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Troy-Hayner Cultural Center officially opens

By
Brittany Arlene Jackson

Following a month of renovations, the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center officially opened its freshly painted doors with a Grand Re-Opening reception on Sunday, October 9. A perfectly-timed showcase of local artists coincided with the new season for Hayner as it revealed its newest exhibit, "Vessels, Vistas, and Visions." Guests of the event included Mary-Jane Hayner's great-grandson, Peter Hovis.

Hayner's Director Linda Lee Jolly was quick to introduce Hovis at the Grand Re-opening. Despite the steady stream of faces, both familiar and unfamiliar, Hovis seemed very much at home in his surroundings at the reception. Hovis and his wife Rebecca flew out from their residence in California to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the cultural center and demonstrate their continued support for the heritage and mission represented by a structure that has been a source of pride in his family for generations.

"The renovations that have been done here over the past month are spectacular," Hovis said. "In my mind, it's a show of love and we want to move this forward for another 40 years." Hovis' wife, Rebecca has done extensive work to solidify mysterious aspects of the family tree. Both Peter and Re-



Peter & Rebecca Hovis

becca Hovis claim significant pride in their connection to the illustrious Troy family and its legacy now synonymous with the promotion of arts in Miami County.

Hayner is host to numerous events and pro-

grams throughout the year. The current exhibit of fine art showcases organic stoneware by Pamela Ridenour, wet-into-wet method paintings by Donna Pierce-Clark, and oil, acrylic, and watercolor art on canvas by Shir-

ley DeLaet. The variety and elegance of the various creative masterpieces awed visiting guests of Hayner and will continue to be available to view until the closing of the exhibit on November 27.

Over a year of plan-

ning culminated in some significant work being accomplished since the last event at the cultural center, a concert by Caamp on the south lawn on August 27. "We had to carefully work out a time that would be the least inconvenient for all the people who utilize Hayner," Director Jolly said. "But with a historic mansion like this, there are extensive maintenance responsibilities we have to consider." Over 40,000 people are estimated to visit the historic site every year.

Ron Phyllaier not only oversees the Hayner Whiskey Run event each May, he also manages restoration and upkeep on the beautiful, old house and grounds. According to Jolly, all the second story floors were refinished and waxed, painting was done, driveway and front tiles of the building were repaired, LED fixtures were installed, and the outside was pressure-washed. "I'm so thankful everything is back in its place and clear; each room has a nice polish to it and this is a great way to start a new programming season to have everything cleaned up and ready to go," Jolly said.

Other coming events, like this month's Boo Bash, continue the 40th Anniversary celebration. Descriptions and further information on coming events can be found on the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center website at troy-hayner.org

Council to Study West Main Street

By Nancy Bowman

Troy council will be asked to pay a Cincinnati company to take an in-depth look at the West Main Street corridor from downtown to the interstate to explore options for future growth and use by vehicles, bicyclists and pedestrians.

Among areas the consultants would be asked to review are those with sidewalks located next to traffic lanes without a curb lawn and the possible addition of bike lanes.

The study would start at Cherry Street downtown and continue west to the Interstate 75 ramps. The proposed cost is not to exceed \$180,000.

City council's streets and sidewalks committee reviewed the proposal and recommended approval of a contract with Strand Associates Inc. on Oct. 3.

"This is our busiest street. As we anticipate to grow, it is important to understand what our utility structure is, what our constraints are, what additional right of way we might need to pursue now and in the future," said Patrick Titterington, city service and safety director.

He and City Engineer Jill Rhoades said the study is being proposed now because of the Ohio Department of Transportation's plans to pave the 1.6-mile of road in 2020.

The study will look at "multi-modal transportation solutions along West Main." The study will include construction alternatives, cost estimates and help the city prepare to apply for funding to assist with any selected construction projects.

At least one public involvement meeting will be scheduled during the project, Rhoades said.

A study focus will be on safety, meaning a lot of work likely will be in intersections along Main Street, she said.

"What can we do to reduce accidents at those intersections," Rhoades said mentioning specifically the areas of Dorset and Main, Elm and Main and Ridge and Main.

Councilman Bobby Phillips said the timing of lights also should be included in the study and solutions proposed.

"This is the beginning of, I think, an exciting time," Rhoades said.

Council to Hold Marijuana Hearing

By Nancy Bowman

Troy City Council held a first reading on an ordinance regulating medical marijuana in the community during its meeting Oct. 3.

The proposal would ban cultivating and processing medical marijuana in town but allow up to five retail dispensaries. A public hearing is scheduled for Oct. 17.

The city planning commission in August reviewed a proposal that would have banned retail dispensaries along with cultivating and processing medical marijuana citywide. The commission tabled the proposal until a meeting when all members

could be present for discussion after at least two members indicated they would not support the proposal.

At the Sept. 14 meeting, the commission held little discussion on the revised proposal.

The proposal would allow for medical marijuana retail dispensaries across the city with the following location requirements: Permitted in B-1, local retail; B-2, general business; or B-4, highway service business district. Location would not be permitted in B-3 (central business district) or within the historic district downtown.

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Hearing for Strip Mine Scheduled

By Nancy Bowman

The Miami County Board of Zoning Appeals will hear a conditional use application for a limestone surface mining operation at 2332 W. Farrington Road between Troy and Piqua on Oct. 27.

The application by Piqua Materials was filed in late September with the Miami County Planning and Zoning Department.

The appeals board will meet at 7 p.m. at the Troy Junior High School Cafeteria. The application seeks the conditional use to allow for extraction, processing and sale of limestone materials.

Two neighboring property owners told the county commissioners this spring they opposed a mining op-

eration. Phil Neal and Tom Hartzell expressed concerns such as added traffic on roads used by farm equipment and potential impact on ground water.

The commission voted in late March to approve a required designation of truck hauling route for the proposed operation. The commission was told that state law requires the county engineer's office to make a recommendation on the preferred haul routes before a conditional use application was filed.

The primary ingress and egress from the proposed surface mining site would be on the west side of Experiment Farm Road, about 650 feet south of Farrington Road. The primary route to

and from the proposed site was identified as Experiment Farm Road to Farrington Road to County Road 25A and on to Interstate 75.

Following the commission meeting a group of residents organized and have distributed signs seen around the area stating "Stop The Pit." A meeting held at the local library by the Farm Bureau provided information on mining applications and the review process.

The application for Piqua Materials states the proposed site is 93.107 acres now zoned A-2 general agricultural. The conclusion of the application states: "In short, Piqua Materials employs best mining practices and has a long-standing reputation for operating in a harmonious

manner within its community. Accordingly, and as outlined herein, the use of the subject property for mineral extraction is compatible with existing uses and will not adversely impact adjacent properties"

According to the application, extraction of limestone would begin on the central area of the property and move west with the processing plant, stockpiles and buildings on the eastern portion. Some 26.134 acres would be mined first followed by some 22.525 acres on the eastern portion. The application states 4.5 to five acres would be mined annually.

The limestone would be used in area highway construction projects.

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Miami County Sheriff Reports

Tuesday 10/4

7:15 p.m. – To Troy Urbana Rd. A man reported that he was contacted by a physician's office in Huber Heights to confirm an appointment that he didn't make. The physician's office told him that someone had made the appointment using his name, date of birth, address and other personal information. He said he contacted Huber Heights Police and they told him to file a report with Miami County. The report was made. The man asked that a deputy accompany him to the physician's office in the morning to find out who had made the appointment. He was advised that Huber PD would have to do that.

9:02 p.m. – Traffic stop in the 1300 block of S. Market St. The driver was cited for failure to reinstate and possession of marijuana.

Thursday 10/6

5:09 p.m. – A deputy was patrolling Twin Arch Park when he saw a white male lying face down on the ground next to the bike path. The male was identified and released to his mother.

9:36 p.m. – A deputy saw a vehicle that was north-

bound on Piqua Troy Rd. near Eldean Rd. go left of center three times. He initiated a traffic stop on Piqua Troy Rd. at Rusk Rd. The driver said that he was suspended. After running his information, he learned that the driver was suspended for OVI. He was cited for driving under suspension and left of center. The vehicle was picked up by a licensed driver.

9:55 p.m. – Traffic stop on Market at Canal on a vehicle with expired registration. The driver said he knew it had expired. He said he did not have his license, and the deputy learned that it was suspended. He was cited for driving under suspension and expired registration. The vehicle was left parked on Canal St. and the driver walked home.

Friday 10/7

6:56 a.m. – To Rusk Rd. A man reported that his wife had fallen and was not breathing. The deputy arrived to find her lying on the bedroom floor. She was breathing but had no pulse. The deputy started CPR and shortly after Troy Medics arrived. They were able to obtain a pulse, then transported her to UVMC for further treatment.

Troy Police Reports

Monday 10/3

12:05 p.m. – To S. Market St. for a report of a theft. A store manager reported that a regular customer was observed by other customers taking a small bag of nuts, placing them in her pocket and leaving. He said the workers at the time took note of the time so he could find it on surveillance video. The video showed a daily customer taking the nuts. He transferred the video to a flash drive for the officer so that the woman can be identified.

2:13 p.m. – An officer saw a vehicle west-bound on Race St. that appeared to be traveling at a high rate of speed and made a rolling stop through two stop signs. He initiated a traffic stop at Mulberry and Lafayette. The driver exited the vehicle and came toward the cruiser and the officer told him to go back to his vehicle. The driver said he did not have a license or insurance. He was cited for driving under suspension and for a stop sign violation. A search of the vehicle yielded an open beer can on the

passenger floorboard. The driver admitted to drinking it earlier in the day. Field Sobriety tests showed that he was not intoxicated. The vehicle was towed and a hold placed on it until the owner provided proof of insurance and proper title work.

6:02 p.m. – To the Speedway on W. Main St. for a report of counterfeiting. A man tied to pay for items with play money. The man said he did not know it wasn't real. The Prosecutor's office will be contacted in the morning to see if charges are appropriate.

8:33 p.m. – To Kroger for a report of a fraud. One individual was arrested and charged with deception to obtain a dangerous drug.

Tuesday 10/4

12:32 a.m. – Traffic stop on N. Market at Staunton Rd. The plates on the vehicle had expired on 9/17/16. The driver said that he knew the tags were expired but was waiting until payday to renew them. He was cited.

2:24 a.m. – While on

patrol, an officer saw a man lying in the middle of the street on S. Plum St. He had facial injuries from an assault, but refused to cooperate with officers.

5:07 p.m. – To S. Clay St. for a report of a theft.

5:53 p.m. – A woman came to the police station about a voice mail that she received. A woman said she has had a long history with a certain couple and in the past has filed a complaint against the female half for phone harassment. The officer listened to the voice mail and heard a female singing "Jesus Loves Me." She was adamant that the woman on the phone was the female half of the couple. The officer contacted the woman who said she has not called the RP in a long time. Both were advised that contacting each other could be grounds for charges of telecommunications harassment.

Wednesday 10/5

2:28 a.m. – To McClung St. for a report of a burglary. A man reported that someone

was trying to break into his home. A man was charged with falsification and disorderly conduct.

5:02 a.m. – Traffic stop on W. Main St. near South Ln. The vehicle was clocked at 48 MPH in a 35 MPH zone. The officer found that the driver was warned for speed on June 8 and July 6. She was cited for speed.

Thursday 10/6

9:30 a.m. – To the 500 block of Pennsylvania Ave. for a report of a theft.

9:56 a.m. – Traffic stop on S. Stanfield Rd. near W. Stanfield Rd. The vehicle was clocked at 52 MPH but slowed down as it approached the officer. He initiated a traffic stop. The driver said she knew she was speeding and was cited.

9:28 p.m. – To McKaig Ave. for a report of a domestic disturbance. One party claimed there was a physical altercation and wanted to pursue domestic violence charges. One male was incarcerated for domestic violence.

