayoftroy.org) or call 335-8410. The United Way of Troy also is on Facebook.

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# Frequently Asked Questions About Transgender Students

**Prepared by the Troy City Board of Education**

## Who is a transgender student?

A “transgender student” is a student who consistently and uniformly asserts a gender identity different from the student’s sex assigned at birth, or for which there is documented legal or medical evidence that the gender identity is sincerely held as part of the student’s core identity.

## How does the District decide whether to make accommodations for transgender students?

When the parent of a transgender student, or a transgender student, requests accommodations, the building administrator will meet with the parent, student, and any other individuals with relevant information. The team will discuss the requested accommodations; the consistency and uniformity of the asserted

gender identity; the legal or medical evidence that the gender identity is sincerely held as a part of the student’s core identity; and any supports needed to ensure equal access to and equal opportunity to participate in the District’s education programs.

Accommodations are granted on a case by case basis, after considering the circumstances. When determining whether to permit an accommodation, the administration will consider the following:

- evidence regarding whether the gender identity is consistently and uniformly held;
- legal or medical evidence that the gender identity is sincerely held as a part of the student’s core identity;
- ensuring the student has equal access to, and an equal opportunity to participate in, the District’s education programs;
- student safety and comfort; and
- protecting student

privacy and minimizing stigmatization of the student.

## Why does the District permit these accommodations?

First and foremost, the District wishes to respect the privacy and dignity of each student. The Troy City School District Board of Education has a policy prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex. The U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Education have both opined that discrimination on the basis of gender identity is unlawful discrimination under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (“Title IX”), a federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in federally funded education programs and activities. Although this matter has not been addressed by the courts of Ohio, it is clear that the U.S. Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights will be

enforcing Title IX where transgender students have been the target of discrimination.

## What are the rules with regard to restroom use?

The District respects the privacy and dignity of each and every student. The District allows a transgender student access to the facilities that he or she prefers, whether that is access to the sex-segregated facilities with which the student identifies or providing more private alternatives (*i.e.*, access to staff/unisex bathrooms) if the transgender student is uncomfortable using either sex-segregated bathroom. The District’s primary aim is protecting the safety and privacy of all students, and considers each request for an accommodation on an individualized basis. Any student who has a need or desire for increased privacy, regardless of the underlying reason, may request access to a private

restroom.

## Does this mean that a student can decide one day to use the female restroom and the next to use the male restroom?

No. As explained above, requests for accommodations are granted after considering the specific circumstances. Restroom accommodations will only be made for a transgender student who consistently and uniformly asserts a gender identity different from the student’s sex assigned at birth, or for which there is documented legal or medical evidence that the gender identity is sincerely held as part of the student’s core identity.

## How can I be sure of my child’s safety and privacy in the restroom?

District staff members supervise students, including during restroom breaks. Any student who has a need or desire for increased privacy, regardless of the underlying reason, may request access to a private restroom. The District is exploring the installation of floor to ceiling stall partitions in some restrooms in the junior high school.

## I’ve heard that the courts have already ruled on this issue and found against transgender students. Is that true?

No court with jurisdiction over Ohio has yet ruled on the issue of transgender students’ use of restrooms. While not binding in Ohio, the issue has been litigated in various courts and before various regulatory agencies in recent years, with differing results. The Maine Supreme Court held in favor of a transgender student who wanted to use the female restroom, finding that the school district had discriminated against the student on the basis of gender identity when it required the student to use a gender neutral restroom. The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies, Division of Civil Rights found probable cause that a Colorado school district discriminated against a 6 year old transgender female student when it prohibited her from using the female restroom. In Pennsylvania, a federal district court ruled against a transgender male student who sued after being denied use of sex-segregated restrooms and locker rooms designated for men on a university campus. That case is currently under appeal. In Virginia, a federal district court denied the issuance of a preliminary injunction for a transgender student who challenged his school district’s policy requiring him to use a separate restroom. It is reported that this case is also being appealed.

## If there are no court decisions in Ohio, why does the District permit these accommodations?

The U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (“OCR”) and the United States Department of Justice (“DOJ”) have stated that under Title IX, transgender students should be treated consistent with their gender identity for restroom access. Failure to follow these interpretations by OCR and DOJ risks protracted litigation and potential loss of Troy’s federal funding. OCR is a federal agency that enforces several federal civil rights laws that

prohibit discrimination in programs or activities that receive federal financial assistance from the Department of Education, including Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex. OCR investigates complaints of discrimination and issues findings. OCR has the authority to suspend, terminate or refuse to grant a public school district’s federal funding if the school district fails to comply with OCR’s interpretation of discrimination laws. OCR can also refer a matter to the DOJ for an enforcement action.

## What action is the Board taking on this issue?

Consistent with the law, the Troy City School District Board of Education has a policy prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex. The administration is responsible for implementing Board policy consistent with law. That is what the administration is doing with respect to transgender students.

## What about locker rooms?

Given the students’ state of undress in locker rooms, private changing/restroom stalls will be provided to a transgender student to allow for privacy.

## How does the dress code apply to transgender students?

A transgender student is permitted to wear clothing if students of their identified gender are also permitted to wear the same type of clothing.