Marshall Promoted to Sergeant

Troy Police Officer John P. Marshall was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on October 10. Marshall is a 1990 graduate of Miami East High School, and served eight years in the United States Army. He graduated from the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy in December, 1999 and began his career with the Troy Police Department on August 9, 1999. Sgt. Marshall has been a member of the Tactical Response Team since 2003 and has served as a range instructor since 2011. He and his wife Kristie have two children.

Health Partners Offering Free Help with Health Insurance Sign-ups

On Nov. 1, the Open Enrollment period begins for those needing to enroll, re-enroll or change their current health coverage. Officials at Health Partners Free Clinic (HPFC) are again offering free help to individuals and families maneuvering through the challenging online system at Health-Care.gov. Open Enrollment allows citizens too young for Medicare coverage to apply for, or change, insurance plans regardless of medical insurability. The enrollment period ends on Jan. 31, 2017. The free service is available to anyone, not just clinic patients.

In 2013, the Affordable Care Act (most commonly referred to as Obamacare) directed all residents to obtain health insurance or face fines at tax filing time. For the fourth year, the clinic is providing for the services of Stephanie Morris, an in-house Federally Certified Marketplace Navigator. By appointment, Morris is available to inform residents of their health care options offered through the Marketplace. From explaining the availability of tax credits (premium assistance based on family income), how they are calculated and how monthly pre-

miums are not the only important parts of a plan. Determining their own medical needs and access to that care should be paramount for those scrutinizing their options, Morris said. Regarding the upcoming presidential election, Morris said people should review their health care plans regardless of who is elected. She noted that if changes in the ACA plan do occur under a new administration, it would not be a quick process and people would need to have their medical plans in place for that duration. HPFC Executive Director Justin Coby said there was going to be a

shift in the clinic's daily operations and patient profile. When Morris joined the clinic it allowed them to reach out to the community helping both patients and non-patients alike. Funded through a federal grant that has been filtered down from the Ohio Association of Food Banks and the Ohio Association of Free Clinics, the Navigator Program has become one the most useful tools operating under the ACA, according to clinic officials. To schedule an appointment, call Morris at the clinic at (937) 332-0894 ext. 207 during normal business hours.

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The state law prohibits a dispensary within 500 feet of a school, public library, church, park or playground. Gov. John Kasich in June signed a bill making cannabis legal for medical use. The law went into effect Sept. 8. Troy, along with many other local communities, this summer placed a 180-day moratorium on approving permits for any medical marijuana related purpose.

In votes Oct. 3, the council approved an agreement with Miami County Public Health to provide health services to city residents during 2017. The health district serves all areas of Miami County except Piqua, which has its own health department. The cost for the services in Troy next year would be \$339,091, a 0.09 percent increase over this year. The council also ap-

proved an agreement with the county public defender's office to provide legal services to indigent residents. The contract will cost the city \$20,341 in 2017, the same amount since 2009. In other business: - Patrick Titterington, city service and safety director, said trick or treat will be Oct. 31 from 6-8 p.m. - Council heard an update from J.C. Wallace on the Troy Development

Council and its efforts. - Council heard an update from Councilman John Terwiliger on the mayor's cycling advisory committee. - Tim Davis, an adviser, introduced members of this year's Mayor's Youth Council. - Tamara Baird Ganger of the Troy Senior Citizens Center presented council with cookies from the seniors, thanking the council for its support.

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Local Property Transfers

Property Address	Transfer Date	Price	Seller	Buyer
423 E Main St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Trustee
328-30-32 S Cherry St	9/28	\$13,959.00	Rindler Jacob J	Kinney Bonnie (Lo) @ (5)
328-30-32 S Cherry St	9/28	\$13,959.00	Rindler Jacob J	Kinney Bonnie (Lo) @ (5)
938 Atlantic St	9/29	\$63,900.00	Hall Megan D & Cheryl Y	Slough Jammie C
1107 S Crawford St	9/28	\$0.00	Conley Lauren M & Brandon W	Conley Richard Michael
207 Morehead St	9/27	\$0.00	Colonial Savings F A	Stephenson Milo W
1056 S Ridge Ave	10/3	\$229,900.00	Lubchenko Catherine	Lanning Scott Alan & Sally Ann
216 S Williams St	10/3	\$27,469.00	Feltner Elbert	Deutsche Bank
167 Ironwood Dr	9/28	\$99,000.00	Morse Kim A & Cindy M	Bruner Larry G & Patricia E
38 Heather Rd	10/3	\$100,000.00	Haines Stephen R	Haines Margaret G \$100,000.00
868 Crestview Dr	9/27	\$148,900.00	Jackson Robert D (Tr) & Donna M (Tr)	Wurster Justin R & Ashley N Grigsby
918 Branford Rd	9/30	\$149,500.00	Raskay Laura L	Fox Adam R & Katherine E
424 E Race Dr	9/30	\$0.00	Brown Christopher J & Melissa J Brubaker	Seefluth Melia J & Melissa J Brubaker
1570 Lexington Ave	9/28	\$204,000.00	Windeknecht Chris P & @ (3)	Mencsik Catherine
685 Primrose Ct	9/27	\$248,000.00	Rembold Philip S	Nielsen Daniel J & Jessica L
2544 Winfield Ct	9/28	\$279,900.00	Jordan John Richard & Gail A	Truong Minh D & Trang Dang
2475 Renwick Wy	9/28	\$219,900.00	Lucas Angela M & Stephen G	Antonides Timothy C & Heather M
3305 Heatherstone Dr	9/29	\$295,865.00	Liu Rentu	Nvr Inc
E Water St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Trustee
Water St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Trustee
Main St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Trustee
409 Main St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Trustee
Water St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Of
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419 E Main St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Trustee
444 E Water St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Trustee
409 E Main St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Trustee
E Water St	9/30	\$0.00	Schnurr Dennis M Archbishop Trustee	Pilarczyk Daniel E Archbishop Trustee
723 Sherwood Dr	10/3	\$255,000.00	Westfall James E Jr & Gilzina	Carlson Christopher S & Leah S
Sherwood (Rear) Dr	10/3	\$255,000.00	Westfall James E Jr & Gilzina	Carlson Christopher S & Leah S

Concord Township Trustees Pass Marijuana Resolution

By Bonnie L. McHenry

At the October 4, 2016 meeting of the Concord Township Trustees, the trustees passed a resolution prohibiting the location of medical marijuana cultivators, processors, and retail distributors in the unincorporated areas of Concord Township for one year. The trustees will reexamine the issue at that time. According

to Trustee Don Pence, “The Township adopted the resolution because the state laws regulating the cultivation, processing and distribution of medical marijuana are not yet in place. When those are defined, the township will reconsider their stance.”

Road Superintendent Neil Rhoades reported that the leaf collection box that the township plans to purchase from Western Star

has not been completed. He said, “The initial quote was for \$4600 to \$5000; however, after measuring the truck bed, the quote was revised to \$5600. The new box is almost double in size of the previous box. Western Star will custom build the box. They expect to deliver the box in the next couple of weeks.”

Rhoades also reported that the road crew has finished the summer mowing except for Stanfield Road. He said, “The road has a lot of trash. I have contacted Community Service to pick up the trash before the township completes the mowing. We picked up the trash and two days later, it was bad again. I want to thank Community Service for removing the trash. It looks nice.”

In old business, Trustee Tom Mercer announced that 2327 letters were mailed to all residents of Concord Township, which included the leaf pickup schedule, information on Storm Water II and the Fire/Emergency Medical Service Levy on the November ballot.

In new business, Mercer also announced that the township received a request from the Miami County Soil and Water District to use the township building for a

public meeting on October 18, 2016 on the Zigfelder Ditch if the weather is bad. The meeting will be held at Concord Elementary School if the weather is good. All residents affected by the drainage ditch are invited to attend.

The next meeting of the Concord Township is scheduled for October 18, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the Concord Township Building.

County Approves Bonds for Upgrades

By Nancy Bowman

The Miami County commissioners approved the issuing of up to \$5,610,000 in bonds to pay for major projects at the county Safety Building, Courthouse and Transfer Station.

“Now that the projects are completed, it is time to permanently finance the debt,” Matt Gearhardt, county auditor, told the commissioners before their Oct. 4 vote.

The commission action sets into motion the conversion into bonds of notes previously approved.

The bonds will be sold in mid-November when the interest rate also will be finalized.

The bonds will pay for installing the new HVAC system for the Safety Building and Courthouse, making plumbing improvements to the Safety Building and building improvements to the Transfer Station including an unattended drop off and new scales.

The commission also approved the purchase of a video conferencing system for the Common Pleas Court from Justice AV Solutions of Louisville, Ky. The county agreed to pay \$112,786 for the system.

The commission

approved a modification of an agreement with Mike Wehrkamp of Wehrkamp Engineering to add \$10,000 to the previously approved contract limit of \$25,000. The additional services are needed to handle the number of building plans being submitted, the commission was told.

The commission last week also:

- Approved closing all county offices falling under their jurisdiction on Friday, Nov. 25, during the Thanksgiving holiday. The exception is offices providing public safety.

- Opened bids for a boiler replacement project at the West Central Juvenile Facility. The project estimate was \$231,000. Six bids received will be reviewed and a recommendation made on the awarding of a contract.

- OK'd the replacement of hallway entry flooring at the county Courthouse by Stanley Steamer for \$20,360.

- Accepted a \$36,688 grant for elderly and disabled transit fare assistance from the Ohio Department of Transportation for the county Transit System. The grant is intended to offset the loss of fare money incurred as a result of a reduced fee charges for the elderly and disabled

Safe Communities Coalition Wraps Up First Year

By Nancy Bowman

Miami County’s Safe Communities Coalition, formed to reduce traffic injuries through collaboration of agencies, was pleased with efforts in its first year, the county commissioners were told by coalition representatives.

The program, paid for with a \$35,000 grant from the National Highway Traffic Association, was renewed for a second year recently. The program year runs Oct. 1-Sept. 30.

Discussing the program’s first year with the commissioners Sept. 28 were Kari Boyle, Safe Communities coordinator through Miami County Public Health; Lt. Joseph Gebhart of the Piqua post, Ohio State Highway Patrol; and Sgt. Todd Tennant of the Miami County Sheriff’s Office.

“Coalition building

has been great, bringing everybody to the table,” Boyle said. The group has worked to “get information out to the community, and let them know we really want to keep them safe,” she said.

Among coalition members are Public Health, AAA, county police departments and highway patrol, Tri-County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services, Care Source, Troy Fire Prevention Bureau, Ohio Department of Transportation and Dick Lumpkins Auto Body.

The safe communities program has five primary goals:

- Increase seat belt usage.
- Increase seat belt and impaired driving awareness
- Increase motorcycle safety awareness
- Coalition building
- Fatal data review

The Safe Communities Coalition meets monthly while its Fatal Data Review Committee meets quarterly to review data on any recent fatalities. That committee goes over what contributed to a fatal accident for use in determining how to target programs.

Among coalition efforts have been events associated with the holidays and traffic awareness, providing a booth for events, use of media and social media to get the message out and working on signs, banners and message boards with ODOT.

Funding for the program is based on a three-year average of fatal crashes. For 2012-2014 in Miami County, an average of nine fatalities a year occurred.

Tennant said that focus continues on motorcycle safety awareness.

Gebhart praised Boyle and Dennis Propes, health

commissioner, for their efforts in getting the local program running. “Educational efforts are important,” he said. “We work close with the Sheriff’s Office and local departments for enforcement of safety belts and impaired driving.”

Gebhart said troopers have stepped up enforcement of seat belt use noting in 2015 troopers issued 852 seat belt violations in Miami County. This year, the number has exceeded 1,145.

The Safe Communities Coalition used seat belt use for an educational competition in which Safe Communities representatives were at each high school in the county over several days as students arrived. Each vehicle was checked for seatbelt use.

“We believe very strongly that seatbelts save lives,” Gebhart said.

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Sam Jackson tries to outrun the Butler players.

Trojans Ruin Aviators Homecoming With Easy Win

By Andre’ DeVond Jr.

The Troy Trojans (6-1) defeated the Vandalia-Butler Aviators (4-3) 49-19 on Friday night.

Trojans head coach Matt Burgbacher speaks on his team’s win.

“This was a complete team win and that’s what I love about this team. We’ve got different guys stepping up every night so we don’t have to rely on one or two guys. I know we’re not done yet.”

In the first quarter, Aviators started out with the hot hand, scoring the first touchdown of the game.

On the Trojans ensuing possession, quarterback Hayden Kotwica connects with running back Kobe Feltner for a 14-yard touchdown to tie the game 7-7 with 4:23 in the first quarter.

Going into the second quarter, the Trojans defense came up huge.

Defensive back Sam Jackson grabbed an interception that placed the of-



Matt McGillivray looks for yardage for the Trojans.

fense in great field position.

Later, Josh Browder punches it in for a 3-yard touchdown, that gave the Trojans a 14-7 lead.

On the next Trojans defensive possession, Jackson snatches his second interception and returns it 49-yards.

Browder finished it off from the 1-yard line for the

score and the Trojans take a 21-7 lead going into halftime.

Coming out of halftime, the Trojans didn’t show any sign of slowing down.

Kotwica connected with Hayden Jackson for a 42-yard reception which set up a Kotwica touchdown.

The Trojans take a dominating lead 28-7 early in the third quarter.

Later in the third the Aviators began to show life as they scored back-to-back touchdowns and are only behind 28-19.

The Aviators comeback hopes were halted thanks to Kotwica’s stellar play on offense, he would later throw another touchdown only this time connecting with his tight end Spencer Klopfenstein for an 18-yard reception.

Kotwica speaks on his peformance.

“Coach talked to me and said that they’re going to be spread out and throw the ball some more. I was glad I came in and knew what I had to do, watched film and

we came out tonight with the win.”

Heading into the fourth quarter, Sam Jackson records his third interception of the game.

Jackson talks about his defensive performance.

“It was an awesome feeling. I want to give a lot of credit to the defensive line, linebackers and the coaches for putting me in the coverages. This was a great team victory.”

Jackson’s interception set up Kotwica with great field position where he and Feltner connected again for a 24-yard touchdown.

With that score the Trojans go up 42-19.

Later, Kotwica throws another touchdown this time to Zion Taylor.

The Aviators had no chance to even mount a possible comeback and the Trojans go on to win.

Next week, the Trojans will return to Troy to face division rival Sidney Yellow Jackets.

Game time is set for 7 pm.



Abby Walker challenges Megan Malott for the ball.

Tipp Wins First GWOC Title

By Jim Dabbelt

While several of the Tippecanoe fall sports squads are enjoying a good first year in the Greater Western Ohio Conference, the girls’ soccer team was the first to bring home the hardware as champions.

The Red Devils traveled to Troy to battle the Trojans to help decide the American North Division championship, and the Red Devils survived a tough battle with the host Trojans.

Lauren Lester ripped a bender from the 10 yard mark that headed left, and just eluded the Trojans keeper Molly Miller’s fingers into the upper left corner of the net, giving Tipp their only goal of the game. It turned out to be enough as the Red Devils escaped with a 1-0 victory last Wednesday night.

With the win, Tipp clinched the title and tonight’s league game against Butler will just be for momentum headed into the tournament and will not affect the standings.

As for Troy, they have lost their last two games and needs to regroup heading into the sectionals which begins next week.

Tipp took a couple of early shots on the Trojans, including a shot from Lexi Polansky which went right of the net ten minutes into the game,

keeping the game scoreless.

Allie Wasson also had a good shot around the goal, but Miller again stepped up and recorded the big save for Troy.

With 8:20 left in the first half, Lester took a shot which appeared at first to be going left, but came back into the net to give Tipp a 1-0 lead.

Miller came up with another big save for Troy as the half ended, stopping a last attempt as the buzzer sounded keeping the game at 1-0 at the half.

Lauren Weimer had a couple of shots on goal in the second half, with Miller stepping up to make both saves. The Trojans threatened with 12 minutes left when they peppered Tipp keeper Claire Hinkle with a shot that the Red Devils keeper scooped up, keeping it a one goal game.

Bailey Hess also ripped a long shot that Hinkle saved later in the game, and the Tipp preserved the league clinching win.

Also last week, Troy lost 2-0 to Beavercreek while the Red Devils defeated Greenville 6-0.

In that win, Tipp received goals from Lester with three, while Weimer added two and Alexa Spiller scored one.

Tipp travels to Butler tonight and goes to Wayne on Saturday. Troy is at Piqua tonight.

Troy Freshman Beat Butler 41-6

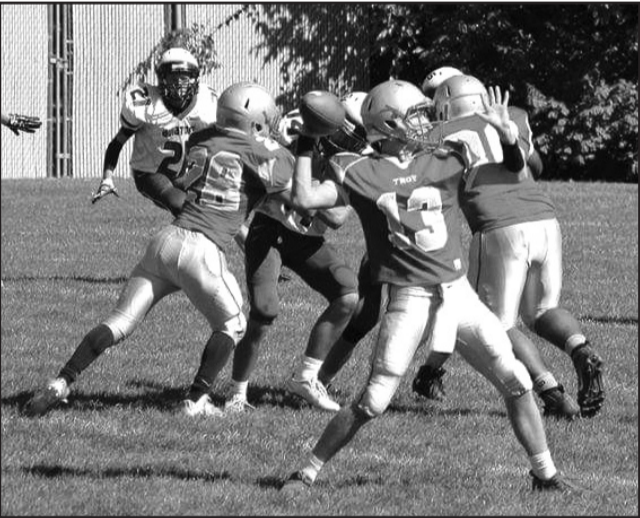
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On a chilly October Saturday afternoon, the Troy freshman team beat Vandalia Butler 41-6.

After a 28-0 lead in the first quarter, Troy was able to get a good rotation going with fresh players. On the opening kickoff, Tucker Raskay placed the ball into the end zone, resulting in a touchback. On the Aviators first drive, Gaaj McCann forced a fumble on 3rd down that was picked up by Austan Good at the Trojans 20 yard line. Carlos Quintero set the tone right away with a 14 yard run.

On 2nd down, Brayden Siler rushed for a 6 yard touchdown, but was called back due to a chop block. Two plays later however, Siler scrambled to find an open receiver, but decided to tuck it and run for a 15 yard touchdown instead. With an extra point by Tucker Raskay, the score became 7-0.

As the Aviators took the ball over, the Trojan defense was able to shut Butler’s offense down by causing another fumble by defensive end Myers Slebo. Austan Good fell onto the ball on the 16 yard line. Quarterback Brayden Siler was able to connect



with Weston Smith for an 8 yard pass. On the next play, Tucker Raskay swept to the outside for a 7 yard touchdown. His extra point put Troy up 14-0.

Vandalia took over on offense and Austan Good immediately tackled the running back for a loss on 1st down. On the next play, Good caused a fumble that was recovered by Tucker Raskay near their own end zone. Running back Allie Crawford was able to punch in a 3 yard touchdown, putting the Trojans up 21-0 after a Raskay extra point.

On Vandalia’s next offensive series, the Aviators were unable to execute as they had a run that was stopped by Kevin Walters

and Austan Good as well as two passes that were broken up back to back before punting. Troy took over at Butler’s 30 yard line before running back Carlos Quintero broke a 25 yard run that set up another Brayden Siler 5 yard touchdown. The extra point was good by Raskay, making the score 28-0 in the first quarter.

Two drives later, second string quarterback (A.J. Heuker) took the field and immediately set the tone by completing a pass to John Lutz. On 2nd down, running back (Kevin Walters) took a handoff and escaped for a 28 yard run. On the next play, Heuker dropped back to pass, but was forced

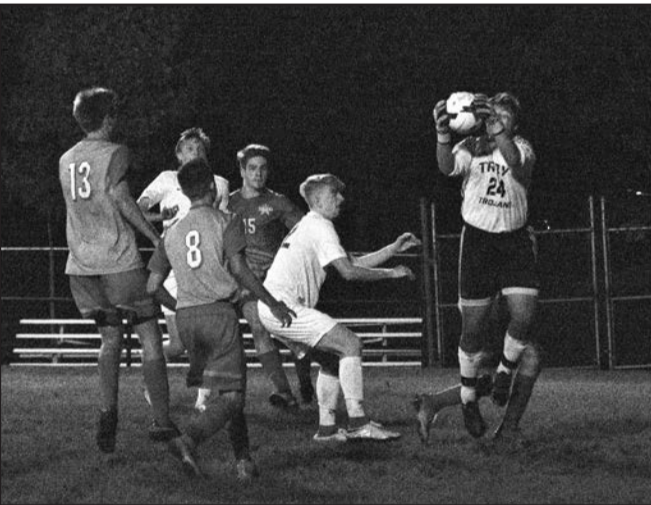
to scramble to the outside and took off on a 34 yard touchdown run that was called back for holding. The series would eventually be a turnover on down.

Vandalia took over on a long drive, but was also forced to turn the ball over due to a defense led by Noah Dimel who immediately sacked the quarterback, Eli Byrd, Tre Archie and Mario Young on this drive. The Trojans got the ball back in the 3rd quarter, and had an impressive drive due to an Allie Crawford 20 yard run, but an interception that was intended for Sam Reed caused a turnover.

The Aviators created a 10 play drive that resulted in a pass that was batted down by defensive tackle Brandon Swallow and tackles by Kevin Walters, Carlos Quintero, Tre Archie, Austin Stanaford and Austan Good. Heading into Trojan territory, a touchdown pass to Austin Teuff put the Aviators on the board, making the score 28-6 and only the third time that the Trojans have been scored on all season.

A two point conversion was intercepted by outside linebacker Gaaj McCann.

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Troy Briesch makes the save for the Trojans last week.

Breisch Saves Game As Troy, Tipp Finish 1-1

By Jim Dabbelt

The clock just wound under ten minutes left in the game, and Tippecanoe was lined up to try to break the tie with Troy last week in their boys’ soccer showdown at the Tipp Park Stadium.

A penalty kick from the Red Devils was knocked away by Troy keeper Troy Breisch, denying Tippecanoe the go-ahead goal, and preserving what turned out to be a

hard fought 1-1 tie in a huge GWOC contest.

Troy came into the game with a league tie against Greenville, and with this tie, they remain a half game back of Tipp for the league title. The Red Devils battled Butler last night in what was a crucial contest to determine the league champion.

“It’s a physical rivalry and both teams played hard to-

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Northwestern Second In Both County Races

By Jim Dabbelt

As the season winds down to the upcoming league meet and post-season, Northwestern put together a solid Clark County Invitational last week, as both the boys' and girls' teams finished second overall in the county meet.

The Warriors placed three runners in the top ten, as Ryan Cleland finished seventh overall with a 16:46.8, while teammate Justin Prack was eighth 16:47.4 and Liam Randall placed tenth overall with a 17:20.9.

Also for Northwestern was Fred Peters

18:30.5, Peyton Phillips 18:59.3, Dean Wells 19:31.6 and Jaiden Peters 20:36.9.

Tecumseh placed fourth overall with 117 points, while Greenon was fifth just one point behind the Arrows.

The Arrows were led by Ethan Adams who was 15th with 17:47.8, Garrett Gemmaka placed 17th with a 18:05.8 while Reid Hale was 25th with a 19:04.0. Also running for the Arrows and earning points were Trent Studebaker 19:30.8, Walter Dague 19:34.3 and Luke Gilles 19:34.9. Also David Coles ran a 20:32.6.

Greenon saw their

top runner Max Pettit just miss the overall championship, as he ran 16:31.6, just .1 second behind the winner.

Also for the Knights, Calvin Wise was 18th with an 18:09.0, Cameron Haught 18:48.3, Conner Algren 20:05.4 and Jacob Allen 20:19.3.

*In the girls' race, Northwestern finished second well behind the champion Shawnee team. Tecumseh was third and Greenon fourth as all three local teams ran well.