## How can students safely express their views?

The District recognizes the First Amendment rights of students and community members to express their opinions and beliefs. However, while at school, students’ expression cannot cause a disruption to the educational process or attempt to disrupt the educational process. The classrooms at Troy City Schools are places for learning, and the District’s focus will be on educating all of its students. The District hopes that the discourse will remain civil; however, the District prohibits bullying, harassment, intimidation and discrimination of students. Guidance counselors are available to all students for further discussion or for help reporting bullying, harassment, intimidation or discrimination.

## Can transgender students participate in extra-curricular activities and athletics?

Yes. With regard to athletics, in November 2014, the Ohio High School Athletic Association (“OHSAA”) adopted the following policy regarding transgender participation:

- A transgender female (or male-to-female (MTF) transgender student athlete) who is taking medically prescribed hormone treatment related to gender transition may participate on a boy’s team at any time. However, before a transgender female can compete in a girl’s sport or on a girl’s team, the transgender female must either (1) have completed a minimum of one year of

# Meeting Held to Understand Transgenders

By Nancy Bowman

Lee Ann Conard, a doctor and director of Cincinnati Children’s Hospital’s Transgender Clinic, returned Sept. 10 to her hometown to provide information and answer questions on the transgender community. “We are all here because we care about the health and safety of our children,” Conard told more than 50 people at the high school auditorium.

Superintendent Eric Herman said she offered to share factual information about the transgender community during controversy following this Aug. 28 notification to parents of a policy allowing transgender students to use the restroom facilities he or she prefers, if desired, use private alternatives such as staff or unisex restrooms.

The announcement was made after a student who had attended the district as a female in the past approached the junior high principal just before school started in August saying they are now of the male gender and asking to use that gender’s restrooms.

After the meeting school officials handed out copies of questions and answers regarding transgender students.

The document included: - Additional information on district policies that have been being compiled since the junior high school approached the schools. The policies outline procedures that will be used in determining, on a case-by-case basis, whether to make accommodations for transgender students.

The locker room policy states private changing rooms/restroom stalls will be provided to a transgender student to allow for privacy.

The dress code policy states a transgender student “is permitted to wear clothing if students of their identified gender are also permitted to wear the same type of clothing.”

During her presentation, Conard said she has worked with transgender patients for the past decade; now working with children ages 5 through 24.

Based on review of medical evidence, being

transgender isn’t a choice, Conard said. There is no evidence that one’s environment contributes with factors such as parenting style, abuse or life events, she said.

More attention has been drawn to transgender issues in Southwest Ohio since the December suicide of a transgender teen killed by a semi, Conard said. Before that death, 90 patients were working with the clinic; now it is 300.

Conard said there is no evidence that transgender individuals are sexual perpetrators. Transgender individuals, she said, are usually victims instead of the perpetrator.

Asked what the best practice would be for restrooms and transgender individuals, Conard said, “The best practice is for people to be allowed to use the restroom they identify with, feel comfortable using.”

Bryan Kemper of Troy, who has protested the restroom policy outside the Board of Education offices since it was announced, said during the meeting he was concerned that his children “have no rights.”

Eric McCann of Troy said he attended the meeting because he had policy questions that weren’t addressed. He said his concern also was with the numbers cited during the presentation: transgender students are physically or sexually violated 63-78 percent, harassment is at 78 percent and 50-54 percent or bullied at school.

“The only spot in the school that is not protected is where? How do we protect all of our kids in the restroom? McCann said. “We don’t care, gay, lesbian, transgender, bisexual. It just needs to be protected.”

The schools announced the information meeting Sept. 8. Those attending included all five school board members, Herman and other school administrators.

School board President Doug Trostle said everything the district has done with the transgender issue has looked at privacy and safety. “We feel we have adequate privacy but we will continue to look at all of our facilities and update them as we see appropriate,” he said.

# BOE Addresses Issues

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for use by those who object to the transgender policy. “I want school to be an extension of my home,” he said.

Trostle said modifications to a couple of restrooms at the junior high are under consideration. A question and answer document about transgender policy distributed by the district starting late last week mentions installation of floor to ceiling partitions in some junior high restrooms.

Meyer suggested the



Board Member David Heffner

district give up Title IX money and do things the way that fit local desires. “I recommend you refuse the Title IX money and increase my taxes. I’d be happy to pay added taxes,” he said to applause. A couple other speakers said they, too, would be willing to pay more taxes for local control over the decision.

Lachland Anderson, a Troy graduate and transgender male living in Columbus, said he wanted to reach out to the humanity of each person in the room and help them understand that transgender is not a choice. “You wouldn’t be telling me where to go to the bathroom if I had any



Doug Jackson

other medical condition,” Anderson said.

Parent Tausha Bacon told the board, “You are making a decision that is going to affect my children enormously for the next five to 10 years.”

Resident Doug Jackson asked if the policy can be changed and, if so, how people who feel they aren’t being heard could influence that decision.

“We hear every one of you,” Trostle said, adding, more than money would be at risk. “It is about doing the right thing for all individuals,” he said.