Northwestern was led by Kassidy Carpenter with a fourth place finish and a time of 20:31.7, while Megan

Schrimpf ran a 22:15.0 good enough for 15th.

Also for the Warriors, Emily Funderburg ran 22:44.1, Maddie Johnson 22:58.6, Elly Grimm 23:21.5, Jenna Cleland 23:28.8 and Harlee Daniels 25:05.7.

Tecumseh was led by Gena Diller who finished tenth with a time of 21:32.7, Natalie Allen was right behind her with a 22:00.5, Jaci Rife ran 22:54.2, Mackenzie Paulie 23:10.5, Morgan Crowley 23:25.3, Elizabeth Rodriguez 24:51.5 and Taylor Hendrixson 24:59.4.

Greenon also placed four runners in the top 25, as Olivia Blevins led the way with a

16th place finish with 22:42.8, Mariah Gossett ran 22:53.9, Sierra Potter 23:03.9 and Rhiannon Morlock finished at 23:12.1. Also for the Knights were Millie Weaver 23:37.7 and Abby Graver 26:48.0.

*The Dave Lightle Invitational was held at Tippecanoe last week, with Tipp boys' finishing second overall and Troy 11th.

Tipp was led by Michael Stearns 10:21, Keenan Fraylick 10:39, Ben Jans 10:56, Ethan Heitkamp 11:07 and Ethan Sinning 11:14.

Troy's top runner was Mike Griffith with an 11:01, Andy Smith

11:12, Seth Plantz 11:33, Adam Falknor 11:34 and Logan Huth 11:50.

On the girls' side, Tipp ran to the overall title, with Troy placing third.

Tipp was led on the night by Katie Taylor took second overall with a 12:02, Kaili Tittle placed third with 12:09, Makenzie Dietz 12:38, Abbi Halsey 12:42 and Laura Fink 13:23.

For the Trojans, Emma Bryant won the individual title with an 11:56, Kate Pence ran 12:32, Jenna Zimmerman 12:45, Megan Studebaker 13:34 and Ashley Barr 13:37.

Area Tournament Schedules Announced

By Jim Dabbelt

All of the area high school teams now know their path through the OHSAA state soccer and volleyball state tournament, as the statewide draw was held on Sunday at various locations across the state of Ohio.

Tecumseh - the Arrows boys' soccer team opens tournament play at home next Monday, as they host Piqua in a 7 p.m. start. The ninth-seeded Arrows would then return to action in the second round if they would win on October 20 at 7 p.m., likely at second-seeded Springboro.

The girls' soccer team hits the road next Tuesday evening for a 7 p.m. kickoff at Northmont. Tecumseh was the eighth seed in the sectionals. A win against the T-Bolts would put the Arrows back in action October 22 at 7 p.m. at Wayne.

As for volleyball, the Arrows earned the ninth-seed and will play Sidney next Monday night at Centerville High School at 7:30. The winner comes back on October 19 against either Piqua or Northmont at 7:15, also at Centerville.

Tippecanoe - Third-seeded Tippecanoe opens the boys' soccer tournament hosting Trotwood Madison on Monday at 7 p.m., and a win would put them in a match likely against Bellbrook at home

on October 20 also at 7.

Also earning the third-seed was the girls' team, as they will host winless Dunbar in the tournament opener on Tuesday at 7 p.m. If Tipp wins they come back October 22 hosting Bellbrook or Stivers at 7.

Tipp's volleyball was named third seed in the Division Two sectionals, and will play Meadowdale on Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Tecumseh. A win would put them against Urbana on October 20.

Bethel - A pair of home games await the Bees boys' soccer team, as they will host National Trail on Monday at 7 p.m., then would come back on October 20 against Miami East also at 7.

Eleventh-seed Bethel girls' will open their soccer tournament play on Tuesday hosting Northwestern at 7 p.m., and the winner comes back on October 22 likely playing at Milton Union at 7.

The volleyball team travels to Brookville to play the host Blue Devils this Saturday at 2 p.m. The winner comes back on Monday against the second-seeded Versailles team at 6 p.m. also at Brookville.

Greenon - Number-one seeded Greenon will open boys' soccer tournament play hosting Graham on Monday night at 7 p.m., then the winner comes back to battle either Shaw-

nee or Urbana on October 20. Greenon would host the first two games, before going to Piqua for the sectional finals should they advance.

For the girls' soccer team, the second-seeded Knights will host their first game on October 22 against the winner of Kenton Ridge or Bellefontaine. The Knights took a first round bye. Their game would be at 7 p.m. One win would also send them to Piqua the following week for the sectional finals.

Greenon volleyball will play Chaminade Julianne on Tuesday night at Tecumseh, 6 p.m. If the win, they return to action on October 20 against top-seeded Ben Logan.

Troy - The fourth-seeded Trojans will host Fairborn in their boys' soccer tournament opener on Monday at 7 p.m., and if they win, they will host Fairmont on October 20 also at 7.

The girls' also get to host the first two soccer games if they win their opener. The Trojans open against Edgewood on Tuesday at 7 p.m., before hosting either Butler or Miamisburg on October 22.

Looking for another tournament run will be the volleyball team, as they play Franklin in their opener at Butler on Monday at 6:30, and if they win, they get the host Butler team on October 20 at

7 p.m.

Troy Christian - Earning the second-seed in the Division Four boys' soccer draw were the Eagles, and they took the opening bye and will battle either Lehman or Greeneview on October 20 at 7 p.m. at home. If they win, they advance to the sectional finals at Sidney on October 24.

For the girls' they will host Brookville on Tuesday night at 7 p.m. in their opener, and if they win they return to the field at Preble Shawnee on October 22 at 7 p.m.

Troy Christian volleyball will play Franklin Monroe this Saturday at Troy High School at 12:30 p.m., the second of five games at Troy that day. If they win, they return to Troy on Tuesday against either Emmanuel Christian or Mechanicsburg.

Northwestern - The tenth-seeded Warriors will open tournament play on Monday at West Liberty Salem at 7 p.m., and the winner comes back at Botkins on October 20 at 7 p.m.

As for the girls' soccer team, as reported earlier they travel to Bethel on Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Finally, the volleyball team travels to Dixie on Saturday at 3:30 to play the host Greyhounds. The winners returns on Tuesday at Brookville to battle either Preble Shawnee or Triad.

Troy Notes: Eagles Rout TCN 35-7

Troy Christian had no trouble with Tri County North 35-7 last week in football action on Friday night in Troy.

The Eagles scored first when Hayden Hartman connected with Loudon Saulbeamer on a touchdown pass to give the home squad a 7-0 lead.

Right before the half, the Eagles added to their lead as Hartman scored again, this time on the ground as they took a 14-0 lead into the half.

Hartman went to work again in the third period, hitting Peyton Spurlock on a touchdown pass to make it 20-0, and after North scored, the Eagles answered with a Hartman touchdown run to make it 28-7.

The final score came when Hartman found Spurlock again from 20 yards to give Troy Christian the win.

Troy Christian is an Arcanum on Friday night at 7:30.

Troy Christian Soccer - The Eagles suffered their first loss of the season last week, unfortunately it could decide the Metro Buckeye Conference championship.

Neither Troy Christian nor Dayton Christian had lost in league play, and DC knocked off the Eagles 4-2 to take command of the league title.

Also last week, Troy Christian defeated Ponitz 8-0.

On the girls' side, the Eagles handed Miami Valley their first league loss of the season 2-1 last week. Troy Christian also defeated Middletown Christian 10-0 in conference play.

Troy Tennis - Troy will be well represented at the district tennis tournament this week in Mason, as several of the Trojans players have advanced to that level.

Hannah Essick won the Division One sectional title with a 6-4, 6-4 win over Marissa Anderson of Northmont. In her earlier matches, Essick shutout Morgan Brewer from Tecumseh 6-0, 6-0 and Athaiah Peters from Northmont 6-0, 6-0. After a win over Karli Mulkey from Tecumseh, Essick knocked off Anderson who was the second-seed coming in. Essick was seeded number one.

Also advancing is both of the Troy doubles teams. Maggie Hennessy and Ashley Bruns won the doubles title in a three set match. Also Hailey Taylor and Katie Sherrick advanced with a third place finish.

Troy Golf - The Trojans have advanced to the Division One District golf tournament after winning the sectional title last week with a 333. Holden Scribner was one of three Trojans to shoot 83 to lead Troy, joining Ryan McClurg and Austin Rank. Nate Uhlenbrock shot 84 and Keaton Pfeiffer with 89.

Troy Christian Cross Country - Competing in the Anna Invitational, the Eagles' Rachel Plummer finished 72nd overall with a 22:33.1. The boys' finished ninth overall as a team, as Carter Ritchey placed 34th overall with a 17:32.0 and Nick Pratt was 36th with a time of 17:38.4.

Also for the Eagles, Isaac Flora ran 17:57.3.

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Weston Smith returned the kickoff 20 yards, putting Troy at the 50 yard line. On first down, Brayden Siler threw a deep ball to Austin Stanaford for the score. With the extra point, the score was 34-6.

On Vandalia's next drive, the Aviators stuck to the run game, but were stopped by Tito Fuentes, Noah Dimel, Myers Slebo, Allie Crawford, Tucker Raskay and Austan Good before

throwing an interception to Brayden Siler that was returned 70 yards for a touchdown. With a missed extra point, the score would be 41-6.

On Vandalia's final drive, Tyler Partin and Eli Byrd both had tackles, Austan Good had a tackle for loss and Sean Keenan and Austan Good had a sack. The Troy freshman team is now 7-0 and will play next Saturday at Sidney High School.

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night and ended up in the tie," said Tippecanoe coach Scott Downing. "It is what we suspected, it will always be a close game."

Tipp took the first couple of shots early in the game, as both attempts missed and the game remained scoreless ten minutes into the game.

Two more shots from the Red Devils were high with 15 minutes left in the half before they finally broke through.

Zach Bonifas broke the

tie with 13:01 left in the first half, when he scored on a pass from Mitch Colvin. The ball was free in the box, and Bonifas drove it past the Troy keeper for the 1-0 lead.

That's how the first half ended, and the two teams battled the first 20 minutes of the second half with Tipp trying to preserve the lead. The Trojans ended that with 18:57 left in the game.

Alex Bridge took advantage of a loose ball in the box

as Tipp struggled to clear the ball out, and it slid past the Red Devils keeper, tying the game at 1-1.

That's how it remained until the 9:52 mark of the game, when Breisch saved the day for the Trojans with a save of a penalty kick from Bonifas, and the game remained even.

"It was a good match for both teams," said Troy coach Richard Phillips. "We didn't keep possession in the first

half and they put the pressure on us."

"We talked about getting possession and winning the second ball."

*Troy came back on Thursday and earned a 3-0 victory over Springfield.

Grant Holland scored twice to lead the Trojans in the win, while Ben Schreiber added one goal.

Connor Hubbell and Henry Shaneyfelt each added an assist for Troy.

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The Troy Rec Celebrates 75 years in the Troy Community

What do today’s teens have in common with teens of previous decades dating back to the 1940’s? They all gathered with friends to play pool, dance, and have fun at the community recreation center better known as The Rec. The Troy Recreation Association’s mission to serve the community, especially youth, is in its 75th year.

A group of Troy citizens began meeting in the late 1930’s to plan recreational activities for the youth of Troy. The first gathering place was located in a building on the northwest corner of the Square, above a space which over the years has housed David’s Shoes and the Amish Furniture store. Attendance was booming at “The Rec”, as the kids called it, and more space was needed. In 1941, operations moved to the current location on the corner of North Market and Water. The Rev. A.M. “Pop” Dixon was named the first Rec Director.

In recognition of 75 years, The Troy Rec is having an Indoor Picnic for the community on October 22nd from Noon-2:00 pm. There will be refreshments, inflatables, games, and a photo booth. All activities are family friendly, free, and open to the community.

In addition, there will be a 6th-8th grade Halloween dance from 7:00-9:00 pm on Saturday, October 22nd. There will be refreshments, goody bags for everyone, and a costume contest with prizes. Admission is free, but tickets must be picked up at The Rec prior to the event.

The dance and events are partially funded by a grant from The Miami County Foundation.

What To Do in Troy

Health Trekkers
October 13,
10:00-11:00 a.m.
Hobart Urban Nature Preserve
The Miami County Park District will hold its Health Trekkers program on October 13 from 10 to 11 a.m. at Hobart Urban Nature Preserve, 1400 Tyrone in Troy. Take a hike for heath and join park district health and wellness specialist, registered nurse Marion for this weekly low impact walk held each Thursday morning. Relevant topics such as heart health, diet and nutrition, diabetes prevention, stress relief and many others will be discussed during this six week walking series. Remember to wear weather appropriate gear and walking shoes for comfort. Registration not required but highly recommended. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

HalloWizard Party
October 14-16,
6:30-8:00 p.m.
Mayflower Arts Center
Wizarding Fun for ALL Ages!
Mark your calendars for our biggest HalloWizard Party yet!
Join us as we enter the magical world of witches, wizards, and muggles! Spend time making your own wizard wand at Ollivander’s, create personalized wizard cards, mix color potions at Slug & Jiggers Apothecary, enjoy a game or two of Quidditch, and delight in fresh brewed Butterbeer (non-alcoholic, of course!) and delectable treats at The Leaky Cauldron. Have a souvenir photo taken as a prisoner of Azkaban. Costumes encouraged, but not required. Admission is \$20/person, payable at the door. Cash or check only. Participation is limited to 20 guests/evening and pre-registration required.

Souper – Walk
October 14, 7:00 p.m.
Maple Ridge Reserve
The Miami County Park District will hold its Souper-Walk program on October 14 at 7 p.m. at Maple Ridge Reserve, 10430 State Route 185 in Covington. Enjoy a guided, nighttime hike through the woods followed by a warm crackling fire and hot cup of homemade soup. Hikers are encouraged to bring a can of soup for donation to a local food pantry. Stay warm – remember to layer up before you head out. Pre-registration requested. Register for

the program by sending an email to register@miamicountyparks.com, going to the program calendar at www.MiamiCountyParks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Family Discovery Hike “Insects”
October 15,
1:30 to 3:00 p.m.
Charleston Falls Preserve
The Miami County Park District will hold its Family Discovery Hike “Insects” on October 15 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Join park district naturalist Accipiter Amalee to learn all about insects. This guided hike is designed for children with autism and their families, but all are welcome. Each hike will include 1-2 different social skills to practice along with several fun activities. Class minimum four families, maximum 10 families. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Ghost Stories on the Island
October 15,
6:00-8:00 p.m.
Treasure Island Park
This year, Ghost Tours of Troy and the City of Troy to present Ghost Stories on the Island. These will be free ghost tours at Treasure Island Park in Troy, Ohio for one night only. The date and time for the free ghost tours at Treasure island Park are as follows:
Saturday – October 15, 2016 – 6-8pm, occurring every 30 minutes with 20 people as maximum group size. Please call Shawn Denoyer at 937-875-0172 or email Shawn at shawnd1211@hotmail.com to secure your date and time slot as space is limited.

The Juggernaut Jug Band
October 15, 7:30 p.m.
Troy-Hayner Cultural Center
The Juggernaut Jug Band
What do you get when you blend jazz, blues ragtime, swing and original music with washboards, washtub, kazoo, jugs and various other sundry hardware? Nothing less than the strange concoction called the JUGGERNAUT JUG BAND. While members of the band are accomplished musicians, “They don’t let virtuosity get in the way of having fun.” (Washington Post) Each performance is a challenge to the audience

to have as much fun as the band. Don’t let their antics fool you though. Their exuberant music is the result of skillfully conceived arrangements and unique vocal harmonies.

Dog Social “Leaf Games”
October 16,
1:00-3:00 p.m.
Hobart Urban Nature Preserve
The Miami County Park District will hold its Dog Social “Leaf Games” on October 16 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Hobart Urban Nature Preserve, 1400 Tyrone in Troy. If your dog is nice and plays well with others, bring them to the park to take part in “Leaf Games” program. Don’t miss this fun event! Remember owners are responsible for their dogs - please clean up after your pet. Meet at the park entrance. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Music in the Park “Sunset Songs”
October 16,
6:00-7:00 p.m.
Charleston Falls Preserve
The Miami County Park District will hold its Music in the Park “Sunset Songs” program on October 16 from 6 to 7 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Participants are invited to listen to the sound of music and nature. Bring a blanket or a chair. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Spooky Ohio
October 19, 6:30 p.m.
Troy-Miami County Public Library
Join the Troy Library for a spooky tour of Ohio at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 19; take in the sights and sounds of haunted buildings, roads, graveyards, etc. found in Ohio. Hear Ohio ghost stories and legends, just in time for Halloween. Some content may not be suitable for children. For more information, call 937-339-0502 ext. 117. The Troy-Miami County Public Library is located at 419 West Main Street, Troy, Ohio.

Health Trekkers
October 20,
10:00-11:00 a.m.
Lost Creek Reserve
The Miami County Park District will hold its Health Trekkers program on October 20 from 10 to 11 a.m. at Lost Creek

Reserve, 2645 E. State Route 41 east of Troy. Take a hike for health and join park district health and wellness specialist, registered nurse Marion for this weekly low impact walk held each Thursday morning. Relevant topics such as heart health, diet and nutrition, diabetes prevention, stress relief and many others will be discussed during this six week walking series. Remember to wear weather appropriate gear and walking shoes for comfort. Registration not required but highly recommended. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Owls & Howls
October 21, 7:00 p.m.
Garbry Big Woods Sanctuary
The Miami County Park District will hold an Owls & Howls Hike on October 21 at 7 p.m. at Garbry Big Woods Sanctuary, 2540 E. Statler Road east of Piqua. Join park district naturalist Accipiter Amalee as we try to call two species rarely seen by humans, an owl and coyote. Learn about these mysterious creatures as while on a leisurely hike by the light of the moon. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Girl Scout Badge “Cadette – Trees Badge” Program
October 21, 5:30 p.m.
Garbry Big Woods Reserve
The Miami County Park District will hold its Girl Scout “Cadette – Trees Badge” program on October 21 at 5:30 p.m. at Garbry Big Woods Reserve, 6660 Castown-Sidney Rd. east of Piqua. Participants will explore the woods and work towards obtaining their “Cadette – Tree Badge” on this afternoon hike. Make sure to wearing sturdy shoes for hiking. Class fee \$3 Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Hometown Halloween
October 22,
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Downtown Troy
Goblins and ghouls, princes and princesses, characters of all sorts are welcome to Trick or Treat throughout the businesses of Downtown

McNerny to Address Altrusa

Altrusa International of Troy will host their monthly lunch program on October 17. The local service club welcomes Troy resident, volunteer and physical therapist, Faye McNerney as their guest speaker. McNerney will address the topic of physical therapy. McNerney is also a longtime member of

the local club. Altrusa International of Troy was chartered in 1948 and has been active in community service with a primary focus of literacy. For more information on the local Altrusa organization visit www.altrusatroy.com or call Tami Ganley at 335-1480.

Hayner to Host Cabaret & Cabernet

The Troy-Hayner Cultural Center is pleased to host the 2nd Cabaret & Cabernet with the David Wion Trio on Saturday evening, October 22nd at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to participate in a Broadway sing-along in the Hayner’s Ballroom complete with cabaret tables, hors d’oeuvres and soft drinks. Wine will be available for purchase. Lyric sheets of all time favorite Broadway tunes will be provided for the sing-a-long. This musical evening is free and open to the public and is intended for an adult audience. In the words of Judy Garland...”we won’t ever want to go home...we will stay all night and sing them all!!” Plan now to spend the evening and sing the night away!

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 or call (937) 339-0457.

Stout Resigns

By Nancy Bowman

Marion Stout, the Troy City Schools’ business manager and director of human resources, will resign effective Jan. 3 to take a job with the Miami County Educational Services Center.

Stout has been with the Troy schools 26 years. The board of education accepted her resignation Monday, Oct. 10, during its monthly meeting.

“We will miss you. We appreciate everything you have done for the Troy City Schools,” said Doug Trostle, board president.

Superintendent Eric Herman said Stout would be missed.

“It is very, very nice when someone has been here for awhile. We have some history ... It has worked well for us. I appreciate everything you have done,” Herman told Stout.

The board also heard an update from consultants SHP Leading Design on the district’s facilities review project.

Jeff Parker of SHP outlined briefly for the board the draft report of the first group of residents who were asked to look at educational visioning.

The next group of residents will take a closer work at district facilities. Its work has been delayed until after the first of the year to allow the Ohio School Facilities Commission to collect information on district enrollment projections and a buildings assessment.

In other business Monday, the board:

- Met in a closed executive session to discuss personnel issues.
- Heard an update on the five-year financial forecast from Jeff Price, district treasurer. Price said the document “is a very good forecast, in my mind.” He noted that 1 percent increases in income tax revenue are projected each year. Numbers for any income from levies were based on renewals, he said.
- Heard from Herman that the Troy High School media students were involved in the production of a 40th anniversary video of the Troy Strawberry Festival for this year’s event. The video recently was recognized with an award, he said.
- Approved just over \$16,000 in gifts to the district during the past month.
- Approved a proclamation for American Education Week scheduled Nov. 13-19.

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Fall Farm Fest Draws Large Crowd

By **Brittany Arlene Jackson**

The Miami County Park District (MCPD) enjoyed another successful Fall Farm Festival at Lost Creek Preserve October 8 and 9. With goals like promoting local parks, encouraging outdoor activities, agricultural education, and bringing people from the community together, the event highlighted the fun of rural harvest life in Miami County.

“It’s a celebration of the agricultural heritage of this area,” according to J. Scott Myers, executive director of the Miami County Park District. The most popular activities at the festival in-

cluded seasonal foods, hayrides, a scarecrow contest, a six-acre corn maze, corn cannon, music, children’s games, farm animals, Kid-die Tractor Pull, a pump-kin patch, face-painting, demonstrations, and more. The scarecrow contest in particular involved Troy businesses and organiza-tions that sponsored and built sculptures out of hay. Everything from hay peo-ple to painted Pokemon on bales of hay lined a long lane continuously cruised by hayrides.

More traditional forms of fall fun included pump-kin painting for children, a kiddie tractor pull spon-

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Operation Recreation

No private funding till after Nov. 8 vote

By **Nancy Bowman**

Attempts to raise money from private donors for the proposed Operation Recreation project in Troy won’t begin until city voters decide a proposed \$10 million tax request Nov. 8.

Bobby Phillips, a Troy council member and chairman of the Operation Rec-reation board, updated the city Park Board on the private-public effort during its Oct. 4 meeting.

Phillips also reported the committee had prioritized the proposed projects with proceeds first going to the base-ball complex at Duke Park and completing the park’s soccer fields and facility-related in-frastructure.

The 2.01-mill addition-al tax levy would generate \$1 million a year in each of its 10 years of life. The cost to the owner of a home with a \$100,000 value would be \$70.35 a year, according to the Miami County Auditor’s Office.

As part of a proposed funding package, another \$4

million was to be raised from private sources.

That fundraising “has been put on hold because of discus-sions within our group and then reaching out to potential donors that they are wanting to see what is going to happen with the levy before they jump in to commit a dollar or a mil-lion or whatever,” Phillips said.

“We are waiting to see how residents of our city vote on the levy itself,” he said.

The bulk of the money raised for the projects would go toward the fields.

The second priority for the money would be the proposed Miami Shores Golf Course projects at the clubhouse (pro shop/concession area and driving range) followed by upgrades planned for the Troy Senior Citizens Center.

The campaign to pass the tax levy is under way.

Phillips said brochures have been made and an open house where people can re-view proposals and talk with the committee tentatively scheduled for Oct. 25. The time and location will be re-leased once finalized.