Parent Jessica Minsinger said her family discussed the transgender debate. “We have no fears about our children’s privacy being compromised,” she said, adding her children understand if they feel uncomfortable using the restroom at school they have access to the more private facilities. “I appreciate you protecting the rights of all students, including mine,” Minsinger said.

Resident Steve Alexander said from what he had read about other district’s handling of transgender students, “it seems that Troy ... has taken a larger step than other school districts in the Dayton area.”

Trostle said in many cases where the transgender restroom issue has come up, the parent was agreeable to a student us-



Steve Alexander

ing a single use restroom.

“If the parent and child are not willing and just want that inclusion that is when it became the bigger case that we are being confronted with today,” he said.

After about 90 minutes of comments and answers, board members thanked people for their comments.

“We are open to conversations. Nothing is forever,” Trostle said. “We will respond to questions but may not be able to offer you the answer you want.”

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# Gardening Commentary

BY MEADOWVIEW GROWERS

## Bringing plants indoors

It's the fall time of year when we should be thinking about bringing plants indoors that have been outside on the deck, patio or by the pool for the summer. There are a few things that we should do that will help the plants that we are bringing inside adjust to this change in environment. Most plants that we bring indoors in the fall benefit from being outside for the summer but they have some adjusting to do when taken in the house. This is a good time to check the root systems to see if the plants are root bound and need to be transplanted to the next size container. If the roots are very "thick" or compacted the roots should be pruned slightly and repotted.

Many of the plants that can be brought indoors for the winter months are considered tropical. Plants like the beautiful tropical hibiscus, ficus (or fig tree), Christmas cactus and many others are those we typically bring indoors. These plants have had nearly full sun or certainly much brighter conditions than they will have indoors. It is best to acclimate the plants that we are planning to bring inside to lower light levels by moving them to a shady area for a couple of weeks before moving them indoors. If this acclimation process doesn't take place sensitive plants may drop some of their leaves and possibly flower buds when they are brought inside. A gradual adjustment is always best. Outdoor temperatures much in the 40's can also be harmful to some varieties causing them to shed some leaves.

Plants that have enjoyed the summer outside may have gathered "hitch hikers" that will enjoy the warmth inside later this fall and we don't want to bring them in with the plants. Some of these critters are very small insects that can go undetected for a time and then become an issue in a month or so after they are indoors. It becomes a problem to get them under control because we do not want to use pesticides when the plants are in our living areas. Examine the plants closely for insects and just a good hosing down with a strong stream of water will help eliminate some of them. Aphids, mites, scale and mealybugs are some of the more common problem insects. If you suspect a problem a spray with insecticidal soap or a natural compound like neem oil that is nontoxic would be a good thing to do. Some larger critters have also been known to come indoors that are in the soil. A good way to control them is to set the potted plant in a laundry tub filled with water for 15 minutes to completely saturate the soil. Do not leave the plant in the water for more than 30 minutes or damage to the root system can occur. Remove the pot from the pan of water and let it drain completely. This should be done about a week or so before bringing the plants inside.

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# At Home

BY CONNIE MOORE

## "S" is for September

There is a simple explanation for this column. In moving stuff around in office cupboards, I came across three recipe boxes. While the recipes within them seem quite ordinary, all three boxes have special meaning.

In choosing just one letter, the S for September, I found it intriguing what each woman felt the need to save. It seemed that hand-written recipes and yellowed clippings pointed to an aspect of the personality behind each box's original owner: Hilda Cox, Martha Fitzgerald-Yowler and Evah Lewis.

A large green tin with a hinged lid made for PET Brand evaporated milk was made by the Barringer Wallis and Manners Company of Mansfield, England. The company has been in business since 1890. The tin was a commemorative issue for the Pet Brand Family Recipes, the inside label reading: "This Family Recipe Box is an antique reproduction of Mary Lee Taylor's original tin. She was Pet's original food authority, dating back to the 1930s. She spent a lifetime creating and sharing delightful family recipes using PET evaporated milk."

When offered to the public, the tin included recipe cards indexed by seasons. Now though the box was stuffed with a family's lifetime of meals, snacks, cherished dishes from friends. Taking a look at the letter S, one could see a bit of Hilda Cox's taste in sauces and soups. Cards

held ingredient lists for white sauce (a basic for many dishes), chili sauce (from her friend, Esther Steele), creamy chocolate sauce (one of the PET recipes) and mustard sauce (for ham dishes).

Soups included Hilda's own vegetable soup, lite baked potato soup (from Good Samaritan Hospital, Dayton, Ohio), three recipes for chili (one marked delicious! the other marked good! and one called Ohio-Style-no marks). Hilda used a code of exclamation marks and asterisks to rate all her recipes, especially her cakes which she was locally famous for.

There was corn chowder soup, English beef stew, creamy green pea soup and a much-used card with Spaghetti (Kelly's) EXCELLENT! EXCELENTE! written on it.

Hilda loved to cook and enjoyed eating good food with friends. I had the privilege of attending a luncheon at Hilda's house back in September, 1997. She was a lively, friendly person who made me feel welcome and at ease. Clearly, she put a bit of herself in everything she cooked. When I brought home her recipe tin and scrapbooks from her estate auction, it was like bringing her kitchen into mine. I adapted her code of exclamation marks and asterisks for my own recipe box.

A flat white box, taped together at the seams, held all of Martha Fitzgerald-Yowler's recipes. Placed in rows with the alphabet dividers held in place by the sheer weight and volume of clippings, cards and magazine pages, Martha's talent for organizing her recipes was a little lacking.

It seemed she couldn't decide which letter some dishes should go under so they were in rows at the back. Her tastes were decidedly sophisticated, as she often held small dinner parties for friends. Being an artist, Martha enjoyed the colors and textures of ingredients as was evident in the large amount of salad and salad dressing recipes.

Eighteen salad dressings started off the s-category. Following those were no less than twenty gelatin molded salads that Martha no doubt served at luncheons for her church group friends. The stack of salads themselves was over an inch high and included such old-fashioned ones as chicken salad, pea salad, kidney bean salad, macaroni salad and the ever-popular potato salad. The artistic side of Martha was a definite influence in her choice of keepers for her recipe box. Besides the good old standbys, there were colorful dishes such as marinated zucchini/tomato salad (using lots of fresh garden produce), green & orange salad (cabbage & carrots) and crunchy pea salad (peas, celery, peanuts, bacon). Probably the most colorful salad plate was of red apples, green pears and stuffed yellow peach halves.

A small, deep-brown, wooden box, worn smooth from years of handling, held all Evah Lewis's favorite scone recipes. My mother did not bake scones as my siblings and I were growing up. Her love of breads was a basic, down-to-earth, bake-for-the-family talent that came from her own childhood and lived on in her cinnamon rolls, biscuits, cornbread

and assorted loaves. Many times our weekend supper would consist of fresh baked bread of one sort or the other and whatever fruit (fresh or canned) was on hand.

Later in life however, Mom was smitten with the scones she purchased at the local Panera Bread store. She loved the crisp, golden tops, sometimes sprinkled with sugar. She loved the fruit and nut laden, soft inner texture. So, being a baker at heart and knowing homemade was always less expensive, she set about learning the knack for baking great scones.

A dozen recipes for scones, from plain drop to fancy bounce-berry, from dried fruits to chocolate chips were all tested and evaluated by Mom and her taste panel of one-me. She favored the basics, as she always had. If they were golden brown, sweet and creamy, tasted down-to-earth, if they reminded her of her own childhood or her years of family baking, then she made them again and froze them.

Unlike the first two ladies, Mom never gave luncheons or dinner parties. She preferred sitting down at the kitchen table, hot tea in large mugs, a plate of scones (quickly thawed in the toaster oven) and a friend who dropped by for a few minutes of catching up.

Three boxes, three women, three different tastes, all under one letter. S for September.

Next week, some recipes from the three boxes. Contact [Connie at mooredcr@Juno.com](mailto:Connie@mooredcr@Juno.com).

## Tip *Of The* Week

BY SGT. JJ MAURO

Tipp City Police Retired

## Contempt of Court

A topic of note in the news recently is the subject "Contempt of Court." It is a simple legal term that everyone has heard in the movies or on television since the advent of courtroom drama. Picture a scene in which the hero lawyer begins to argue with the judge in front of the jury. The judge warns the lawyer and then finds him in contempt of court and orders him to pay \$25. Continuing with his argument the judge fines him \$50. Eventually the lawyer is ordered to jail and the bailiff whisk's the lawyer off to a clean, sterile jail cell with no other inmates around.

While this could happen, lawyers with huge educational debts, a big expensive house and nice car to pay for will not risk having to sit in jail for a period of time. Nor does the lawyer want a complaint filed against him with the Supreme Court and chance losing his license to practice law.

I once saw a lawyer found to be in contempt for a stunt he pulled in court. Both the judge and the lawyer have gone to that great courtroom in the sky so this is a story from the 1980's. Another officer from my department stopped a vehicle and made an arrest for OVI. When making the arrest, the suspect resisted and the fight was on. I arrived moments later and we were able to take the suspect to ground and apply the bracelets.

The arrest became routine after the suspect calmed down and all went cautiously normal. In court the suspect's attorney sat at the defense table with his supposed client and the prosecution called the arresting officer as the first witness. The arresting officer be-

gan to testify and one of the first points of law to be proven is that the defendant be identified by the witness/arresting officer.

The prosecutor asked the officer if the defendant was in the courtroom. Since the defendant always sits at the defense table, the officer said, "I'm not sure. That guy next to Mr. (attorney) sure looks like him, but his hair was brown, not blond and he did not have a beard." The prosecutor asked again, if the officer saw the defendant in the courtroom. The officer again equivocated and said he was not sure.

With this case being tried by the judge, there was no jury in the room. The judge flat out asked the defense attorney if the man seated at the defense table was the accused. The attorney sputtered and spat a few words when the defendant walked into the room, changed places with the man at the table and the other man left.

The defense attorney then stated, "Yes your honor, the defendant is now in the courtroom." The attorney wanted to show how the police routinely lie and would identify anyone even though it was an obvious lie. The judge called a recess and ordered the defense attorney, prosecutor and court recorder into chambers.

Upon returning to court, the defendant plead guilty as charged. The prosecutor explained to us that both the client and his attorney were found in contempt of court and given 30 days in jail. The attorney was also given a monetary fine but I do not recall what that fine was. Both the attorney and suspect apologized to the judge in which he agreed to drop the jail time.