Media Panel for Meet the Candidates Night Announced

The media panel for *Meet the Candidate* night, spon-sored by Leadership Troy Alumni, includes Matt Bay-man of MyMiamiCounty.com, Joshua Byers of Troy Daily News, and Scott Horn-berger of WTJN Radio. The event, scheduled for Thurs-day, October 20, 2016 at the Troy Junior High School caf-eteria, will be broadcast live on Troy Community Radio 107.1 WTJN and on WPTV 98.1 FM and 1570 AM.

This forum will feature candidates and issues facing the voters in Troy and Con-cord Township in the general election to include:

- U.S. House of Represen-tatives – 8th District – Warren Davidson and Steven Fought
- Miami County Sheriff – David Duchak and Joe Mah-an
- City of Troy Tax Levy for Parks
- Concord Township Fire Levy Renewal
- Tri-County Board of Recovery and Mental Health Services Levy Renewal
- Tom Dunn, LT ’96, will be the emcee and written

questions from the audience will be accepted and present-ed by the media panel. Jack Hoekstra LT ’08 will be time-keeper. The program will be-gin promptly at 7:30 p.m. and will last one hour. The pub-lic is invited and encouraged to attend. Doors to the Troy Jr. High at 556 North Adams Street, Troy, open at 7:00 p.m.

This is the 26th year that Leadership Troy Alumni has sponsored Meet the Can-didate Night that began in 1990. Leadership Troy Alumni in-cludes residents of the Troy area who, since 1984, have successfully completed an extensive program designed to increase the quality and quantity of men and women capable of accepting lead-ership roles in community organizations. Applications are currently available for the Leadership Troy Class of 2017. Deadline is December 15, 2016.

Contact Leadership Troy at the Troy Area Chamber of Commerce for an applica-tion. <http://www.troyohio-chamber.com/pages/leader-ship-troy>

Troy Lions Club Accepting Used Hearing Aids

Troy residents can now recycle used and unwanted hearing aids to help oth-ers in Miami County. The Troy Lions Club, known for their expertise in recycling eyeglasses, have started a new project to also recycle hearing aids. All of the used hearing aids will be cleaned and reprogramed by hearing professionals to help finan-cially eligible Miami County citizens obtain better hear-ing.

The key to this new pro-gram is the collaboration of the local Lions Club with Upper Valley Hearing and Balance. “Today’s hearing aids are like small computers that can be programed for an individual’s needs,” explains Steve Kaplan of the Troy Li-ons Club. “The doctors of audiology at Upper Valley Hearing and Balance were already helping people that could not afford new aids in this way. The problem was a lack of used hearing aids



to work with. Hopefully we can help fill in that shortage,” he added.

To kick off this new proj-ect, the Troy Lions Club will hold a “Collection Saturday” at the Troy-Miami County Public Library on Saturday, October 15th from 10:00am until 12:00 noon. Residents that have older, used and unwanted hearing aids are encouraged to donate them at this time. Lions Club

members will be on hand to accept the aids and an-swer any questions. After this Saturday, the club will have a special collection box permanently at the library. Hearing aids can be dropped off there any time.

The Lions will continue to collect and recycle used eyeglasses with their col-lection boxes around town. They ask that hearing aids be taken to the special box

at the library. Kaplan said, “Since Lions Club purchase new eyeglasses for people that can’t afford them here in the United States, used eyeglasses that are collect-ed are recycled to devel-oping countries in Central and South America. One of the exciting things about this hearing aid project is that, thanks to Upper Valley Hearing and Balance, the donated aids will stay here in Miami County to help local residents.”

The Troy Lions Club is a nonprofit charitable organi-zation dedicated to commu-nity service. The club helps income-eligible individuals obtain eye exams and glass-es, and provides pre-school vision screenings. The Troy Lions Club also provides scholarships and supports many community programs. For more information visit their web site: www.e-club-house.org/sites/Troy_OH or call 335-7345.

Rotarians Host Troy Pop Rocks

You needed to be dedi-cated to be a Troy Pop Rocks jump rope performer. That means practicing 9 hours a week, 7 months of the year so you are ready for the 25-30 shows the team performs annually. Troy Rotary club hosted 2 performers, Sad-die Schaefer and Maggie Wannemacher, during the club’s weekly meeting on October 4th to learn more about the team’s success.

What started out in 2008 as a voluntary gymnastics exercise program to pro-mote heart healthy activities has grown to a nationwide

phenomenon. The team has traveled to different region-al and national high school and college basketball games to perform during halftime. Once they take to the floor, jump rope, tumbling and elements of dance come together into a high ener-gy, choreographed routine. Troy Pop Rocks is so good that they were featured in a recent national bank com-mercial. Open to students in grades 3-8, it’s more than just a cool way to exercise. As a performer, each student has a chance to learn leadership skills, think creatively, and

the importance of practice to perfect the performanc-es they do. As the students move up in grade level, they gain more and more respon-sibility for the routines. To learn more and see videos of some of their performances, visit their Web site at www.troypoprocks.com.

Troy Rotarians and the Troy Rotary Foundation support several community projects annually. During the 2015-16 Rotary year, over \$23,000 in scholarships and community aid was distributed from the fund, including support for Dolly

Parton’s Imagination Library program, Rotary’s annual Shoe Project, academic and community service scholar-ships, and sponsorships to summer camps at Bruker Nature Center and WACO Air Museum. The Troy Ro-tary Club is a member-in-volved, goal-oriented ser-vice 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 Rotary and membership, please visit www.troyohiorotary.org.

Hometown Halloween Returns to Downtown Troy

Are you looking for fun activities for your little su-perheroes and princesses this Halloween? If so, grab your broomsticks and bat wings and join the family parade at our Hometown Halloween in downtown Troy on Saturday, Oct. 22, starting at 9 a.m.

“The Halloween parade, organized and led by the Troy Noon Optimists, is fan-tastic fun for our young chil-dren,” said Shelly Calvert, marketing and events coor-

dinator for Troy Main Street. “After the parade, the chil-dren can head to the game area provided by MAK Den-tal, and they can go trick-or-treating at participating downtown businesses. This is one of those events that highlight the charms and benefits of having a vibrant hometown community.”

Beginning at 9 a.m., chil-dren will line up at the Ho-bart Government Center, lo-cated just west of the public library, to participate in the

annual Halloween Parade. Costume judging will take place prior to the parade this year, with the winners an-nounced on-stage after the parade.

From 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, merchants will be handing out treats to cos-tumed children accompa-nied by an adult. Children ages newborn to 6th grade are invited to participate in trick-or-treating.

Beginning at 12 noon, the Troy Rec will hold an

“indoor picnic” to celebrate their 75th anniversary with games, snacks and inflat-ables. Families and children of all ages are welcome.

Hometown Halloween is free to the public thanks to our sponsors, Unity Nation-al Bank, Alvetro Orthodon-tics, MAK Dental and our generous downtown busi-nesses.

For additional informa-tion, visit www.troymain-street.org or call Troy Main Street at 339-5455.

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Making Sense of Health Insurance

Provided by Michael Dugan, Benefits Analysis Corp.

Why am I paying for Maternity Coverage?

Most people are finding out that the Affordable Care Act wasn't just about expanding health benefits to everyone. It was about standardizing health benefits. It seemed well intended because everyone should be paying into the system. The problem is that people end up paying for services they either can't use or don't believe in.

For instance, if you're Catholic you might not want to pay for contraceptive coverage.

Or if you're a Male you probably don't need maternity coverage.

What about me, I'm a Catholic Male!?

Unfortunately, it doesn't matter- according to the government. Part of Obamacare says that all Affordable Care Act Plans must cover certain benefits including contraceptives and maternity.

There are some good requirements like insurance companies can't drop you because of a large medical claim, preventative care has to be covered, and insurance companies cannot have a lifetime limit on health benefits.

The problem is that insurance companies don't give those benefits for free. They build it into the price of the plan. Instead of having free preventative care it's more like you're forced to pay for it. Or in my case I'm forced to pay for maternity coverage.

There is some hope, however. There are new plans called Health Sharing Plans that allow people to only pay for benefits they want. Health Sharing Plans got a religious exemption from Obamacare and they are considered credible coverage. They get you out of the Individual Mandate (penalty, tax, whatever you want to call it) and help protect against catastrophic medical claims. I started working with several Health Sharing Plans recently and I'm convinced they are the greatest thing since... well the old system.

It's frustrating paying for things you don't need- trust me. The good news is that we might have an alternative. If you want more information about a Health Sharing Plan please call my office.

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Columns & Opinion

Gardening Commentary

By Meadow View Growers

Enjoying Your Garden Mums: This Fall & Next Year

There are a number of ways to improve the survivability of the "garden mums" that are so beautiful in our gardens this fall. Here are some of the things you can do to help your mums be ready to grow next spring. 1) Plant your mums as early in the fall as possible so they can get their roots established before the ground starts to freeze. 2) Use good compost, peat moss or a good quality potting soil like Metro Mix 360 mixed 1/3 by volume with the soil you are going to use for planting. The top of the root ball should be level with the surrounding soil when plant-



ing is finished. 3) Loosen the roots of the plant if they are tightly compacted in the container you purchased. This will help them get new roots out into the soil in their new home. 4) Use a starter fertilizer, like Bio-tone® Start Plus, mixed in the soil that is going back in

the hole according to the directions on the package; this will stimulate those good healthy roots to get growing. 5) Soak the plant when it is planted by flooding the hole with water after the soil has been placed around the root ball. Water the plant every second or third day if we

don't get rain. 6) Mulch the plant with about one inch of mulch when planting. In mid-December or when the ground begins to freeze and the top of the plant looks brown and dry cover the top of the plant with leaves or straw. Do not cut the top of the plant back. 7) About mid-March when we get a mild day remove the leaves or straw you put over the plant in December to protect it during the winter. In April you can trim back the dead top to the new shoots. Fertilize at this time.

Years ago our grandmothers had a limited selection of flowers that would bloom and provide color in the garden during the fall season. The consumer was interested in new varieties that would bloom over a longer period. They wanted plants that bloomed in August all the way through the fall to Thanksgiving. The marketing people asked

the mum breeders to develop plants that would bloom over a longer period of time and more colors and plants that would stay compact and not get scraggly.

Over time the breeders came up with very compact varieties that had hundreds of flowers and new colors like white petals with yellow centers. Some even had more fragrance. All these "new" characteristics were the drivers of the new varieties and hardiness was not one of the big issues. Following the suggestions above will help your plants survive our Ohio winters. Snow cover will also help our plants overwinter.

Now with these easy steps you should have your mums surviving the winter. Send any questions to info@meadowview.com and we'll do our best to help you.

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At Home

By Connie Moore

Deep Dish Desserts

My friend Betty decided to bake dessert for her family. She pondered over, not what they wanted but, what she had on hand.

Her crumblance was about to crumble when she discovered some crisp apples in the refrigerator. She had flour, brown sugar and butter but she questioned herself on her baking skills as to pies of which a crispy yet flaky crust was essential. All thoughts of pie buckled

as she slumped to the table in despair. She really didn't have baking skills. But still... dessert was a must for this bird's nest of hungry kids.

She ended up cobbling together a deep dish of enormous and amazingly tasty proportions. Soft, tender fruit bathed in a sweet brown sugary buttery syrup under a layer of golden brown biscuit over which was a shiny glaze of sugar and cinnamon.

If you are still wondering what kind of desserts we're highlighting, cobbler, crisp, crumble, slump, bird's nest were hints that deep dish fruit and biscuit or oat

toppings are in season. As October cool evenings, cold mornings and warm afternoons work their way into our lives, fruits of all sorts can be highlighted in these old-fashioned dishes. Cobbler is the basic word usually used for these desserts, but upon research, some rather odd names present themselves.

Betty or Brown Betty uses fruit, usually apples baked in layers of buttered bread crumbs. Later, graham cracker crumbs were introduced. The term Betty relating to the dessert had its beginning as far back as 1864.