Following is the Ohio Revised Code Section 2705.01 pertaining to contempt of court. In this contempt charge,

the defendant and his attorney both obstructed the administration of justice in their attempt at subterfuge.

2705.01 Summary punishment for contempt.

A court, or judge at chambers, may summarily punish a person guilty of misbehavior in the presence of or so near the court or judge as to obstruct the administration of justice. Effective Date: 10-01-1953

At first I was worried that the arresting officer was unable to identify the defendant, but his instincts were that something was amiss. And the officer did not lie and identify the defendant when in fact it was not.

When a judge orders a person to perform a certain act and the person refuses, then the person can be incarcerated until willing to comply with the court order or the situation becomes moot. The court order can be an order to pay child support, pay fines, make restitution, perform community service or sign a document required by law such as a marriage license. Any number of reasons can result in a contempt charge.

2705.02 Acts in contempt of court.

A person guilty of any of the following acts may be punished as for a contempt:

(A) Disobedience of, or resistance to, a lawful writ, process, order, rule, judgment, or command of a court or officer;

(B) Misbehavior of an officer of the court in the performance of official duties, or in official transactions;

(C) A failure to obey a subpoena duly served, or a refusal to be sworn or to answer as a witness, when lawfully required;

(D) The rescue, or attempted rescue, of a person or of property in the custody of an officer by virtue of an order or process of court held by the officer;

(E) A failure upon the part of a person recognized to appear as a witness in a court to appear in

compliance with the terms of the person's recognizance;

(G) A failure to obey a subpoena issued by the department of job and family services or a child support enforcement agency pursuant to section 5101.37 of the Revised Code;

(H) A willful failure to submit to genetic testing, or a willful failure to submit a child to genetic testing, as required by an order for genetic testing issued under section 3111.41 of the Revised Code. Effective Date: 03-22-2001

2705.05 Hearings for contempt proceedings.

(A) In all contempt proceedings, the court shall conduct a hearing. At the hearing, the court shall investigate the charge and hear any answer or testimony that the accused makes or offers and shall determine whether the accused is guilty of the contempt charge. If the accused is found guilty, the court may impose any of the following penalties:

(1) For a first offense, a fine of not more than two hundred fifty dollars, a definite term of imprisonment of not more than thirty days in jail, or both;

(2) For a second offense, a fine of not more than five hundred dollars, a definite term of imprisonment of not more than sixty days in jail, or both;

(3) For a third or subsequent offense, a fine of not more than one thousand dollars, a definite term of imprisonment of not more than ninety days in jail, or both.

2705.06 Imprisonment until order obeyed.

When the contempt consists of the omission to do an act which the accused yet can perform, he may be imprisoned until he performs it.

2705.08 Release of prisoner committed for contempt.

When a person is committed to jail for contempt, the court or judge who made the order may discharge him from imprisonment when it appears that the public interest will not suffer thereby.

Effective Date: 10-01-1953



# Mrs. Greengate's Almanac

SEPTEMBER, 2015

## Modern Moons

To the Cree Indians, September was the Moon When Birds Fly Away. It is true still today, for the centuries-old behavior patterns do not change for all living things, just because the year's number changes.

As crickets call a rather dauncy song in late evening and corn begins to dry and turn brown, today's moon is working its way to being a Harvest Moon on the 27th of the month. An enormous sphere will hang in mid sky, perhaps turning a true harvest gold in color. This moon will be completely illuminated as seen from earth. On a clear night it will seem to the observer as if there is nothing between the person and the moon. It is an awesome sight, drawing one into the universe by its sheer magnitude.

Other Native American names included Full Corn Moon, Full Barley Moon, Wild Rice Moon and Red Plum Moon. Today's full moon might be called Full Festival Moon, for Ohio begins the autumn with over fifty festivals celebrating everything from apples to pumpkins, from horses to riverboats, from sweet corn to popcorn.

**Fishing/Gardening**  
September affords a bit of relief from fishing conversations and tall tales. By now the humid, sultry air has brought favorite fishing spots to an algae/scum-covered state. While Mr. Greengate is not happy over the state of local waters, he saves his mumbling for the inevitable garden chores. Late tomatoes, squash and the last of the beans are gathered. Shelling out the beans for drying, we sit in late evening breezes. From our chairs we can survey the garden with its autumn stand of

lettuces, muse about how well or poorly certain crops did and make initial plans for next summer's planting. Those plans will change a dozen times or more, depending on January seed catalogs and how long the canned goods last. We comment on the leaves beginning to show reds and yellows. Every once in a while a sigh issues from the fisherman. Perhaps if it rains, tomorrow will be okay for a little fishing.

**Outside the Yard**  
While tall tales are quiet on the home front, much jousting will be going on at the Ohio Renaissance Festival which runs eight weekends from September 5 through October 25. An authentically and historically re-created 16th century England covering thirty acres will delight the entire family. From full-armored jousting with Queen Elizabeth I presiding over dozens of musicians, dancers, comedians, jugglers and

storytellers to master artisans and old-world foods, the festival is the largest of its kind.

If storytelling is your kind of entertainment, then head to the Southern Ohio Storytelling Festival in Chillicothe, Ohio, September 10-12. Featuring award-winning storytellers such as Bil Lepp, Kevin Coleman, Sheila Arnold and more, the festival takes laughter to a new level. I wonder if they take suggestions from the audience. Mr. Greengate has some whoppers concerning his younger fishing days.

**Word of the Month**  
Harvest: gathering crops; to gain, win, acquire or use as a result of past acts, processes and plans such as in the planting of a garden.

**Quote of the Month**  
"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf's a flower." Albert Camus

## Rescue Me



Born on June 15, 2015, Joe-Joe is a black and tan, neutered, min-pin, mixed dog. He is one of our true rescues, as he was found alone guarding his deceased owner. He is also going to need a very special home, as Joe-Joe DOES NOT like men. In fact, it is highly suggested he should be placed in a home containing ONLY females, and preferably elderly females at that. Sorry. We don't design

them - we just try to save them. In the company of an elderly female, Joe-Joe is a very loving and protective little dog. Joe-Joe is current on all of his shots, including rabies, heartworm negative, and house trained. For more information on Joe-Joe, or any of our other dogs, puppies, cats or kittens: Please call us at 937-450-1227 or contact us via email at Lovefourpaws@ATT.net.

# Tax Tips

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## Job Search Expenses May be Deductible

People often change their job in the summer. If you look for a job in the same line of work, you may be able to deduct some of your job search costs. Here are some key tax facts you should know about if you search for a new job:

**Same Occupation.** Your expenses must be for a job search in your current line of work. You can't deduct expenses for a job search in a new occupation.

**Résumé Costs.** You can deduct the cost of preparing and mailing your résumé.

**Travel Expenses.** If

you travel to look for a new job, you may be able to deduct the cost of the trip. To deduct the cost of the travel to and from the area, the trip must be mainly to look for a new job. You may still be able to deduct some costs if looking for a job is not the main purpose of the trip.

**Placement Agency.** You can deduct some job placement agency fees you pay to look for a job.

**First Job.** You can't deduct job search expenses if you're looking for a job for the first time.

**Substantial Job Break.** You can't deduct job search expenses if there was a long break between the end of your last job and the time you began looking for a new one.

**Reimbursed Costs.** Reimbursed expenses are not deductible.

**Schedule A.** You usually deduct your job search expenses on Schedule A, Itemized Deductions. You'll claim them as a miscellaneous deduction. You can deduct the total miscellaneous deductions that are more than two percent of your adjusted gross income.

**Premium Tax Credit.** If you receive advance payments of the premium tax credit it is important that you report changes in circumstances, such as changes in your income or eligibility for other coverage, to your Health Insurance Marketplace. Other changes that you should report include changes in your family size or address. Advance payments of the premium tax credit provide financial assistance to help you pay for the insurance you

buy through the Health Insurance Marketplace. Reporting changes will help you get the proper type and amount of financial assistance so you can avoid getting too much or too little in advance.

For more on job hunting refer to Publication 529, Miscellaneous Deductions.

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# FAQ's About Trans Students

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hormone treatment related to gender transition or (2) demonstrate to the Commissioner's Office by way of sound medical evidence that the transgender female student athlete does not possess physical (bone structure, muscle mass, testosterone, hormonal, etc.) or physiological advantages over genetic females of the same age group.

• A transgender male (or female-to-male (FTM) transgender student athlete) who has not yet begun medically prescribed testosterone treatment for purposes of gender transition may compete on a boy's team. If, however, the transgender male student athlete is taking medically

prescribed testosterone treatment, medical evidence must be submitted to the Commissioner's Office that certifies that (1) the muscle mass developed as a result of this testosterone treatment does not exceed the muscle mass that is typical of an adolescent genetic boy;

(2) that the student has not started any hormone treatment (or that the testosterone treatment does not cause hormone levels to exceed normal levels); and (3) the stu-

**dent's hormone levels are monitored by a licensed physician every three to six months.**

The full policy is available at: <http://www.ohsaa.org/eligibility/Transgender-Policy.pdf>

**Who are the transgender students at Troy City Schools?**  
Each student's privacy rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA") and R.C. 3319.321 must be respected. Teachers and other

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# Financial Focus



Provided by Matt Buehrer, Thrivent Financial

## Leaving a legacy through life insurance

Within the hearts of many people is a strong desire to make a difference in the lives of others. But how can people ensure that this desire takes root? How can people make sure that those organizations and causes most important to them are supported in a tax-wise manner through their financial gifts?

Many donors would like to make a significant contribution to a charity but simply don't have the funds. One great tool for leaving a financial legacy is life insurance. Assuming one no longer needs the life insurance, it can offer a practical, affordable and flexible means of passing money to charitable organizations and causes. Life insurance donors can leave a significant financial legacy while receiving either considerable tax benefits or the ability to retain a high level of control over the gift.