Crisps and crumbles are fruit mixtures baked with a crumb topping consisting of nuts, bread crumbs, oats, or crushed cookies mixed with

butter and spices. Crumble is the English version of North America's crisp.

Buckle is generally associated with blueberries. A cake batter is poured into a deep dish. Berries can be blended into the batter or scattered on top to sink into the batter during baking. Topping is a streusel mixture which, when all is baked together, looks like the dish rose and then buckled.

Pandowdy is associated with apples. Sliced fruit is sweetened with brown sugar or molasses. Biscuit dough is baked on top, only to be broken up and pushed into the fruit during baking. Dowdy has the meaning of not neat or tidy. The top of pandowdies have that frumpy, something went wrong look about

them. Their taste is just the opposite, as the broken biscuit soaks up the sugary sweet apple juice. They can be some of the best autumn baking adventures.

Grunts and slumps are usually cooked on top of the stove. Fruits are stewed with spices, then a biscuit or dumpling dough is spooned on top. The pan is covered, heat reduced to a simmer and the resulting dumplings are steamed much like chicken and dumplings. Grunt refers to the faint bubbling sound of the fruit cooking around the mounds of dough. Slump may refer to the fact that, if heavy enough, the dough will slump or sink into the fruit.

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Financial Focus

Provided by Matt Buehrer, Thrivent Financial

Fixed Annuities: A Solid Choice for Retirement Income

For years, Americans have looked to the stock market to help meet their long-term retirement needs. Unfortunately for those near or in retirement, market gyrations can wreak short-term havoc with even the best designed pension funds, 401(k)s, and individual retirement accounts. For investors in need of retirement income stability, now may be a great time to consider the benefits of a fixed annuity, including the retirement income stream it can provide.

A fixed annuity is a contract made with an insurer in which an individual makes either a lump sum payment or a series of payments and the insurer agrees to pay that money plus interest back in a lump sum, over a fixed period of time, or for as long as the individual lives.

With the guaranteed interest rates of a fixed annuity, investors avoid market volatility. Typically, the insurer supports these guarantees by investing in well-balanced portfolio of

quality corporate bonds, government securities and real estate, leaving the investor with guaranteed retirement income.(1)

Fixed annuities offer:

- Guaranteed minimum rate of return. Investors know exactly how much interest their annuity will earn each year. (2)
- Tax-Deferred growth. One type of annuity, a flexible premium annuity, allows investors to alter the amount and the frequency of payments, within specified boundaries defined by the insurer and the law.

A fixed annuity can bring balance to a retirement portfolio that may already hold more aggressive investments such as stocks, or can simply add a degree of stability to one's overall investment portfolio. Equally important, with a fixed annuity, one can choose to receive income one can't outlive. Investors either can choose to receive income over their entire lifetime or for a specified

number of years. Fixed annuities may offer many benefits for the conservative investor, including:

Guaranteed (1) return of premium payments. Some annuity contracts guarantee that investors will receive no less than the sum of all premiums paid, less any previous withdrawals, if the annuity is surrendered. However, some withdrawals and surrenders may be subject to surrender charges and/or tax penalties. (3)

Access to accumulated values. Many annuity contracts allow investors to withdraw a percentage of the accumulated value each year without incurring surrender charges. With some annuity contracts investors also can access the funds in the annuity without surrender charges in cases of terminal illness or nursing home confinement. And, when investors start taking regular withdrawals in retirement, they can often choose from convenient, tax-advantaged options such as receiving an income for life, receiving the interest only, or taking a set amount on a regular basis.

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process.

Some things in life should come with guarantees. Retirement is one of them. Fixed annuities may help maintain one's financial independence throughout retirement, regardless of the performance of the stock market.

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Tip of the Week

BY SGT. JJ MAURO
TIPP CITY POLICE RETIRED

Police Training

Back in the 1970's police officers went to the Police Academy then went on the street. An experienced officer may have tagged along with you but when he said you were ready, well then you were on your own. Once a year we were qualified on the shooting range with the duty revolver and riot shotgun.

In my second year as a police officer, I learned of a free school at the Ohio State Patrol Academy put on by the professors from the Northwestern University Traffic Institute. It was a two week school teaching advanced accident investigation. NUTI

wrote the textbook for accident investigation and this school was not a disappointment.

The instructors taught us how to take measurements, including tread marks in an arc. With training in square roots and different formulas, we were able to determine the minimum speed a vehicle was traveling. With the NUTI Nomo graph we were able to estimate speeds, drag factor and so on without laying our own test skid marks. We also learned how to lay test skid marks to determine speed.

Now that school has expanded and the Accident Reconstructionist will use physics to determine more precisely the speed at the time of impact by using

damage results, stress factors of aged steel and so on. I felt privileged to have taken this school and used it until my retirement 36 years later.

Slowly as time passed, the OSP Academy and the Ohio Peace Officer's Training Academy added new, more scientific based schooling. For instance at the Police Academy we were taught how to administer a field sobriety test. There were no accepted testing procedures, only the experience of each officer. We used to carry coins to have the suspect bend over and pick them up off the ground. If the guy fell, he was drunk.

Some officers would have a suspect stand, close his eyes and touch his nose. If he missed his nose, he was drunk. Now we have a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration guideline

and classes on standardized testing, Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus and so on.

When a husband would beat up his wife, she would never file charges and there was nothing we could do about it. Then came Domestic Violence laws and classes. Now if an officer sees evidence of DV or has a witness, an arrest of the person who instigated the incident is arrested. If no arrest is made, a police report is mandatory to explain why. This is called a Pro Arrest Policy.

Each year we have classes on the use of non-lethal weapons such as stun guns, pepper spray, night sticks, CPR/First Aid and sexual harassment. There has always been a vulgar term stating to the effect that "A badge will get you lots of loving ladies, but the loving ladies will get your badge." The italics are

my attempt to keep it clean. And I have seen many officers resign over a lady.

Even in the jail, Corrections Officers are constantly being trained on the use of force, sexual harassment, verbal de-escalation, non-lethal weapons and so on the same as police officer training.

What is the leading force behind all this change in training? Law suits are the simple answer. When a governmental agency, thought to have "deep pockets," is sued and loses, not only do they have to pay out big bucks of the taxpayer's money, but their insurance rates increase tremendously. Those governmental agencies have found it is much cheaper to pay for training than it is to pay out the big bucks.

I have only touched on the training today's LEO's

go through. In fact I have two 3" binders holding all my certificates and examples of my work. Some officers have taken advantage of all the training made available to them over the years such as the FBI Academy, Northwestern University School for Police Command Officers, Certified Police Chief courses and so on. These officers spend so much time in training that they don't go out on the street and make arrests. A questionable arrest or claim of wrong doing, whether right or wrong may blemish their reputation and ruin any chance of being a Chief.

Then there are the rest of us who are considered "Old School" and still try to make a good arrest in spite of all the rules, policies and cameras watching the officer's every move.

PUZZLES

Word Search

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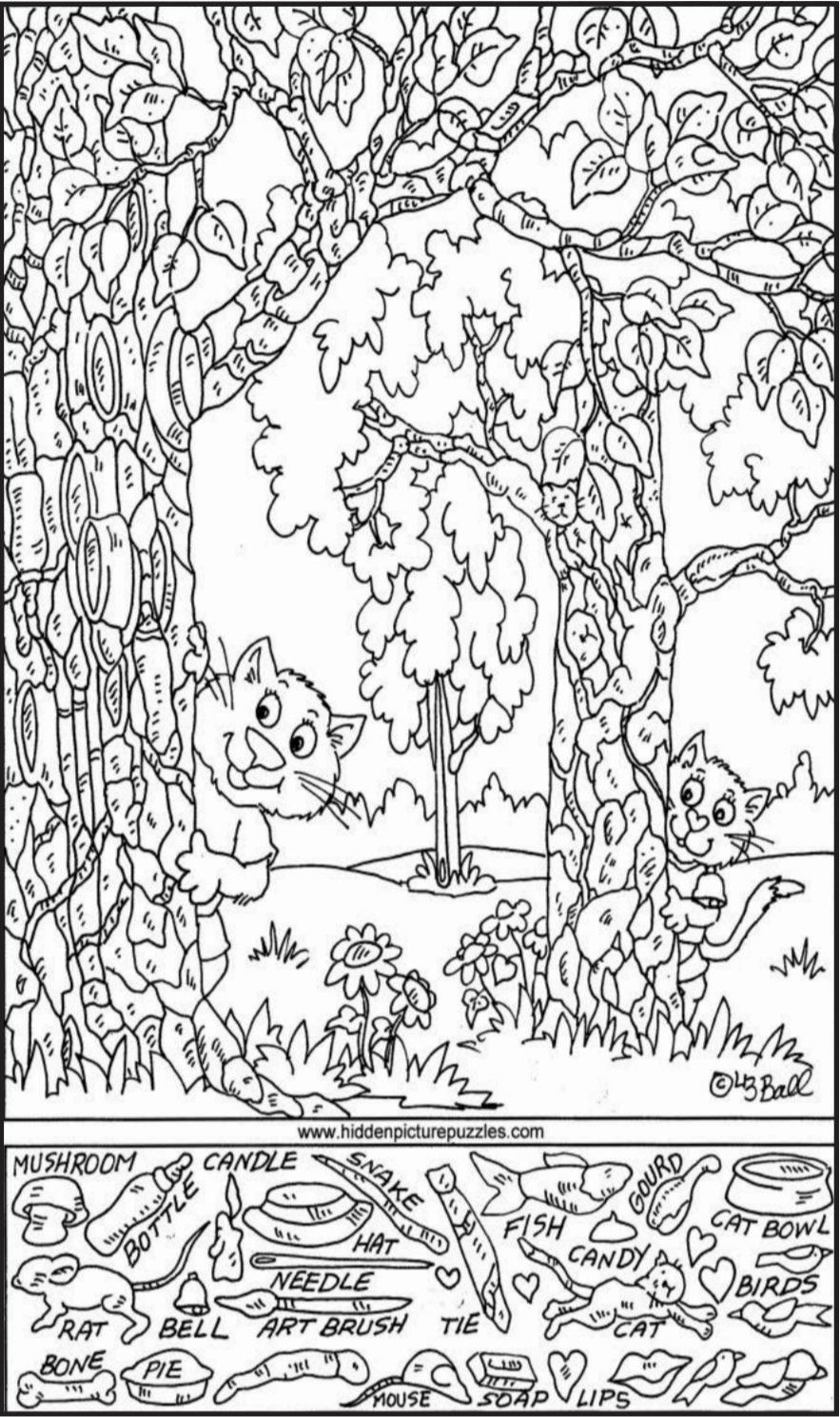
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Awake	Free	Lame	Poor	Slid	Tool
Bigger	Globe	Lava	Radio	Slit	Twin
Bite	Gold	Legs	Referee	Slows	Very
Boot	Good	Lies	Rely	Some	Widow
Bottom	Hail	Lizards	Repeat	Sperm	Worry
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Hidden Treasures

BY LIZ BALL



Sudoku

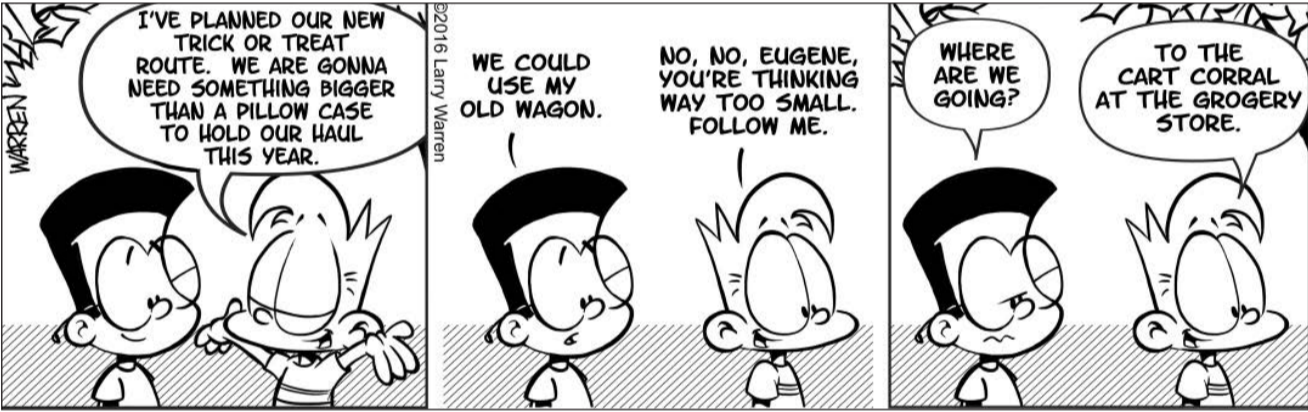
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Each Sudoku puzzle consists of a 9x9 grid that has been subdivided into nine smaller grids of 3x3 squares. To solve the puzzle, each row, column and box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9.