The simplest and most common way is by naming a charity as the beneficiary of a life insurance contract. You retain ownership of the life insurance contract which means you maintain full legal control over the contract. This allows the owner to change the beneficiary at any time for any reason. Contract owners simply name the charity as their primary beneficiary. The charity then receives the death benefit. If the owner names the nonprofit organization as its secondary beneficiary, the charity receives the death benefit only if the primary beneficiary predeceases the contract owner. If the charity is named as a partial beneficiary, the charity receives a specific dollar amount or a specific percentage of the death benefit. However, changing the beneficiary designation to that of a favorite institution, cause or charity does not provide any current tax advantages.

Another option is to name the charitable organization as owner and 100 percent beneficiary of the contract. Upon transfer of ownership, the donor continues to pay all premiums. By assigning a life insurance contract to a charity and then paying the charity the premiums necessary to keep the contract in force, donors limit their current outlay and may receive a tax deduction on the premiums that they pay.

Under the right circumstances, both existing life insurance contracts and new ones can be used as charitable gifts. Through life insurance, a relatively modest annual payment may result in a sizable charitable gift allowing a legacy to be passed on.

This article was prepared by Thrivent Financial for use by Tipp City representative Matt Buehrer. He has offices at 29 W Main Street in Tipp City and can also be reached at 937-667-8270.

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By Liz Ball



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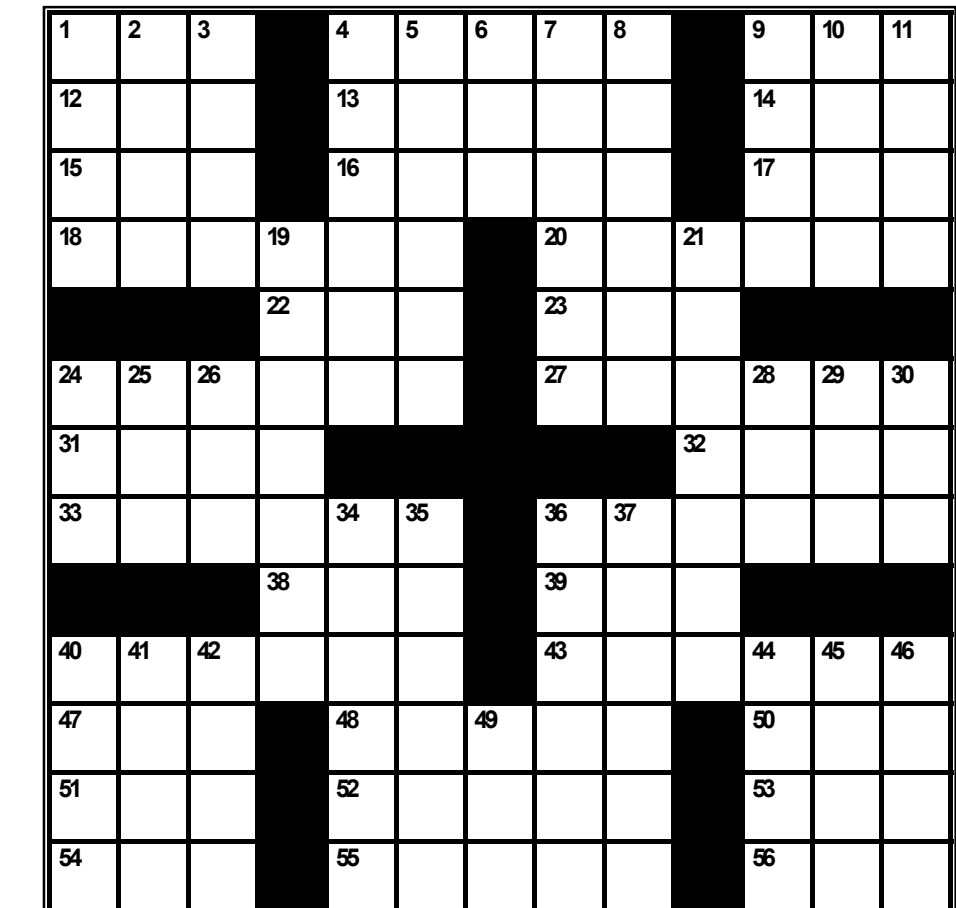
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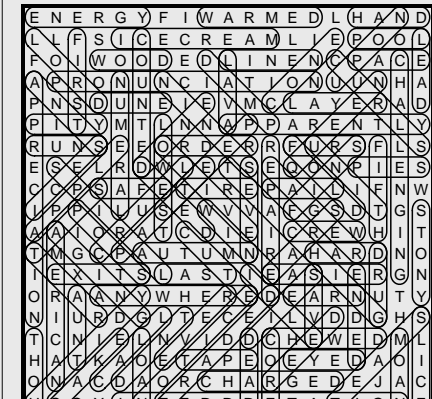
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1. Use an oar	38. Sheep cry	9. Collaborate
4. Do away with	39. "Fantasy Island" prop	10. Head cover
9. Lady described	40. New	11. Entertainer award
12. Int'l workers' assn.	43. Kin by marriage	19. Disease producing bacterium
13. Former CNBC anchor, Mark _____s	47. Mud	21. Surface of a garden bed
14. Orange tuber	48. Between, for short	24. Min. part
15. Elton John or Paul McCartney title	50. Upset	25. Burmese coin
16. "Lord of the Rings" bad guy	51. Gothic, for one	26. Sundown in Scotland
17. Drawing game	52. Hawk's home	28. Campaigner, for short
18. Contract for	53. Throw it into the ____	29. Bathroom, for short
20. Uproar	54. Hotbed	30. Before, in verse
22. Goes with a tea, for example	55. Remnant	34. Italian dishes
23. Long ____	56. Hog haven	35. Hebrew God
24. Particles		36. Panacea
27. Patch	<b>DOWN</b>	37. Let off steam
31. Looker	1. Microprocessor type	40. Mellowed
32. Go high	2. Hodge-podge	41. Front
33. Patio shade provider	3. Garden crawler	42. Reddish-brown
36. Undergo gradual change	4. Comic routine	44. Intentions
	5. Menus	45. Mandate
	6. Copacabana site	46. Glamorous
	7. Dump	49. Savings alternative
	8. Caviar source	

Last Week's Solutions

Trivia

- 12) Madeira and Azores discovered - Madeira and the Azores were discovered in the 14th century.
- 13) Jesus Crucified - The crucifixion of Jesus occurred sometime during the 1st century AD.
- 14) Bronze - The earliest known tin-alloy bronze dates to 4500 BCE.
- 15) William Wallace Hanged - Wallace was hanged, drawn and quartered on August 23rd, 1305.
- 16) Kaika - Although not known for certain, Kaika is considered to have reigned from 157 BC to 98 BC.
- 17) Boxer Rising - The Boxer Rising took place in China between 1898 and 1900.
- 18) Clement XIV - Clement XIV served from May 1769 until his death in 1774.
- 19) Battle of Belgium - The Battle of Belgium lasted for approximately 18 days in May of 1940.
- 20) JFK - Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas on Friday November 22, 1963.

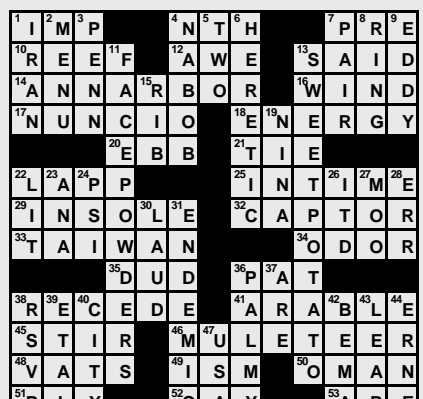
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**7 SHADE LN** McMahan's Mobile Home Park off Shrine Rd. Sep 16, 17, 18, 19. Woodworking tools, military surplus, household items, lots more.

**313 PRENTICE DR.** Huge garage sale Saturday only, 9am to 5pm. Women's clothes, shoes, purses, figurines and seasonal displays, glassware and stemware, craft supplies and beads, fabrics, costume jewelry, ceramic kiln, table saw, wood furniture and much more.

**327 FENWICK DR.** Sat. 9-?, Sun. 10-?. Kids clothes, furniture, baby stuff (carseats, swings, high chair, etc.), winter coats, appliances, tools, cookware, lawn/garden equipment, home decor, electronics. Everything must go!! No reasonable offers refused.

## TIPP CITY GARAGE SALES

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# Thousands Visit Lincoln Funeral Train

**Continued from Page 1** proclaiming that President Abraham Lincoln is within the black box sits Scott Trostel, author of a book on the funeral train. He tells short stories to the visitors about the events that took place during the 13 days of Lincoln's final journey from Washington, D. C. to Springfield, Illinois. As a historian, Trostel tells the tales as if he had interviewed Robert Lincoln about the events as well as Mary Todd Lincoln. He also tells of how the family did not travel on the train which surprises some visitors. You also learn that the family had little input on how the events of the days following the assassination played out except that Mary had definite ideas on where Lincoln would rest for eternity.

As you navigate the narrow hall you pass the bedroom and then move on to the sitting room of the train car. The ceilings are adorned with burgundy fabric carefully gathered to form an impressive spiral. Although the remains of Lincoln's young son Willie were on the train, this aspect is not depicted in the experience.

The train car has windows high above the rooms allowing for ventilation. They are etched even though no

one would notice as the train passed by on the tracks.

The ceiling area also has plaques representing the 25 states that were in the union when Lincoln served in the White House which are noted as you move through the train car.

In 1865 the original funeral train stopped in Miami County for two days. This week, the county hosted the train replica for four and visitors began arriving at Noon on Thursday with a steady stream of visitors as the weekend progressed.

The vision of engine builder Dave Kloke of Elgin, Illinois made the restoration of the funeral train a reality in April of this year. The original car was lost to a fire in 1911. Having the opportunity to step back in time and recreate history if only in your mind was a memorable experience. It isn't often that you get the chance to step back in time and go away having learned so much about a time in our history that seems to fascinate young and old alike.

Katherine Hayes, Executive Director of Troy Main Street, reported that the Lincoln Funeral Train drew between 13,000 and 15,000 visitors, of which 2140 were school visitors.



Disconnecting the trailer apparatus from the train car



The President's coffin in what was designed to be his parlor



Unloading the wheel apparatus (trucks)



The President's sleeping quarters



Civil War era soldiers, the one on the right showing items that a soldier might have carried with him into battle.

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