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Cooper

BY LARRY WARREN



Crossword Puzzle

#9

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ACROSS			
1. Displayed fear	29. Pole with a blade on one end	2. Where China is	or "ring"
4. Hit the slopes	30. Different nationalities	3. Fisherman's gear	26. Unwrinkles
7. "Peter ____": Never Never Land movie	33. Waxed	4. Cow or sow	27. Japanese ceremonial drink
10. Exploit	35. Had	5. Peck on the lips	31. Questionnaire choice
11. Goatee site	36. Exhausted	6. ____ the fire	32. Sweet ____
12. Have ____ at	39. Grating	7. Incomplete	34. Doctor involved in space exploration
13. Canine command	43. It may be natural	8. Geologic period	37. Not theirs
14. Brought back to its original condition	46. Cow, maybe	9. Catch some Zs (with "off")	38. Family ____
16. Urgency	47. "You ____ my sunshine"	11. Rowing teams	40. Tempo
18. Delicate	48. Back	15. ____ duty	41. Trumpeting creature
19. Mouse catcher	49. Oozy stuff	17. Unduly	42. Rancher's concern
21. Membrane, for example	50. Used to be	20. Place for ChapStick	43. Like sushi
24. Sediment	51. Salon offering	22. Prevaricate	44. Time scale section
28. Put on TV	52. Word with loose or back	23. "____ Doubtfire"	45. Construction vehicle, for short
	DOWN	24. Poodle for example	
	1. Hurry up	25. Word with "wig," "wax"	

Trivia Challenge

Beer Slogans Trivia Quiz

- 1.) Let the fin begin.
a. Abbot Ale
b. Rockdale Light
c. Landshark
d. Corona

2.) The Champagne Of Beers
a. Fruli
b. Miller High Life
c. Guinness
d. Stroh's

3.) Lose the carbs, not the taste.
a. Keystone Light
b. Labatt Maximum Ice
c. Michelob Ultra
d. Budweiser 55

4.) Hooray Beer!
a. Laker Strong
b. Red Stripe
c. Fat Tire
d. Michelob Light

5.) The King Of Beers
a. Busch
b. Budweiser
c. Molson Canadian
d. Miller Lite

6.) It works every time.
a. Michelob Light
b. Coors Light
c. Colt 45
d. Pabst Blue Ribbon

7.) Head for the mountains.
a. Labatt Blue
b. Busch
c. Northern Logger Golden
d. Molson Ice

8.) Miles away from ordinary.
a. Red Stripe
b. Corona
c. Kraftig
d. Coors Banquet

9.) The beer that made Milwaukee famous.
a. Sleeman Dark
b. Milwaukee's Best Light
c. Hamm's Premium
d. Schlitz

10.) Life Beckons.
a. Heineken
b. Tatra Beer
c. PBR
d. Beck's

11.) Turn it loose!
a. Wild Goose
b. Billy Beer
c. Samuel Adams
d. Coors

12.) It's all about the beer!
a. Heineken
b. Bavaria Pils
c. Amstel Gold
d. Pilsener

13.) I am Canadian.
a. Kokanee
b. Labatt 50
c. Molson Canadian
d. Labatt Blue

14.) Probably the best beer in the world.
a. Bonator
b. Carlsberg
c. Hans Muller
d. Beck's

15.) America's Oldest Lager Beer.
a. Rainier
b. Lucky Lager
c. Schaefer
d. Miller

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TROY GARAGE SALES

2572 RENWICK WAY Oct 13-15, 10-4. Help a shopaholic out. Lots of new and gently used items including Halloween and Christmas items. Cancelled during rain.

1331 KELLER DR. Fri Oct 14 (9-5), Sat Oct 15 (9-2). Large selection professional quality women’s plus size clothing (2x-4x: dress pant sizes 24-32 short). Must see. Misc. household items. Rain dates Oct 28-29.

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Troy on Saturday, October 22nd.

On Saturday, October 22, 2016, Main Street will be flooded with little ghouls, superheroes, and princesses! Join us for a morning of happy haunting as Hometown Halloween returns to Troy. Beginning at 9:00 AM, children will line up at the Hobart Government Center to participate in the annual Halloween Parade, costume judging, and downtown merchant trick-or-treat.

At approximately 9:15 AM, the Troy Noon Optimists will lead the parade down W. Main Street to Prouty Plaza, where the costume judging will take place immediately following.

Downtown businesses will be handing out treats to costumed children accompanied by an adult. Maps identifying the participating businesses will be distributed at Prouty Plaza and each merchant will have an event decal in the window of their store.

Preschool in the Park “Bats, Owls & Spiders”
October 22,
11:00 a.m. to Noon
Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Preschool in the Park “Bats, Owls & Spiders” program on October 22 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Join park district naturalist Gecko Jody and learn all about bats, owls and spiders. There will be story time and a short tot sized hike. Wear shoes and clothes that can get wet. There is a \$3 class fee due at the time of registration. Class size limited to 12, class minimum is four. Must be registered to attend. Register for the program by sending an email to register@miamicountyparks.com, going to the program calendar at www.MiamiCountyParks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109. Credit card payments are now accepted online at time of registration.

Girl Scout Badge “Daisy – Clover Petal” Program
October 22, 1:00 p.m.
Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Girl Scout “Daisy – Clover Petal” program on October 22

at 1 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Participants will explore the woods and work towards obtaining their “Daisy – Clover Petal” on this afternoon hike. Make sure to wearing sturdy shoes for hiking. Class fee \$3. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Girl Scout Badge “Brownie – Senses Badge” Program
October 22, 3:00 p.m.
Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Girl Scout “Brownie – Senses Badge” program on October 22 at 3 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Participants will explore the woods and work towards obtaining their “Brownie – Senses Badge” on this afternoon hike. Make sure to wearing sturdy shoes for hiking. Class fee \$3. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

Campfires “We are the Stars that Sing”
October 22,
8:00-10:00 p.m.
Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its “We are the Stars that Sing” campfire program on October 22 from 8 to 10 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Join Spirit of Thunder (John De Boer) around the campfire as he plays soft Native American flute music and tells stories about the stars. Special guests the Stillwater Stargazers will be onsite with their telescope to give participants a better view of the night sky. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

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Sudoku

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

Trivia

- 1.) Landshark - Landshark is Jimmy Buffett's beer.

2.) Miller High Life - High Life was once regarded as a great tasting beer.

3.) Michelob Ultra - Michelob is also responsible for Golden Draft, Ambercock and Michelob Light.

4.) Red Stripe - Red Stripe hails from Jamaica.

5.) Budweiser - The AB brewery is located in St. Louis, MO.

6.) Colt 45 - Billy Dee Williams served as Colt 45's spokesman.

7.) Busch - Busch is an AB product.

8.) Corona - Corona is best served with
- lime.

9.) Schlitz - In the film Super Troopers, Farva asks for 6 Schlitzes at a bar.

10.) Beck's - Beck's is German.

11.) Coors - Another Coor's slogan is "Brewed with Pure Rocky Mountain Spring Water".

12.) Heineken - Heineken is produced by the Dutch brewing company Heineken International.

13.) Molson Canadian - Molson Canadian was first brewed in 1959.

14.) Carlsberg - Carlsberg is a German beer.

15.) Schaefer - Schaefer was first brewed in New York City in 1842.



Family and colleagues of the late James Frost, M.D., attended the dedication of a memorial bench near UVMC's entrance.

Memorial Bench Honors Frost

James Frost, M.D., was remembered as a man of great compassion and integrity with a love for family, colleagues, and his patients during the Sept. 28 dedication of a memorial bench in the garden near the UVMC entrance.

donations in his memory, bears the following notation for those who pass and possibly choose to stop to rest for a few minutes: “A life that touched others goes on forever.” Dr. Frost, who passed away in September 2015, was a radiologist who

served more than 33 years for UVMC and its patients. “Jim loved this hospital. He was so thrilled to be a part of it from the ground up,” his wife, Judy Frost, said. Becky Rice, UVMC president and CEO, worked with Dr. Frost for

many years. She called him a “wonderful leader” as a member of the medical staff, its executive committee and the UVMC board. “He was also a calming force in our chaotic day in imaging. No matter how crazy the day would get, how busy it would be

Jim was always level headed,” said Michael Gelbart, M.D., a fellow radiologist. The Rev. Lisa Baker, UVMC chaplain, asked in prayer for the memorial bench to serve as a “place of peace.” “Jim told me to value everyday with your fam-

ily. In our busy lives it is sometimes easy to forget Jim’s message, so every day when I am leaving ... I walk by Jim’s office and I look in there and remember what Jim said to me. I go home and hug my kids and my wife,” Dr. Gelbart said.

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sored by Koenig Equipment, a corn shooter, and a complex corn maze that occupies acreage by the main entrance. The maze continues to be available for private party rental outside the Fall Farm Festival. After long hours of play, hungry guests had the opportunity to try foods made available by visiting food trucks or seasonal offerings like pumpkin and apple pie, provided by the Kiwanis Club.

Folk and country music by local artists like Colin Richards and area bands like Rum River Blend could be heard in the background of various demonstrations. The cowboy showcase by the Miami County Equine Initiative Task Force brought horses, riders, and spectators out to “The Back Forty,” a cleared lot at the far side of the property along the edge of the forest trails. Animals were the stars of the show again this year as young and old enjoyed the petting zoo which included geese, chickens, goats, two very soft angora rabbits, and a very popular little, pink pig named Wilbur. In addition, high attendance accompanied the oxen-plow demonstration which delighted families with a picture of historic farming.

The 456-acre park and working farm became an intensive time capsule for visitors. Over the course of two days, guests of the fest were initiated into the world of modern, organic farming methods that are presently in use at Lost Creek Preserve while, at the same time, local artisan Bob Cruikshank sought to forge a trail back in time as he demonstrated old-fashioned, metal forging techniques.

The family-friendly event continues to be free to the public thanks to sponsorships by local businesses like Kerber Sheet Metal, Koenig Equipment, Buckeye Insurance, Nationwide, Premier Health, Stillwater Technologies, Troy Elevator-Mennel, Family Farm & Home of Piqua, Jordan Peterson-Edward Jones Financial Advisor, A.M. Leonard, My Miami County and Cracker Barrel of Piqua and private donors.

Good Things Happening at Hayner

Juggernaut Jug Band

Saturday, October 15 at 7:30 pm

Upbeat rendition of historic jug band music of the 1920s. A combination of jazz, blues, swing and ragtime --played on washboards, wash tubs, jugs, kazoos, banjo, guitar and stand-up bass.

No admission fee.

Drawing Room Chamber Concert

with Dr. Randall Paul

Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 7:30 pm

Ginger Minneman, soprano

Steven Aldredge, piano

Tuesday, No admission fee.

Cabaret and Cabernet with David Wion Trio

October 22 at 7:30 pm

Sing along with favorite Broadway songs. Wine will be sold by the glass.

No admission fee.

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